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Ecology



Pollination Station

Gradient Canopy features more than 4 acres of native pollinator habitat, which is critical to healthy ecosystems and local food production. We've paid special attention to the threatened Western monarch butterfly, by planting locally native milkweed and wildflowers that provide nectar throughout the year

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Re-Oaking the Valley

We have planted nearly 200 new native oaks at Gradient Canopy. Reintroducing native oaks to the landscape is one strategy for building ecological resilience in the region: native oaks are more drought tolerant, store more carbon, and support more bird and insect species than non-native trees.

A Bird's Eye View



Gradient Canopy's native tree canopy offers high-value habitat for resident and migratory birds. To help bolster a safe environment for birds in this ecologically rich landscape, the building's windows feature integrated "frit" patterns to help them perceive the glass as an obstacle to be avoided.

Sustainability

Sustainable Lumber

Over 99% of the lumber used to build this building comes from responsibly managed forests certified by the Forest Stewardship Council (FSC). Even the wood used temporarily during construction, such as the lumber used to shape the concrete foundation, was FSC-certified or salvaged from other construction sites.



Gradient Canopy collects rainwater from the roof and stores it in basement cisterns that can hold 721,000 gallons of water—more than an Olympic-sized swimming pool. This water can be reused for non-potable needs such as irrigation and toilet flushing.

Here Be Dragonscale

Individual solar panels create Gradient Canopy's distinct silver "dragonscale" solar skin. The first-of-their-kind solar shingles capture the sun at different angles to maximize the amount of solar energy generated throughout the day — a huge step orward toward a carbon-free future.







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