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Kill Devil Hills

Greenhouse Gas Emissions Management and Reduction

Use passive solar water heating systems

Choose local vendors to reduce transport of items

Institute fuel economizing programs for company vehicles such as regular inspection of vehicles, reduced idling, and route planning to minimize travel distances

Allow flexible staff schedules to minimize staff travel during heavy traffic periods

Utilize and provide staff and customers video conferencing/teleconferencing to minimize travel to meetings

Adopt alternative forms of transportation and fuels, such as participating in used cooking oil recycling programs for biodiesel processing

Solid Waste Management, Reduction, Reuse, & Recycling

Conduct a waste audit to determine a baseline for future waste reductions

Purchase products in reusable, returnable containers

Donate obsolete/unwanted equipment, electronics, furniture to charity

Eliminate use of Styrofoam and other difficult to recycle products

Donate leftover cookware, silverware, and linens to charity

Donate unused food to a community food bank/compost site

Purchase products such as condiments, cleaning supplies, and other products in bulk/concentrated form

Offer reusable products such as glass cups, cotton linens, and refillable condiment dispensers

Distribute condiments and napkins from behind the counter/on request

Give preference to products with high post-consumer recycled content

Ensure that printed materials are printed on paper with high recycled content (at least 35%) and print using soy-based ink

Purchase antiques and furniture from local vendors

Recycle damaged towels and sheets as cleaning rags and craft torn linens into other usable items (e.g. sheets into pillowcases)

Reuse newspaper, shredded paper, and incoming packaging materials for packing/shipping needs

Institute a composting program for yard and food waste, mulch grass clippings and avoid baggage

When reusable options are not feasible, use disposable products that are compostable such as corn-based cutlery

Purchase recyclable toner cartridges

Use non-bleached paper napkins, towels, and coffee filters

Provide alternatives to individual plastic water bottles such as water pitchers/point of use water filters

Use rechargeable batteries

Provide cigarette disposal bins in smoking areas

Purchase durable goods of sufficient quality to allow reuse, refinishing, or reupholstering

Ensure proper disposal of hazardous materials

Use preventative maintenance on equipment to reduce risk of replacement

Provide and publicize recycling bins

Selecting printers/photocopiers able to print on both sides

Distributing information to guests/participants via email and avoiding hard copy

Avoid use of fax cover sheets

Distribute inter-office documents using routing slips, bulletin boards, or email distributions rather than printing copies for staff members

Using both sides of printing paper and using the reverse side of printing paper for printing rough drafts

Streamlining operational systems that rely on paper or hard copies

Reuse envelopes for inter-office mail

Set and use fax and copy machines to copy documents directly to computers rather than printing a new copy

Recycles the Following: Aluminum, Glass, Office mix, Batteries, Yard waste, Electronics, Plastic, Corrugated cardboard, Newspaper, Printer cartridges, Phone books, Fluorescent light tubes, Carpeting

Freshwater Consumption Reduction

Conduct regular inspections and establish preventative maintenance schedules to ensure maximum efficiency

Educate staff on water conservation and best practices

Conduct a water audit with a water conservation professional

Discourage water-based cleanup and use alternatives such as microfiber technology

When purchasing new appliances or fixtures, purchase water-efficient models such as those certified by EPA WaterSense® and Energy Star®