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# Project Newsletter

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Dear Residents of McCloud and Siskiyou County,

NWNA has built its reputation on the high quality of our products and on preserving natural resources. We take our commitment to the environment very seriously and that's why we have adopted a "gentle footprint" approach to constructing our newest facilities. Our proposed facility in McCloud will be a model for conservation and environmental stewardship.

We are proud that our water bottling facility in Cabazon, California was the first food manufacturing facility in the U.S. to earn the Silver LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) Certification, and the facility in McCloud will also be designed to meet the U.S. Green Building Council's LEED certification for sustainable building practices.

Sincerely,

Dave Palais



## Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED)

The LEED program emphasizes state-of-the-art strategies for sustainable site development, water savings, energy efficiency, materials selection and indoor environmental quality. A coalition of building industry leaders, educators, environmentalists and government agencies created the LEED Green Building Rating System as a voluntary program. Its purpose is to provide a definitive standard for environmentally-conscious buildings.

To achieve a LEED rating a project must satisfy a number of stringent requirements from a detailed checklist of environmental standards. Although LEED ratings have long been established for office structures, industrial buildings have only just begun to become LEED-certified in the last few years. For more information visit <http://www.usgbc.org>.

"California is blessed with vast resources...we rededicate ourselves to making California cleaner, greener and more prosperous. The green building approach builds in conservation from the ground up...It's good for business and it's great for the environment."

- Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger

Governor Schwarzenegger has established a Green Building Initiative which has committed California to improving the energy and environmental performance of existing and new state-owned buildings. As part of the Green Building Order, California is embracing the Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) standards set by the U.S. Green Building Council.

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# Environmental Leadership



Mecosta, MI



Cabazon, CA


We are proud that NWN has been a leader in developing green industrial facilities. Four of our facilities have achieved the prestigious LEED Silver rating and a fifth is LEED Certified. Our Mecosta, Michigan plant was the first U.S. food manufacturing facility to achieve LEED Certification and in Cabazon, CA we built the first manufacturing facility in the U.S. to earn the Silver LEED Certification.

## **Benefits of NWN's LEED Facilities Since 2002:**

Conserved water (9 million gallons), conserved energy (1.5 million kWh), reduced emissions (2.1 million pounds CO<sub>2</sub>), reduced waste (216 million pounds), healthy workplace, open space preservation, native plantings, and constructed wetlands.

## **Examples of Key Green Features of Arrowhead Facilities Include:**

 **Water efficiency** – reduce the need for irrigation by using native and water conserving plants; using low-flow, water-saving fixtures in bathrooms.

 **Workforce transportation** – to encourage employees to ride their bicycles to work the facility has bike racks, showers and lockers. Also, carpools and vanpools get preferred parking spaces.

For more information about NWN's LEED certified buildings, please visit <http://mccloudarrowheadproject.org>.



**“As environmentally-conscious design gains momentum for commercial offices, municipal buildings, schools, retail centers and similar buildings, it is noteworthy to see this trend emerging in the industrial sector as well. The Nestlé Waters LEED Certified plants are a great example of what businesses can accomplish by promoting superior environmental and economic performance from their own facilities.”**

*Christine Ervin  
President and Chief Executive Officer  
U.S. Green Building Council*



Mecosta, MI



Cabazon, CA