Environmentally Sustainable Design of Buildings Report





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(Oregon Environmental Council website, 2016)

The construction industry is the main source of pollution, causing about one-twentieth of particulate emissions, more water pollution accidents than any other industry, and thousands of noise complaints every year (Gray, 2018).

Dust pollution



(Magicbricks website, 2018)

In the process of engineering project construction, the generation of dust is inevitable, is not only cause serious pollution to air quality, air pollution will affect people's health if big, to people's life caused great distress, dust pollution is the most serious problems in the construction of the building, the dust in the garbage in the construction is mainly from the construction in the process of construction materials, lime and sand, etc., these materials in the process of transportation, will cause a lot of dust into the air, and into the surrounding air, air quality is affected.



Water pollution (Nationwide

According to McNally (2017), construction industry accounts for 40% of drinking water pollution.

The main source of industrial wastewater is the mud generated in the pile foundation and the cleaned concrete water as well as

Consulting LLC, 2016)

the domestic wastewater of the construction workers. The construction water is still wasted because many of the water supply during the construction process is temporarily built and temporary. To a large extent, it is not taken seriously, so many of them are dripping, and there is a lot of accumulation. There will be a flooding phenomenon on the construction site. Because sewage treatment will cost a lot of money, many companies will reduce the construction process. For sewage treatment, the mixture of sewage and mud is directly introduced into the sewer to carry out pollution of the sewer, which makes the environmental pollution more serious.

The construction site produced a lot of noise, mainly from vehicles, heavy equipment and machinery, but there were also people shouting and the radio was too loud. Excessive noise is not only annoying and distracting, but can also cause hearing loss, high blood

noise pollution (city of swan



Studies have shown that high noise levels can disrupt the natural circulation of animals and

reduce their available habitat.



(ZURELI website, 2005)

Definition

Green building refers to the building that saves resources to the greatest extent in the whole life cycle of the building, including energy saving, land saving, water saving, and material saving, protects the environment and reduces pollution, provides people with healthy, comfortable and efficient use space, and lives in harmony with nature.

Green building technology focuses on low consumption, high efficiency, economy, environmental protection, integration and optimization.

Green building function (World Green Building Council website, 2016)

Effective use of energy, water and other resources.

- Use renewable energy sources such as solar energy.
 - Measures to reduce pollution and reduce waste, as well as the ability to reuse and recycle.
 - Good indoor air quality.
- Use non-toxic, ethical and sustainable materials.

Consider the environment in design, construction and operation.

A design that adapts to changing environments

Application in the future



School (inhabitat website, 2011)



House (NO.9 website, 2018)



Office (LafargeHolcim Foundation websites, 2008)



Building (Seasia website, 2017)

Rationale

In my report, my topic is Environmentally Sustainable Design. Therefore, my headline is Environmentally Sustainable Design of Buildings. Because I think this headline is very clear. When the audience see your report, it is easy to know what you will explain and your topic in your report. Then, I use two pictures about the environmentally sustainable buildings in my cover page. Moreover, I use blue and green in my whole report. Because green represents the environmental protection and blue represents the future. I think these two colors suit my theme very well. On the other hand, in the color design, green represents peace, which makes people have a sense of peace, tranquility and gentleness. And there's only one title and a couple of pictures in every page. Because in primary principles need to create order and oneness, but support principles need to create variety, emphasis and visual hierarchy. Therefore, I think my order in the report can clearly express my key information. Finally, I use white and black font and the audience can see clearly.

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