Construction and Demolition Waste Management at UVM

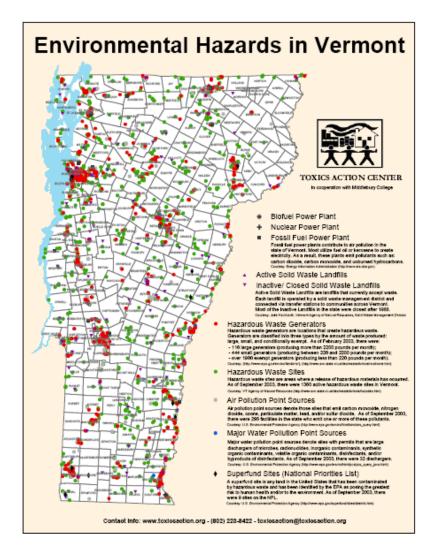
Definition of C&D Waste

"Waste material that is produced in the process of construction, renovation, or demolition of structures. Structures include buildings of all types (both residential and non-residential) as well as roads and bridges. Components of C&D debris typically include concrete, asphalt, wood, metals, gypsum wallboard and roofing".

Background: Environmental Impacts

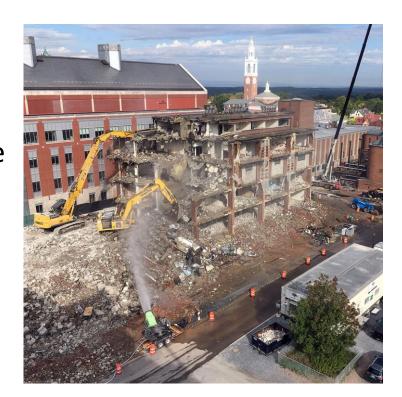
Landfill leaks

- Methane gas generation
- Energy lost by not recycling / re-claiming materials
- Transportation: greenhouse gas emissions



Background: Construction and Demolition Waste Opportunities

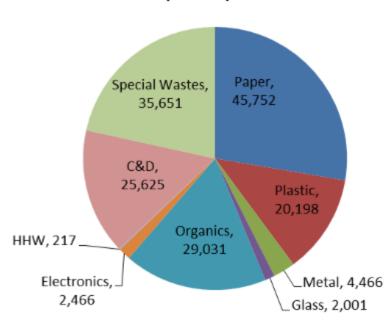
- Divert as much material from the landfill as possible.
- Construction and demolition waste is 20-40% of the waste stream going to landfills nationally
- C+D waste is being generated at UVM everyday; we estimate there are nearly one hundred active projects on campus on any given day.



Key Terms

- Construction wastegenerated while constructing a new building or structure
- <u>Demolition waste-</u> waste generated while taking down an existing building or structure
- <u>Deconstruction</u>- the taking apart of an existing building so that materials can be re-used elsewhere

FIGURE ES-4: ESTIMATED 2011 DISPOSAL OF ICI WASTE BY MATERIAL TYPE (In Tons)



http://dec.vermont.gov/sites/dec/files/wmp/SolidWaste/Documents/finalreportvermontwastecomposition13may2013.pdf

Typical C&D Waste Materials

- Asphalt, Asphalt Shingles
- Carpet
- Carpet padding
- Clean wood/pallets
- Concrete
- Corrugated cardboard









Typical C&D Waste Materials







- Gypsum (drywall)
- Land clearing debris
- Scrap metal
- Salvage
- Other...

Requirements at UVM

- The waste management plan will be based on LEED® guidelines for C+D waste management and the Vermont Act 250 permit application
- The plan must divert at least 90% of waste generated from new projects, and at least 50% from renovation projects
- Workers must view training presentation as part of job site orientation

Requirements apply to all projects

Major projects: new buildings, major renovations

Minor projects: short term or partial building projects

 Ongoing renovations: Physical Plant routine maintenance and renovation

LEED Requirements

 The Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED®) Green Building Rating System is the nationally accepted benchmark for the design, construction and operation of high performance green buildings.

 It gives building owners and operators the tools they need to have an immediate and measurable impact on their buildings' performance, by promoting a whole-building approach to sustainability.

LEED Requirements

- LEED certification is required for all capital projects and major renovations at UVM
 - According to the 2007 "Environmental Design in New and Renovated Buildings" Policy, UVM projects must achieve a required 'Silver' certification level.
- In the LEED BD+C v.4 Rating system, there are up to 3 points available for Construction and Demolition waste diverted from the landfill. See next slide for details.

Materials And Resources Credit: Construction and Demolition Waste Management Requirements

- 1) 1 point Prerequisite
- 2) OPTION 1. DIVERSION (1–2 POINTS)
 - Path 1. Divert 50% and Three Material Streams (1 point)
 - Divert at least 50% of the total construction and demolition material; diverted materials must include at least three
 - material streams.

OR

- Path 2. Divert 75% and Four Material Streams (2 points)
- Divert at least 75% of the total construction and demolition material; diverted materials must include at least four material streams.

OR

- 3) OPTION 2. REDUCTION OF TOTAL WASTE MATERIAL (2 POINTS)
 - Do not generate more than 2.5 pounds of construction waste per square foot (12.2 kilograms of waste per square meter) of the building's floor area.

Demolition/Deconstruction and New Construction Requirements

- Collection containers must be on site and labeled clearly before demolition can begin
- Waste must be separated into appropriate categories
- Labeled bins will remain on site for waste generated in new construction

All waste shipped off-site must be tracked in LEED database