

Nolte and Associates



Sustainable Business Practices: Nolte's Commitment; Everyone's Responsibility

NOLTE
BEYOND ENGINEERING

Nolte's environmental philosophy is encompassed within our commitment to sustainability. We consider the balance of environmental, economic and community needs in the engineering design work we do and in our internal business practices. Sustainable design implements engineering practices that:

- Conform to the ecological carrying capacity of nature;
- Meet diverse needs of healthy communities; and
- Provide enhanced quality of life for future generations.

2006 Accomplishments:

Internal Practices

- Company-wide sustainability forum made up of the three regional managing directors, the chief operating officer and three of our leading sustainability experts, combined with sustainability champions in each office who serve as a local resource and advocate for implementing sustainability principals into the work we do and the way we conduct business;
- Employees biked or walked a total of 4,600 miles instead of driving, by taking advantage of nearby Poudre and Spring Creek trails;
- Approximately 14,000 miles on the fuel-efficient company Prius;
- Recycled almost all of its office paper, aluminum, cardboard, newspaper and magazines, and combined with double-sided printing, diverted almost two tons of paper from the landfill; and
- Employ caterers that avoid excessive packaging and use dishes, silverware and glasses instead of disposable ones.

Project Design

- Performed sustainability assessments (at our cost) on all major projects company-wide;
- Incorporated sustainable design elements into projects whenever possible such as routinely looking for ways to reduce impacts to sensitive riparian areas and existing vegetation; and
- Reused materials on-site and encourage recycling during construction.