



RMMN

Residential Moisture Management Network

Mission

- Disseminate research and technical information to key stakeholders (builders, remodelers, trade contractors, nonprofit housing developers, community organizations, and consumers) that leads to the adoption of better building practices and to the construction and rehabilitation of healthy, durable, and affordable housing
- Promote public-private collaboration and create mechanisms to coordinate and disseminate research results
- Formalize information sharing and distribution using existing outreach mechanisms that reach key stakeholders
- Increase awareness of techniques and processes for addressing unwanted moisture intrusion that leads to indoor environmental hazards and poor indoor air quality
- Provide technical information that leads to reduced moisture intrusion; improved indoor air quality; extended structural integrity and longevity; and sound, energy-efficient, durable homes
- Identify best practices for minimizing moisture intrusion into the building envelope during the new construction process and the maintenance and rehabilitation of existing housing
- Demonstrate construction techniques that illustrate identified best practices

Benefits

- Achieve efficiencies through collaborative efforts
- Identify and fill unmet needs for research, communication, and education
- Provide a forum for information exchange
- Provide a one-stop source for current information

BACKGROUND

- 1999 Advanced Housing Research Center (AHRC) formed by USDA Forest Service, Forest Products Laboratory, Madison, Wisconsin
Mission: Work with associations, federal agencies, universities, community organizations and private sector to create partnerships that remove barriers and encourage the use of better building practices
- 2001 AHRC and APA-The Engineered Wood Association work to develop a formalized network of government agencies and private industries
Mission: Coordinate programs, enhance efforts, share information, and disseminate research, technical findings, and best practices that specifically help manage moisture in residential buildings
- 2002 RMMN established through AHRC, in cooperation with HUD Healthy Homes Program and APA-The Engineered Wood Association



Members

RMMN looks forward to cooperating with any group that shares its mission.

Members include industry associations, government agencies (including HUD, DOE, EPA), representatives from insurance companies, product manufacturers, home builders, architects, real estate services, and educational nonprofits.

Members agree to commit time and resources to lead the way in identifying techniques and processes for building healthy, durable, and affordable homes.

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