



Intent

To encourage project location in areas with development constraints and promote the health of the surrounding area.

Requirements

Option 1. Historic district (1 point BD&C except Core and Shell, 2 points Core and Shell)

Locate the project on an infill location in a historic district.

OR

Option 2. Priority designation (1 point BD&C except Core and Shell, 2 points Core and Shell)

Locate the project on one of the following:

- a site listed by the EPA National Priorities List;
- a Federal Empowerment Zone site;
- a Federal Enterprise Community site;
- a Federal Renewal Community site;
- a Department of the Treasury Community Development Financial Institutions Fund Qualified Low-Income Community (a subset of the New Markets Tax Credit Program);
- a site in a U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development's Qualified Census Tract (QCT) or Difficult Development Area (DDA); or
- a local equivalent program administered at the national level for projects outside the U.S.

OR

Option 3. Brownfield remediation (2 points BD&C except Core and Shell, 3 points Core and Shell)

Locate on a brownfield where soil or groundwater contamination has been identified, and where the local, state, or national authority (whichever has jurisdiction) requires its remediation. Perform remediation to the satisfaction of that authority.

SITES-LEED Equivalency

This LEED credit (or a component of this credit) has been established as equivalent to a SITES v2 credit or component. For more information on using the equivalency as a substitution in your LEED or SITES project, see [this article](#) and [guidance document](#).