

CDOT ENVIRONMENTAL PRODUCT DECLARATIONS (EPD) WORKSHOP

HISTORY OF BUY CLEAN LEGISLATION

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Outline

- History of EPDs
- History of Buy Clean Legislation
- History of HB 21-1303 *Buy Clean Colorado Act*

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HOUSE BILL 21-1303

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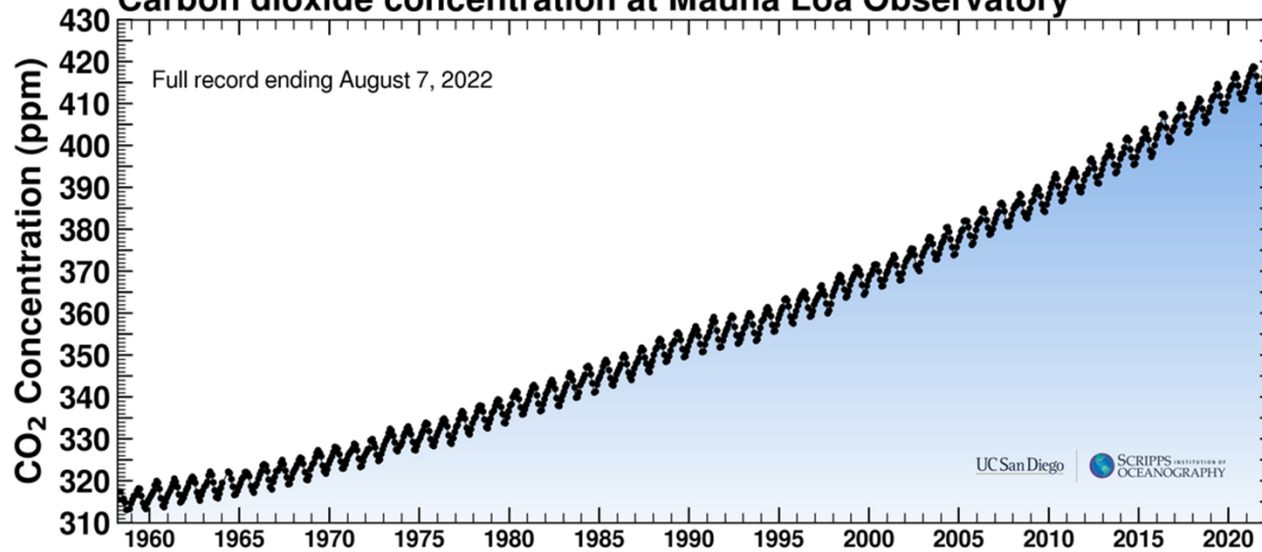
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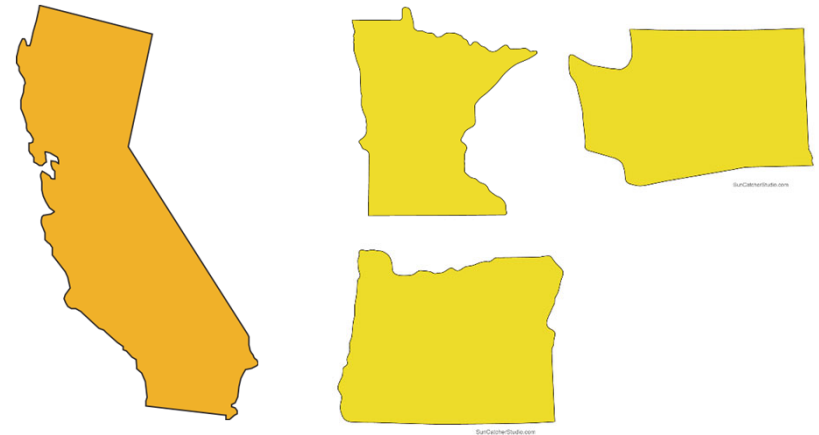
History of EPDs

- *Environmental Product Declarations* (EPDs) are the current state of the art for representing the environmental impacts of manufactured products
 - EPD definitions and methodologies are defined by International Organization for Standardization (ISO)
 - European Committee for Standardization (CEN) – published EN 15804 with common *Product Category Rules* (PCR) for construction materials



History of Buy Clean Legislation

- LEED v.4 & Green Globes led adoption of EPDs
 - Two points available in its green building rating system
 - Most implementation in vertical construction projects
 - Bottom-up effort that started with material producers
- “Buy Clean” legislation
 - Buy Clean California Act (2017)
 - Port Authority of NY and NJ (PANYNJ) – established EPD requirements in 2021
 - Washington and Minnesota considering use
 - Oregon – just passed buy clean legislation (2022)



Buy Clean Colorado Act

- HB 21-1303 assigns responsibilities for building construction to *Office of State Architect* and for road, highway, and bridge construction to *CDOT*
 - *Road, highway, and bridge eligible materials: asphalt and asphalt mixtures; cement and concrete mixtures; and steel*
- Requires CDOT to:
 - Strive to achieve a continuous reduction of greenhouse gas emissions over time.*
- For invitation for bids for contracts for public projects:
 - Require the contractor who is awarded the contract to submit a current Environmental Product Declaration, Type III, as defined by the International Organization for Standardization standard 14025:2006...for each eligible material proposed to be used in the public project.*



Questions?

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Thank you!

