

## 2008 ECOSTAR WINNERS

### **AMALTHEIA ORGANIC DAIRY, LLC - Belgrade**

Amaltheia Organic Dairy is a **family owned** and operated sustainable goat dairy and cheese facility in Belgrade. The dairy has been **organic since 2005** and is **working towards zero emissions** concept – **utilizing all by-products from the dairy**. Currently, Amaltheia is **raising pigs to utilize the whey** and is **selling organic compost** which utilizes the manure. The farm has riparian areas, bees, bat houses, ducks, chickens, etc and the company hopes to **produce wind & solar power on the farm in the next year**.

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### **\*BLANCHFORD LANDSCAPE CONTRACTORS - Bozeman**

Blanchford Landscape Contractors vision is to **promote sustainable practices in landscaping and educate consumers**. They participated in Bozeman's *Make My House Green* event this summer, a project to **promote sustainable building and construction** methods and educate the public on the benefits of these methods.

Their work included **subsurface drip irrigation** to the lawn, a **weather based irrigation controller**, **drywall scraps** from the construction incorporated into the soil, ground up **wood waste used for mulch**, **recycled concrete paving** and lots of **native and drought resistant grasses shrubs and trees**.

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### **\*BOULDER HOT SPRINGS - Boulder**

Boulder Hot Springs is a green hotel **committed to using renewable resources, composting, recycling, and using non-toxic products**. They continually examine how they can lessen their impact on the environment. Boulder Hot Springs currently **uses the geo-thermal water on the land to heat the building**, and are researching generating electricity with the hot springs waters. Boulder Hot Spring's **mission** statement focuses on **offering protection and healing to the land as well as to individuals, the building and their sacred waters** which are a renewable source of heating and an abundant and precious geothermal resource.

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### **\*CAFÉ REGIS – Red Lodge**

CR is a small Café and Specialty Grocery in Red Lodge that specializes in fresh, “hand-made” food, placing special **emphasis on local and organic ingredients**. They're committed to sustainability - from using **solar power to generate both electricity and cooling**, to extensive **recycling efforts**, to their **on-site organic gardens**. They also **sponsor an annual Solar Flair Sustainability Festival**, which last year attracted 300 visitors and more than two dozen organizations and vendors of green products from around the region. As with so much of what they do at Café Regis, **pollution prevention is an ongoing opportunity for mindfulness**.

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### **CONSTRUCTION SITE SERVICES - Missoula**

(A division of Drywall Recycling of Montana, Inc.)

CSS provides on-site construction waste cleanup and recycling for both the Missoula and Bozeman regions. They **recycle wood, masonry, shingles, drywall, cardboard, metals**, and more, thereby **reducing landfill waste and also creating valuable resources** from the recycled materials such as **gypsum, mulch and road fill**. On their projects CSS has **diverted 85% of construction waste from the landfill** which in turn has **reduced air/water contamination**.

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### **\*DELAWARE NORTH CO. PARKS & RESORTS AT YELLOWSTONE-**

Bozeman

Delaware North Companies is a multi-national food service, recreational and hospitality management company. Inspired by the beauty of Yellowstone, the world's first National Park, **their objective is to do their part to ensure that our National Park treasures will be here for generations**. They embrace a **system of environmental management, GreenPath®**, to help protect special places like Yellowstone, so that they remain magnificent for years to come. GreenPath® is a formal, documented and comprehensive environmental management system **registered to ISO 14001 Standards**, demonstrating Delaware North Companies **commitment to environmental excellence** in order to preserve and protect Yellowstone's unique resources.

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### **ENGINEERED SOLUTIONS, INC - Belgrade**

Engineered Solutions is an engineering consulting firm that **volunteers monitoring services** for several on-going projects with the Montana State University Extension in **alternative energy research and renewable and sustainable building material research**. They also assist the MSU **Wind Applications Center** in monitoring and providing educational materials for the Wind for Schools program. ES is a strong **advocate of conservation and recycling efforts**.

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### **GetN'Green, LLC - Bozeman**

GetN'Green is an interactive web retail store **committed to enhancing the well being and health of their customers and the planet** by offering products from companies that use **sustainable materials and manufacturing**. All of their products are either **recycled, reclaimed**, or have some small part in becoming "greener". Their fulfillment operations are committed to **reusing packaging**, paper and boxes. Their work environment is set up to use as little energy as possible and they are committed to finding more ways of reducing their carbon footprint.

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### **GREEN DIRECTORY MONTANA - Billings**

Green Directory Montana is a business directory that makes **green businesses prove** what they are actually doing to be sustainable. They have an application process that covers different sustainability requirements. Businesses, organizations and individuals must **meet a minimum of five sustainability requirements** (i.e. **minimize use of non-renewables; use organic production protocols; use renewable energy sources**) to be included in the Green Directory. Consumers use the system to "look inside" businesses to see if they have matching values and comparatively shop for the most sustainable products and services. Customers can **use their purchasing power** to sustain their community. Every purchase made is a **vote**, a vote for a company that either does or does not agree with the consumer's vision of the future.

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### **MOONLIGHT BASIN, LP - Ennis**

Moonlight Basin ski hill is privileged to be affiliated with and so rich in natural assets. Moonlight Basin is **committed to being good stewards**, and has already **helped protect over 14,000 acres** of their original land purchase into perpetuity. With this as a foundation, Moonlight Basin created their **Environmental Stewardship Policy**; a never-ending improvement process that started with a **resource audit, balancing economical and environmental responsibility**, and strategizing and **implementing progressive management practices** in order to keep improving.

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### **\*MOSS MOUNTAIN INN – Columbia Falls**

Moss Mountain Inn is an eco-lodge bed and breakfast serving visitors to Glacier National Park--- the **only organic lodging option in the Glacier area**. Located in the pristine North Fork River valley, the inn **serves gourmet organic breakfasts** and offers **chemical-free, eco-friendly accommodations** to environmentally aware guests from all over the world. Their passive **mission** is to **educate guests** about **chemical-free alternatives in their own lives** and homes and spread the word that **"green" is good**.

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### **MOUNTAIN FRONT MARKET, LLC - Choteau**

Mountain Front Market is a grocery store specializing in **locally grown and organic groceries**. Their support of sustainable food production assists **farmers in creating healthy ecosystems both locally and globally**. Their ecology-wise practices extend from production to consumption and back to production again. They encourage and educate customers on reusing bags and product containers to reduce packaging waste. The store is committed to **recycling all of the cardboard, paper, glass, and steel** that is associated with the operation. They also **compost the cull produce and coffee grinds** from the store. From vendors to producers to consumers, they **encourage the wise use of resources** that affect the land and are committed to do their part as good stewards of this planet.

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**\*OASIS Environmental, Inc** - Livingston

At OASIS Environmental, Inc. they take pride in providing business across Montana, the United States and the world with sound environmental solutions to complex industrial and development challenges. They are a certified ISO 14000 company and provide Environmental Management System applications and training.

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**PENNY LANE HOME BUILDERS, LLC** - Bozeman

Penny Lane Home Builders was started with the idea that **energy efficient, healthy, sustainable homes should be the rule not the exception**. Focusing on great design and proven technologies, they are building and remodeling homes that are beautiful, functional and practical. Penny Lane homes are built better-than-code with **25% more insulation, low-E windows, proper orientation, Energy Star appliances** and lighting packages, 50 year roofs, and low maintenance exteriors. **Indoor air quality is improved** with heat recovery ventilators, low VOC paints/stains/adhesives, careful material specification and sub-contractor training. Penny Murray is an **NAHB Certified Green Professional and Energy Star Builder**.

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**ROCKY MOUNTAIN WOODRIGHT, INC** - Bozeman

As remodelers and builders, they **focus on ‘responsible construction’**, which includes: structures remodeled or built to stand up against the next **100 years**; incorporating **healthy materials**, so when the project is complete, it’s not complete with the ‘new’ smell; **utilizing local salvage** and new building **materials** when possible; **on-site recycling** and **re-use, diverting materials from the landfill**; and **smart design** that considers the complex systems of a home and how they can best be configured to allow for **optimal energy efficiency and performance**. They strive to build and remodel to suit their client’s long term needs, budgets and tastes, keeping materials out of the landfill until their service cycle is complete.

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**SABO FAMILY RANCH, LLC** - Harrison

Jenny and Mark Sabo's primary focus for their ranch is **non-polluting, locally produced food**. Sabo Family Ranch's main pollution prevention activity is focused on their grassfed dairy and beef cattle. All animals are **100% pastured and grassfed, no feedlots or toxic accumulations of animal waste, no expensive, petroleum intensive, grain imports for feed**. They also **compost all winter straw bedding** from their small dairy herd and laying hens, reapplying the compost to fields after 12 months.

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**\*SAGE SPA LIVING** – Bozeman, Whitefish & Billings

Sage Spa Living is a day spa lifestyle company, with 3 locations in Montana - **Bozeman, Whitefish and Billings**, that is **passionately committed to inspiring environmental stewardship and pollution prevention** across their company and in the day-to-day lives of their guests. The company was founded in 2003 with **the goal of changing the world, one guest at a time by promoting personal health and inspiring community and environmental stewardship**. The company and its team members have a significant and ongoing commitment to pollution prevention and supporting organizations that preserve the jewel that is Montana's environment. Sage has a **significant recycling program**, features **sustainable construction products** and materials and **retails natural products with conscious manufacturing and shipping practices**. In an effort to encourage and ultimately inspire environmental stewardship, Sage has consistently impacted the communities in which they do business via their ongoing **“healthy communities” program**.

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**ST. VINCENT HEALTHCARE** - Billings

At St Vincent Healthcare, their actions and decisions are **guided by the core value of stewardship** ever mindful that they hold their resources in trust for the sake of healing, and that their physical resources come from our patients and communities. The **Environmental Stewardship committee** formed in 2007 is committed to **enhancing ecological and environmental awareness** in order to preserve the future of our fragile planet. Current efforts at St. Vincent Healthcare include the **weekly recycling of 500 newspapers; diversion of 2.9 tons of waste each year** due to reuse of some single use medical devices; **daily recycling of 700 pounds of cardboard**; re-use promotion through a public garage sale; and **awareness activities** such as participation in Earth Day, World Environment Day, World Water Day and **endorsement of the Earth Charter**.

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**TRANSBAS, INC** - Billings

Transbas is a liquid herbicide production plant. **Effective waste minimization** has become a **key focus** at Transbas. Thru a corporate initiative to improve planning efforts Transbas **enhanced manufacturing efficiencies, minimized changeovers** and measurably **vastly reduced their number one waste, cleanout waste water** in 2008. Management **shifted hiring practices** to a full time work force instead of seasonal temporary employees resulting in better training, **less errors creating waste**, improved housekeeping, and a higher level of involvement and **employee buy-in** to the company **philosophy of waste minimization**. For the first 8 months of 2008, the Transbas team has **reduced energy consumption by 38%, general waste disposal by 68,740 lbs.** and **cleanout waste water by 404,977 lbs.** Additionally, Transbas has **recycled 80,320 lbs. of cardboard, 1712 drums, 7,060 lbs. of steel and 500,853 lbs. of water based rinses**.

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**\*V2 DESIGN - Bozeman**

V2 Design began with the vision of providing sustainable architecture to clients. On their projects V2 educates contractors and clients on green design. Contractors are educated on how to make the homes healthier for clients and how to reduce landfill waste. Clients are given options to choose systems, products, materials and designs that are healthier for them and for the environment.

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**WEST PAW DESIGN - Bozeman**

West Paw Design creates pet toys and apparel that provides the **best for pets while balancing what is right for the environment**. They **utilize sustainable materials** in their diverse line of over 200 **Montana made** products that are sold world-wide. Starting with **waste reduction programs for manufacturing and certified organic catnip** in 1996, West Paw Design has **increased their innovation** over the last dozen years. They have introduced **recyclable pet toys, utilized organic and recycled cotton in beds and apparel and created a recycled fiber that saves over 195 tons of plastics from landfills**.

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**WWW INDUSTRIES/MOUNTAIN STATES ENVIRONMENTAL - Billings**

WWW I & MSE came together to create the Propane Bottle Recycler which is **patented as the World's First Machine that makes 1 lb propane bottles a 100% recyclable commodity**. Their **goal** is to make the camping type **propane bottle recycling program available to all of the US and Canada** which annually **consumes approximately 40 million propane bottles**.

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