



Construction & Demolition Waste





This is a huge waste stream

- Generated during construction, renovation, and demolition of buildings – 90% from demolition.
- Big and bulky.
- Some gets recycled, but there are not markets all materials, and markets change



Deconstruction

- Carefully dismantling a building to preserve building materials so they can be reused
- Alternative to demolition – building taken apart mostly by hand



Deconstruction Grants

- Residential properties eligible for up to \$5,000, commercial for up to \$10,000
- Structure built prior to 1970
- Minimum of five material types must be recovered
- Minimum of 1,000 lbs of wood must be deconstructed for residential properties, minimum of 2,000 of wood and other materials for commercial

**“The greenest building is one that
already exists.”**

Carl Elefante, former president of American
Institute of Architects