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### **EcoSmart™ Foundation**

Not-for-profit organization created in 1999.

Supported by the Government of Canada.

Introduce technology innovations that reduce GHG emissions - for example in concrete.







# One tonne Clinker, one tonne CO<sub>2</sub>

50% Process
40% Fuel
10% Electricity,
Transportation



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### **CO2 Emissions from Cement**

### World

Total emissions: 2 Gt <sub>CO2</sub>/ yr

#### **China**

- About 1 Gt <sub>CO2</sub> /yr or 50% of world Total
- 40 Mt<sub>CO2</sub>/yr increase

New GHG reduction target for China: 40 ~ 45% by 2020

# **Reduction Strategies**

- 1. Decrease energy intensity
  - diminishing returns
- 2. Increase the use of alternative fuel
  - only biofuels for CC offsets
- 3. Increase the use of SCM (\*)
  - pre-blended at the plant
  - added in the concrete mix

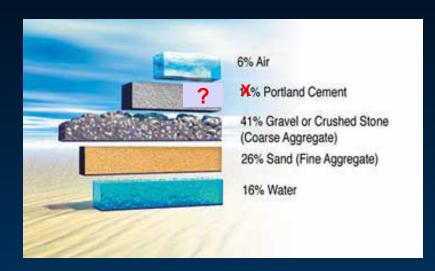
(\*) Supplementary Cementing Material

# **EcoSmart Concrete Objectives**

To minimize GHG "signature" of concrete by optimizing replacement of Portland cement with SCM

while improving or maintaining

- Cost
- Performance
- Constructability



# **SCM Concrete**





1-X%

**X**%





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# SCM: Zero (or low) GHG



### **Case Studies**

How much SCM replacement can be achieved, what effect on: Cost – Performance - Constructability

As experienced by

#### Supply

Cement manufacturers , ready-mixed concrete producers, SCM producers / suppliers

#### Design

Developers & owners, architects, structural engineers, Material engineers & test labs, code officials

#### Build

Contractors, Sub-trades (concrete placers, finishers, form installers)

### Learning by doing

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50% FA

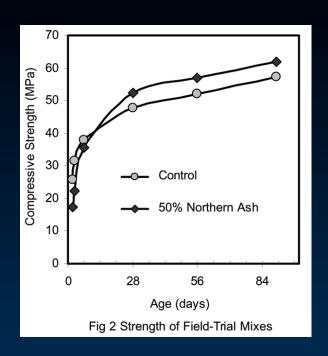






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# York University Computer Science





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# **Seymour Water Filtration Plant**

|                   | % FA | Mpa @56d |
|-------------------|------|----------|
| Footings          | 55   | 30       |
| Mass Fill         | 55   | 25       |
| Walls and columns | 40   | 30       |
| Extrior Slabs     | 35   | 30       |
| Interior Slabs    | 35   | 30       |
| Beams             | 40   | 30       |
| Lean Concrete     | 50   | 10       |





# **Optimization**





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## Replacement levels



### **Parameters + Decision-makers**

#### **Material**

Type of SCM: FA, GGBFS, SF, other Cost, Availability, distance

#### **Technical**

Type of element: slab, walls, footings, ...

Strength: Stripping, 28d, 56d

Durability, resistance to scaling, exposure

Curing, carbonation

Heat of Hydration

Standards, liability

#### Construction

Placing, finishing, forms, curing

Setting time: Stripping and finishing

Architectural aspect: Color, texture, finish

#### **Environment**

**GHG Signature** 

Waste reduction

Expected lifespan

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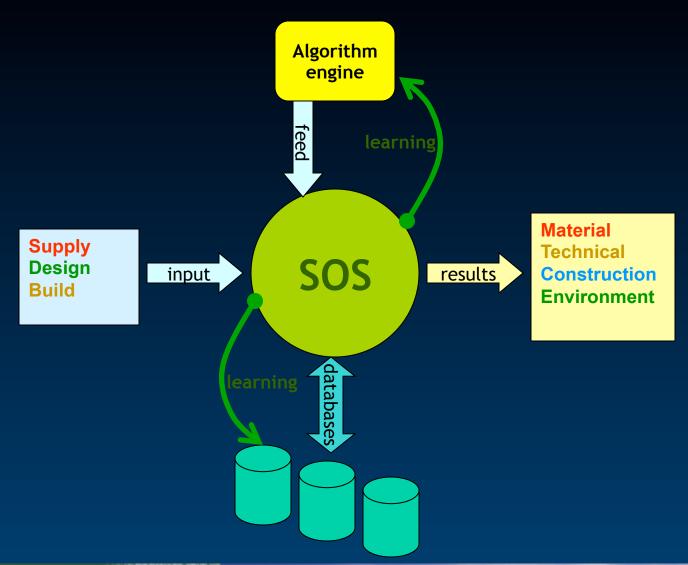
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- Contractors
- Sub-trades: Concrete placers

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# **SOS in Summary**

- Web-based software, user oriented
- "Policy tool" for helping users to make better decisions when specifying or using concrete
- Support for increased use of SCM and reduction of GHG signature of concrete
- Repository of hard data and soft guidance

## Consortium

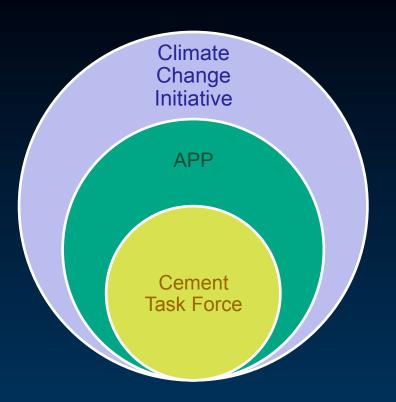
| Project Manager        | EcoSmart                                   |
|------------------------|--|
| R/D                    | BCIT, SIMCO Technologies                   |
| Architect              | Busby Perkins + Will Architects            |
| Developer              | Windmills, Masdar (TBD)                    |
| Material Engineering   | AMEC, Levelton, Golder                     |
| Contractor             | Graham                                     |
| Structural Engineering | Halcrow Yolles, RJC                        |
| Cement / Slag          | Lafarge, Lehigh (Heidelberg), CSPA         |
| Concrete               | Unibeton (UAE)                             |
| Governments            | NRC, Public Works Canada, Metro Vancouver, |
|                        | Environment Canada                         |

Budget: 3,800,000 CAD\$ 50% Government / 50% private

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# Asia Pacific Partnership

- Climate Change Initiative
- Asia Pacific Partnership
  - 7 countries: US, China, Canada,
     India, Japan, Australia, S. Korea
- Cement Task Force
  - all major cement companies involved, including Lafarge
  - Develop partnerships
  - Transfer technologies
  - Share knowledge



# **China-Canada MOU on Climate Change**



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# **EcoSmart APP Program**

Create a partnership in China based on NA Model Adapt SOS to China

- new database and info specific to China
- link to local suppliers and building professionals
- demonstration projects

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More information: www.ecosmart.ca