# Lighting Redesign

# George Mason University Art & Visual Technology Building

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Main Entrance Courtyard Painting Studio Entry Lobby Exhibit Gallery

### **Electrical Depth**

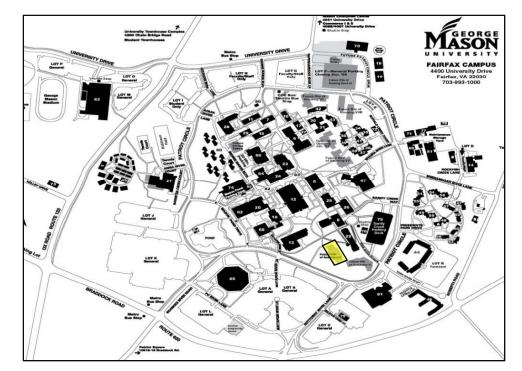
PhotOvoltaic Ārray Energy Efficient Transformers

### **Structural Breadth**

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### Conclusions

\*Topics not covered in this presentation





# **Building Overview**

**Location**: Fairfax, VA

Size: 88,902 ft<sup>2</sup>

Cost: \$20.5 million



**Function:** To house the Art & Visual Technology department whose curriculum spans from metal working to sculpting to painting. The building will also feature an exhibit gallery to host student and professional collections and also provide space for general education

Scheduled to open in 2009



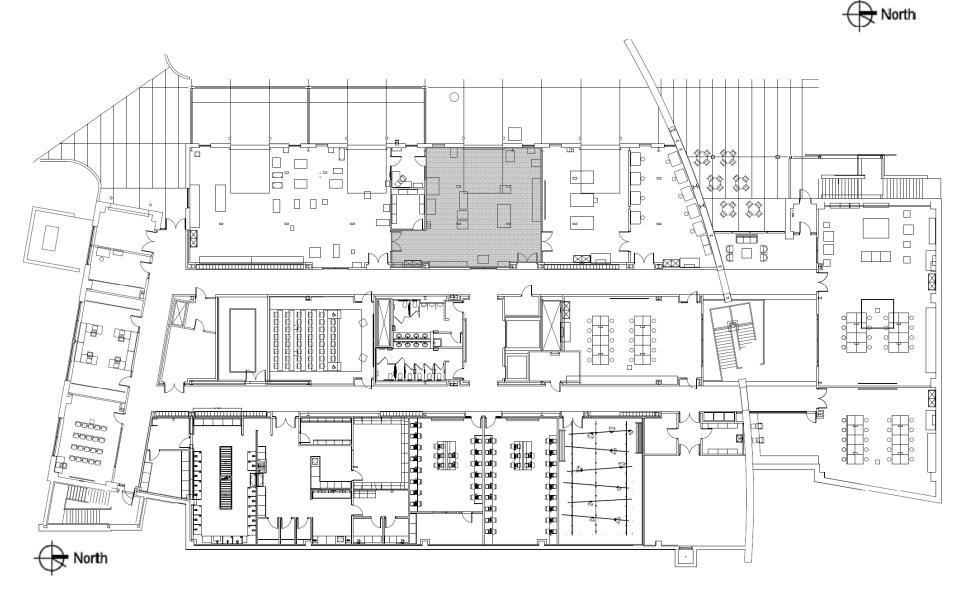
### About the Art & Visual Technology Department

"The Department of Art and Visual Technology's primary purpose is to foster the conceptual and technical education of the artist in a highly professional and studio-oriented environment. Believing that the artist's success is dependent on both creative vision and technical expertise, the Department encourages excellence, critical inquiry, and experimentation."

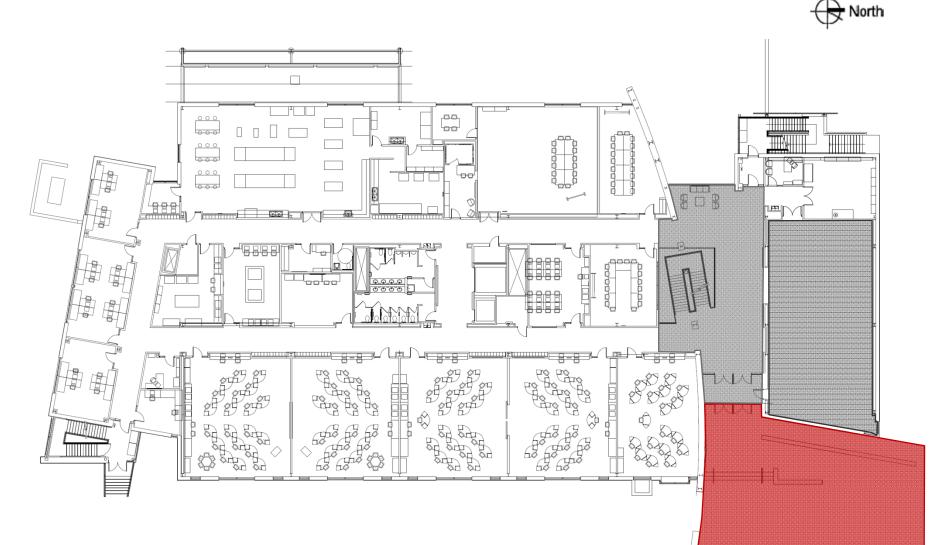
> - Harold Linton, Chair Department of Art and Visual Technology

-24 full-time & 25 part-time faculty. 550 students

### Lower Level Floor Plan

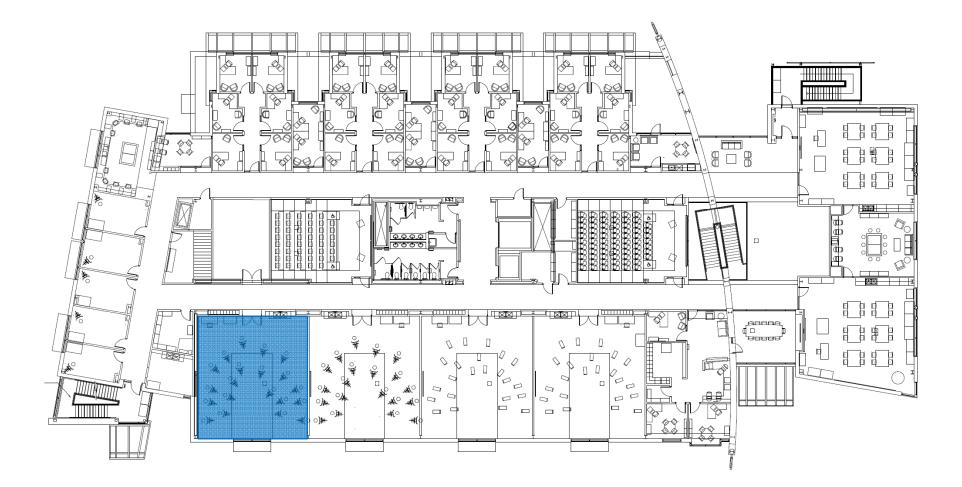


### **Entry Level Floor Plan**



North





# **Lighting Depth**

# Main Entrance Courtyard

### **Design Goals**

Create a sense of space and identity for the building and department

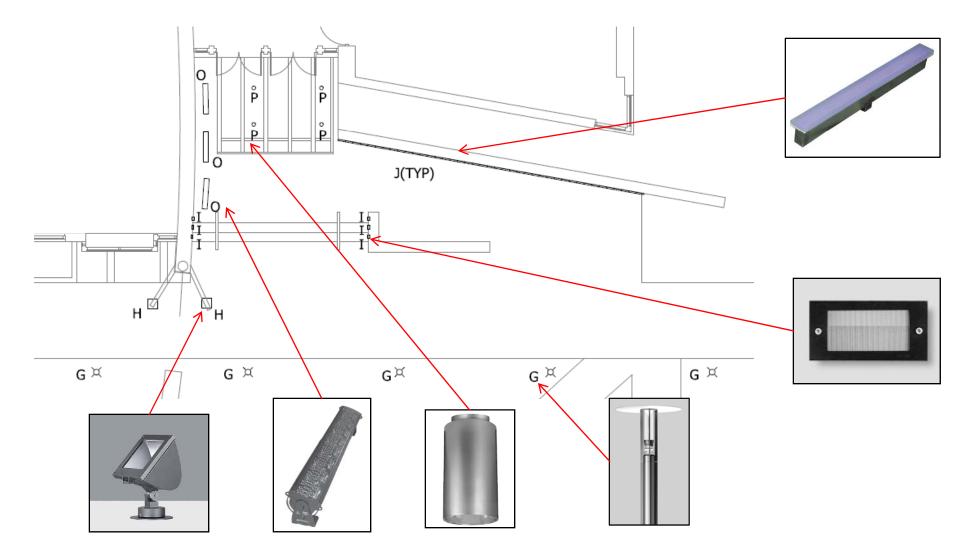
Highlight department logo on ornamental banner

Assist in way finding

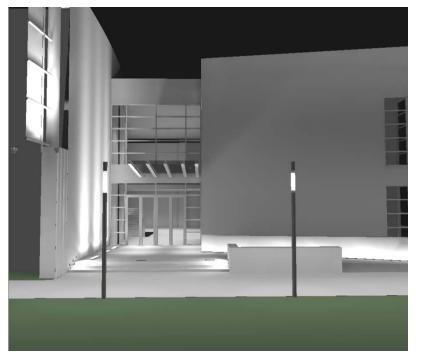
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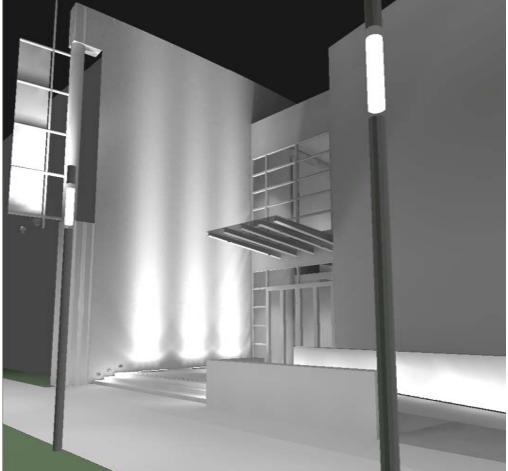
### Lighting Layout





### Main Entrance Courtyard





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# Main Entrance Courtyard



#### Summary

Use of LED fixtures creates a sense of place for the department and building while providing a visual cue to the entrance of the building

### **Illuminance levels**

Pedestrian walkway Avg. 1.7 fc (0.5 fc target) Building Entrance Avg. 2.9 fc (3 fc target)

#### ASHRAE 90.1 1866W used > 16/1W a

1866W used > 1641W allowed

# **Painting Studio**

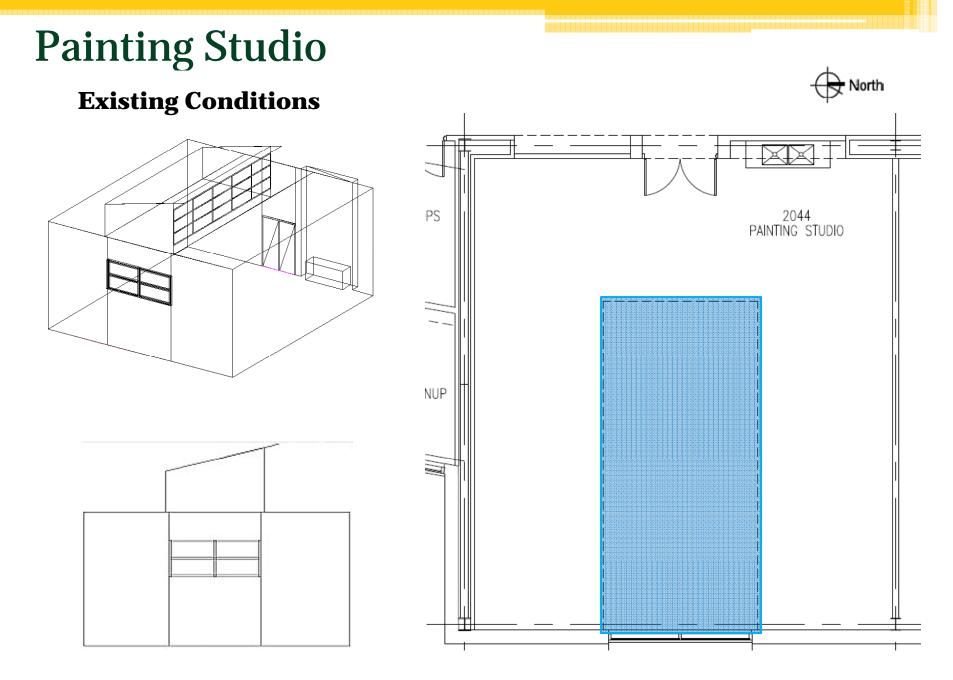
### **Design Goals**

Create a flexible lighting design that integrates high quality daylight with the electric lighting

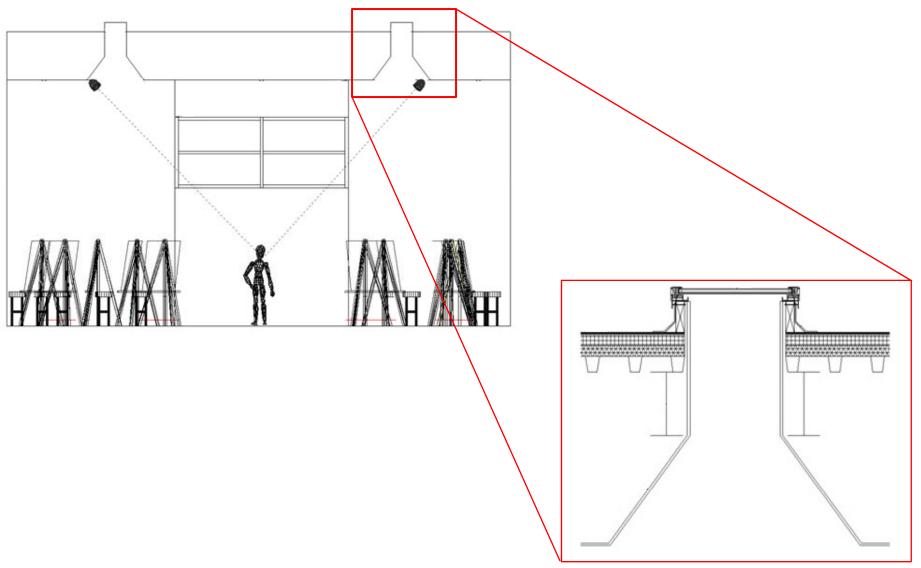
Allow the ability to give occupants of the space to create a multitude of appearances to the object being painted

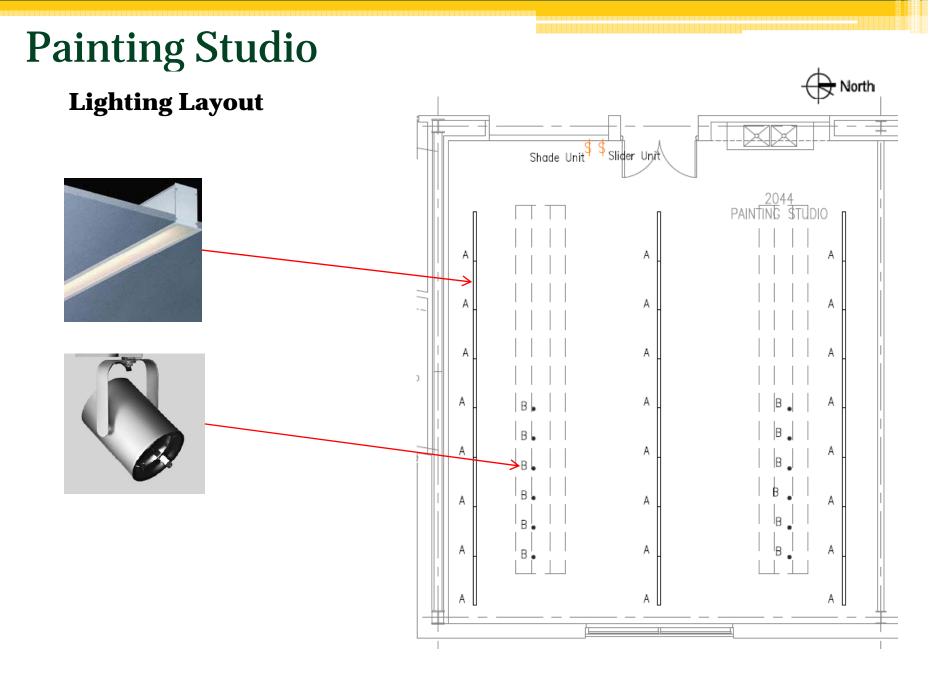
Utilize daylight to decrease the dependence on electric lighting

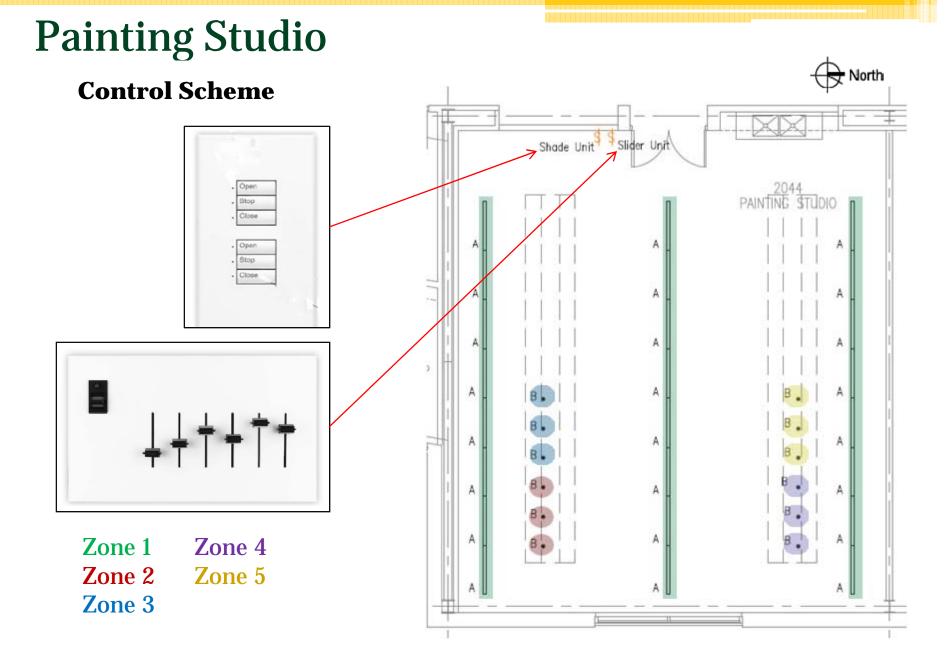
Provide high uniform light levels on the work surface (easels)



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### Daylight Study (SkyCalc)

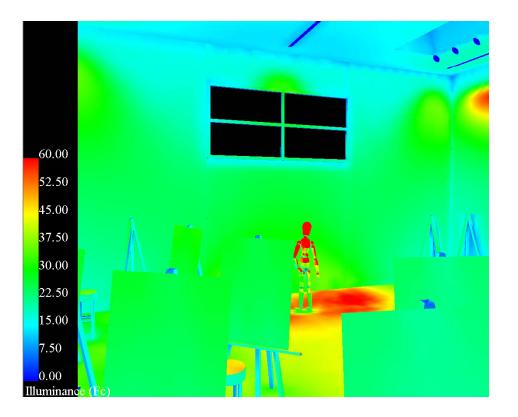
Diffuse skylight glazing assembly Visible Transmittance 34% U-Value 0.2 SHGC 0.32

2,500 kWh/yr saved per room 10,000kWh/yr total savings

30% decrease in electric light needed

May 5<sup>th</sup> 11:00am

# **Painting Studio**



### **Summary**

High quality of daylight achieved through implementation of skylight system

Control system allows for complete control over the appearance of the space

### **Illuminance levels**

Avg. 25-30 fc on easel (30fc target)

### ASHRAE 90.1

2,088W used <2,124 W permitted

# **Electrical Depth**

# Photovoltaic Array Study

**Design Goals** 

Establish the effectiveness of a photovoltaic array in Fairfax, VA

To determine the cost feasibility of the installation of a photovoltaic array on the roof of the A&VT building.

# Photovoltaic Array Study

**Design Parameters** 

Product analyzed 170W monocrystalline PV module

Fairfax, VA weather climate

**Possible Federal & State incentives** 

Utility Rate: .272¢/kWh

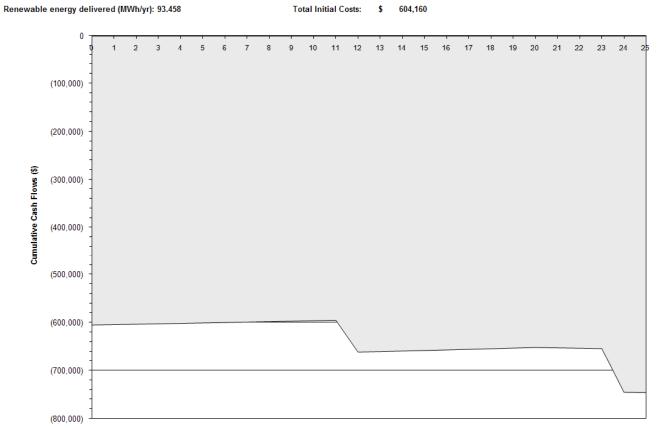




# Photovoltaic Array Study

### **Results (RetScreen Analysis)**

Photovoltaic Project Cumulative Cash Flows Art & Visual Technology, Fairfax, VA



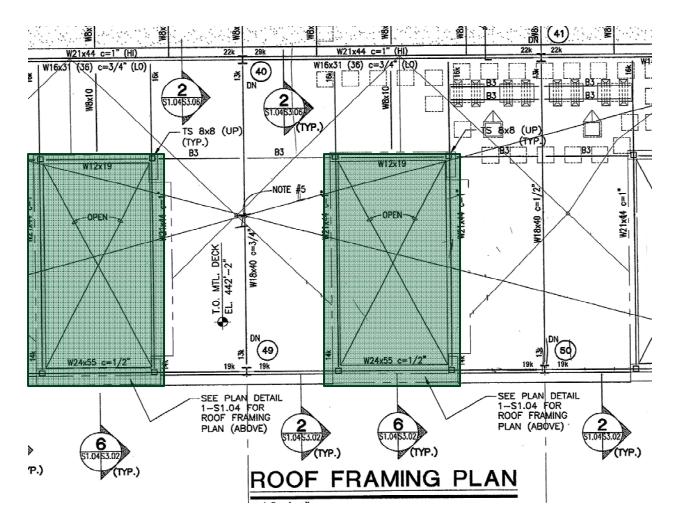
**Design Goals** 

Redesign the roof framing to support the new skylight system

Limit any construction impacts

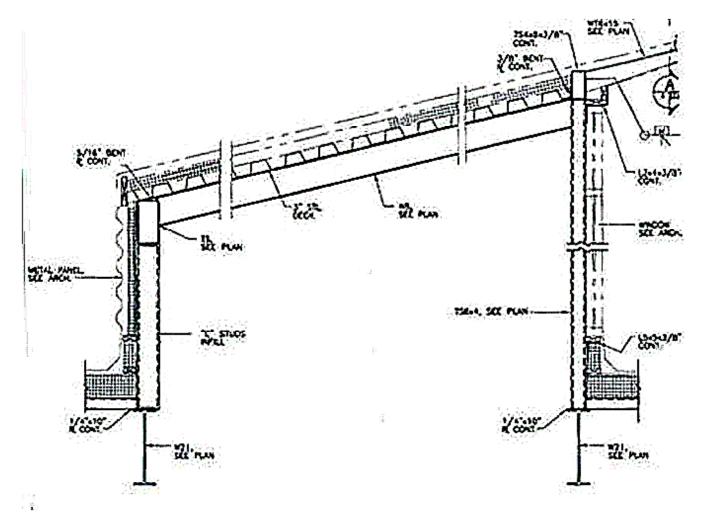
Reduce tonnage of steel number of connections

### **Existing Framing System**





### **Existing Clerestory Section Detail**

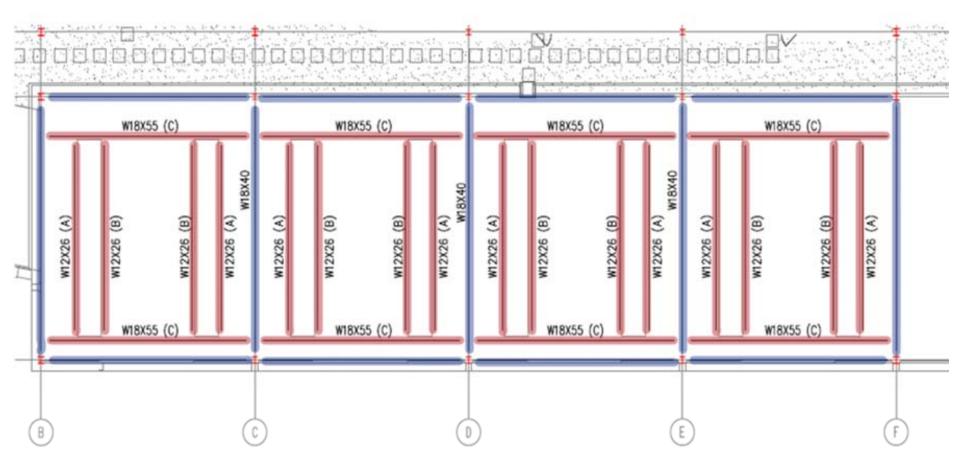


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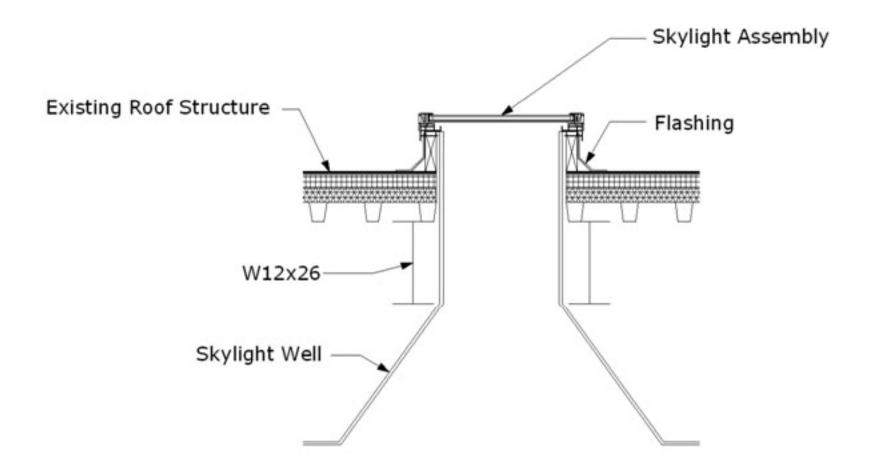
# **Structural Breadth**

### **Redesigned Framing System**

### Existing Member New Member



### **Skylight Section Detail**



### **Steel Comparison**

#### **Existing Framing System**

Member	Linear	Weight	total weight
Size	Feet	lb/linear ft	(lbs)
w12x14(B3)	71.00	14.00	994.00
w21x44	320.00	44.00	14,080.00
w12x19	64.00	19.00	1,216.00
w18x40	120.00	40.00	4,800.00
w8x15	340.00	15.00	5,100.00
TS12x6x3/8	248.00	42.70	10,589.60
L3x3x3/8	264.00	7.17	1,892.88
TS8x4x3/8	88.00	27.40	2,411.20
WT6x15	53.30	15.00	799.50
TS6x4x3/8	150.00	22.30	3,345.00
	total tons		22.61
	*Connecti	on Tonnage	4.52
	**Price/ton		3,800.00
	total Estimated Cost		103,120.25

#### New Framing System

Member	Linear	weight	total Weight
Size	Feet	(lbs)/linear ft	(lbs)
w12x26	480.00	26.00	12,480.00
w18x40	320.00	48.00	15,360.00
w18x55	288.00	55.00	15,840.00
	total tona	ge	21.84
	*Connecti	on Tonage (20%)	4.368
	**Price/to	on	3,800.00
	total estir	nated cost	99,590.40

## Conclusions

Lighting Met design criteria through unique and creative solutions

Able to provide target illuminances while meeting ASHRAE power density standards

Electrical

Due to extraordinary low utility rate and a lack of federal incentives, the implementation of a photovoltaic array is not recommended.

Structural

The redesign of the roof framing system effectively accommodates the new skylight system.

A reduction in tonnage of steel and connections will lead to a cheaper and easier constructed roof.

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# **Questions/Comments?**