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Research Toward Zero Energy Homes

Tommy Williams Zero Energy Home Gainesville, FL

ZEH Statistics

 2,250 square feet – 3 bedrooms, 2.5 bathrooms, to be completed spring 2010

Energy Efficiency & Renewable Energy Features

- Builders Challenge Qualified– HERS/E-Scale ≤ 0 (expected)
- R-38 Ceiling Insulation (R-19 knee wall Insulation), Vented attic
- 10" Heel trusses for improved insulation coverage
- R-15 Fiberglass "Spider" Wall Insulation
- Double Pane, Low-e Vinyl Frame Windows (U=0.35, SHGC=0.25)
- ENERGY STAR® Certified Including Thermal Bypass
- Checklist Compliance
- · ACCA Manual D Sized Duct System, Sealed With Mastic At Joints
- · Ducts and air handler inside conditioned space
- ACCA Manual J Sized Heating/Cooling Equipment
- High Efficiency Heat Pump (HSPF 9.2, SEER 16)
- 100% Compact Fluorescent Bulbs
- 6.75kWp Sunpower 225 PV System (inverter avg. eff. = 0.97)
- Solar domestic hot water system (64 sq. ft. collector)

Indoor Air Quality & Noise Reduction Features

- Outside Air "Run-time" Ventilation System
 - When furnace or air conditioner compressor is running, creating beneficial positive pressure in the house to minimize intrusion of outside humidity and dust
 - Filtered outside air is mixed with house air in return plenum
 - Passive System no moving parts to maintain
- Can be disabled if necessary (such as when there's a fire in the area)
- Ducted exhaust fans in kitchen and bath rooms to remove humid air
- Duct System Air Tightness Tested
- Air Handler and Ducts in Conditioned Space (hatched area of floor plan indicates dropped ceiling for ducts)
- Air Sealing to Reduce Infiltration (outside air, pollen, dust, soil gases, etc)
- FGBC (Florida Green Building Coalition) Certified Home (expected)

Systems Engineering by BAIHP

- · Simulation analysis to identify cost effective net zero (annual) energy package
- · Scope of work developed for the mechanical and solar contractors

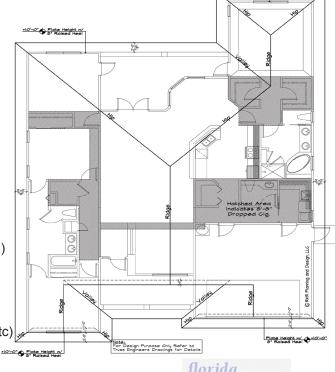


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Recognizing Energy Leadership in Homebuilding



Florida Solar Energy Center leads the Building America Industrialized Housing Partnership Consortium Plate Height w/ +10'







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