

News Release



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iLevel® Performance Connection™ Tool Helps Relate Structural Framing Products to Local Building Needs

Web-Based Tool is Fast and Simple to Use

For homebuilders and building material dealers looking for information on structural framing products suitable to the unique requirements of their geographic area, the iLevel® Performance Connection™ Tool provides the answer. With a simple-to-use Web-based interface, users enter their zip code and the tool provides a listing of appropriate products based on four key environmental conditions: seismic design category, maximum wind speed, snow load and average annual precipitation. <http://www.ilevel.com/performanceconnection/>

Because environmental conditions vary widely by location and have a significant impact on selection of structural framing materials, the iLevel Performance Connection Tool provides a fast way to identify products that generally meet the local conditions. The tool lists a wide range of appropriate framing products for floors, walls and roofs, including types of joists, beams, studs, sheathing, panels and wall braces, among others.

“The iLevel Performance Connection Tool is designed to help optimize performance of structural framing for homes in light of relative environmental conditions,” says Dede Ryan, manager of integrated product strategies for iLevel by Weyerhaeuser. “Builders can use it as a first-cut check on local requirements, as well as demonstrate to homebuyers why certain materials are required.”

After using the tool as a reference for their area, builders should consult their local code official to ensure that the identified materials meet the requirements of the specific piece of property on which they will be building.

The iLevel Performance Connection tool is one part of a complete and integrated package of framing products and services, including technical support and an extensive distribution network throughout North America. Other trusted iLevel products and brands include Trus Joist Parallam® parallel strand lumber (PSL), Trus Joist TimberStrand® laminated strand lumber (LSL), TJI® joists, Structurwood Edge® and Structurwood Edge Gold® floor panels, and iLevel Premium Joists™. To learn more, visit www.iLevel.com or call 1-888-iLevel8 (1-888-453-8358).

About iLevel by Weyerhaeuser

iLevel is Weyerhaeuser's integrated residential framing business resulting in a seamless, unified solution for residential builders through dealers – offering a coordinated network of support for all structural framing materials. By combining Weyerhaeuser's high-quality products and services from well-known brands like Trus Joist and Structurwood, with its distribution and technology capabilities, iLevel efficiently supplies customers with all the necessary components for building the residential structural frame, and solving builder and customer needs around that frame.

About Weyerhaeuser

Weyerhaeuser Company, one of the world's largest forest products companies, was incorporated in 1900. In 2007, sales were \$16.3 billion. It has offices or operations in 13 countries, with customers worldwide. Weyerhaeuser is principally engaged in the growing and harvesting of timber; the manufacture, distribution and sale of forest products; and real estate construction, development and related activities. Additional information about Weyerhaeuser's businesses, products and practices is available at <http://www.weyerhaeuser.com>.

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