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Considerations for Selecting a Glazed Wall System

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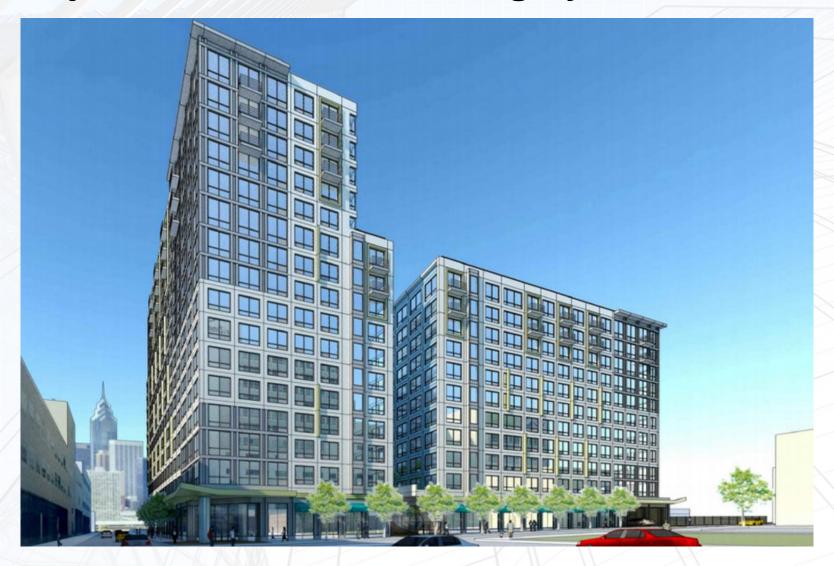
# Course Description

Most building have a variety of facade cladding systems. Selection of the glazed wall system should be performed in conjunction with the facade cladding system for a complete approach to the exterior skin. The speaker will review facade cladding and glazed system transition and integration from an air, water, vapor and thermal perspective. In this presentation, the speaker will give an overview of typical details for windows, storefronts, window wall and curtain wall assemblies; show representative transition details for each glazed system to various exterior facade systems to illustrate the potential challenges, advantages and disadvantages of each glazed wall system as it relates to these different details; and present case studies that follow the design details through shop drawings, mock-ups and construction.





#### **Objective: Select the Glazing System**



Source: https://philly.curbed.com/2017/2/6/14520520/hamilton-tower-project-logan-square-groundbreaking



# Learning Objectives

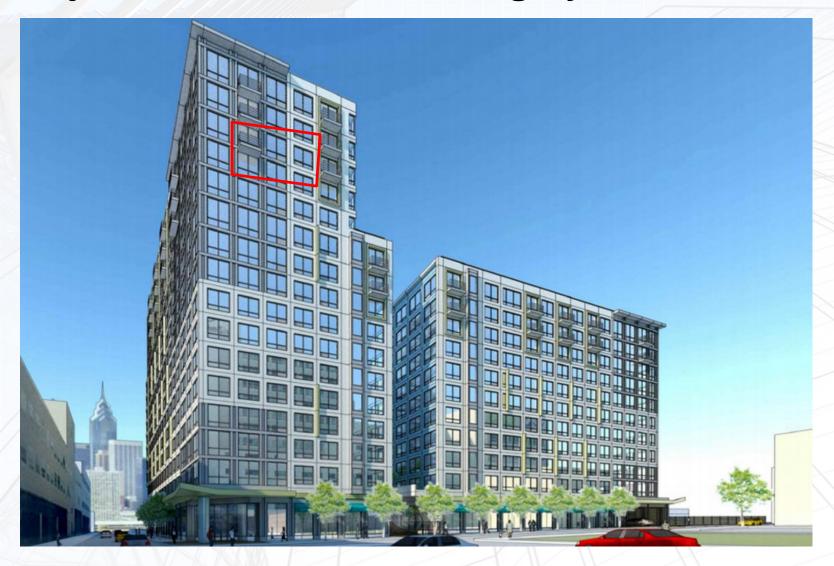
At the end of the this course, participants will be able to:

- 1. Incorporate the structure in the glazing system selection.
- 2. Integrate the air, water, vapor and thermal barriers of glazing systems at the transition to facade cladding system.
- 3. Identify the advantages and disadvantages of different glazing systems based on transitions to adjacent facade cladding
- 4. Improve glazing system details based on lessons learned.





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# Structural Considerations of Glazing System Selection

- 1. Movement joint is located at perimeter of the glazing system (depends on exterior framing).
- 2. Position of glazing system relative to the structure.
- 3. Whether glazing system spans multiple floors.

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#### **Methods of Accommodating Deflection**

- Option 1
  - "Large Joint"
  - Slip connection between glazing system and the framing.

- Option 2
  - Receptor System (storefront systems).



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			Window	Storefront	Curtain Wall	
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- 3. Exterior framing and slab construction.



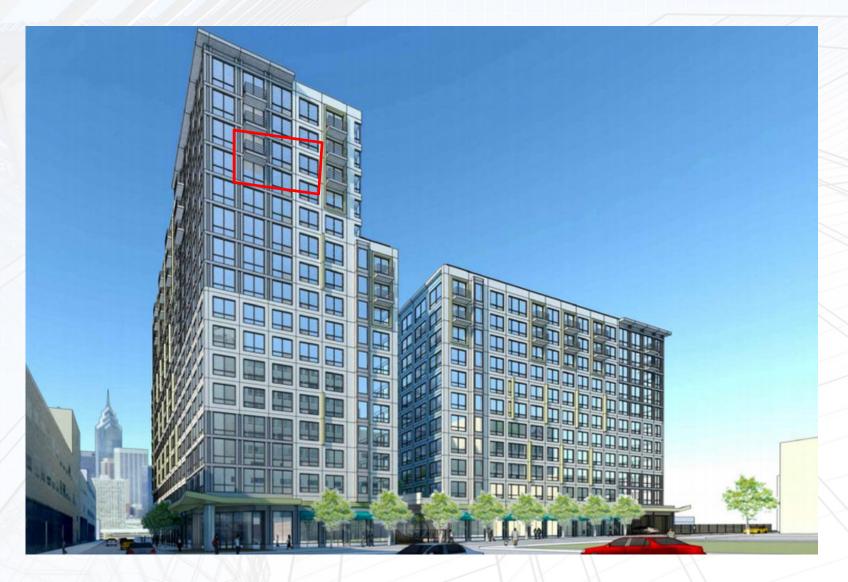
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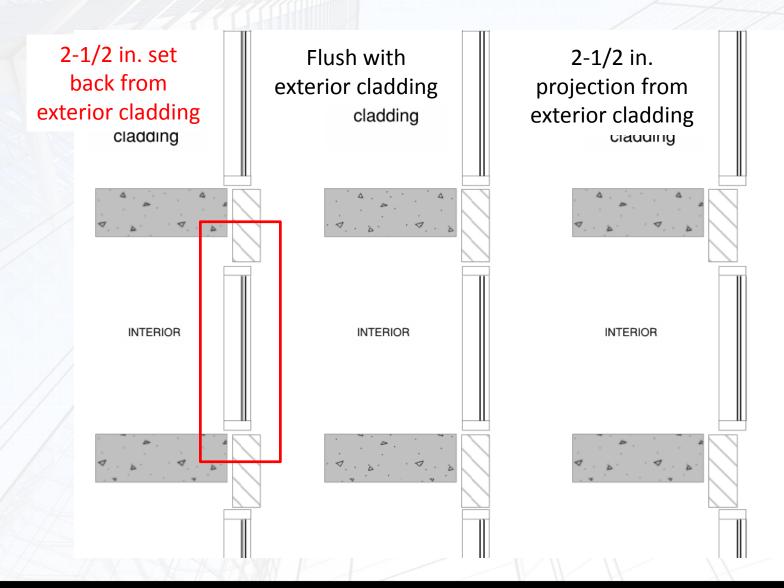
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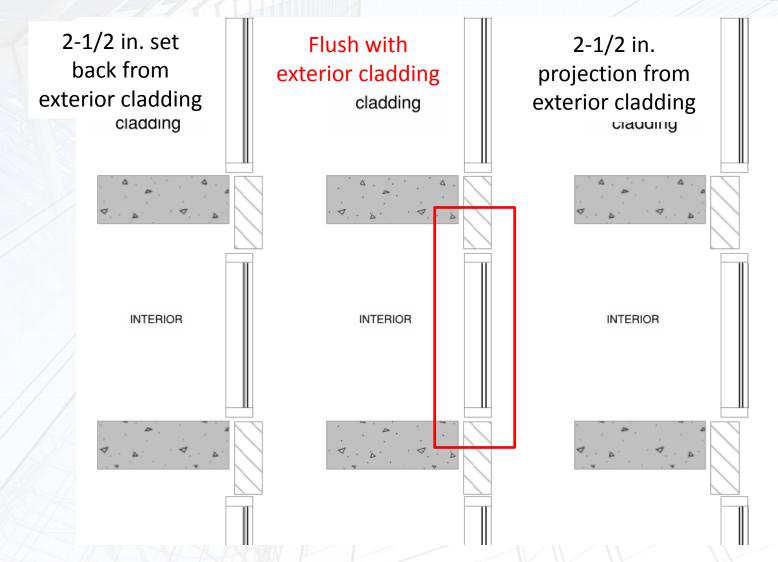


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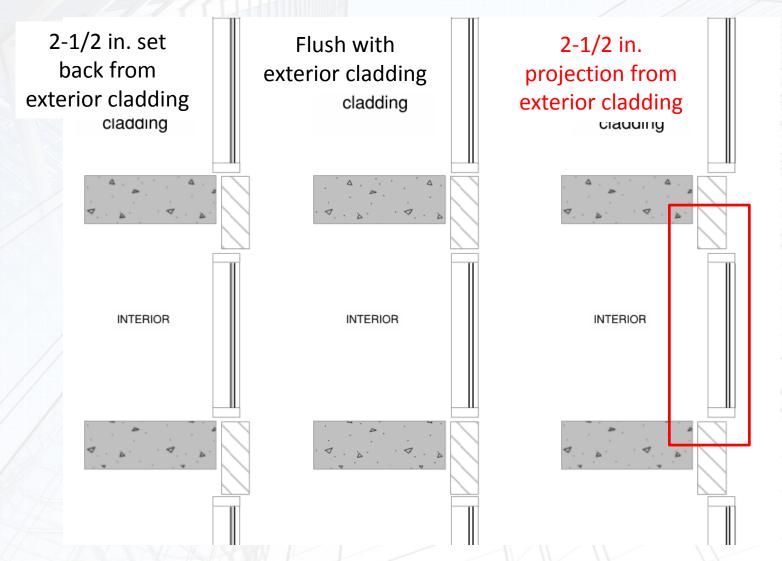


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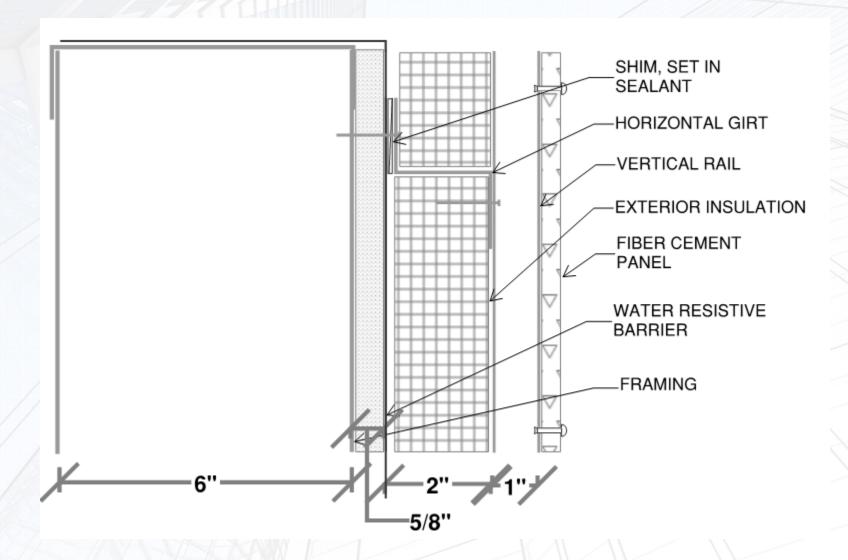


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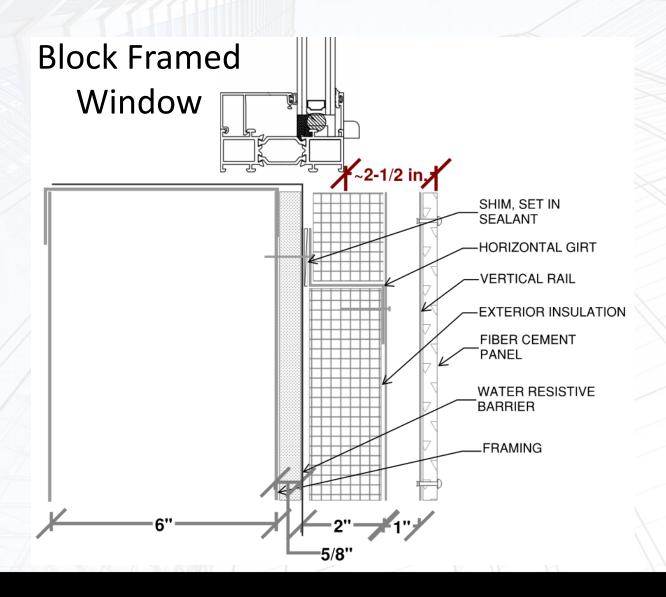




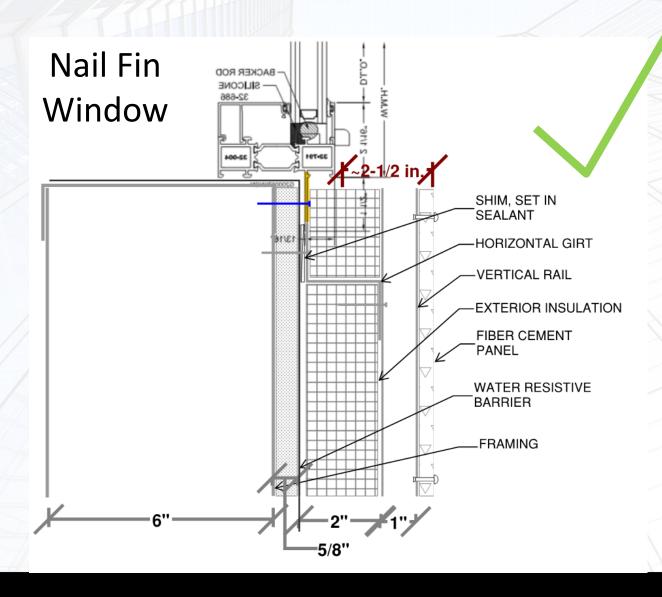
#### **Exterior Cladding = Fiber Cement Panels**



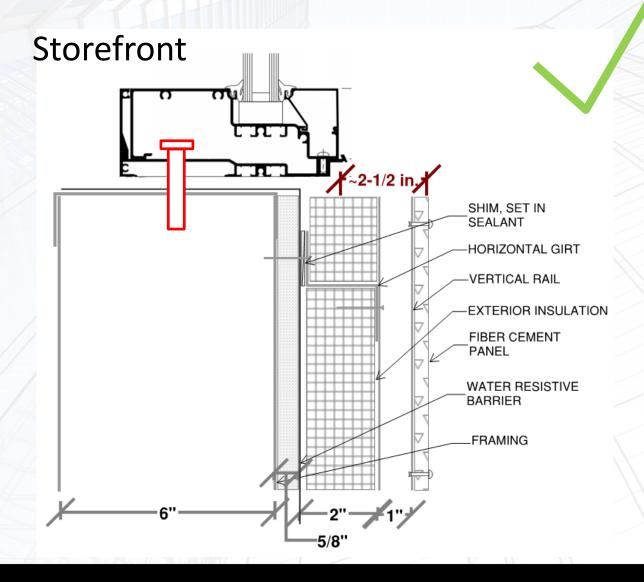






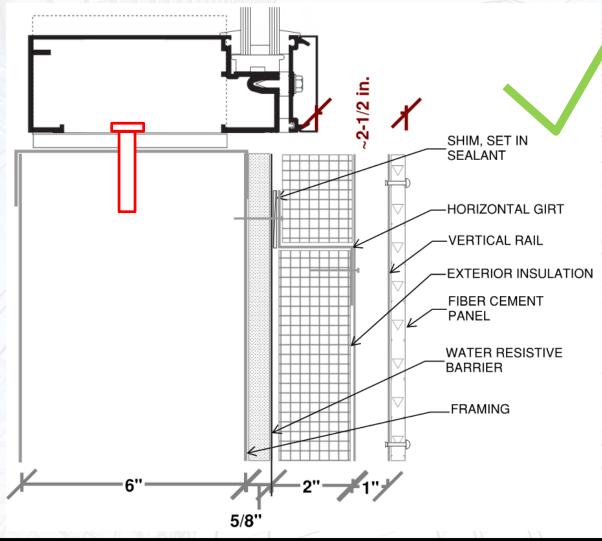








#### **Curtain Wall**





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			Window	Storefront	Curtain Wall		
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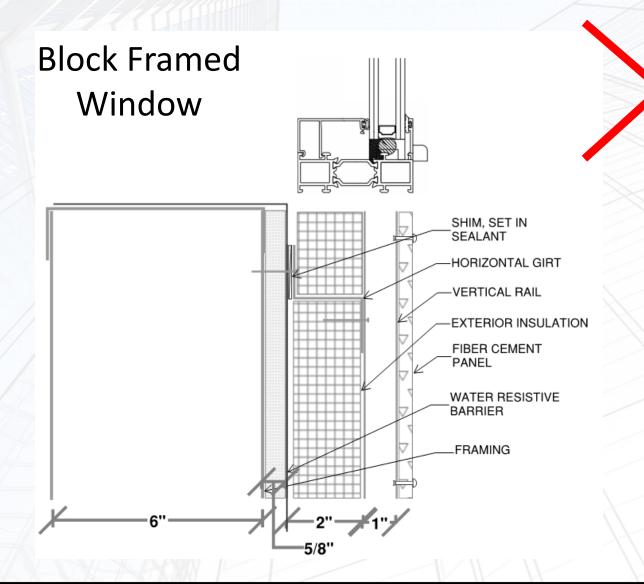
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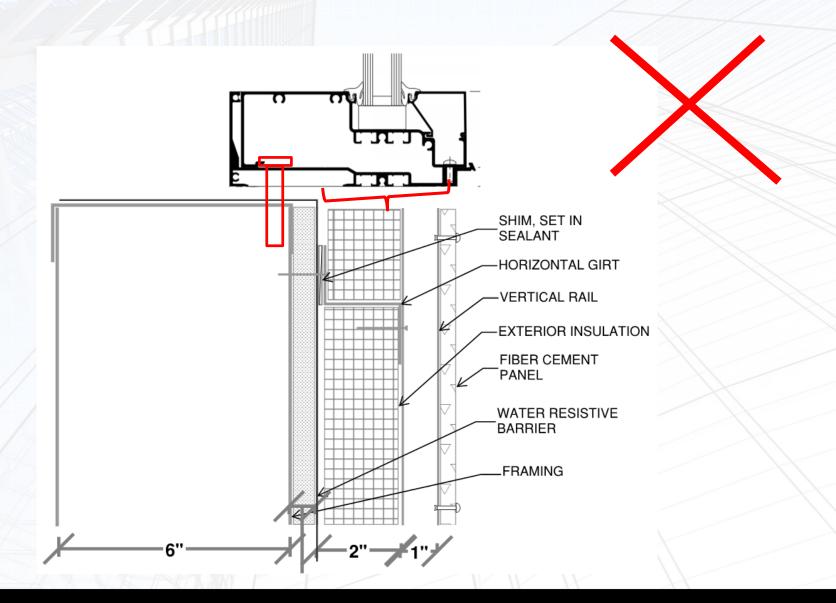


Flush with Exterior Cladding



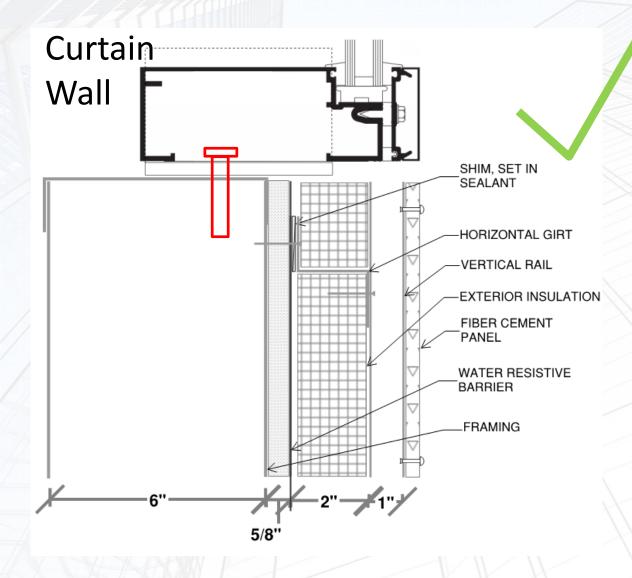


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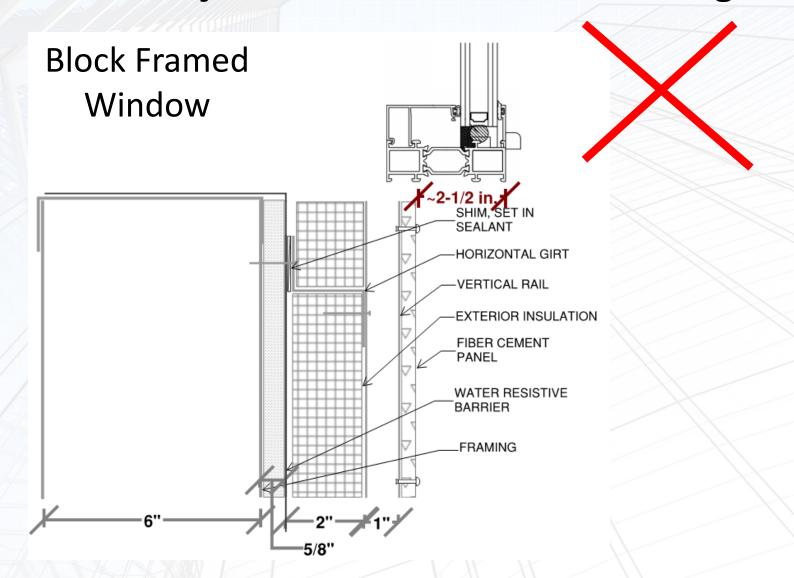
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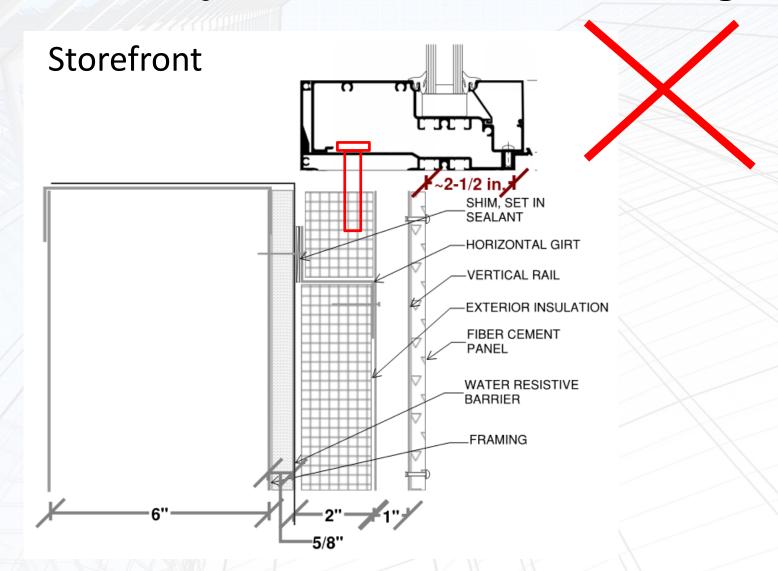


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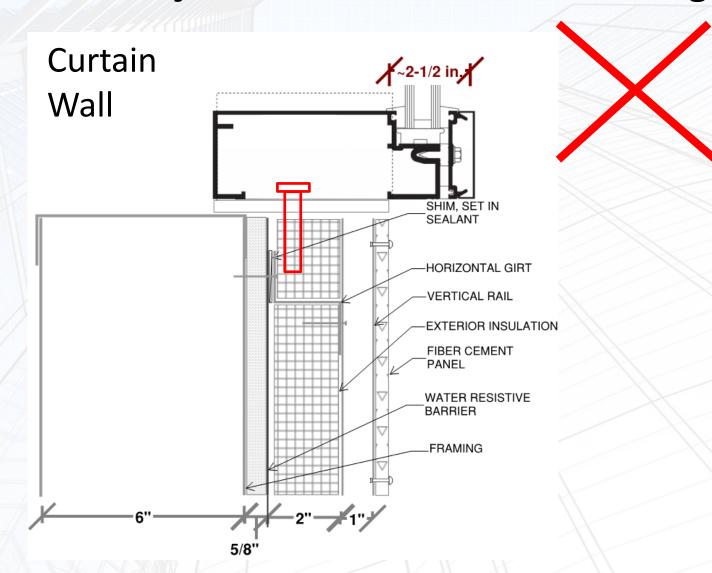


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# **Four Barriers**

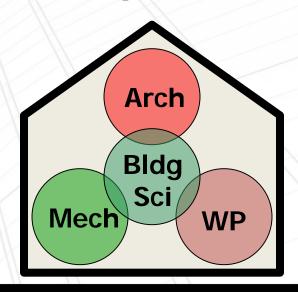


## **The Four Barriers**

Principles of Building Envelope Performance

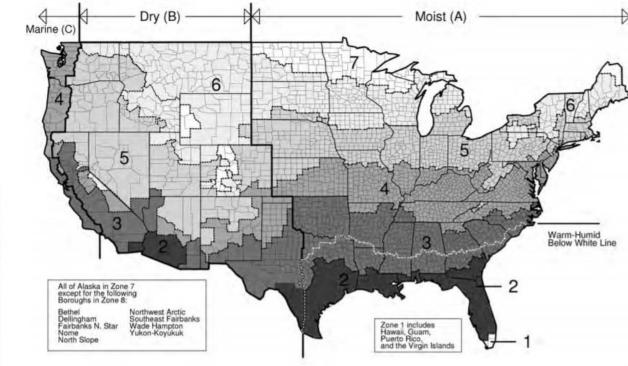
- Rainwater Control [Waterproofing]
  - Barrier 1 = Cladding/Waterproofing
- Condensation Control [Building Science]
  - Barrier 2 = Thermal Barrier
  - Barrier 3 = Vapor Retarders
    - Barrier 4 = Air Barrier

Will not be discussed in this presentation.





## Air Barrier Requirement



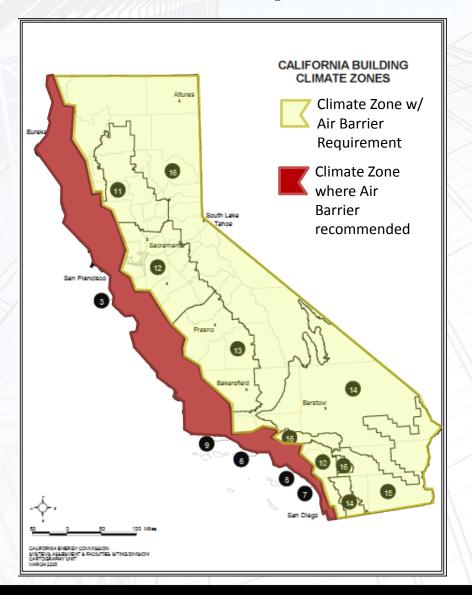
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FIGURE C301.1 CLIMATE ZONES C402.5.1 Air barriers. A continuous air barrier shall be provided throughout the building thermal envelope. The air barriers shall be permitted to be located on the inside or outside of the building envelope, located within the assemblies composing the envelope, or any combination thereof. The air barrier shall comply with Sections C402.5.1.1 and C402.5.1.2.

**Exception:** Air barriers are not required in buildings located in *Climate Zone* 2B.



# Air Barriers Required in CZ 10-16



Section 140.3



# **Glazing System Transition to Exterior Cladding**

	Transition at Sill to Fiber Cement Panels		
	Window	Storefront	
Water Barrier			
Air Barrier			
Thermal Barrier			
Vapor Barrier	Vapor retarder will not be considered in this presentation.		

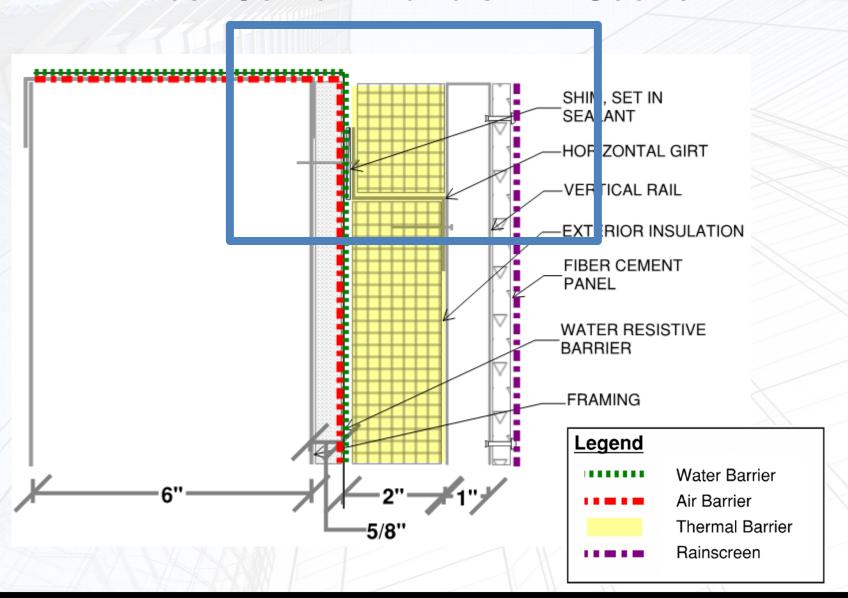


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Rainscreen			

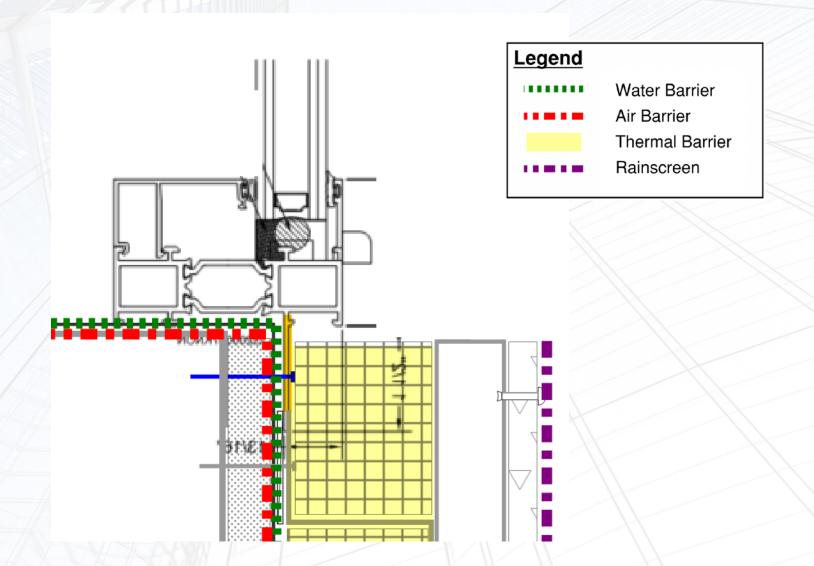


## Fiber Cement Panels - In Section



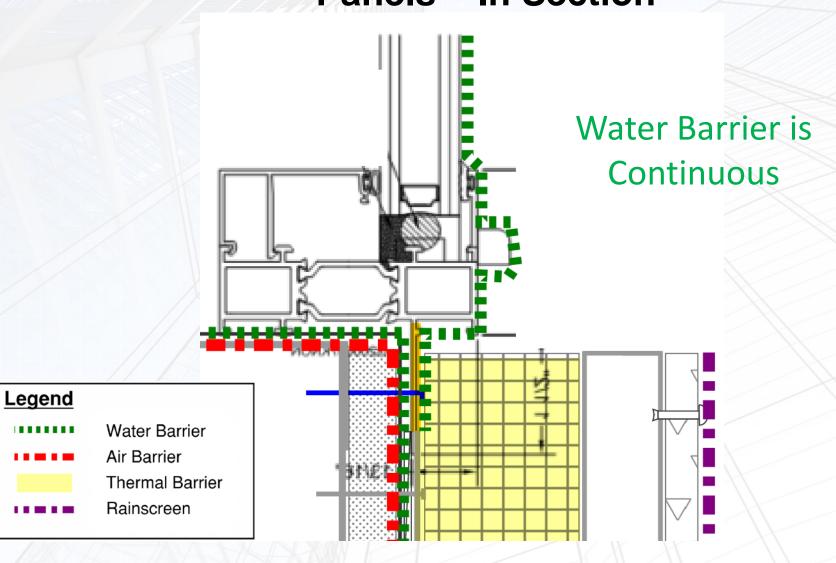


# Recessed Nail Fin Window in Fiber Cement Panels – In Section





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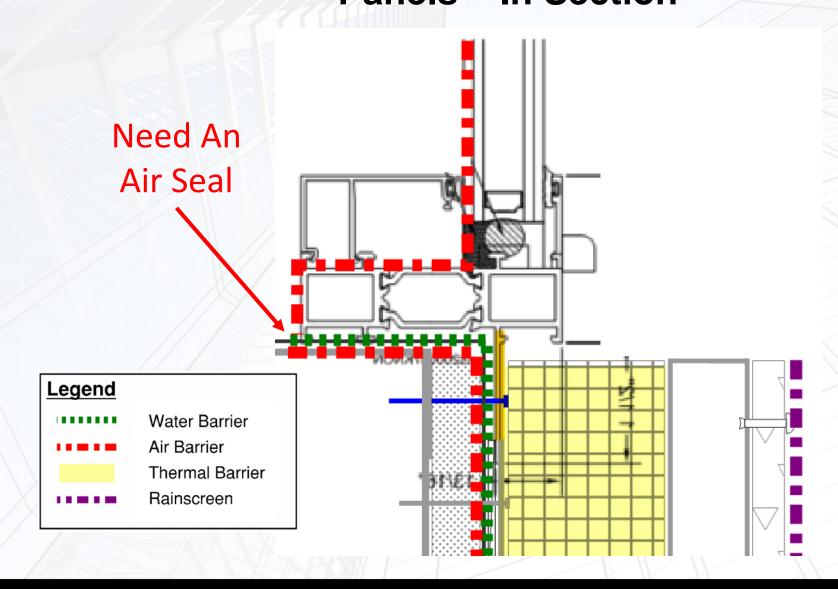


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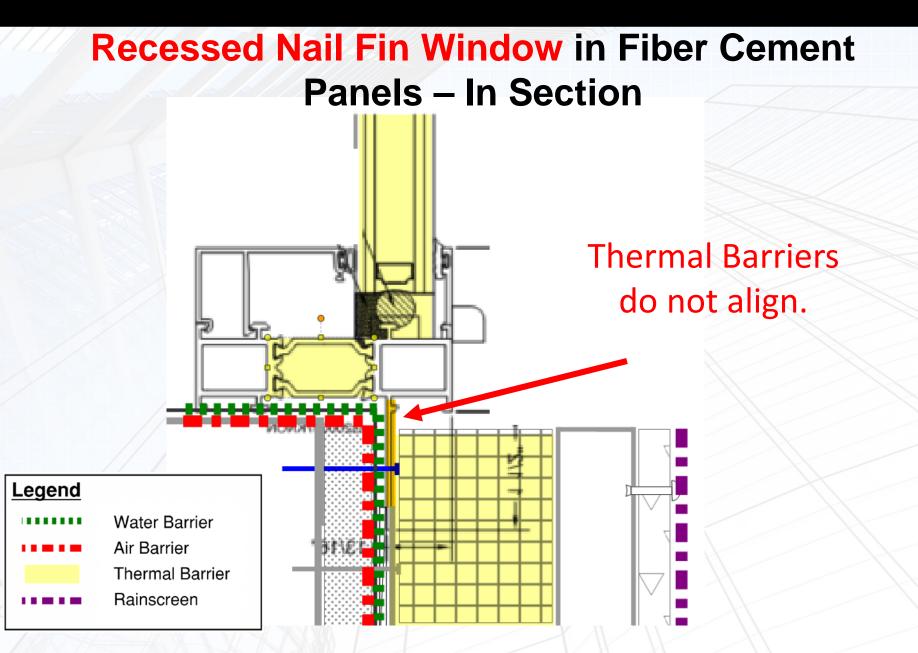
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Air Barrier				
Thermal Barrier				
Rainscreen				



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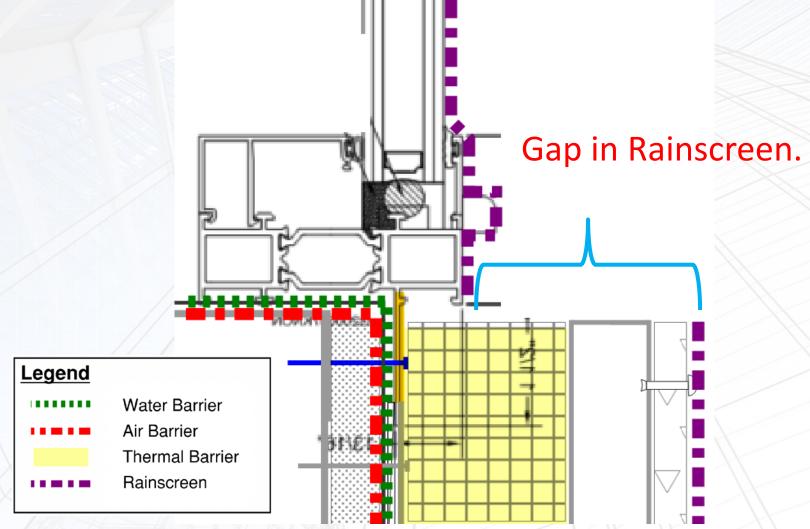








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Window

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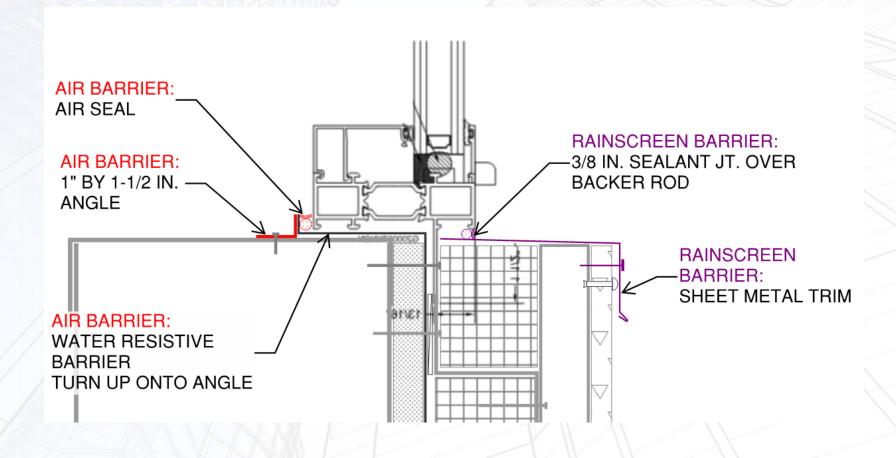
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Thermal Barrier
Not Aligned

Rainscreen
Gap



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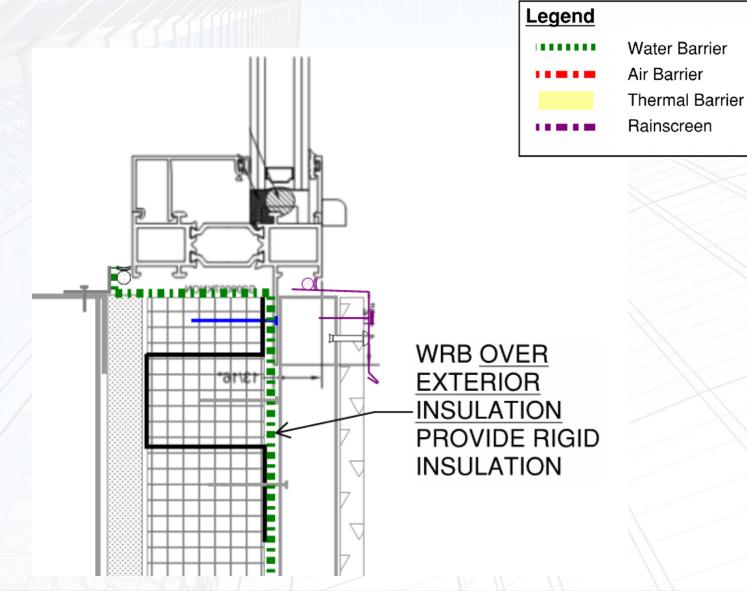


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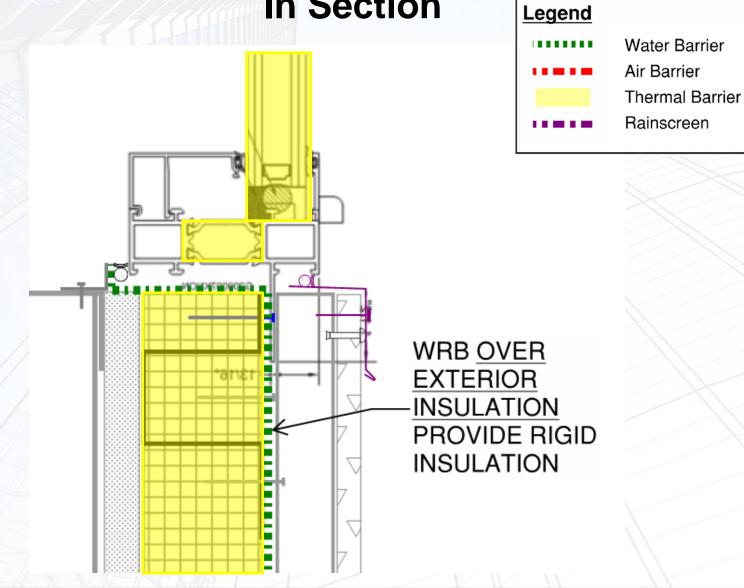


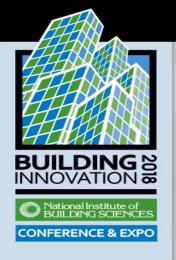
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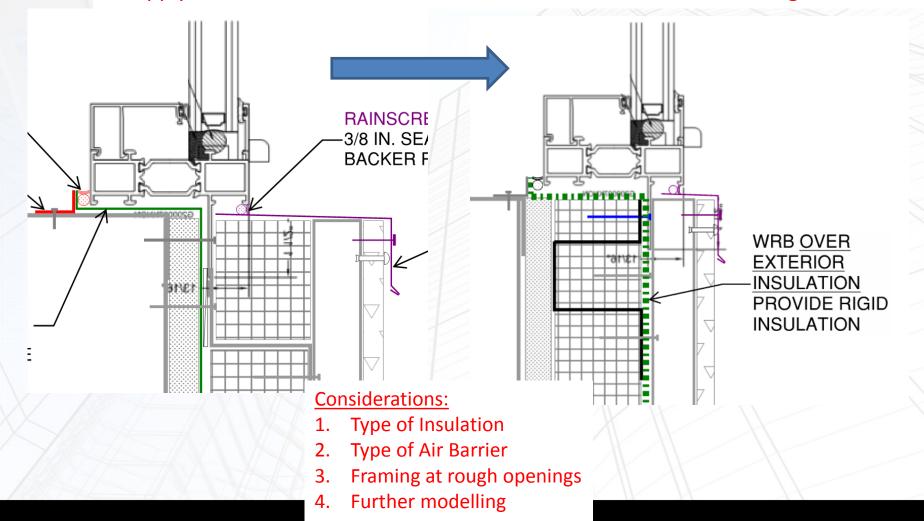
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# Nail Fin Window in Fiber Cement Panels – In Section

- Moved window so it is no longer 2-1/2 in. recessed (see extra framing).
- Apply WRB over Exterior Insulation instead of the Exterior Sheathing.





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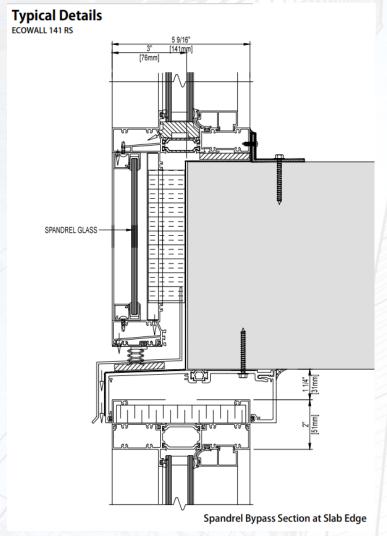
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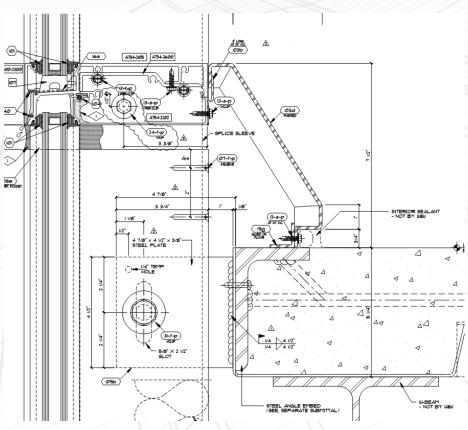
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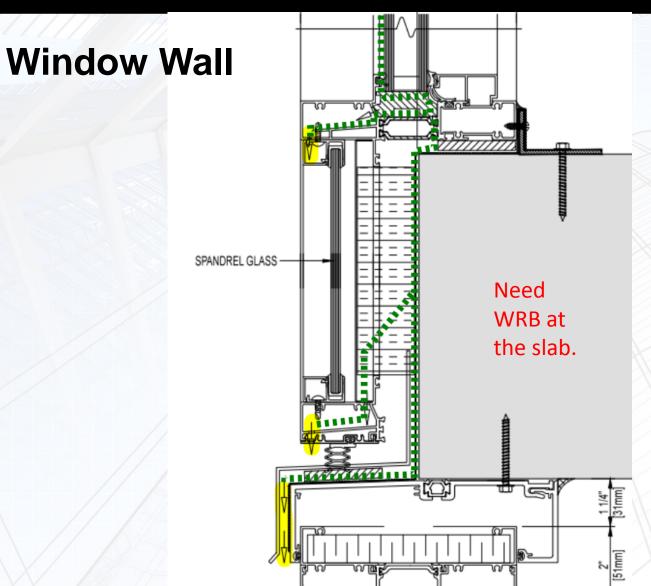
## **Window Wall**

## **Curtain Wall**







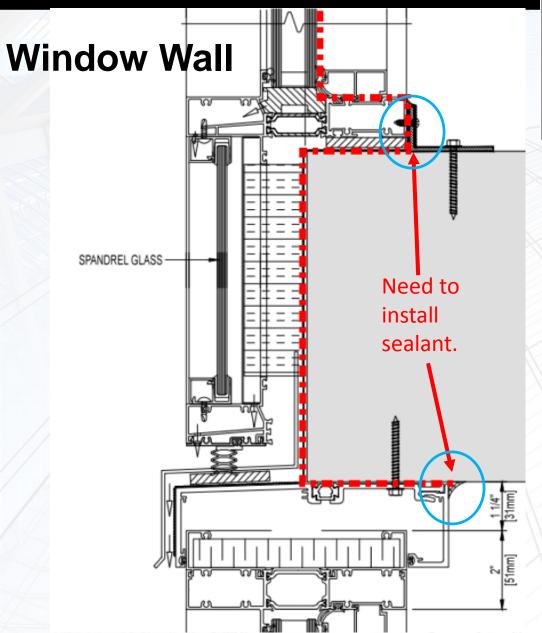




Numerous Drainage Paths

Water Barrier is Continuous

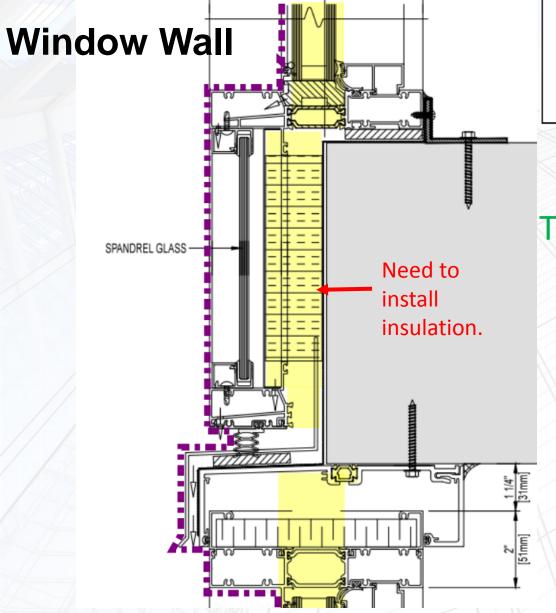






Air Barrier is Continuous





Legend
Water Barrier
Air Barrier
Thermal Barrier
Rainscreen

Thermal Barrier Aligns

Continuous Rainscreen System



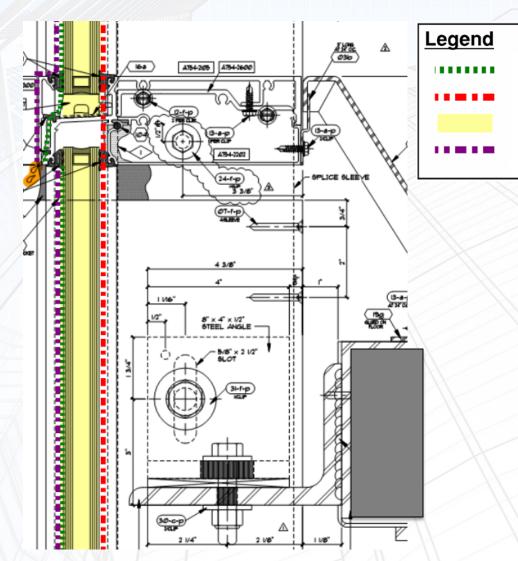
## **Curtain Wall – 4 Barriers**

Water Barrier

Thermal Barrier

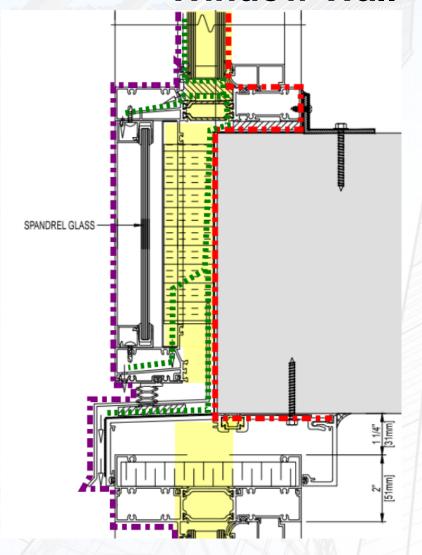
Air Barrier

Rainscreen

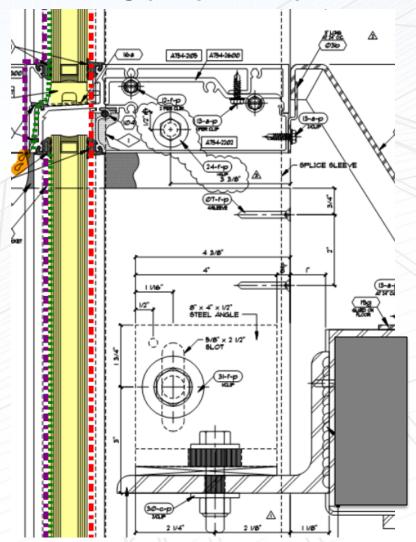




## **Window Wall**



## **Curtain Wall**





# **Barriers**

	Detail at Slab		
	Window Wall	Curtain Wall	
Water Barrier	Need to install WRB at the slab.	Part of CW system.	
Air Barrier	Seals to slab.	Part of CW system.	
Thermal Barrier	Need to install insulation at slab.	Part of CW system.	
Rainscreen	Part of window wall system.	Part of CW system.	



# **Learning Objective**

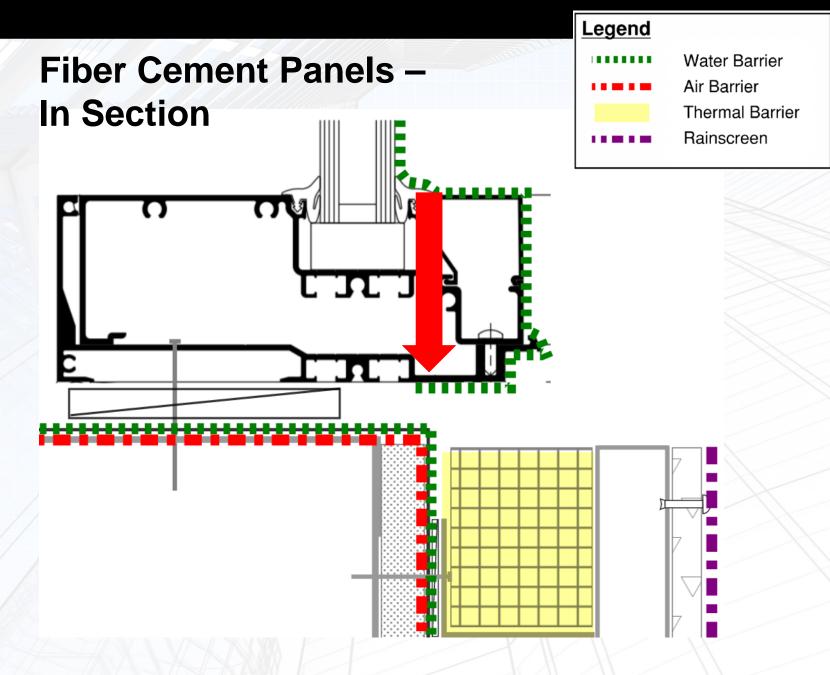
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# Case Study #1

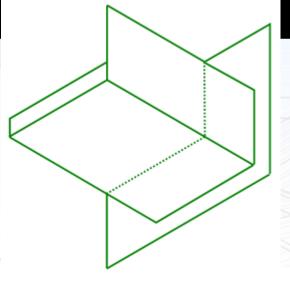
Glazing System Flush with Cladding

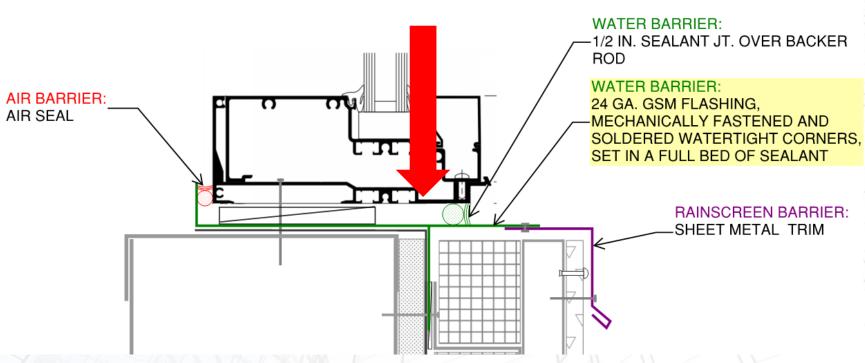






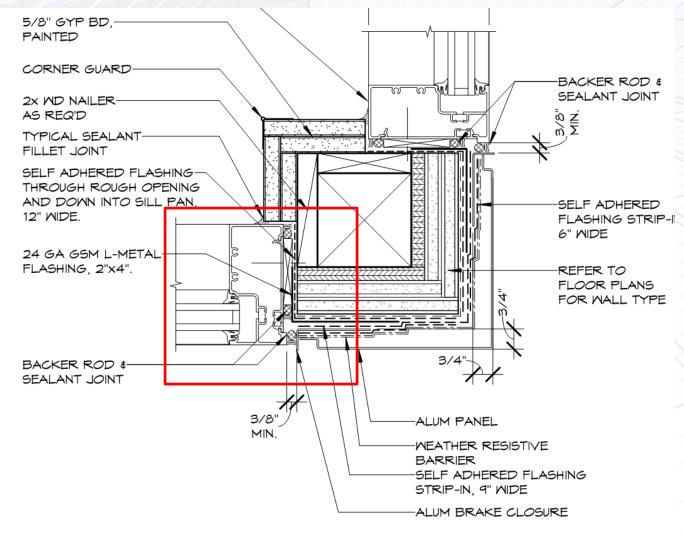
## **Fiber Cement Panels**



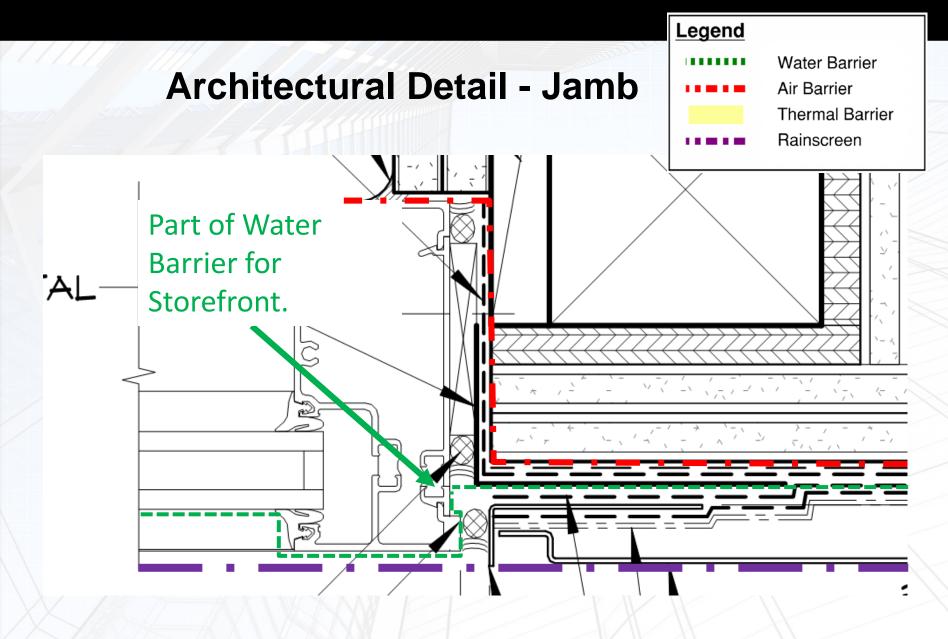




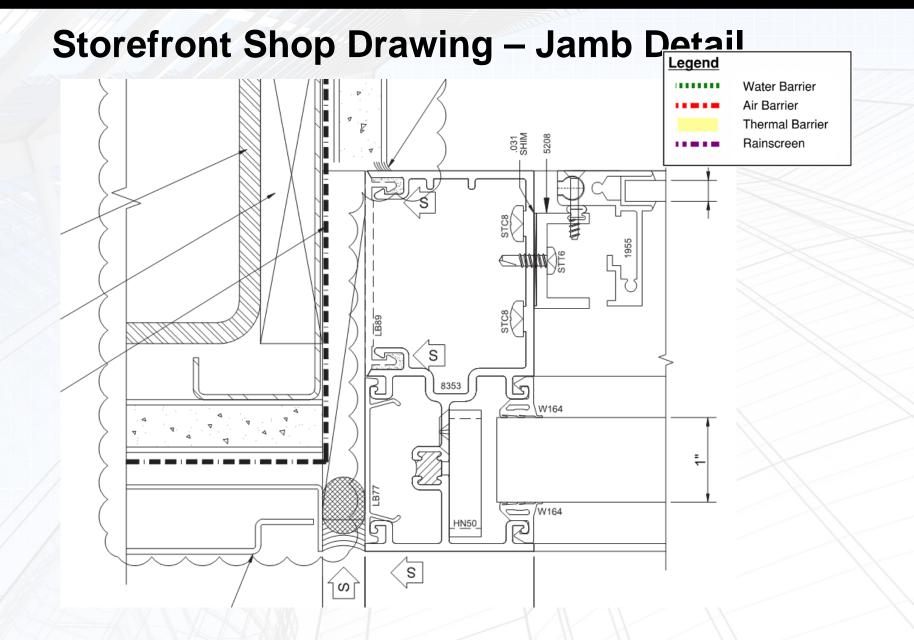
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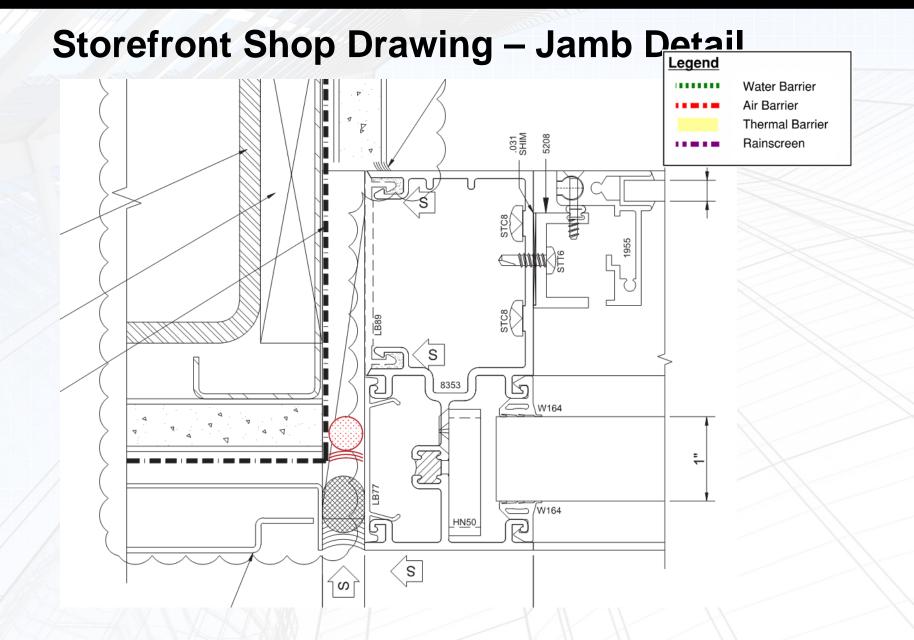




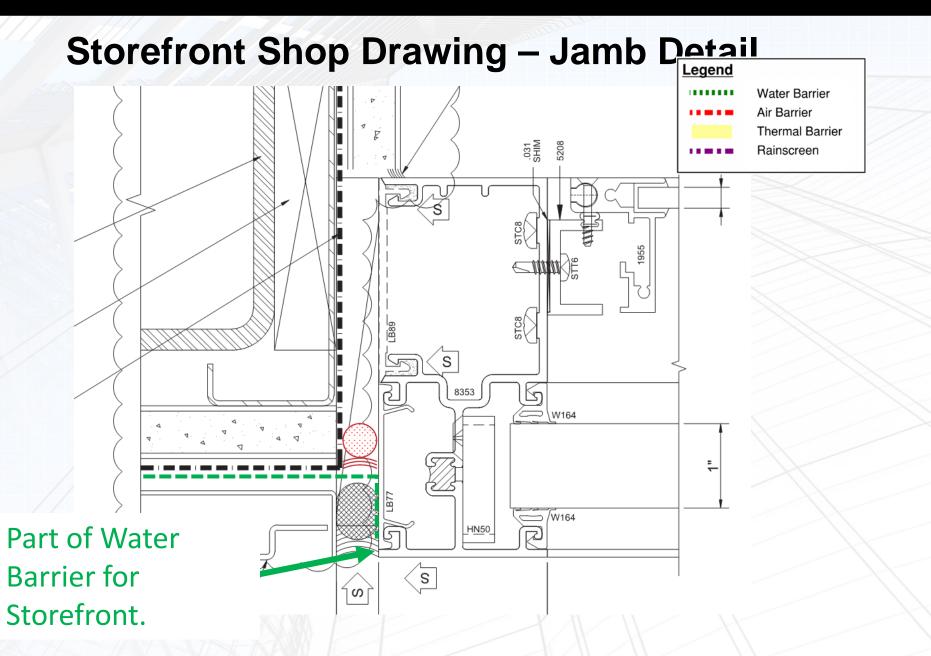




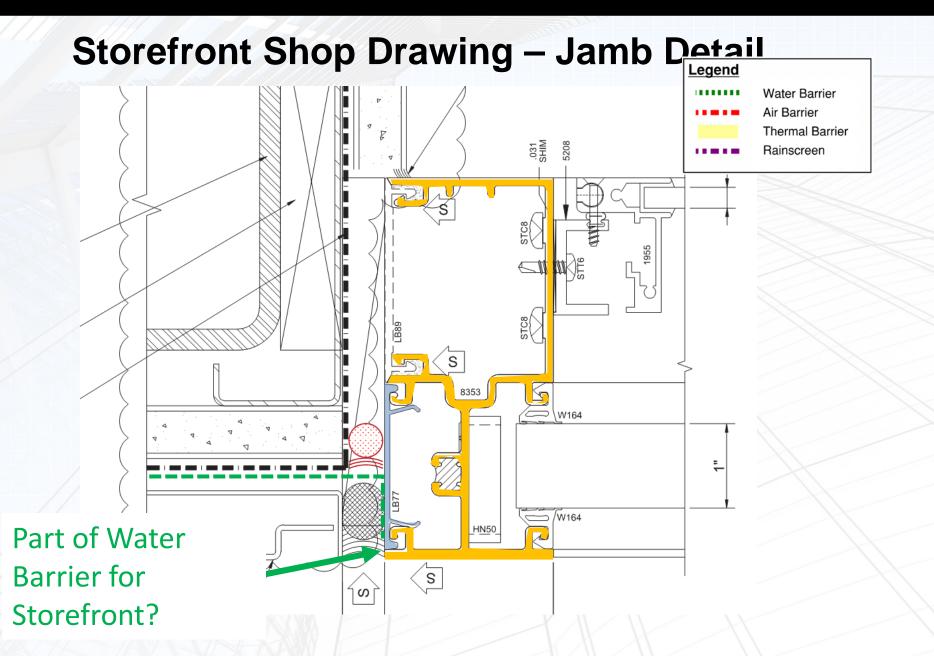




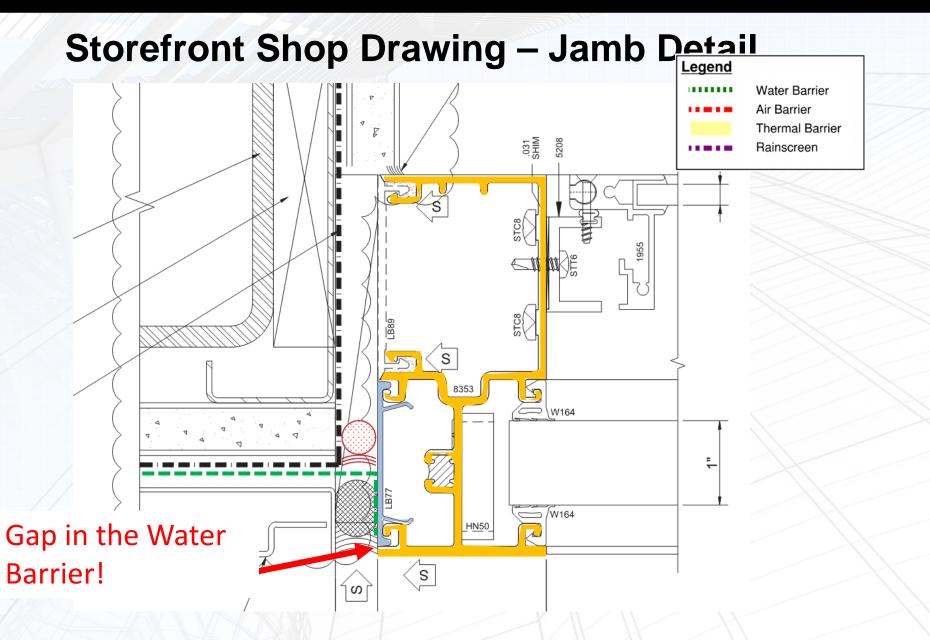




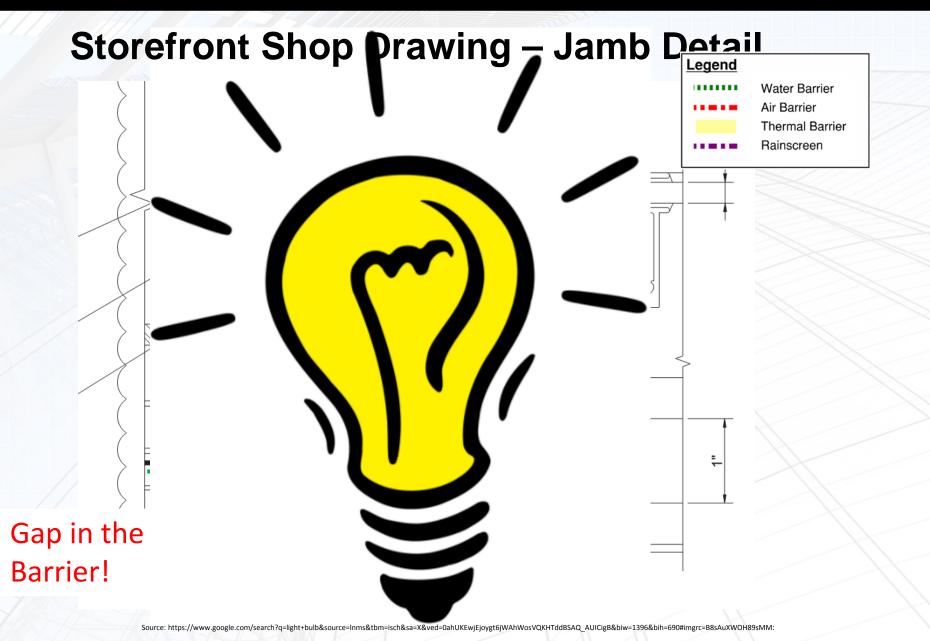




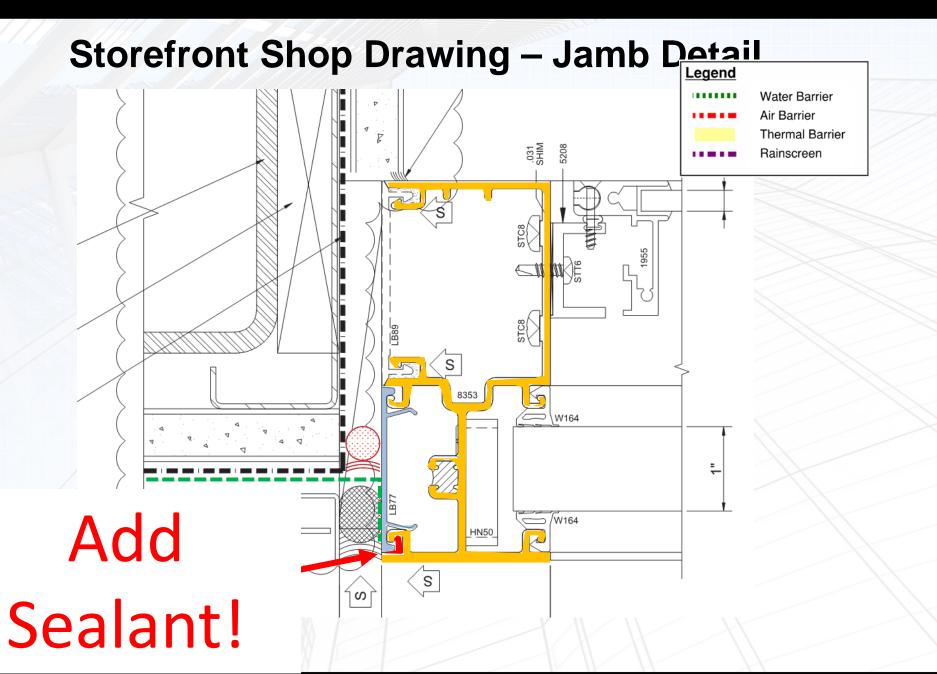










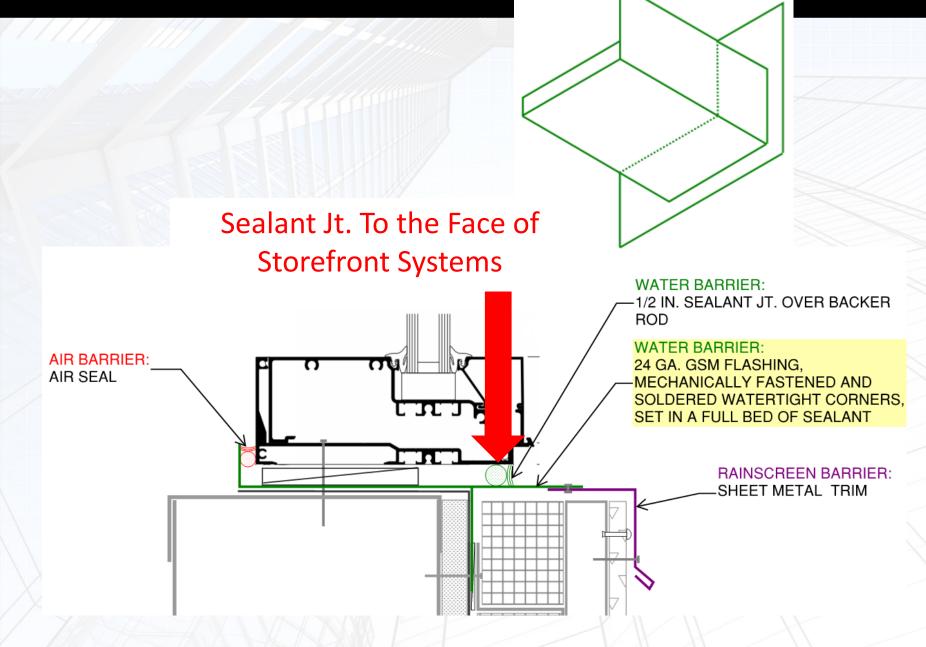














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Case Study #2

**Deflection Joints** 



The exterior will be composed of brick, metal panels, fiber cement panels, and cedar siding.







### **Considerations of Glazing System Selection**

- 1. Movement joint present at perimeter of the glazing system.
- 2. Position of glazing system relative to the structure.
- 3. Exterior framing and slab construction.

			Glazing System Type		
			Window	Storefront	Curtain Wall
Structural Consideration	1. Deflection Joint		Limited Manu.	Yes.	Yes.
	2. Glazing System Position Relative to Structure	Recessed	Yes.	Yes.	Yes.
		Flush	No.	No.	Yes.
		Projected	No.	No.	No.
	3. Slab-to-Slab		No.	Yes.	Yes.

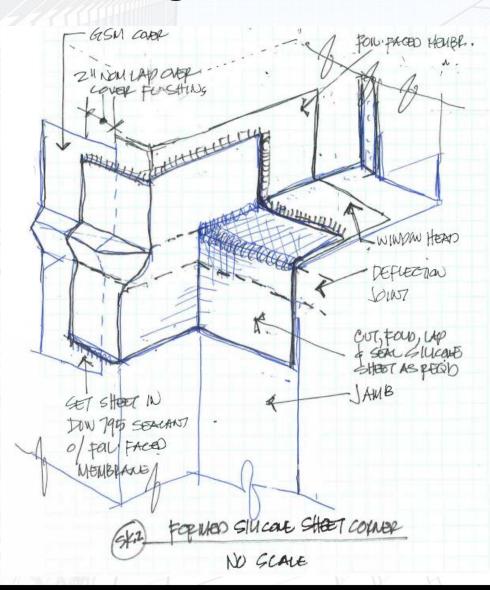




#### Photo 6

Silicone sheet flashing required at deflection joint along window head.





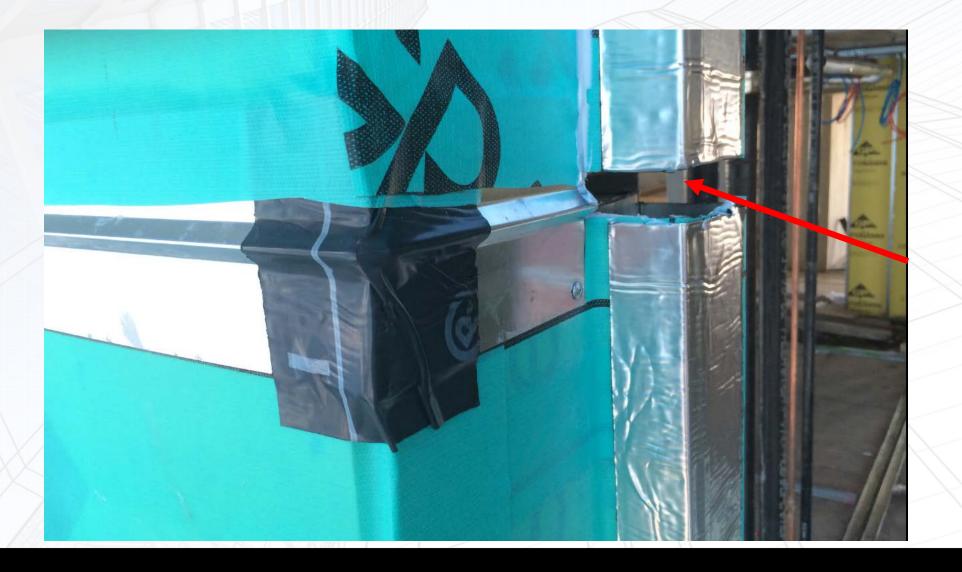


















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