UBC Social Ecological Economic Development Studies (SEEDS) Student Report

#### **UBC Farm Harvest Hut Waste Redirection Site: Build Process**

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# CSL Project: Harvest Hut Waste Redirection Site (SEEDS/ UBC Farm)





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# **The Problem**

- UBC Farm hosts a Farm Market every Saturday during growing season
- The area around the Harvest Hut becomes messy with litter and it is aesthetically unappealing
- UBC Farm wanted a set of units/containers that would:
  - 1. Create an organized environment
  - 2. Separate recycling, compost and trash
  - 3. Make it easy for the trash collectors to remove the waste

### The Conceptual Design

**Process** 



Our team came up with three conceptual designs consisting of fixed and portable units The background photo was one • of our fixed conceptual designs A meeting with our client led us  $\bullet$ to prioritize portability and aesthetics in the decision process We also had to consider how to • place the units around a wooden post, as seen in the adjacent plan By weighing out the objectives and constraints, we modified our designs

### **The Final Design**

This is the final 3D rendering of our containers It consists of 5 portable units that can be taken apart The outside of the structure is lined with cedar The roof is slanted and covered with weather resistant material to prevent rotting The chute on the roof has a wooden flap to prevent squirrels from getting to the trash It creates an organized environment and is aesthetically

appealing

## **The Build**

Our team finished building the project on March 5<sup>th</sup>2011, at a total construction period of four days

DAY ONE: We constructed the base for each container, as seen in this picture, and assembled the frames for 2 containers DAY TWO: We finished assembling all the frames, cut the roof pieces, began nailing in the cedar exterior, and started constructing the doors

DAY FOUR: We nailed the containers in place, covered the roof with weather resistant material, and added appropriate signage

DAY THREE: We finished the cedar exterior, connected the doors and assembled all the chutes on the containers

# **The Finished Product**

- The project was completed on March 5<sup>th</sup>
- The weatherproof design is aesthetically appealing
- The area seems less messy now and the portable containers have met all of our client's expectations and needs
- The units are easy to use
- There is more than enough room for waste collectors to get the containers out

