Reflectance Testing of Steep Sloped Roofing in the Field

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Waiting For the Sun







Outline

Sustainability Preservation/Restoration **Solar Reflectance Testing** Field Testing (Evaluate alternate for E1918)

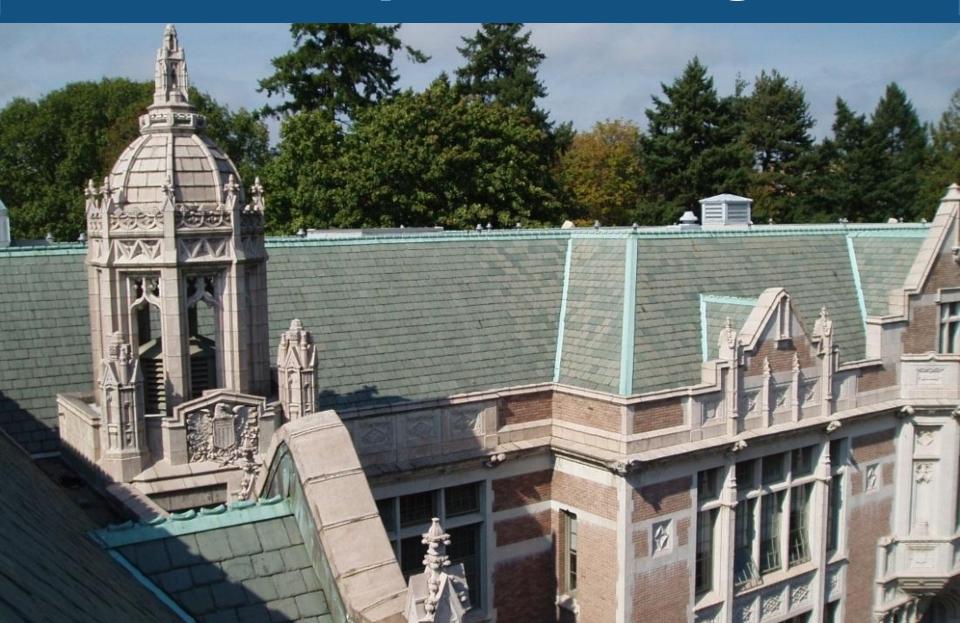
Why Reflective Roofing?

Save Energy
Cooler Cities
LEED
Building Codes

Preservation/Restoration

Traditional Materials Roof Cleaning

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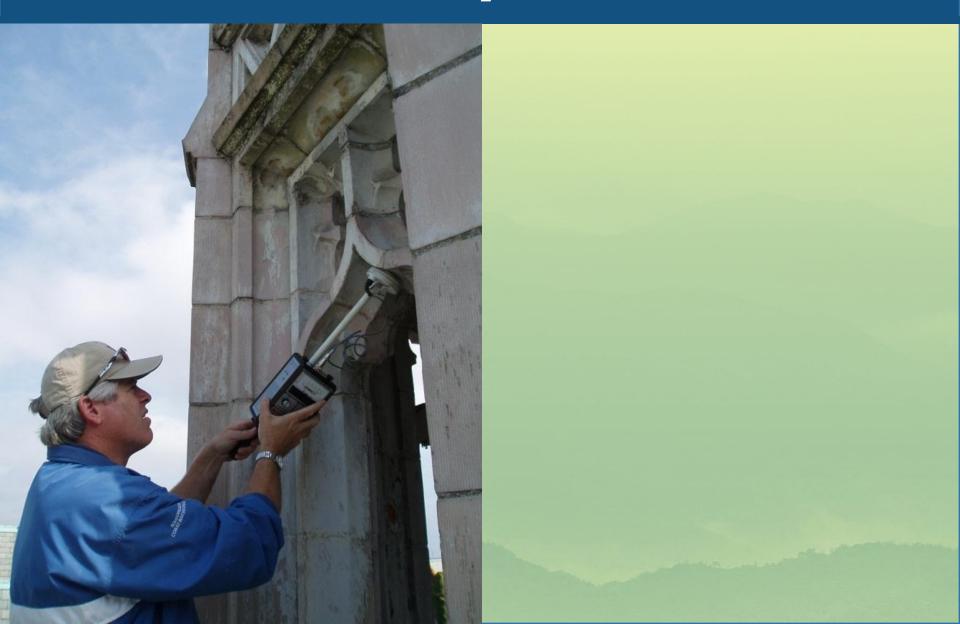






Renovated 2005-2009

Terra Cotta
Stone Masonry



Steep Slope Slate Roofing



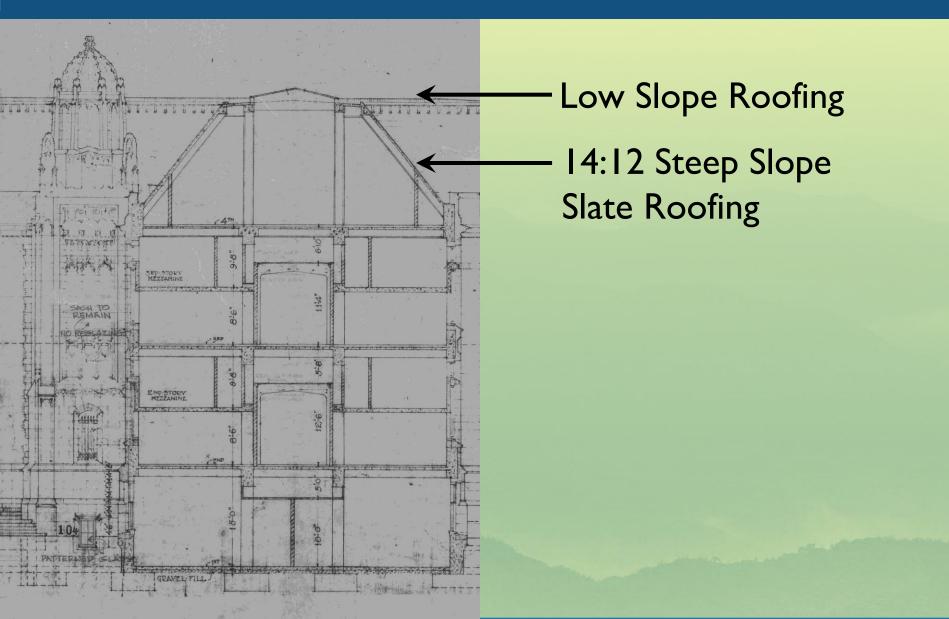
Low Slope Roofing



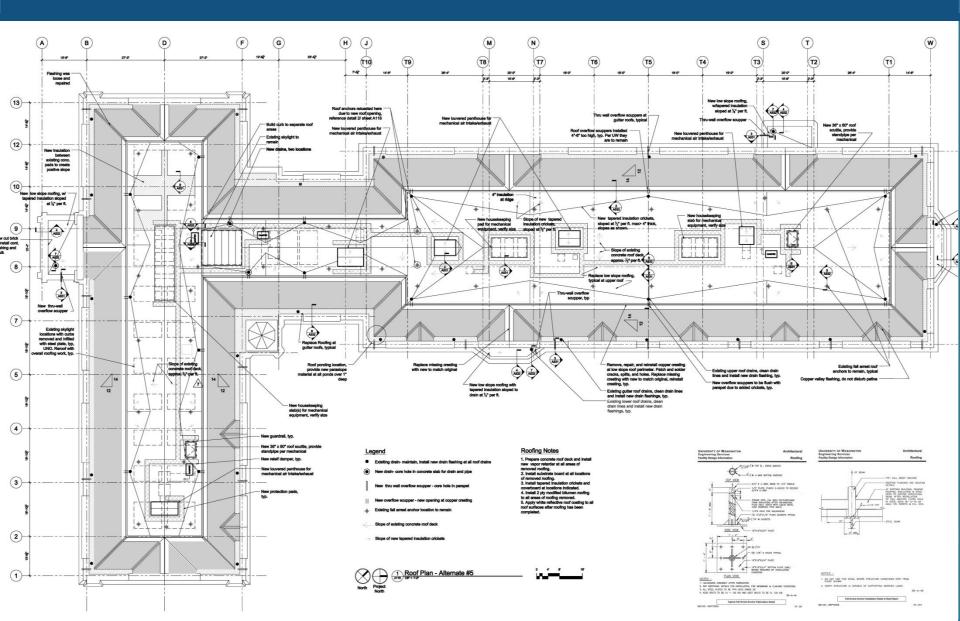
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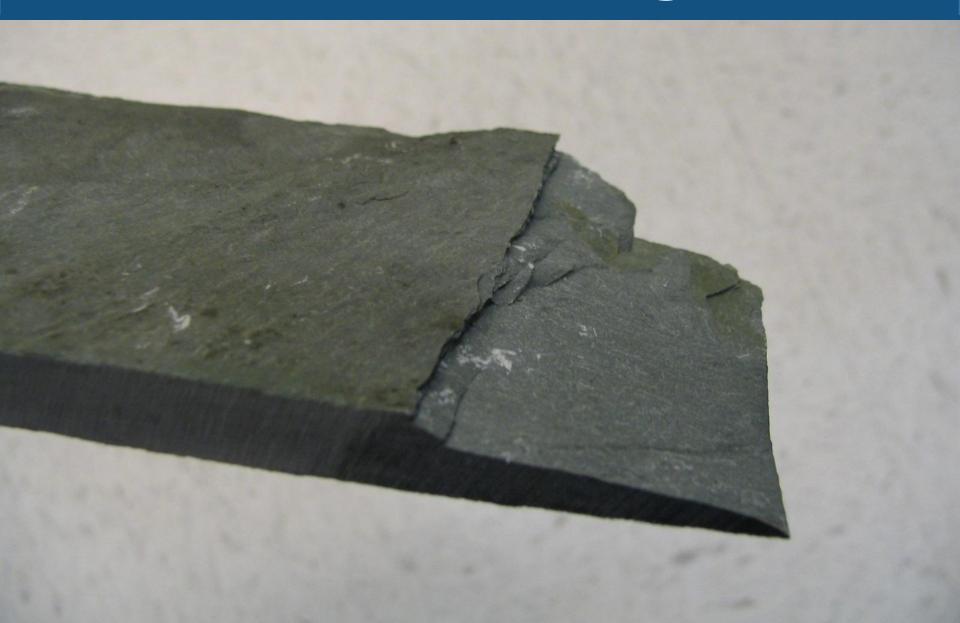
Savery Hall Building Section



Savery Hall Roof Plan



Slate Roofing



Slate Roofing



Light Colored
Unfading Green
Vermont Slate

LEED Credit for Heat Island Effect?

ASTM Testing Standards

E-903 (1996) **Standard Test Method for** Solar Absorptance, Reflectance, and **Transmittance of Materials** using Integrating Spheres

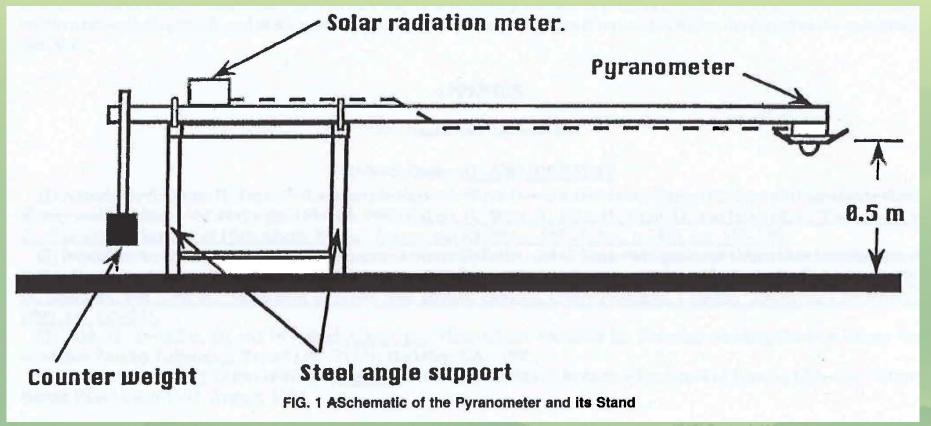
ASTM Testing Standards

E-1918 (1997)

Standard Test Method for measuring Solar Reflectance of Horizontal and Low Sloped Surfaces in the Field

ASTM E-1918

Pyranometer



ASTM Testing Standards

C-1549 (2002) **Standard Test Method for Determination of Solar** Reflectance Near Ambient Temperature using a Portable Solar Reflectometer

ASTM Testing Standards

E-905
UNDER REVIEW
C-1549

Reflectance Testing

4 Slate Samples
ASTM C1539
LEED Required

Reflectance

0.25

Savery Hall Slate Reflectance

0.22

Fast Forward 5 years



Proposed Alternate E-1918A

Similar to ASTM E-1918 **Black and White Mask** 1.0 m2 Test Area Sloped Roofs up to 450 Incident Solar Angles of up to **600**

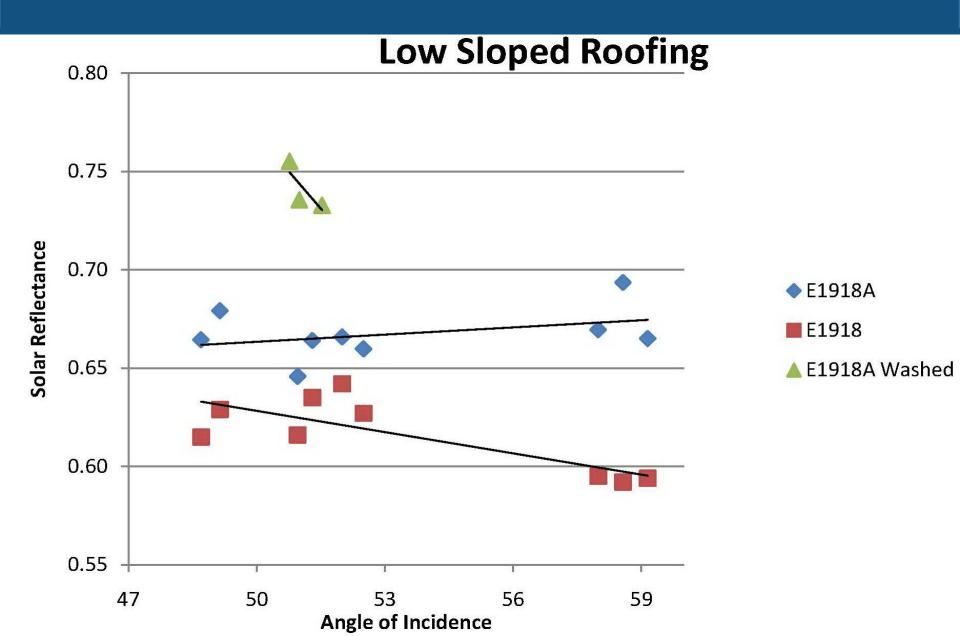
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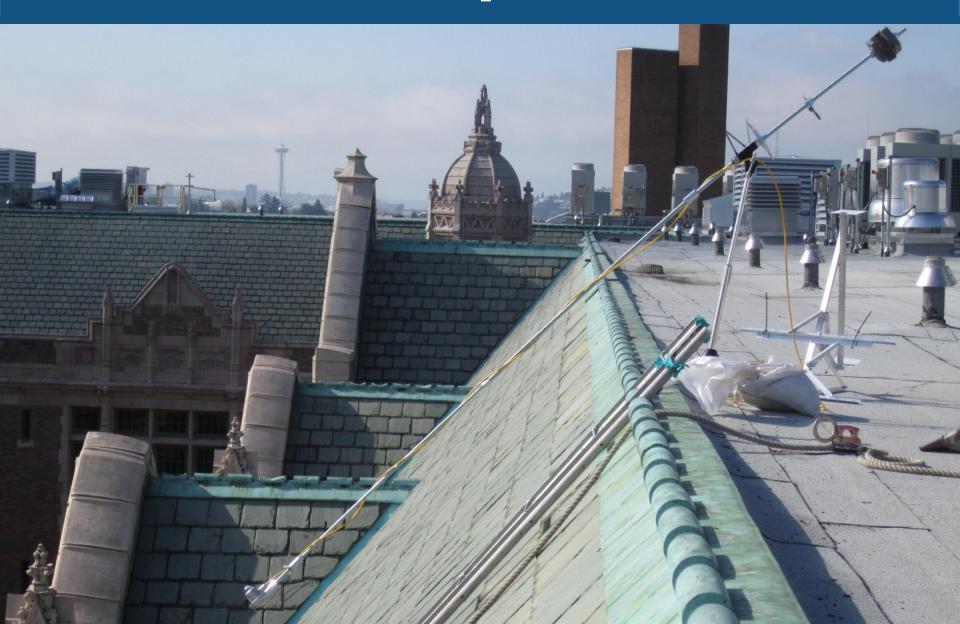


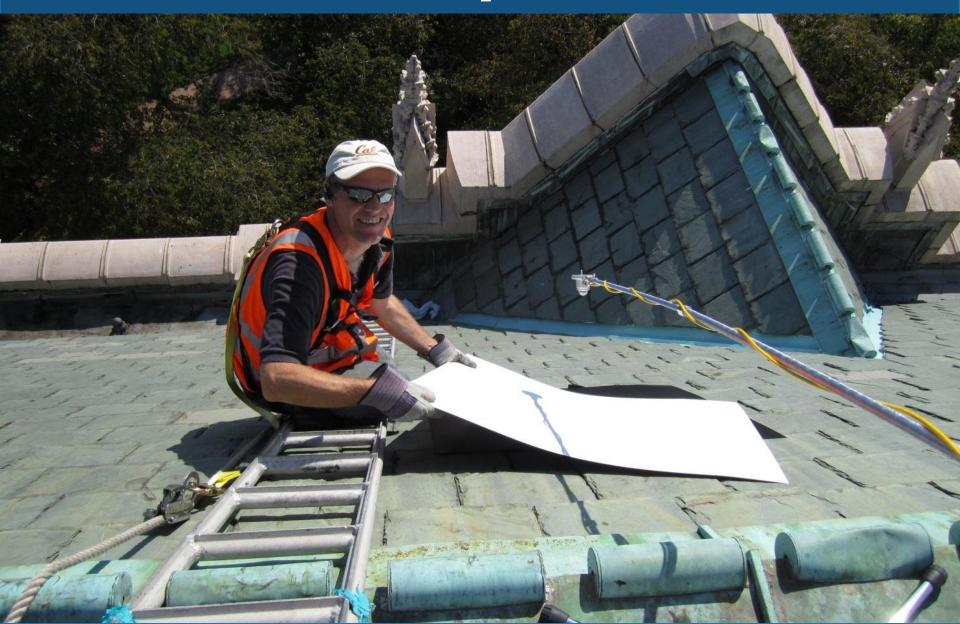
Cleaning



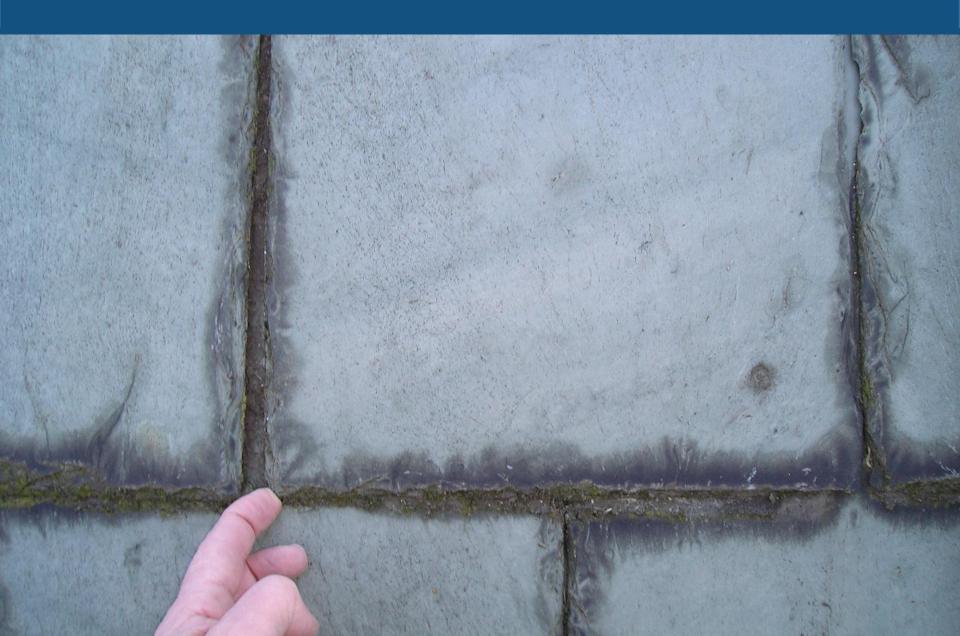
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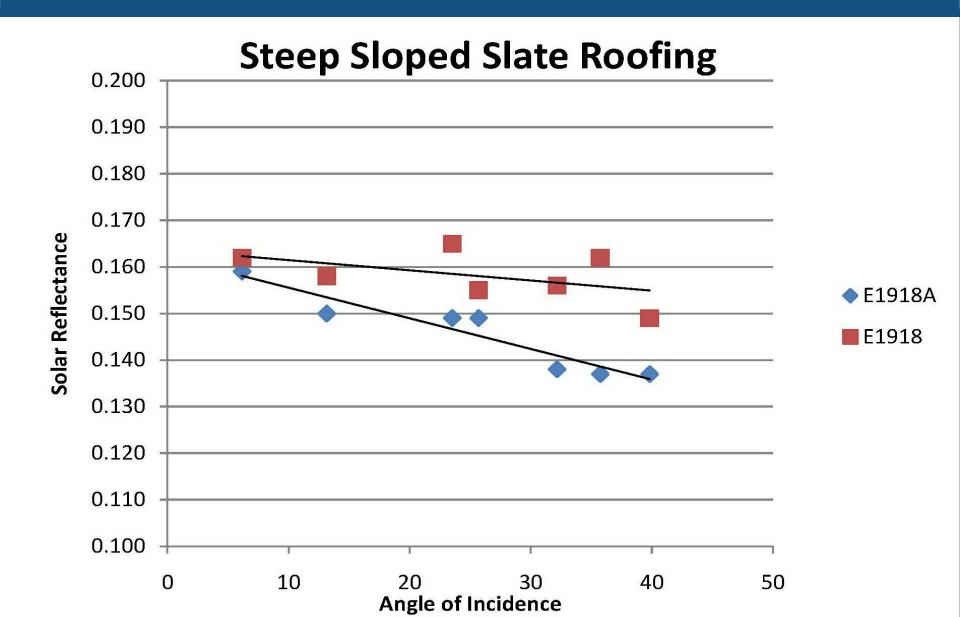






Slate Tile





Conclusions

- E-1918A is OK for Low Sloped Roofs and
- Incident Solar Angles of up to 60°

Conclusions

• E-1918A is <u>NOT</u> OK for Extremely Steep Roofs

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49° Roof Slope

Recommendations

- ASTM E-1918 be revised to Incorporate E-1918A
- Raise Incident Solar Angle
 Limitation from 45° to 60°
- Raise Roof Slope Limitation from 9.5° to 30° (based on studies by others)

Recommendations

- Develop New Test and Equipment
- Integral Light Source That Matches Solar Spectrum

Non-Contact Thermometer





Closing

Sustainability
Preservation/Restoration
Test Standards

Thank You

Wiss, Janney, Elstner Associates Inc.

University of Washington

George Pool - Pool Manning Building

SRG Partnership (Architect of Record)