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Lead Story

Getting It Straight On Substrates: How Sheathing Choice Affects EIFS Performance

When an architect or specifier chooses an exterior insulation and finish system (EIFS), it's doubtful the first consideration that comes to mind is the system's substrate. Water-managed versus barrier-type, color and texture options, or competitive cost come to mind, but not the sheathing material used as the substrate. The substrate is a crucial component, however. It's the foundation of performance, so to speak, of a long-lasting EIF system.

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About EIFS

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Continue to Grow
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Across the Country...
And There Are
Plenty of
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Why!**

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Industry Perspectives

The support for water-managed stucco-look exteriors is continuing to grow. Below are interviews, opinions and updates on the topic from leading building professionals and organizations.



NAHB Answers Questions About EIFS
[A Report from National Association of Homebuilders on Residential Synthetic Stucco Construction](#)

EIFS and Building Codes
[National and local building code bodies are revising EIFS acceptance criteria.](#)

A Better Barrier
[USG and DuPont Join Forces To Create A Better EIFS Moisture Barrier](#)



EIFS Interview
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[Tim Carter Discusses the Pros and Cons of Barrier and Water-Managed Stucco-Look Systems](#)

EIFS Interview

[North Carolina Contractor Explains Why There's Such A Demand for Water-Managed Stucco-Look Exteriors in Greensboro](#)

EIFS Interview

[Engineering consultant Jerome O'Connor says if you're going to use EIFS, definitely use a water-managed system.](#)



Water-Managed Systems

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The Principles Behind Problem-Free Stucco-Look Exterior Construction



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