



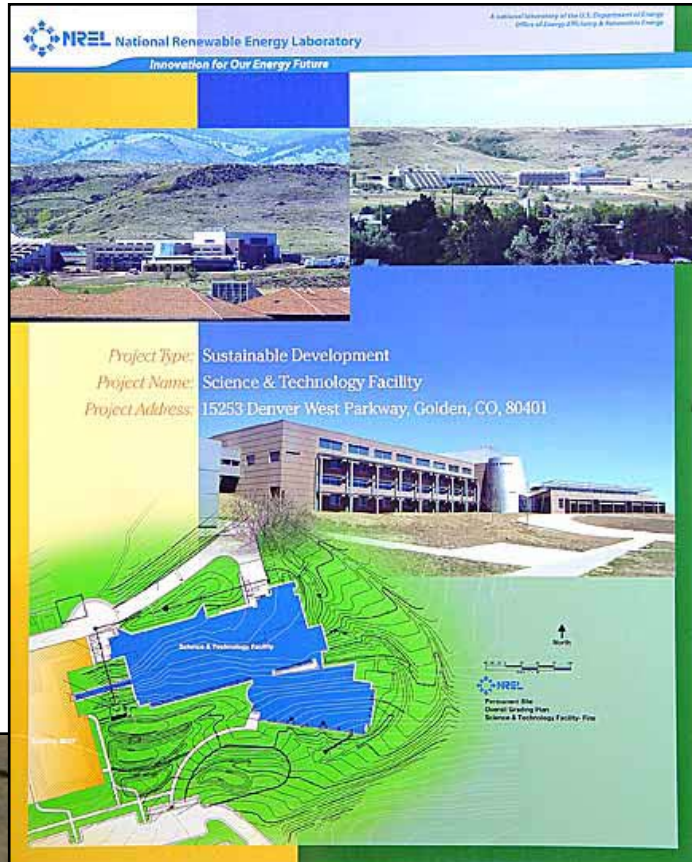
## COMMISSIONERS' AWARD



### **National Renewable Energy Laboratory (NREL) for NREL Science & Technology Facility**

The facility is a two-story, 71,000 square-foot laboratory research building within the 327 acre NREL campus at South Table Mountain. The building houses the development and commercialization of solar, hydrogen, and other efficient technologies. This facility will be the premiere hydrogen research facility in the country, and is on track for a Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design Gold accredited status. LEED is a national standard for developing high-performance, sustainable buildings based on materials selection, energy efficiency and water savings, and is a measure of a project's environmental sustainability.

The NREL Science and Technology Facility is an example of state-of-the-art sustainable development, not only for Jefferson County, but the nation, and sets an outstanding standard of excellence in achievable sustainable building design and energy efficiency.



# COMMISSIONERS' AWARD RUNNER-UP and HONOR AWARD

## Mixed Use Development: City of Lakewood and Continuum Partners, Inc. for Belmar

A public-private partnership was formed to redevelop the Villa Italia mall area from a brownfield site into a mixed use, walkable, urban/suburban downtown area. It features four-sided architecture, integrated transportation and residential uses above retail stores. This is an exceptional example of the conversion of a dying regional mall to a vibrant pedestrian oriented community and urban downtown district. It has a great mix of uses and brings a permanent community to the site. It also is a great model of green building and sustainable design elements that have been incorporated into a large scale regional development.

