



## Idaho Department of Environmental Quality Pollution Prevention Champion

Sandpoint Signs & Graphics  
Sandpoint, Idaho  
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### Environmental Commitment

Sandpoint Signs & Graphics provides an array of architectural, wayfinding, commercial, electrical, and fleet signage, and they are committed to providing customers with environmentally friendly products.

### Pollution Prevention Success

#### Air Emission and Hazardous Waste Reduction

Within the custom fabricated signage industry, an array of coatings are used to paint, enhance, and protect finished products. Many of these conventional paints, primers, and specialty coatings contain harmful chemicals that can contribute to air, water, and soil pollution. Therefore, Sandpoint Signs & Graphics switched to an alternative product line that offers zero- and low-volatile organic compound (VOC) paints, sealers, stains, and coatings. They also switched to zero- and low-VOC building products. This has resulted in the reduction of hazardous waste from paint toxins such as formaldehyde, ammonia, acetone, heavy metals, solvents, odor masking agents, and other harmful preservatives. The conversion also results in lower emissions of VOCs, therefore improving outdoor and indoor air quality for the company's customers and employees.

Sandpoint Signs & Graphics also sells zero- and low-VOC paint products at their store.

#### Energy Efficiency and Waste Reduction

Sandpoint Signs & Graphics replaced all cathode-ray tube (CRT) monitors with liquid crystal display (LCD) monitors, which use significantly less energy than CRT monitors. They also converted all of their lights to compact fluorescent light bulbs, recycle printer ink cartridges, and use recycled computer paper.

### For More Information

For more information, visit Sandpoint Signs & Graphics' website at [www.sandpointsigns.com](http://www.sandpointsigns.com).

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