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Instructor Patrick McMahon has over 15 years of experience in high performance construction. Having worked as a craftsman timber framer in Montana, McMahon attended Colorado State University where he earned an advanced degree in Construction Management. He has worked as a construction manufacturing consultant, building envelope commissioning agent and sustainability consultant. Through these workshops, McMahon shares his knowledge and experience improving the performance of building envelopes through simple, yet advanced, products and techniques.

Both workshops will be held Tuesday, December 10. The Fort Collins workshop will be 10 a.m. to noon at 320 E. Vine Drive, 80524(Rocky Mountain Innosphere). The Boulder workshop will be 4 to 6 p.m. at 6268 Monarch Park Place, Longmont, 80503 (Serious Energy/Alpen Windows). Each workshop is limited to 20 participants. Workshop cost is \$45 or non-members, \$25 for members of NCRES, CRES, CGBG, NRN – use coupon code **Member25**. For more information, contact [info@cres-energy.org](mailto:info@cres-energy.org). To register, go to [https://www.blacktie-colorado.com/online\\_sales/rsvp\\_ticket\\_purchasebt.cfm?rsvpid=7539](https://www.blacktie-colorado.com/online_sales/rsvp_ticket_purchasebt.cfm?rsvpid=7539).

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