

# OC METRO BUSINESS

COMMERCIAL REAL ESTATE

## THE GREEN TEAMS

▶ HOW 23 OC COMPANIES  
PUT IDEAS TO WORK IN A  
LESS-WASTEFUL WORLD



## [6] MOVING MOUNTAINS

**Santa Ana-based Sukut Construction** may have the hardest green-effort job of all of these profiles, and that's because of its business. Sukut is California's largest mass excavation and grading contractor, moving 150 million cubic yards of earth a year. The company works on residential developments, golf courses, storm water drainage systems, landfill construction and environmental cleanups, landslide stabilization and heavy highway construction. So, if there is a will to be green, there is a way.

"Sukut has voluntarily developed an innovative green process to re-power its construction equipment. As a market leader, it is our responsibility to advocate bold changes that improve the environment and the building industry," says CEO Michael Crawford.

Sukut has spent millions of dollars replacing more than 175 high-horsepower, pollution-generating diesel engines with new, clean-air engines. It saves multiple pounds of pollution from going into the air at each worksite. Also, the engines were installed in the field, rather than transporting each vehicle to a factory, a move that won Sukut awards for innovation and leadership. The company also is one of the largest sanitary landfill constructors.

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