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Rail Yard Revival Yields Old West Views

Rick Holliday's

Oakland-based firm

specializes in retrofitting abandoned urban spaces like the famed Clocktower Building in South Beach and Oakland's Pacific Cannery Lofts. Now Holliday is teaming up with San Francisco architect David Baker to transform 35 acres of old rail yards in downtown Truckee, a remnant of the city's logging days. Some 400 to 700 residential units are scheduled for construction this year, with a theater, a supermarket, and retail stores planned for the street level below.



TERRACE: The 1,200-square-foot, two-level townhouse has terraces off the living room and master bedroom, overlooking Truckee's 19th-century downtown. The facade is made of blue steel and picklewood reclaimed from old pickling vats.

EXTERIOR: After fires broke out along the nearby South Shore during construction, the home's Los Angeles owners asked for a more flame-retardant exterior, resulting in this steel and concrete facade. In back, a covered porch protects the outdoor dining area, where guests can warm themselves by the fire pit and use the inground spa on chilly nights.

KITCHEN: A rough, board-formed concrete wall separates the kitchen from the entryway, and the same material is used in the master bedroom upstairs. The floors are Texas mesquite—chosen for its unusual grain—bordered by a stainless steel band.



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Steel and Concrete Radiate Warmth

Designed by Greg Faulkner of Faulkner Architects, this

contemporary 4,391-square-foot retreat in the Martis Camp community of North Lake Tahoe incorporates radiant slab heating, natural ventilation pathways, and generous skylights.

