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A look inside Mazama's newest public house

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A new public house in Mazama is set to become a gathering spot for the small mountain town community located at the north end of Washington's Methow Valley.

Designed by CAST architecture the 1,868-square-foot building, called Mazama Public House, features a mix of indoor and outdoor dining with capacity to seat 56 inside and another 50 outside on a covered L-shaped patio area with built-in benches that can be used year-round. A garage door system is installed at the front of the structure and can be opened in the summer months for a seamless connection to the outdoor decks.

The pub serves food, beer and wine. The dining room also has space for live music and performances. "The Mazama Public House is designed to transform depending on weather or function," CAST said. Interiors feature exposed mass timber and wood beams punctuated by blackened steel and concrete floors. The pub's custom tables and bar slabs were crafted from locally sourced Douglas-fir.

The building is oriented towards Goat Peak to make the most of mountain views and has expansive windows on two sides to further take advantage of the views and natural light. Outside, blackened steel accents the project's wood structure. The siding is a dark-stained, rough-sawn vertical channel shiplap.

Mazama Public House has many sustainable design features. It is constructed of highly durable siding materials, has full LED lighting and the building's three-foot overhang protects siding from the wear and tear of the elements. An area to the northwest of the building will house an additional beer garden and landscaped area in the future.

The project team includes Grumpy Goats LLC, owner; Old Schoolhouse Brewery, operator; Bjornsen Construction, general contractor and Harriott Valentine Engineers, structural engineer.



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The new pub and community space opened this summer.



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Interiors are designed to reflect the building's rustic mountain town location.