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This project and other commissions spawned from it allowed Matthew to venture out independently and marked the day of the official birth of Hufft Projects – February 14th, 2005.

The company currently has 9 full time members, including 5 architects, 1 industrial designer, and 3 office / marketing personnel. Hufft’s work is currently focused on building with, and in response to, the forces of the natural environment. They create a synergy between their clients, themselves, their consultants, and the construction team by integrating and including all parties early on during design for feedback and analysis.

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