



Peak Moment TV: Independence Station

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In the latest incarnation of your low budget cable TV show, but focused on the Peak Oil community, comes [Peak Moment](#), a regular half-hour interview based vlog on people involved in local sustainability and their stories. It's worth a look through [their YouTube archive](#) for specific points of interest.

For a taste of the show, here's a description of episode #82 on a sustainable mixed use developer in Oregon:

Developer Steven Ribeiro is re-creating traditional towns, that put "waste" resources to good use. A mixed-use three-story building augments power from its solar panels (which provide shade and collect rainwater) with a tugboat engine (running on local biodiesel), using engine heat to warm the building. Cars are secondary in a 68-acre village, whose dwellings of all sizes are walkable to retail, offices, schools, entertainment, and open space.

[Independence Station](#) is located in Independence, Oregon 15 minutes from Salem. Independence Station is an innovative 57,000 square foot mixed-use development that is powered primarily by vegetable oil and the sun. Residents, businesses and visitors alike will experience what an intelligent sustainable building can really be.

Another good interview is Episode #73 with Daniel Lerch, manager of the [Post Carbon Cities](#) project, who has prepared a guidebook including case studies of cities large and small planning

how to maintain essential services in the face of energy and climate uncertainty.

Mr. Lerch also has a [list of all known local government actions in the U.S. and Canada made specifically in response to peak oil](#). Not that many so far!



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