## Residential Application of LP® TopNotch® 450 Premium OSB Sub-Flooring

**Southern Land Company** 

# SOUTHERN LAND HOMEBUILDING

## The use of LP® TopNotch® 450 Premium OSB Sub-Flooring in residential development

#### SUMMARY

Southern Land Company is a leading builder in Tennessee and Texas, one whose intention is to differentiate itself by steering clear of the notion of production-oriented building. The company offers activities ranging from social initiatives to educational pursuits for residents of the communities it develops.

Using a traditional approach to architecture and neighborhood design, Southern Land Company seeks to maintain the native horticulture while also creating green and open spaces, community centers, and market centers in its neighborhoods.

#### **OBJECTIVES**

With more than 20 years of experience in home construction, Southern Land Company knows the importance of choosing durable products that can stand up to wear and tear on the construction site and after the home is built.

#### In Brief

#### **LOCATIONS**

Nashville, Tennessee and McKinney, Texas

#### **PROJECT SUMMARY**

In building single-family homes in Tennessee and Texas, Southern Land Company offers traditional architecture that focuses on durability, a high degree of excellence in their design and construction, and sustainability.

#### WEBSITE

www.southernland.com

#### PROJECT OBJECTIVES

- Durable, quality homes
- Use sustainable products when available

#### **SOLUTION**

By installing LP® TopNotch® 450 Premium OSB Sub-Flooring, Southern Land Company is meeting its goals by using a durable product, giving homeowners the secure feeling at home they desire.

"We were looking for a good quality product. LP® TopNotch® 450 Premium OSB Sub-Flooring was a good fit for us. We use it in all our houses in Tennessee and Texas."

Dan Gilbert, Vice President of Homebuilding Southern Land Company



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#### **IMPLEMENTATION**

One of the key components in any home is its flooring, and Southern Land Company has turned to LP® TopNotch® 450 Premium OSB Sub-Flooring.

According to Dan Gilbert, Vice President of Homebuilding at Southern Land Company, they've started using LP TopNotch 450 in all new homes they build in Tennessee and Texas.

"It has tremendous durability," Gilbert said. "I think it is better than plywood and other products."

Gilbert pointed out that the product's ease of

use is a time and money saver on construction sites. He said it lays flat and lacks the imperfections, such as core voids and knots, sometimes found in plywood, which allows more of the product to be used and decreases waste. Furthermore, the crews on site are able to use their own tools and require no special training because LP TopNotch 450 handles just like plywood.

Another benefit of LP TopNotch 450 is a reduction in "squeaky" floors. Gilbert mentioned that he and other builders had an issue with squeaky floors, which LP TopNotch 450 has helped to reduce. This, too, was a factor in his decision to switch to the LP product.

"It is just easy to use," Gilbert said. "We've used it in eight or nine houses since switching to it (LP TopNotch 450), and it's been a good change so far."

LP products also fit in with Southern Land Company's drive for sustainability. LP uses Sustainable Forestry Initiative® forest management and procurement systems, which help to ensure that its wood comes from well managed forests.

#### OUTCOME

From the Laurel Brook subdivision in Williamson County, Tennessee, to the Tucker Hill subdivision in McKinney, Texas, Southern Land Company is building homes of distinctive design and architecture with an emphasis on community. By using LP TopNotch 450, they are achieving the desired levels of durability, quality and sustainability in construction.

"It (LP TopNotch 450) is just a better product," Gilbert said. "We chose it because it is above the standard we expect. We feel like we build a higher quality home with it."





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