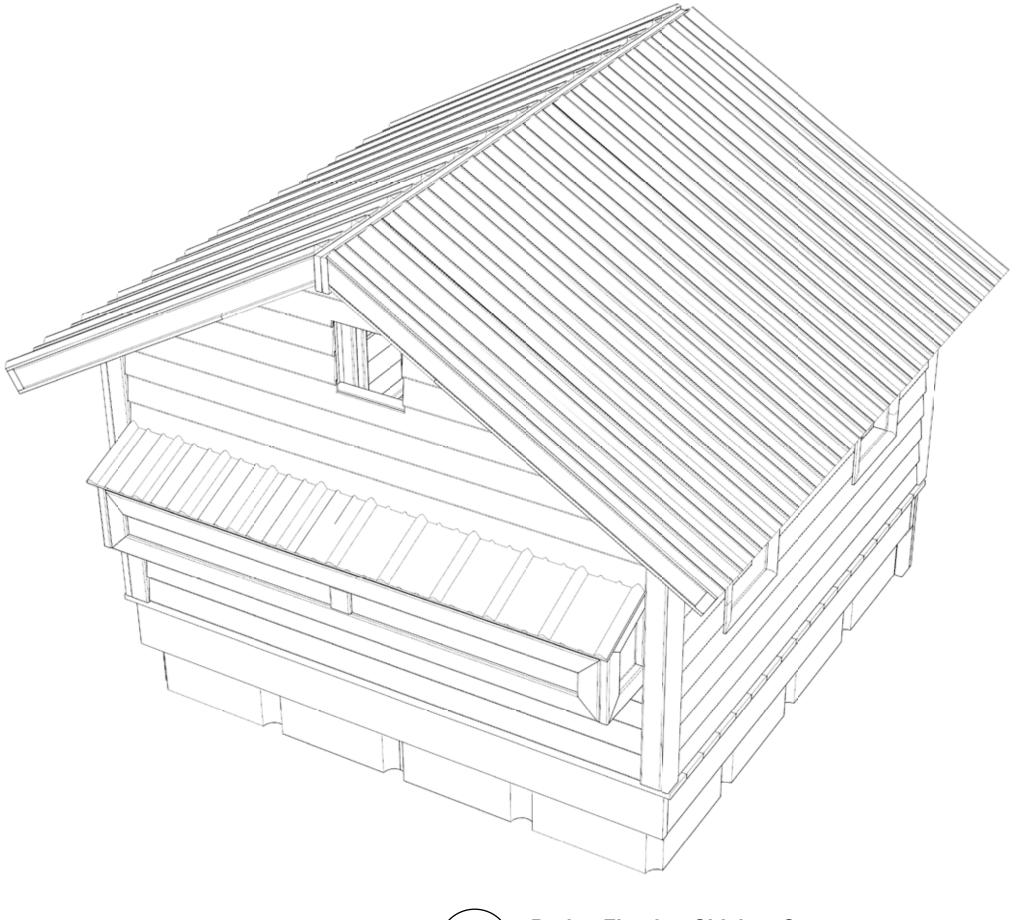
## PROJECT REÇQUE

FLOATING COOPS FOR A CHANGING ENVIRONMENT



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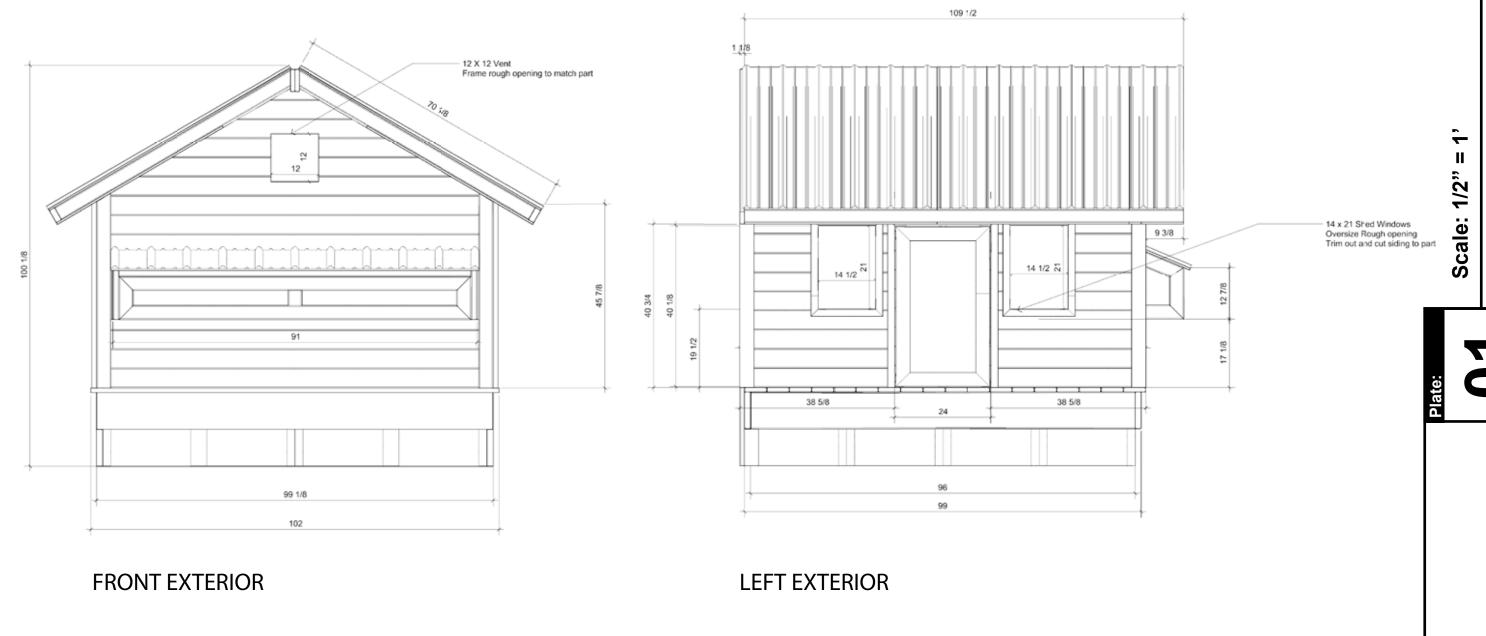


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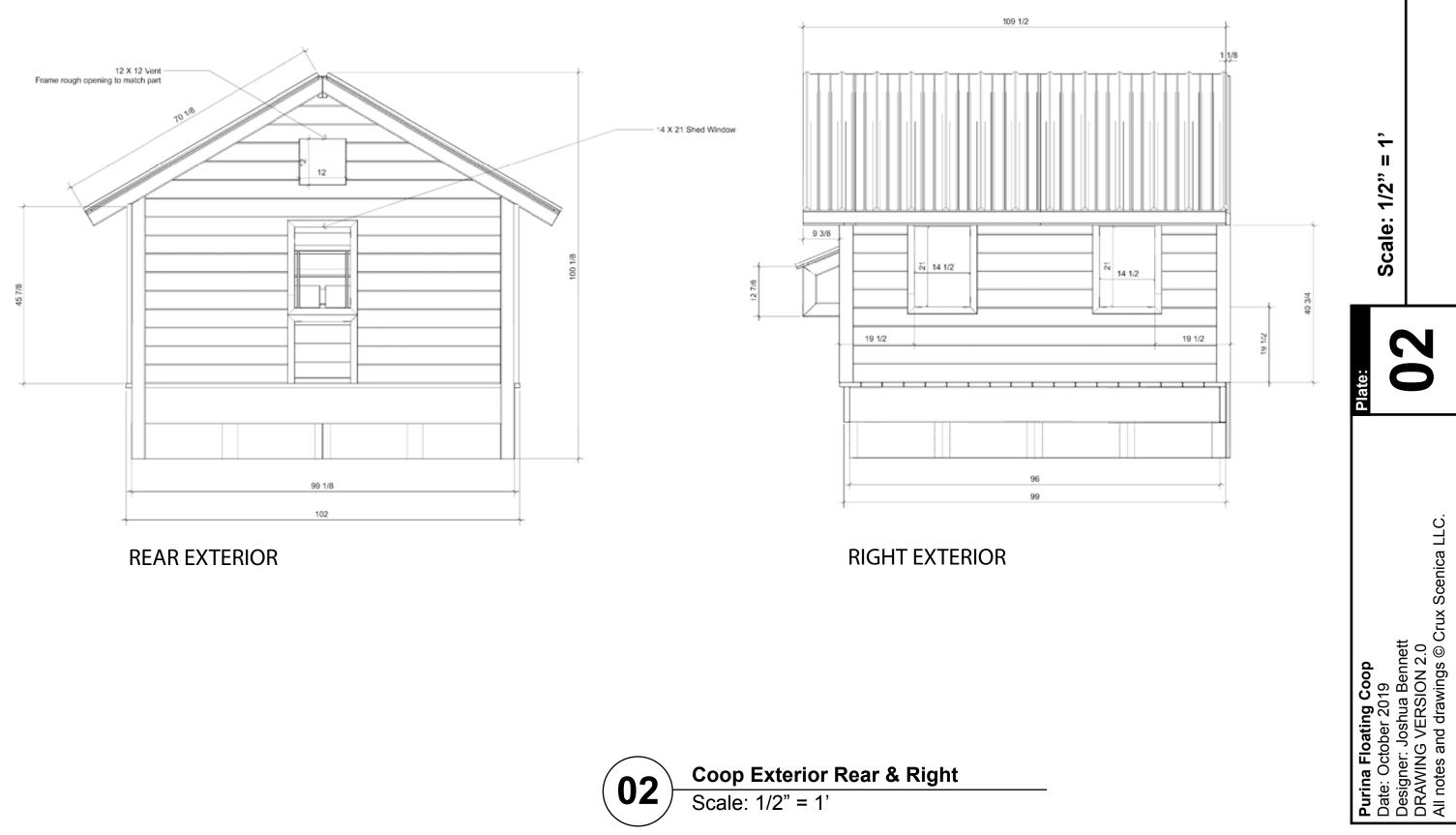
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Coop Exterior Front & Left

Scale: 1/2" = 1'

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Scale: 1/2" =

RIGHT EXTERIOR

REAR EXTERIOR

Scale: 1/2" = 1'

10 1/2

Coop Framing Front & Left
Scale: 1/2" = 1'

17 1/2

16

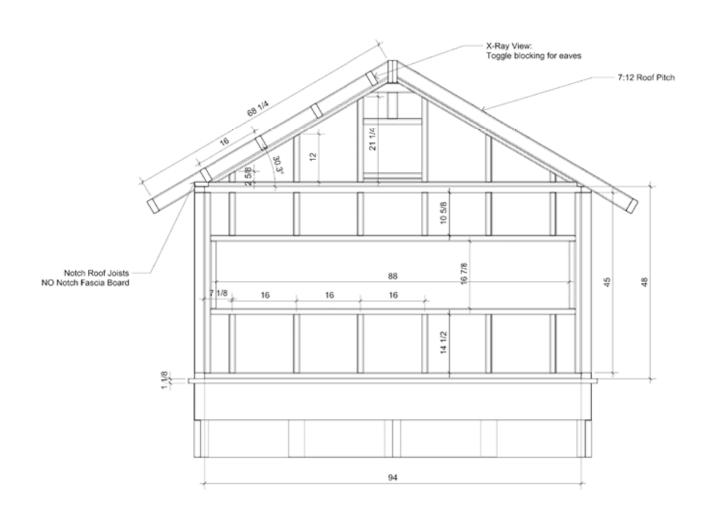
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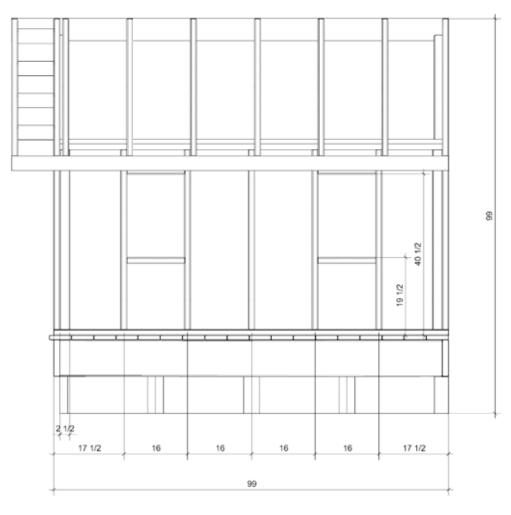
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**FRONT FRAMING** 

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RIGHT FRAMING

1 1/8

14 1/2

14 1/2

39 3/4

39 3/4

**REAR FRAMING** 

Coop Isometric & Exploded View

NESTING BOX STRUCTURE DETAIL

FRAMING ISOMETRIC VIEW

Scale: NA

FRAMING EXPLODED VIEW

Door Construction:

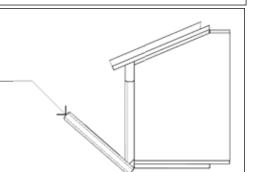
5/4 x 4 Mitered Frame

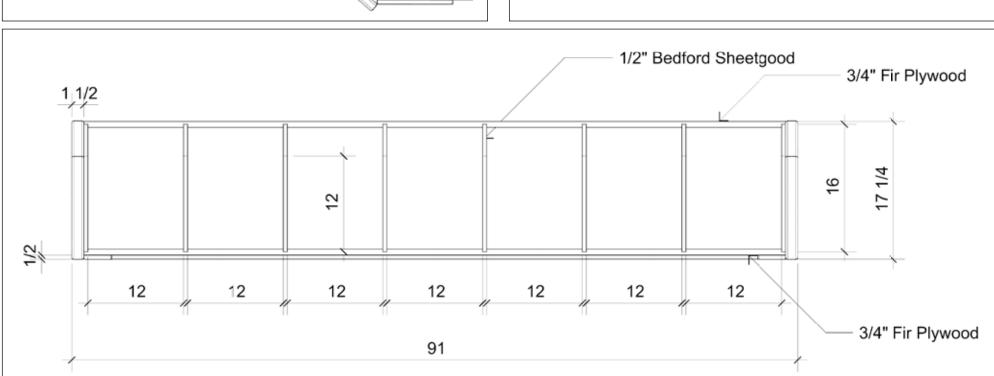
Groove Rabbeted out on rear of door 1/2" Bedford Sheetgood inset in Rabbet



Bedford 1/2" Sheet Product Trim out sides with Bedford 2 x 4

Nesting Box Door





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**Nesting Box Detail** 

Scale: 1" = 1'

## **Materials List**

This is a very basic list of the materials and tools. Our hope is that these plans will inspire your own unique designs and maybe an entire fleet of floating coops will soon emerge.

Quantity	Lumber	Length (ft)
6	2x8	10
50	2x3	8
25	2x4	12
55	5/4 x 6	12
25	5/4 x 4	8

Materials Ne	eded:

# - 5 lb box of 1¼ inch Stainless Steel Screws - 5 lb box of 2½ inch Stainless Steel Screws - Metal Roofing - 1-inch Roof Screws with Gasket - 2 Metal Poles - 2 Dock Floats - 2 Dock Edge Floating Dock Hardware

### **Power Tools:**

- Table SawChop SawCNC RouterHand RouterDrill
- Impact DriverOscillating Multi-Tool
- Circular Saw
- Angle Grinder (for cutting the roofing to size)
- 16 ga Pneumatic Nail Gun- 18 ga Pneumatic Nail Gun
- Air Compressor

### **Hand Tools:**

- Hammer
- Tape Measure
- Speed Square
- T-50 StaplerScissors
- Post Hole Digger

### **Notes:**

Things we learned from building the prototype.

- Balance is key. We had an overhang and nesting boxes on one side which threw it off balance. We had to fill the opposing walls with concrete to balance it. Would recommend designing yours as balanced as possible. For example, equal number of nesting boxes off both sides would have helped.
- Build it in place. The coop was heavy. Recycled material is heavier than wood. If you can avoid moving it that would be ideal.
- Butting up to a chicken run is tricky. Need to be creative in designing a breakaway chicken ladder that is secure from predators. Another option is to have the run on the floats as well.
- Not too top-heavy. Adding things like cupolas and heavy shingles makes it more susceptible to being top-heavy.
- Dock floats and hardware are readily available in many size options. Ours were ordered from HomeDepot.com
- **Poles** can be purchased from any home store. But fencing suppliers will have taller and thicker options if the ones at your home center don't work. Don't forget to allow about 20% (or more) of the pole to be buried and cemented in so that the coop is secure in strong winds and water currents. Our protoype went where the max water depth was 6' so we went to a fencing supply company and got two 12' heavy gauge galvanized fence posts. 3' was buried and cemented into the ground. Make sure they are plumb or your coop will get hung up as it rises with the water level. We used two poles diagonally on each corner.



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