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Lighting Evaluation: 4 Steps to a Successful LED Retrofit

You've decided you are ready for a lighting upgrade. Maybe you want to reduce operating and energy costs or you understand the benefits of enhance illumination. No matter your reasoning for retrofit, these 4 steps will point you in the right direction.

STEP 1

Establish project goals: Besides saving money, you may have goals of enhancing security, enhancing the quality of the illuminated environment and/or reducing maintenance costs. Make sure you and your team can answer the following questions:

- **What is the objective?**
- **What issues do you have with your current lighting system?**
- **Why do you want to replace it?**
- **What are the expectations of your new system?**

STEP 2

Determine facilities usage: After you and your team have decided on the project goals, now it is time to consider how your current lighting system is being used? Does it offer protection in an industrial setting or does it illuminate an office setting?

STEP 3

Survey. Evaluate the conditions of your current lighting system to determine what upgrades are necessary. Consider the fixture characteristics, fixture condition, ceiling characteristics, lighting control, and work surfaces.

STEP 4

Research incentives. Depending on your area, your lighting project may qualify for a rebate or incentive. Rebates can greatly decrease your bottom-line by up to 50%. Reach out to your utility provider before you start your project as this will help you determine which LEDs your utility provider will incentivize.

After you've established project goals, determined the facilities usage, surveyed, and researched incentives you should be well on your way to a LED retrofit. Consider choosing a brand of LEDs that will strive for "Affordable Performance" and offers a 5 year warranty on most products. Discover how Forest Lighting LED products can save up to 50% of energy and operating costs. Call and speak with a sales rep today. 800.994.2143.