

American River Ventures Backgrounder

American River Ventures is focused on investing in new technologies that provide a platform for energy sustainability in industrial and manufacturing environments where more than half of the world's energy is consumed. With several successful company exits, ARV's Energy Sustainability Fund features a growing portfolio of companies working to achieve energy sustainability technology breakthroughs including reduced greenhouse gas emissions, intelligent commercial lighting and data center energy efficiency. Based in the Sacramento region, ARV is uniquely positioned at the crossroads of the California energy efficiency movement where government policy, university research and corporate innovation are actively being shaped.

Our Team

Founded in May of 2001 by and for entrepreneurs passionate about starting great companies, American River Ventures offers direct experience in the day-to-day realities of building businesses from the ground up. ARV leadership – consisting of a strong operational team with decades of experience managing leading technology companies including Intel Corporation, IBM, HP, Boeing and Chevron – provides expert counsel and guidance. The formula creates an ideal environment for energy sustainability innovation and business success.

Our Network

In addition to the team's hands on operational experience, the ARV team brings relationships with energy industry leaders and decision makers in the government, university, utility and corporate technology sectors to add value to portfolio companies. Team expertise is supplemented with experts from a world class advisory board in the energy efficiency sector. ARV collaborates with a strong syndicate of co-investors, including leading technology and clean technology venture capital firms in the United States, Canada, and Europe. As active guides, we ensure that each of our companies receives the care and attention they deserve – from making the right introductions when they matter most to helping them get their products out the door.

Our Passion

At American River Ventures, building great technology companies is our passion. With over \$100 million under management, we focus on investing in new technologies which provide a platform for energy sustainability and rapid customer payback.

Our Portfolio

The firm's current portfolio includes: Agoura Technologies, HID Labs, Integrated Materials, IntelliDOT, PlanarMag, SpectraSensors, SynapSense, Triformix, and WiSpry.