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Wood WORKS! E-Bulletin Branché sur le bois

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National

- **Presentation to Federal Government**

Staff will present the project to several key government senior bureaucrats in early October in order to gain additional support for the Canadian Wood WORKS! Project and the proper US commercial growth plan.

Présentation au gouvernement fédéral

L'Équipe présentera le projet à quelques fonctionnaires seniors clés en début octobre afin d'obtenir un support additionnel au projet Canadien Branché sur le BOIS! ainsi que pour le plan de développement commercial au États-Unis.

- **2010 Olympics**

Wood WORKS! continues to work with the Olympic Oval design team in providing technical support as necessary, to ensure wood is being showcased in the building. A total innovative wood roof option will be used for the oval making it one of the largest recreational wood structures in the world. Wood WORKS! is also working closely with the architects and engineers involved with the other 2010 facilities being a Curling Rink and Nordic Center and provides technical advice to the construction team to ensure wood solutions are used on all 2010 structures.

Les Jeux olympiques 2010

Branché sur le bois travaille de près avec l'équipe de design de la patinoire Olympique en fournissant le soutien technique nécessaire pour assurer que le bois occupe une position importante dans les bâtiments Olympiques. Une option en bois complètement innovatrice sera utilisée pour l'oval, ce qui en fera un des plus grands bâtiments récréatifs en bois au monde. Branché sur le BOIS! travaille de très près avec les architectes et les ingénieurs impliqués sur d'autres projets pour 2010, tels l'Aréna de curling et le Centre nordique. De plus, Branché le BOIS! fournit de l'aide technique à l'équipe de construction pour assurer que des solutions en bois soient utilisées dans toutes les structures pour 2010.

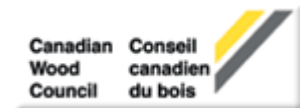
- **Wood WORKS! Web Site**

The Wood WORKS! web site is being revamped. OPTS has been tested and the new system will be launched later this fall. New information will be added and a new user-friendly site will be developed. The new site should be ready to be launched later this year. If you have any comments and suggestions to improve our web site, please forward them to Jennifer Duthie at: jduthie@cwcc.ca

Le site Web de Branché sur le bois!

Le site Web de Branché sur le bois! est en cours de mise à jour. L'OPTS a été testé et le lancement de ce nouveau système aura lieu plus tard cet automne. De nouveaux renseignements seront ajoutés et un nouveau site facile à utiliser est en voie de développement. Le nouveau site devrait être lancé plus tard cette année. Si vous avez des commentaires ou suggestions pour améliorer notre site Web, veuillez contacter Jennifer Duthie à :

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initiative du Conseil canadien
du bois*

Feature Stories

[Wood WORKS! BC influences
School Planners](#)

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from the ground with WOOD a
major signature in its design](#)

Upcoming Events

[Miami Wood Solutions Fair](#)

[National Association of Home
Builders' - International
Builders' Show](#)

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- **Wood WORKS! On-line Project Tracking System (OPTS)**
The project tracking system is being tested and a new system will officially launched later this fall.

Systeme en ligne de suivi des projets

Le système de pistage est actuellement testé et un nouveau système sera officiellement lancé cet automne.

British Columbia

- **Successful Presentation in the Kootenays**
Thirty- two participants registered for the Castlegar Luncheon Conference with a mix of participants from the design community, building inspectors and municipal officials in attendance from the area communities. Presentations by Peter Moonen on Sustainability and the Environmental Attributes of Engineered Wood and Les Jozsa's presentations on the Characteristics of Wood were extremely well received. Architect Allan MacLeod closed the luncheon with a presentation of the design of the new city hall for Castlegar which will be using wood extensively. The City of Grand Forks has asked for a presentation in their community in light of their planned Community Centre. This event served as a reminder of the importance of extending Luncheon Conferences into BC's smaller communities removed from more populated area.
[Sample Image 1 Attached](#)
[Sample Image 2 Attached](#)
- **Union of BC Municipalities**
October 23-27 the elected officials of BC will be meeting for their annual conference in Victoria. Reduced in presence this year due to a limited amount of exhibitor space at the Victoria venue, Wood WORKS! BC will be represented by Mary Tracey, executive director of Wood WORKS! BC and Peter Moonen, special projects coordinator at regional luncheons where the new Timmins Library Case Study will be distribute to all municipal members.
- **Focus Group**
Development of a 5-year Strategic Plan is currently underway in British Columbia. As part of the Planning Process, Wood WORKS! BC will be conducting a half day morning session with stakeholders in Vancouver on Thursday, November 2, at the Pan Pacific 9am – 12:30 pm. Mark Shephard will be facilitating this session. Anyone interested in participating please contact event coordinator Lorna Malone at: lmalone@wood-works.org.
- **Fall Luncheon Conference Registration Now Available**
Registration is now on line at www.cwc.ca for the popular Fall Luncheon Conferences being held in Victoria November 28, Vancouver November 29 and Kelowna December 1. Interested exhibitors please contact Lorna Malone, event coordinator directly at: lmalone@wood-works.org.
- **Two Presentations for Construction Associations**
Efforts to make inroads into the Construction Associations with presentations, has been successful. Bill Billups will be giving a presentation at the October Meeting of the Southern Interior Construction Association Meeting, October 30. A presentation will be also be made to the Vancouver Regional Construction Association on November 30. Speaker, Michael Keller, visiting engineer from Germany and Peggy Lepper, CWC, who will both be in BC as Fall Luncheon Conference speakers, will be presenting.
- **Sustainability Workshops**
Dates and venues have been set for BC's Sustainability Workshops. These

Potential Wood Projects Pursued by Wood WORKS!

For more information on the projects , please contact the provincial directors by clicking on the project's link.

British Columbia:

[Vancouver Trade and Convention Centre](#)

[Mission Aquatic Center, Kelowna](#)

[South Okanagan Entertainment Center, Penticton](#)

2010 Olympic Venues:

[Olympic Speed Skating Oval, Richmond, BC](#)

[Whistler Sliding Center, Whistler](#)

Alberta:

[YMCA, Downtown Edmonton, AB](#)

[Community Hall, La Crete, AB](#)

[Evergreen Park Conference Pavilion, Grande Prairie, AB](#)

Ontario:

[Kitchener Library](#)

[Aylmer Fire Hall](#)

Quebec:

events will be held, Tuesday, December 5 in Victoria and Wednesday, December 6 in Vancouver. This full day workshop will run from 8am to 4:30pm. The course includes presentations on the Principles of Sustainable Design by Linda McPhee, Construction Environmental Attributes of Engineered Wood Products by Peter Moonen and Achieving LEED® Platinum: Operations Centre, Gulf Islands National Park Reserve by architect Larry McFarland. The afternoon has been set aside for Green Globe Training. There is a registration fee of \$125 with class size limited to 30 participants. Interested participants should contact event coordinator, Lorna Malone at lmalone@wood-works.org or 1-877-929-9663 ext 4.

[Tim Horton's](#)

[Stade de soccer à Québec Quebec City Soccer Stadium](#)

[Centre sportif Gatineau/ Gatineau Sports centre](#)

Alberta

- **Case Study**
Report still in the writing - Alberta Pressure Equipment Safety Authority building in the south side of Edmonton at the Research Park.
[Sample Image Attached](#)
- **2005/06 Alberta Wood WORKS! Annual Report**
Brief Summary of Progress and Issues relevant to Alberta Wood WORKS! operations. [Report Attached](#)
- **Business Plan**
Alberta Wood WORKS! still under development.
- **Fire Issues and Wooden I-Beams**
Alberta Wood WORKS! continues to work on this file which involves a major lobby for Building Code Changes and threatens markets for wooden I-beams, sheathing and trusses. To view a copy of the letter CWC and Wood WORKS! sent to Alberta Mayors and Councilors [Click here.](#)
- **Architectural Design Breakfast**
Scheduled for early November, 2006 (date TBD).
- **Alberta Awards Gala Website**
now up and running !
http://www.woodworksawards.com/alberta/images/albertatemplateshort_r4_c1.jpg
- **Project Pursuits**
\$65 Million dollar recreation centre in Edmonton - will use wood !
- **2007 Alberta Wood Awards Gala**
Calgary, Alberta April 18th, 2007

Ontario

- **Successful Awards Gala and Wood Week in Toronto**
Wood WORKS! Ontario's Awards Gala and the Wood Week program in Toronto were a resounding success. 350 industry and community leaders, architects, engineers and politicians gathered at the Design Exchange to pay tribute to Ontario's state-of-the-art wood-based buildings and wood advocates. There were winners in 12 different categories, ranging from energy and cost-efficient green buildings and large-scale community centres, to wood champions who support and advance the use of wood in buildings in Ontario. The Wood Week in Toronto program was an appreciated addition to the Gala. The program included a guided tour to the Credit Valley Hospital, and the unique installation "momentum", featured along with displays of present and past Wood WORKS! Awards winners on the main floor of the Design Exchange.
- **Ontario MNR announces 3 years funding for Wood WORKS!**
Ontario Minister of Natural Resources, David Ramsay, announced 3 years of

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funding for the Wood *WORKS!* project at the recent Awards Gala held in Toronto. The Ministry of Natural Resources under the Forest Sector Competitiveness Secretariat, will contribute \$225,000 annually to the Ontario based project for the next 3 years. This is part of their Wood promotion program to help the Ontario Forest Industry expand current markets for wood products.

- **Wood *WORKS!* Ontario presents education sessions and exhibits at Wood Solutions Fair in Toronto**

Wood *WORKS!* participated in the Wood Solutions Fair at the Metro Toronto Convention Centre in Toronto. Around 900 people attended the event, which took place the day following Wood *WORKS!* Awards Gala. Wood *WORKS!* Ontario spoke at four sessions (Wood *WORKS!* Design Awards and Case Study” Timmins library/Office Coalition), had a trade booth, and sponsored the event.

- **Upcoming Events**

November 21st and 22nd- Ontario Sustainable Conferences in Markham and London.

November 23rd- Timber Design Seminar, held at Ryerson University, Toronto.

Québec

- ***Les groupes témoins identifient des besoins dans le secteur non résidentiel***

Des professionnels du design et des constructeurs du marché de la construction non résidentielle ont participé à deux séances de groupes témoins (Montréal et Québec) au mois de septembre. Les participants ont fait ressortir le besoin d’avoir des outils de calcul des coûts et une série de plans pour des structures typiques de la construction non résidentielle. Pour faciliter l’utilisation du bois dans de telles structures, ils ont demandé que l’industrie se dote d’une meilleure structure et qu’elle leur apporte un plus grand soutien. Les activités contenues dans le plan d’action de Branché sur le bois ! correspondent aux préoccupations exprimées par les groupes témoins et aideront à combler les besoins des intermédiaires qui œuvrent dans le secteur de la construction non résidentielle. Le rapport préliminaire fait présentement l’objet d’un examen, et le rapport final sera disponible sous peu. Pour de plus amples renseignements, veuillez contacter Patrice Tardif à: ptardif@videotron.ca

- **Focus Groups identify non-residential sector needs**

Design professionals and builders working in the non-residential construction market participated in two focus groups (Montreal and Quebec City) held in September. Some concerns identified include the need for costing tools and sets of plans for typical non-residential structures. Participants requested a more organized and supportive industry to facilitate in the use of wood in such structures. Activities identified in Branché sur le bois !’s action plan are in line with the concerns identified and will help to respond to the needs of the non-residential sector intermediaries. A preliminary report is under review and the final report will be available shortly. Contact Patrice Tardif for more info at: ptardif@videotron.ca

- ***L’étude de cas sur les coûts d’assurances est en presque terminée***

M. Roger Paquin, le chef de projet chez Heath Lambert Group pour l’étude de cas sur les coûts d’assurances, a présenté les conclusions préliminaires de l’étude lors de la plus récente réunion du conseil d’administration de Branché sur le bois ! tenue à Montréal. M. Paquin a confirmé que le risque d’incendie était le principal élément qui influençait les coûts d’assurances et ce, avant et après la construction. Après avoir évalué de petits bâtiments

commerciaux construits en bois dans trois villes du Québec, une ville de l'Ontario et une ville de la Colombie-Britannique, Heath Lambert Group a constaté que les compagnies d'assurances jugent que le bois représente le pire des scénarios lorsqu'elles évaluent le risque d'incendie d'un bâtiment non résidentiel. Le rapport final sera disponible en novembre et contiendra des recommandations sur la façon dont l'industrie des produits forestiers pourrait s'attaquer à ces coûts. Pour de plus amples renseignements, veuillez contacter Patrice Tardif à: ptardif@videotron.ca

- **Insurance Case Study nearing completion**
Mr. Roger Paquin, the insurance case study project leader at the Heath Lambert Group, presented preliminary findings of their efforts at the recent Branché sur le bois ! Board of Directors' meeting held in Montreal. Mr. Paquin confirmed that fire risk is the major component of building insurance costs, both during and post construction. Following the evaluation of small commercial buildings built in wood in three Quebec cities, one Ontario city and one British Columbia city, it was noted that insurance companies consider wood as the worst-case scenario when assessing fire risk for a non-residential building. The final report will be available in November and will include recommendations for the wood products industry in addressing these costs. You may contact Patrice Tardif for more info at: ptardif@videotron.ca
- ***Une conférence en ingénierie se tiendra le 15 novembre 2006***
Un atelier d'une demi-journée se tiendra à Longueuil, Québec le 15 novembre 2006 en collaboration avec le chapitre de Montréal de la Société canadienne de génie civil. L'atelier s'adresse aux ingénieurs et comprendra une séance de travail sur l'utilisation du logiciel de conception WoodWorks?, une séance pratique sur l'utilisation des parties 4 et 9 du Code national du bâtiment dans la conception de petits bâtiments commerciaux et la présentation d'études de cas par David Moses, ingénieur chez Equilibrium Consulting, dans laquelle il décrira les aspects techniques des projets de conception et de construction de bâtiments en bois supervisés par Equilibrium. Pour de plus amples renseignements, veuillez contacter Patrice Tardif à: ptardif@videotron.ca
- **Engineering conference to be held on November 15, 2006**
A ½-day workshop will be held in collaboration with the Montreal Chapter of Civil Engineers in Longueuil, Quebec on the 15th of November 2006. The workshop is destined for engineers and will include a working session on the use of the design software WoodWorks ?; a practice session on the use of Parts 4 and 9 of the National Building Code in the design of small commercial buildings; and the presentation of case studies by David Moses, PEng at Equilibrium Consulting, citing technical aspects of the wood design and building of projects overseen by Equilibrium. You may contact Patrice Tardif for more info at: ptardif@videotron.ca

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Le projet Branché sur le bois est une initiative nationale, lancée par l'industrie et menée par le Conseil canadien du bois, afin de promouvoir l'utilisation du bois dans la construction commerciale, industrielle et institutionnelle. Le Bulletin Branché sur le bois s'avère notre méthode de communication pour vous informer des activités, résultats et succès du projet au cours du mois, en plus de vous mettre au courant des événements à venir.

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