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Wood WORKS! E-Bulletin Branché sur le bois

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National

- **2010 Olympics**

A funding proposal has been submitted to the Forestry Innovation Investment (FII). The work highlighted under the proposal should help the industry maximize and optimize the use of wood in the Olympic facilities and around the 2010 games. The Wood WORKS! team continue to be in contact with the design team to ensure that wood is being considered in 2010 Olympics.

Les Jeux olympiques 2010

Une proposition de financement a été soumise au Fond d'investissement pour l'innovation en foresterie (FII). Les projets mis de l'avant dans la proposition devrait aider l'industrie à maximiser et optimiser l'utilisation de bois dans les bâtiments Olympiques de 2010. L'équipe Branché sur le bois! continue d'être en contact avec l'équipe de design pour assurer que le bois soit considéré dans les Jeux Olympiques de 2010.

- **National Sponsorship**

Efforts are underway to confirm sponsorship support for the present year. Funding for the Wood WORKS! initiative comes from industry, corporate sponsors and government programs. As industry is the direct beneficiary of the project, it is important for Wood WORKS! to receive support from industry to help develop new markets for wood products in non-residential construction. We hope that the successes experienced by the Wood WORKS! team will entice existing and new sponsors to support our program in 2005. Sponsorship questions should be addressed to Etienne Lalonde at (613) 747-5544 ext. 230.

Le partenariat national

Les efforts sont en route pour confirmer le soutien de partenariat pour l'année en cours. Le financement pour l'initiative Branché sur le bois! vient de l'industrie, les sponsors corporatifs et les programmes gouvernementaux. Comme l'industrie est le bénéficiaire direct du projet, c'est important pour l'initiative Branché sur le bois! de recevoir le soutien de l'industrie pour aider à développer les nouveaux marchés pour les produits de bois dans la construction non-résidentielle. Nous espérons que les succès connus par l'équipe de Branché sur le bois! attireront des nouveaux partenaires. Les questions de partenariat devraient être adressées au Etienne Lalonde au (613) 747-5544 poste 230.

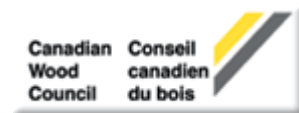
- **Wood WORKS! Web Site**

The Wood WORKS! web site is being revamped. New information is being added and a new user-friendly site is being developed. The new site should be ready to be launched by this fall. If you have any comments and suggestions to improve our web site, please forward them to Ioana Lazea at: ilazea@cwcc.ca

Le site Web de Branché sur le bois!

Le site Web de Branché sur le bois! est actuellement mis à jour. De

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nouveaux renseignements sont ajoutés et un nouveau site facile à utiliser est en voie de développement. Le nouveau site devrait être lancé cet automne. Si vous avez des commentaires et suggestions pour améliorer notre site Web, veuillez contacter Ioana Lazea à : ilazea@cw.ca

British Columbia

- **Building Permit Study Indicates Increase in Wood Use**
Wood WORKS! British Columbia recently completed a building permit study of new non-residential building permits in Kelowna, Prince George and Victoria. The purpose of the study was to determine if there has been an increase in the use of wood in new non-residential construction between 2000 and 2004 and to collect measurable data to benchmark against in future years. The study also identified trends relevant to the structural and architectural use of wood in new non-residential applications. Please visit [this link](#) for the complete story.

Alberta

- **Activities for Alberta Wood WORKS!**
The Alberta Wood WORKS! Project has been active on several fronts and the following highlights some of the major activities that are being pursued by the program:
Wood Solutions Fair - confirmed for Edmonton Spring 2006 exact date and venue still not confirmed; should have finalized mid August
Alberta Wood Design Awards - a provincial jury has been selected and draft award categories and criteria have been established...we are looking for Award Sponsors !
Case Study - Commenced - Alberta Pressure Equipment Safety Authority building in the south side of Edmonton at the Research Park - early phase - initial visit made; first pictures taken; currently meeting and sourcing data on project. [Preliminary Image attached](#)
Architectural Design Breakfasts: 2 confirmed - September 8/05 in Edmonton and September 9/05 in Calgary. Wayne Trustee, Manager of Athena Institute, will talk to the latest in Green Building: newest version of LEED and what it means for building with wood, updates on US and Canadian Green Building Councils, Life Cycle Analysis, and the trend toward Green Globes in Canada and US as an alternative to LEED.
Projects: Following up on 8 projects in Edmonton, Grande Prairie, Grande Cache, Vermilion, Calgary, Peace River, Sherwood Park.
Positive Influence: YMCA who is building a new facility in downtown Edmonton, after reviewing our materials and hearing our presentation, has gone to tender and have sought wood materials as a design option for their Pool Area and "common spaces".
Wood WORKS! is scheduled to have a booth at the Annual General Meeting of the Alberta Forest Products Association on September 29-Oct1, 2005.
Architectural Firm and Municipal visits : performed 3 and have 3 more scheduled.
Kudos' to Alberta Wood WORKS! - We provided wood materials for the Street Furniture Competition as part of The Works (an arts awareness event that runs the month of July in Edmonton, AB). We received newspaper and TV notice, and the winning "piece" had lots of wood ! - [Winning Street Furniture Picture attached](#)

Ontario

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Upcoming Events

[2005 Wood Solutions Fairs: Ottawa, November 2, 2005](#)

[5th Annual Ontario Wood Awards Gala: November 24, 2005, Blue Mountain, Collingwood](#)

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](#)

- **Ryerson University Architects Alumni Dinner**
Wood *WORKS!* participated in the University of Ryerson Alumni dinner, showcasing Urban development. The Wood *WORKS!* table consisted of many Ryerson Architecture students, giving opportunity for Wood *WORKS!* to enrich the younger generation of practitioners on the innovation, and applications of Canadian wood.
- **Marianne Berube Participates in Nordic Trade Mission**
Wood *WORKS!* Ontario Executive Director, Marianne Berube, joined the Northern Ontario team for one week in Sweden and Finland. Participants had a busy schedule trying to absorb all the Nordic countries had to offer. Ontario delegates were inspired by visits and speeches from the host country's wood industries on trade and technology, their University programs, government's role, promotion, bio-energy programs and, overall, their wood culture. The delegates saw how closely different groups work together, under the desire for sustainability. It was a truly educational experience, destined to impact Ontario's own wood culture.
- **Funding and Ontario's Growth Plan**
Wood *WORKS!* Ontario is near finalizing funding for the first 2 years of their growth plan with Fed Nor and the Province. This should be in place by August allowing implementation of the plan and growth into southern Ontario.
- **Inaugural Wood *WORKS!* TAC Meeting, Bolton, ON**
Wood *WORKS!* Ontario held their first TAC meeting in Bolton on June 29th. Representation on the committee includes: Sylvain Gagnon from Forintek, David Thompson, Architect, Gary Williams of Timber Systems, Rick Brouxton of Jager, David Moses of Equilibrium Engineering & Consulting, Marianne Berube and Julia Sutton of Wood *WORKS!*. It was a very successful first meeting, and ground was laid as to the TAC Committee's first steps. The next TAC meeting is scheduled for November 25th, 2005.
- **Bonfield Council Presentation**
Wood *WORKS!* made a presentation to the Bonfield Municipal Council on May 14th to speak about the benefits of using wood in bridge construction for upcoming projects.
- **Peace Bridge, Fort Erie, ON**
On May 27, 2005, there was a sod-turning ceremony by Peace Bridge officials for the new Canadian plaza in Fort Erie. This new facility is to improve security, reduce congestion and enhance trade flows between Canada and the U.S. The Canadian site is to be a model of what the future building on the American site will be like. The Canadian plaza will include a new Customs and Immigration Building, Refugee Processing Facility and an Authority Administration Building. The design of the Canadian Plaza was a chance to exemplify Canada's culture, the history of the Niagara Region and the town of Fort Erie, along with a strong image of Canada's values and its people. The aim of the design is to make people feel welcomed into Canada without compromising security, to be an international landmark of border crossing. Fort Erie is an archaeological region, and the administration building will hold a museum of artefacts from that area, inside the sculptural metal, wood and glass lobby. The design incorporates the historic stone construction of the area, but most important it also reflects the importance of Native buildings and wooden canoe design. NORR Limited, Architects and Engineers is the firm involved with building the Canadian Plaza. Construction has now begun on that site.
- **5th Annual Wood Awards Gala**
November 24 th, 2005, Blue Mountain, Collingwood

[Armstrong / Spallumcheen Arena , Armstrong, BC](#)

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[Kitchener Library](#)

[Aylmer Fire Hall](#)

[Quebec:](#)

[Misstassini complexe communautaire: bibliothèque, piscine, centre sportif – construction en phases](#)

[Passerelles pour piste cyclable et de moto-neige – Rivière de la petite nation](#)

[Promenade des gouverneurs , Québec](#)

This year's event will include the "Sustainable Wood Design Conference". For more information on nominations, sponsorship or on attending this year's event visit our website at www.woodworksawards.com.

Québec

- Achèvement du Plan de développement - financement recherché**
Le Comité de promotion du bois pour le Québec travaille activement à compléter son plan de développement. Des efforts soutenus ont été consacrés à la recherche de financement tant du côté du gouvernement provincial que fédéral. Le personnel de Branché sur le bois! au Québec et certains membres du Comité de promotion du bois ont rencontré les représentants des plusieurs ministres. Pour de plus amples renseignements, veuillez suivre [ce lien](#).

Action Plan nearing completion - funding efforts underway

The Quebec Wood WORKS! Wood Promotion Committee has been busy finalizing its Action Plan. Efforts to secure government funding, both provincial and federal, for the project are ongoing. Wood WORKS! staff and Committee members have met with representatives from several Ministers' offices to present the project and its objectives. Please visit [this link](#) for the complete story.

Wood Links

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The Wood **WORKS!** project is a national, industry-led initiative, spearheaded by the Canadian Wood Council, to promote the use of wood in commercial, industrial and institutional construction. The Wood **WORKS!** E-Bulletin is our method to communicate to you the many activities, accomplishments and successes of the initiative throughout the past month, as well as upcoming projects and events we are currently working on.

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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