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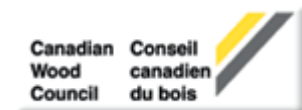
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National

- **Wood WORKS! On-line Project Tracking System (OPTS)**
We have met with the consultant responsible for the development of the OPTS (On-line Project Tracking System). Discussions have focused on making the tool more user friendly and continuing our partnership with the firm over the next few years.
Système de pistage de projet en ligne
Nous avons rencontré la firme responsable du développement du OPTS (Système de Pistage de Projet En ligne). Les discussions ont porté sur le développement d'un instrument de mesures plus facile à utiliser, de même qu'au sujet de la continuation de notre partenariat avec la firme en question pour les prochaines années.
- **2010 Industry Plan**
Several new market development options are being investigated and discussed by industry. A larger comprehensive plan that focuses on emerging and existing markets is being contemplated. More discussions are under way and a decision on our strategy should be made within the next few weeks.
Le plan de l'industrie pour 2010
L'industrie examine plusieurs nouvelles options pour le développement de nouveaux marchés. Entre autre, elle considère la création d'un plan plus détaillé qui examinera les marchés existants et potentiels. Des discussions sont en cours et une décision sur la stratégie favorisée par l'industrie sera prise d'ici quelques semaines.

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British Columbia

- **Building Permit Study**
The Wood WORKS! BC program is currently working on a building permit study that will look at new non-residential building permits from six cities from across the province for the years 2000 and 2004 in an effort to measure the success of the program in the promotion of a wood culture and increasing the use of wood in non-residential construction. It is hoped that the study will show an increase in both the number of non-residential projects using wood but also an increase in the percent wood content of these projects as more and more design teams see the benefits of supporting the local wood industry and use the only renewable resource, wood.
- **2010 Venues**
Oscar Faoro, BC Wood WORKS! 2010 Technical Consultant, is actively working on 2010 venues, in particular the Speed Skating Oval. Oscar has met with the designers of the Oval several times and is actively involved in exploring opportunities to implement wood into this project. The hockey arena at UBC will be the next project to be addressed once the design team has been chosen.

Feature Stories

[Branché sur le bois - Première
rencontre du Comité de
promotion du bois](#)

[Wood WORKS! Québec - The
First Meeting of the Wood
Promotion Committee](#)

- **2005 Wood Design Awards Gala**

Fifty-six nominations were received for BC's 2005 Wood Design Awards Competition. Event coordinator, Lorna Malone is pleased with the response from the design and construction communities in the event's inaugural year. "We have very high calibre projects nominated this year. The presentation of nominated projects on the evening of the Gala will be most impressive." The Gala is being held Monday, March 7, at the Four Seasons Hotel, Vancouver. For more information on the Gala and ticket sales visit the Canadian Wood Council website at www.cwc.ca or contact Lorna Malone directly at 1-877-929-9663 ext 4.

- **Wood Solutions Fair**

The Wood *WORKS!* BC team will be participating in Vancouver's annual Wood Solutions Fair being held Tuesday, March 8th, at the Westin Bayshore Conference Centre. The display booth this year will feature the nominees of the 2005 Wood Design Awards Competition. For more information visit the Canadian Wood Council website at www.cwc.ca

- **In-House Seminars**

The architectural firm of Killick Metz Bowen Rose Architects was treated to the wealth of knowledge and good humor of "The Wood Guy", Les Jozsa as he presented another In-house Seminar on behalf of the Wood *WORKS!* BC program aimed at increasing the working knowledge of the existing practitioners of the design community. This program is a direct result of the call many participants of the Wood Solutions Fairs and Wood *WORKS!* Design Luncheons for more in-depth and hands on approach to learning about wood. The Wood *WORKS!* BC program will be planning for next year's series and will be offering more in-house seminars on a wide variety of wood topics.

Alberta

- **2005 Annual General Meeting of the Western Wood Truss Association February 4, 2005 in Edmonton, Alberta**

Alberta Wood *WORKS!* will be displaying at the Annual General Meeting of the Western Wood Truss Association in Edmonton, Alberta.

- **2005 Activities for Wood *WORKS!* Alberta**

Ongoing Activities: Development of an Alberta Wood Design Award(s); Promotion of wood use in the approved YMCA in downtown Edmonton, AB; follow-up on 4 projects throughout Alberta.

- **Planned Activities: An MLA (Members of the Legislative Assembly) Breakfast Meeting, Wood Design Breakfast; Promotional Sustainable Construction Campaign Mailer to Architects, MLA's and Engineers.**

- **Upcoming Events**

Alberta Wood *WORKS!* will make a presentation to Swan City Rotary in Grand Prairie, Alberta on February 9th, 2005 and will meet with local developers and architects.

- **2005 Annual General Meeting of the Alberta Association of Architects May 5-6, 2005 in Edmonton, Alberta**

Alberta Wood *WORKS!* is confirmed as the primary sponsor for the 2005 Annual General Meeting of the Alberta Association of Architects, May 5-6, 2005 in Edmonton, Alberta. This event will be held in conjunction with the Annual General Meeting of the Royal Architectural Institute of Canada, also to be held in Edmonton.

Ontario

Upcoming Events

[BC's Inaugural Wood Design Awards Gala, March 7, 2005](#)

[2005 Wood Solutions Fairs: Vancouver, March 8 & Ottawa, November 2, 2005](#)

Wood Links

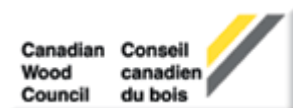
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- **Northern Ontario Wood Design Conferences a success!**
Northern Ontario Professionals were wowed by the speakers Wood *WORKS!* brought to Thunder Bay on February 9, 2005 and Sudbury February 10, 2005. Audiences described speakers Ineke Van Zeeland, David Moses, and Lubor Trubka as “first class”, “presentations were inspiring”, “the speakers showed me things I never would have known about wood”. Ineke Van Zeeland, Manager, Codes and Standards of Canadian Wood Council opened the conference with her informative presentation on Fire, Building Codes, Acoustics, and Insurance of wood structures. David Moses, project engineer for Equilibrium Consulting, educated the attendees on innovative connectors and design solutions to maximized wood’s warm attributes. Lubor Trubka of Lubor Trubka Associates Architects enlightened attendees on how wood architecture differs through different cultures. He shared his experiences with projects in British Columbia, Czech Republic, Germany, Korea, and India. Both David Moses and Lubor Trubka described innovative wood design between North America and Europe as a “two-way street”; noting Europe has advanced technology such as connectors and computer numerically controlled cutting machines, while North America has excelled with their Engineered Wood Products, adding strength and versatility to wood products. The conferences attracted 100 attendees, leaving them exhilarated and eager for the next Wood *WORKS!* Design Conference.
- **Blue Mountain, Collingwood to host the 2005 Wood *WORKS!* Awards Gala**
The Blue Mountain Resort and Conference Centre in Collingwood, Ontario will host the fifth annual Wood *WORKS!* Awards Gala, Thursday, November 24, 2005. Blue Mountain’s Weider Lodge was a Wood *WORKS!* Multi-Unit 2003 award winner, making its new conference centre, that will open this fall, a perfect host for the Awards night. The celebration will follow a technical conference, also hosted at the Blue Mountain Conference Centre, providing the latest information on wood products and applications. Watch for the due date of the 2005 nomination forms at www.woodworksawards.com

Québec

- **Première rencontre du Comité de promotion du bois**
La première rencontre du Comité de promotion du bois qui agit comme comité directeur du projet au Québec a eu lieu chez Domtar le 3 février dernier. Plusieurs personnes de l'industrie ont accepté de s'impliquer pour promouvoir les objectifs du projet au Québec. Pour de plus amples renseignements, veuillez suivre [ce lien](#).
The First Meeting of the Wood Promotion Committee
The Wood Promotion Committee that acts as a Steering Committee for Wood *WORKS!* Québec, held its first meeting on February 3 at the Domtar. Several industry people accepted to be involved in the promotion of the objectives for Wood *WORKS!* Québec. For the complete story, please follow [this link](#).
- **Attribution du contrat pour l'étude de cas - Assurance pendant et après la construction de bâtiments - La réalité au Québec**
Le Conseil canadien du bois, en partenariat avec l'AQFSB (Association québécoise des fabricants de structures de bois), a reçu et évalué les soumissions concernant l'étude de cas - Assurance pendant et après la construction de bâtiments - La réalité au Québec. Cette étude brossera la réalité du Québec en ce qui a trait aux petites constructions commerciales pendant et après la construction des bâtiments. Les discussions sont

actuellement en cours afin de finaliser le plan de travail avec le soumissionnaire retenu: un partenariat entre Heath Lambert Group et Technical Risk Services. Une recherche de financement additionnelle sera effectuée afin de terminer les travaux et de produire un document présentant les résultats obtenus par l'étude.

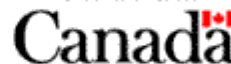
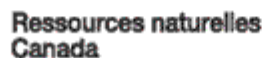
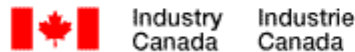
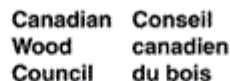
Contract awarded for Case Study: Building Insurance, during and post construction - the Quebec Reality

Submissions were received and evaluated for the joint Canadian Wood Council and AQFSB (Québec Association of Wood Structures Manufacturers) Case Study that will identify the reality in Québec as regards insuring small commercial projects, both during and post construction.

Discussions are currently underway to finalize a work plan with the contractor whose proposal was retained: a joint venture with Heath Lambert Group and Technical Risk Services. Additional funding will be sought to complete the works and to ultimately publish a document outlining findings from the study.

Wood WORKS! would like to thank its project partners.

Branché sur le bois remercie ses partenaires.



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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