

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 séniors 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 on 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 prêt 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@cw.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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- **Wood WORKS! On-line Project Tracking System (OPTS)**

The project tracking system is being tested and a new system will officially

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Canadian Wood Council
initiative**

*Branché sur le bois est une
initiative du Conseil canadien
du bois*

Feature Stories

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

[Royal City Star Casino raises
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](#)

launched later this fall.

Système en ligne de suivi des projets

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

British Columbia

- **Wood Design Conferences 2006**
The Wood Design Luncheon Conferences of 2006 hosted by Wood *WORKS!* BC will long be remembered as the events that took place in the week of the November snowstorm. International speakers arrived in Victoria by ferry and bus transportation and in spite of the winter weather and waylaid luggage, the conferences went off extremely well. In Victoria, 100 participants braved the freezing temperatures and icy roads to attend. The following day with the snow still coming down 400 participants attended the Vancouver event. On Friday in Kelowna 125 attendees were on hand. Survey results showed a keen interest in the following topics for future events - Sustainable Design, Durability/Moisture Protection, Innovative Engineering in Wood, Innovative Timber Frame and Building Systems.
- **Sustainability Workshops**
Wood *WORKS!* hosted two sustainability seminars to packed houses in both Vancouver and Victoria. More than 80 architects, engineers, contractors, building inspectors and industry suppliers attend the two one-day workshops. Linda McPhee, Sustainability Director from CWC gave a presentation on the ever-changing concepts surrounding sustainability. Peter Moonen presented a show and tell about environmental attributes of engineered wood products. Larry McFarland, whose firm has just been awarded the First LEED Platinum building in Canada, presented a case study about the new Gulf Islands National Park Reserve Operations Centre in Sidney, B.C. Jiri Skopek, developer of the Green Globes building assessment system, provided an exceptional overview of the program and how it enables buildings to be more sustainable.
- **Wood Design Awards and Gala 2007**
The BC Wood *WORKS!* Awards Gala will be held on Monday, March 12, 2007 at the Four Seasons Hotel in Vancouver. Awards this year will be presented in 12 categories with two new categories Technical Innovation and a Cedar Award having been added. Award category criteria and nomination forms for this year's event are available on line at the Wood *WORKS!* Award site at www.wood-works.org. Nominations close February 7, 2007. The Event Sponsors once again is Forestry Innovation Investment. Returning award sponsors are Canfor, Coast Forest Products Association, Council of Forest Industries, Gorman Bros, Structurlam, Tembec, Western Archrib, and Weyerhaeuser. Wood *WORKS!* welcomes new Award Sponsors Interfor and Western Forest Products as well as West Fraser as a Silver Sponsor and Dunkley Lumber as a Bronze Sponsor for the 2007 event.

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**

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:

[Tim Horton's](#)

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

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

- **Positive feed-back on Wood *WORKS!* Sustainability Conferences in Markham and London in November**
The Sustainability Workshops that Wood *WORKS!* and the CWC organized in Markham and London in November were very well received. Survey results show that an overwhelming majority of the participants thought it was an excellent or very good workshop. Furthermore, they thought the information presented was appropriate and of a very good quality. All presentations were highly rated (Linda McPhee, CWC; Peter Moonen, Wood *WORKS!*; Larry McFarland, Larry McFarland Architects; Jiri Skopek, ECD Energy and Environment Canada Ltd). Suggested themes for future workshops include: Green Globes and LEEDS, more case studies and more information on how wood contributes to sustainability.
- **WW Ontario speaks on “Wood and Sustainability” at Green Building Conference, Construct Canada: Nov.29th, Toronto**
Marianne Berube did a presentation on “Wood and Sustainability” at the Green Building Forum, held during the Construct Canada show recently in Toronto. Marianne was part of panel, along with representatives from the steel, concrete and plastic industries, presenting the strengths of their materials, towards creating sustainable buildings. Over 250 architects, engineers and developers attended the session.
- **Lunch & Learn- Dec.4th, Mekinda, Snyder architects, Toronto**
Max Torossi held a lunch & learn at the office of Mekinda, Snyder architects. The presentation was well received and will be continued monthly during 2007.
- **Project meetings and leads**
 - Algonquin College, Building Trades & Sciences Centre, Ottawa
 - Madadjiwan Centre, Mattawa
- **Ryerson Lecture Series-Jan.11th, Toronto**
Wood *WORKS!* has teamed up with Ryerson University, Department of Architectural Science, to bring in the keynote speaker, Ian McDonald, for the January 11th evening presentation. Ian was a past recipient of the Wood Awards program and has done a lot of work featuring innovation in wood.
- **WW! Ontario and CWC will organize a one-day Workshop on Timber Connection Design**
To be held at Ryerson University on February 1, 2007. The speaker, Dr. Pierre Quenneville, is associate professor and Civil Engineering Department

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

Wood Links

[Become a Wood Champion - Wood Champions Network!](#)

[Wood \(IN\)Site, the electronic newsletter for builders, architects and engineers.](#)

Head at the Royal Military College in Kingston, Ontario. His research activities focus on the brittle behavior of bolted connections and connections with timber connectors.

Québec

- ***Développement économique Canada soutient le développement du secteur de la construction non résidentielle au Québec***
Branché sur le bois! a reçu une confirmation préliminaire à l'effet que sa demande pour un financement de 200 000 \$ s'échelonnant sur deux ans a reçu l'approbation de Développement économique Canada. L'argent sera utilisé à bon escient car il servira à financer les activités qui sont dans le plan de travail. Ces activités ont été spécifiquement choisies pour faire avancer les objectifs du projet, soit d'accroître l'utilisation du bois dans le marché de la construction non résidentielle. L'industrie apprécie le geste d'appui de Développement économique Canada et se réjouit de pouvoir collaborer de plus près avec ce nouveau partenaire. Pour de plus amples renseignements, veuillez contacter Patrice Tardif à: ptardif@videotron.ca
- ***Economic Development Canada supports the development of the non-residential construction sector in Quebec***
Branché sur le bois! has received preliminary confirmation from Economic Development Canada that the funding request for 200,000\$ over two years has been approved. The funds will be put to good use by applying them to the activities identified in the Work Plan. The activities were specifically identified to move the project's objectives forward: that of increasing the use of wood in non-residential construction. Industry is appreciative of this gesture on the part of Economic Development and looks forward to a closer collaboration with this new partner. For more information please contact Patrice Tardif at: ptardif@videotron.ca
- ***L'étude de cas sur les coûts d'assurances est terminée***
Le Health Lambert Group a terminé l'étude de cas sur les coûts d'assurances. Cette étude avait été entreprise pour aider l'industrie à mieux comprendre pourquoi les coûts d'assurances sont différents dans le cas d'un bâtiment en bois et ce, pendant et après sa construction, par rapport à un bâtiment construit en acier ou en béton. Le rapport est présentement à l'étape de l'analyse. Un résumé des conclusions sera disponible au début de la nouvelle année à des fins de consultation.
- ***Insurance case study completed***
The insurance case study, undertaken by the Heath Lambert Group, has been completed. The study was undertaken to help industry understand the variations in insurance costs for wood buildings, both during and post construction, as compared with steel and concrete construction. The report is currently being studied – results will be synthesized and available for consultation early in the New Year.

**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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