TALL MASS TIMBER
TEAMWORK MAKES THE DREAM WORK

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TEAMWORK MAKES THE DREAM WORK

- Rethink project organization + teams
- Schematic design considerations
- Collaboration with the suppliers and builders
- Seismic Considerations
- Codes
SCHEMATIC DESIGN CONSIDERATIONS
Different Materials
Different Tolerances
Different Markets
Sizes Available

![Diagram showing available thicknesses for different types of materials.](image-url)
Gridlines need to match panel availability!
Floor types

Post and Beam
Efficient for:
Beam spans up to 30’
Slab spans up to 20’

Post and Slab Band
Efficient for:
Beam spans up to 20’
(longer if composite)

Flat Slab
Efficient for:
Column spacing up to 12’

Column spacing decreases
Structure depth decreases
Modern Connections
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COLLABORATION WITH SUPPLIERS AND BUILDERS
Design for Manufacturing
Design for Transportation
Design for Installation
SEISMIC CONSIDERATIONS
• No addition of mass timber lateral system into table 12.2-1
Options

• Concrete cores
• CLT walls
• Braced Frames
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- CLT walls *(Usually)*
- Braced Frames
CONCRETE CORES
BRACED FRAMES
STEEL EBFS
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Diaphragms

- Concrete topping
- Untopped CLT
- Rigid / Flexible assumptions
Transfer at Podium

• These buildings are NOT light frame where transfers are common
• Transferring the lateral system is costly and inefficient
  • Uneven distribution of lateral loads
  • Deep transfer beams
TALLER WOOD CONSIDERATIONS
Vibration due to wind

• Lightweight building with low damping → vibration challenge

• Added damping might be necessary at taller heights
Shrinkage and Creep

• Consider interface between wood + lateral system

• Short term: elastic shortening while building is loaded

• Long term: creep and shrinkage
Fire

- Structural consideration of fire
  - ASCE 7-16 Appendix E: Performance-based fire design
  - NDS Chapter 16 – fire design of wood members
  - AWC Technical Report 10 – expansion and examples
QUESTIONS?

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