

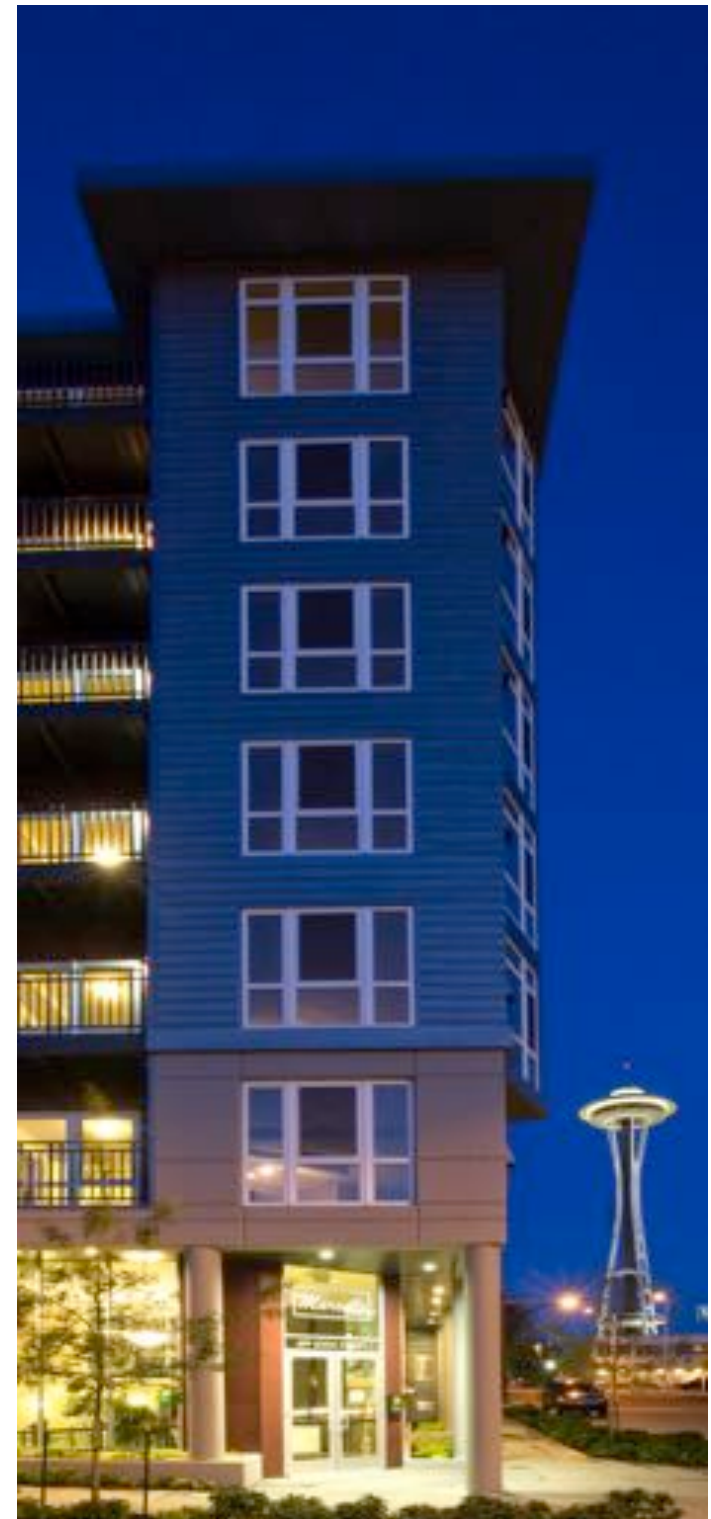


# > Practical, Code-Compliant Detailing for Mid-Rise Wood Structures

Detailing Considerations for Mid Rise Wood Frame Buildings

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Questions related to specific materials, methods, and services will be addressed at the conclusion of this presentation.





# Learning Objectives

1. Discuss allowable construction types, occupancies, and building heights and areas for wood-frame mid-rise construction per the International Building Code.
2. Examine a variety of floor-to-exterior wall details for use in wood-frame, Type III construction and discuss code compliance paths and approval rationale for each.
3. Discuss code-permitted shaft wall and fire wall construction materials and fire-resistance requirements, and review common details for each.
4. Consider code provisions for corridor and balcony fire-resistance protection, and identify details that accommodate these requirements while maximizing wood use.

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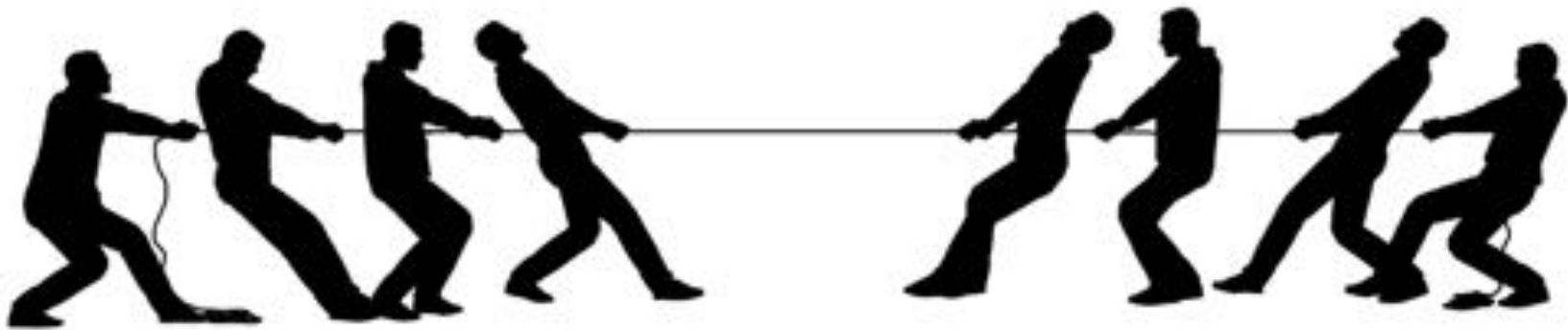


**Global Population**  
**> 7 billion now**  
**9.0 billion by 2050**  
**30% increase**

**Urban Population**  
**5.3 billion by 2050**  
**66% increase**



## Need for Sustainable Multi-Family & Mixed Use Structures



Economically Meet  
Urban Housing Needs

Increase  
Environmental  
Responsibility

These 2 items don't need to be in opposition-  
Wood framing helps them work together!





# Why Wood?

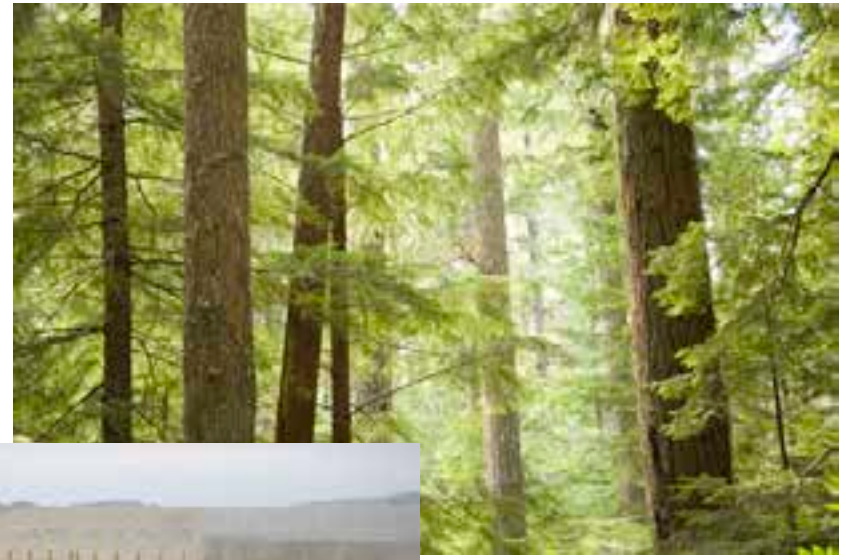
Wood Costs Less

Wood is Versatile

Wood Meets Code

Wood is Durable

Wood is Renewable



Using Wood Helps Reduce Your Environmental Impact

Wood Products Play a Significant Role in Modern Economy



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## Wood Mid-Rise Construction

How many stories can be wood framed in the IBC?





# Marselle Condos, Seattle, WA

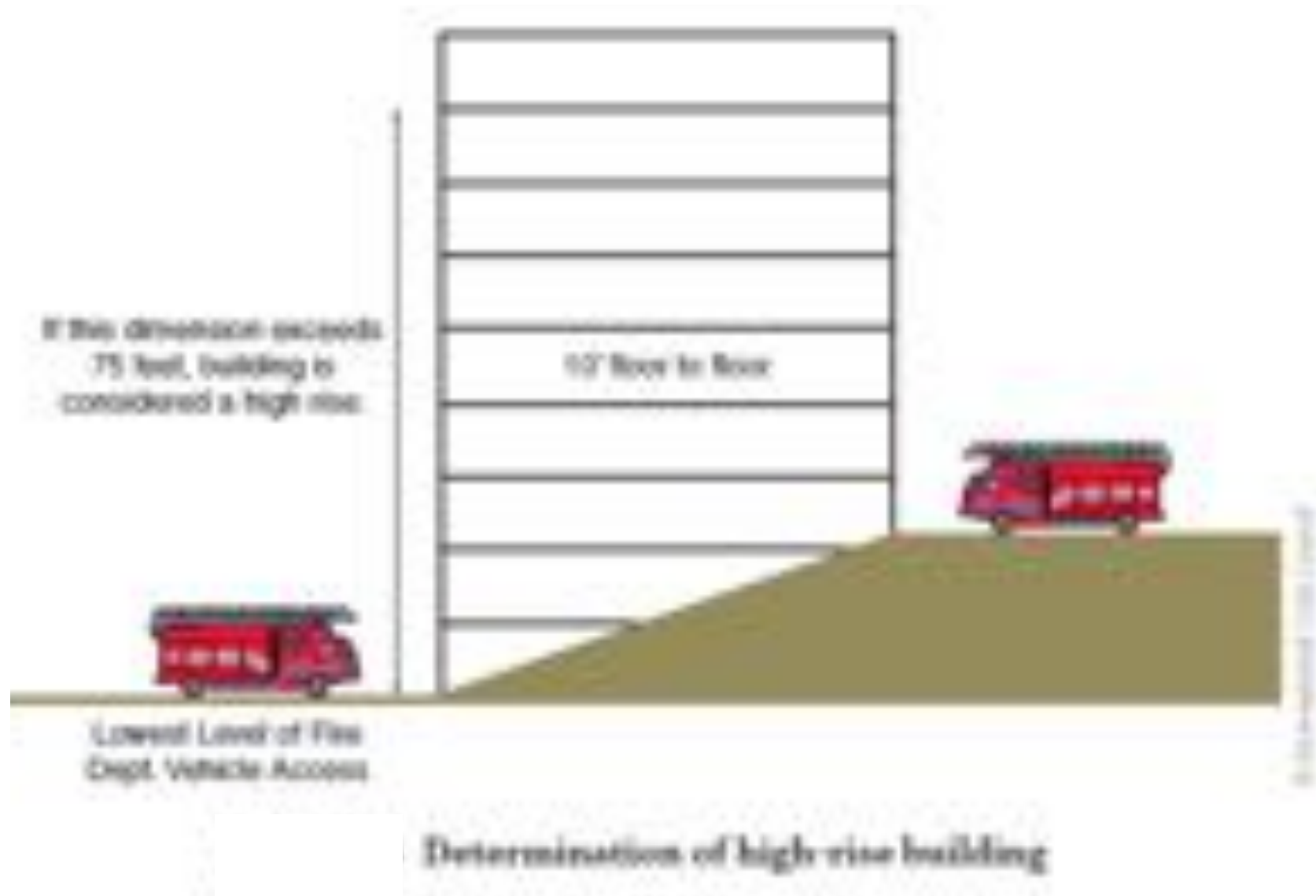


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6 stories for Offices, 5 stories for Residential  
+ Mezzanine + Multi-Story Podium

# Mid-Rise vs. High-Rise Definition – IBC 202

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# Walk-up/ Tuck Under

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First floor walk up units with private garage

Benefits:

- Eliminates need for S-2 parking garage
- Can be all wood
- Least expensive overall but lowest densification rates





# Wrap-Around

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Walk up units surround parking structure

Benefits:

- Enhanced security
- Centralized access to parking
- Visual appeal from street
- More expensive than walk/up tuck-under
- 5 story yields 60-80 units/acre



# Podium

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Multiple stories of wood over an elevated concrete deck

Benefits:

- Increased number of stories
- Accommodates Mixed-use occupancies
- Most expensive but can allow increased density



# Podium

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4 stories of residential over podium (parking or retail)

- 60-80 units/acre

Inman Park Condos, Atlanta, GA  
Davis & Church





# Podium

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5 stories over retail

- 100-120 units/acre



Inman Park Condos, Atlanta, GA  
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AvalonBay Stadium, Anaheim, CA  
VanDorpe Chou Associates

# Mezzanine & Podium

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5 stories with mezzanine + residential podium

- 125-145 units/acre

120 Union, San Diego, CA  
Togawa Smith Martin



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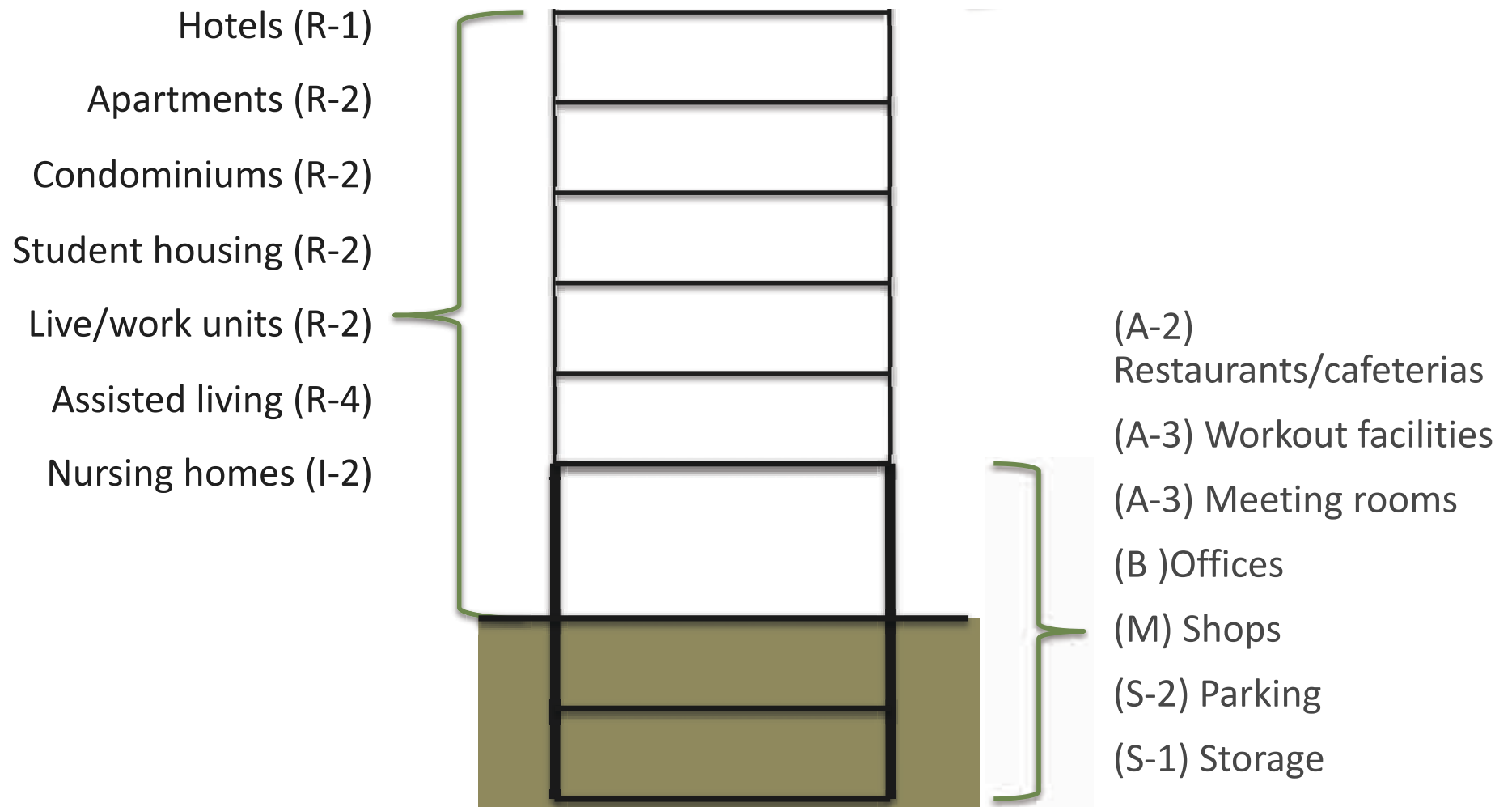
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# Typical Mid-rise Occupancy

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# Mid-Rise Construction Types

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## **Type III**

- Exterior walls non-combustible
- Interior elements any allowed by code

## **Type V**

- All building elements are any allowed by code

Types III and V can be subdivided to A (protected) or B (unprotected)

## **Type IV (Heavy Timber)**

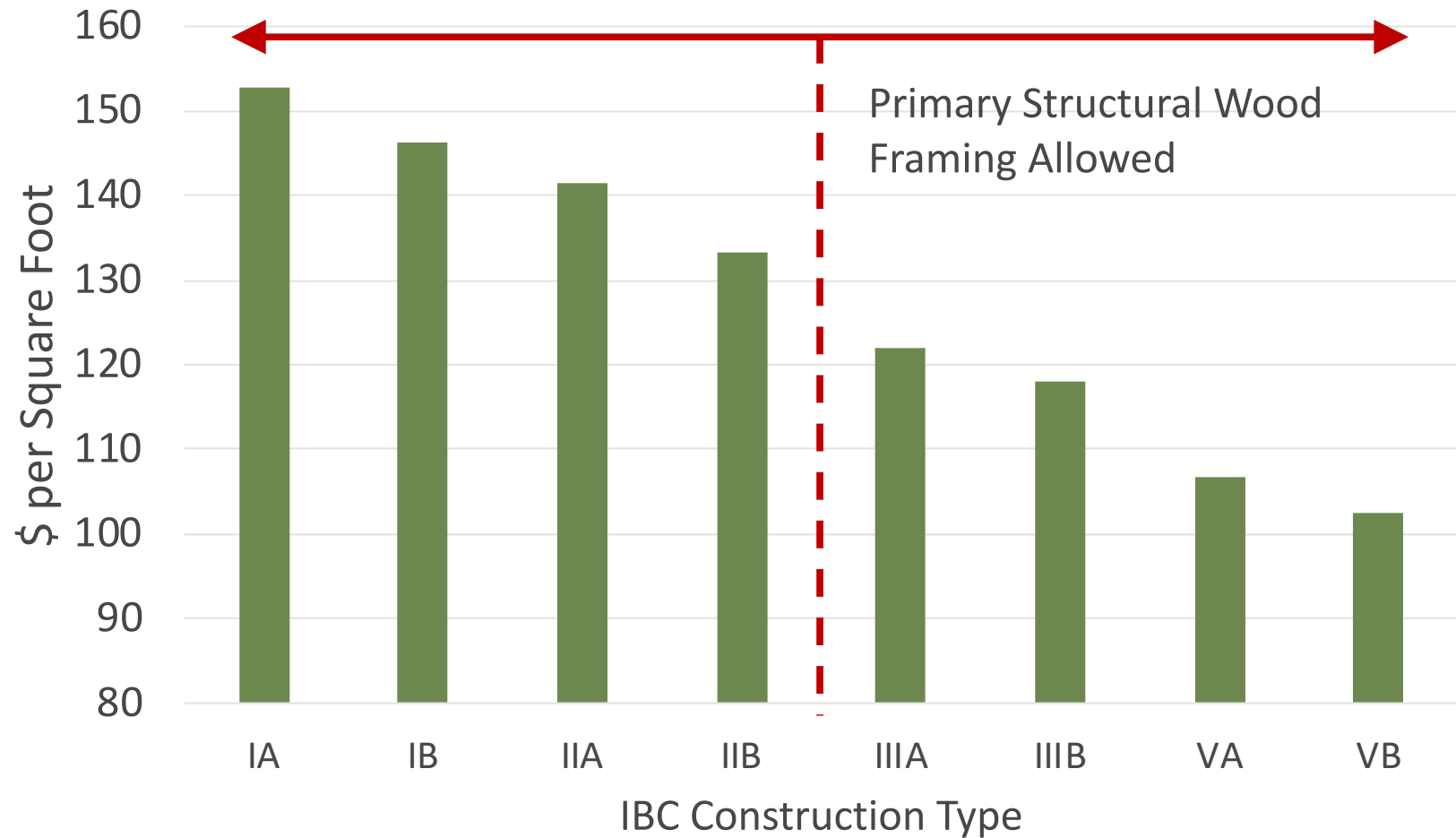
- Exterior walls non-combustible
- Interior elements qualify as Heavy Timber

More on fire ratings a little later...



# IBC Building Valuation Data

International Code Council, Feb 2015 Data  
R-2 Occupancy



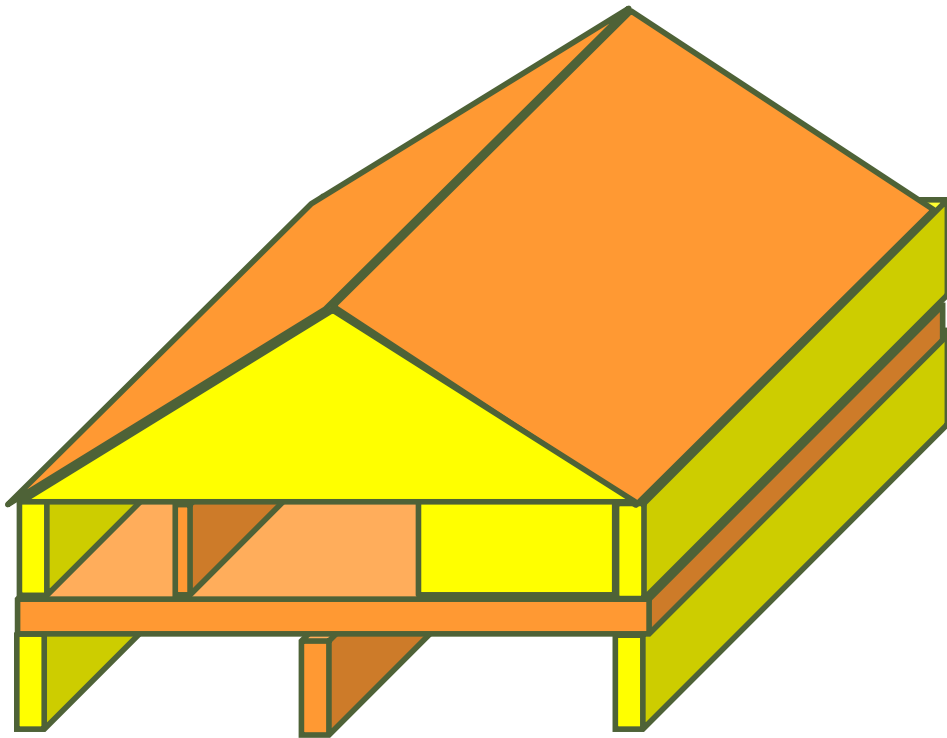
# Heights and Areas – IBC Table 503

GROUP		TYPE OF CONSTRUCTION								
		TYPE I		TYPE II		TYPE III		TYPE IV	TYPE V	
		A	B	A	B	A	B	HT	A	B
	HEIGHT (feet)	UL	160	65	55	65	55	65	50	40
		STOREY(S) AREA (A)								
M	S	UL	11	4	2	4	2	4	3	1
	A	UL	UL	21,500	12,500	18,500	12,500	20,500	14,000	9,000
R-1	S	UL	11	4	4	4	4	4	3	2
	A	UL	UL	24,000	16,000	24,000	16,000	20,500	12,000	7,000
R-2	S	UL	11	4	4	4	4	4	3	2
	A	UL	UL	24,000	16,000	24,000	16,000	20,500	12,000	7,000
R-3	S	UL	11	4	4	4	4	4	3	3
	A	UL	UL	UL	UL	UL	UL	UL	UL	UL
R-4	S	UL	11	4	4	4	4	4	3	2
	A	UL	UL	24,000	16,000	24,000	16,000	20,500	12,000	7,000
S-1	S	UL	11	4	2	3	2	4	3	1
	A	UL	48,000	26,000	17,500	26,000	17,500	26,500	14,000	9,000
S-2 <sup>a</sup>	S	UL	11	5	3	4	3	5	4	2
	A	UL	79,000	39,000	26,000	39,000	26,000	38,500	21,000	13,500
U <sup>b</sup>	S	UL	5	4	2	3	2	4	2	1
	A	UL	36,500	19,000	8,500	14,000	8,500	18,000	9,000	5,500

# Type III Construction

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Exterior walls are of noncombustible materials and interior building elements are of any material. Fire Retardant Treated (FRT) wood is permitted in exterior walls of 2hr fire rating or less.



- Non combustible
- Exterior walls

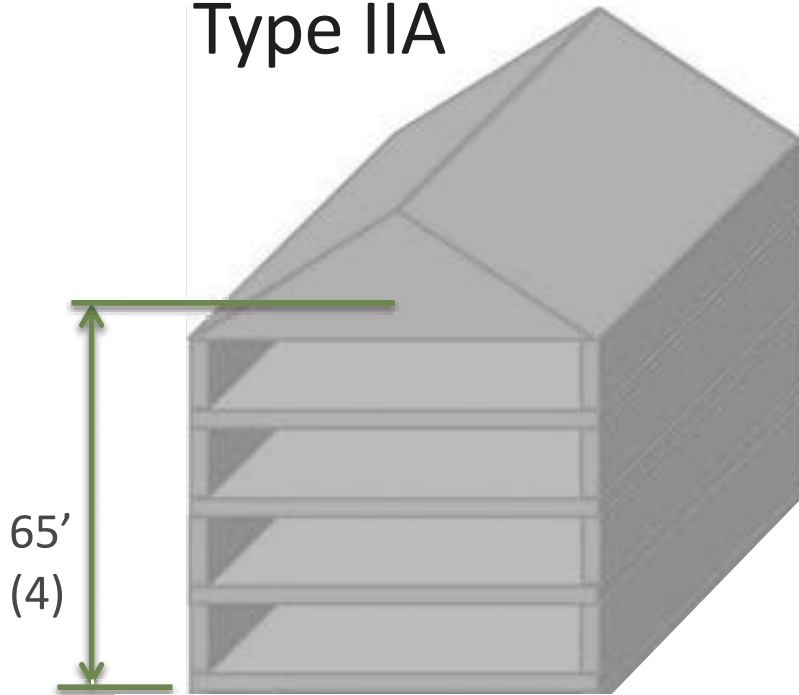
- Fire Retardant Treated allowed
- Exterior walls if fire rating is 2hr or less

- Heavy Timber
- HT used in place of 1hr rating or less
- Untreated Lumber
- All interior elements

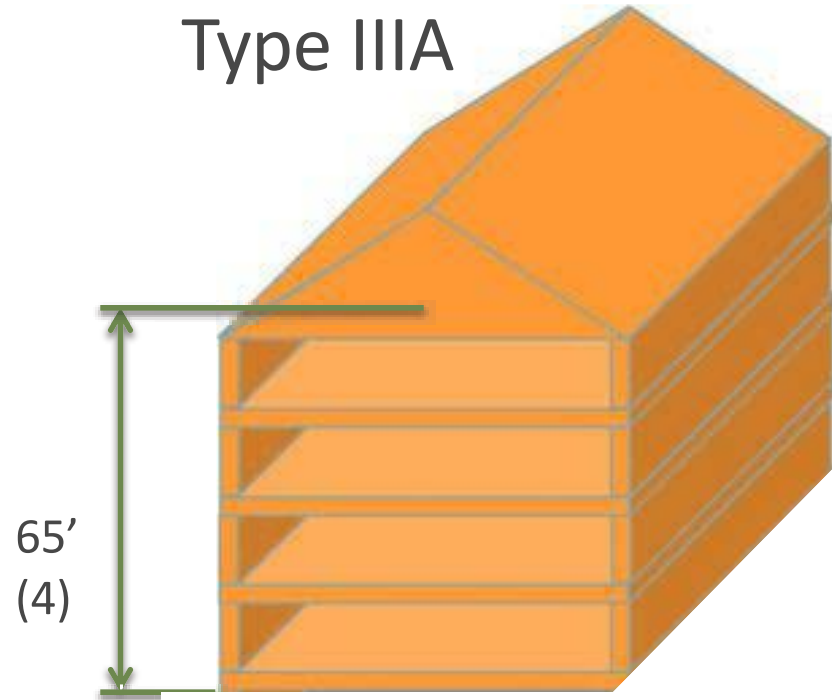
# Step 1 – Tabulated Height and Area

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Type IIA



Type IIIA



Occupancy	IIA	IIIA
R-1	24,000	24,000
R-2	24,000	24,000



# Height Modification – IBC 504

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**IBC 504.2** Where a building is equipped throughout with an approved sprinkler system...

- maximum height is increased by 20 feet
- maximum number of stories is increased by one
- does not apply if using NFPA 13R sprinkler

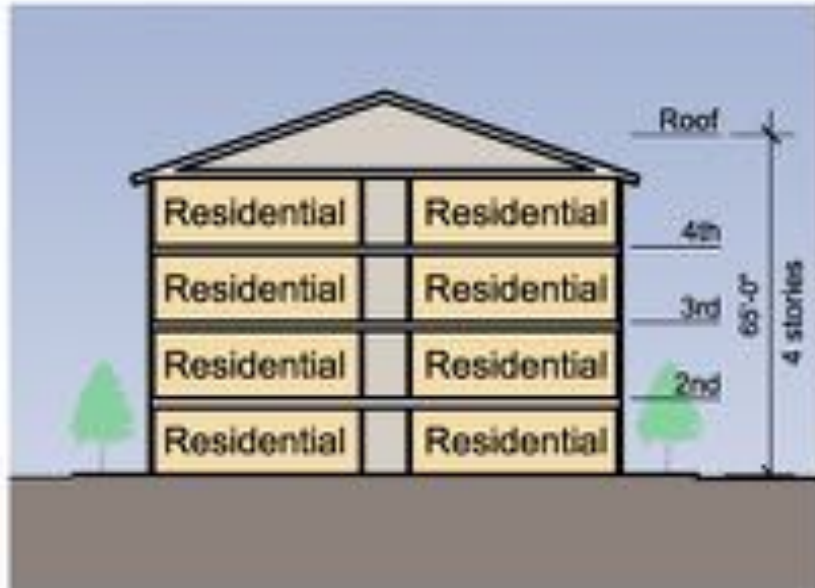
**Can be combined w/ frontage area increase - 506.2**

**Can be combined w/ sprinkler area increase - 506.3**

- EXCEPT for I-2 occupancy of Type IIB, III and V construction and H occupancies or where sprinklers are used as substitution for 1hr fire resistance.



# IBC Building Size Limits



IIIA Tabular Height Limits



NFPA 13

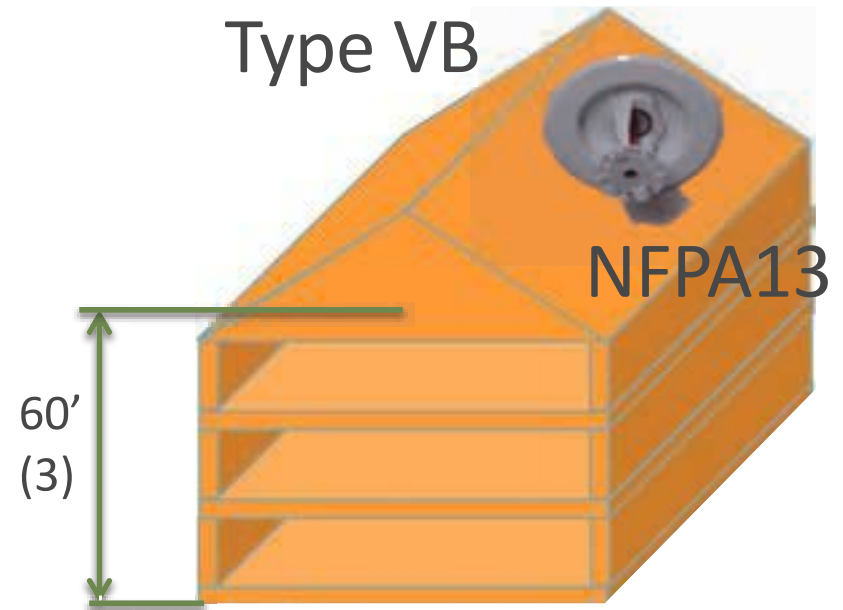
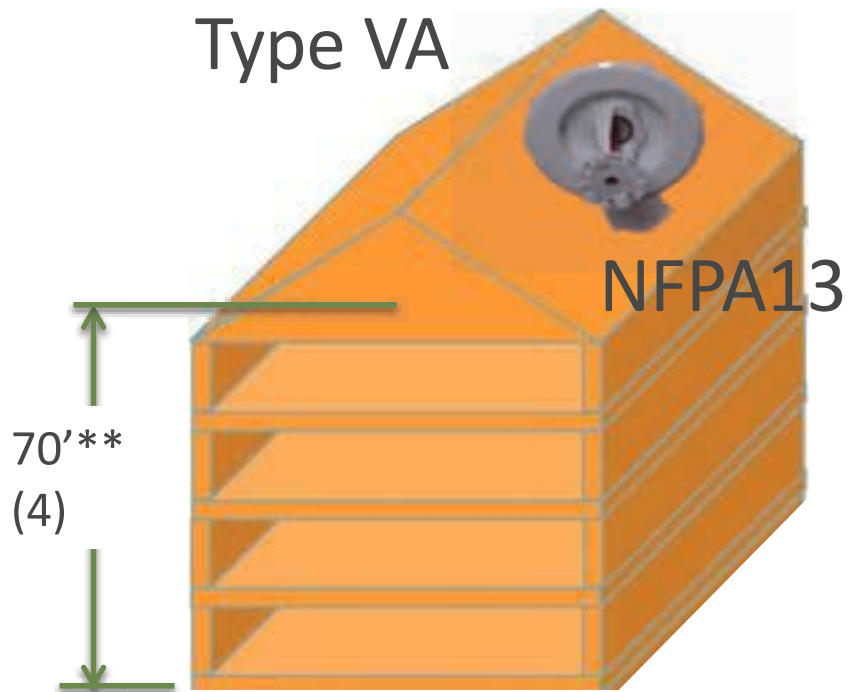


Increased Limits

With NFPA 13 Sprinklers:

IBC gives an allowable Heights and Area Increase

## Step 2 – Increased Height & Story Area



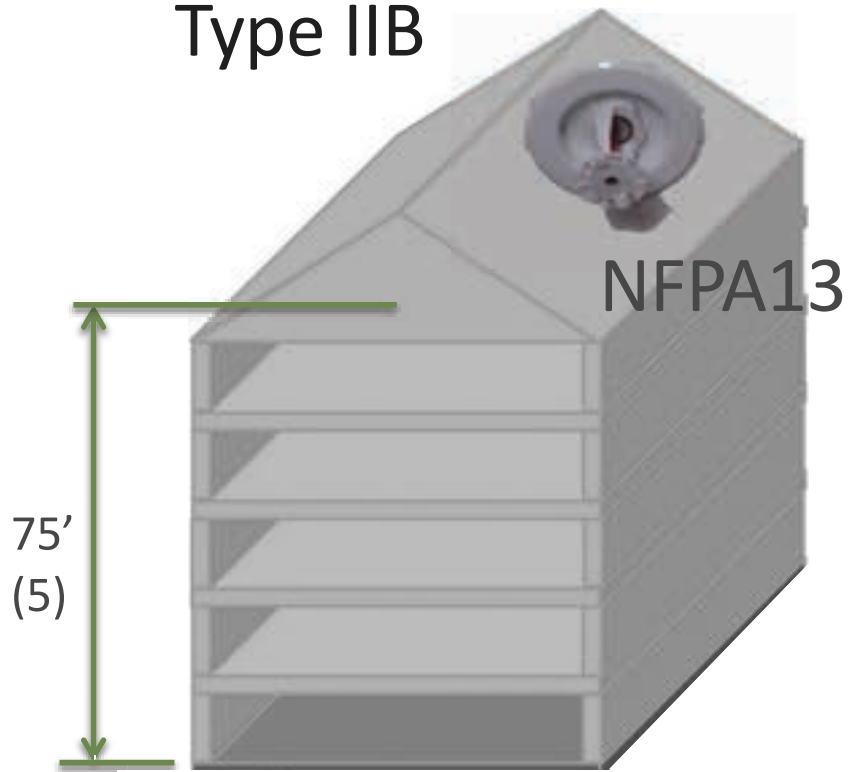
Occupancy	VA (ft <sup>2</sup> )*	VB (ft <sup>2</sup> )
R-1	36,000 +9,000(max frontage)	21,000 +5,250(max frontage)
R-2	36,000 +9,000(max frontage)	21,000 +5,250(max frontage)

\*Areas reflect PER STORY max. Total building max may limit area further.

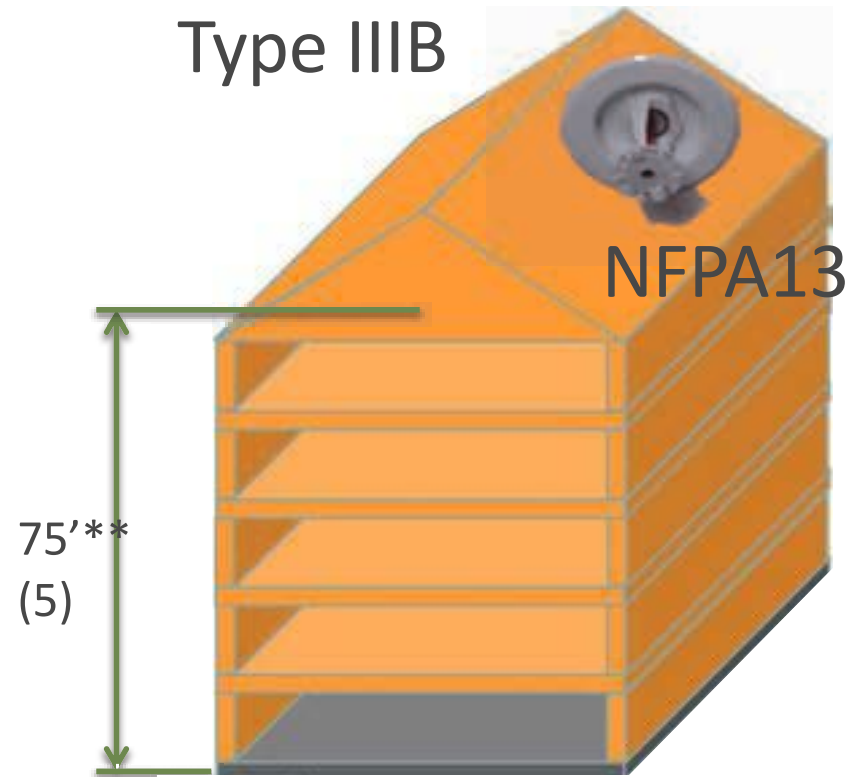
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# Step 2 – Increased Height & Story Area

Type IIB



Type IIIB

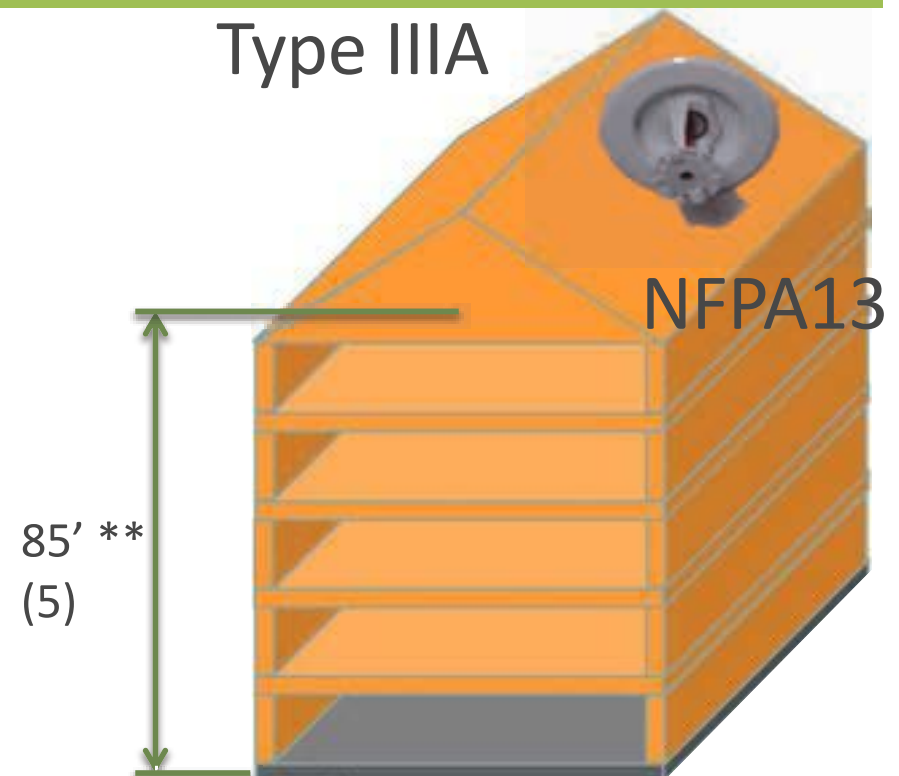
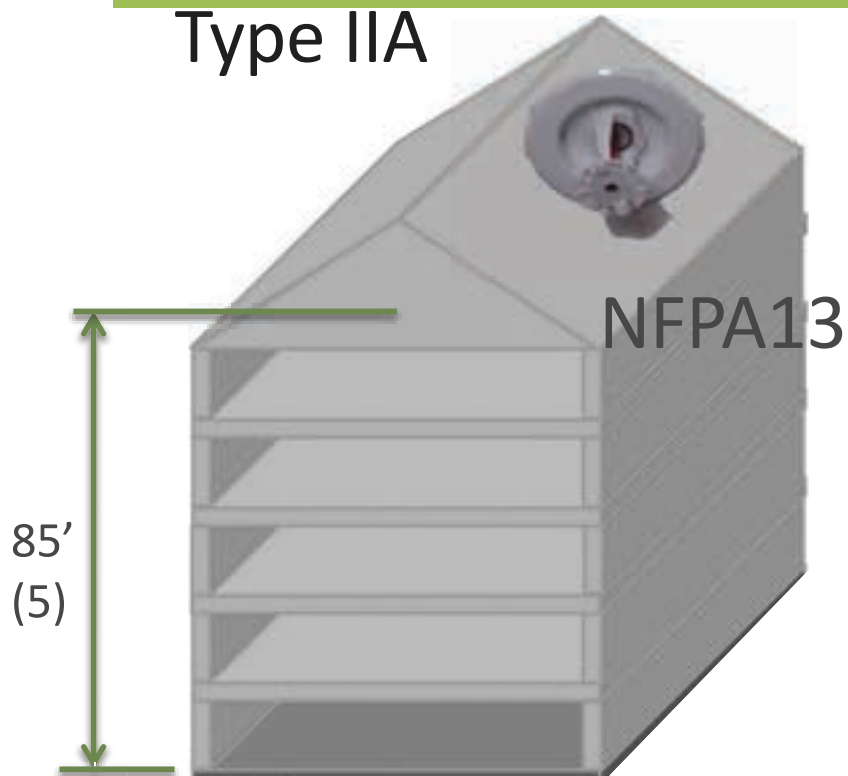


Occupancy	IIB (ft <sup>2</sup> )*	IIIB (ft <sup>2</sup> )*
R-1	48,000 +12,000(max frontage)	48,000 +12,000(max frontage)
R-2	48,000 +12,000(max frontage)	48,000 +12,000(max frontage)

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# Step 2 – Increased Height & Story Area



Occupancy	IIA (ft <sup>2</sup> )*	IIIA (ft <sup>2</sup> )*
R-1	72,000 +18,000 (max frontage)	72,000 +18,000 (max frontage)
R-2	72,000 +18,000 (max frontage)	72,000 +18,000 (max frontage)

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# Maximum Building Area – 506.4

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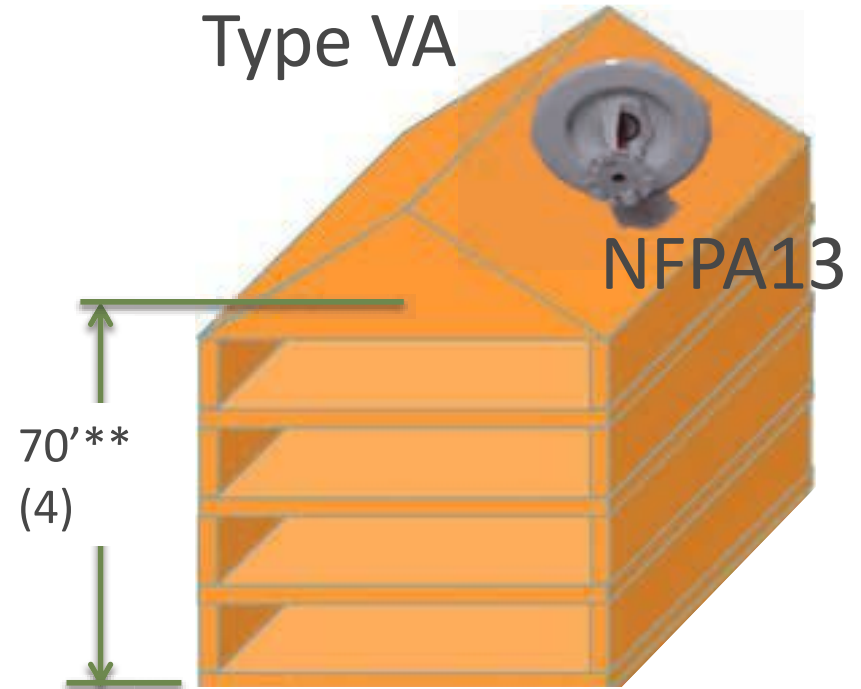
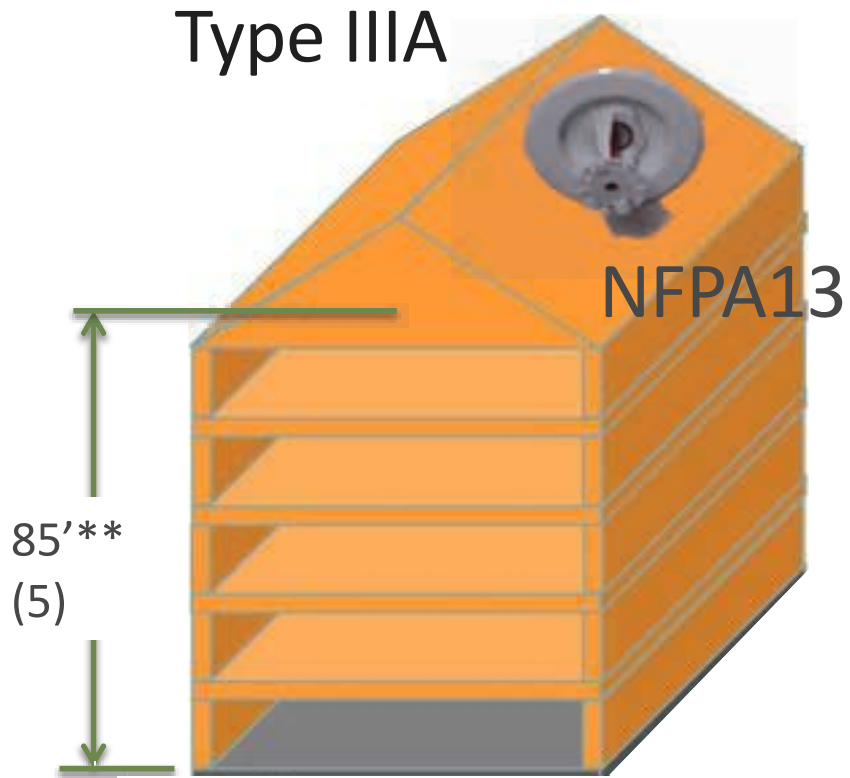
## Single Occupancy Area determination

- Two stories above grade:
  - Maximum Building Area =  $A_a \times 2$
- Three stories or more above grade:
  - Maximum Building Area =  $A_a \times 3$
- No Story shall exceed  $A_a$

## Exceptions

- Unlimited area buildings
- Buildings with NFPA 13R sprinkler system

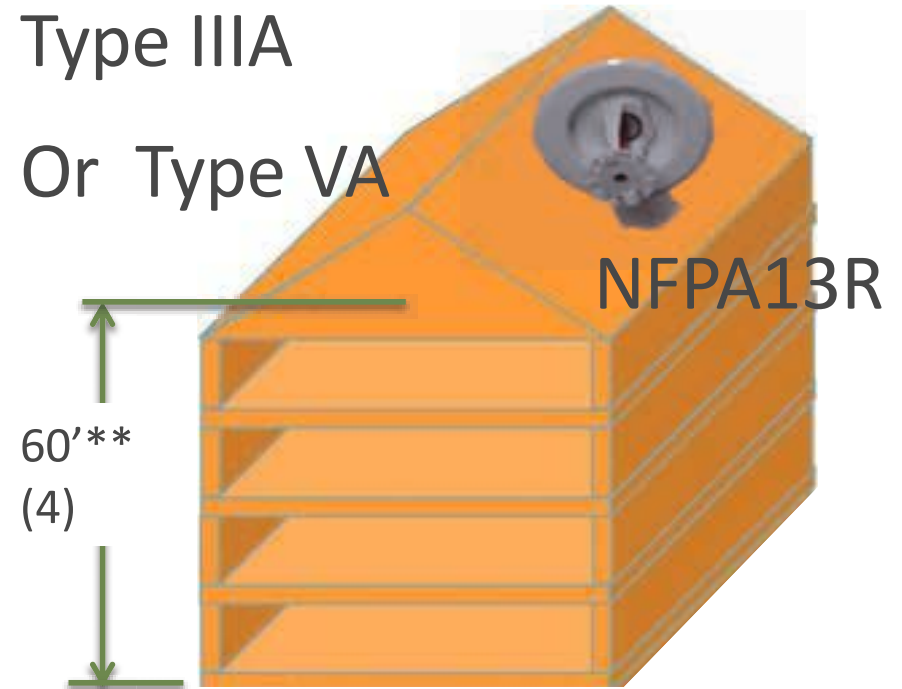
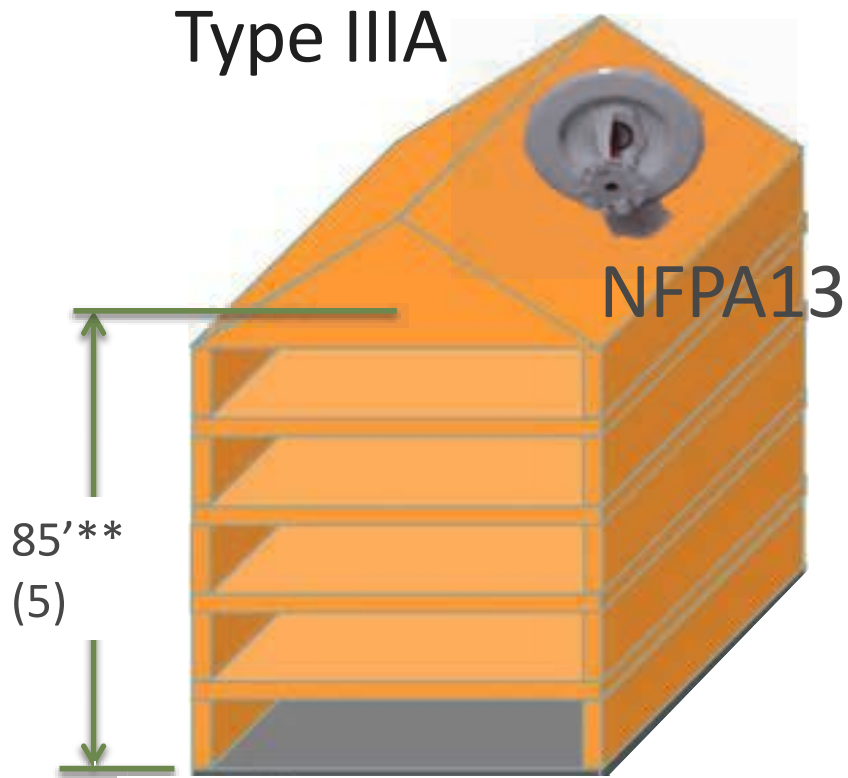
# Step 3 – Max Building vs. Story Areas



Occupancy	IIIA	VA
Story Area	72,000 +18,000 (max frontage)	36,000 +9,000(max frontage)
Building Area	216,000 +54,000 (max frontage)	108,000 +27,000 (max frontage)

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## Step 3 – Max Building vs. Story Areas



Occupancy	IIIA (NFPA 13)	IIIA (NFPA 13R)	VA (NFPA 13R)
Story Area	72,000 (3x tabulated)	24,000 (=tabulated)	12,000 (=tabulated)
Building Area	216,000 (3x story)	96,000 (4x story)	48,000 (4x story)

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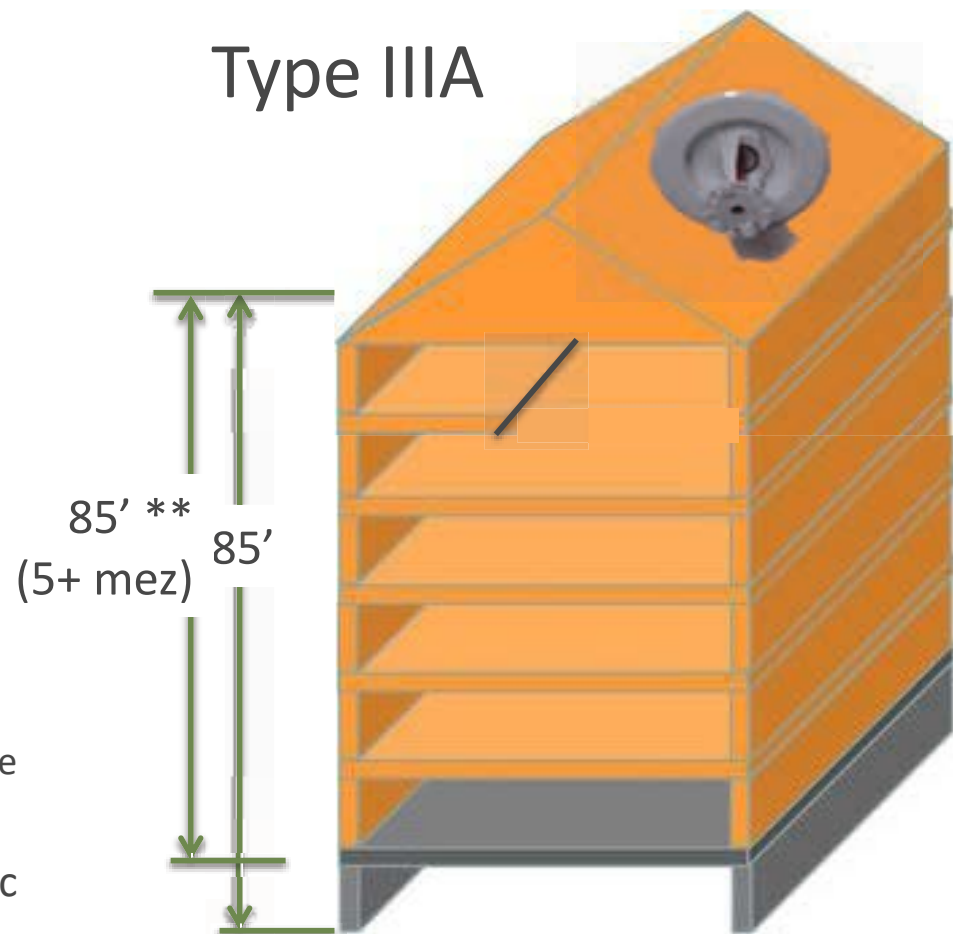
# Step 4-Horizontal Building Separation

Horizontal Assembly = a fire-resistance-rated floor or roof assembly of materials designed to restrict the spread of fire in which continuity is maintained



Drs Jullian and Raye Richardson Apts.  
San Francisco, CA  
David Baker Architect, Photo Credits: Bruce Damonte

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# Horizontal Building Separation – 510.2

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Considered separate buildings above and below for purposes of area calculations if:

- overall height is still limited to min of either building
- 3hr rated horizontal assembly
- Building below is one story above grade
- Building below is Type 1A with sprinklers
- Enclosures penetrating horizontal assembly are 2hr rated
- occupancy above is A, B, M, R or S
- occupancy below is A, B, M, R or S-2

The Flats at ISU, Normal, IL  
OKW Architects  
Precision Builders & Associates



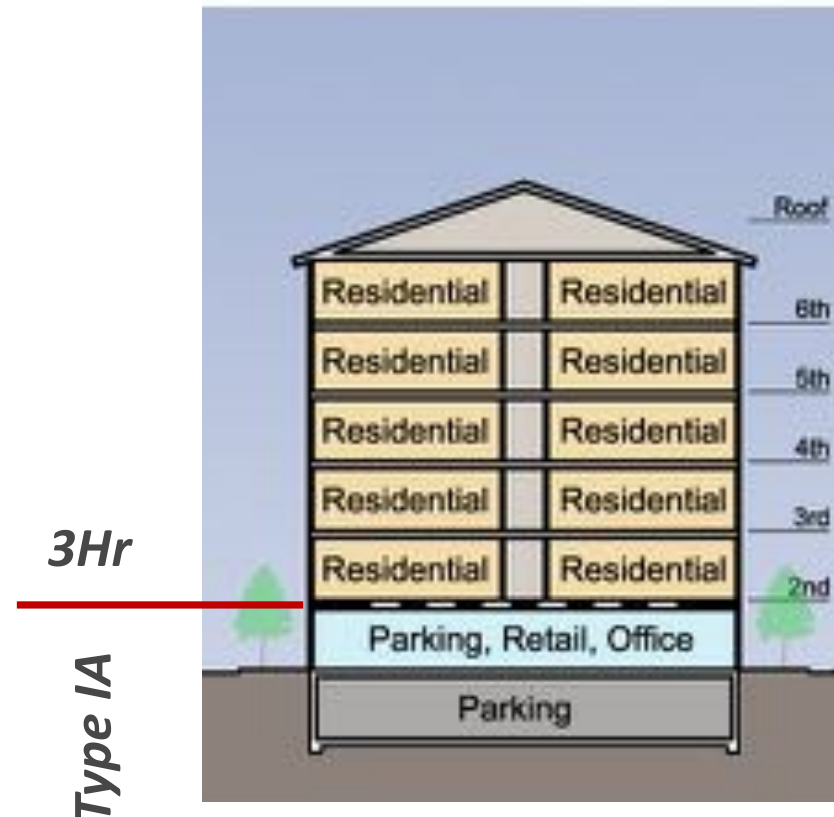




# IBC Podium Provisions



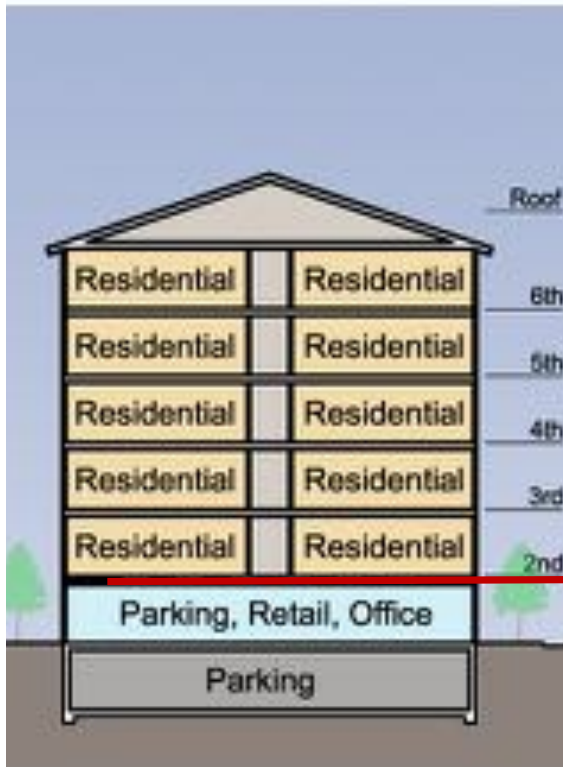
5 story Type III Building



5 story Type III Building  
On Top of a Type IA Podium

*Special Provisions for Podiums in IBC 2012 510.2*  
*Increases allowable stories... not allowable building height*

# > Evolution of IBC Mixed-Use Podium



IBC	2006	2009	2012	2015
Section	509.2	509.2	510.2	
Upper Occupancy	A, B, M, R or S			
Lower Occupancy	S-2 Parking	A, B, M, R or S-2 Parking	Any Except H	
Podium Height	1 Story			Multi-Story

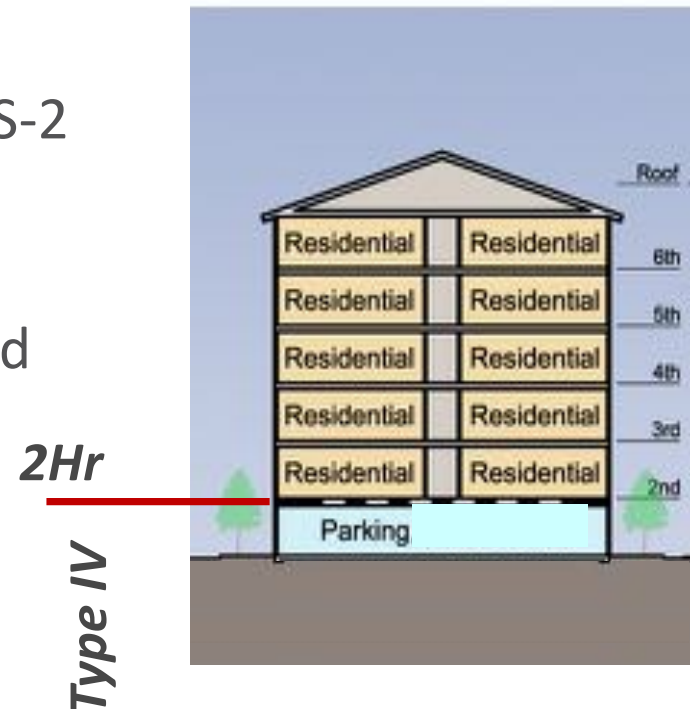
IBC Provisions for Mixed-Use podium have been evolving.

***2015 IBC will allow multiple podium stories above grade.***

# Parking Beneath Group R – IBC 510.4

Possibility of a Type IV podium where number of stories starts above parking when:

- Occupancy above is R and below is S-2
- Lower floor is open Type IV parking with grade entrance
- Horizontal assembly between 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> floor shall be
  - Type IV
  - Have 1 hr fire resistance rating when sprinklered
  - Have 2 hr fire resistance rating when not sprinklered
- Overall height is still limited to occupancy



**5 story Type III Building  
On Top of a Type IV**

# Case Study: Horizontal Separation

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## Galt Place Apartments

Location: Galt, CA

Mixed Use Residential over  
Retail and Parking

Architect: Applied Architecture





# Sloped Sites

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Fashion Valley, CA  
AvalonBay Communities



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AvalonBay Communities



Seattle, WA  
PB Architects



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# 2015 Code Conforming Wood

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Available for Free Download: [www.awc.org](http://www.awc.org)

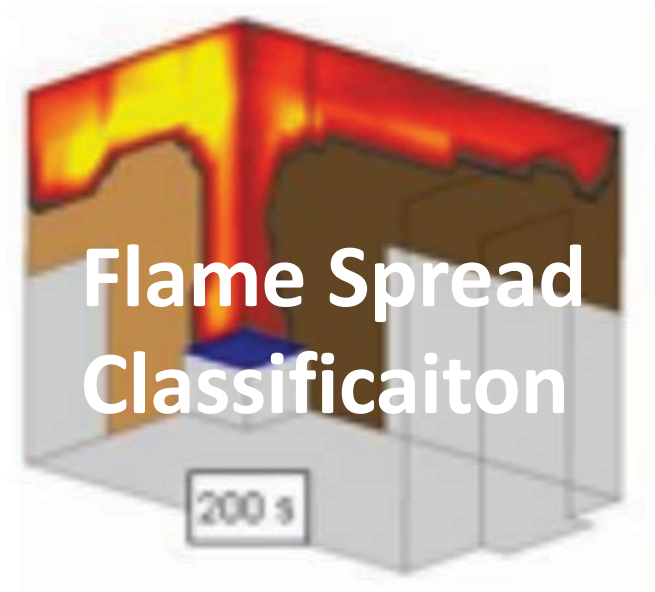
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# Fire Performance

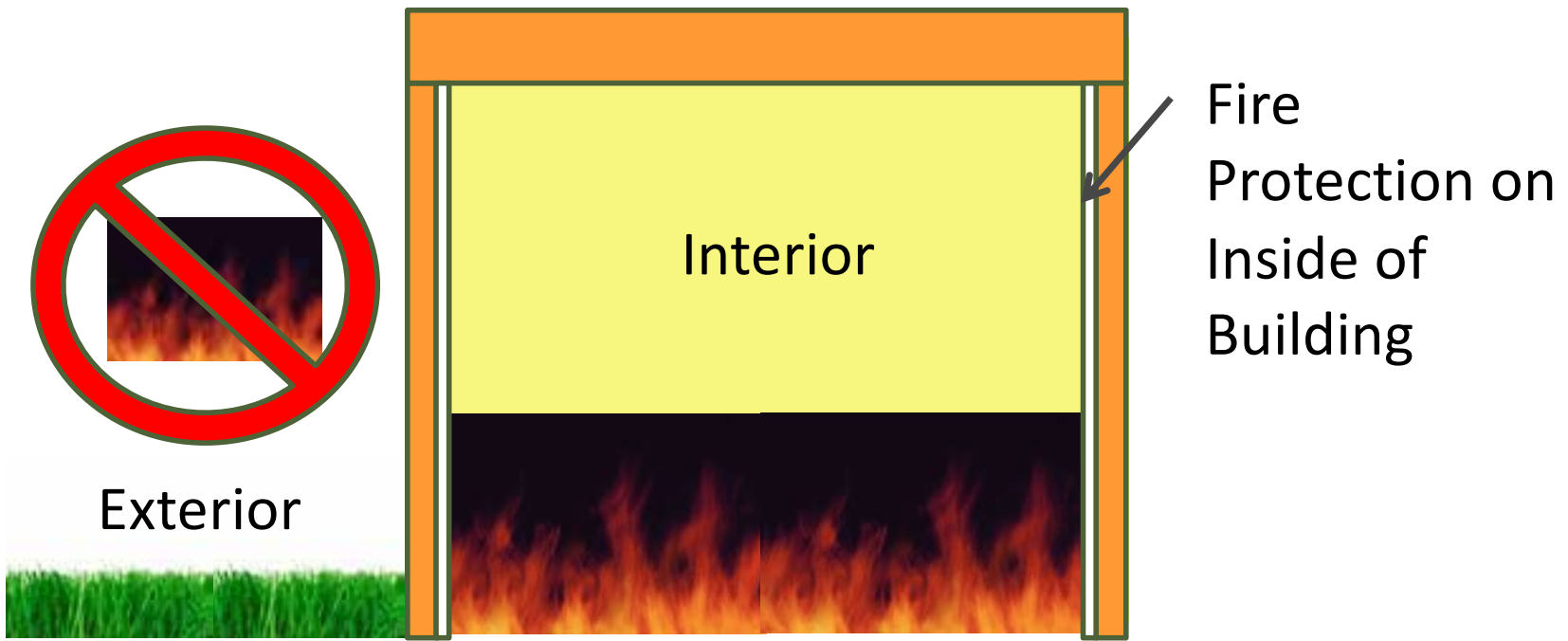
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# Exterior Walls - FSD

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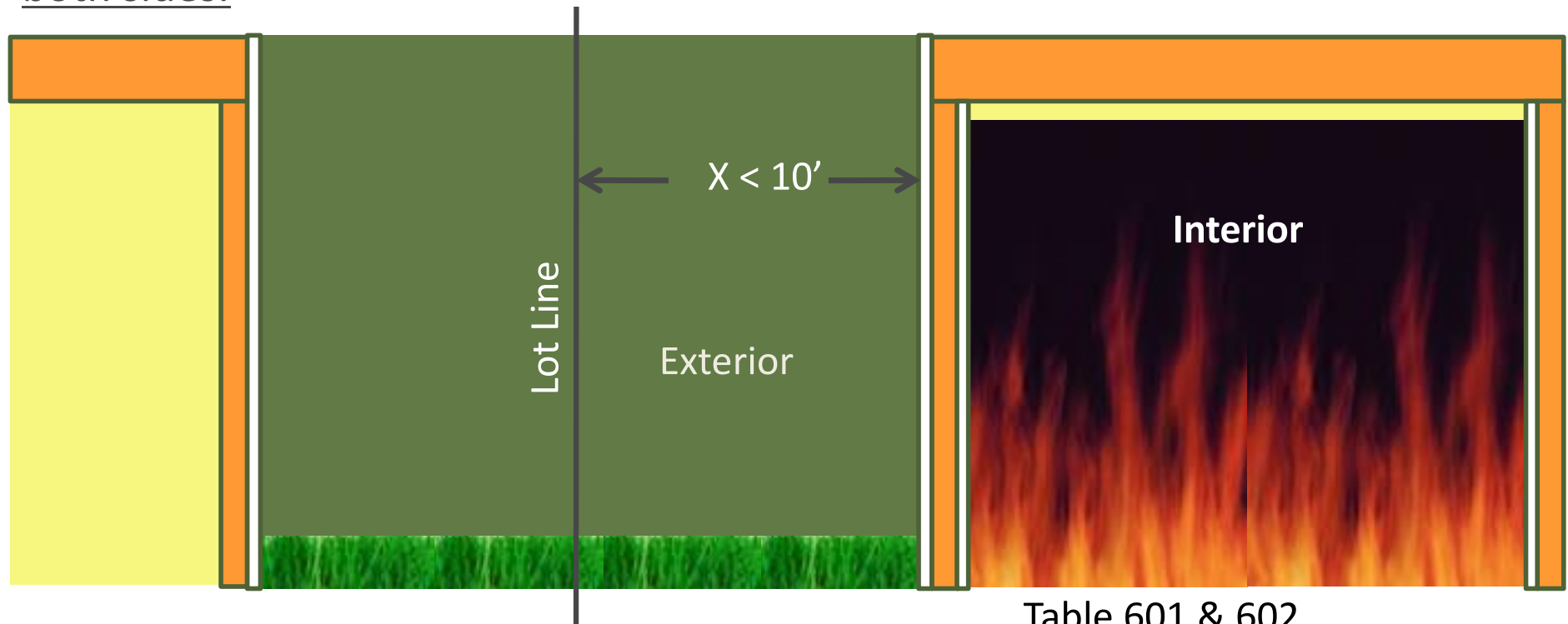
Basic assumption is that fires begin at the interior and rated wall assemblies are not required *from* the exterior unless close to another structure.





# Exterior Walls (IBC 705)

**705.5 Fire Resistance Ratings:** Exterior walls shall be fire-resistance rated in accordance with Tables 601 and 602 and this section. The required fire-resistance rating of exterior walls with a fire separation distance of greater than 10 feet (3048 mm) shall be rated for exposure to fire from the inside. The required fire-resistance rating of exterior walls with a fire separation distance of less than or equal to 10 feet (3048 mm) shall be rated for exposure to fire from both sides.

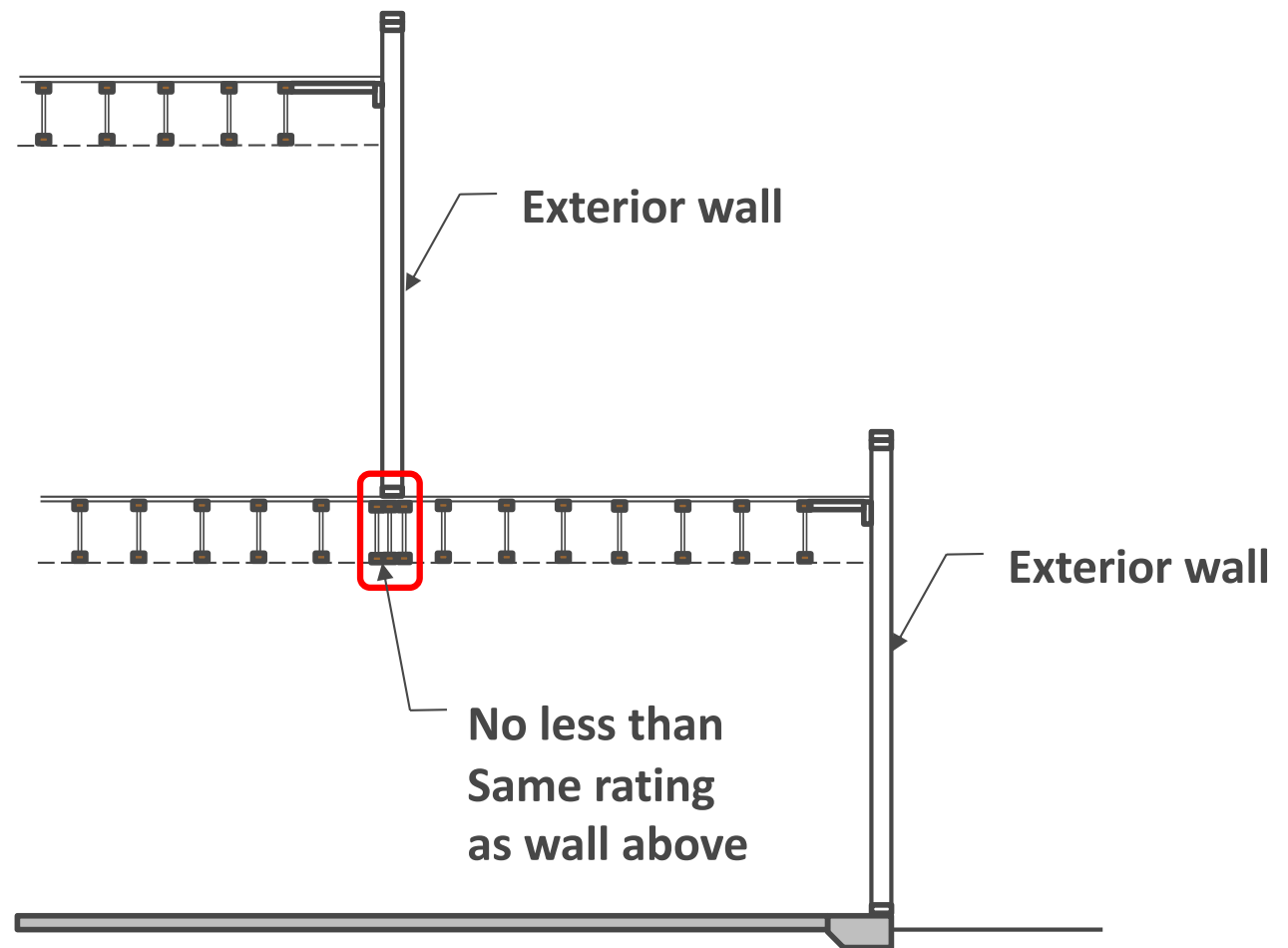


# Exterior Walls – Vertical Offsets

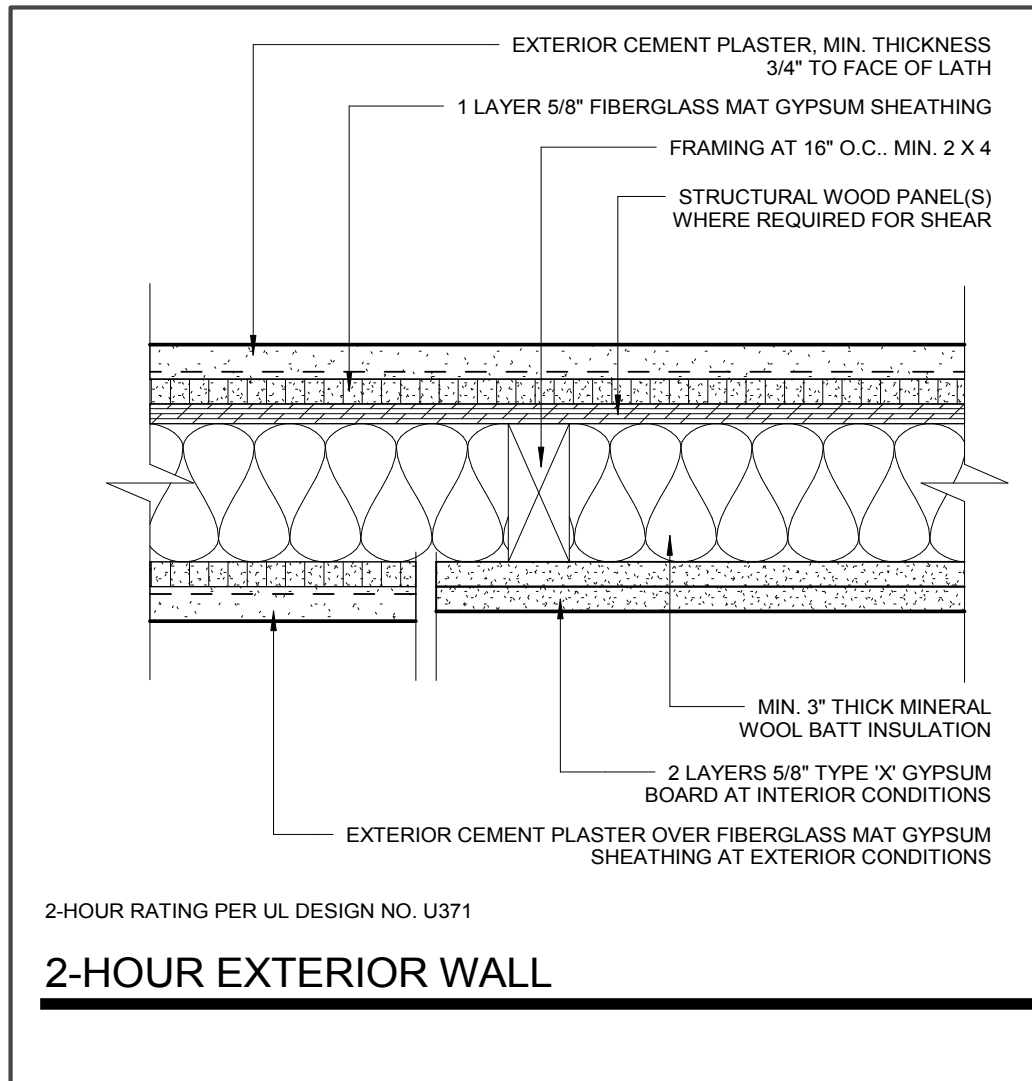
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There is no requirement for an exterior wall to extend to the foundation in a stepped building.

Posts, beams or walls, that support a rated exterior wall must be fire – resistance rated not less than the rating of the supported wall (IBC 704.1 )



# Exterior Walls - Asymmetry



Common issues with  
tested assemblies:

- Assembly Asymmetry-  
separate assemblies for  
each side

# Fire Wall, Barrier, Partition

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## Fire wall (IBC 706)

- Divides structure into separate buildings
- Continuous from foundation (or top of three hour podium) to or through roof
- Structural stability required to allow collapse on either side from fire without causing collapse of fire wall
- Special requirements at roof and intersection with exterior walls , at horizontal projecting elements and between stepped buildings
- Required to be of non-combustible construction except in type V construction
- 2 to 4 hour rated (Table 706.4)

## Fire Barrier (IBC 707)

- Designed to restrict the spread of fire with continuity through the building
- Divides structure into fire areas, and fire barriers are required for various purposes such as shaft enclosures, exit enclosures, atrium separation, occupancy separations, and control or incidental use areas.
- Supported by construction of equal fire resistance-rating (except for incidental use areas in type IIB, IIIB and VB construction)
- 1 to 4 hour rated (table 707.3.10)

## Fire Partition (IBC 708)

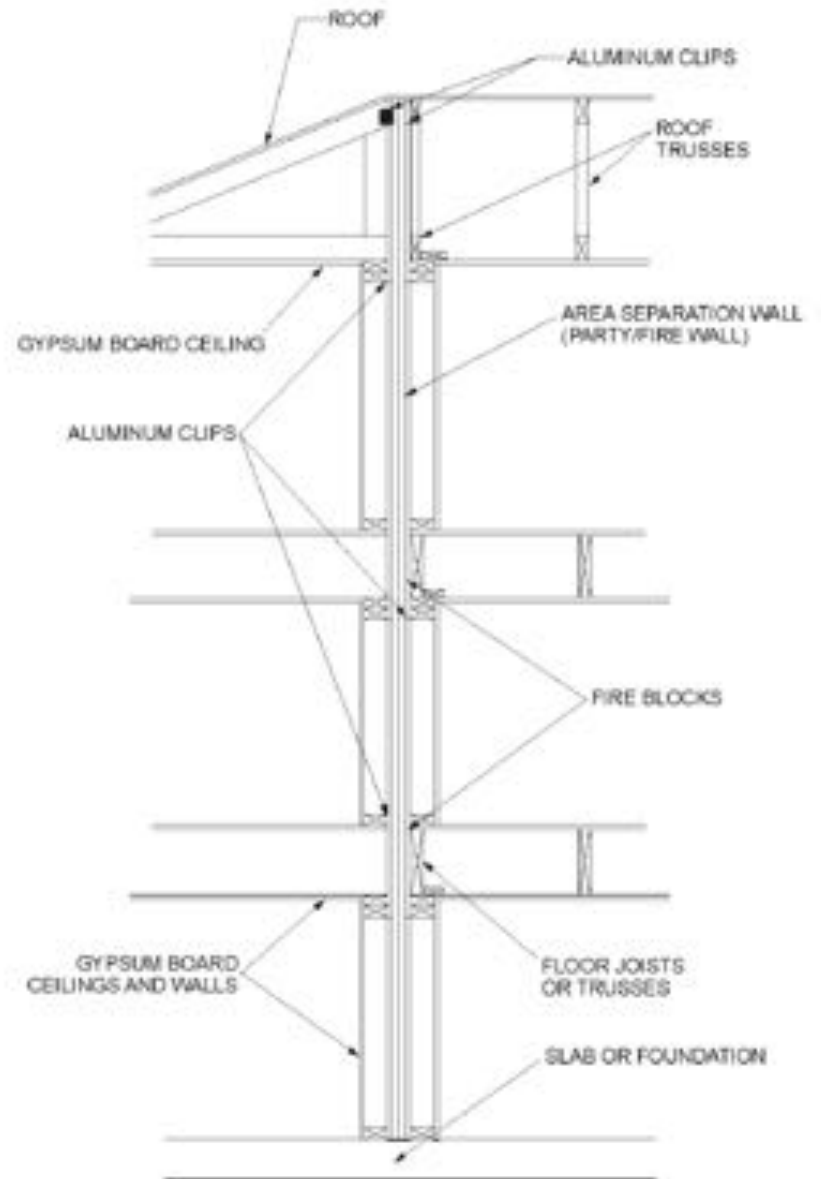
- Separates dwelling units, sleeping areas, corridors, and tenant spaces.
- May terminate at the lower side of a fire –resistance rated floor/ceiling/roof assembly
- In most instances fire partitions are not required to be supported by fire resistance-rated construction in type IIB, IIIB and VB construction (section 708.4)
- Rated 1 hour or less (IBC section 708.3)

# Fire Walls – Structural Stability

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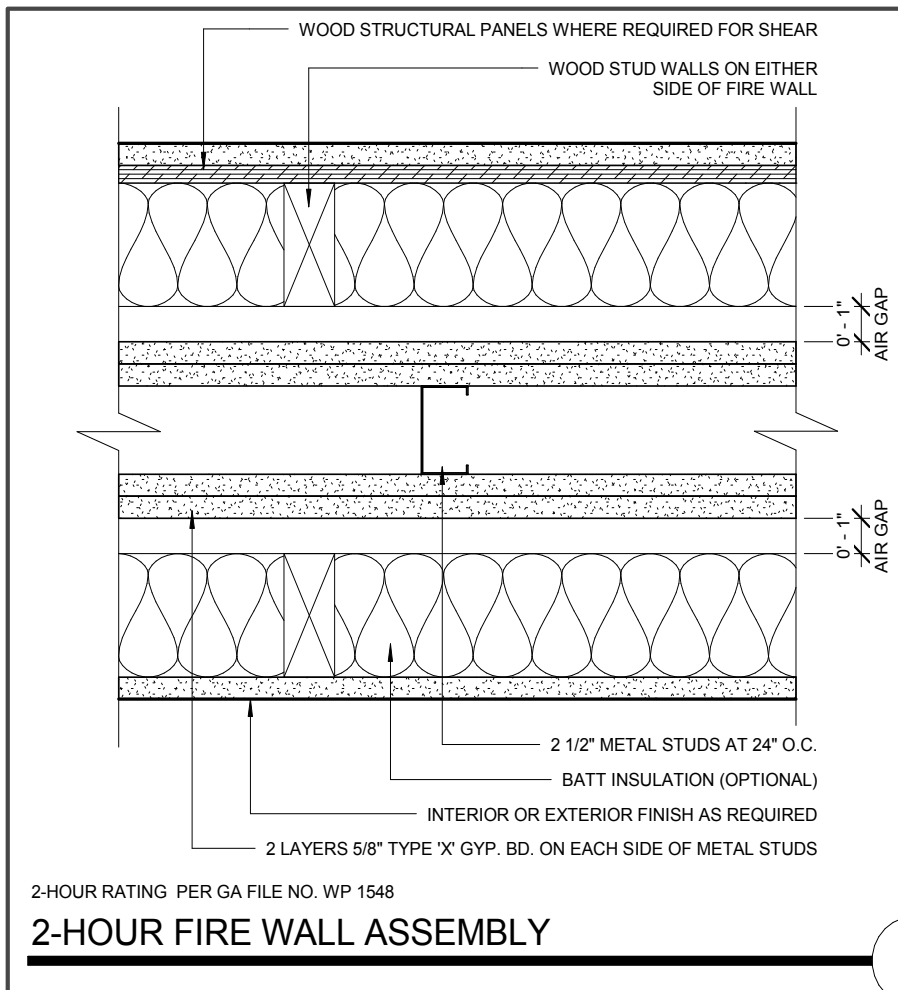
## 706.2 Structural Stability:

Fire walls shall have sufficient structural stability under fire conditions to allow collapse of construction on either side without collapse of the wall for the duration of time indicated by the required fire-resistance rating or shall be constructed as double fire walls in accordance with NFPA 221.





# 2 HR Fire Wall– Type V



Fire Rated System Design - GA WP-3820

10 1/2"

CAD REVIT

**GA WP-3820**

Area Separation Wall - Wood Stud (Loadbearing)

Fire Rating	STC / Sound Test	System Thickness
<b>2 hour</b>	<b>58 dB</b>	<b>3-1/2"</b>
	Sound Test: GA-NGC-3056	

CAD & Revit Details: [www.woodworks.org](http://www.woodworks.org)

<http://www.usgdesignstudio.com/wall-selector.asp?framingType=18708&bldgSystem=18620>

# Fire Barriers – IBC 707

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Supported by assembly of equal or greater fire resistance (with exceptions when required for separating incidental use areas in type IIB, IIIB and VB construction)

Commonly used in:

- Shaft enclosures
- Interior exit stairway
- Exit stairway enclosures
- Exit passageways
- Incidental uses (IBC 509)
- Occupancy separations
- Atriums
- Creating separate fire areas



# Shaft Walls

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## **705.5: Continuity:**

- Extend and attach to foundation to floor/roof
- Through concealed spaces
- Joints and voids shall comply with sections 707.8 and 707.9

## **713.4 Fire-Resistance Rating:**

- Not less than 2 hours (4 stories or more)
- 1 hour (less than 4 stories)



# Wood Framed Shaft Walls

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Using wood framed shaft walls can:

- Eliminate lateral load considerations associated with attaching wood diaphragms to concrete or masonry shaft walls (SDPWS 4.1.5)
- Eliminate differential shrinkage at floor to wall transition
- Eliminate different construction trades in building during construction
- Reduce costs
- Improve schedule



# Shaft Wall Details

2 layers 5/8" thk.  
Type "X" GWB  
each side for 2 hr.  
rating

Concrete topping

Floor joists

Rim joist

WSP sht'g  
as required

2x6 studs

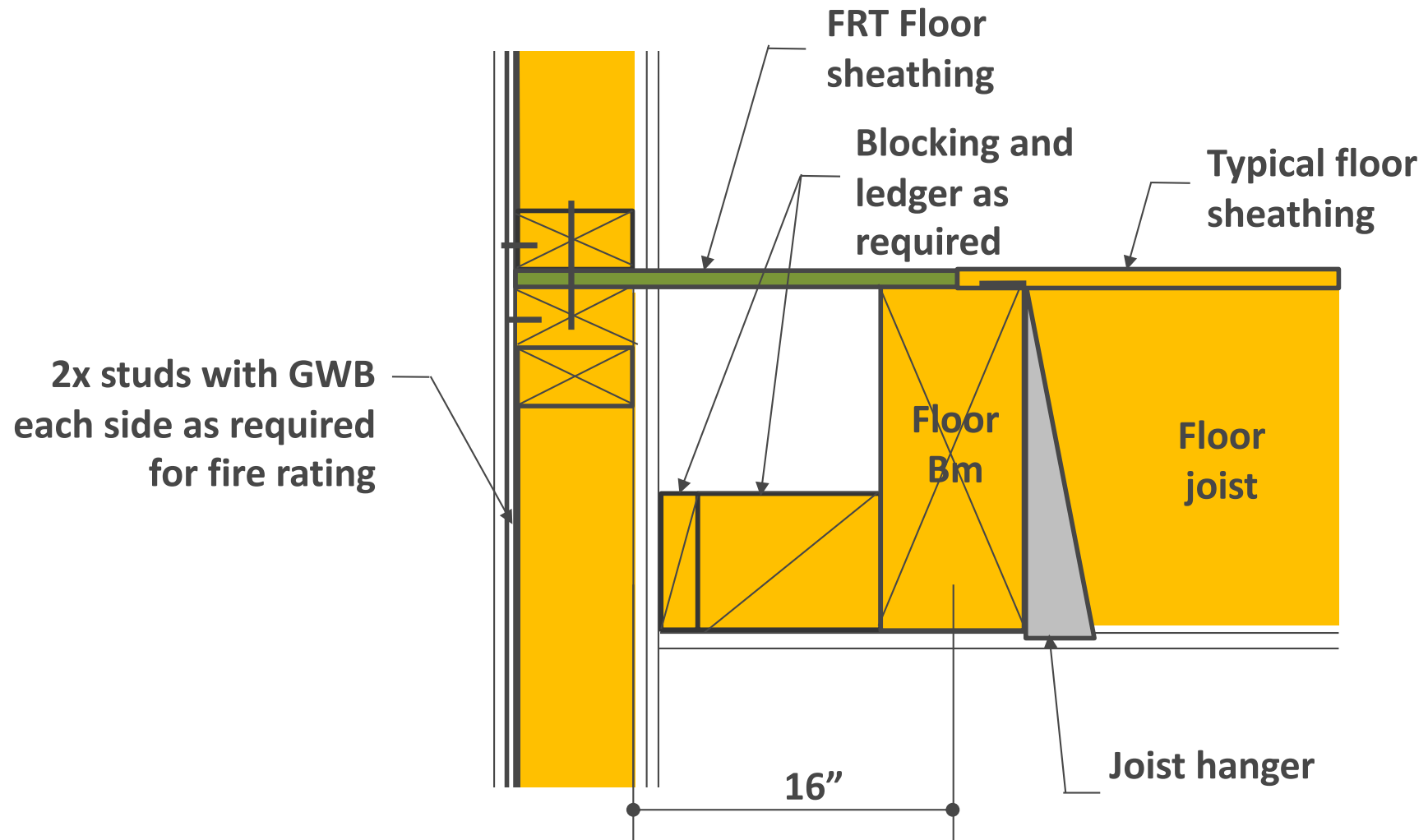
Dbl. row of solid  
blocking to  
continue fire  
rating





# Shaft Wall Details

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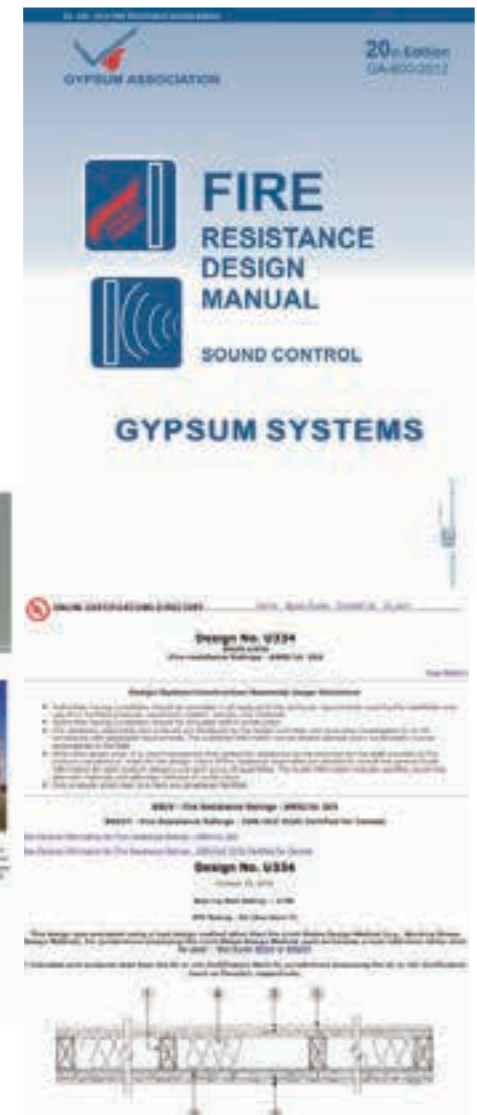
# Choosing Fire Rated Assemblies

Tested assemblies (ASTM E119) per IBC 703.2:

- UL Listings
- Gypsum Catalog
- Proprietary Manufacturer Tests
- Industry Documents: such as AWC's DCA3

Alternate Methods per IBC 703.3

- Prescriptive designs per IBC 721.1
- Calculated Fire Resistance per IBC 722
- Fire-resistance designs documented in sources
- Engineering analysis based on a comparison
- Fire-resistance designs certified by an approved agency



# Balconies – IBC 1406.3

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So....

For Type III or V balcony options are:

1. Non-combustible – no sprinklers/no fire rating
2. FRT – no fire sprinklers/no fire rating
3. Type IV– no fire sprinklers/no fire rating
4. Non treated – fire sprinkler/no fire rating
5. Non treated – fire rated per 601 & 602/ no sprinkler



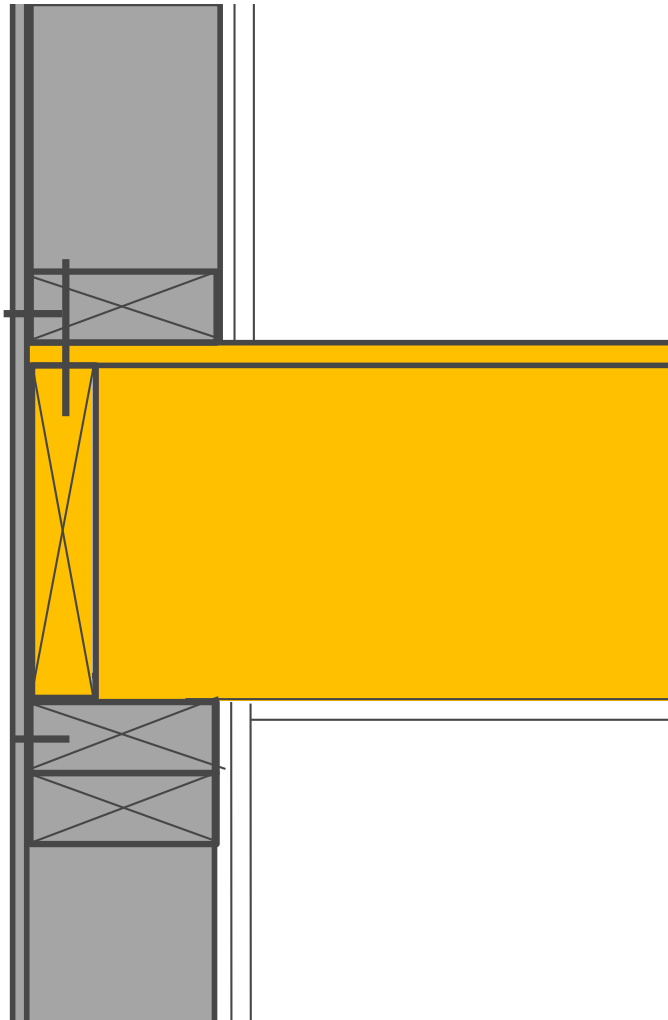
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# Platform Framing

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## Structural

- Direct bearing/ no add'l hardware
- May require load transfer blocking for concentrated loads from above
- Wall sole plate and floor sheathing crushing may need to be considered

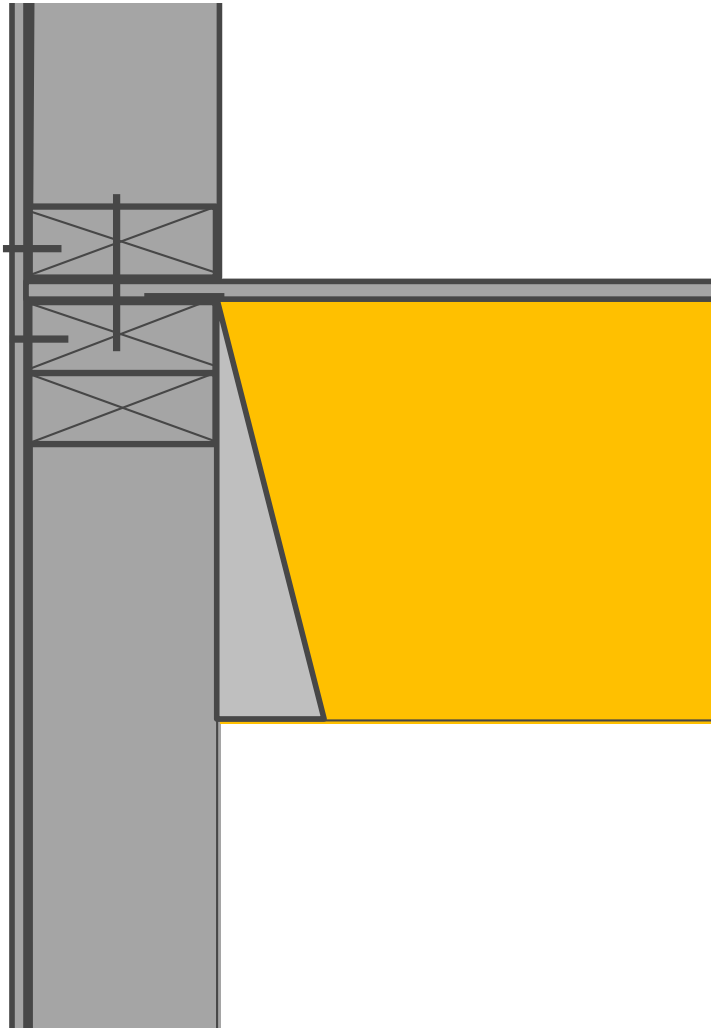
## Constructability

- Framing can be completed before drywall and insulation are installed
- Common length studs



# Semi-balloon Framing

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## Structural

- Additional hardware/no direct bearing
- No load transfer blocking req'd

## Rated Assemblies

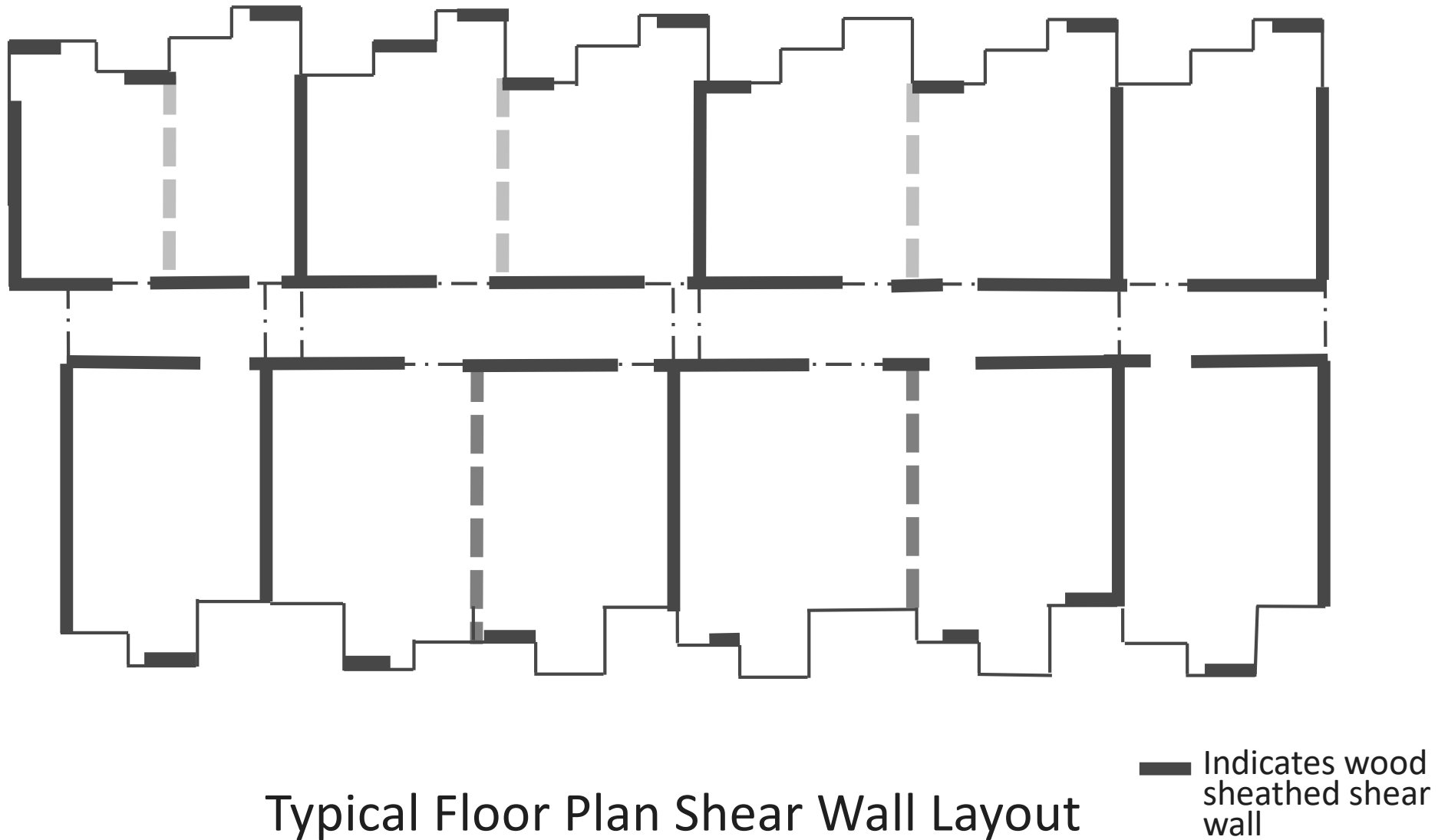
- May accommodate continuity in exterior walls in Type III construction

## Constructability

- Framing can be completed before drywall and insulation are installed
- Custom length studs
- Can help minimize building shrinkage

# Shear Wall Framing Considerations

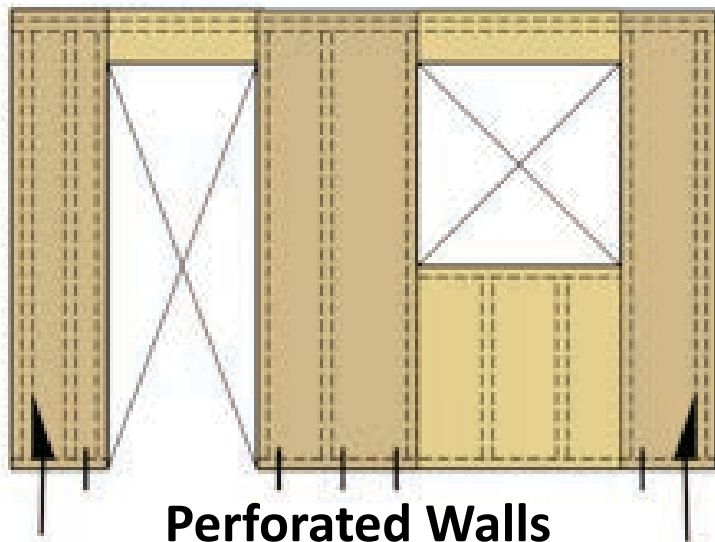
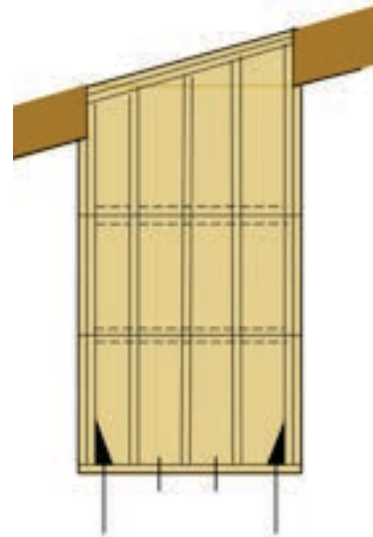
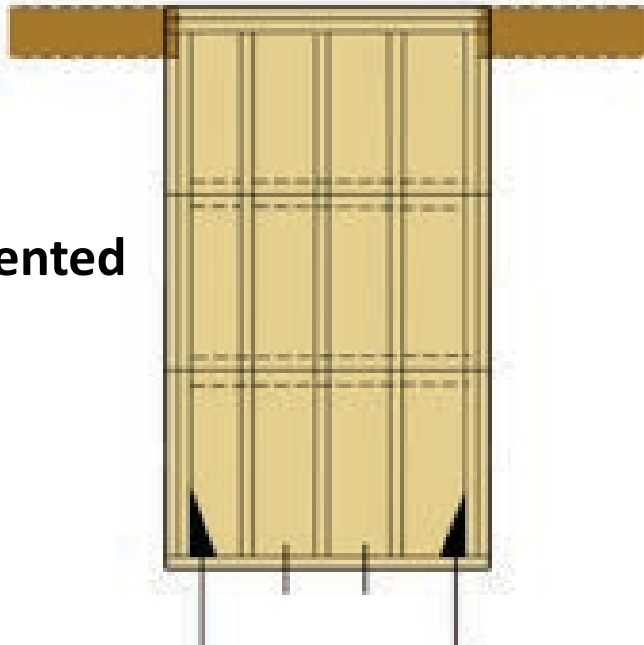
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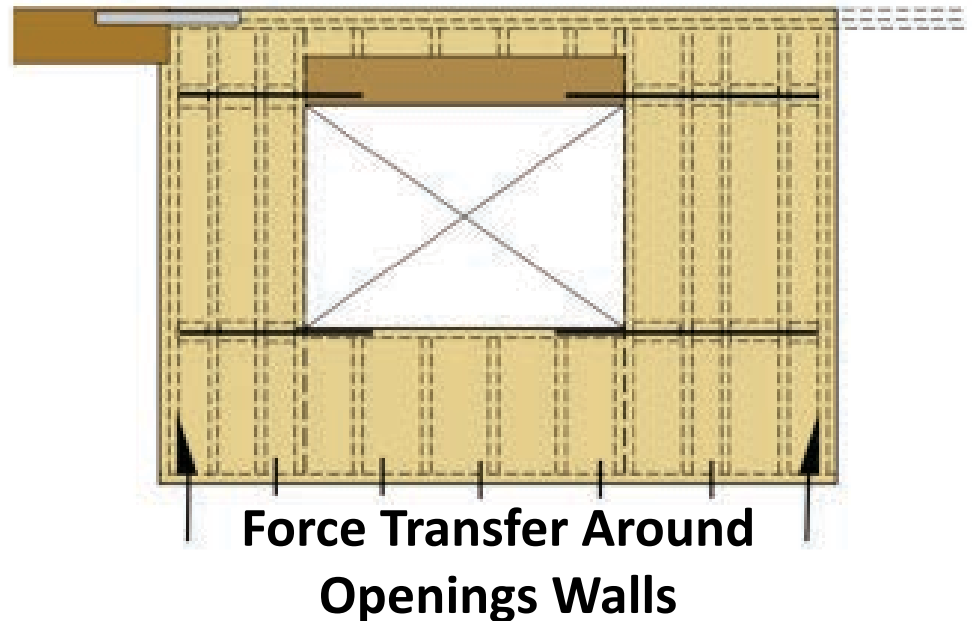
# Shear Wall Configuration Options

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**Solid or Segmented Walls**



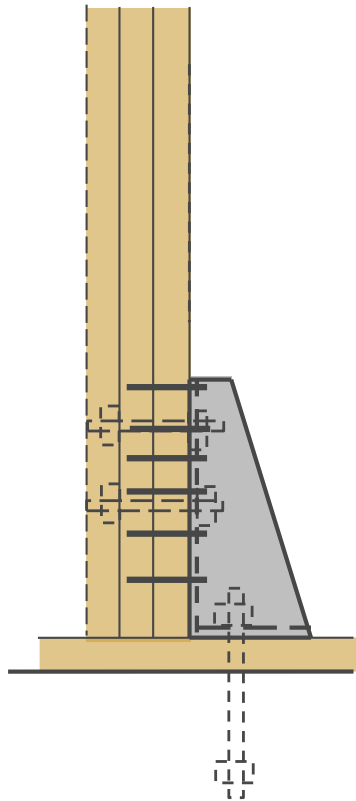
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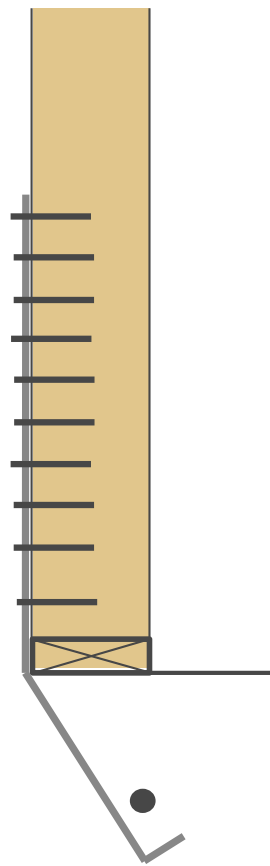
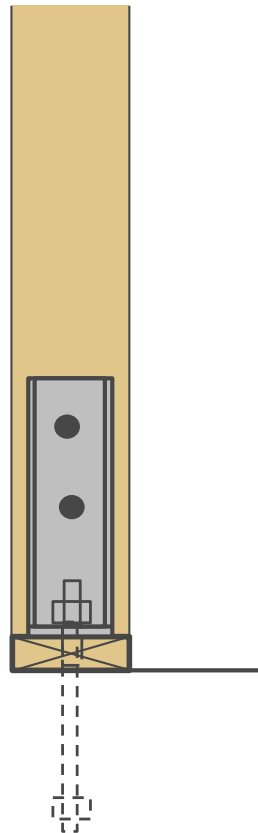
**Force Transfer Around  
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# Shear Wall Hold Down Options

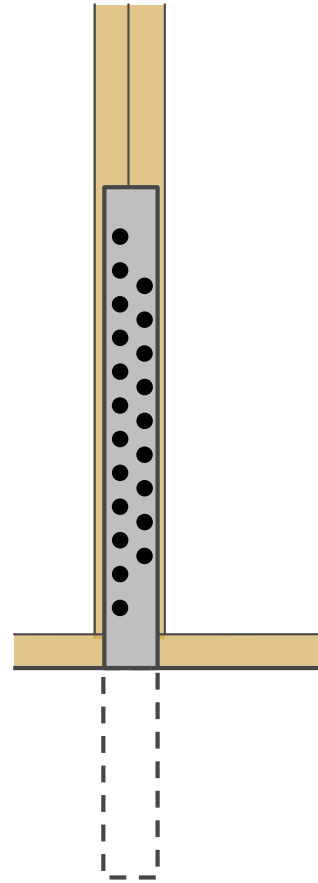
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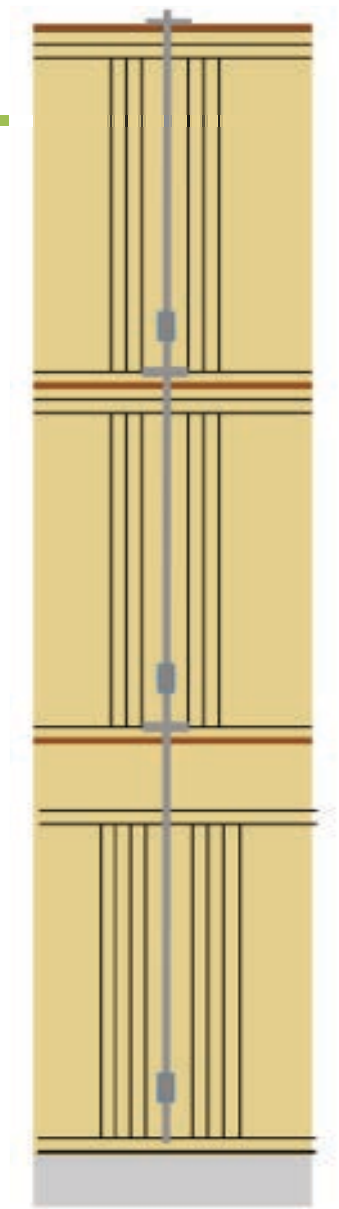
**Standard Hold Down Installation**



**Strap Hold Down Installation**



**Continuous Rod - Automatic Tensioning Systems**



# Shear Wall to Podium Slab Interface

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- Amplification of seismic forces is required for elements supporting discontinuous walls per ASCE 7-10 12.3.3.3
- Overstrength factor of 3 (may be reduced to 2.5 per footnote g of Table 12.2-1) is required
- Attachment to concrete slab must also conform to ACI 318 Appendix D
- Typically will be transitioning from ASD for wood design to LRFD for concrete design
- Hold down attachments to concrete options: embedded nuts or plates, sleeves through slab, welded studs & reinforcing





# PT Sole Plate vs FRT Continuity

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In type III construction with FRT studs, what happens where the sole plate is in contact with concrete?

- FRTW is required
- PT wood is required

FRT contains about 10x borate compound found in PT (borate is water soluble)

Can specify a product tested to do both



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# IBC 2012 on Shrinkage

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2304.3.3 Shrinkage. Wood walls and bearing partitions shall not support more than two floors and a roof unless an analysis satisfactory to the building official shows that shrinkage of the wood framing will not have adverse effects on the structure or any plumbing, electrical or mechanical systems, or other equipment installed therein due to excessive shrinkage or differential movements caused by shrinkage. The analysis shall also show that the roof drainage system and the foregoing systems or equipment will not be adversely affected or, as an alternative, such systems shall be designed to accommodate the differential shrinkage or movements.



# Basic Wood Shrinkage Theory

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Moisture changes cause dimensional changes perpendicular to grain

Growing tree  
is filled with  
water



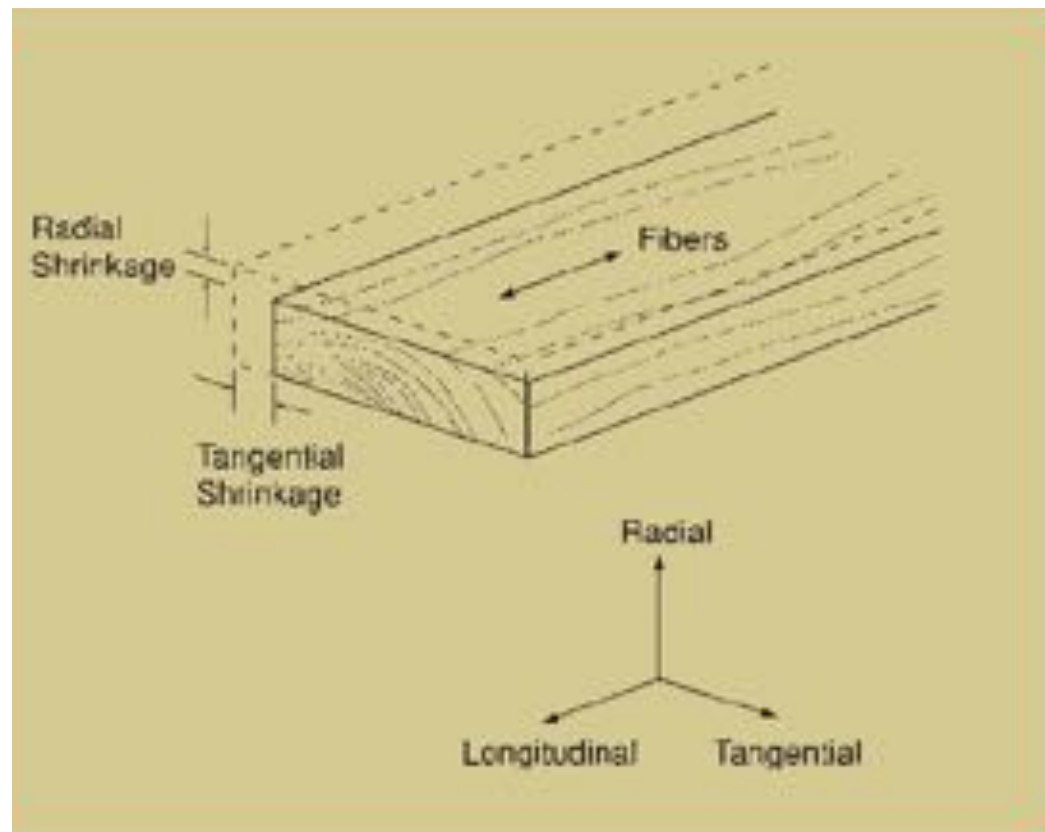
As wood dries, it  
shrinks  
perp. to grain

Image: Wood Handbook, Wood as an Engineering Material, USDA Forest Service, Forest Products Laboratory, 2010

# Basic Wood Shrinkage Theory

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Shrinkage in lumber expected ACROSS the grain.  
Longitudinal shrinkage is negligible.

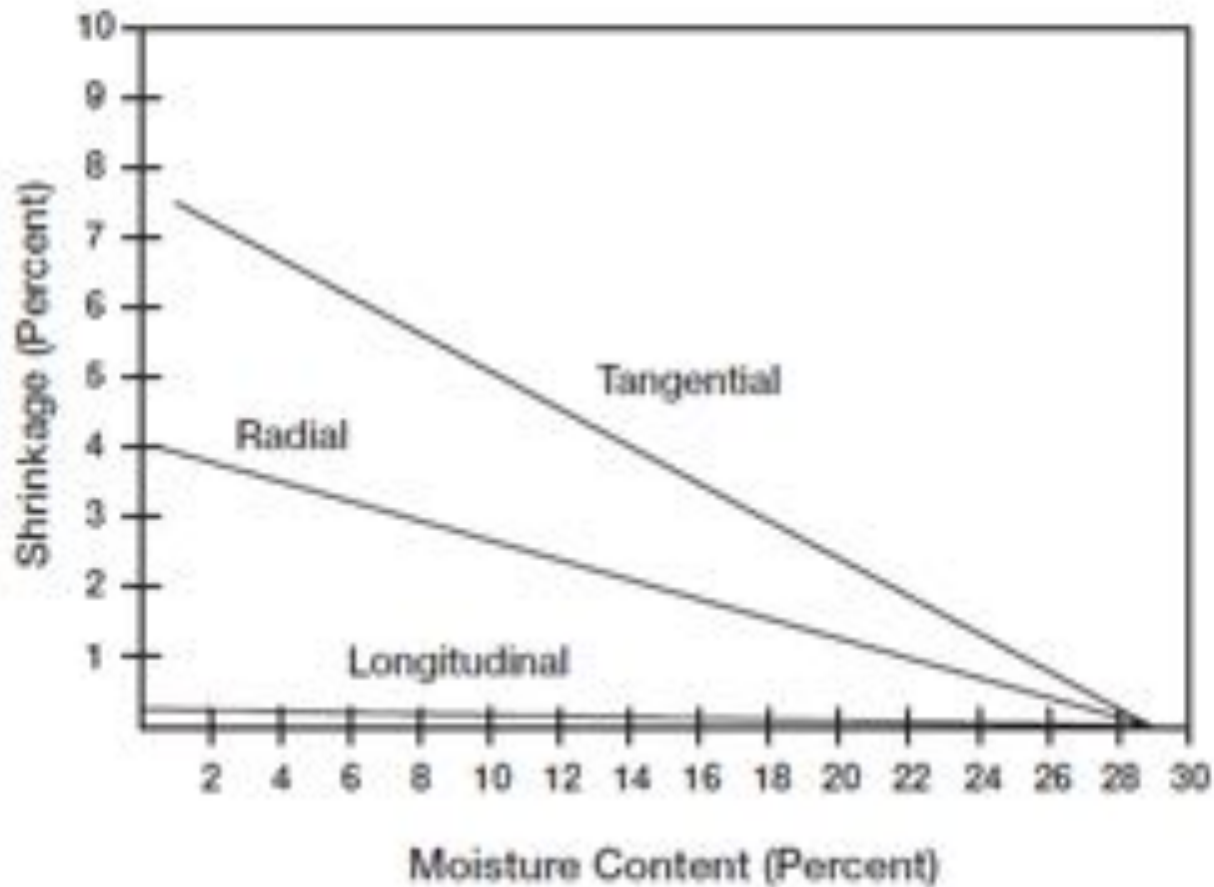


Wider & Thicker --- NOT Taller



# Basic Wood Shrinkage Theory

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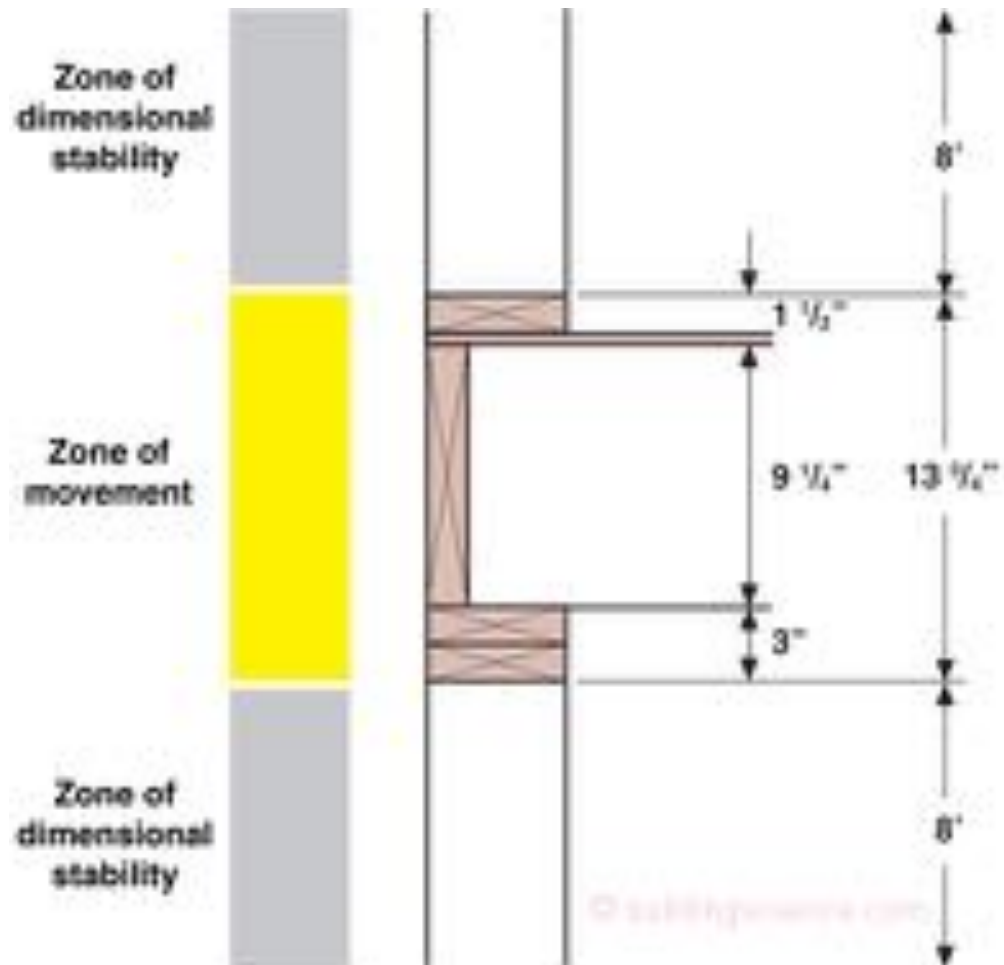
*Figure 2. Average shrinkage properties*

# Zone of Movement

Shrinkage occurs primarily in horizontal members

- Wall plates
- Floor/rim joists

**Be aware of cumulative shrinkage.**



# Calculating Shrinkage

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For MC between 6 to 14% the shrinkage formula is:

$$S = D_i [C_T (M_F - M_i)]$$

$S$  = shrinkage (in inches)

$D_i$  = initial dimension (in inches)

$C_T / C_R$  = dimension change coefficient, tangential/radial direction

$C_T = 0.00319$  for Douglas Fir-Larch

$C_T = 0.00323$  for Hem-Fir

$C_T = 0.00263$  for Spruce-Pine-Fir

$C_T = 0.00263$  for Southern Pine

$M_F$  = final moisture content (percent)

$M_i$  = initial moisture content (percent)

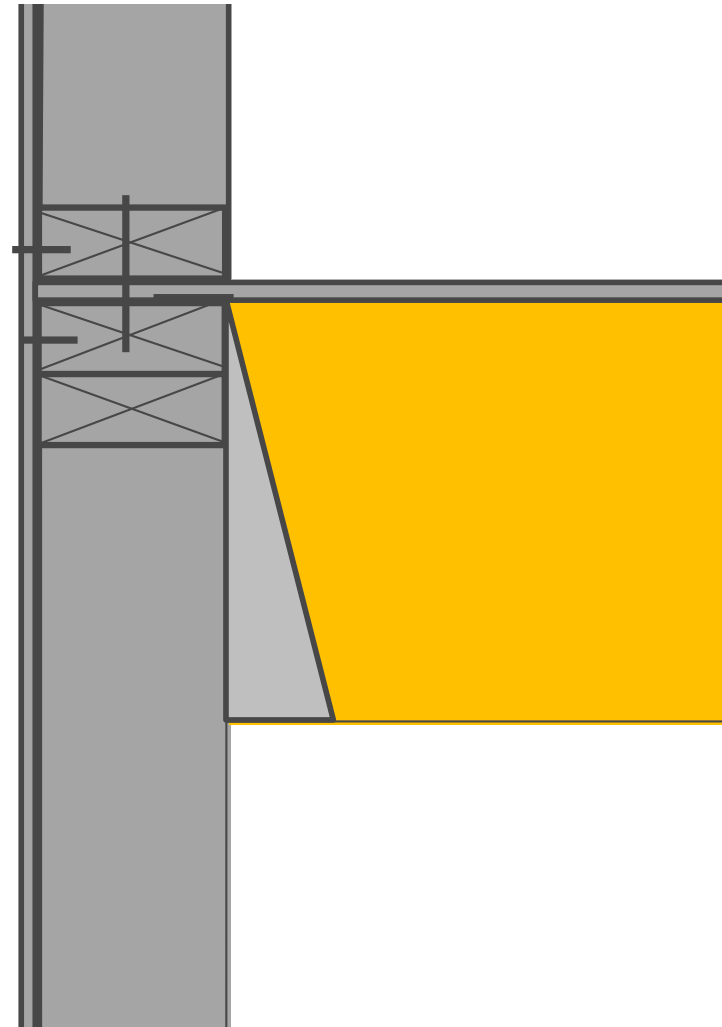
# Minimizing Shrinkage

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## Semi-balloon framing

- incorporates floor framing hanging from top plates
- Eliminates tangential shrinkage in zone of movement
- Floor framing doesn't contribute to overall building shrinkage

**Non-standard stud lengths and increased hardware requirements are a result.**



# Differential Movement

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Movement between wood frame elements and other materials that...

- do not shrink at all
- shrink much less
- expand





# Shrinkage & MEP Considerations

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Fully compress wall framing by completing all dead load potential PRIOR to mechanical installations.

Avoid rigid vertical piping in mechanical and plumbing systems. Flexible members allow for shrinkage between floors.



# Brick Façade: Solution 1- Plain Unreinforced Brick-h>30'

Design must be in strict conformance with ACI 530 section 6.2.1-Alt. design method (engineered)

Design to section 2.2 (ASD) or 3.2.2 (strength) unreinforced masonry

Brick veneer must be self supporting and not supported off of the wood framing

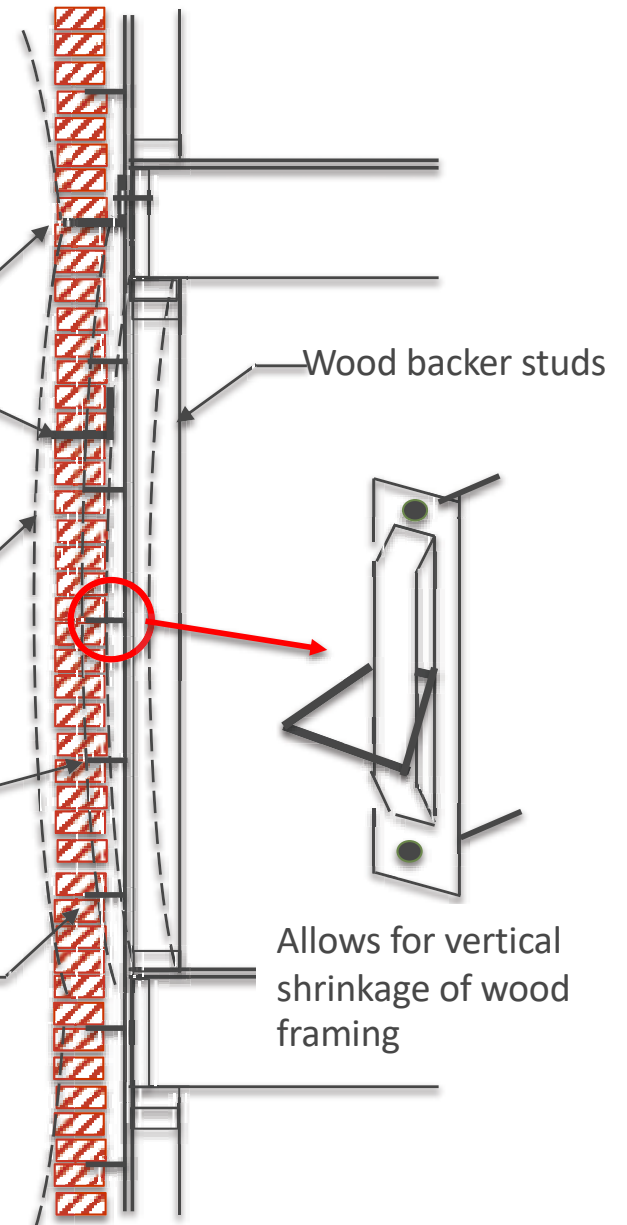
Joints must allow for all differential movement (lateral drift and vertical shrinkage of wood Framing Etc.). Weight of brick must not be supported by wood Framing

Requires steel lintel at openings

Brick goes into flexure when wall studs deflect

Anchors/ties to be spaced a maximum of 32" o.c. horiz. And 18" o.c. vert. (except seismic)

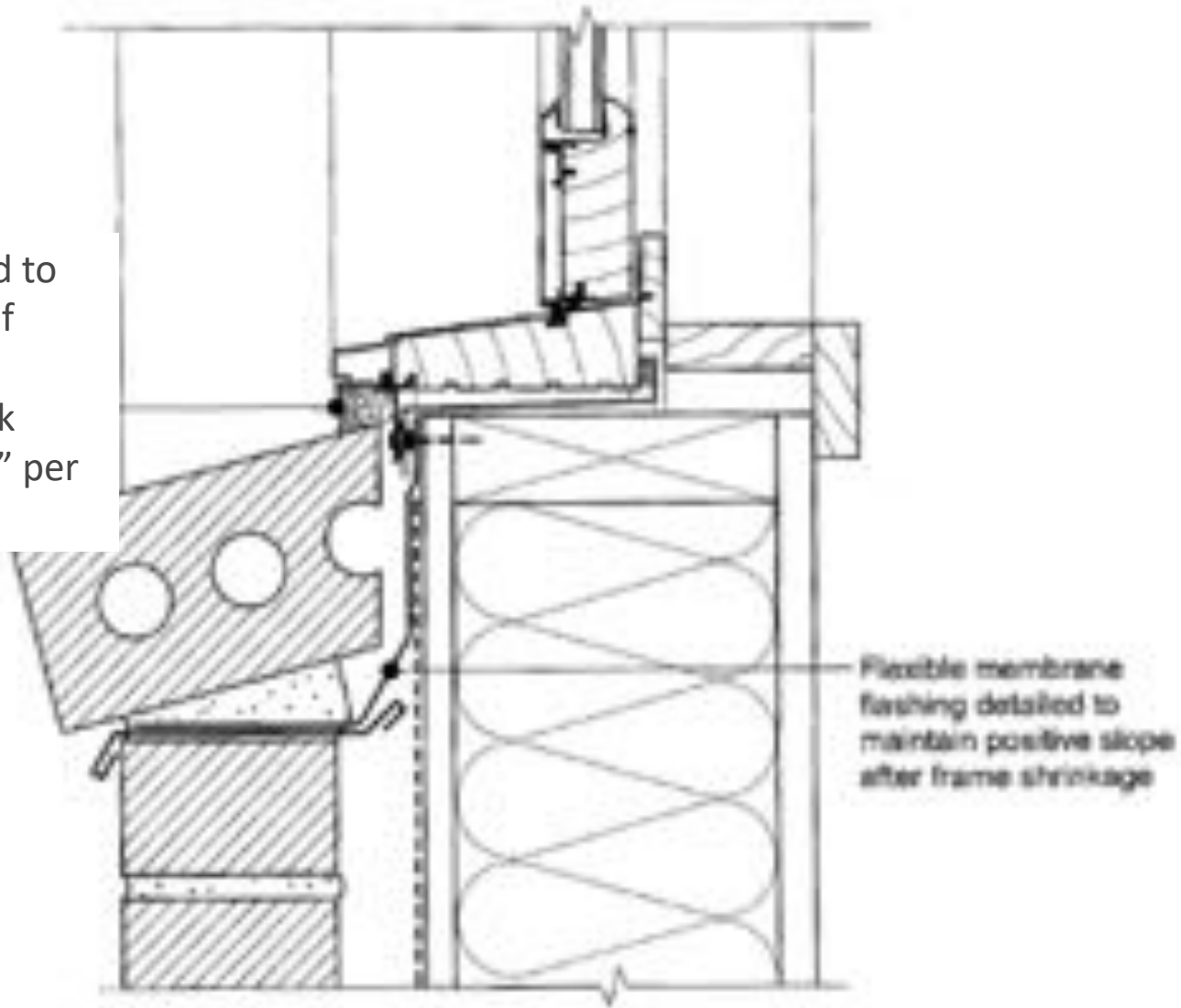
Veneer must be designed per ACI 530 section 2.2 as plain unreinforced masonry



# Door and Window Considerations

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Sealant joint sized to allow shrinkage of wood frame and expansion of brick (typically  $\frac{1}{4}$ " to  $\frac{1}{2}$ " per floor)



# Façade Considerations - Resources

Brick Industry Association— [www.gobrick.com](http://www.gobrick.com)



## Brick Veneer/Wood Stud Walls

**Abstract:** This Technical Note deals with the prescriptive design of anchored brick veneer over wood stud backing in new construction. The properties of the brick veneer/wood stud system are described, which lead to design considerations. Selection of materials, construction details and workmanship techniques are also included.

**Key Words:** air space, anchors, brick, flashing, foundations.

### SUMMARY OF RECOMMENDATIONS:

#### Support:

- Provide a noncombustible foundation to support veneer
- Where vertical support is provided by wood construction, provide steel angles properly attached to or supported by wood framing

#### Veneer Height Limitations:

- For residential construction (IRC), do not exceed height listed in Table 1
- For commercial construction (IBC) see "Additional Requirements for Buildings Covered by the IRC" and the "Wood" chapter of IBC

#### Air Space:

- Maintain a minimum 1 in. (25 mm) air space\*
- Where corrugated anchors are used, maintain a maximum 1 in. (25 mm) air space
- Do not exceed 45 in. (114 mm) between back of brick and sheathing unless anchors are rationally designed
- Completely fill the air space below wall-base flashing with grout or mortar
- Where continuous insulation is placed between the veneer and backing, maintain 1 in. (25 mm) between the back of the brick and the face of the insulation
  - \* An air space is allowed to be a 1 in. (25 mm) nominal dimension in the IRC and a 1 in. (25 mm) specified dimension in the IBC is allowed for construction tolerances.

#### Flashing:

- Install above grade at the wall base and extend to or beyond face of brickwork
- Extend base flashing at least 8 in. (203 mm) vertically
- Place at all points where air space is interrupted and at other locations where water removal is desired, such as



## Accommodating Expansion of Brickwork

**Abstract:** Expansion joints are used in masonry to accommodate movement and to avoid cracking. This Technical Note describes the theory and gives guidance regarding their placement. The theory and design showing proper placement of expansion joints to avoid cracking and of expansion joints. Also included is information about bond breaks.

**Key Words:** flexible anchorage, movement, sealants.



## Volume Changes - Analysis and Effects of Movement

**Abstract:** This Technical Note describes the various movements that occur within buildings. Movements induced by changes in temperature, moisture, elastic deformations, creep, and other factors develop stresses if the brickwork is restrained. Restraint of these movements may result in cracking of the masonry. Typical crack patterns are shown and their causes identified.

**Key Words:** corrosion, cracks, creep, differential movement, elastic deformation, expansion.

### SUMMARY OF RECOMMENDATIONS:

- Use the following coefficients to calculate movements of brick veneer:
  - Thermal expansion:  $4 \times 10^{-6}$  in./in./°F ( $7.2 \times 10^{-6}$  in./in./°C)
  - Moisture expansion:  $5 \times 10^{-6}$  in./in. (moisture)
  - Creep:  $5.7 \times 10^{-7}$  in./in. per psi ( $3.1 \times 10^{-6}$  in./in. per MPa)
- Consider coefficients of movements for other materials in contact with brickwork
- Consider elastic deformation and movement of structural elements supporting and connected to brickwork

### INTRODUCTION

All building materials change in volume in response to changes in temperature or moisture. Changes in volume, elastic deformations due to loads, creep and other factors result in movement. Restraint of these movements may cause stresses within building elements that result in cracks.

To avoid cracks, masonry elements should be designed to minimize movement or accommodate differential movement between materials and assemblies. A system of movement joints can reduce the potential for cracks and the problems they cause. Movement joints can be designed by estimating the magnitude of the different movements.

### NOTES:

#### Brickwork Without Shelf Angles:

- Accommodate brickwork movement by:
  - placing expansion joints around elements that are rigidly attached to the frame and project into the veneer, such as windows and door frames
  - installing metal caps or copings that allow independent vertical movement of wythes
  - installing joint receptors that allow independent movement between the brick and window frame
  - installing adjustable anchors or ties

#### Expansion Joint Sealants:

- Comply with ASTM C 920, Grade NS, Use M
- Class 50 minimum extensibility recommended, Class 25 alternate
- Consult sealant manufacturer's literature for guidance regarding use of primer and backing materials

#### Bond Breaks:

- Use building paper or flashing to separate brickwork from dissimilar materials, foundations and slabs

#### Loadbearing Masonry:

- Use reinforcement to accommodate stress concentrations, particularly in piers, at applied loading points and around openings
- Consider effect of vertical expansion joints on brickwork stability

# Façade Considerations - Resources

[www.woodworks.org](http://www.woodworks.org)



## Options for Brick Veneer on Mid-Rise Wood-Frame Buildings

R. Terry Malone, PE, SE • Senior Technical Director • WoodWorks

Photo: Mark Mennel, courtesy Cooper Carry



Emory Point • Atlanta, GA  
Architects: Cooper Carry and  
The Preston Partnership  
Structural engineers: Ellinwood •  
Machado LLC and Pruitt Tierly Stone Inc.  
Completed: 2012

Emory point includes three buildings,  
one with five stories of Type III-A  
wood-frame construction over slab-on-grade,  
and two with four stories  
of Type IV-A wood construction over  
a Type I-A post-tensioned concrete podium.

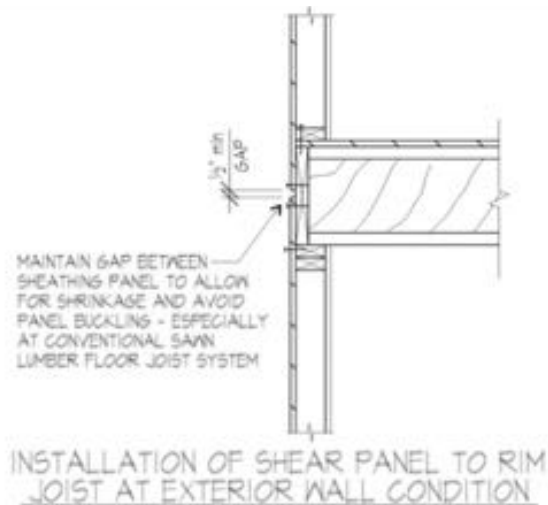


# Shrinkage Mitigating Detailing Tips

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Best practices to mitigate distress to finishes arising from cumulative differential movement:

- Be acutely aware of the fact that there will be differential movement
- Address it in detailing and specifications
- Consider where distress will occur
- Provide details to relieve or avoid it



Architects: Cooper Carry &  
The Preston Partnership  
Photo: Aerial Photography  
Inc.



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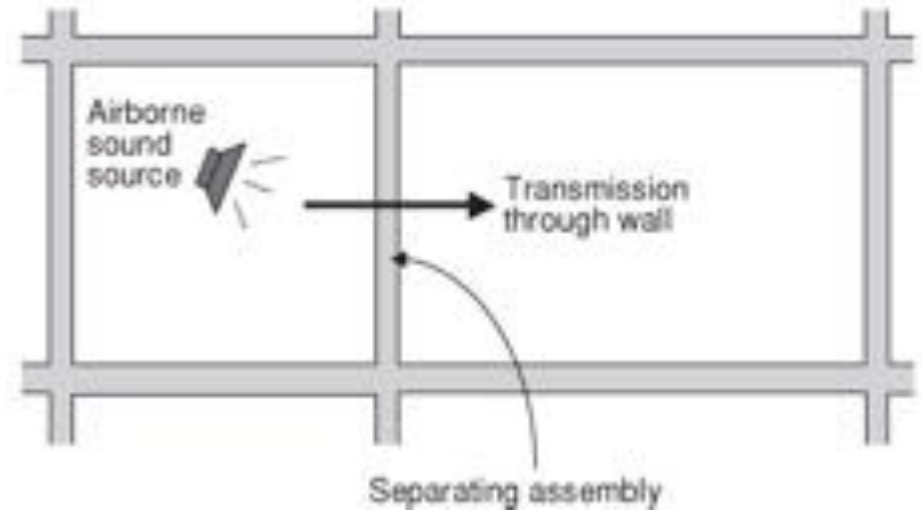
# Building Acoustics Overview

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## Air-borne sound:

- Sound Transmission Class (STC)

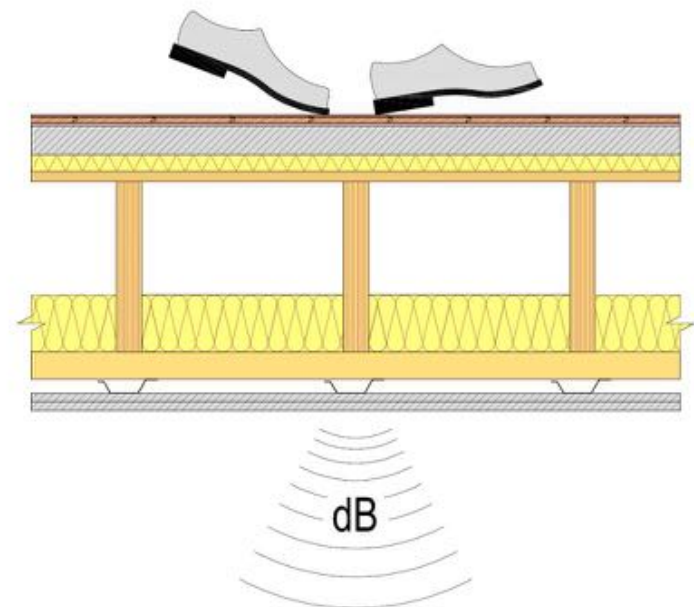
Measures how effectively an assembly isolates air-borne sound and reduces the level that passes from one side to the other



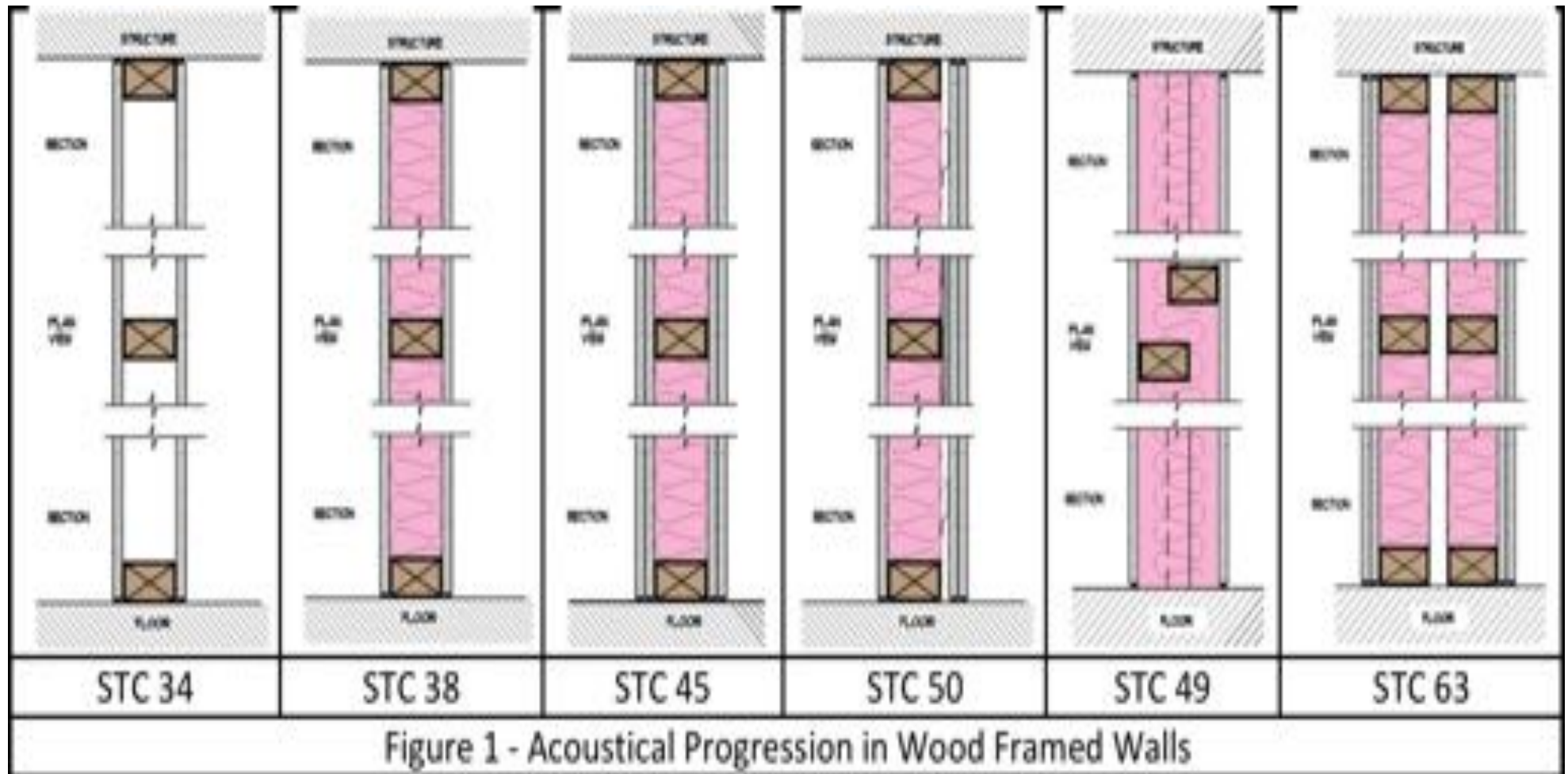
## Structure-borne sound:

- Impact Insulation Class (IIC)

Evaluates how effectively an assembly blocks impact sound from passing through it

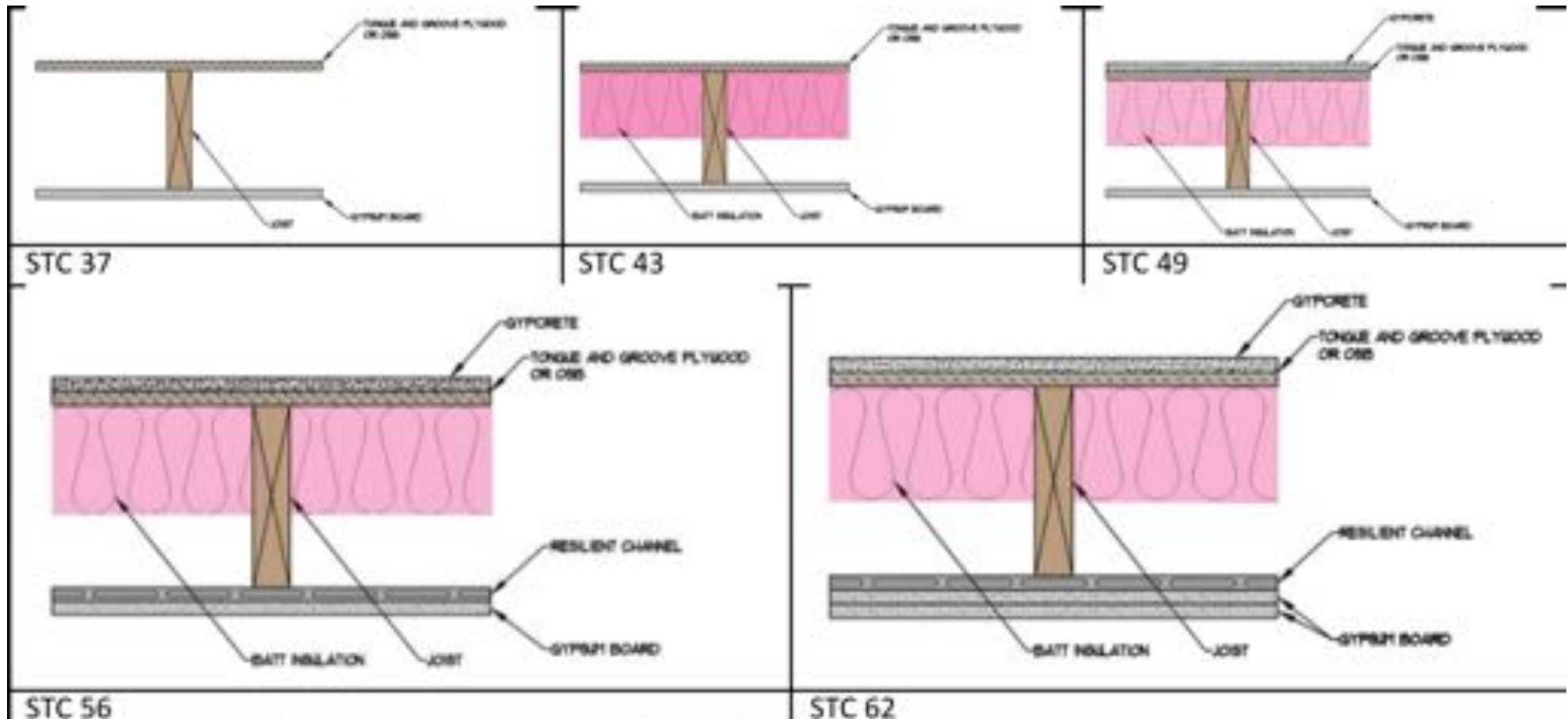


# Acoustically Rated Assemblies



Many available free online STC & IIC rated assembly charts (USG, GP, others)

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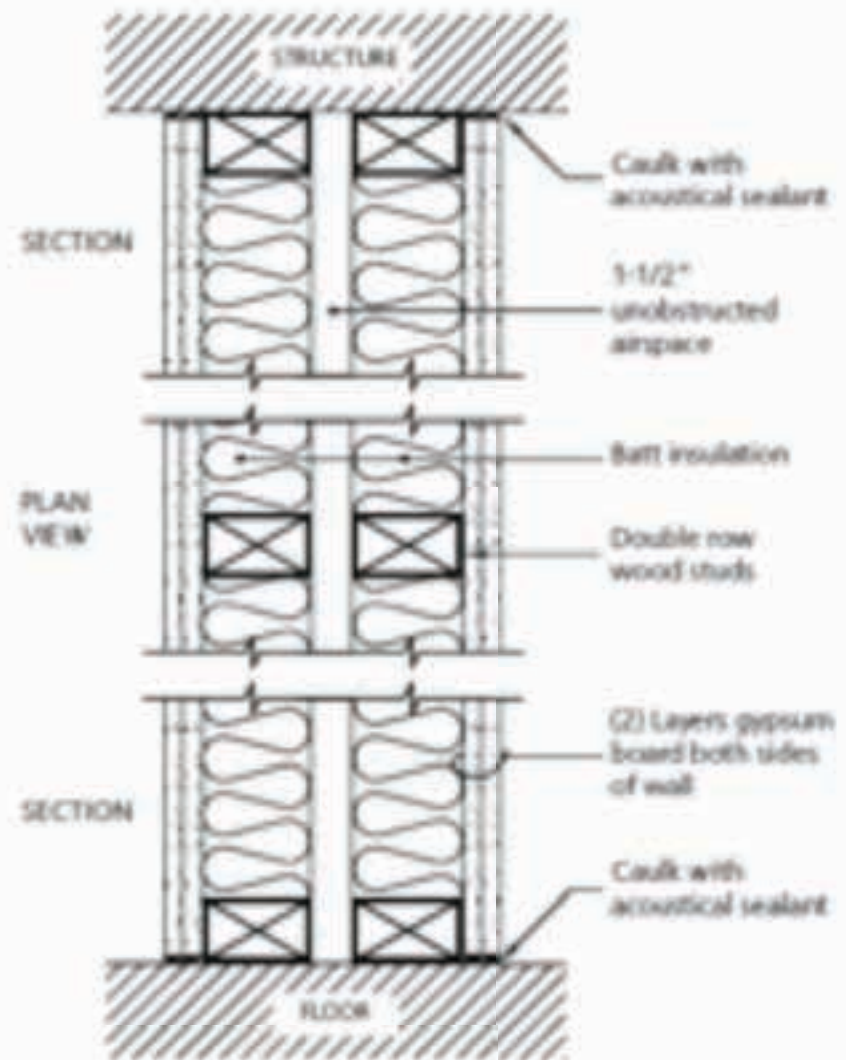


STC 56

STC 62

Figure 1 - Acoustical Progression in Wood Framed Floor / Ceilings

# Walls – Double Stud



STC 63 Party Wall

Photo: Econoest Architecture Inc.



# Walls – Staggered and Single Stud

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After double stud construction, the next best solutions are staggered and single stud.

*Photos: Root Graphics (l); Arch Wood Protection*





# One of Many Performance Goals

## University of Washington Student Housing

Seattle, WA

Architect: Mahlum

This five-building project includes a strategic combination of staggered and double stud walls to minimize sound transmission.

*Photo: Benjamin Benschneider*



## Additional Considerations



Crescent Terminus  
Atlanta, GA  
Three-building, five-story mixed-use  
complex with resort-style amenities

*Photo Crescent Communities*

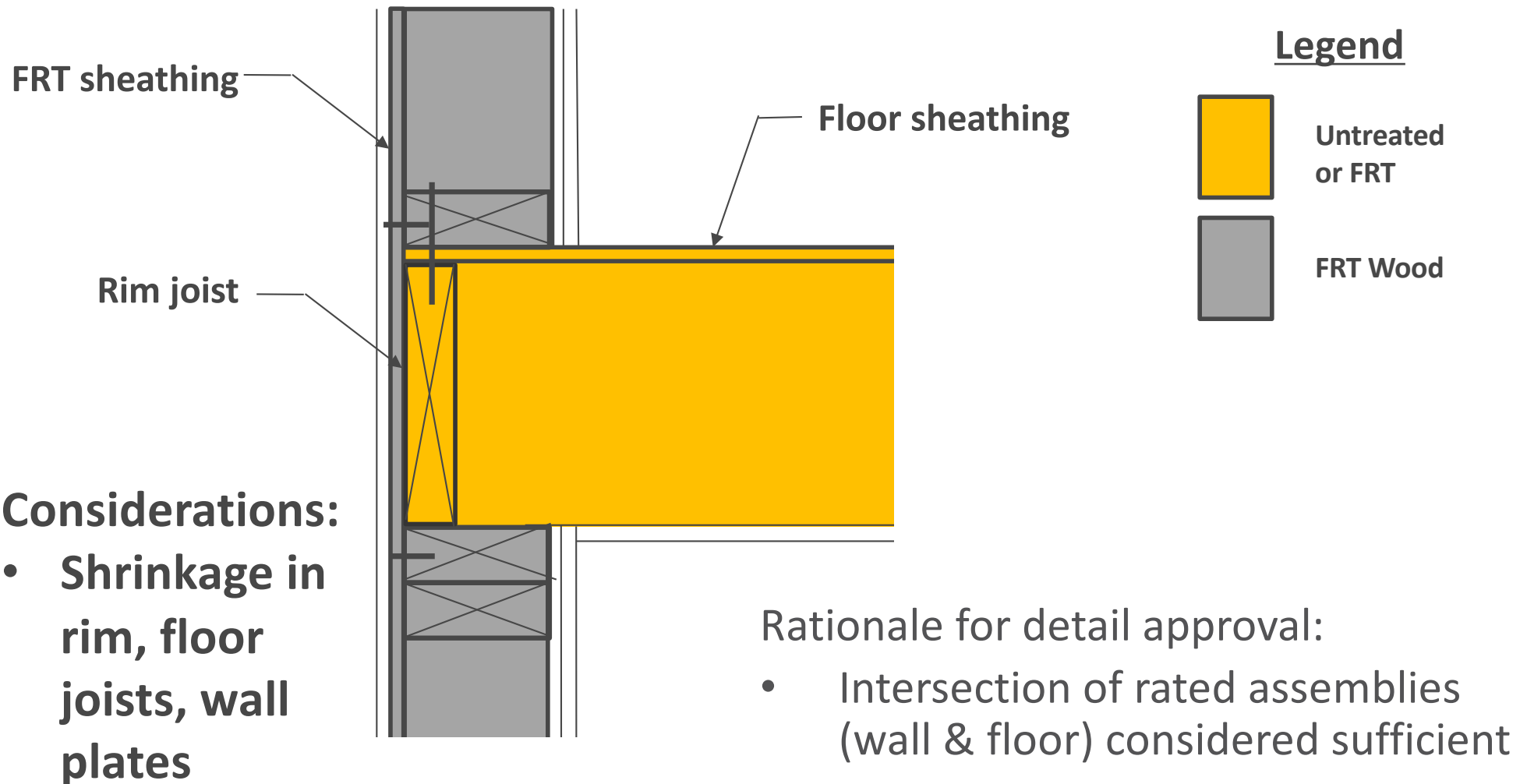
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Typical Platform Framing

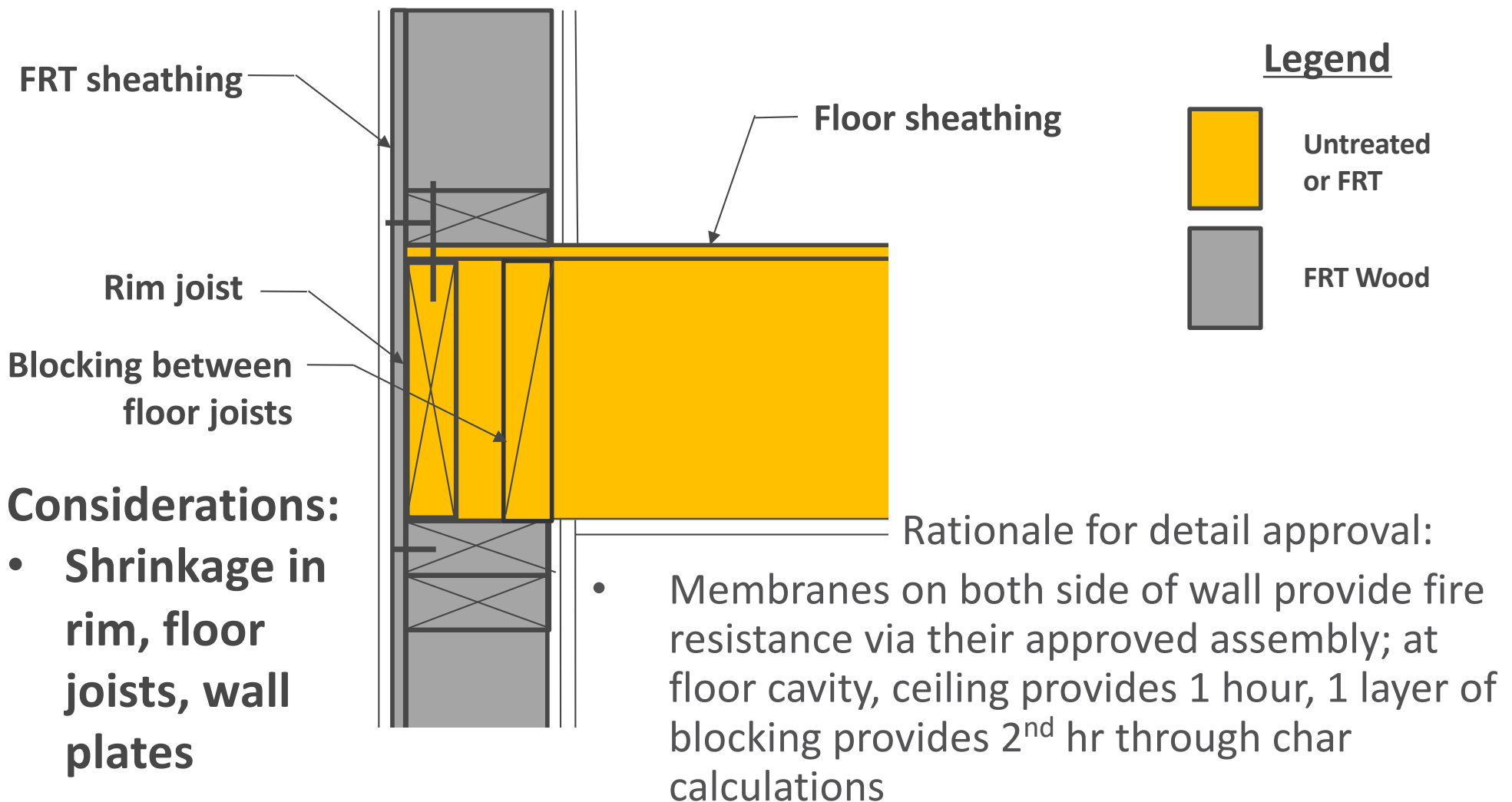




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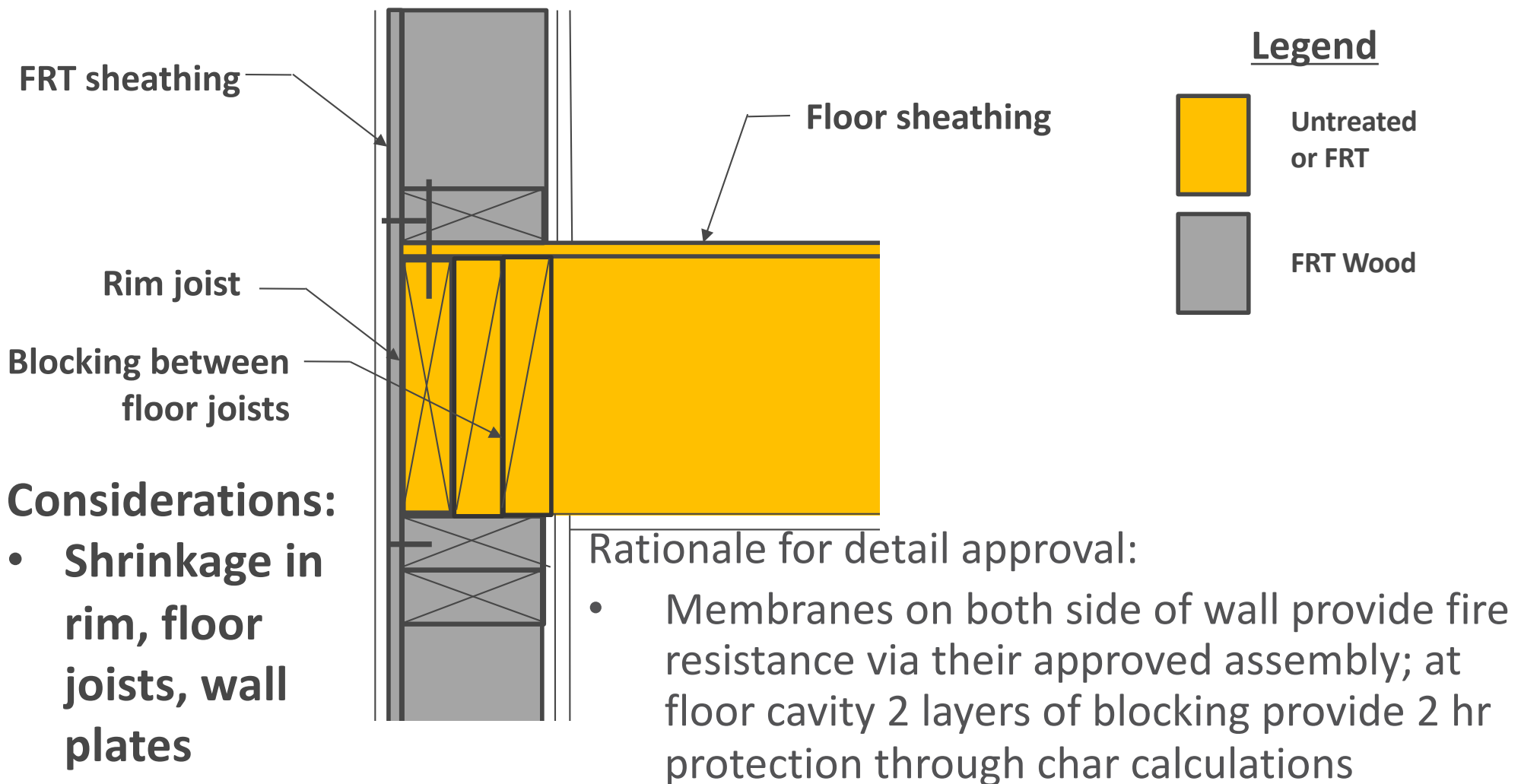
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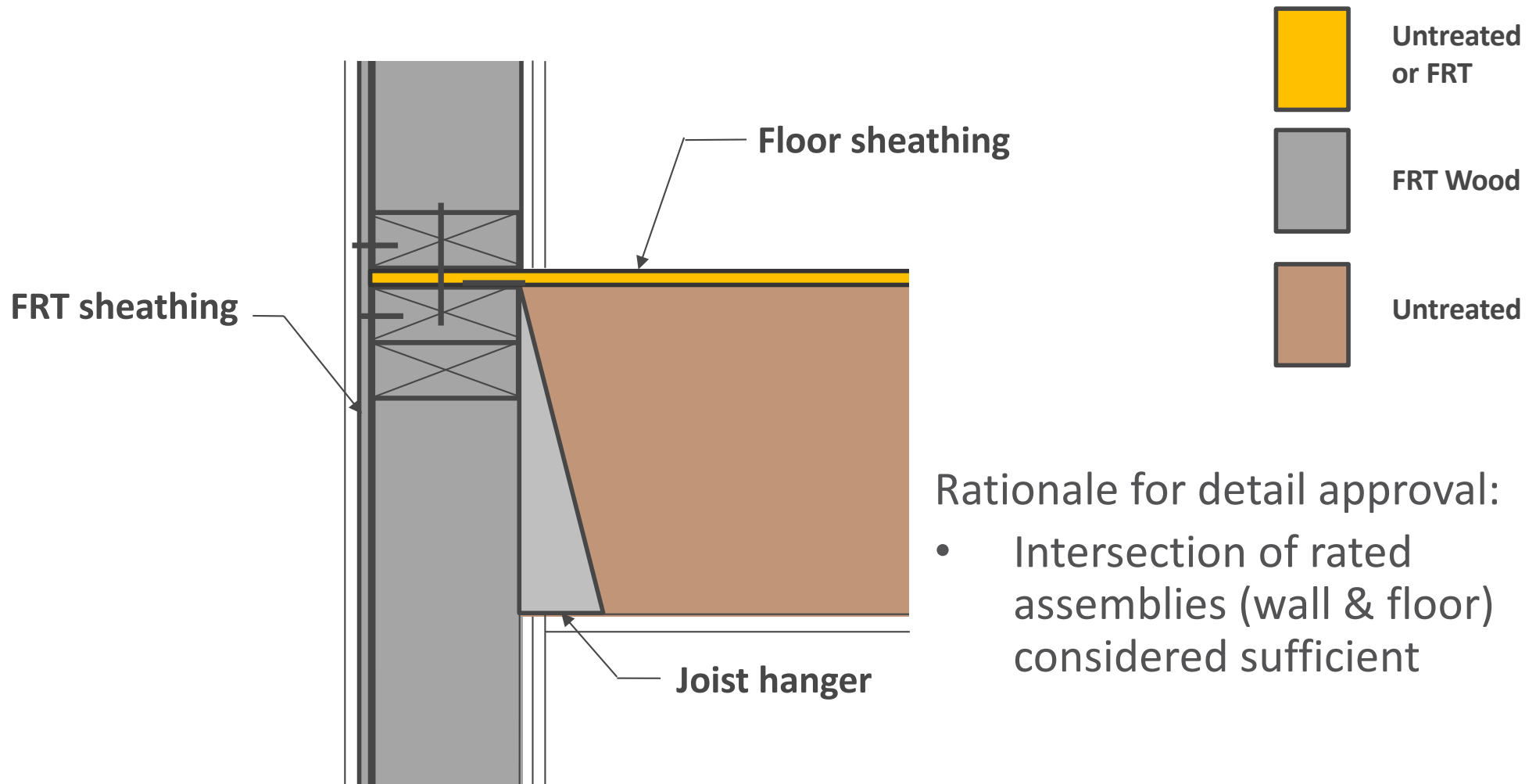
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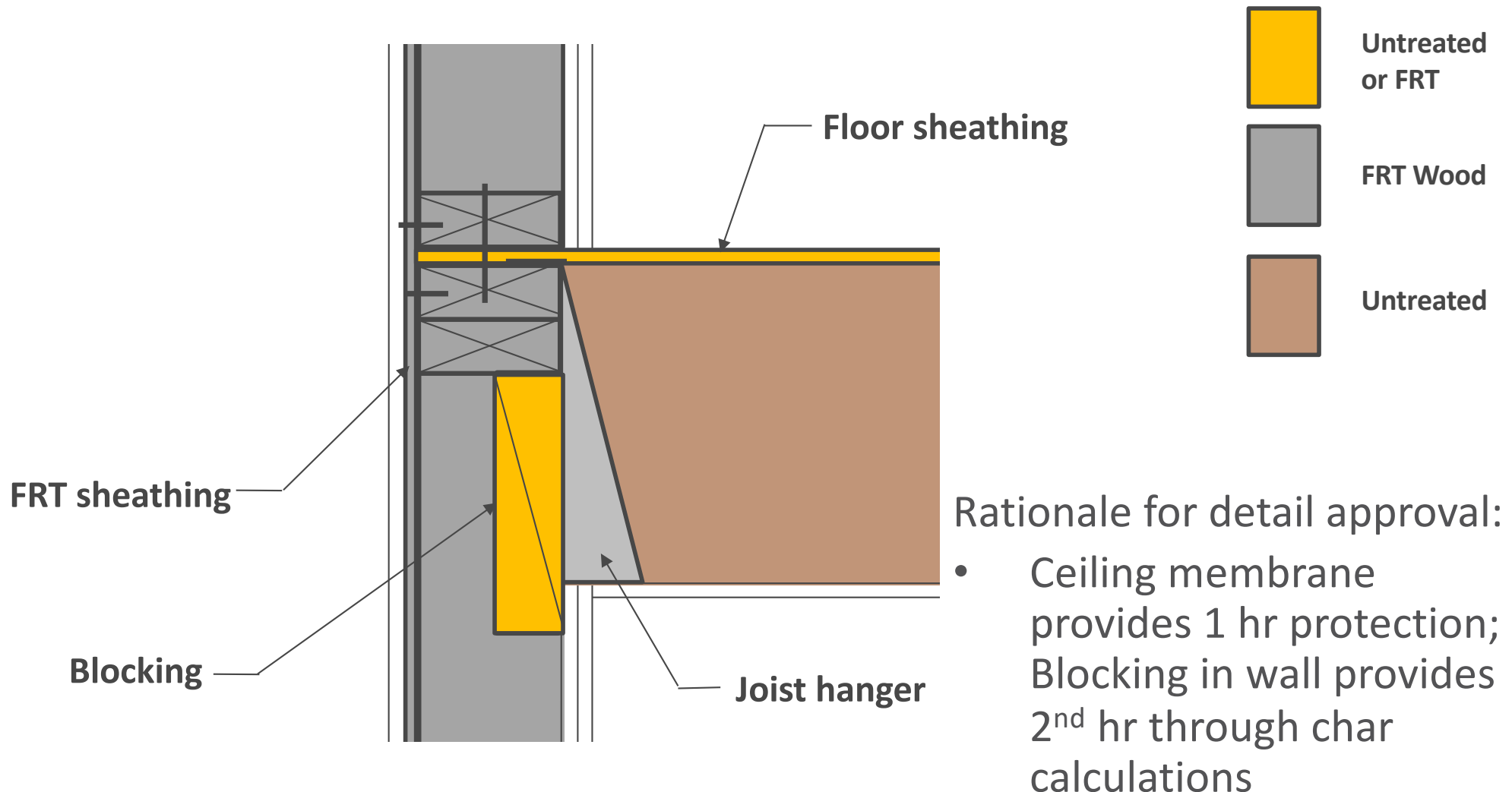
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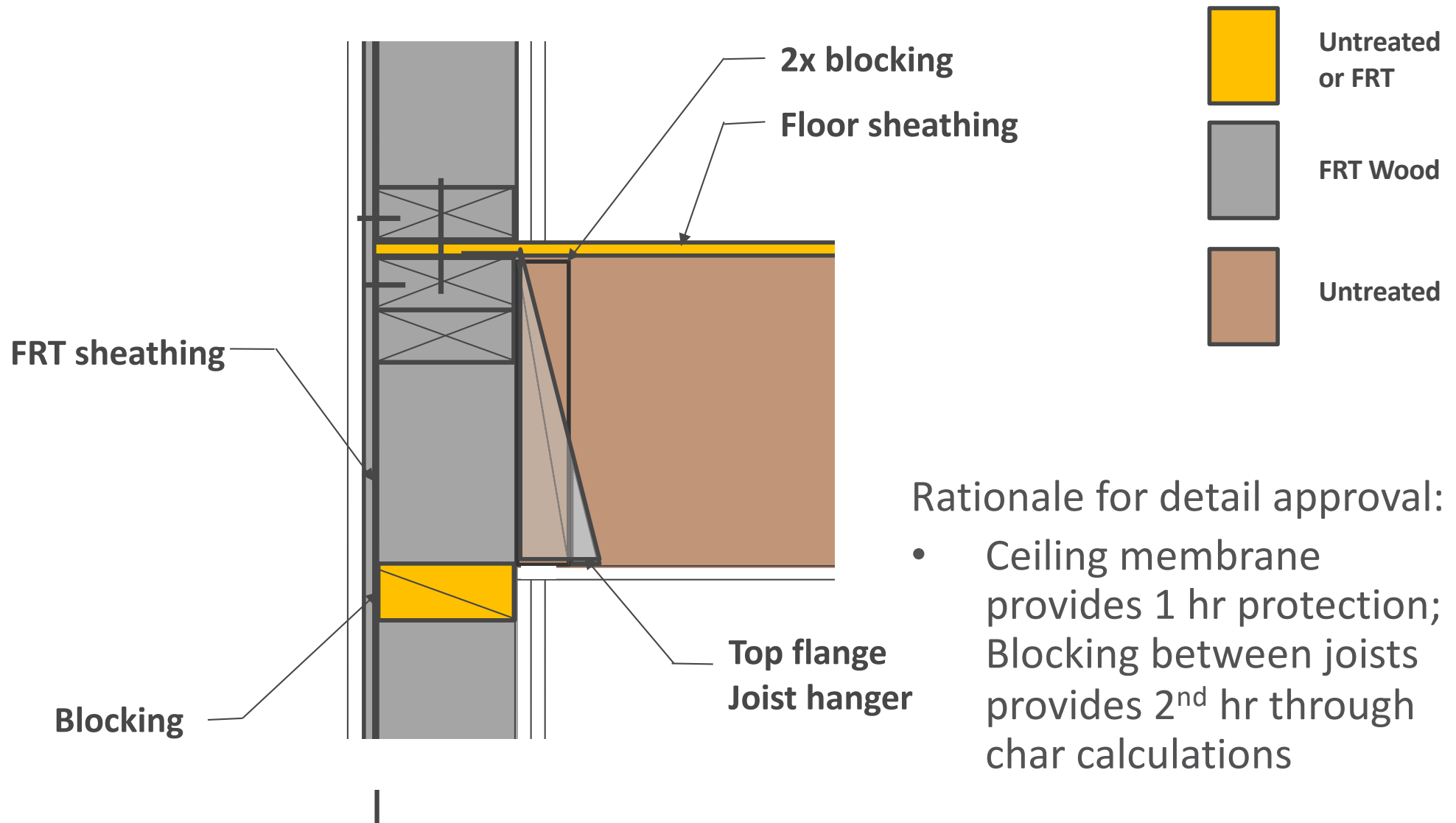
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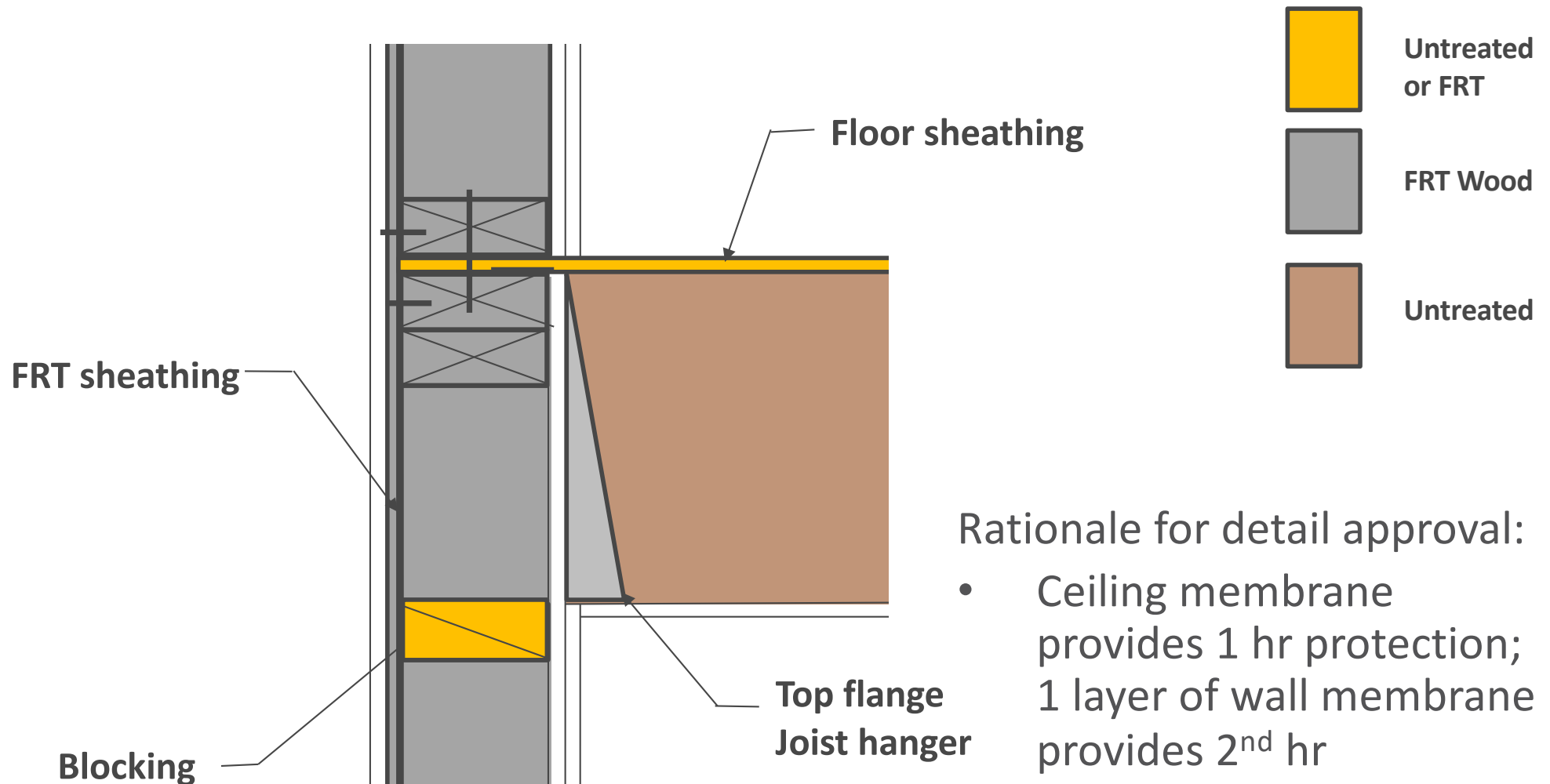
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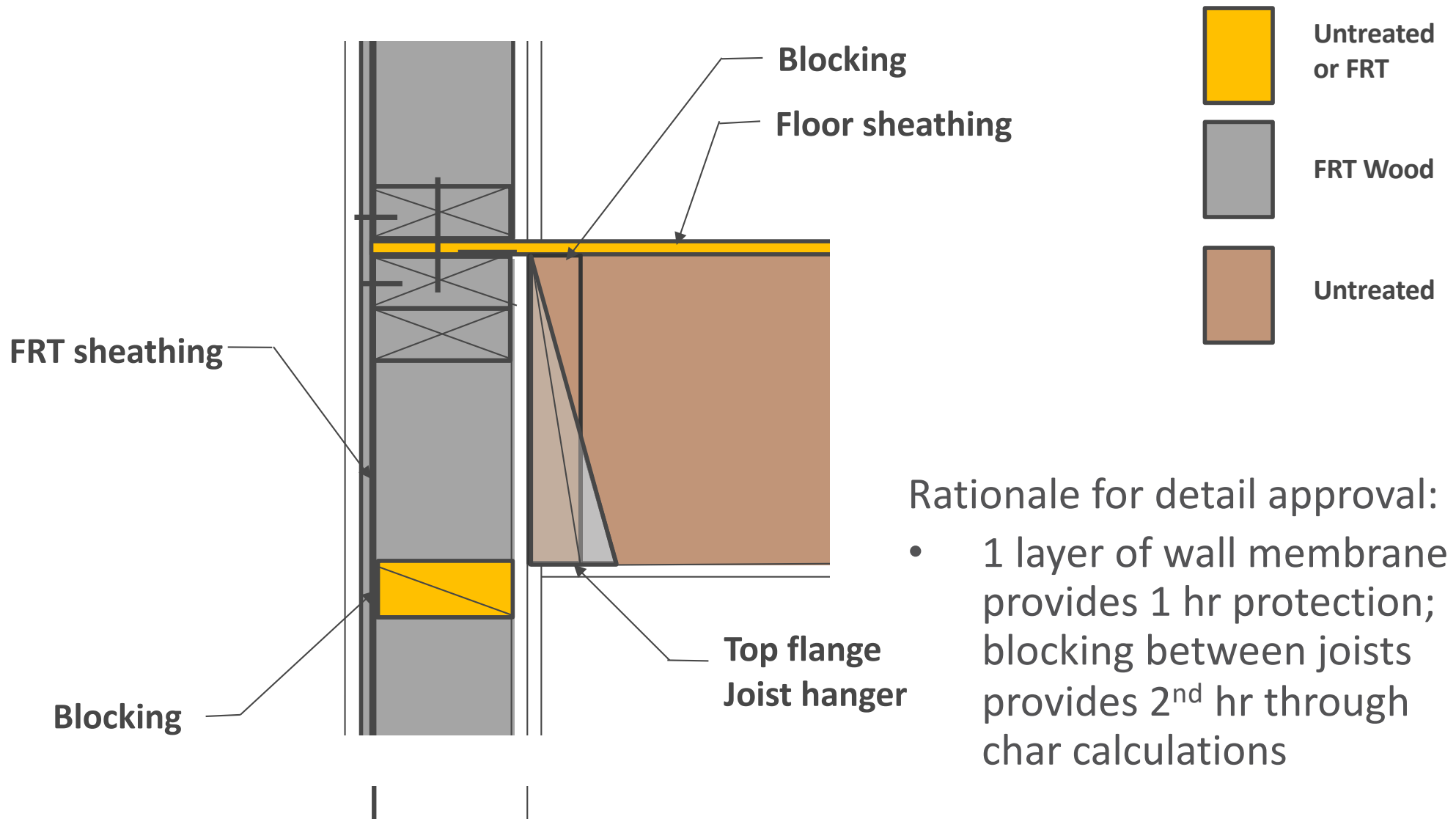
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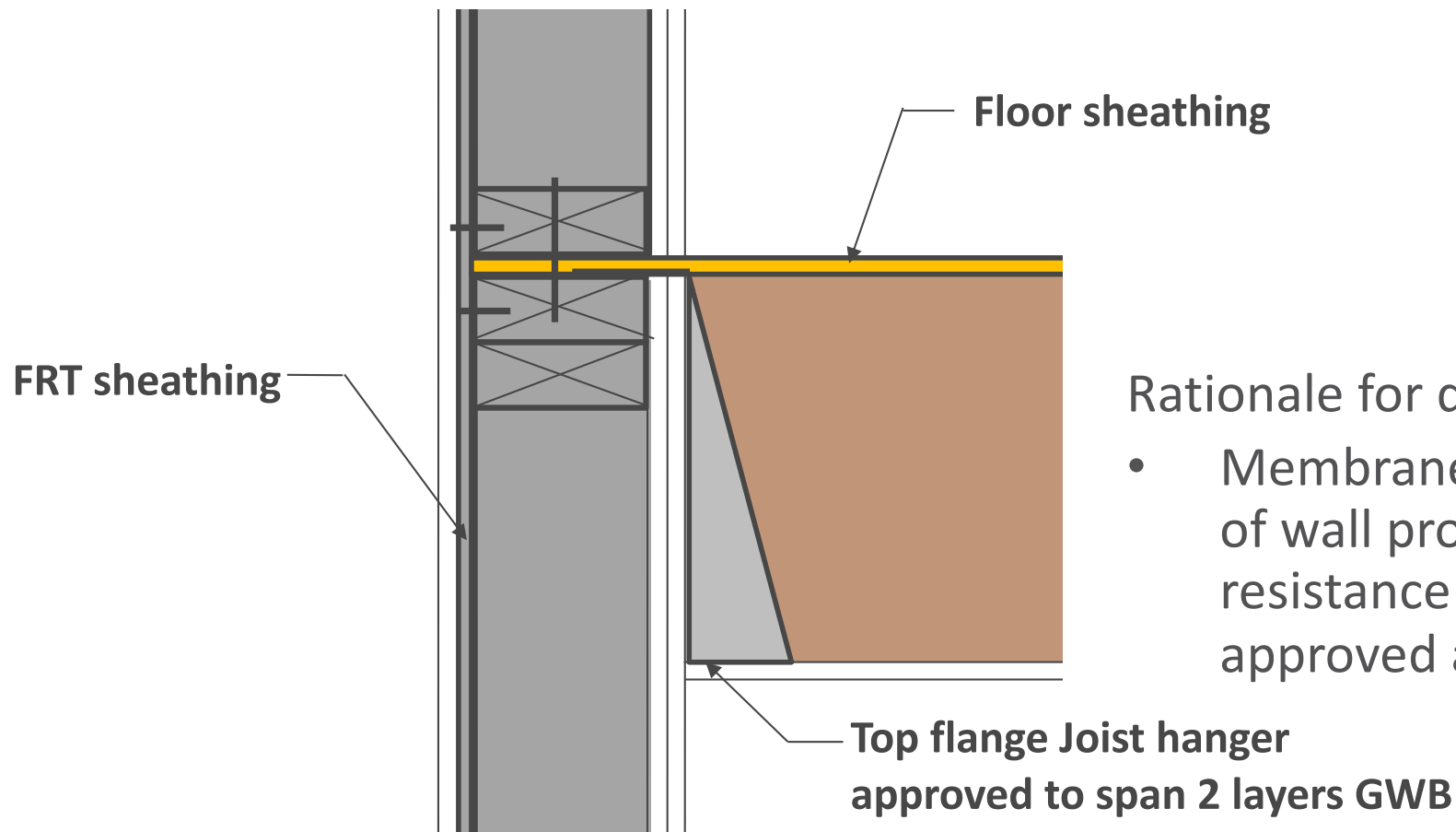
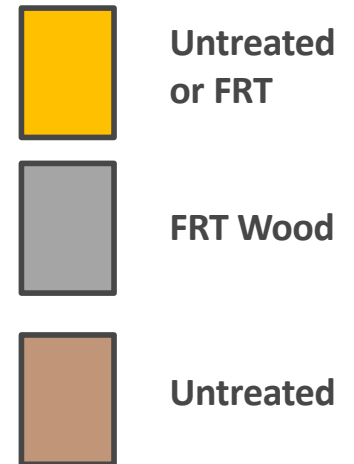
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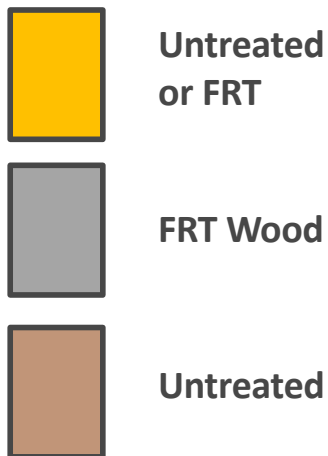




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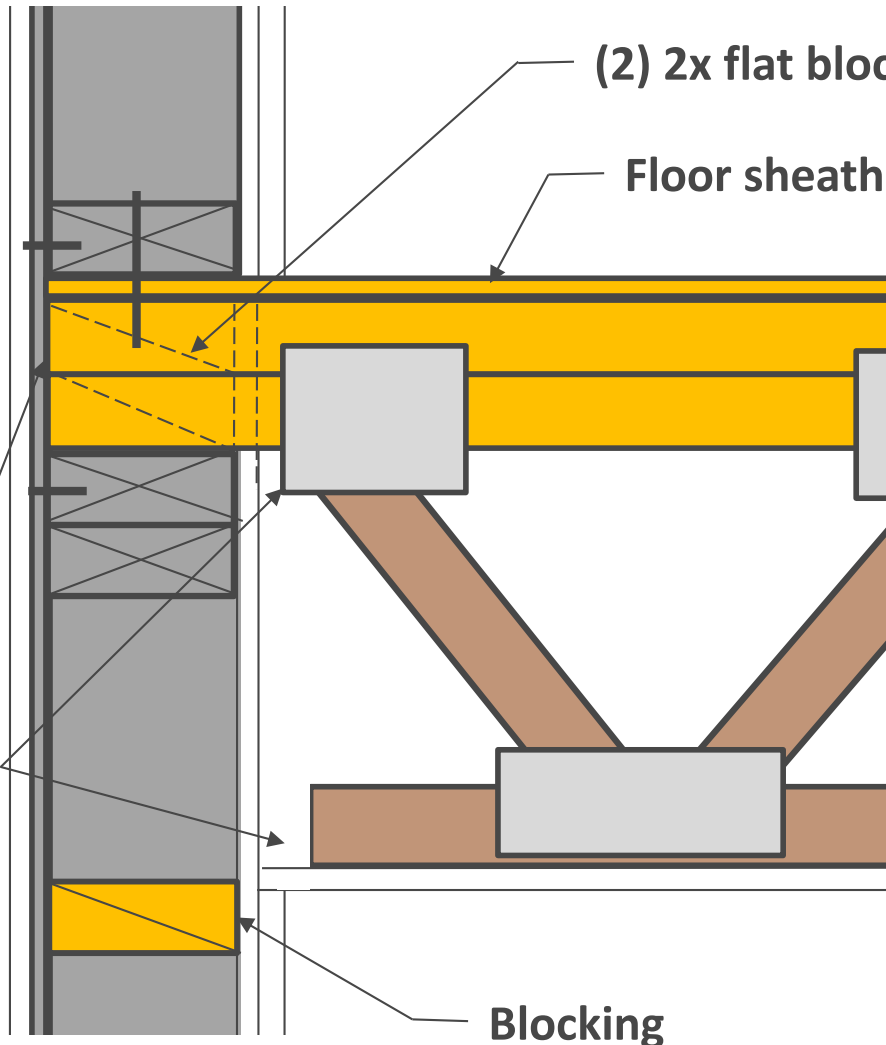
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## Legend



FRT sheathing

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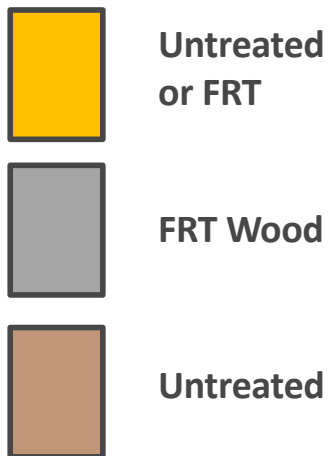
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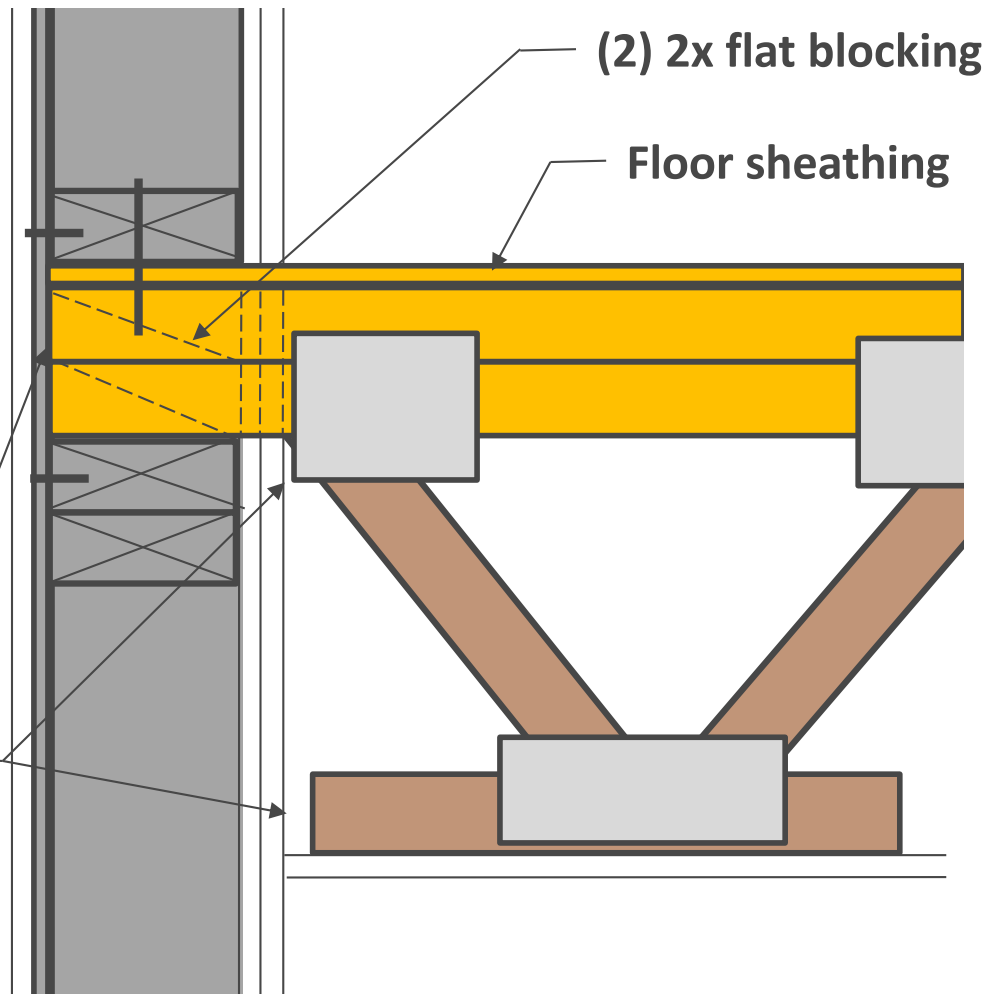
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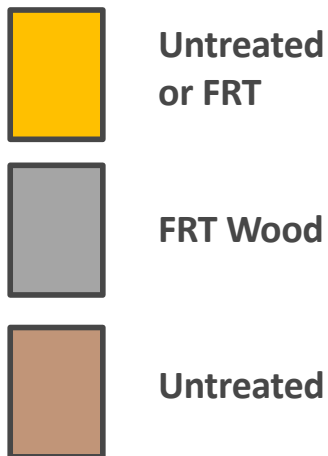
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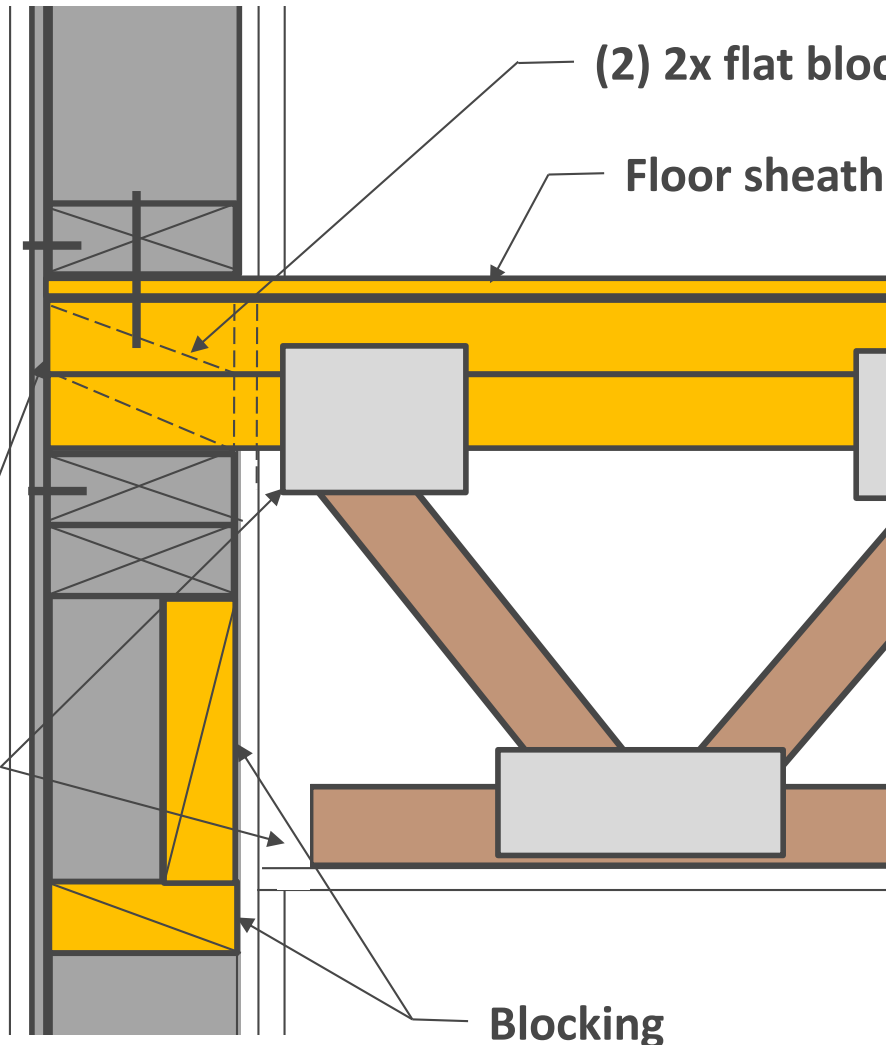
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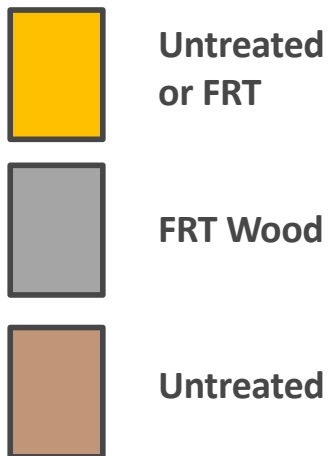
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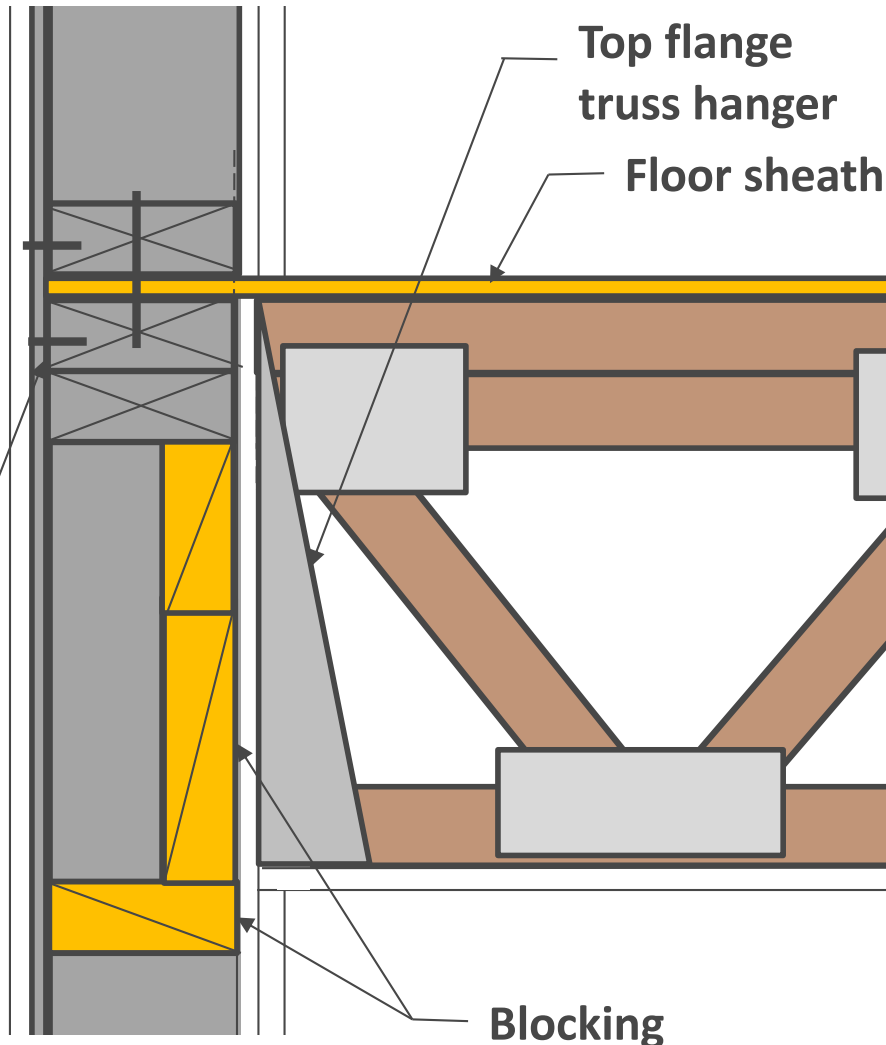
# Exterior Walls – Intersecting Floors

Type III Construction – 2 HR Wall, 1 HR Floor  
Platform Framing w/Top Chord Bearing

## Legend



FRT sheathing



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# Type III Construction Detail Examples

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**What is being enforced in jurisdictions you are working in?**





# Introducing Cross Laminated Timber

New Opportunities for  
Timber Construction

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Marc J Rivard, PE, SE





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Questions related to specific materials, methods, and services will be addressed at the conclusion of this presentation.

# Course Description

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Cross laminated timber (CLT) is an engineered wood building system designed to complement light- and heavy-timber framing options. Because of its high strength and dimensional stability, it can be used as an alternative to concrete, masonry and steel in many building types. This presentation will introduce CLT with a series of project examples that demonstrate its use and associated benefits in a range of applications. Information on manufacturing, specification and code-related considerations will also be discussed.



# Learning Objectives

1. Review completed CLT projects that demonstrate a range of applications and system configurations.
2. Discover how CLT can be used under current and future building codes and standards.
3. Discuss benefits of using CLT in place of concrete and steel, including structural versatility, prefabrication, lighter carbon footprint and reduced labor costs.
4. Discuss the fire characteristics of CLT, including the benefits of charring, current seismic approaches that can be used for CLT buildings, and how the acoustic and moisture performance of CLT assemblies can inform the design of a project.

# Outline

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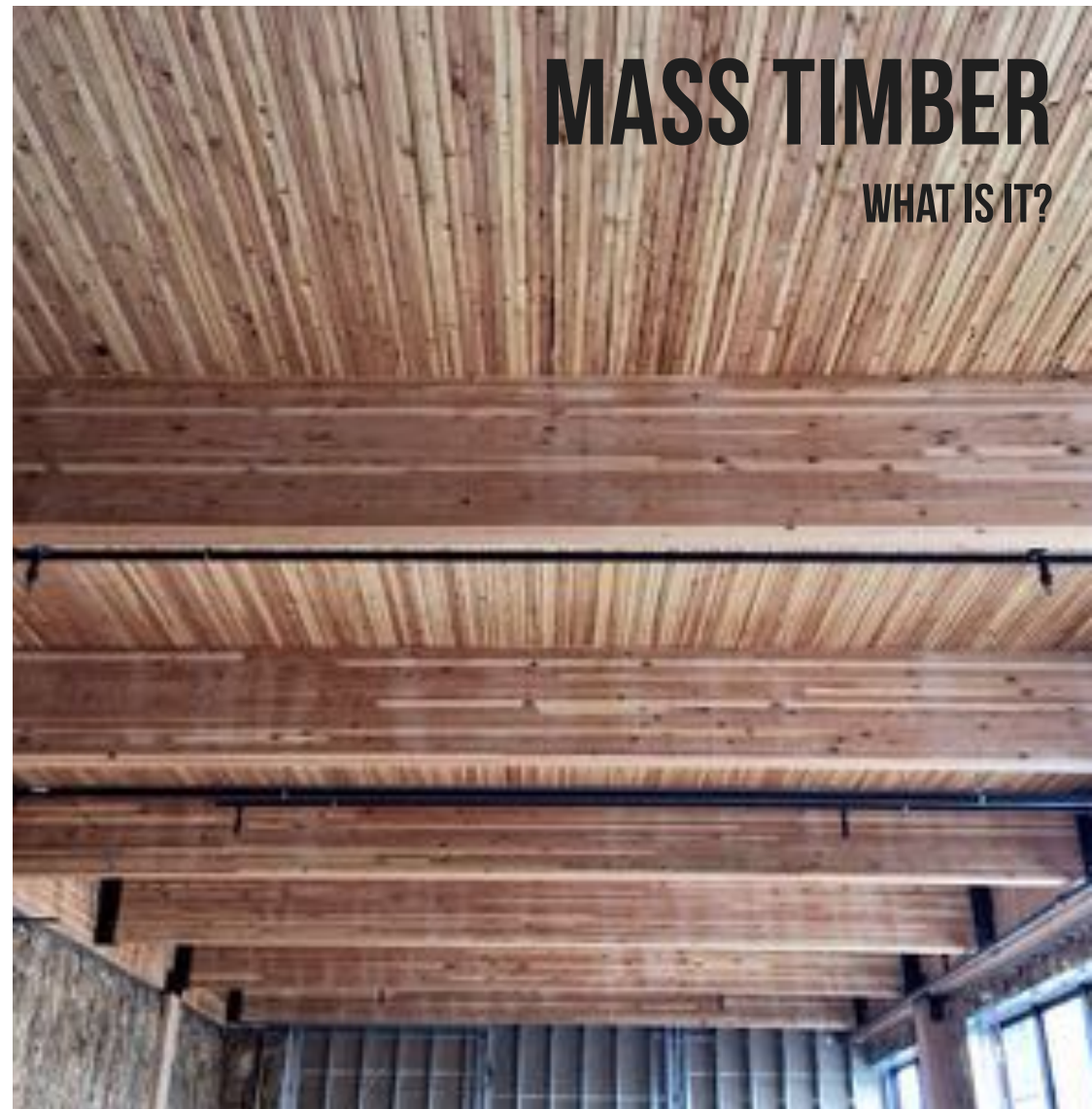


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SOLID WOOD CONSTRUCTION  
INCLUDING CLT, NLT OR  
GLULAM PANELS FOR FLOOR,  
ROOF AND WALL FRAMING**





# MASS TIMBER APPEAL

## PRIMARY DRIVERS

CONSTRUCTION SPEED & EFFICIENCY

CONSTRUCTION SITE CONSTRAINTS — URBAN INFILL

INNOVATION/AESTHETIC

## SECONDARY DRIVERS

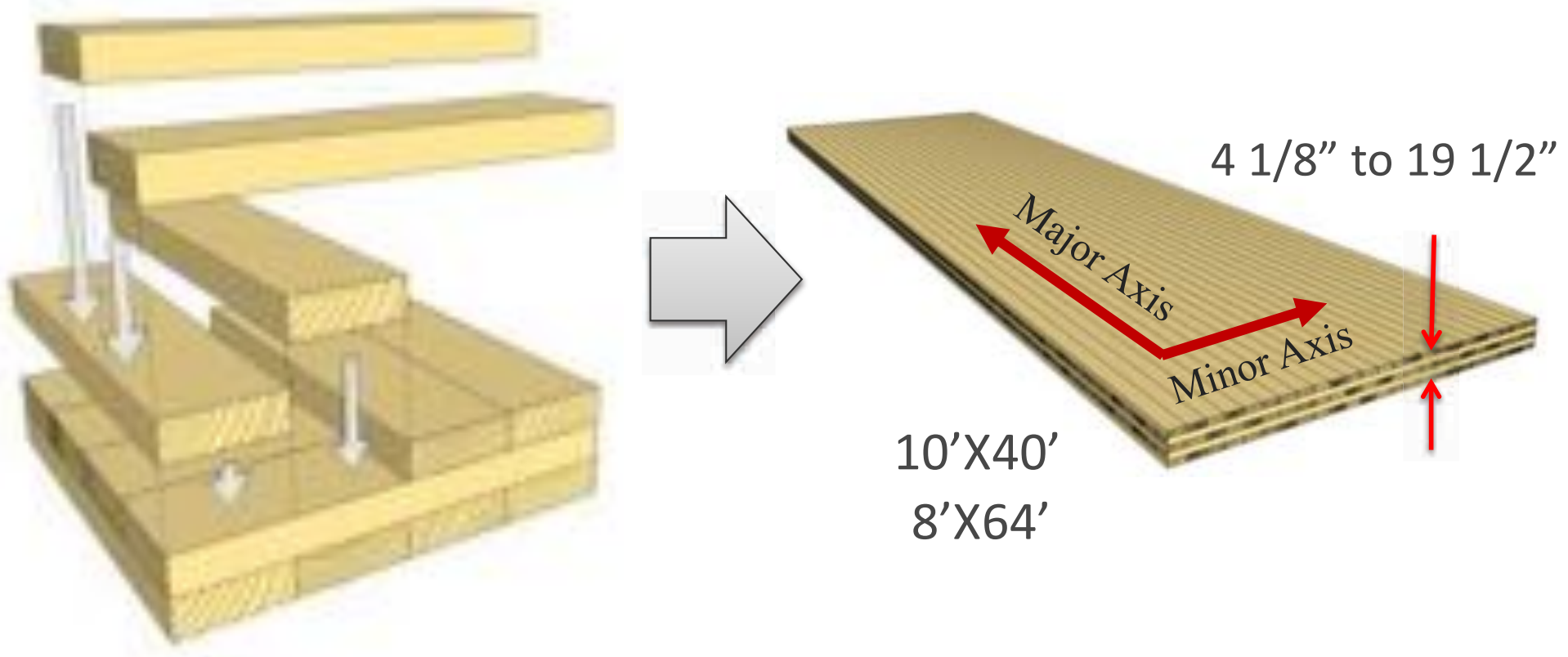
CARBON REDUCTIONS

STRUCTURAL PERFORMANCE — LIGHT WEIGHT

# What is Cross Laminated Timber (CLT)?

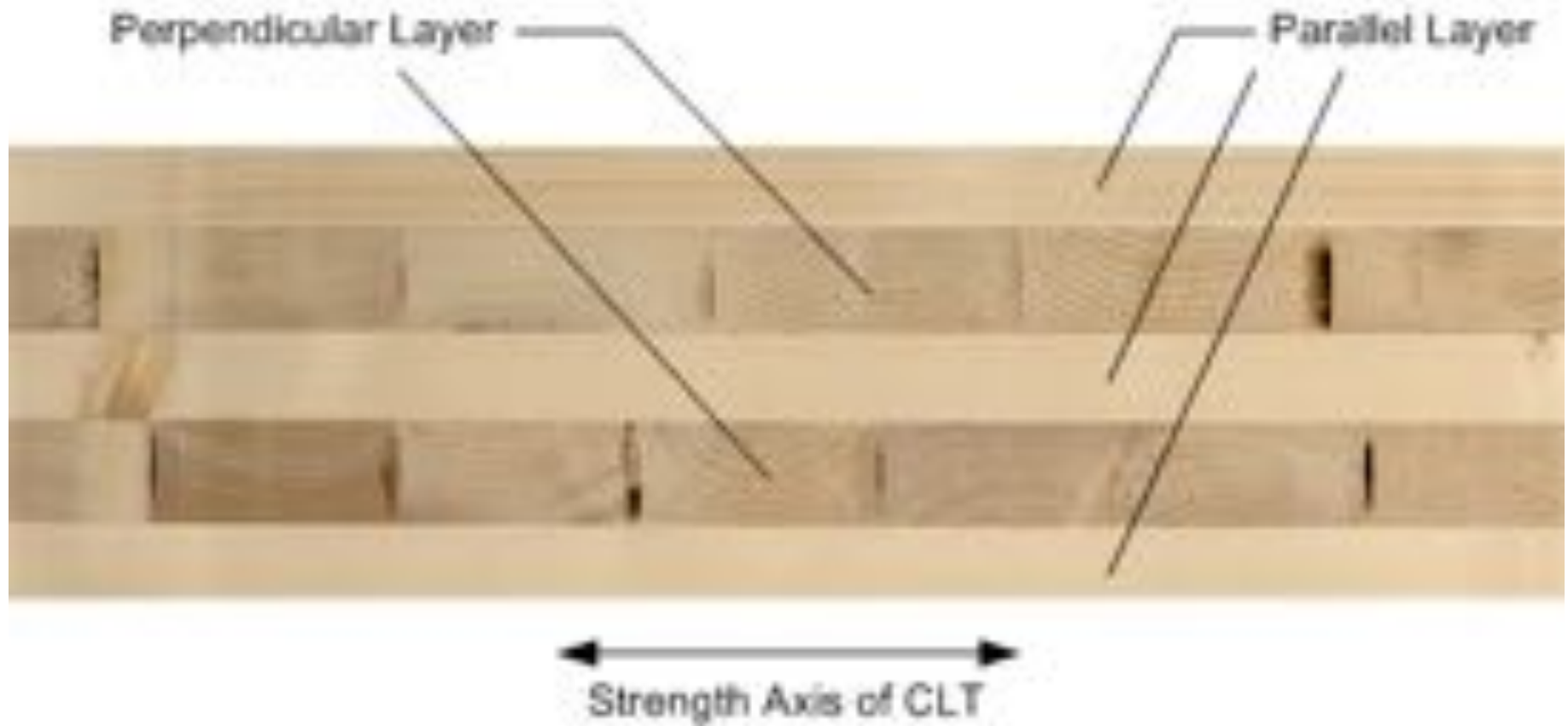
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- Solid wood panel
- 3 layers min. of solid sawn lams
- 90 deg. cross-lams
- Similar to plywood sheathing



# CLT Composition

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# CROSS LAMINATED TIMBER

LUMBER IN CLT IS FINGER JOINTED  
TYPICALLY NOT EDGE GLUED





# MASS TIMBER PRODUCTS

CROSS-LAMINATED TIMBER (CLT)

## COMMON CLT LAYUPS

3-PLY 3-LAYER



5-PLY 5-LAYER



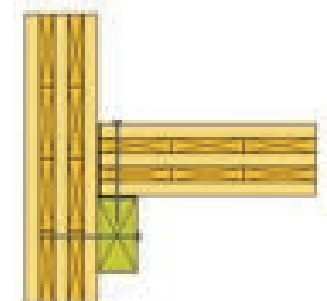
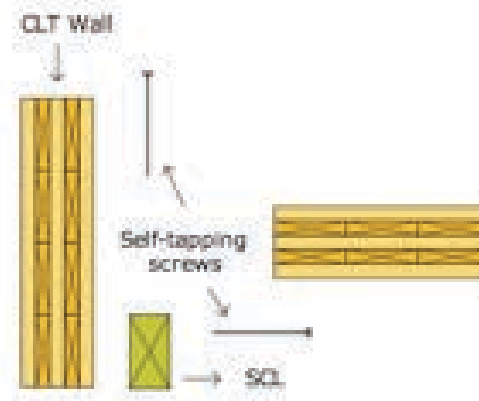
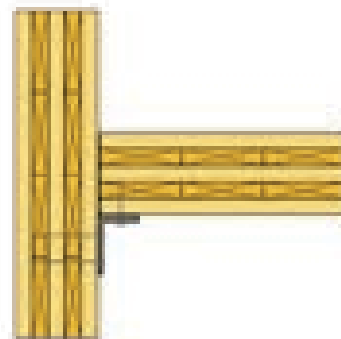
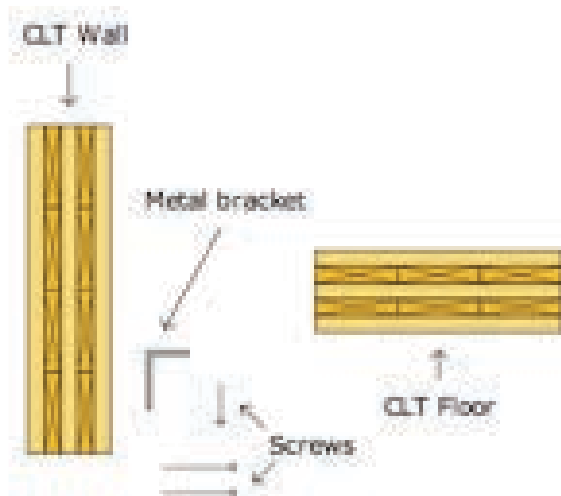
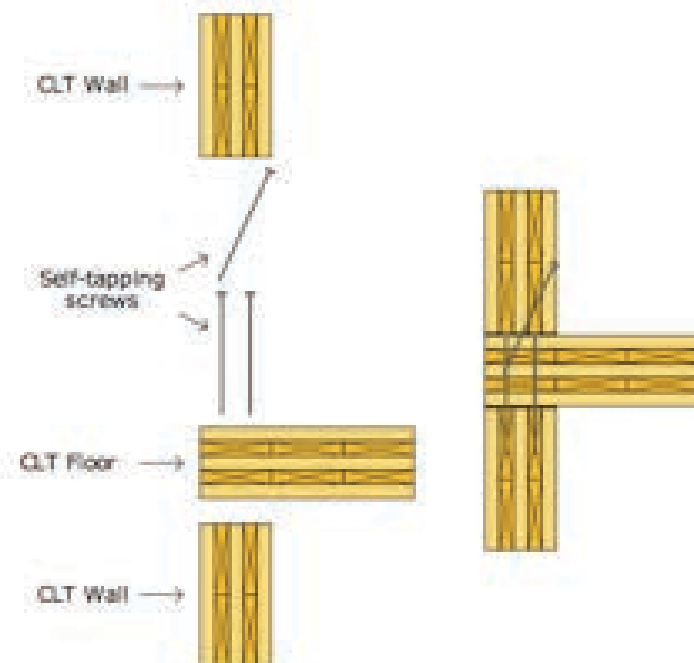
7-PLY 7-LAYER



9-PLY 9-LAYER



# How to use CLT - Assembly



Source: US CLT Handbook

# What is the appeal of CLT?

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Sustainability

- Embodied Carbon

Performance

Construction  
Efficiency



# Reduced Embodied Carbon

Volume of wood used	950 m <sup>3</sup>
Carbon sequestered and stored (CO <sub>2</sub> e)	760 metric tons
Avoided greenhouse gases (CO <sub>2</sub> e)	320 metric tons
Total potential carbon benefit (CO <sub>2</sub> e)	1,080 metric tons

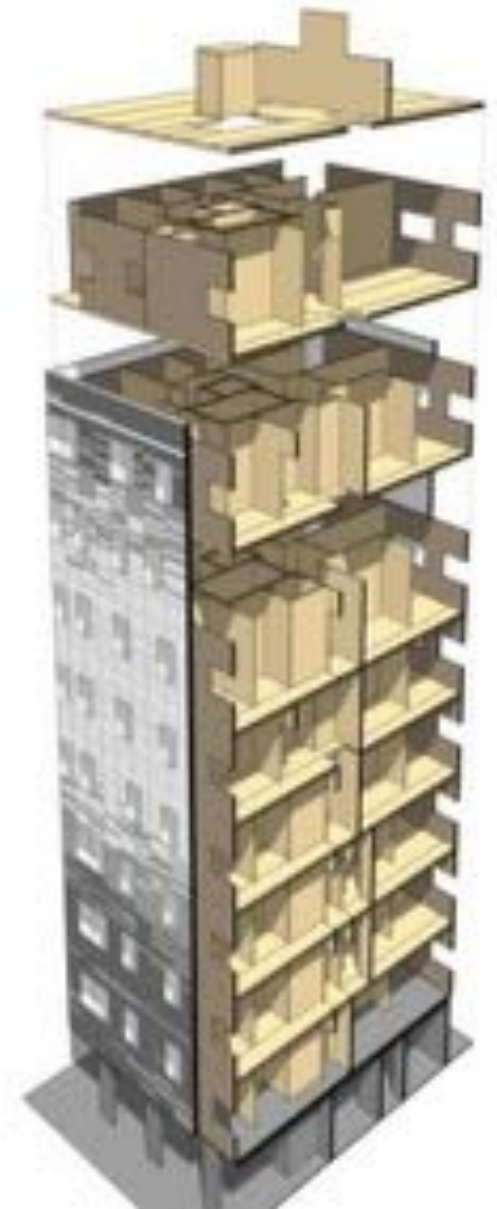
**Carbon savings from the choice of wood in this one building are equivalent to:**



1,615 passenger vehicles off the road for a year



Enough energy to operate a home for 803 years



Stadhaus, London, UK

Architect: Waugh Thistleton Architects

Photo credit: Waugh Thistleton Architects

# BULLITT CENTER

SEATTLE, WA

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**BUILDING INFO:**  
**OFFICE BUILDING**

**4 STORIES MASS TIMBER OVER 2 STORIES CONCRETE**

**52,000 SF**

**NET ZERO**

**LIVING BUILDING CHALLENGE CERTIFIED**

**TYPE IV CONSTRUCTION**

**250 YR DESIGN LIFE**

**COMPLETED 2013**

# **BULLITT CENTER**

**SEATTLE, WA**



**250 YEAR STRUCTURE**  
**HEAVY TIMBER, CONCRETE & STEEL**  
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# BULLITT CENTER

SEATTLE, WA

**NAIL-LAMINATED TIMBER DECKS PROVIDE:  
MAXIMIZED SPANS, REDUCED NUMBER OF COLUMNS, MORE OPEN SPACE  
FLEXIBILITY, MINIMIZED STRUCTURE DEPTH**

PHOTO CREDIT: JOHN STAMETS

# What is the appeal of CLT?

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## Sustainability

- Reduced Embodied Carbon
- Minimal waste production

## Performance

## Construction Efficiency



# Minimal Waste



# Why are designers drawn to CLT?

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## Sustainability

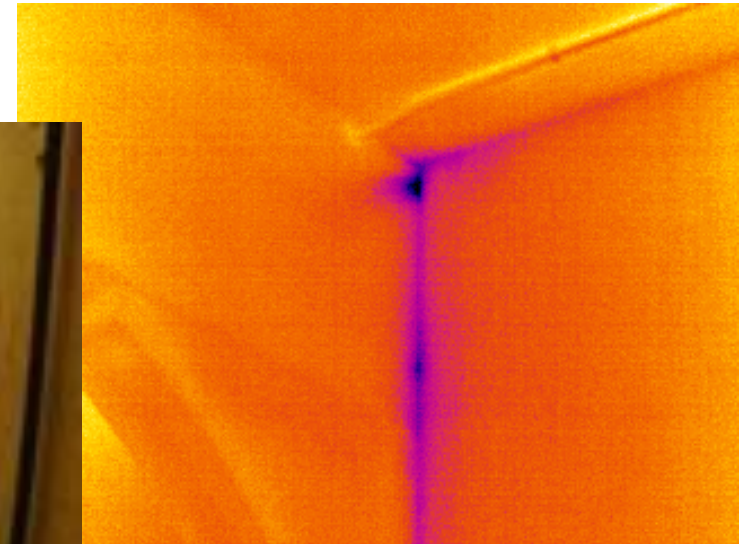
- Reduced Embodied Carbon
- Minimal waste production
- Highly Energy Efficient

## Performance

## Construction Efficiency



# Energy Efficient



**Table 2**

Thermal resistance of typical softwood at various thicknesses and 12% moisture content

Thickness	1 in. (25 mm)	4 in. (100 mm)	6 in. (150 mm)	8 in. (200 mm)
R-value ( $\text{h}\cdot\text{ft}^2\cdot^\circ\text{F}\cdot\text{Btu}^{-1}$ )	1.25	5.00	7.50	10.00
RSI ( $\text{m}^2\cdot\text{K}\cdot\text{W}^{-1}$ )	0.22	0.88	1.30	1.80

CLT has an R-value of approximately 1.25 per inch of thickness.

Source: US CLT Handbook

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- Disaster Resilient

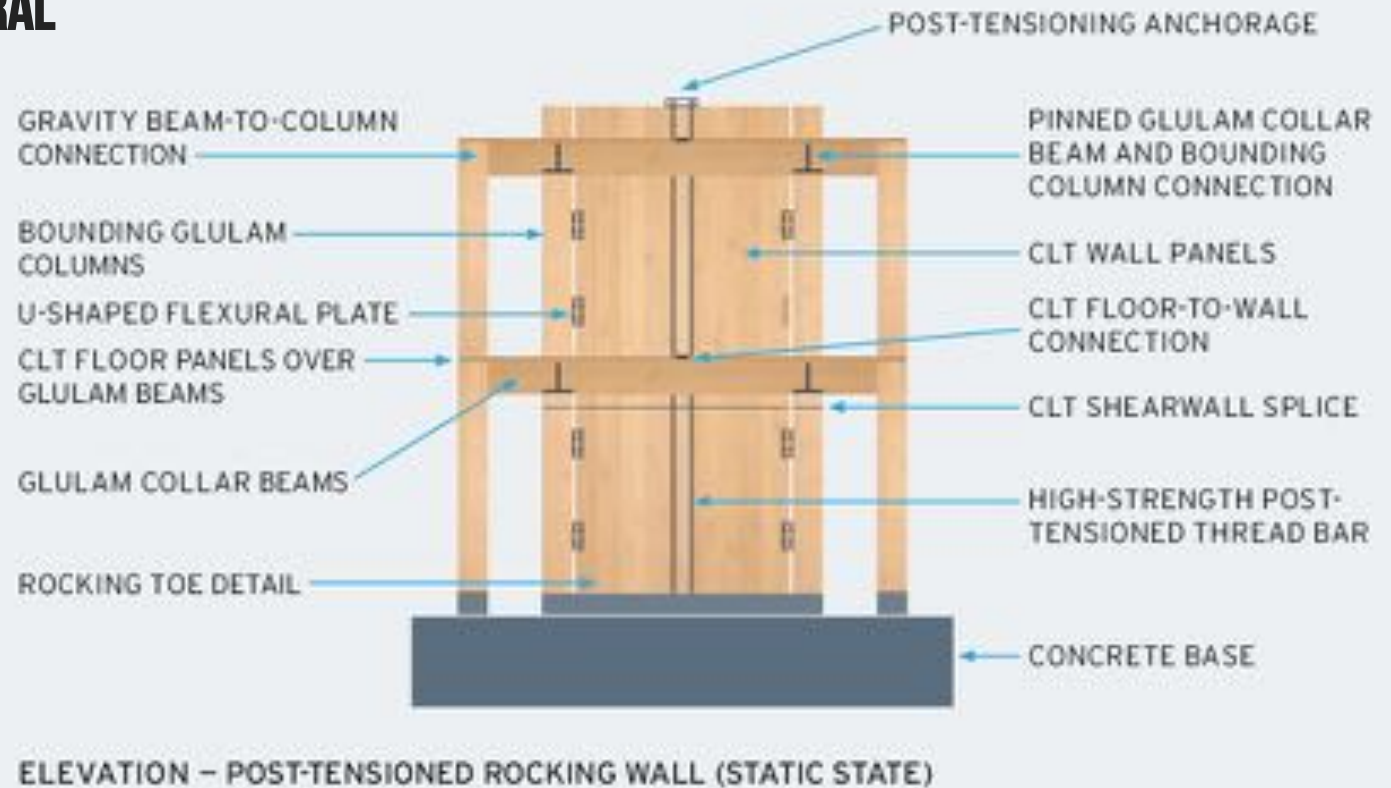
## Construction Efficiency



# MASS TIMBER APPEAL

DISASTER RESILIENT

## INNOVATIVE MASS TIMBER LATERAL FORCE RESISTING SYSTEMS



MASS TIMBER SHAKE TABLE TEST AT UCSD

## CLT ROCKING SHEAR WALL CONCEPT

SOURCE: KPFF

# MASS TIMBER APPEAL

DISASTER RESILIENT

**LIVE BLAST PERFORMANCE OF MASS TIMBER TESTING PROJECT ON-GOING  
INITIAL RESULTS VERY PROMISING**



# CANDLEWOOD SUITES

REDSTONE ARSENAL, AL



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# CANDLEWOOD SUITES

REDSTONE ARSENAL, AL



IMAGE CREDIT: LEND LEASE





- **62,600 SF, 4 STORY HOTEL, 92 PRIVATE ROOMS**
- **CLT UTILIZED FOR WALLS, ROOF PANELS, AND FLOOR PANELS**
- **1,557 CLT PANELS; TYPICAL FLOOR PANEL IS 8'X50' & WEIGHS 8,000 LBS**
- **COMPLETED LATE 2015**

IMAGE CREDIT: LEND LEASE & SCHAEFER

# **CANDLEWOOD SUITES**

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# What is the appeal of CLT?

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## Sustainability

- Reduced Embodied Carbon
- Minimal waste production
- Energy Efficient

## Performance

- Disaster Resilient
- Fire Resistant



## Construction Efficiency





# Fire Test Results


- ASTM E119 Fire Endurance Test
  - 5-Ply CLT (6-7/8" thick)
  - 5/8" Type X GWB each side
  - 2 hour target
  - Actual 3 hours 6 minutes
- 2015 NDS Chapter 16 includes char rates for CLT to achieve up to 2 hour fire rating


 **Fire Testing Laboratory** 

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for  
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**Standard Methods of  
Fire Tests of Building Construction and Materials  
ASTM E 119 – 11a**

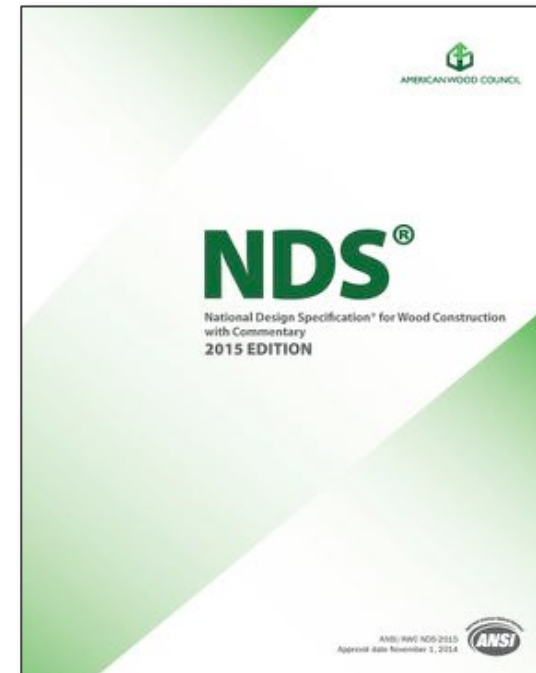
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# CLT is Defined – 2015 IBC

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## SECTION 202 DEFINITIONS

CROSS-LAMINATED TIMBER. A prefabricated engineered wood product consisting of at least three layers of solid-sawn lumber or structural composite lumber where the adjacent layers are cross-oriented and bonded with structural adhesive to form a solid wood element.

Add new text as follows:

2303.1.4 Structural glued cross-laminated timber. Cross-laminated timbers shall be manufactured and identified as required in ANSI/APA PRG 320-2011.

Add new standard to Chapter 35 as follows:

**ANSI**

ANSI/APA PRG 320-2011 Standard for Performance-Rated Cross-Laminated Timber

# CONSTRUCTION TYPES

IBC 602

## ALL WOOD FRAMED BUILDING OPTIONS:

### TYPE III

EXTERIOR WALLS NON-COMBUSTIBLE (MAY BE FRTW)

INTERIOR ELEMENTS ANY ALLOWED BY CODE, INCLUDING MASS TIMBER

### TYPE V

ALL BUILDING ELEMENTS ARE ANY ALLOWED BY CODE, INCLUDING MASS TIMBER

TYPES III AND V ARE SUBDIVIDED TO A (PROTECTED) AND B (UNPROTECTED)

### TYPE IV (HEAVY TIMBER)

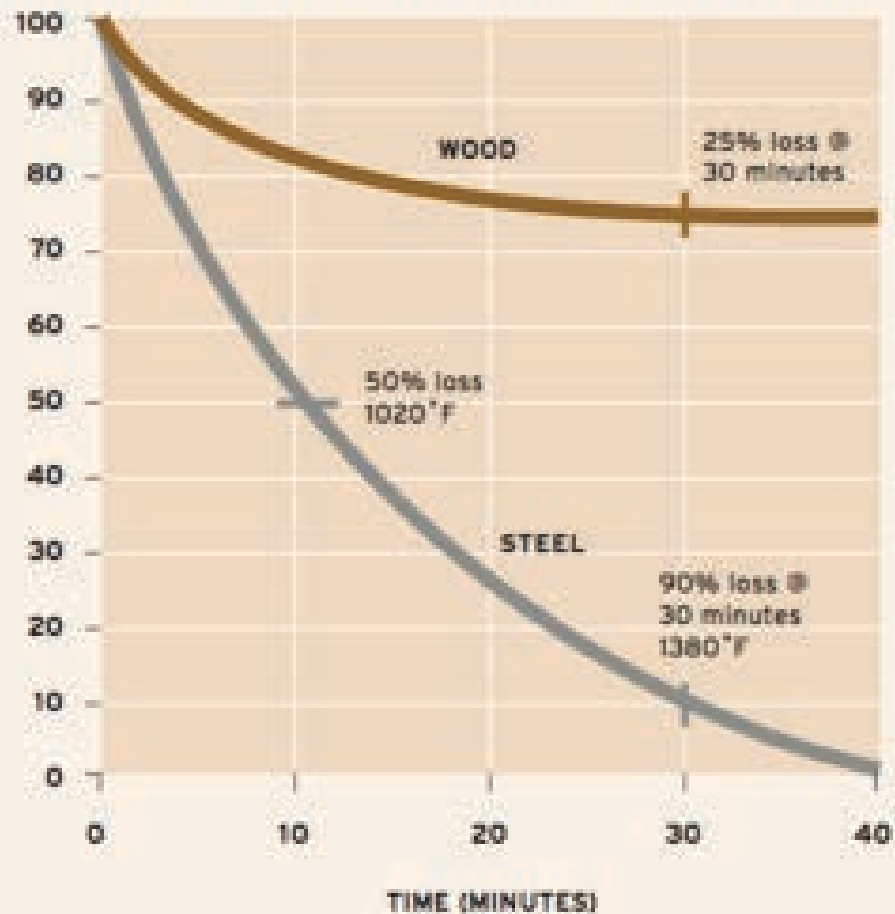
EXTERIOR WALLS NON-COMBUSTIBLE (MAY BE FRTW OR CLT)

INTERIOR ELEMENTS QUALIFY AS HEAVY TIMBER (MIN. SIZES, NO CONCEALED SPACES)

# MASS TIMBER DESIGN

## FIRE RESISTANCE

COMPARATIVE STRENGTH LOSS OF WOOD VERSUS STEEL



Results from test sponsored by National Forest Products Association at the Southwest Research Institute

SOURCE: AITC



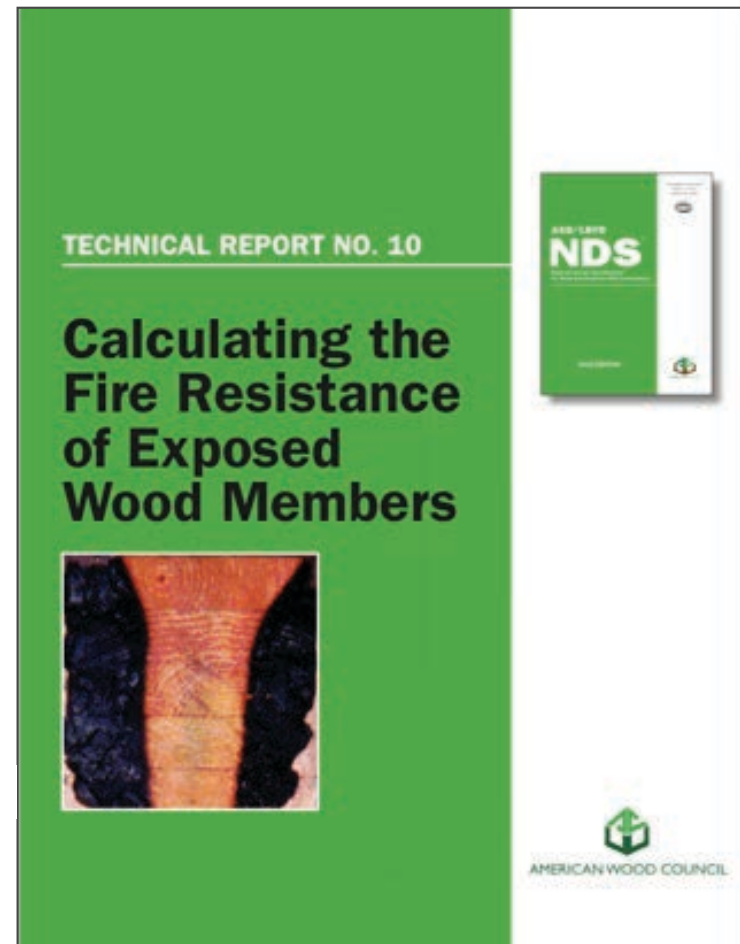
# Achieving One Hour Equivalency for Protected Construction

## NDS Chapter 16

### Fire Design of Wood Members

NATIONAL DESIGN SPECIFICATION FOR WOOD CONSTRUCTION		349
<b>FIRE DESIGN OF WOOD MEMBERS</b>		
16.1	General	150
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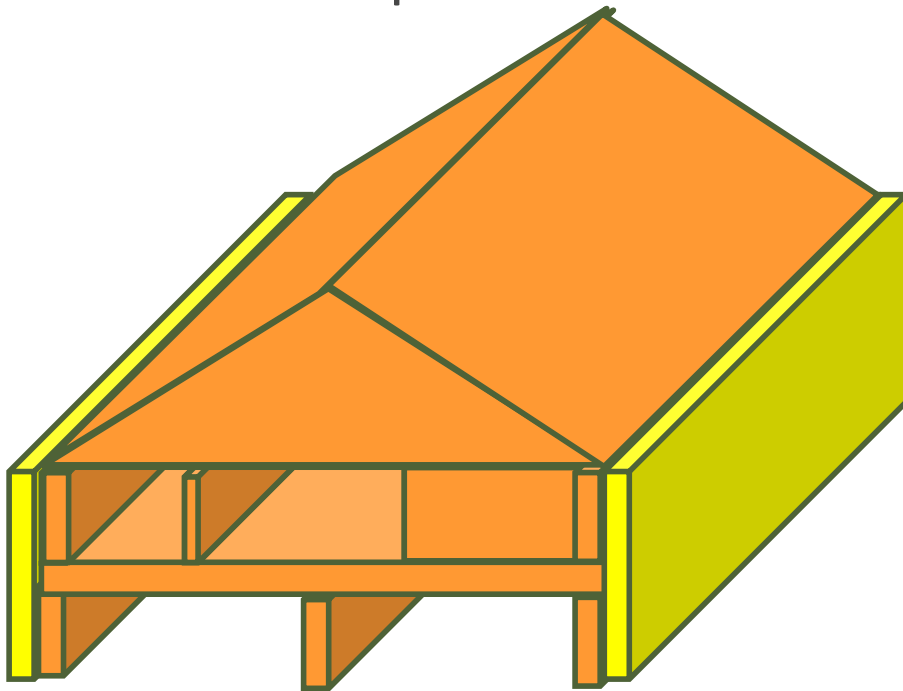
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Available from AWC website

# Type IV Construction – IBC 602.4

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Exterior walls are of noncombustible materials and interior building elements are of solid or laminated wood without concealed spaces. FRT wood or Cross Laminated Timber\*- 2015IBC is permitted in exterior walls, where 2hr fire rating or less is required



- Non combustible Exterior walls
- Interior walls-solid without concealed spaces

- Fire Retardant Treated exterior walls or Cross laminated Timber (CLT)-2015 IBC are allowed if fire rating is 2hr or less

- Heavy Timber

\*Exterior surface of CLT is protected by FRT sheathing, ½" gypsum, or other non-combustible materials



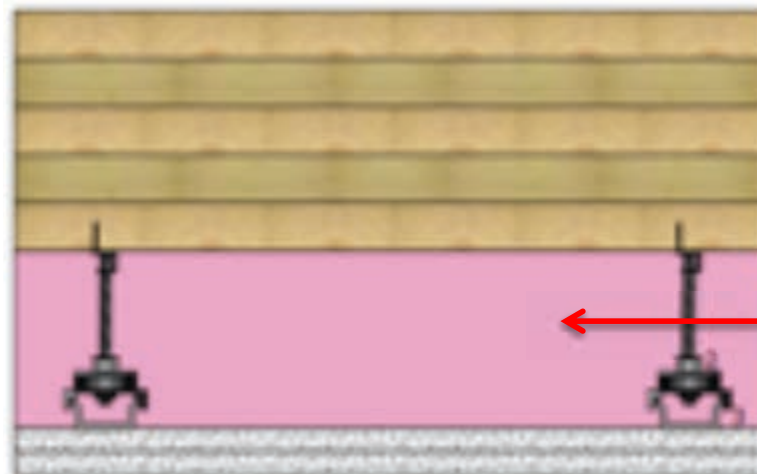
# Concealed Space Limitations on HT

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**Type IV Construction requires that interior elements be without concealed spaces:**

- Concealed spaces include dropped ceilings, attics, chases, others

Concealed space requirement does not apply to any other construction type. If using heavy timber elements in non type IV construction, concealed spaces are permitted but may be required to be sprinklered



Example of concealed space created by dropped ceiling

# HT Outside of Type IV Construction

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## In Type III & V Construction Requiring Fire Resistance Rating:

IBC 722.1 permits calculation of fire resistance for exposed wood members and wood decking performed in accordance with NDS Chapter 16.

- Common applications are exposed timber floors and roofs in IIIA, VA construction
- Reduced (non-charred) section is used for structural calculations
- Protection of connections required per IBC 722.6.3.3



Federal Center South – Building 1202 , Seattle, WA  
Photo Credit: Benjamin Benschneider

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## Construction Efficiency

# CLT Acoustics

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## Sound Insulation of Bare CLT Floors and Walls

Number of layers	Thickness (in. )	Assembly type	STC	IIC
3	3-3/4 to 4-1/2	Wall	32-34	N.A.
5	5-1/3	Floor	39	23
5	5-3/4	Floor	39	24
Measured on field bare CLT wall and floor				
Number of layers	Thickness in.	Assembly type	FSTC	FIIC
3	4-1/8	Wall	28	N.A.
7	8-1/5	Floor	N.A	25-30

Source: US CLT Handbook

# MASS TIMBER DESIGN

## ACOUSTICS

### **Common mass timber floor assembly:**

- Finish floor (if applicable)
- Underlayment (if finish floor)
- 1.5" to 3" thick concrete/gypcrete topping
- Acoustical mat
- WSP (if applicable)
- Mass timber floor panels



Image credit: AcoustiTECH

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# Structural Flexibility

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# > 75% Lighter Weight Than Concrete



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# Reduced Construction Time



## Murray Grove, London UK

- 8 stories of CLT over 1 story concrete podium
- 8 stories built in 27 days (~1/2 the time of precast concrete)



## Franklin Elementary School, Franklin, WV

- 45,200 ft<sup>2</sup> 2 story elementary school
- 8 weeks to construct

# FRANKLIN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

FRANKLIN, WV





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- Pre-fabricated and Precise

# CLT: A Prefabricated Material

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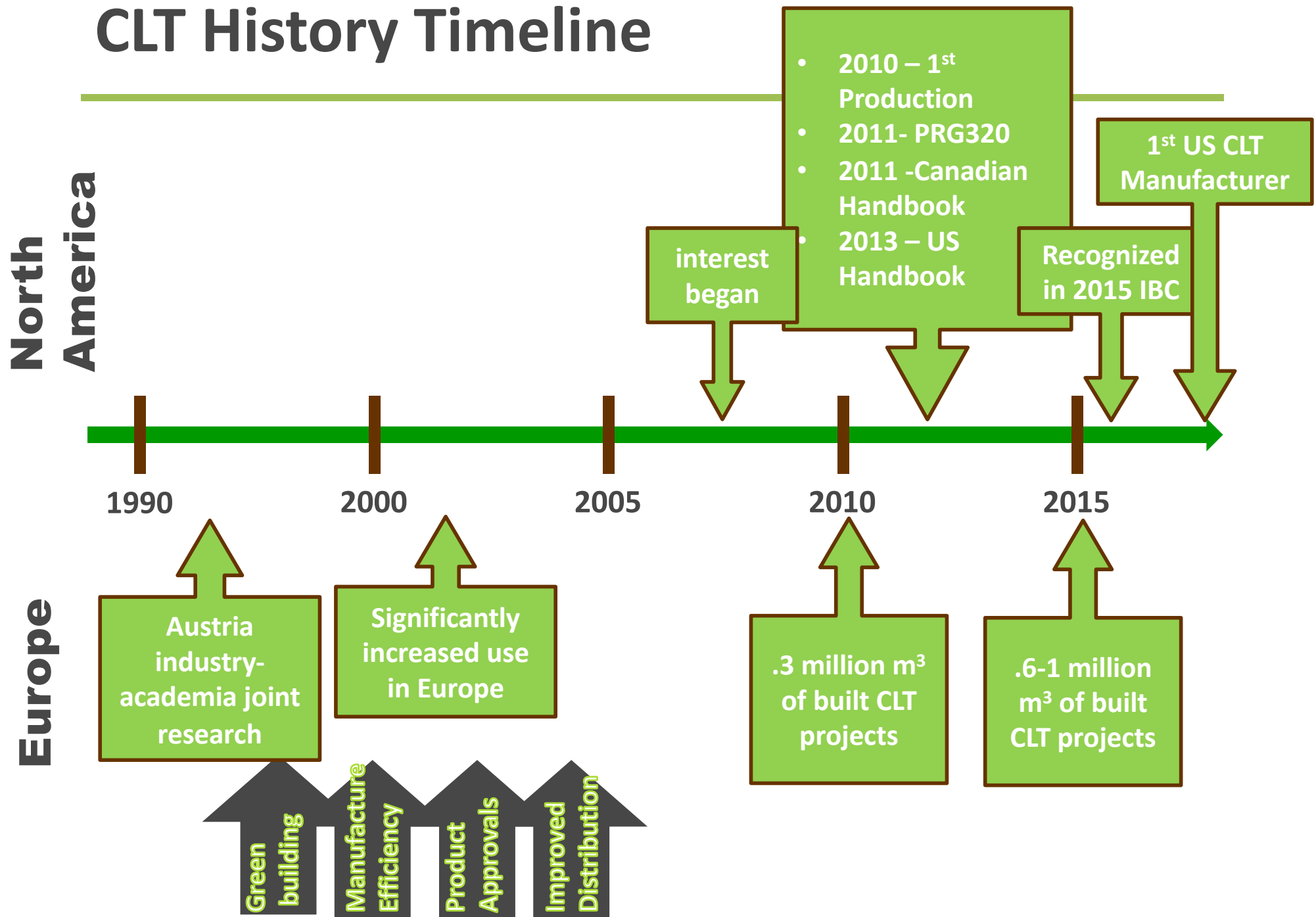


- Custom engineered for material efficiency.
- Custom designed for project.
- Each panel numbered, delivered & installed in predetermined sequence

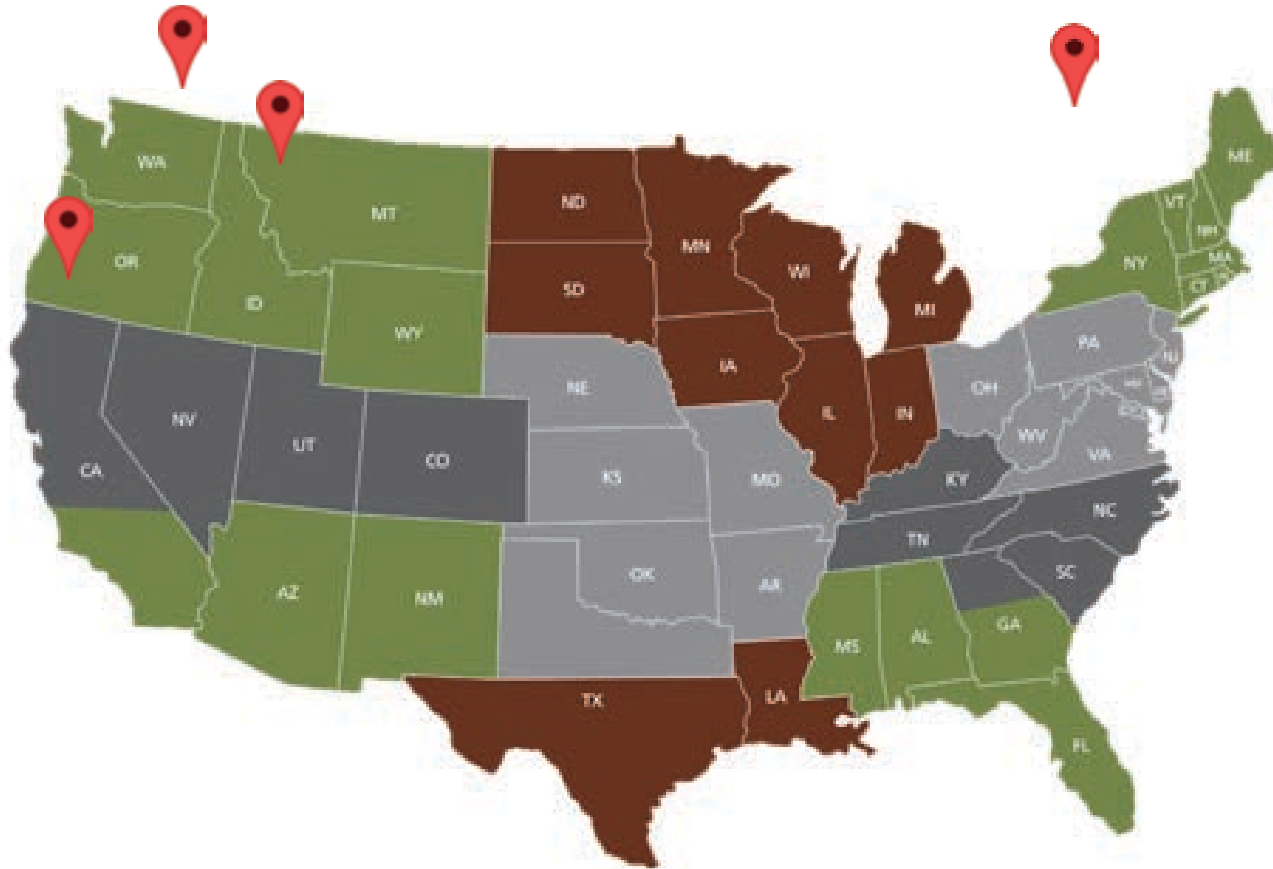
- Finished panels are planed, sanded, cut to size. Then openings are cut with precise CNC routers.
- Third party inspection at factory.



# CLT History Timeline



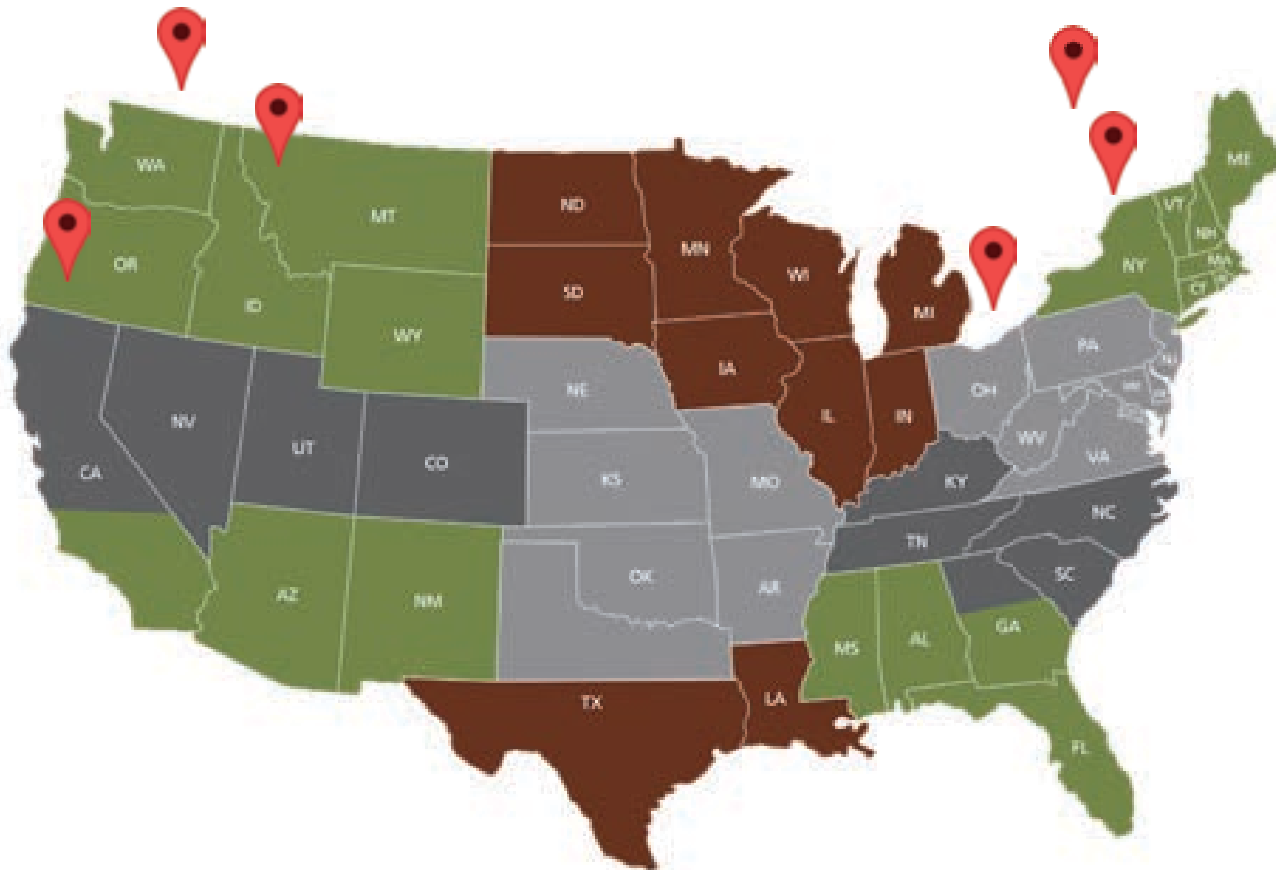
# Certified North American CLT Manufacturers



## Certified CLT:

- **Nordic** (Chibougamau , QU, Canada)
- **SmartLam** (Whitefish, MT, US)
- **Structurlam** (Penticton, BC, Canada)
- **DR Johnson Lumber** (Riddle, OR, US)

# CLT Manufacturers Serving Non-Structural Markets



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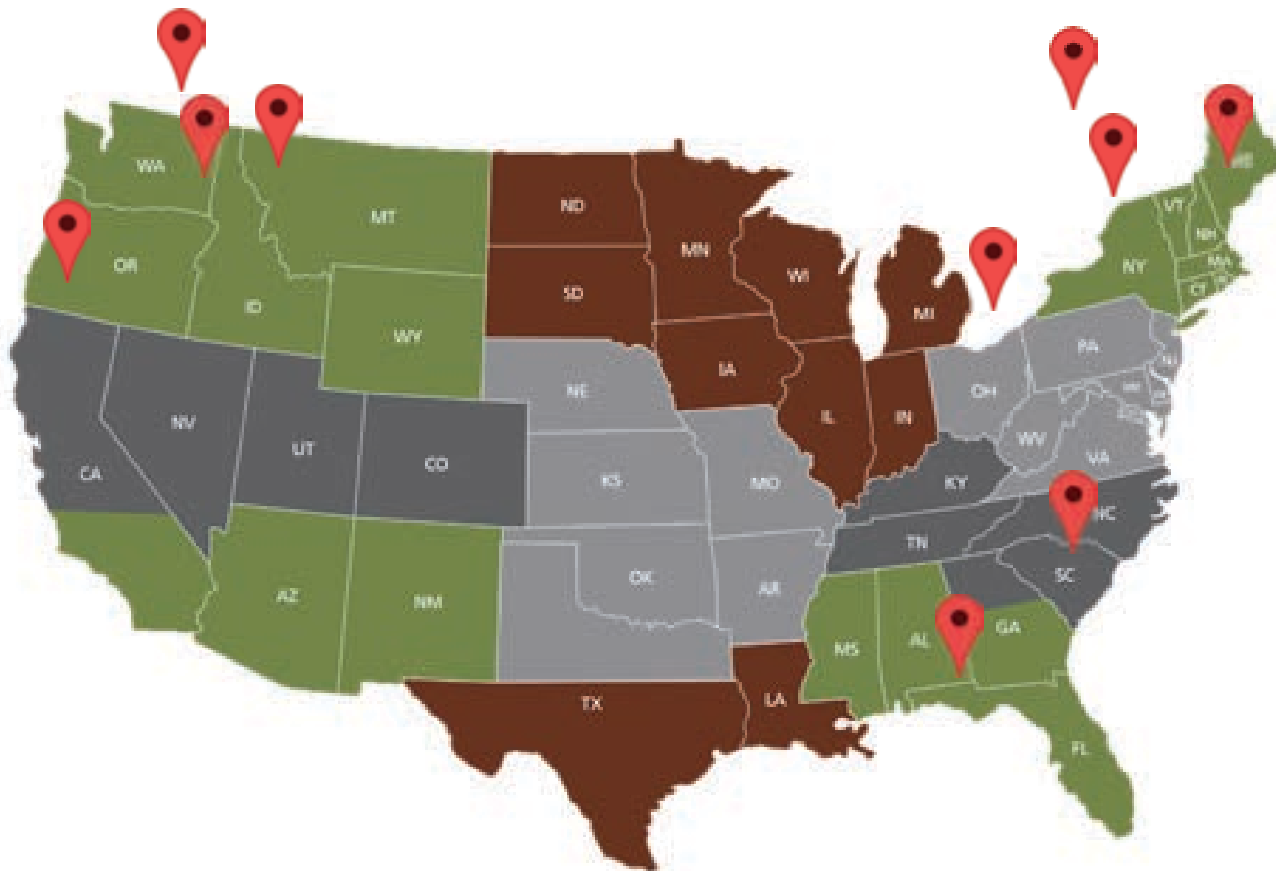
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## Not Yet Certified:

- **Guardian Structures** (St. Marys, ON, Canada)
- **Element 5** (Ripon, QC, Canada)



# New Manufacturing Facilities Underway



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## Coming Soon:

- **International Beams** (Dothan, AL)
- **Katerra** (Spokane, WA)
- **SmartLam** (TBD)

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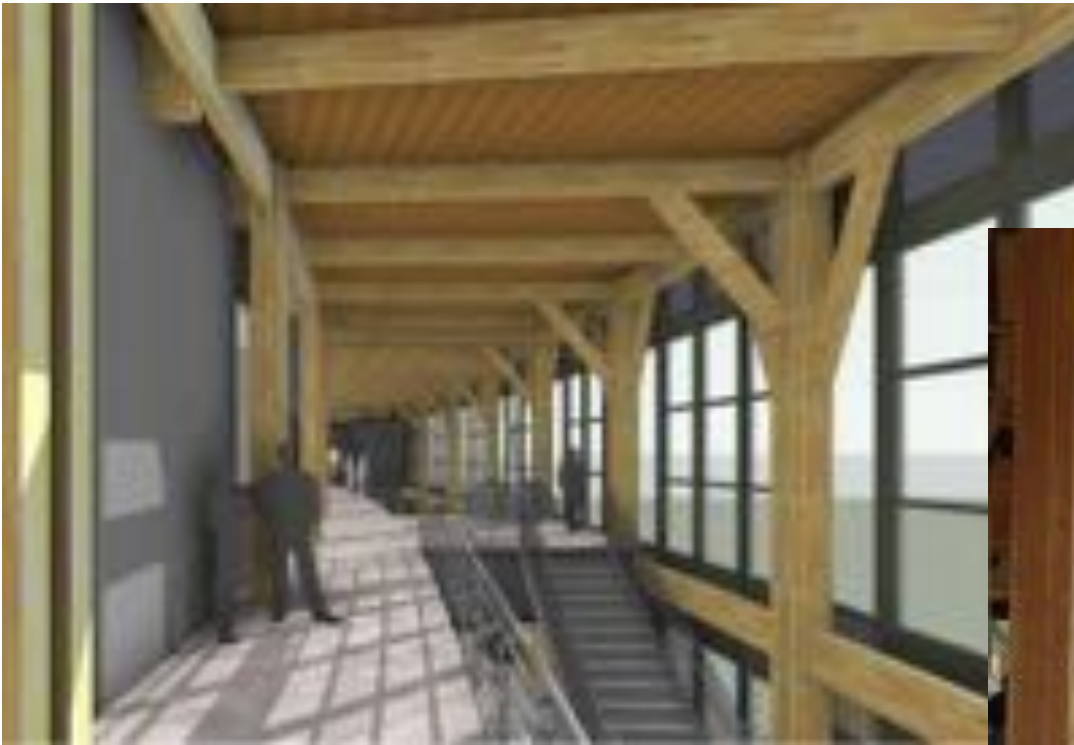
# Mass Timber Building Options

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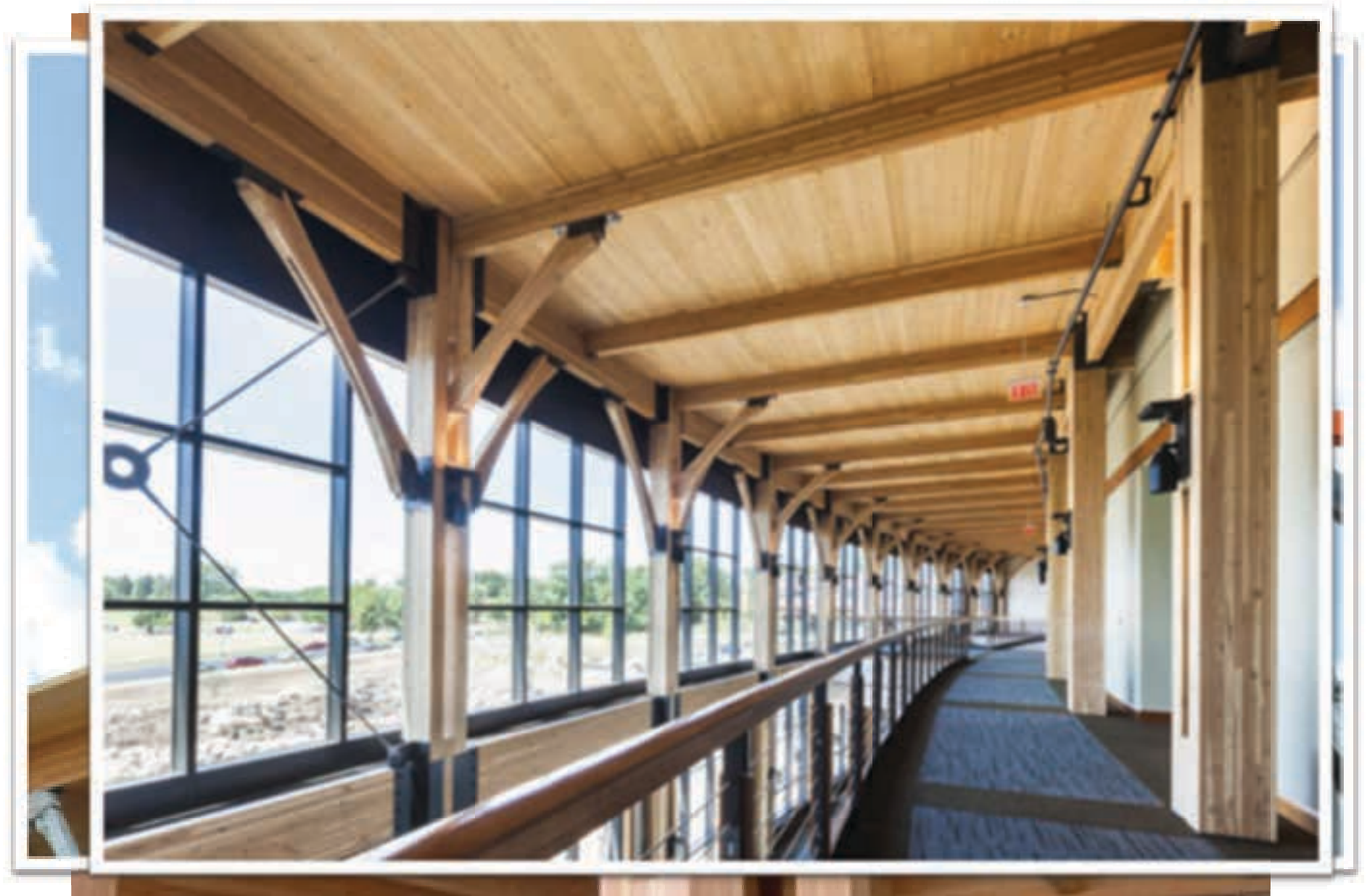




- Completed in 2013
- 1<sup>st</sup> Commercial CLT Building in US built with North American CLT
- CLT used only in the roof



Promega GMP Facility, Fitchburg, WI  
Architect: Uihlein Wilson Architects



Promega Feynman Center, The Crossroads, Madison, Wisconsin  
Photos: Aitor Sanchez/EwingCole



# Chicago Horizon Pavilion

## Chicago, IL



Photo Credit: Tom Harris



56' square kiosk

2 Layers of 3-ply, 4-1/8" CLT roof panels in opposite directions, each panel 8' x 56', creating 2 way spanning plate



Chicago Horizon Pavilion  
Photos: Tom Harris

Chicago Horizon Pavilion  
Photos: Aaron Forrest



Total roof structure  
thickness 8-1/4"

Spans up to 30 feet between  
columns at points





# Chicago Horizon Won Chicago Architecture Biennial's 2015 Lakefront Kiosk Competition

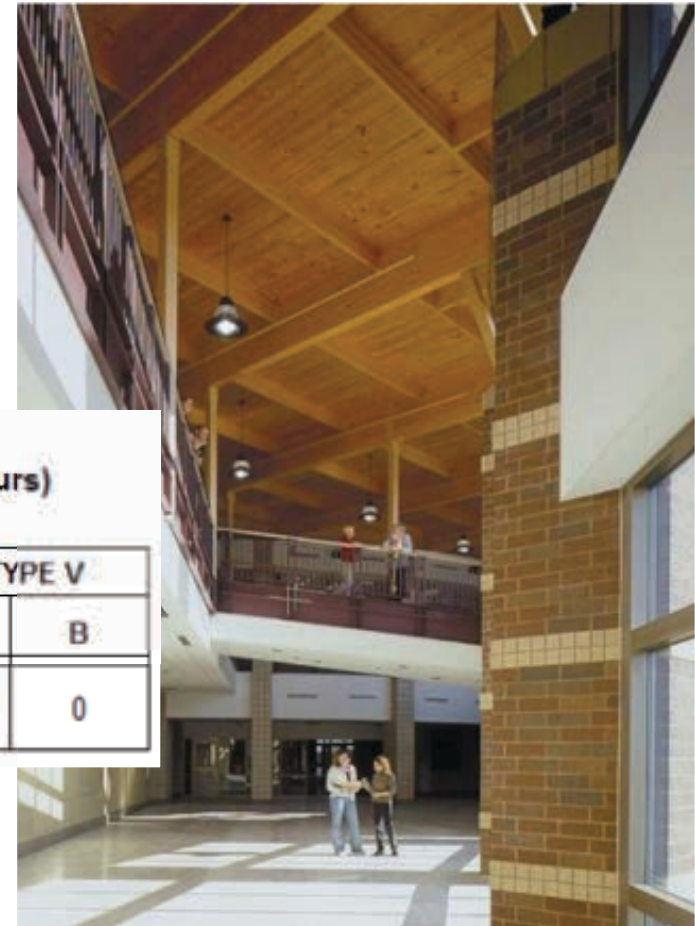


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# CONSTRUCTION TYPES

IBC 601 & 603

**MASS TIMBER ROOFS (DECKS & SECONDARY MEMBERS) CAN BE USED WHERE THE REQUIRED FIRE RESISTANCE RATING IS 1 HOUR OR LESS IN ANY CONSTRUCTION TYPE EXCEPT 1A PER IBC TABLE 601 FOOTNOTE C & SECTION 603.1**



**TABLE 601  
FIRE-RESISTANCE RATING REQUIREMENTS FOR BUILDING ELEMENTS (hours)**

BUILDING ELEMENT	TYPE I		TYPE II		TYPE III		TYPE IV	TYPE V	
	A	B	A <sup>d</sup>	B	A <sup>d</sup>	B	HT	A <sup>d</sup>	B
Roof construction and secondary members (see Section 202)	1 <sup>1/2</sup> <sub>2</sub>	1 <sup>b,c</sup>	1 <sup>b,c</sup>	0 <sup>c</sup>	1 <sup>b,c</sup>	0	HT	1 <sup>b,c</sup>	0

**C. IN ALL OCCUPANCIES, HEAVY TIMBER SHALL BE ALLOWED WHERE A 1-HOUR OR LESS FIRE-RESISTANCE RATING IS REQUIRED**



## Portland International Jetport, Portland, Maine

Architect : Gensler

Structural Engineer: Oest Associates

Timber Engineer: DeStefano & Chamberlain

Photos courtesy DeStefano & Chamberlain, Inc.



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# Case Study: Portland



## Portland International Jetport

- Location: Portland, ME
- LEED Gold
- Completed 2012

Design Team: Gensler, Oest Associates

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# UMASS DESIGN BUILDING

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# UMASS DESIGN BUILDING

AMHERST, MA

**4 STORY, 87,500 SF FACILITY WITH: CLASSROOMS, LOUNGES, MEETING ROOMS, MATERIALS-TESTING LAB, GREEN-BUILDING LAB, WOOD SHOP, DIGITAL FABRICATION LAB, CAFE, EXHIBIT SPACE, AND LIBRARY**

IMAGE: ALEX SCHREYER



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# T3 MINNEAPOLIS

MINNEAPOLIS, MN



Photo Credit: Blaine Brownell

## **TYPE IV CONSTRUCTION**

**7 STORIES (6 TIMBER ON 1 CONCRETE)**

**234,000 SF**

**2X8 NLT FLOOR PANELS W/3" CONCRETE TOPPING**

**GLULAM BEAM AND COLUMN FRAME**

**20'X25' GRID**





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20'x25' Grid

Image Credit: StructureCraft Builders



# T3 MINNEAPOLIS

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IMAGE CREDIT: STRUCTURECRAFT/HINES/MICHAEL GREEN ARCHITECT

THE BUILDINGS —

THE NEIGHBORHOOD

SUSTAINABILITY

WYTHE

THE FIRST BRICK AND BEAM BUILDINGS  
TO BE CONSTRUCTED IN NEW YORK CITY  
IN NEARLY A CENTURY.

IMAGE CREDIT: FLANK

AVAILABILITY

TEAM

CONTACT

WYTHE





IMAGE CREDIT: FIELD CONDITION/FLANK



# 320 & 360 WYTHE AVE.

NEW YORK, NY

**3 STORY & 5 STORY BUILDINGS  
MOSTLY OFFICE, SOME APARTMENTS  
NLT & GLULAM**

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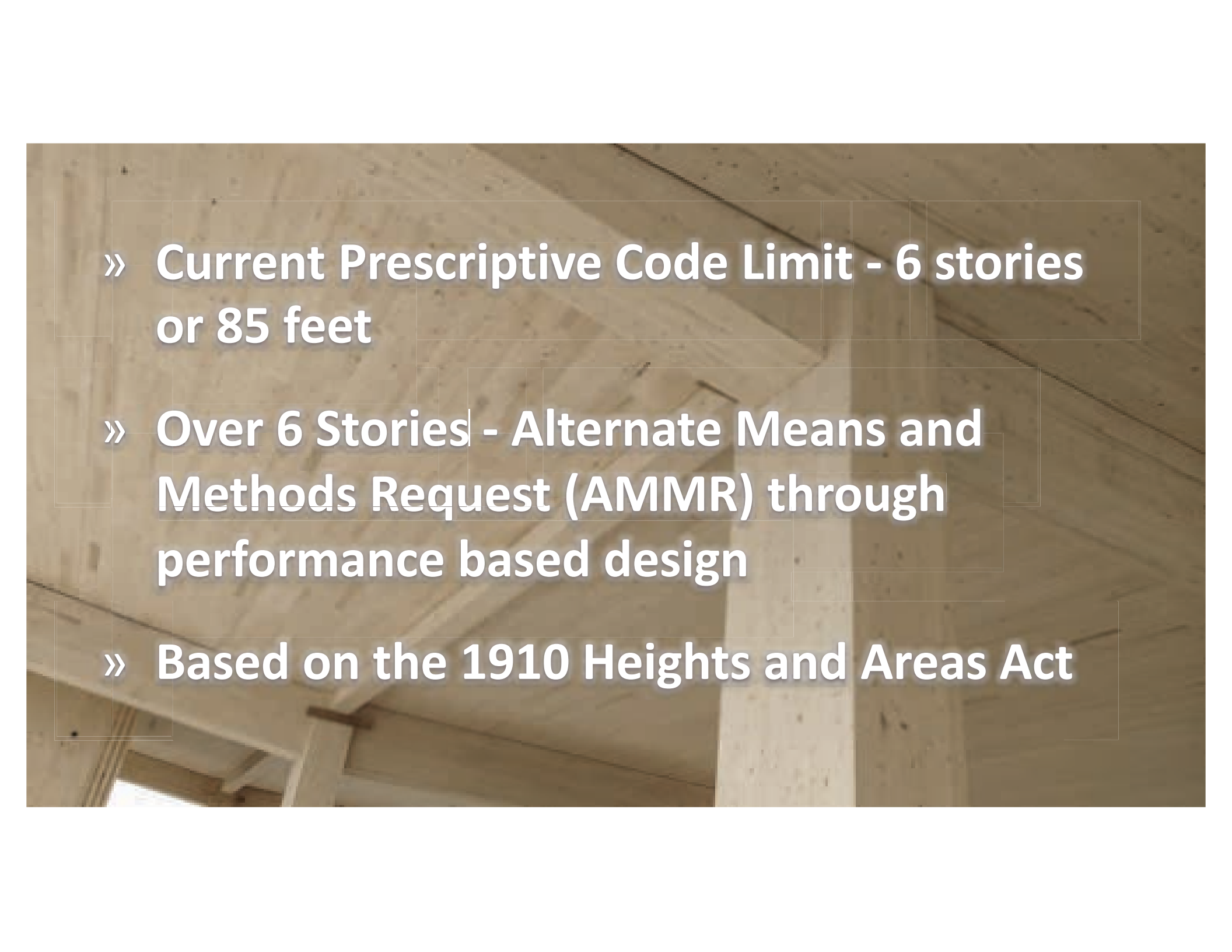
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# U.S. BUILDING CODE STATUS

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- » **Current Prescriptive Code Limit - 6 stories or 85 feet**
  - » **Over 6 Stories - Alternate Means and Methods Request (AMMR) through performance based design**
  - » **Based on the 1910 Heights and Areas Act**

# **MASS TIMBER CONSTRUCTION THE FUTURE'S LOOKING UP**

PHOTO CREDIT: NATURALLY: WOOD







# TALL WOOD IN THE U.S.

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## U.S. BUILDING CODES

### Tall Wood Ad Hoc Committee

Balanced Committee: 2016-2018

Development of code change proposals for prescriptive code allowances of tall wood buildings.



Mass Timber Fire Testing at ATF Lab



Mass Timber Shake Table Test at UCSD



# New Building Types



14 STORIES  
BUILDING HEIGHT  
ALLOWABLE BUILDING AREA 100,000 SF  
AVERAGE AREA PER STORY 71,429 SF

TYPE IV-A



21 STORIES  
BUILDING HEIGHT 110 FT  
ALLOWABLE BUILDING AREA 140,000 SF  
AVERAGE AREA PER STORY 66,667 SF

TYPE IV-B



10 STORIES  
BUILDING HEIGHT 80 FT  
ALLOWABLE BUILDING AREA 40,000 SF  
AVERAGE AREA PER STORY 4,000 SF

TYPE IV-C



384,000 SF  
ALLOWABLE BUILDING AREA  
96,000 SF  
AVERAGE AREA PER STORY

4 STORIES MAXIMUM  
MAXIMUM BUILDING HEIGHT 40 FT  
40,000 SF MAXIMUM AREA

TYPE IV- HT

IBC 2021

IBC 2015

## BUSINESS OCCUPANCY [GROUP B]

\*BUILDING FLOOR-TO-FLOOR HEIGHTS ARE SHOWN AT 12' 0" FOR ALL EXCEPTED FOR CLARITY IN COMPRESSION. BY THE 2015 TO 2021 IBC CODES.

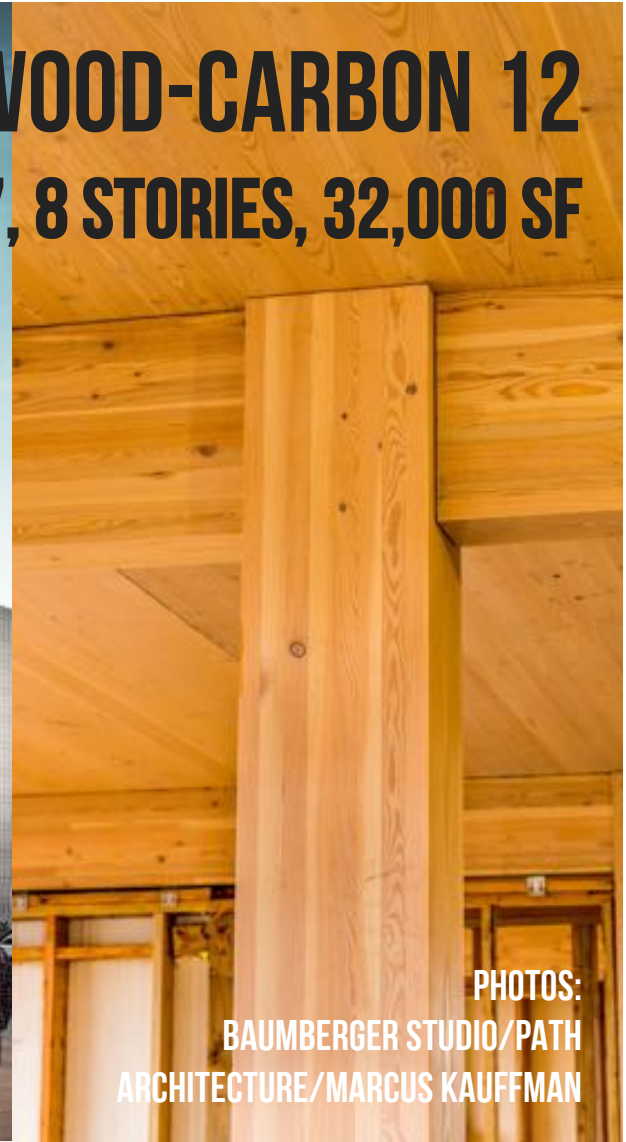


PORTLAND, OR



# MODERN TALL WOOD-CARBON 12

2017, 8 STORIES, 32,000 SF



PHOTOS:  
BAUMBERGER STUDIO/PATH  
ARCHITECTURE/MARCUS KAUFFMAN



# BROCK COMMONS

VANCOUVER, BC

**18 STORIES**

**174 FT**

**156K SQ.FT.**

Acton Ostry Architects & University of British Columbia via CTBUH

# BROCK COMMONS

VANCOUVER, BC

17 STORIES OF TIMBER INSTALLATION

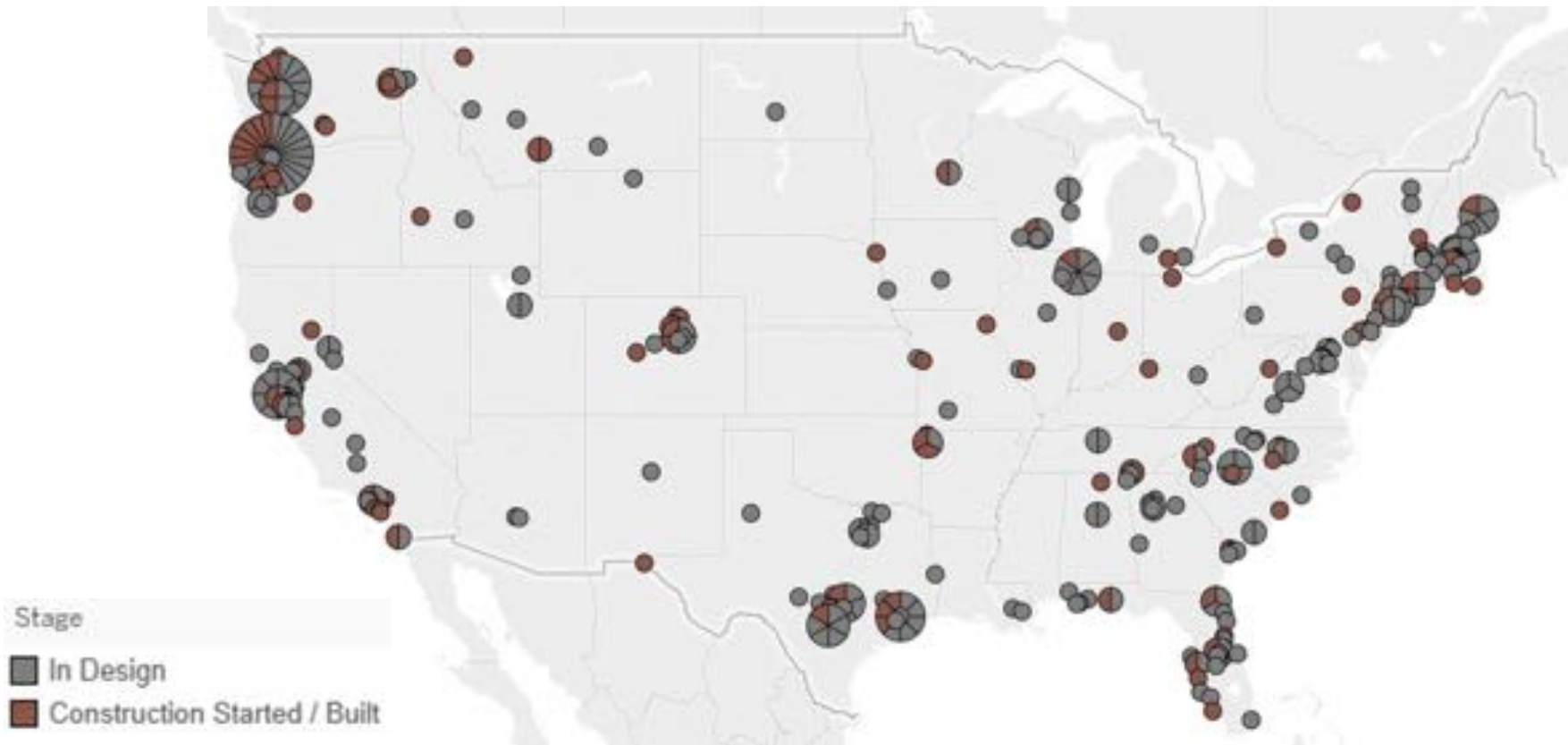
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FINISHED AUGUST 10, 2016



# CURRENT STATE OF MASS TIMBER PROJECTS

As of June 2018, more than **400** multi-family, commercial, or institutional projects have been constructed out of mass timber across the U.S., or they're currently in design.



<http://www.woodworks.org/publications-media/building-trends-mass-timber/>



# Questions?

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