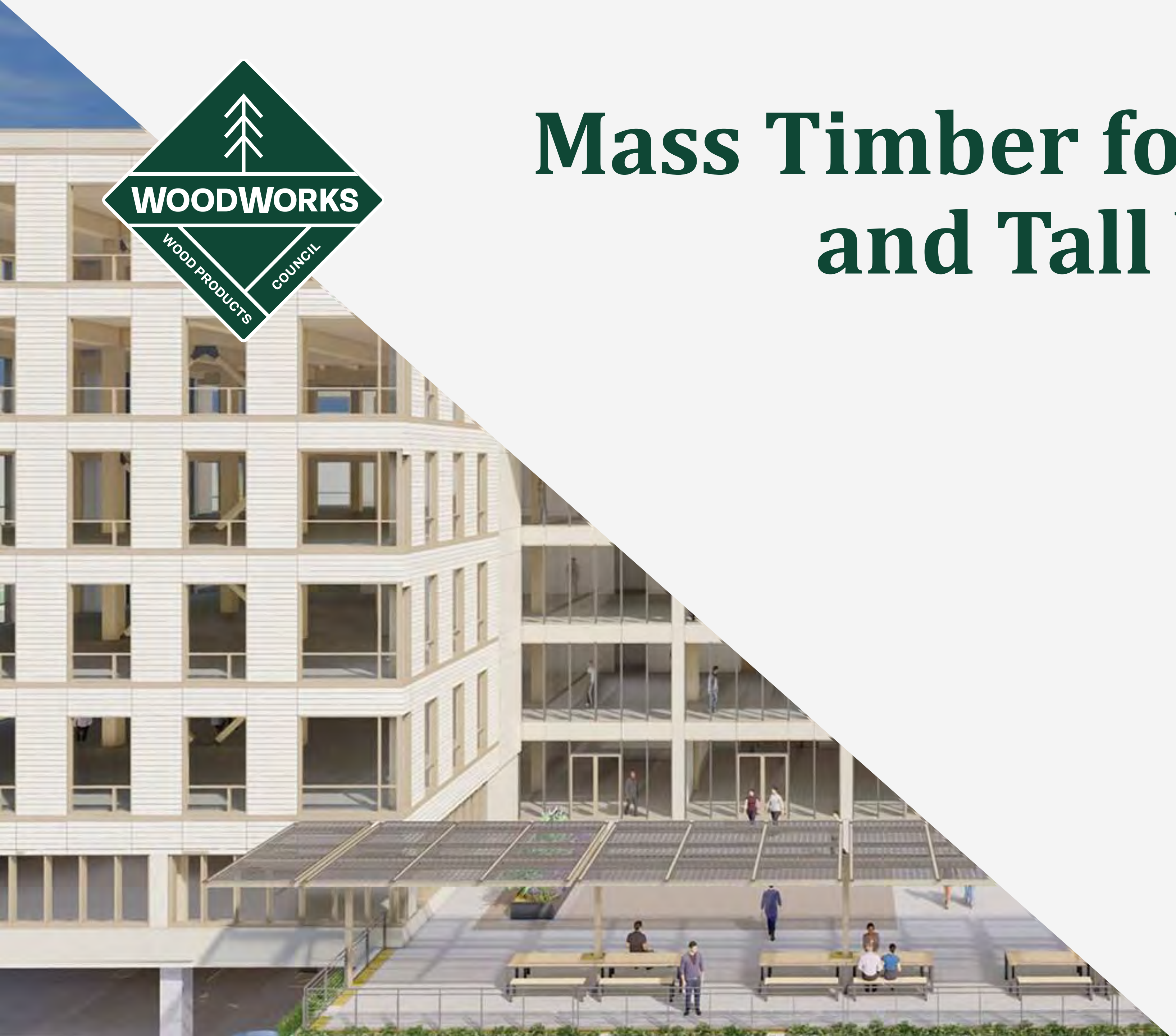

Mass Timber for Multi-Family and Tall Wood Projects

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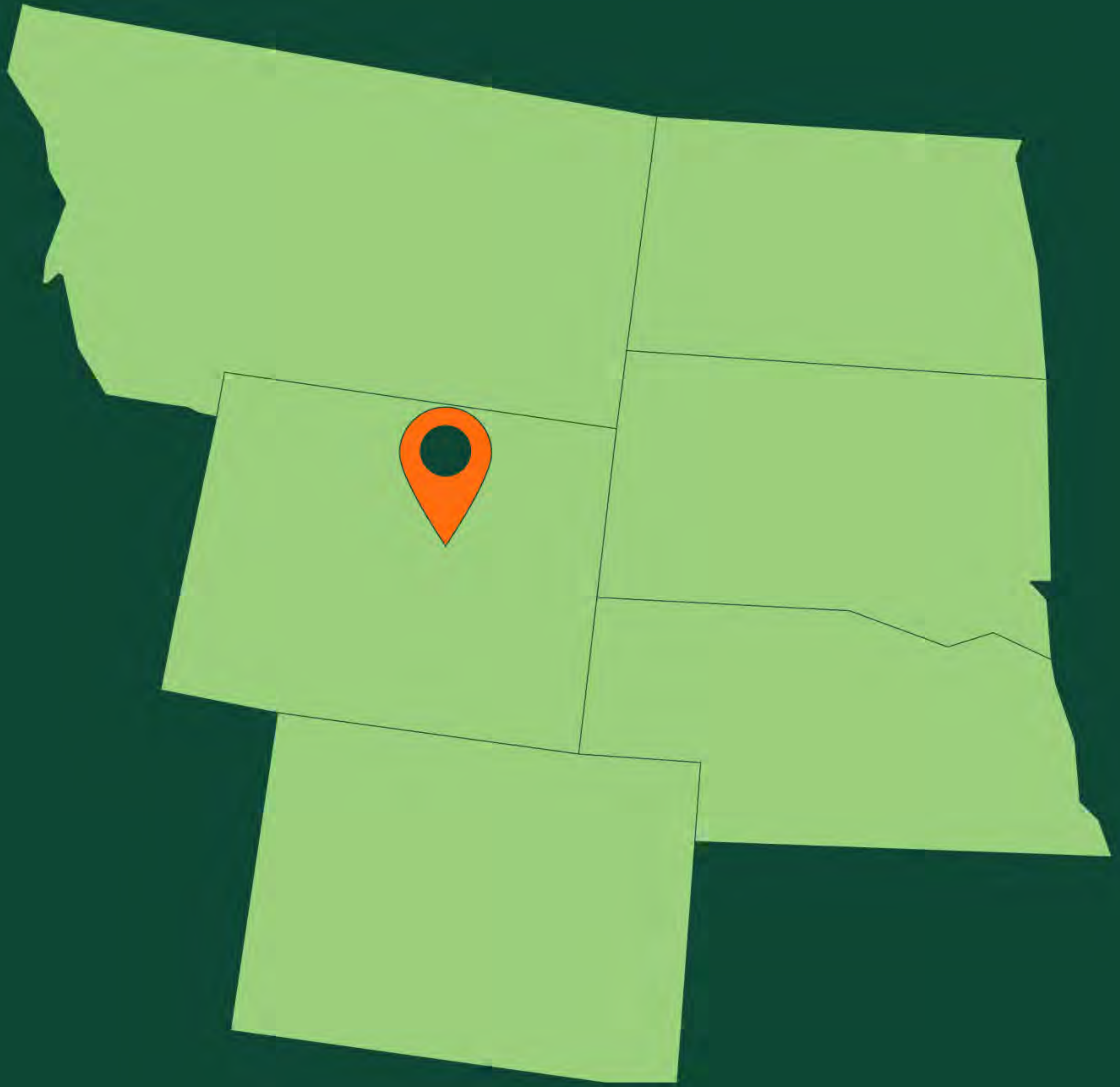

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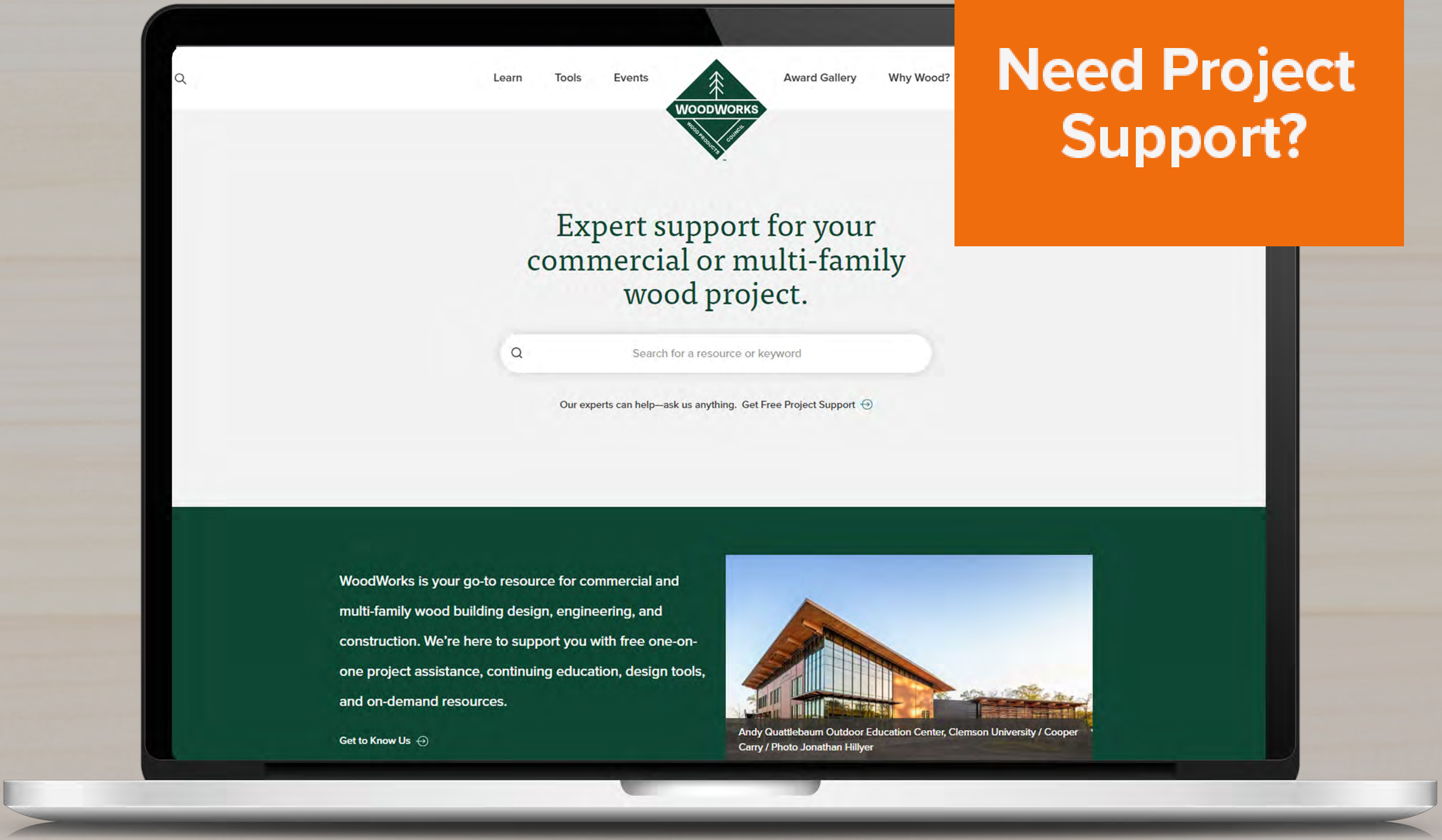

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This paper covers key aspects of mass timber acoustical design, including rules of thumb for optimal design, common assemblies, detailing strategies, and flanking paths. Companion to the Inventory of Mass Timber Acoustic Assemblies.

Solution Papers

Designing Mass Timber Floor Assemblies for Acoustics

The growing availability and code acceptance of mass timber for construction has given designers a low-carbon alternative.

Expert Tips

Impact of Wall Stud Size and Spacing on Fire and Acoustic Performance

Interior wall partitions in a wood-frame building—such as unit demising and corridor walls in a multi-family project—must meet several design objectives simultaneously. Two primary functions are fire resistance and acoustical separation. Having to cite two tested wall assemblies, one for fire-resistance endurance results and another for acoustic results, is common.

Expert Tips

Firehouse 12

The continuous plywood shell that creates varying acoustic conditions within the performance space forms the exterior of the auditorium.

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Acoustical Considerations for Mixed-Use Wood-Frame Buildings

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Solution Papers

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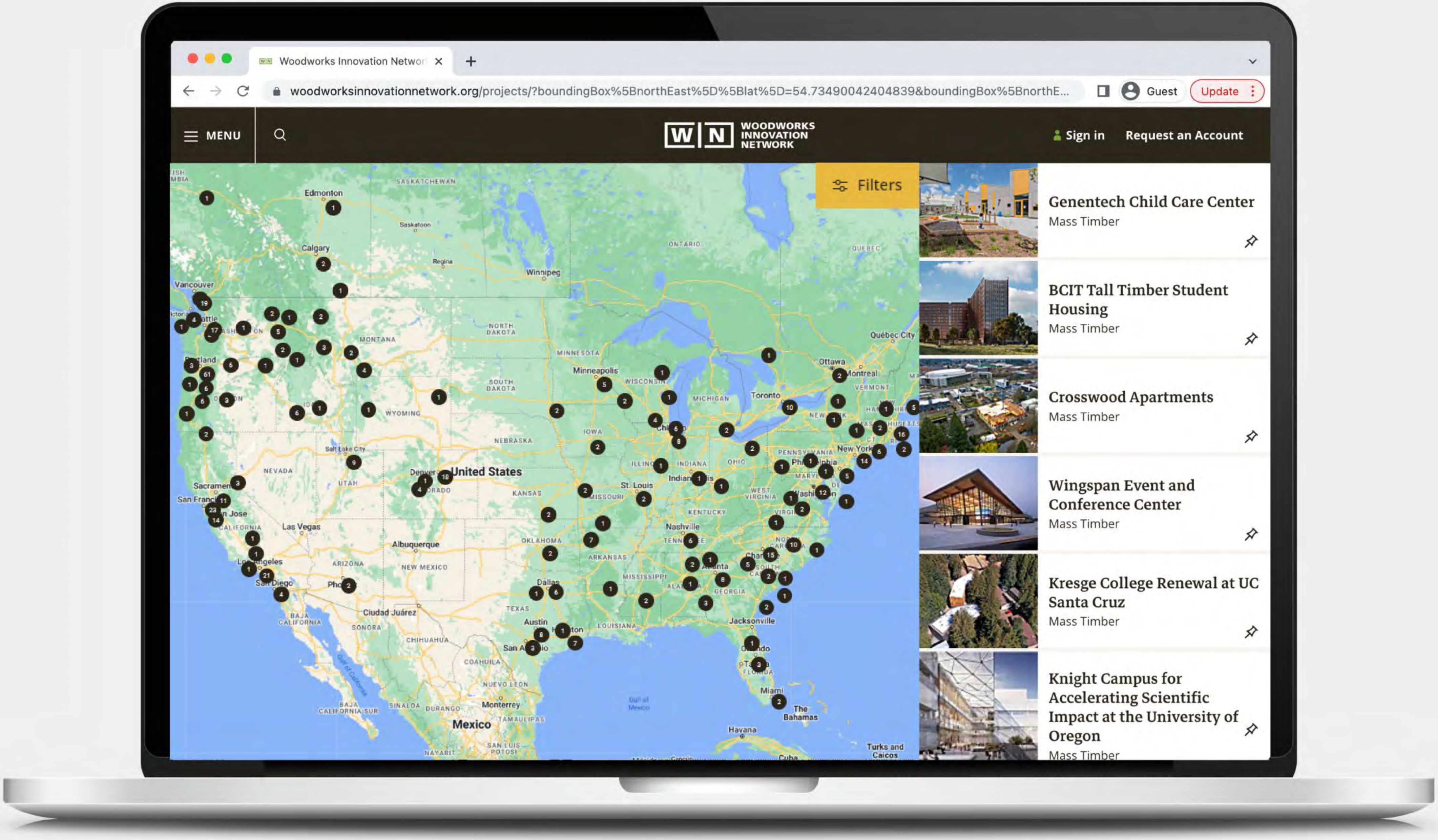

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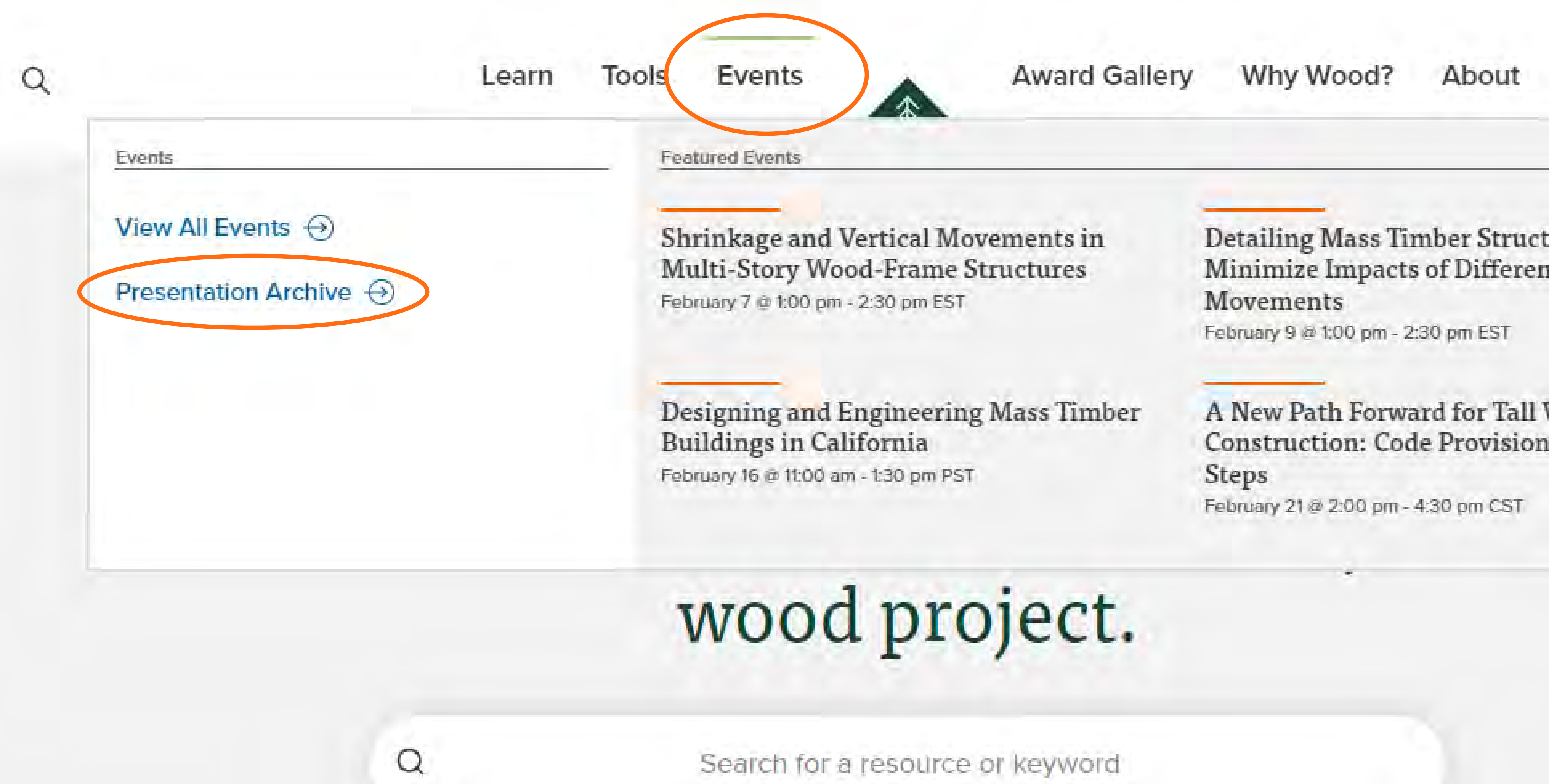

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Mass Timber for Multi-Family and Tall Wood Projects		
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Course Description

Mass timber is often attached to the stigma of being more expensive than other building materials. Because of this, some people assume it only makes sense for one-off projects where innovation is celebrated but repeatability is not. Is this true, or do its other benefits result in overall cost efficiency? If it is true, how can we expect to build the number of new housing units needed across our country in a sustainable and affordable manner? Typical multi-family housing developments are in the range of 4-6 stories, often utilizing podium or pedestal construction with 1-2 stories of steel and concrete topped with 3-5 stories of light wood framing. Beyond these heights, building codes have historically required steel or concrete framing and, to justify the added costs of these materials, projects often go much taller. This has created a critical gap in housing developments in the range of 6-12 stories. Can mass timber multi-family projects make financial sense in the 4-6 story range, used in conjunction with light wood-frame systems? What new opportunities will the 2021 International Building Code create for mass timber housing in the 6-18 story range? This presentation will answer these questions and much more.

Learning Objectives

1. Evaluate the code opportunities for mass timber structures in residential mid-rise projects.

2. Discuss code-compliant options for exposing mass timber, where up to 2-hour fire-resistance ratings are required and demonstrate design methodologies for achieving these ratings.

3. Review code requirements unique to hybrid mass timber and light-frame housing projects, and emphasize solutions for criteria such as construction type, fire-resistance ratings and acoustics design.

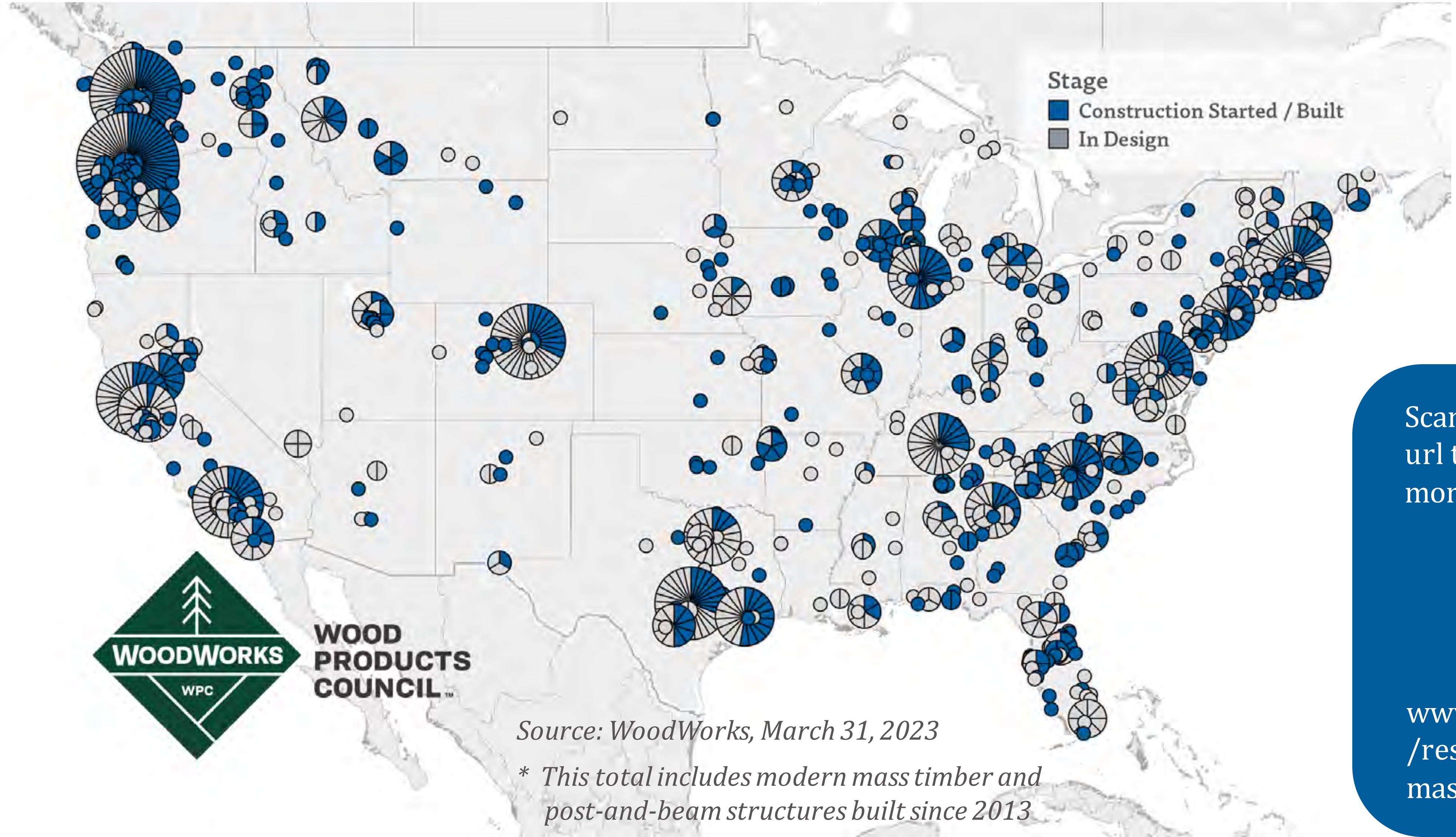
4. Highlight the unique benefits of using exposed mass timber in taller multi-family buildings.

Is Mass Timber a Good Fit for Your Multi-Family Project?

Ascent, Milwaukee, WI
Source: Korb & Associates Architects

Current State of Mass Timber Projects

As of March 2023, in the US, **1,753** multi-family, commercial, or institutional projects have been constructed with, or are in design with, mass timber.



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Source: WoodWorks, March 31, 2023

* *This total includes modern mass timber and post-and-beam structures built since 2013*

Scan this code or use the url to find the map and more details online.

www.woodworks.org/resources/mapping-mass-timber/

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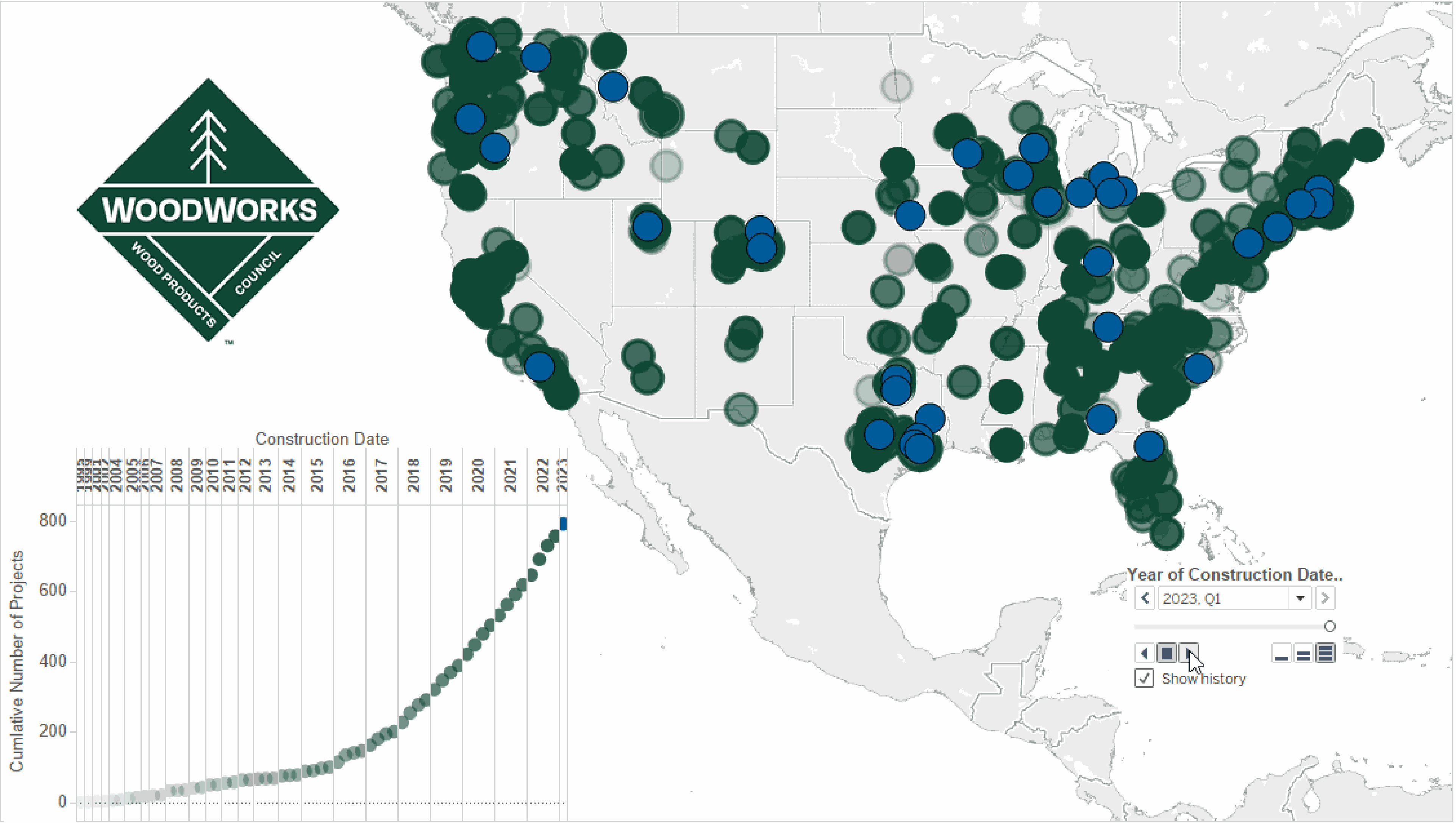

Multi-Housing Typologies

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FRAMING OPTIONS | HYBRID LIGHT-FRAME + MASS TIMBER

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Low- and Mid-Rise Multi-Family

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HYBRID LIGHT-FRAME + MASS TIMBER

THE KIND PROJECT, SACRAMENTO, CA

CONDOS AT LOST RABBIT, MS

Lost Rabbit, MS
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360 WYTHE AVENUE, BROOKLYN, NY

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MASS TIMBER BEARING WALLS

Model C, Roxbury, MA

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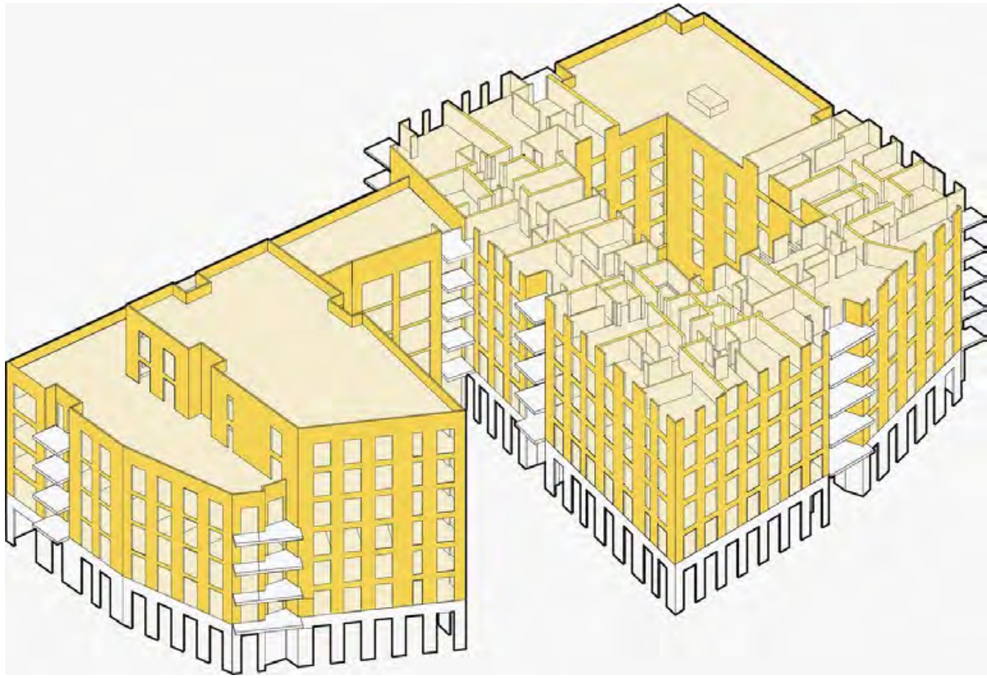

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Left: 69 A Street, Boston, MA Credit: Greg Folkins
Above: Timber Lofts, Milwaukee, WI
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VERTICAL ADDITIONS AND ADAPTIVE REUSE

BREWERY LOFTS, TACOMA, WA

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"Mass timber shaved 20% off our construction schedule. It's a renewable resource and also creates that warm look."

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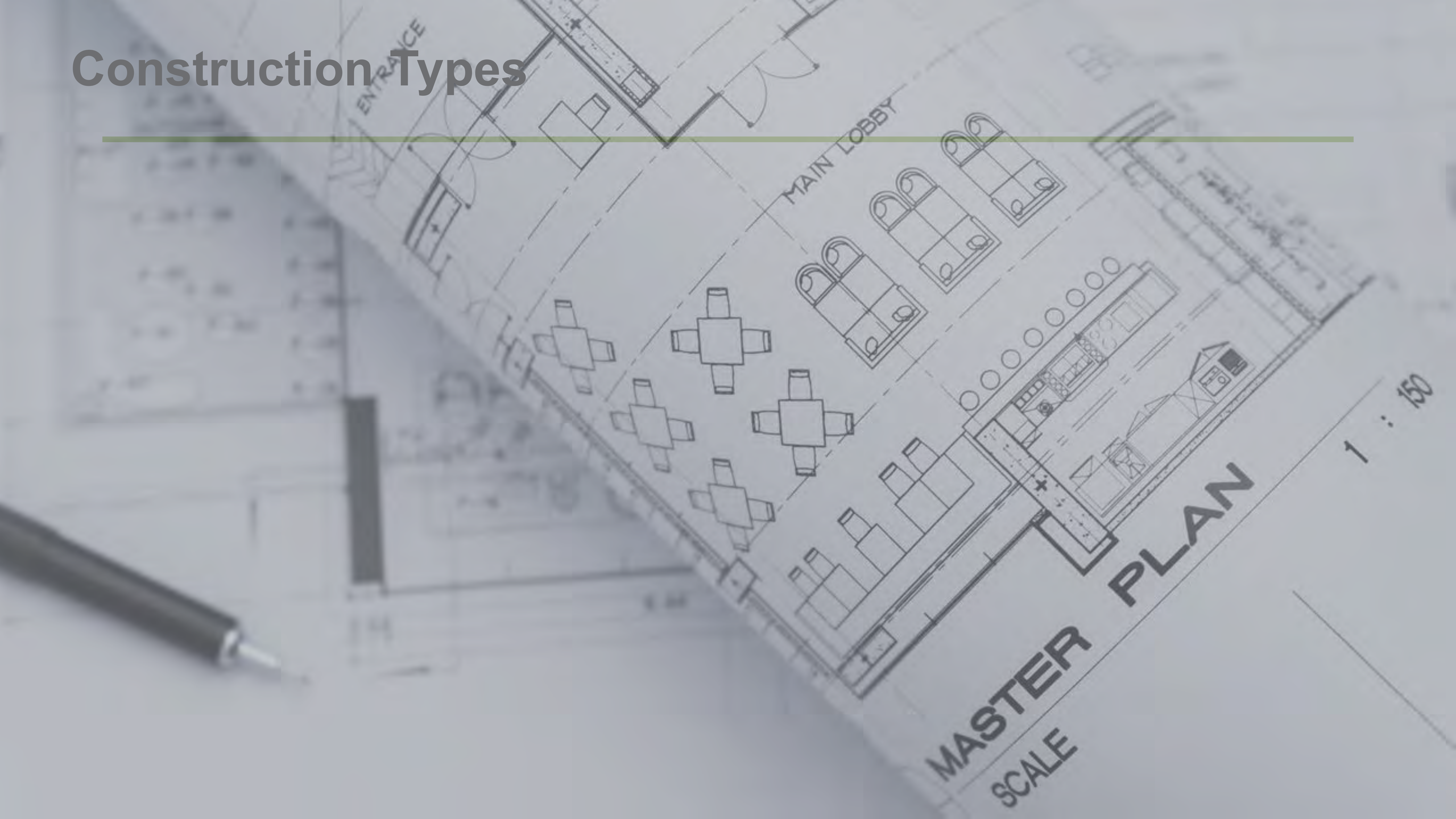
Construction Types

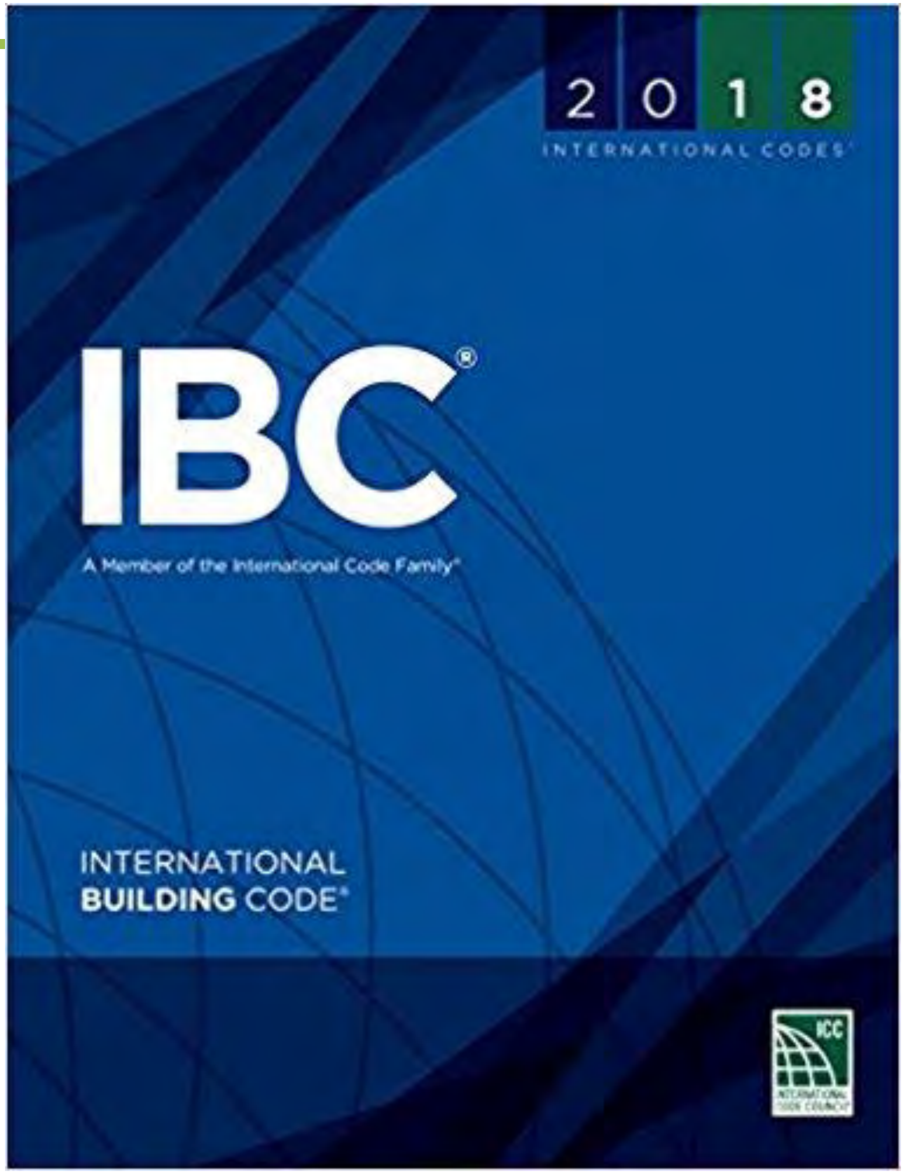


Construction Types

When does the code allow mass timber to be used in low- and mid-rise multi-family projects?

IBC defines mass timber systems in IBC Chapter 2 and notes their acceptance and manufacturing standards in IBC Chapter 23

Permitted anywhere that combustible materials and heavy timber are allowed, plus more



Construction Types

IBC defines 5 construction types: I, II, III, IV, V
A building must be classified as one of these

Construction Types I & II:
All elements required to be non-combustible materials

However, there are exceptions including several for mass timber

Construction Types

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 except in 2021 IBC)

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Construction Types

Where does the code allow MT to be used?

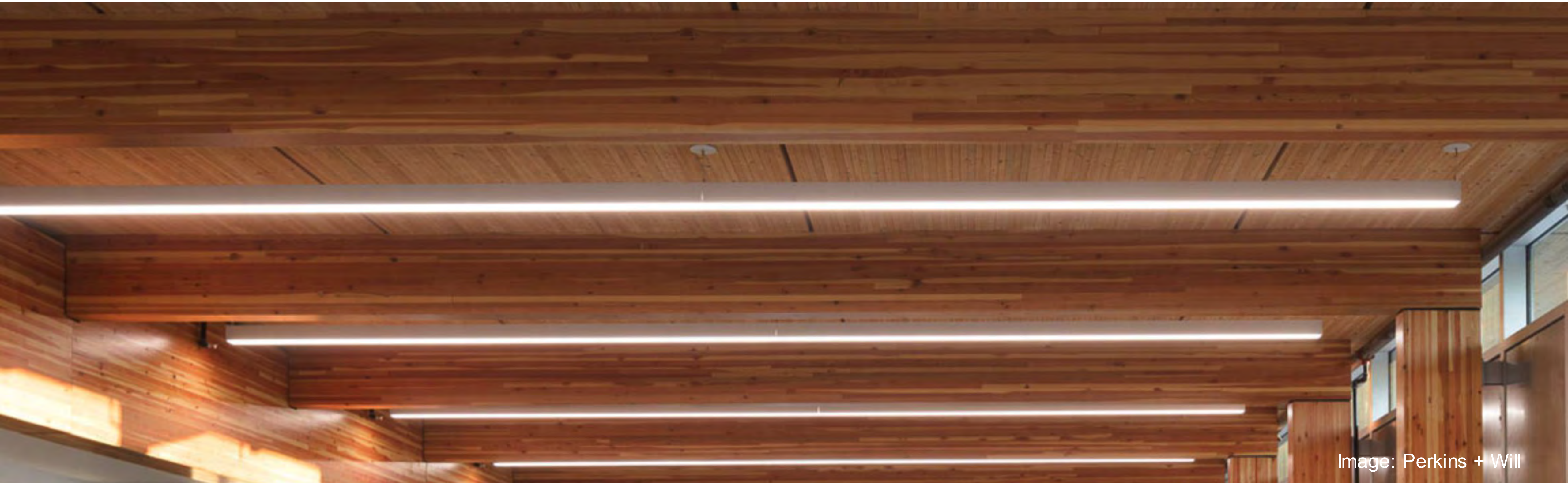
- <u>Type III</u>: Interior elements (floors, roofs, partitions/shafts) and exterior walls if FRT

ICE Block I, RMW Architecture & Interiors, Buehler Engineering, Bernard André Photography

Construction Types

Where does the code allow MT to be used?

- <u>Type IV</u>: Any exposed interior elements & roofs, must meet min. sizes; exterior walls if CLT or FRT. Concealed space limitations (varies by code version)



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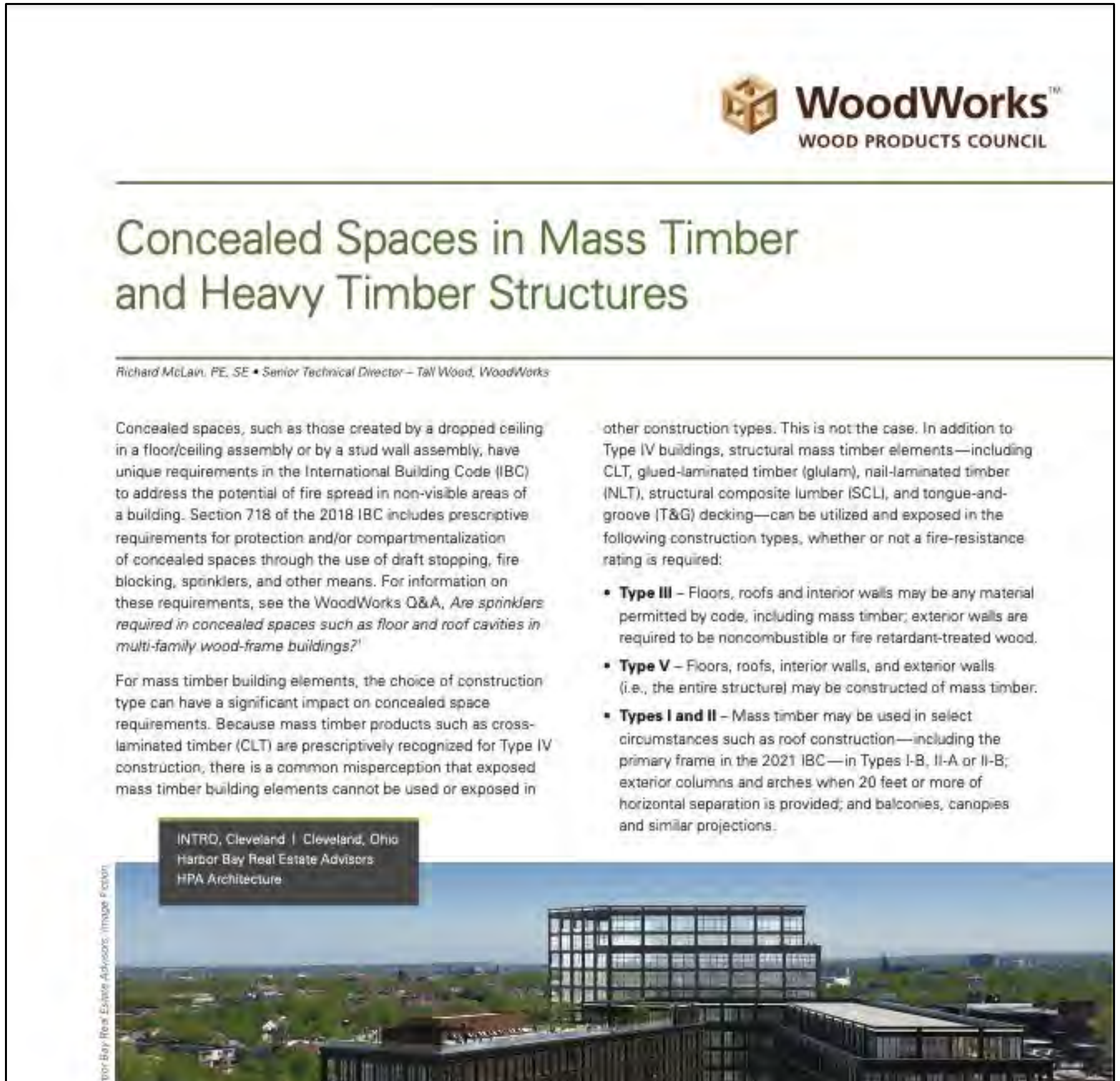
Construction Types

Concealed spaces solutions paper



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Concealed Spaces in Mass Timber and Heavy Timber Structures

Richard McLain, PE, SE • Senior Technical Director – Tall Wood, WoodWorks

Concealed spaces, such as those created by a dropped ceiling in a floor/ceiling assembly or by a stud wall assembly, have unique requirements in the International Building Code (IBC) to address the potential of fire spread in non-visible areas of a building. Section 718 of the 2018 IBC includes prescriptive requirements for protection and/or compartmentalization of concealed spaces through the use of draft stopping, fire blocking, sprinklers, and other means. For information on these requirements, see the WoodWorks Q&A, *Are sprinklers required in concealed spaces such as floor and roof cavities in multi-family wood-frame buildings?*[1]

For mass timber building elements, the choice of construction type can have a significant impact on concealed space requirements. Because mass timber products such as cross-laminated timber (CLT) are prescriptively recognized for Type IV construction, there is a common misperception that exposed mass timber building elements cannot be used or exposed in other construction types. This is not the case. In addition to Type IV buildings, structural mass timber elements—including CLT, glued-laminated timber (glulam), nail-laminated timber (NLT), structural composite lumber (SCL), and tongue-and-groove (T&G) decking—can be utilized and exposed in the following construction types, whether or not a fire-resistance rating is required:

- **Type III** – Floors, roofs and interior walls may be any material permitted by code, including mass timber; exterior walls are required to be noncombustible or fire retardant-treated wood.
- **Type V** – Floors, roofs, interior walls, and exterior walls (i.e., the entire structure) may be constructed of mass timber.
- **Types I and II** – Mass timber may be used in select circumstances such as roof construction—including the primary frame in the 2021 IBC—in Types I-B, II-A or II-B; exterior columns and arches when 20 feet or more of horizontal separation is provided; and balconies, canopies and similar projections.

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The John W. Olver Design Building at UMass Amherst includes exposed wood structure in some areas and dropped ceilings in others. Architect: Leers Weinzapfel Associates

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Construction Types

Where does the code allow MT to be used?

- Type V: All interior elements, roofs & exterior walls

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CONSTRUCTION TYPES

- Type I-B, II-A, II-B
  - Mass Timber in roof only
- Type IV-A, IV-B, IV-C (Tall Wood)
  - New in IBC 2021
  - AMMR for older codes
    - Will the AHJ allow?
- Type IV-HT vs. Type III-A
  - Similar allowable heights and areas
  - Concealed spaces not allowed in Type IV prior to IBC 2021
  - Fire ratings III-A vs. IV-HT
- Type III-A and V-A
  - 1-hour fire rating for exposed wood elements
- Type III-B and V-B
  - No fire rating for exposed wood elements except between dwelling units

	Construction Type (All Sprinklered Values)							
	IV-A	IV-B	IV-C	IV-HT	III-A	III-B	V-A	V-B
Occupancies	Allowable Building Height above Grade Plane, Feet (IBC Table 504.3)							
A, B, R	270	180	85	85	85	85	70	60
	Allowable Number of Stories above Grade Plane (IBC Table 505.4)							
A-2, A-3, A-4	18	12	6	4	4	3	3	2
B	18	12	9	6	6	4	4	3
R-2	18	12	8	5	5	5	4	3
	Allowable Area Factor (At) for SM, Feet^2 (IBC Table 506.2)							
A-2, A-3, A-4	135,000	90,000	56,250	45,000	42,000	28,500	34,500	18,000
B	324,000	216,000	135,000	108,000	85,500	57,000	54,000	27,000
R-2	184,500	123,000	76,875	61,500	72,000	48,000	36,000	21,000

For multi-unit residential buildings, walls and floors between dwelling or sleeping units are required to have a fire-resistance rating of 1/2 hour in Type II-B, III-B and V-B construction when sprinklered throughout with an NFPA 13 system, and 1 hour for all other construction types (IBC 420,708 and 711).

Tall Mass Timber Multi-Family

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CARBON 12, PORTLAND, OR

Credit: Baumberger Studio/PATH Architecture


INTRO, CLEVELAND
9 Stories | 115 ft
8 Timber Over 1 Podium
512,000 SF
297 Apartments, Mixed-Use
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INTRO, CLEVELAND

9 Stories | 115 ft

8 Timber Over 1 Podium

Type IV-B

Variance to expose ~50% ceilings

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493,000 SF

259 APARTMENTS, MIXED-USE

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Tallest Mass Timber Building in the World

Photo: CD Smith Construction |
Architect: Korb & Associates Architects

ASCENT, MILWAUKEE

25 STORIES

19 TIMBER OVER 6 PODIUM, 284 FT

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7 STORIES
70 FT
Passive House
Multi-Family
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KEY DESIGN CONSIDERATIONS

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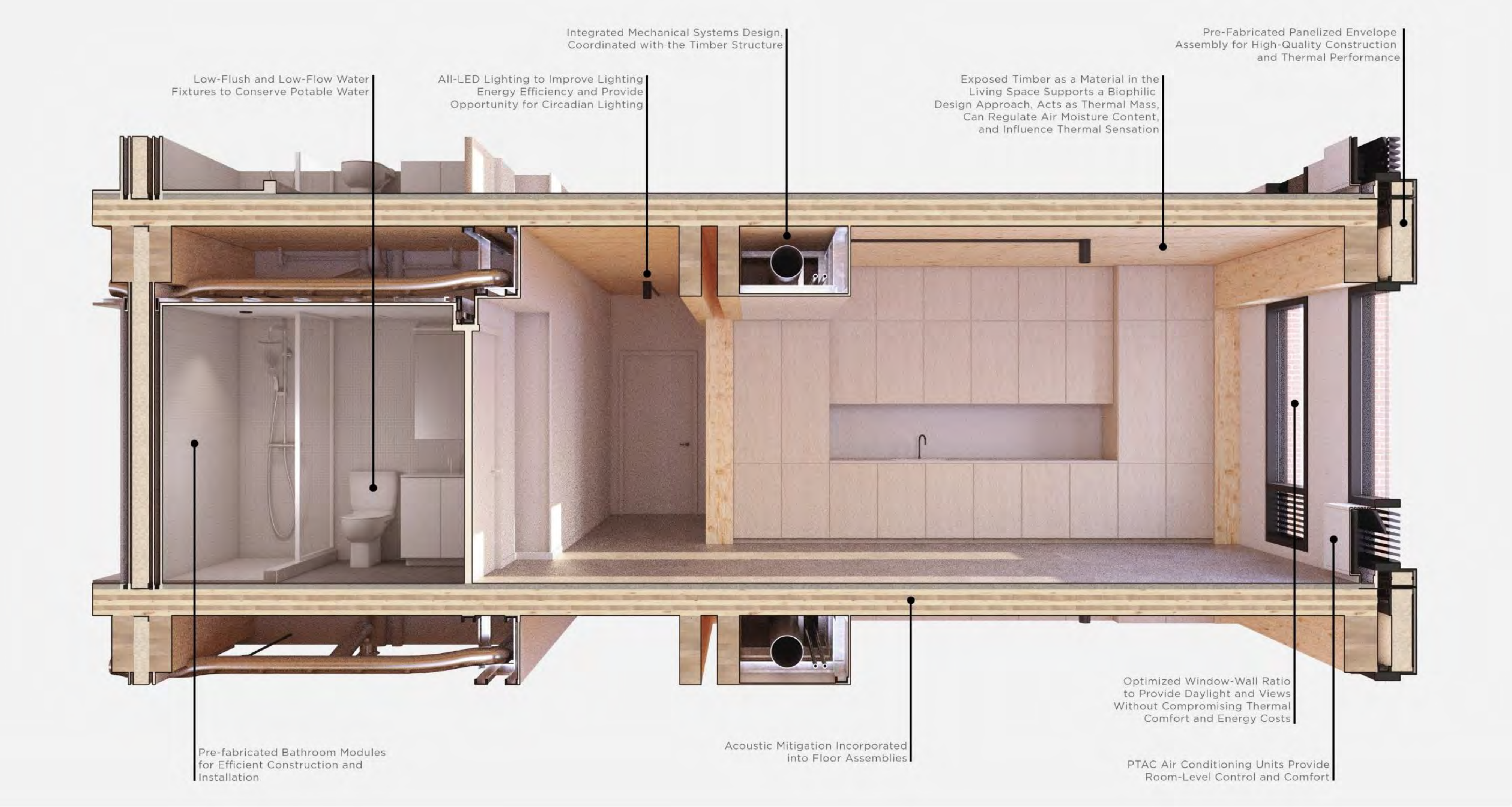

INTEGRATED SYSTEMS

The Tallhouse building system prioritizes the integration of design, engineering, and construction. This results in a high performance building finely tuned to meet energy, comfort, acoustic, and design criteria that has been vetted by constructability experts to ensure fast, efficient production.

Utilizing Pre-Fabricated Facade Panels and Bathroom Modules that are manufactured off-site in factories allows for reducing construction time on-site, higher quality control practices, and safer labor conditions for construction workers. Efficient routing of duct-work conserves material, and associated embodied carbon, allowing more exposed timber all while providing the air quality needed for healthy living. Water conserving fixtures reduce potable water use as a precious resource, while maintaining reliable performance.

Credit: John Klein, Generate Architecture

MEP Layout & Integration

Key considerations:

- Level of exposure desired (clear expectations with owner/developer)
- Floor to floor, structure depth & desired head height
- Building occupancy and configuration (i.e. central core vs. double loaded corridor)
- Grid layout and beam orientations
- Need for future tenant reconfiguration
- Impact on fire & structural design: concealed spaces, penetrations


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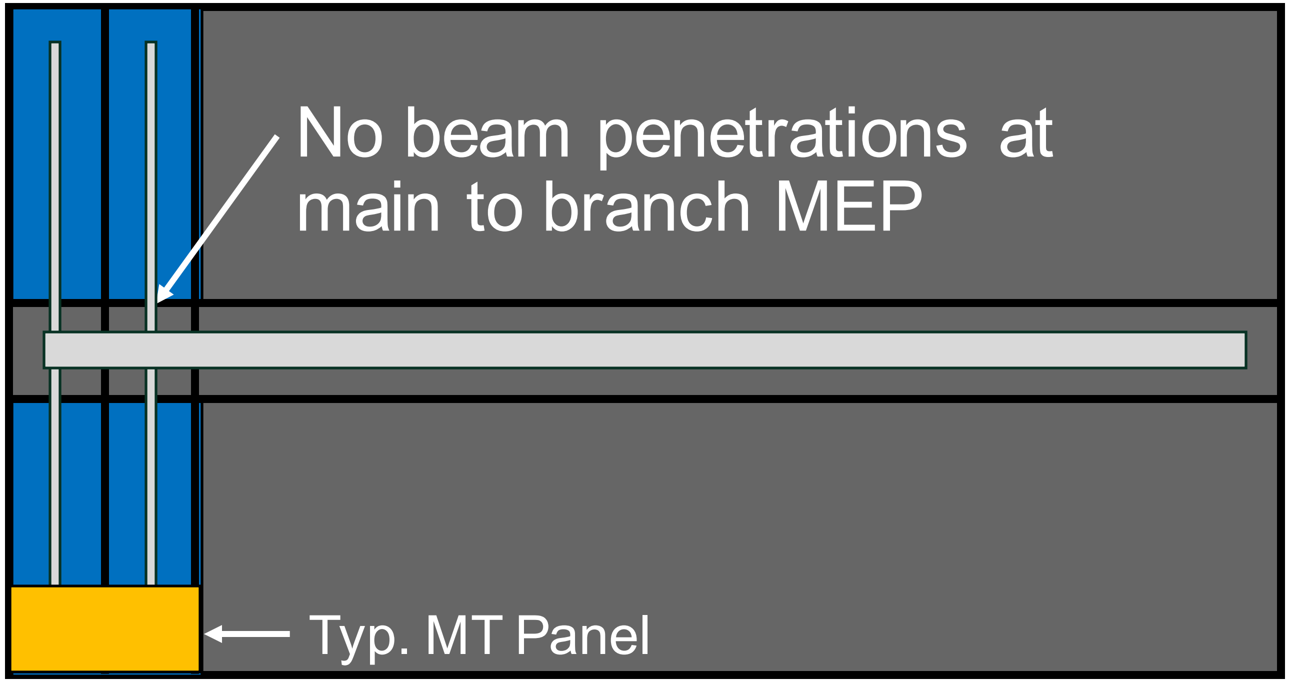
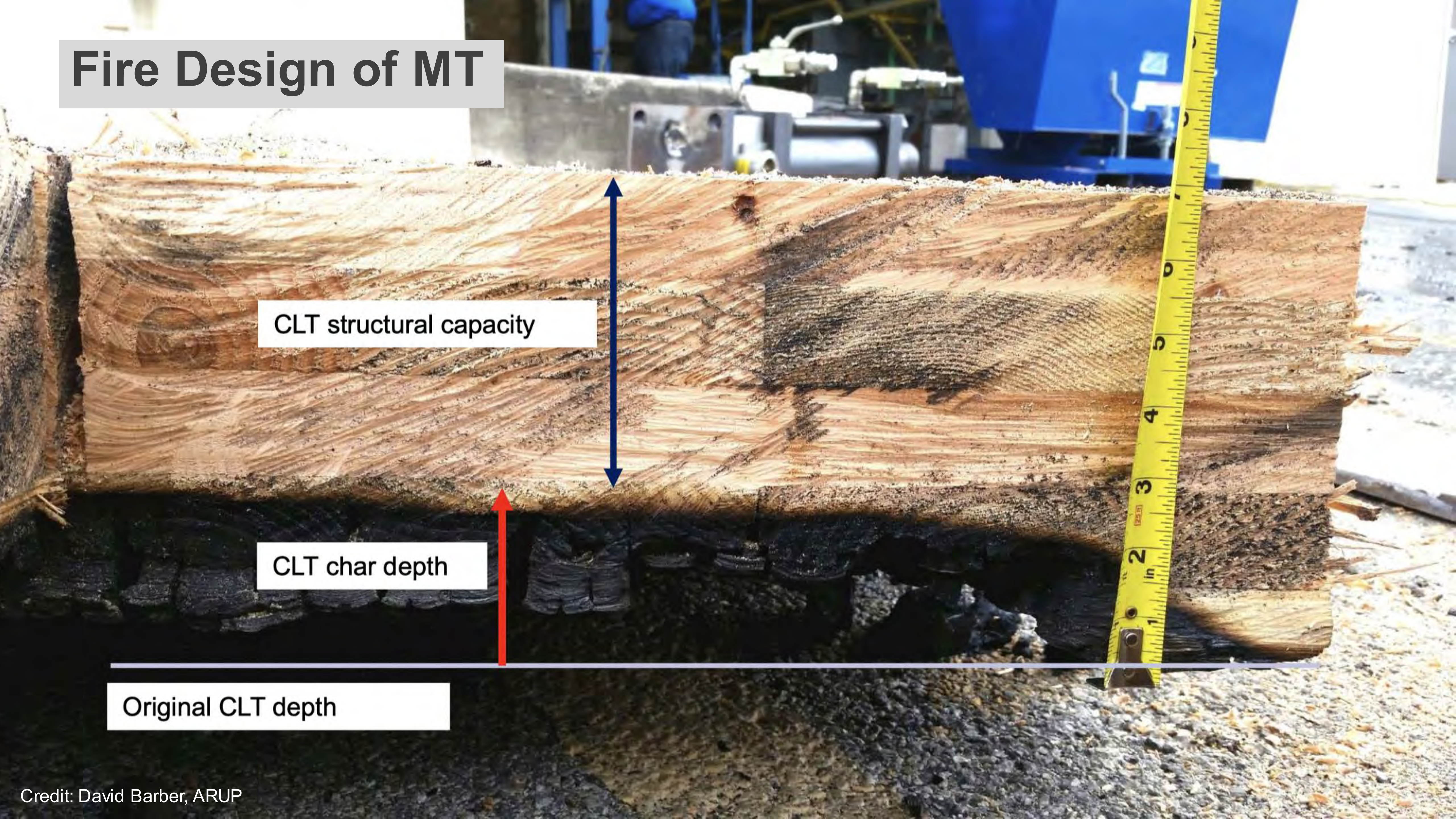
Key Early Design Decisions

MEP in double loaded corridor



Fire Design of MT



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Key Early Design Decisions

Fire-Resistance Ratings

- **Driven primarily by construction type**
- **Rating achieved through timber alone or non-com protection required?**

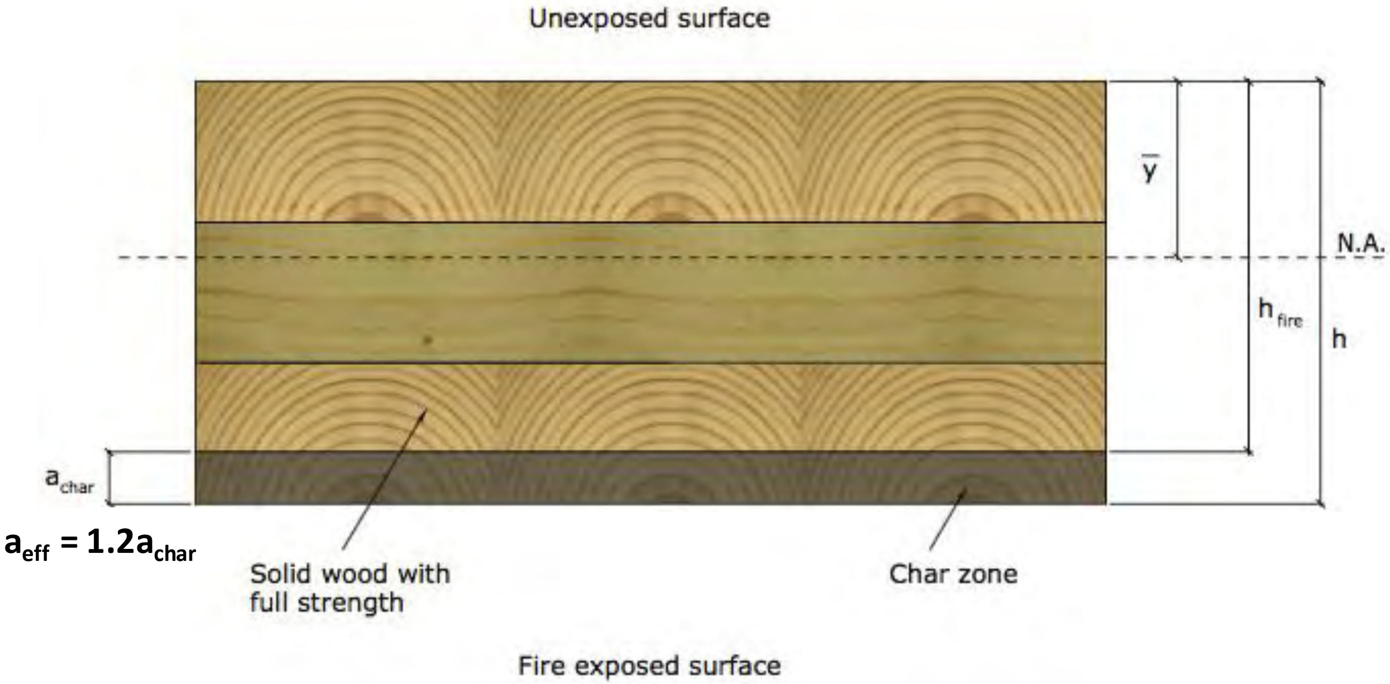
TABLE 601
FIRE-RESISTANCE RATING REQUIREMENTS FOR BUILDING ELEMENTS (HOURS)

BUILDING ELEMENT	TYPE I		TYPE II		TYPE III		TYPE IV				TYPE V	
	A	B	A	B	A	B	A	B	C	HT	A	B
Primary structural frame[f] (see Section 202)	3[a, b]	2[a, b, c]	1[b, c]	0[c]	1[b, c]	0	3[a]	2[a]	2[a]	HT	1[b, c]	0
Bearing walls												
Exterior[e, f]	3	2	1	0	2	2	3	2	2	2	1	0
Interior	3[a]	2[a]	1	0	1	0	3	2	2	1/HT[g]	1	0
Nonbearing walls and partitions Exterior	See Table 705.5											
Nonbearing walls and partitions Interior[d]	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	See Section 2304.11.2	0	0
Floor construction and associated secondary structural members (see Section 202)	2	2	1	0	1	0	2	2	2	HT	1	0
Roof construction and associated secondary structural members (see Section 202)	1 1/2[b]	1[b,c]	1[b,c]	0[c]	1[b,c]	0	1 1/2	1	1	HT	1[b,c]	0

Key Early Design Decisions

Which Method of Demonstrating FRR of MT is Being Used?

1. Calculations in Accordance with IBC 722 → NDS Chapter 16
2. Tests in Accordance with ASTM E119



Key Early Design Decisions

Fire-Resistance Ratings (FRR)

- Thinner panels (i.e. 3-ply) generally difficult to achieve a 1+ hour FRR
- 5-ply CLT / 2x6 NLT & DLT panels can usually achieve a 1- or 2-hour FRR
- Construction Type | FRR | Member Size | Grid (or re-arrange that process but follow how one impacts the others)

Panel	Example Floor Span Ranges
3-ply CLT (4-1/8" thick)	Up to 12 ft
5-ply CLT (6-7/8" thick)	14 to 17 ft
7-ply CLT (9-5/8")	17 to 21 ft
2x4 NLT	Up to 12 ft
2x6 NLT	10 to 17 ft
2x8 NLT	14 to 21 ft
5" MPP	10 to 15 ft


Credit: David Barber, ARUP

FRR Design of MT

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Fire-Resistive Design of Mass Timber Members

Code Applications, Construction Types and Fire Ratings

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For many years, exposed heavy timber framing elements have been permitted in U.S. buildings due to their inherent fire-resistance properties. The predictability of wood's char rate has been well-established for decades and has long been recognized in building codes and standards.

Today, one of the exciting trends in building design is the growing use of mass timber—i.e., large solid wood panel products such as cross-laminated timber (CLT) and nail-laminated timber (NLT)—for floor, wall and roof construction. Like heavy timber, mass timber products have inherent fire resistance that allows them to be left exposed and still achieve a fire-resistance rating. Because of their strength and dimensional stability, these products also offer a low-carbon alternative to steel, concrete, and masonry for many applications. It is this combination of exposed structure and strength that developers and designers across the country are leveraging to create innovative designs with a warm yet modern aesthetic, often for projects that go beyond traditional norms of wood design.

This paper has been written to support architects and engineers exploring the use of mass timber for commercial and multi-family construction. It focuses on how to meet fire-resistance requirements in the International Building Code (IBC), including calculation and testing-based methods. Unless otherwise noted, references refer to the 2018 IBC.

Mass Timber & Construction Type

Before demonstrating fire-resistance ratings of exposed mass timber elements, it's important to understand under what circumstances the code currently allows the use of mass timber in commercial and multi-family construction.

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A building's assigned construction type is the main indicator of where and when all wood systems can be used. IBC Section 602 defines five main options (Type I through V) with all but Type IV having subcategories A and B. Types III and V permit the use of wood framing throughout much of the structure and both are used extensively for modern mass timber buildings.

Type III (IBC 602.3) – Timber elements can be used in floors, roofs and interior walls. Fire-retardant-treated wood (FRTW) framing is permitted in exterior walls with a fire-resistance rating of 2 hours or less.

Type V (IBC 602.5) – Timber elements can be used throughout the structure, including floors, roofs and both interior and exterior walls.

Type IV (IBC 602.4) – Commonly referred to as 'Heavy Timber' construction, this option

Mass Timber Fire Design Resource

- Code compliance options for demonstrating FRR
- Free download at woodworks.org

FRR Design of MT

WoodWorks Inventory of Fire Tested MT Assemblies

Table 1: North American Fire Resistance Tests of Mass Timber Floor / Roof Assemblies

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CLT Panel	Manufacturer	CLT Grade or Major x Minor Grade	Ceiling Protection	Panel Connection in Test	Floor Topping	Load Rating	Fire Resistance Achieved (Hours)	Source	Testing Lab
3-ply CLT (114mm 4.488 in)	Nordic	SPF 1650 Fb 1.5 E MSR x SPF #3	2 layers 1/2" Type X gypsum	Half-Lap	None	Reduced 56% Moment Capacity	1	1 (Test 1)	NRC Fire Laboratory
3-ply CLT (105mm 4.133 in)	Structurlam	SPF #1/#2 x SPF #1/#2	1 layer 5/8" Type X gypsum	Half-Lap	None	Reduced 75% Moment Capacity	1	1 (Test 3)	NRC Fire Laboratory
5-ply CLT (175mm 6.875")	Nordic	E1	None	Topside Spline	2 staggered layers of 1/2" cement boards	Loaded, See Manufacturer	2	2	NRC Fire Laboratory March 2016
5-ply CLT (175mm 6.875")	Nordic	E1	1 layer of 5/8" Type X gypsum under Z-channels and furring strips with 3 5/8" fiberglass batts	Topside Spline	2 staggered layers of 1/2" cement boards	Loaded, See Manufacturer	2	5	NRC Fire Laboratory Nov 2014
5-ply CLT (175mm 6.875")	Nordic	E1	None	Topside Spline	3/4 in. proprietary gypcrete over Maxxon acoustical mat	Reduced 50% Moment Capacity	1.5	3	UL
5-ply CLT (175mm 6.875")	Nordic	E1	1 layer 5/8" normal gypsum	Topside Spline	3/4 in. proprietary gypcrete over Maxxon acoustical mat or proprietary sound board	Reduced 50% Moment Capacity	2	4	UL
5-ply CLT (175mm 6.875")	Nordic	E1	1 layer 5/8" Type X Gyp under Resilient Channel under 7 7/8" I-Joists with 3 1/2" Mineral Wool between Joists	Half-Lap	None	Loaded, See Manufacturer	2	21	Intertek 8/24/2012
5-ply CLT (175mm 6.875")	Structurlam	E1 M5 MSR 2100 x SPF #2	None	Topside Spline	1-1/2" Maxxon Cyp-Crete 2000 over Maxxon Reinforcing Mesh	Loaded, See Manufacturer	2.5	6	Intertek, 2/22/2016
5-ply CLT (175mm 6.875")	DR Johnson	V1	None	Half-Lap & Topside Spline	2" gypsum topping	Loaded, See Manufacturer	2	7	SwRI (May 2016)
5-ply CLT (175mm 6.875")	Nordic	SPF 1950 Fb MSR x SPF #3	None	Half-Lap	None	Reduced 59% Moment Capacity	1.5	1 (Test 3)	NRC Fire Laboratory
5-ply CLT (175mm 6.875")	Structurlam	SPF #1/#2 x SPF #1/#2	1 layer 5/8" Type X gypsum	Half-Lap	None	Unreduced 101% Moment Capacity	2	1 (Test 6)	NRC Fire Laboratory
7-ply CLT (245mm 9.65")	Structurlam	SPF #1/#2 x SPF #1/#2	None	Half-Lap	None	Unreduced 101% Moment Capacity	2.5	1 (Test 7)	NRC Fire Laboratory
5-ply CLT (175mm 6.875")	SmartLam	SL-V4	None	Half-Lap	nominal 1/2" plywood with 8d nails.	Loaded, See Manufacturer	2	12 (Test 4)	Western Fire Center 10/26/2016
5-ply CLT (175mm 6.875")	SmartLam	V1	None	Half-Lap	nominal 1/2" plywood with 8d nails.	Loaded, See Manufacturer	2	12 (Test 5)	Western Fire Center 10/28/2016
5-ply CLT (175mm 6.875")	DR Johnson	V1	None	Half-Lap	nominal 1/2" plywood with 8d nails.	Loaded, See Manufacturer	2	12 (Test 6)	Western Fire Center 11/01/2016
5-ply CLT (160mm 6.3")	KLH	CV3M1	None	Half-Lap & Topside spline	None	Loaded, See Manufacturer	1	18	SwRI

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But by Itself, Not Adequate for Acoustics

T3 Minneapolis
Architect: MGA | Michael Green Architecture, DLR Group
Structural Engineer: Magnusson Klemencic Associates
Design Assist + Build: StructureCraft

Photo: Corey Gaffer courtesy Perkins + Will

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TABLE 1:

Examples of Acoustically-Tested Mass Timber Panels

Mass Timber Panel	Thickness	STC Rating	IIC Rating
3-ply CLT wall[4]	3.07"	33	N/A
5-ply CLT wall[4]	6.875"	38	N/A
5-ply CLT floor[5]	5.1875"	39	22
5-ply CLT floor[4]	6.875"	41	25
7-ply CLT floor[4]	9.65"	44	30
2x4 NLT wall[6]	3-1/2" bare NLT 4-1/4" with 3/4" plywood	24 bare NLT 29 with 3/4" plywood	N/A
2x6 NLT wall[6]	5-1/2" bare NLT 6-1/4" with 3/4" plywood	22 bare NLT 31 with 3/4" plywood	N/A
2x6 NLT floor + 1/2" plywood[2]	6" with 1/2" plywood	34	33

Source: Inventory of Acoustically-Tested Mass Timber Assemblies, WoodWorks[7]

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Regardless of the structural materials used in a wall or floor ceiling assembly, there are 3 effective methods of improving acoustical performance:

1. Add mass
2. Add noise barriers
3. Add decouplers


Image credit: Christian Columbres

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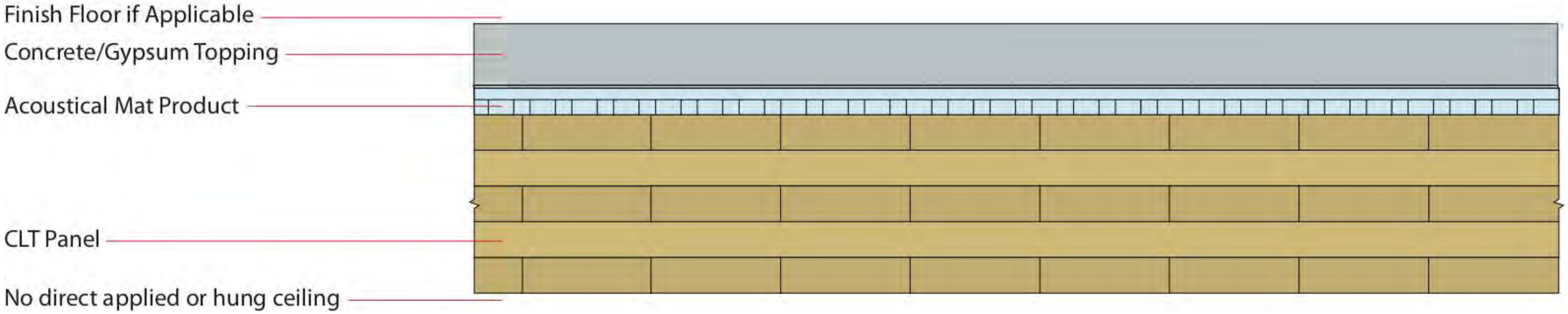

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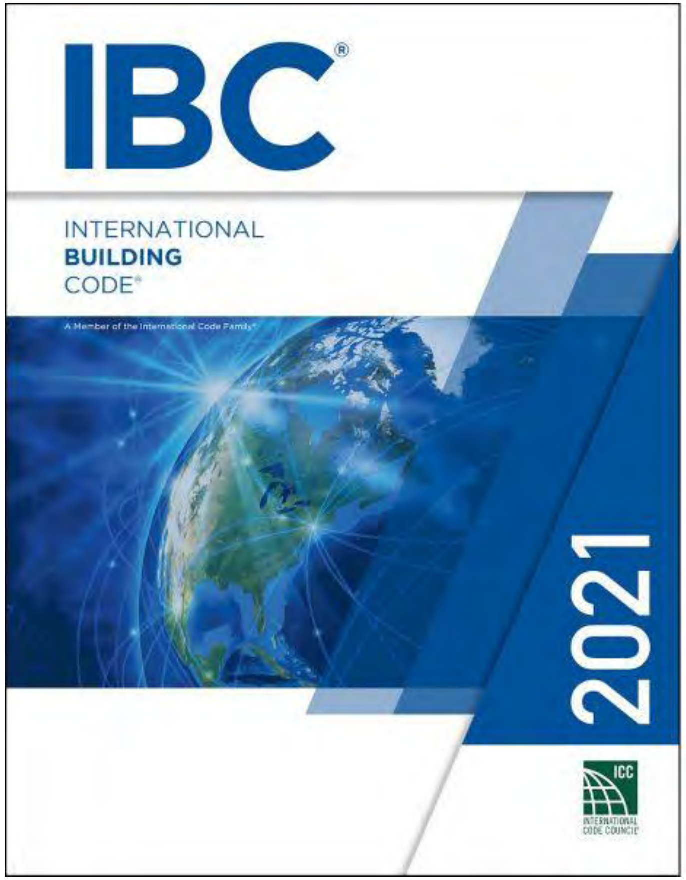
Code requirements only address residential occupancies:

For unit to unit or unit to public or service areas:

Min. STC of 50 (45 if field tested):
- Walls, Partitions, and Floor/Ceiling Assemblies

Min. IIC of 50 (45 if field tested) for:
- Floor/Ceiling Assemblies



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Solutions Paper

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Acoustics and Mass Timber: Room-to-Room Noise Control

Richard McLain, PE, SE • Senior Technical Director • WoodWorks

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Photo: Corey Gaffer courtesy Perkins + Will

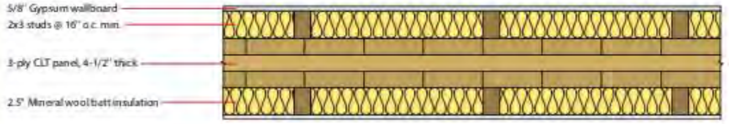
The growing availability and code acceptance of mass timber—i.e., large solid wood panel products such as cross-laminated timber (CLT) and nail-laminated timber (NLT)—for floor, wall and roof construction has given designers a low-carbon alternative to steel, concrete, and masonry for many applications. However, the use of mass timber in multi-family and commercial buildings presents unique acoustic challenges.

While laboratory measurements of the impact and airborne sound isolation of traditional building assemblies such as light wood-frame, steel and concrete are widely available, fewer resources exist that quantify the acoustic performance of mass timber assemblies. Additionally, one of the most desired aspects of mass timber construction is the ability to leave a building's structure exposed as finish, which creates the need for asymmetric assemblies. With careful design and detailing, mass timber buildings can meet the acoustic performance expectations of most building types.

http://www.woodworks.org/wp-content/uploads/wood_solution_paper-MASS-TIMBER-ACOUSTICS.pdf

FIGURE 3:
Interior CLT partition wall with chase walls on both sides

Example Mass Timber Wall Assembly, STC 58
Plan View



Source: US CLT Handbook

Mass Timber Assembly Options: Walls

Mass timber panels can also be used for interior and exterior walls—both bearing and non-bearing. For interior walls, the need to conceal services such as electrical and plumbing is an added consideration. Common approaches include building a chase wall in front of the mass timber wall or installing gypsum wallboard on resilient channels that are attached to the mass timber wall. As with bare mass timber floor panels, bare mass timber walls don't typically provide adequate noise control, and chase walls also function as acoustical improvements. For example, a 3-ply CLT wall panel with a thickness of 3.07" has an STC rating of 33.[4] In contrast, Figure 3 shows an interior CLT partition wall with chase walls on both sides. This assembly achieves an STC rating of 58, exceeding the IBC's acoustical requirements for multi-family construction. Other examples are included in the inventory of tested assemblies noted above.

Acoustical Differences between Mass Timber Panel Options

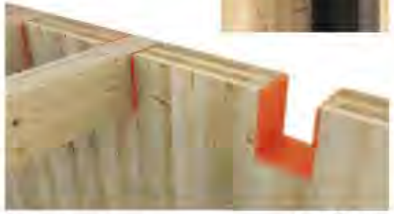
The majority of acoustically-tested mass timber assemblies include CLT. However, tests have also been done on other mass timber panel options such as NLT and dowel-laminated timber (DLT), as well as traditional heavy timber options such as tongue and groove decking. Most tests have concluded that CLT acoustical performance is slightly better than that of other mass timber options, largely because the cross-orientation of laminations in a CLT panel limits sound flanking.

For those interested in comparing similar assemblies and mass timber panel types and thicknesses, the inventory noted above contains tested assemblies using CLT, NLT, glued-laminated timber panels (GLT), and tongue and groove decking.

Improving Performance by Minimizing Flanking

Even when the assemblies in a building are carefully designed and installed for high acoustical performance, consideration of flanking paths—in areas such as assembly intersections, beam-to-column/wall connections, and MEP penetrations—is necessary for a building to meet overall acoustical performance objectives.

One way to minimize flanking paths at these connections and interfaces is to use resilient connection isolation and sealant strips. These products are capable of resisting structural loads in compression between structural members and connections while providing isolation and breaking hard, direct connections between members. In the context of the three methods for improving acoustical performance noted above, these strips act as decouplers. With airtight connections, interfaces and penetrations, there is a much greater chance that the acoustic performance of a mass timber building will meet expectations.



Acoustical isolation strips

Photos: Rothoblaas

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Inventory of Tested Assemblies

Acoustically-Tested Mass Timber Assemblies

Following is a list of mass timber assemblies that have been acoustically tested as of January 23, 2019. Sources are noted at the end of this document. For free technical assistance on any questions related to the acoustical design of mass timber assemblies, or free technical assistance related to any aspect of the design, engineering or construction of a commercial or multi-family wood building in the U.S., email help@woodworks.org or contact the WoodWorks Regional Director nearest you: http://www.woodworks.org/project-assistance

Contents:

http://bit.ly/mass-timber-assemblies

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Inventory of Tested Assemblies

Table 1: CLT Floor Assemblies with Concrete/Gypsum Topping, Ceiling Side Exposed

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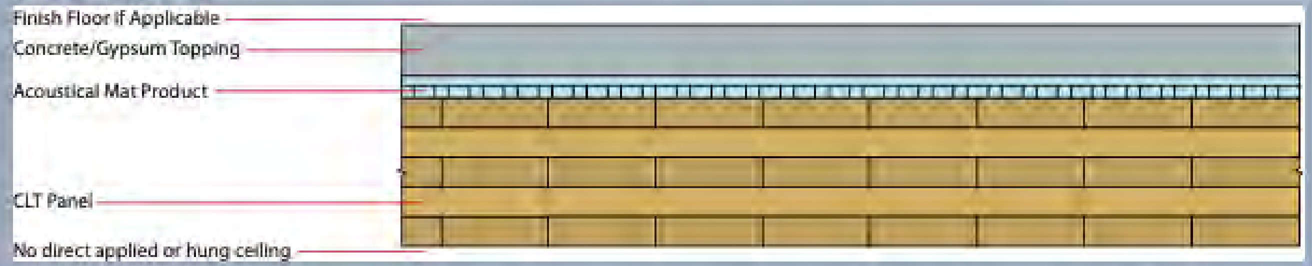


CLT Panel	Concrete/Gypsum Topping	Acoustical Mat Product Between CLT and Topping	Finish Floor	STC[1]	IIC[1]	Source
CLT 5-ply (6.875")	1-1/2" Gyp-Crete®	Maxxon Acousti-Mat® 3/4	None	47[2] ASTC	47[2] AIIC	1
			LVT	-	49[2] AIIC	
			Carpet + Pad	-	75[2] AIIC	
			LVT on Acousti-Top®	-	52[2] AIIC	
			Eng Wood on Acousti-Top®	-	51[2] AIIC	
		Maxxon Acousti-Mat® ¾ Premium	None	49[2] ASTC	45[2] AIIC	
			LVT	-	47[2] AIIC	
			LVT on Acousti-Top®	-	49[2] AIIC	
	1-1/2" Levelrock®	USG SAM N25 Ultra	None	45[6]	39[6]	15
			LVT	48[6]	47[6]	16
			LVT Plus	48[6]	49[6]	58
			Eng Wood	47[6]	47[6]	59
			Carpet + Pad	45[6]	67[6]	60
			Ceramic Tile	50[6]	46[6]	61
			None	45[6]	42[6]	15
			LVT	48[6]	44[6]	16

Why do you want to use mass timber?

Why does the developer want to use mass timber?

Know your Why

- Cost
- Speed of Construction
- Sustainability
- Lightweight Structure
- Market Distinction (i.e. higher rents)
- Leasing Velocity
- Resale Value

Seattle Mass Timber Tower: Detailed Cost Comparison

Fast Construction

- Textbook example done by industry experts
- Mass timber vs. PT conc
- Detailed cost, material takeoff & schedule comparisons

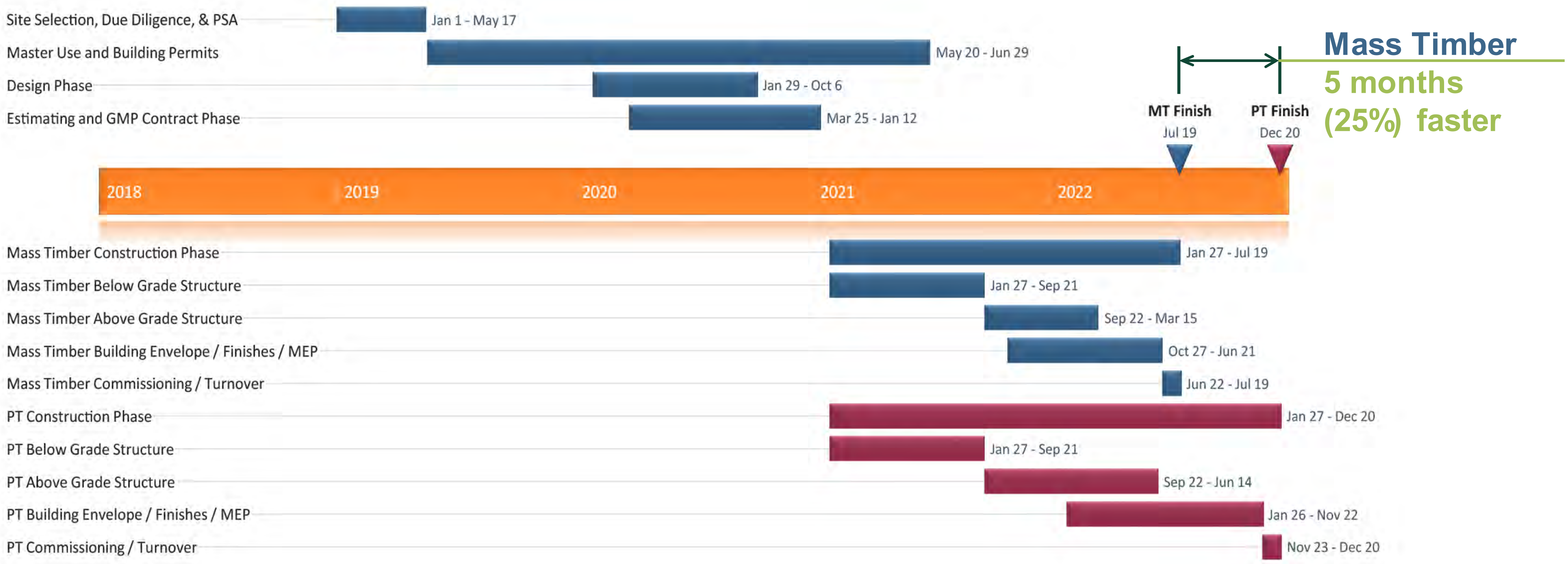
"The initial advantage of Mass Timber office projects in Seattle will come through the
leasing velocity
that developers will experience."

- Connor Mclain, Colliers

Seattle Mass Timber Tower

Fast Construction

Construction Schedule:



Source: Tall With Timber
A Seattle Mass Timber Tower Case Study by DLR Group[1]

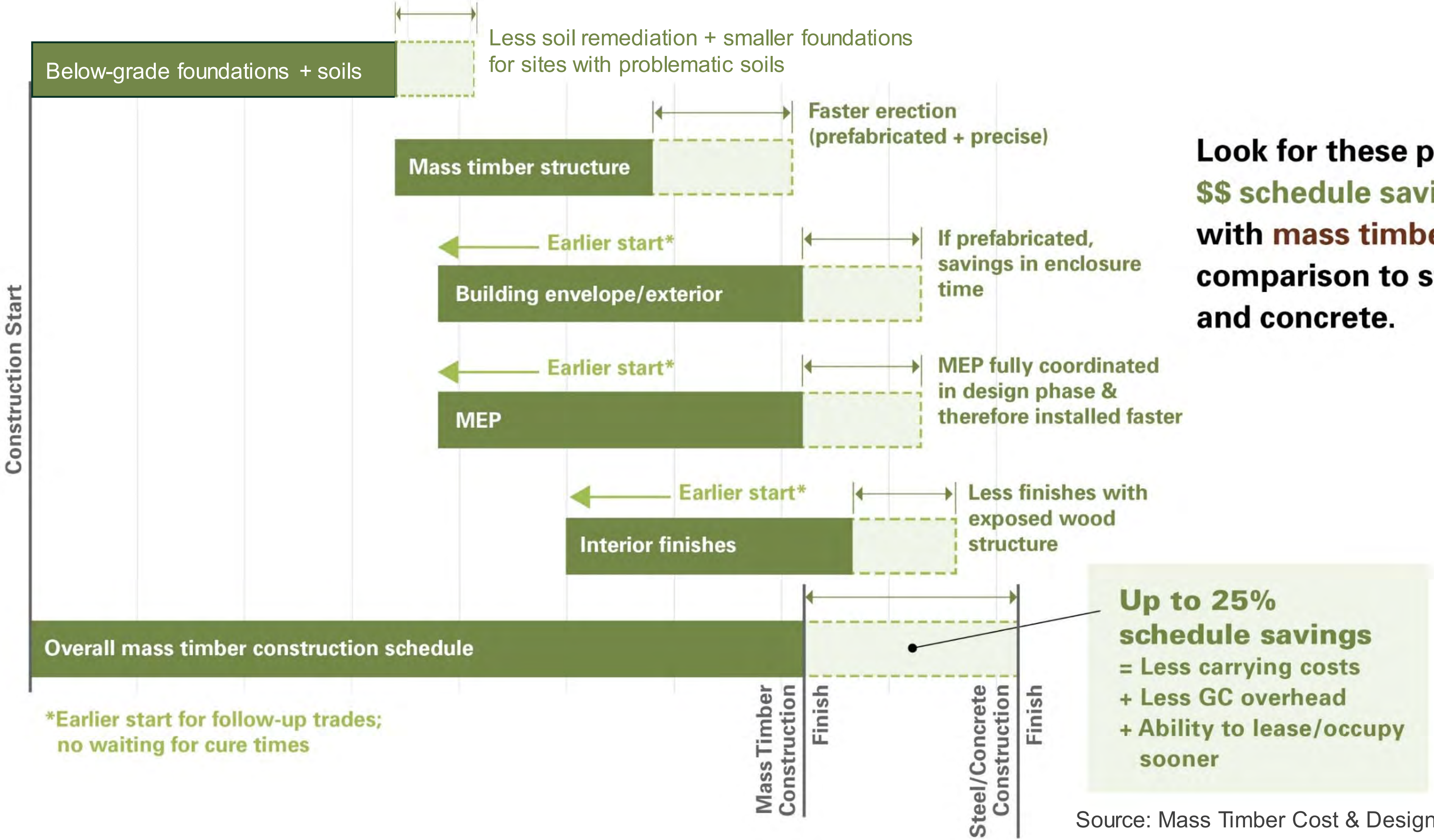
Seattle Mass Timber Tower

Faster Construction + Higher Material Costs = Cost Competitive

System	Mass Timber Design	PT Concrete Design	Mass Timber Savings
Direct Cost of Work	$86,997,136	$85,105,091	2.2%
Project Overhead	$ 9,393,750	$11,768,750	-20.2%
Add-Ons	$ 8,387,345	$ 8,429,368	-0.5%
Total	**$104,778,231**	**$105,303,209**	**-0.5%**

Source: DLR Group | Fast + Epp | Swinerton Builders

Compressing the Typical Schedule



Look for these potential $$ schedule savings with mass timber in comparison to steel and concrete.

Source: Mass Timber Cost & Design Optimization, WoodWorks[2]

Schedule Savings for Rough-In Trades

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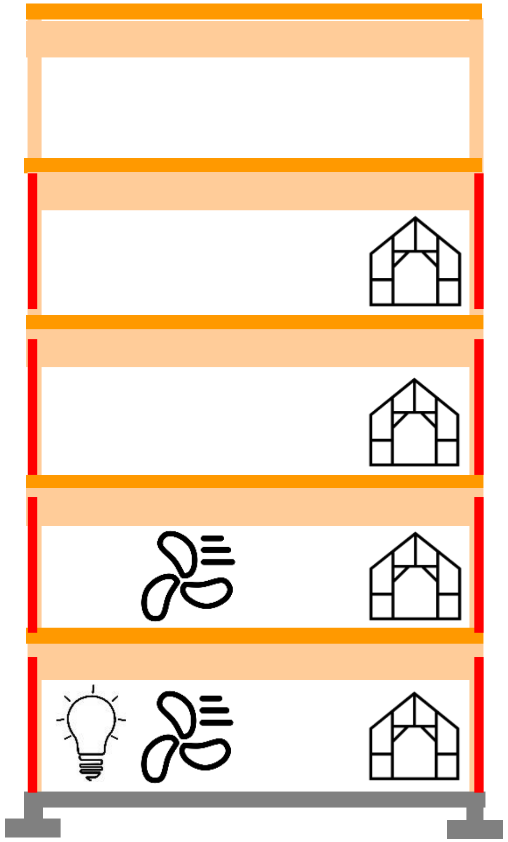
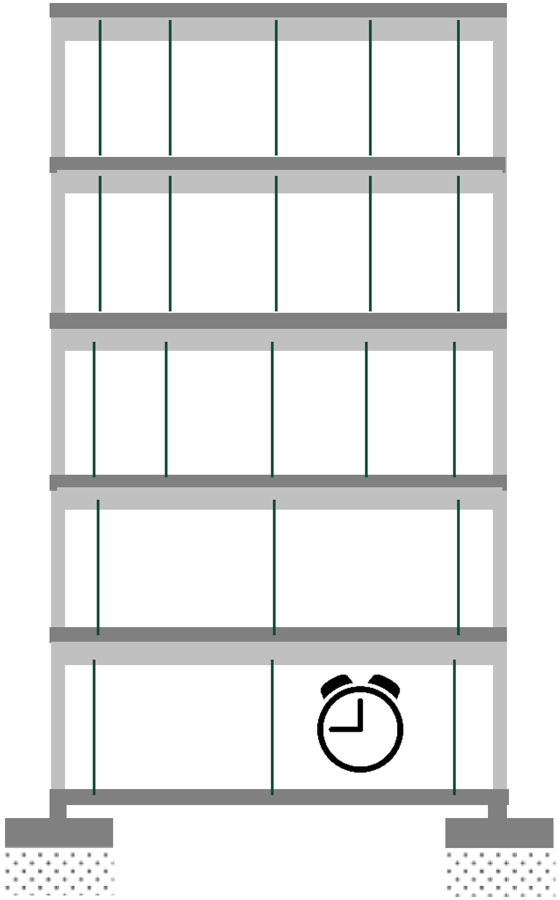


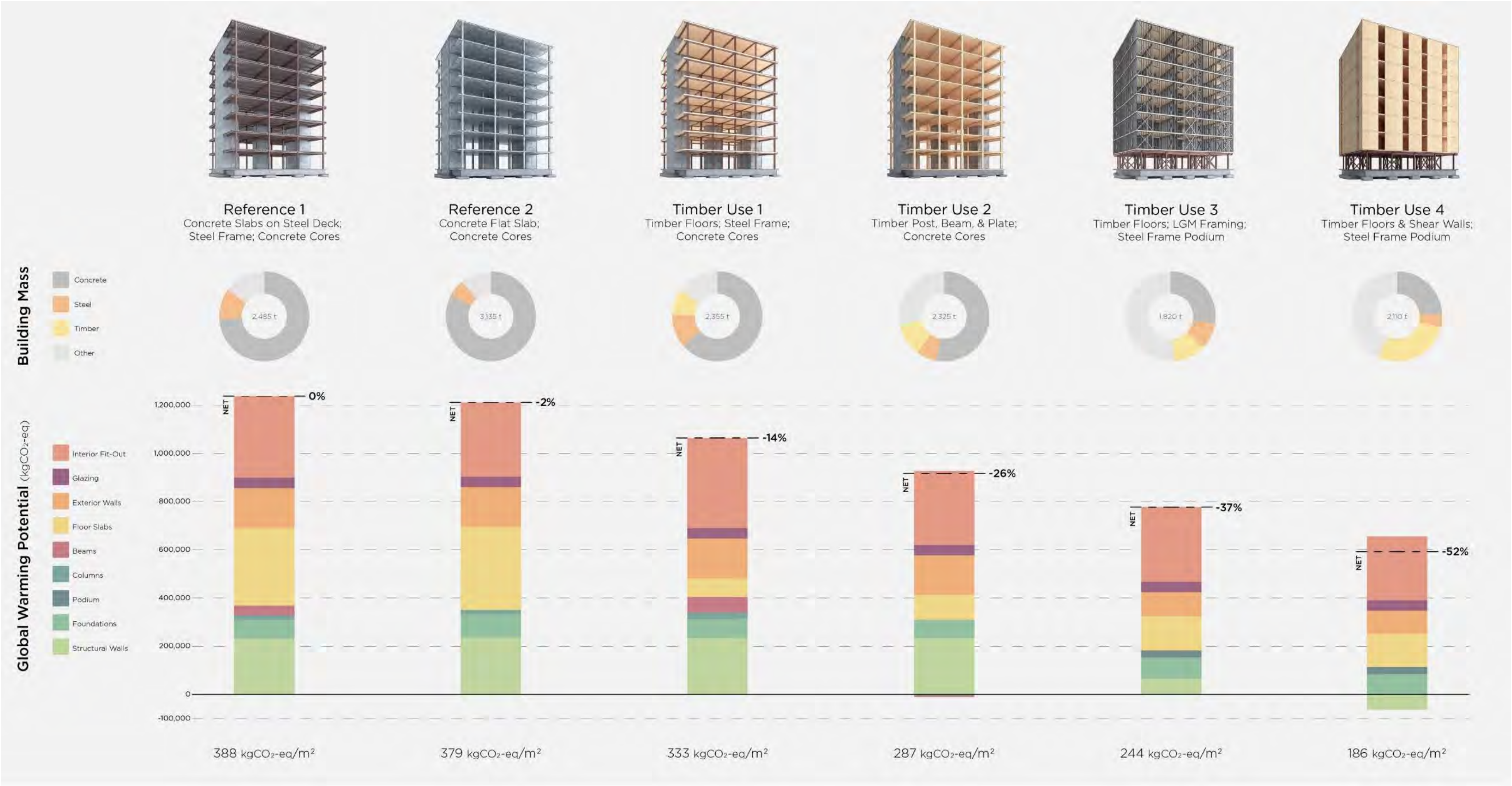
NO curing
(mass timber)



Curing & maze of shores (concrete)

Photo: WoodWorks

Sustainability Impacts



GLOBAL WARMING POTENTIAL & MATERIAL MASS
(PER BUILDING ASSEMBLY)

The total global warming potential (GWP) of each option is shown with a breakdown by building assembly. The Concrete With Steel Frame and Concrete Flat Slab options have the highest GWP, with the bulk of the impact embedded in the floor slabs. The Timber Use 1 (Floor Slabs; Steel Frame) option offers a slight reduction in GWP, with the most of the savings also embedded in the floor slabs. The Timber Use 2 (Post, Beam, and Plate) option offers a relatively typical approach to building with timber, showing savings in floor slabs, beams and columns. Since Timber Use 3 and 4 are cellular approaches with load-bearing walls, these options included steel podiums to accommodate the ground floor program. Timber Use 3 shows how a hybrid approach with light gauge metal yields GWP savings in structural walls and exterior walls, despite the addition of the podium. Lastly, Timber Use 4 emphasizes how a completely cellular CLT timber approach yields impressive reductions in nearly every category.

Source: Generate Architecture + Technologies

Reduce Risk

Optimize Costs

- For the entire project team, not just builders
- Lots of reference documents

Download Checklists at

www.woodworks.org

www.woodworks.org/wp-content/uploads/wood_solution_paper-Mass-Timber-Design-Cost-Optimization-Checklists.pdf

Mass Timber Cost and Design Optimization Checklists

WoodWorks has developed the following checklists to assist in the design and cost optimization of mass timber projects. The *design optimization* checklists are intended for building designers (architects and engineers), but many of the topics should also be discussed with the fabricators and builders. The *cost optimization* checklists will help guide coordination between designers and builders (general contractors, construction managers, estimators, fabricators, installers, etc.) as they are estimating and making cost-related decisions on a mass timber project. The *pre-design* checklist should be reviewed by the developer/owner, designers and builders.

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San Francisco, CA
ARCHITECT:
Perkins&Will
ENGINEERS:
DCI Engineers
CONTRACTOR:
Hathaway Dinwiddie

WoodWorks offers a wide range of resources at woodworks.org, many of which are referenced in this document. We also recommend that designers and builders download the following:

Mass Timber Design Manual[1] – Includes technical papers, continuing education articles, expert Q&As and more, and is updated regularly. Published in partnership with Think Wood.

U.S. Mass Timber Construction Manual[2] – Provides a framework for the planning, procurement and management of mass timber projects.

Photo: David Wakely

Keys to Mass Timber Success:

- Know Your WHY
- Design it as Mass Timber From the Start
- Leverage Manufacturer Capabilities
- Understand Supply Chain
- Optimize Grid
- Take Advantage of Prefabrication & Coordination
- Expose the Timber / Coordinate with MEP
- Discuss Early with AHJ
- Work with Experienced People
- Create Your Market Distinction
- Let WoodWorks Help for Free

Images: Korb & Associates

Mass Timber in Multi-Family Housing: Is it a Good Fit for Your Project?

There’s a good chance it is…Let’s talk about it!

Credit: D/O Architects

Image: Hickok Cole

Exploring Tall Wood: New Code Provisions for Tall Timber Structures

Kate (Pfretzschner) Carrigg, PE

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

Course Description

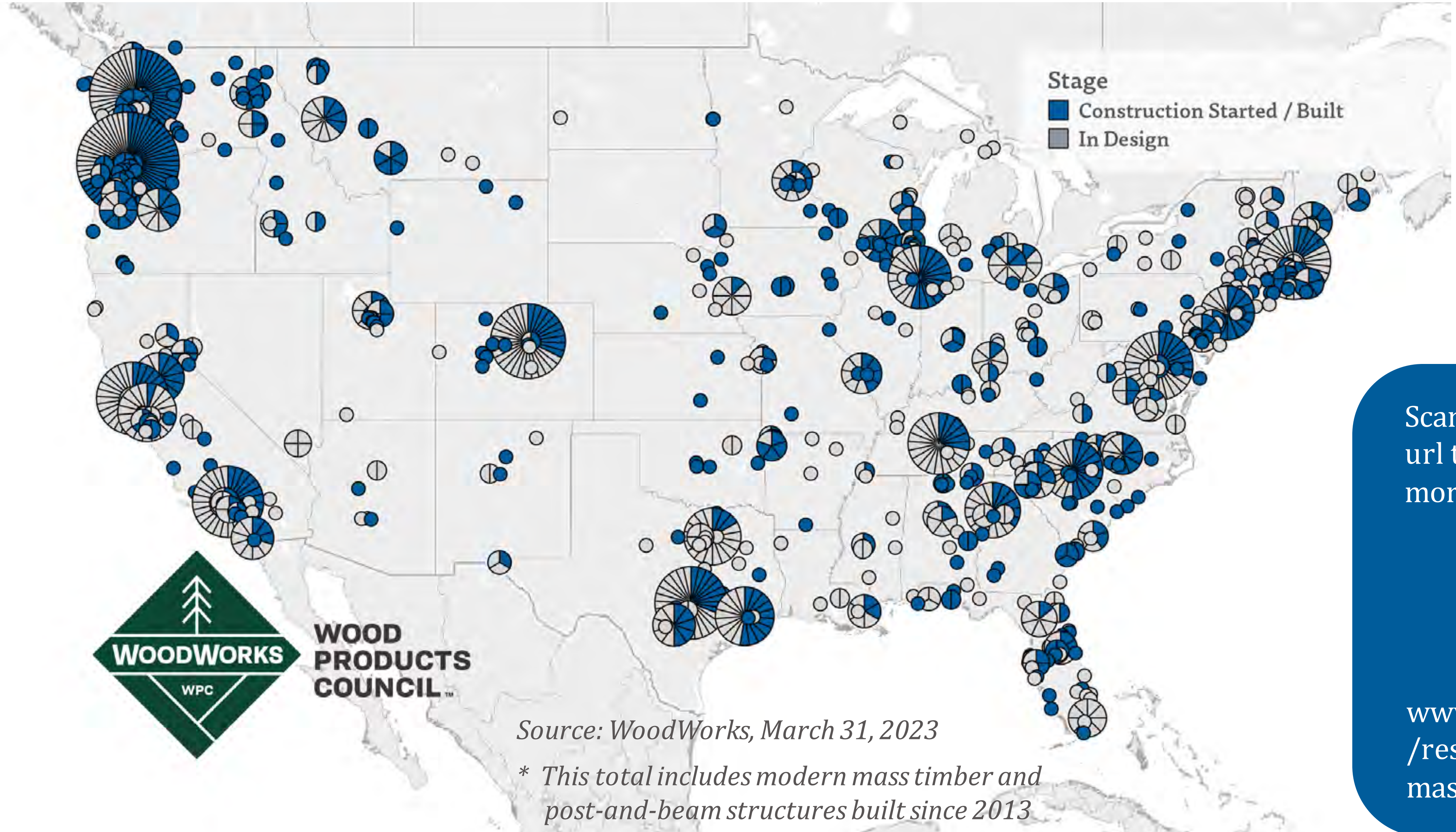
As interest in and use of mass timber in the U.S. has grown, so too has interest in pushing these timber structures to greater heights. Using international examples of successful tall wood buildings as precedent, some designers have proposed tall wood projects in the states using a project-specific performance-based design approach. In order to provide a uniform set of code provisions for these tall wood buildings, the International Code Council established an ad hoc committee on tall wood buildings that proposed a set of code changes allowing up to 18 stories of mass timber construction. Those code changes were announced as approved in January 2019 and will become part of the 2021 International Building Code. Following a brief discussion of history and motivators, this presentation will introduce the new tall wood code provisions and construction types, as well as the technical research and testing that supported their adoption.

Learning Objectives

1. Review the global history of tall wood construction and highlight the mass timber products used in these structures.
2. Explore the work and conclusions of the ICC Ad Hoc Committee on Tall Wood Buildings in establishing 14 new code provisions for the 2021 IBC that address tall wood construction.
3. Discuss differences between the new tall wood mass timber construction types and existing construction types.
4. Identify the key passive fire-resistance construction requirements and active systems that enable taller wood buildings to be built safely.

Current State of Mass Timber Projects

As of March 2023, in the US, **1,753** multi-family, commercial, or institutional projects have been constructed with, or are in design with, mass timber.



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Source: WoodWorks, March 31, 2023

** This total includes modern mass timber and post-and-beam structures built since 2013*

Scan this code or use the url to find the map and more details online.

www.woodworks.org/resources/mapping-mass-timber/

11 tall wood projects already under construction or built.

Carbon 12
Portland, OR
8 stories mass timber

Heartwood
Seattle, WA
8 stories mass timber

Minnesota Places
Portland, OR
8 stories – 7 mass timber

TimberView
Portland, OR
8 stories mass timber

1510 Webster
Oakland, CA
18 stories – 16 mass timber

Ascent
Milwaukee, WI
25 stories – 19 mass timber

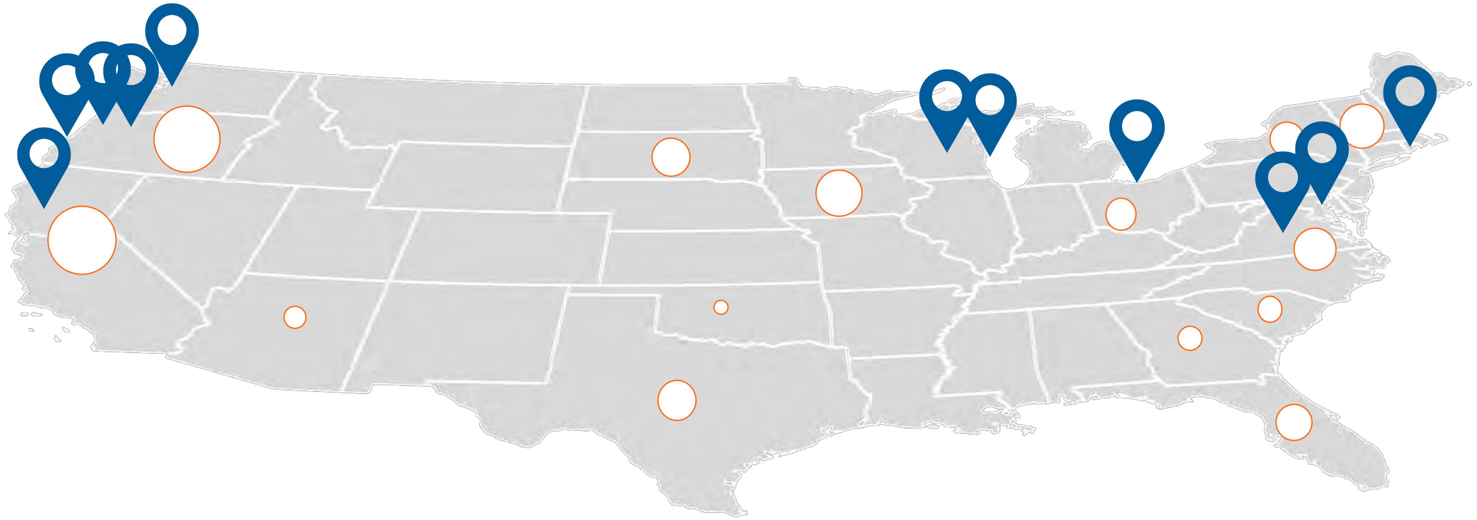
Bakers Place
Milwaukee, WI
15 stories – 12 mass timber

INTRO
Cleveland, OH
9 stories – 8 mass timber

11 E Lenox
Boston, MA
7 stories mass timber

80 M Street
Washington DC
10 stories – 3-story mass timber vertical addition

Apex Plaza
Charlottesville, VA
8 stories – 6 mass timber



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TALL WOOD

= 20 in-design tall wood projects

= tall wood project in construction or completed

WoodWorks is supporting 208 tall wood projects

Photo: Korb & Associates Architects | Architect: Korb & Associates Architects

ASCENT|MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN

25 STORIES/19 TIMBER | 284 FT

Mjøstårnet, NORWAY

18 STORIES | 280 FT

Photos: *RLP Rüdiger Lainer + Partner, RWTplus*

HOHO, AUSTRIA

24 STORIES | 275 FT

The What, Why and How of Tall Mass Timber

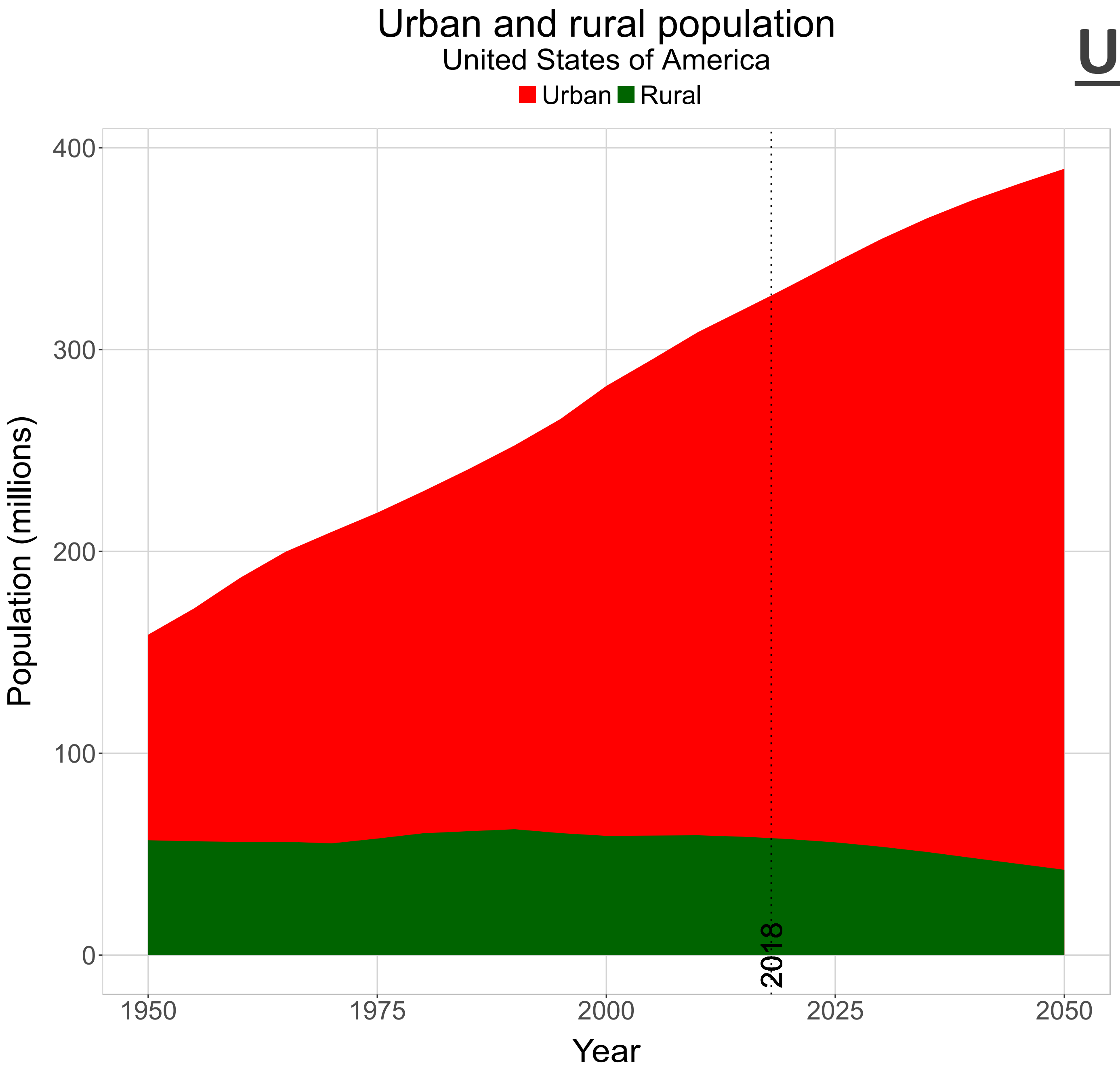

Photo: Michael Green Architecture

Global Population Increase

2050 = 11.2 billion people

2019 = 7.7 billion people

Source: https://ourworldindata.org/future-population-growth



US URBAN POPULATION BOOM

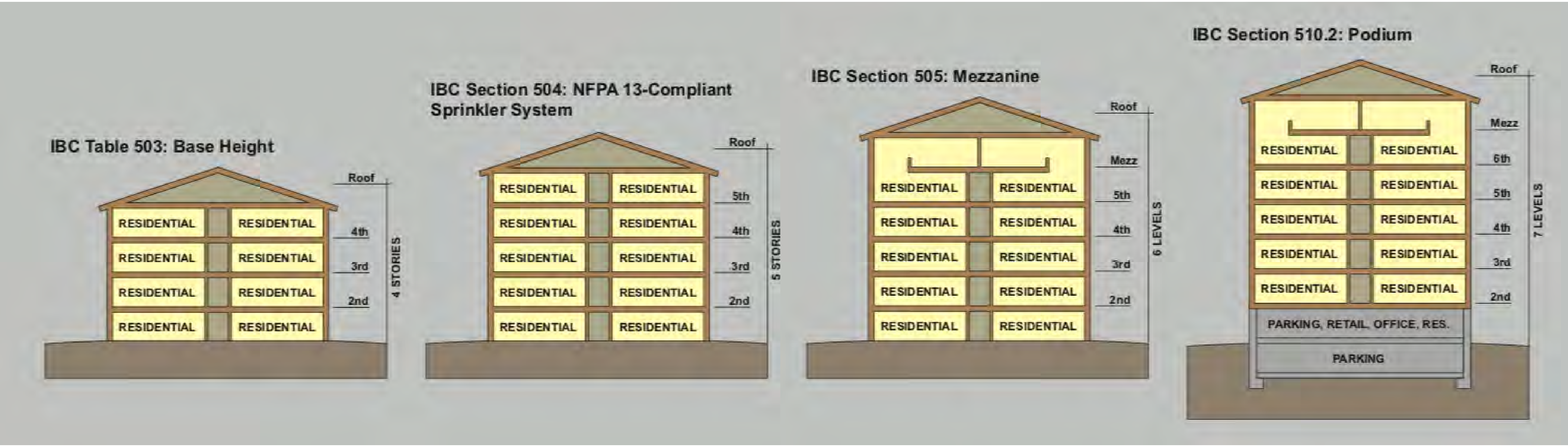
	↑ URBAN	↓ RURAL
2019	271.4 M	57.7 M
2030	301 M	53.7 M
2050	347.3 M	42.2 M

Value Analysis

$$Value = \frac{\uparrow Function \quad + \; \uparrow Aesthetics}{\downarrow Cost}$$


Photo: RMW Architecture & Interiors

Before IBC 2021 - Code Limit for Wood Construction



Source: WoodWorks

MARKET DRIVERS FOR MASS TIMBER

PRIMARY DRIVERS

- Construction Efficiency & Speed
- Construction site constraints – Urban Infill
- Innovation/Aesthetic

SECONDARY DRIVERS

- Carbon Reductions
- Structural Performance – lightweight

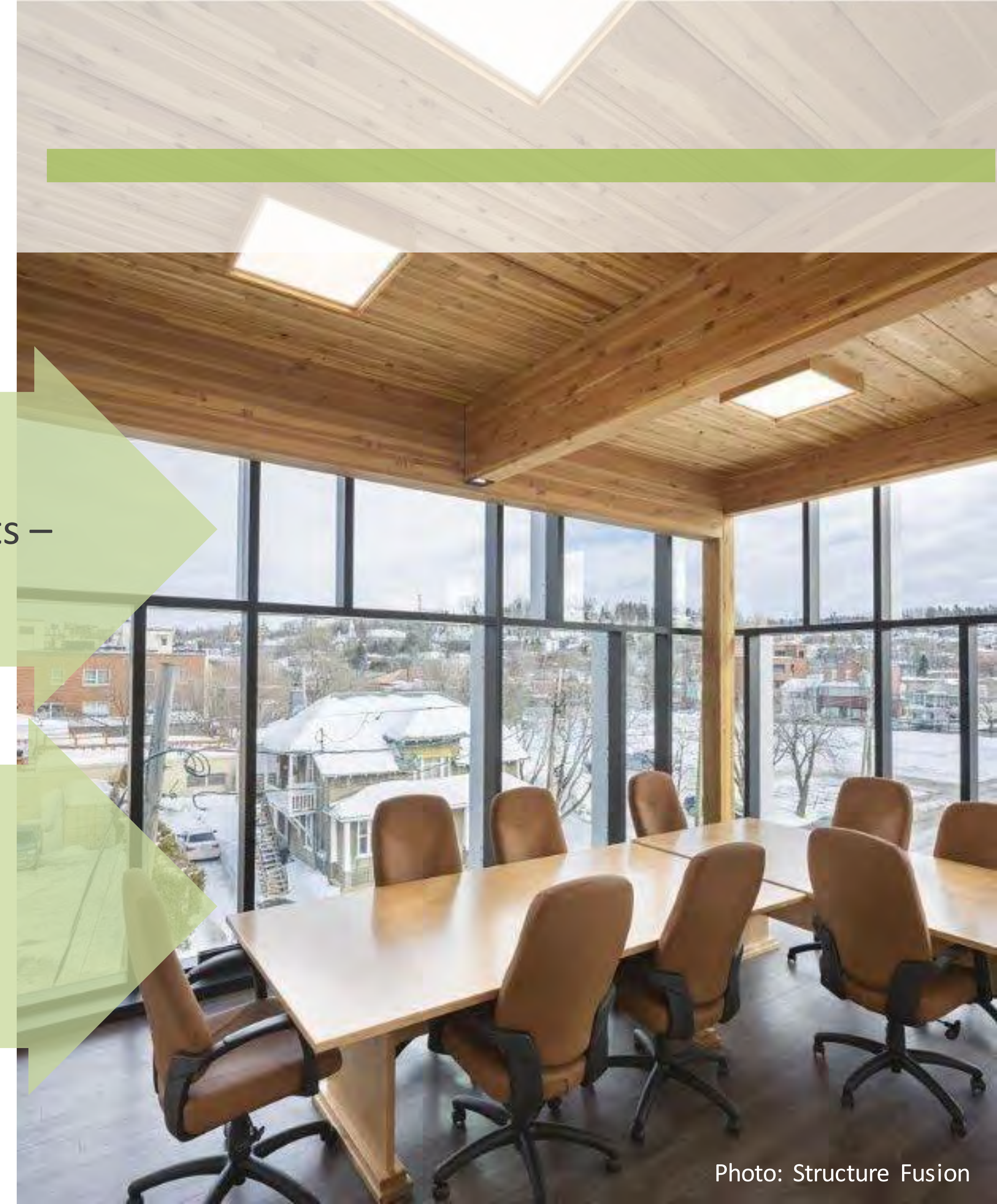
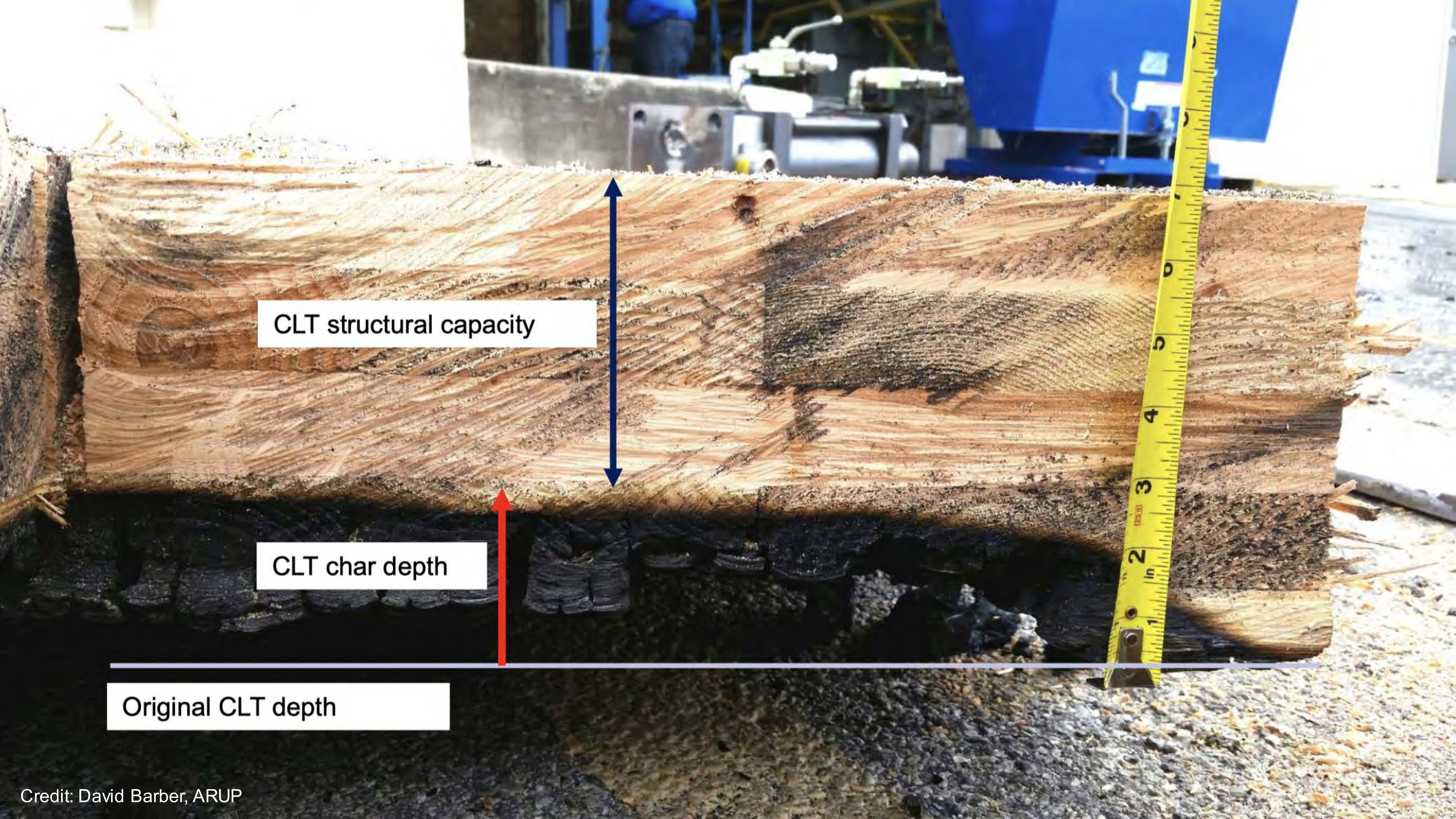


Photo: Structure Fusion

Biophilic Design, Connection to Forests


CLT structural capacity
CLT char depth
Original CLT depth
Credit: David Barber, ARUP

Aesthetics/Biophilia: Structural Warmth is a Value-Add

TMBR (unbuilt) Minneapolis, MN | Images: D/O Architects

ASCENT | MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN

Photo: CD Smith Construction |
Architect: Korb & Associates Architects


Credit: ARUP

Photos: Michael Elkan | Naturally Wood | UBC

BROCK COMMONS, BRITISH COLUMBIA **18 STORIES | 174 FT**

Construction Benefits
Brock Commons

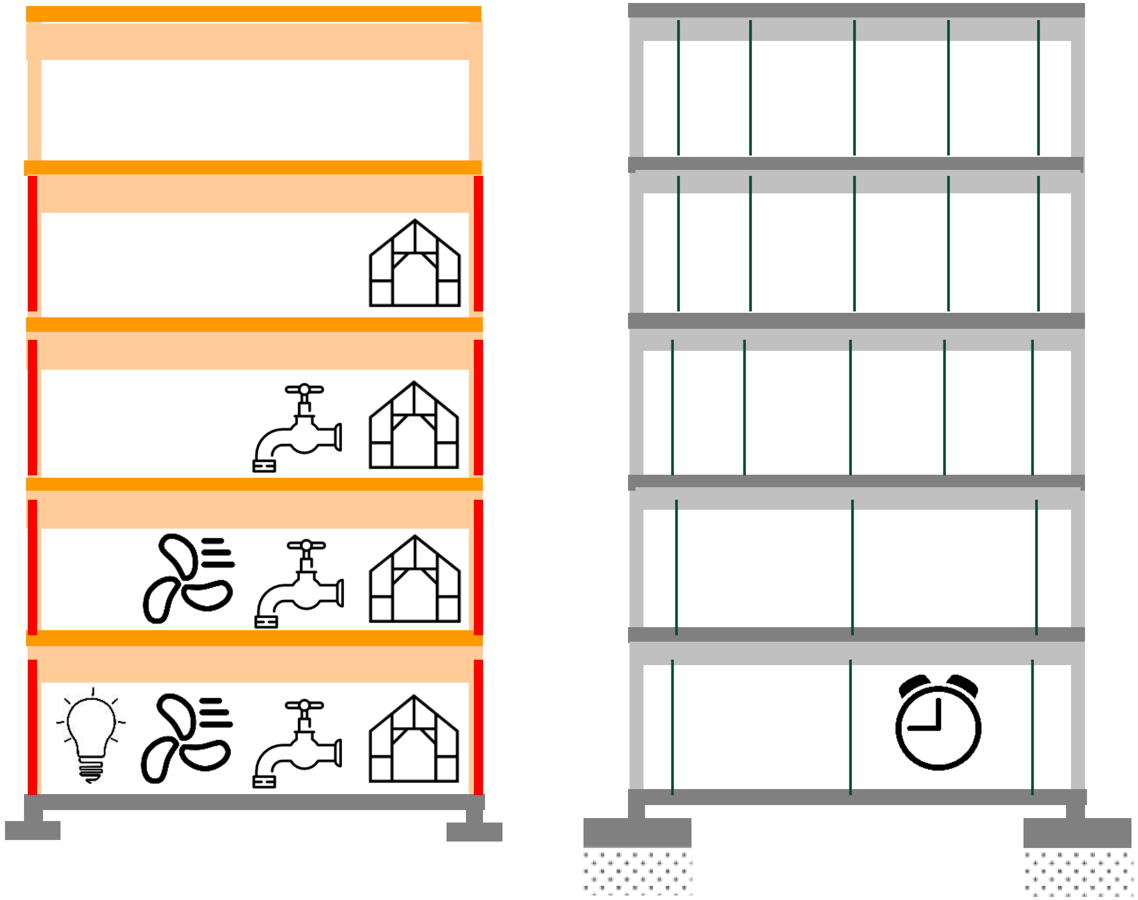
1 Floor = 3 Days

17 Elevated Floors Erected in 9.5 Weeks

Source: naturally:wood

Brock Commons, Vancouver, BC | Architect: Acton Ostry | Image Courtesy naturallywood

Schedule Comparison



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Carbon Storage

Wood ≈ 50% Carbon (dry weight)

Image: Lever Architecture

Carbon vs CO_2

+ 2 *

= 44 CO_2

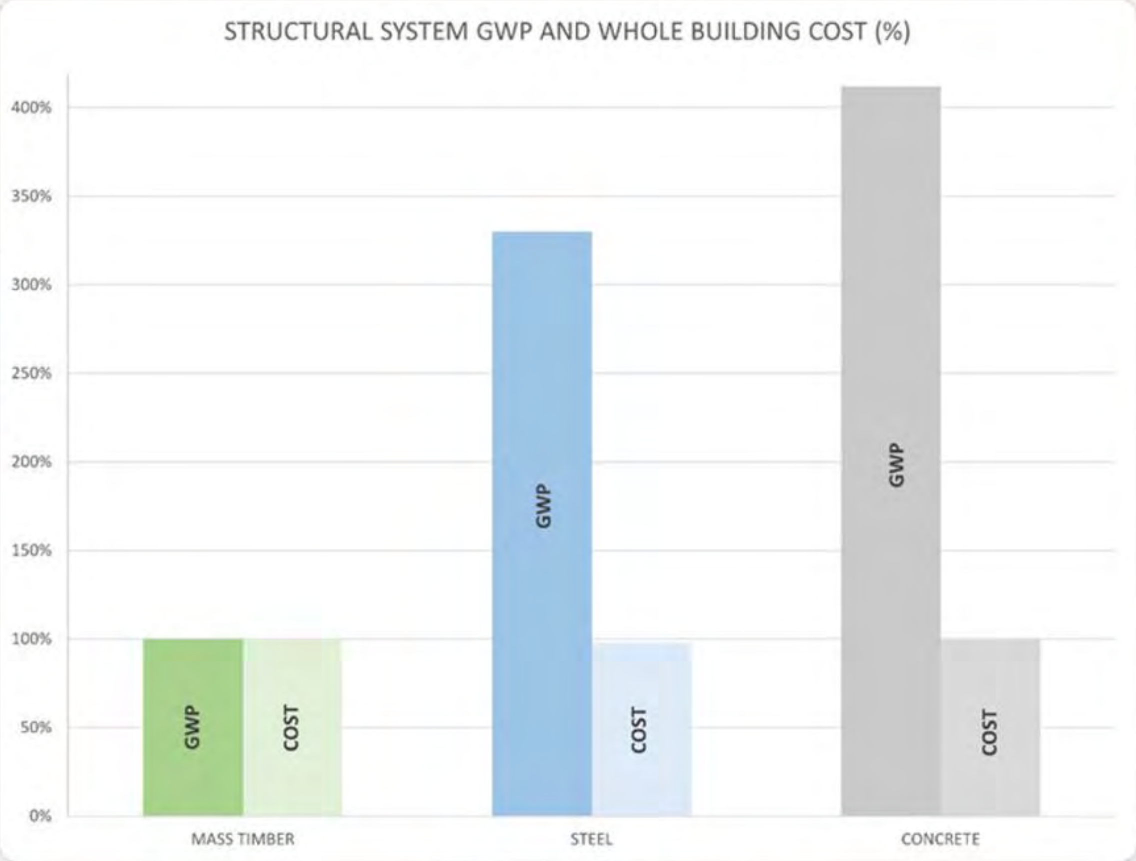
1 ton Carbon ≠ 1 ton CO_2

1 ton Carbon = (44/12=) **<u>3.67</u> tons CO_2**

PROJECT DETAILS

LOCATION:
Denver, Colorado

SIZE:
Five stories; 150,418 square feet



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CARBON 12|PORTLAND, OREGON

8 STORIES | 85 FT

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7 STORIES | 70 FT

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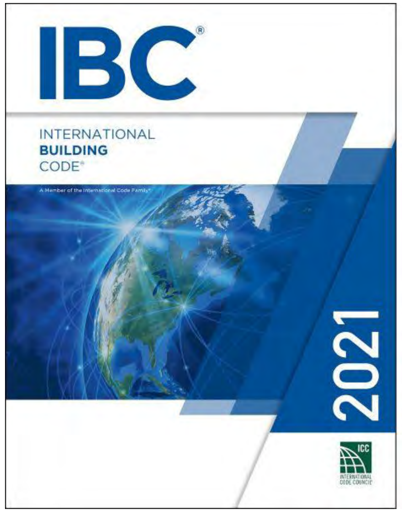

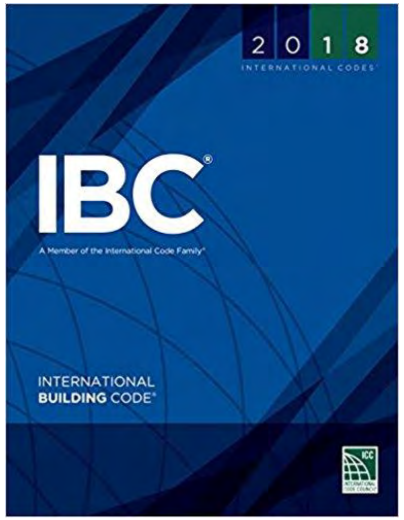

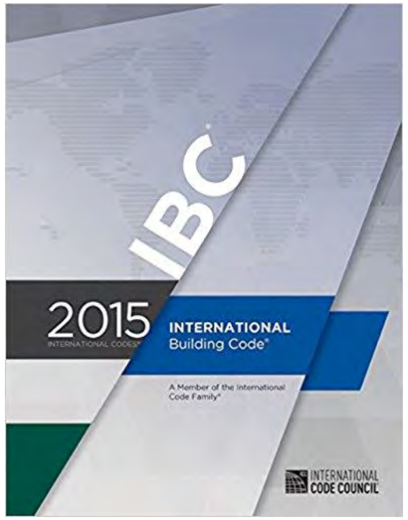

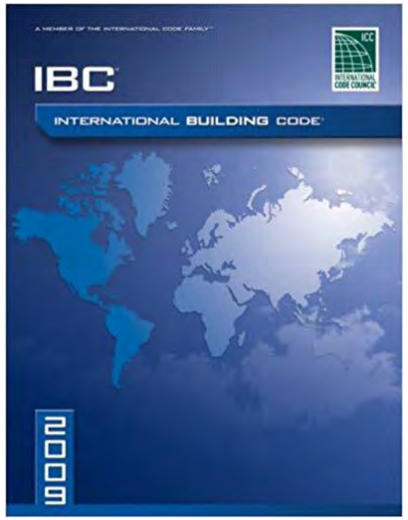

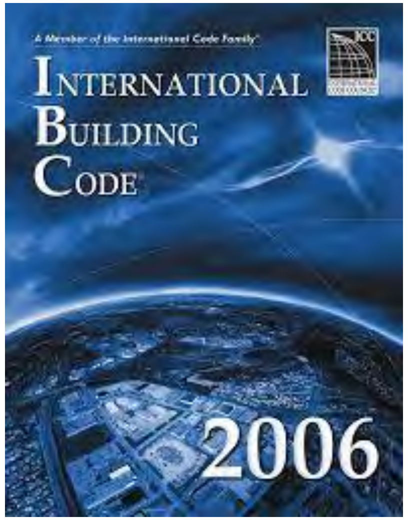

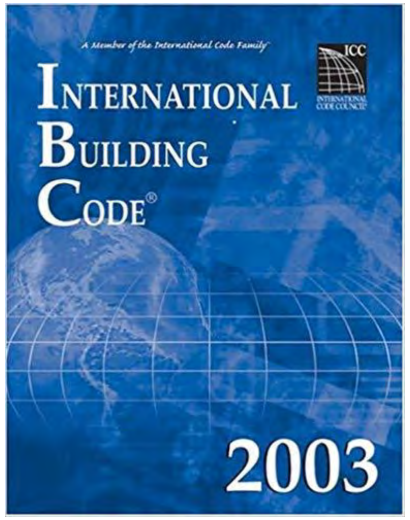

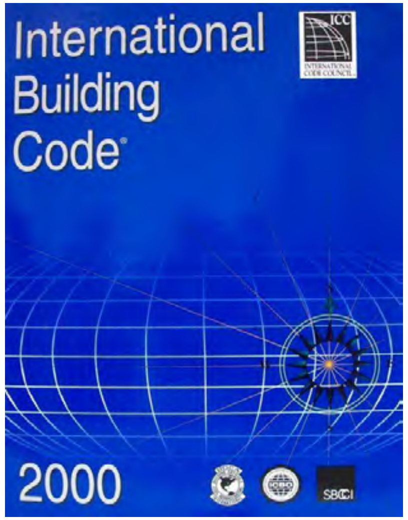

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U.S. TALL WOOD
DEVELOPMENT AND CHANGES

In December 2015, the ICC Board established the ICC Ad Hoc Committee on Tall Wood Buildings. Objectives:

1. Explore the building science of tall wood buildings
2. Investigate the feasibility, and
3. Take action on developing code changes for tall wood buildings.

RESEARCH FOUNDATION

RESEARCH FOR THE NFPA MISSION

Fire Safety Challenges of Tall Wood Buildings – Phase 2: Task 5 – Experimental Study of Delamination of Cross Laminated (CLT) Timber in Fire

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DEVELOPMENT OF A FIRE PERFORMANCE ASSESSMENT METHODOLOGY FOR QUALIFYING CROSS-LAMINATED TIMBER ADHESIVES

WFCI

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Fire Resistance Testing of CLT Floor/Ceiling Assemblies to Establish Contribution of Gypsum Protection

Photo: LendLease

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Tall Wood Ad Hoc Committee

Commissioned series of 5 full-scale tests on 2-story mass timber structure at ATF lab in MD, May-June 2017

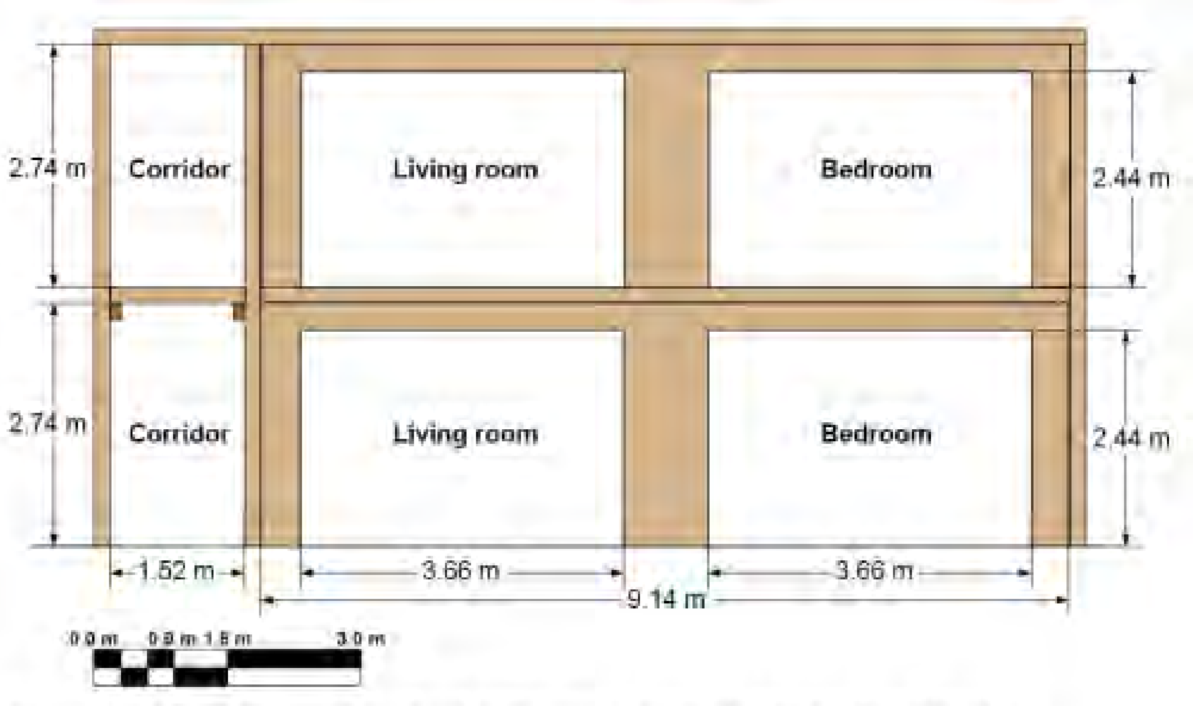

Figure 2. Elevation view of the front of the cross-laminated timber test structure.

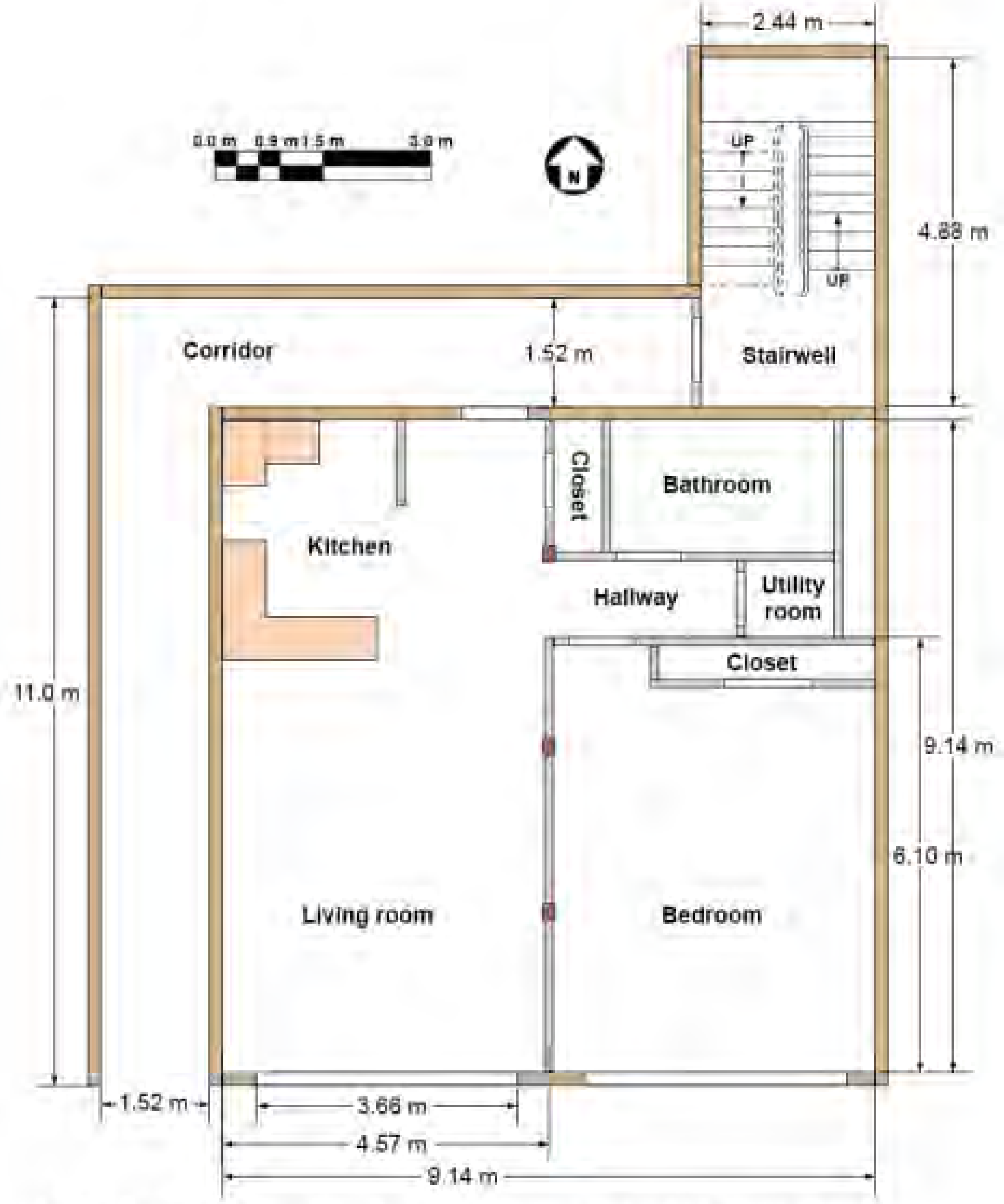

Figure 1. General plan view of cross-laminated timber test structure.

Images: AWC

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Tall Wood Ad Hoc Committee

Test	Description	Construction Type
Test 1	All mass timber surfaces protected with 2 layers of 5/8" Type X Gypsum. No Sprinklers.	IV-A
Test 2	30% of CLT ceiling area in living room and bedroom exposed. No Sprinklers.	IV-B
Test 3	Two opposing CLT walls exposed – one in bedroom and one in living room. No Sprinklers.	IV-B
Test 4	All mass timber surfaces fully exposed in bedroom and living room. Sprinklered – normal activation	IV-C
Test 5	All mass timber surfaces fully exposed in bedroom and living room. Sprinklered – 20 minute delayed activation	IV-C

Photo: LendLease

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TEST 2

Photos provided by U.S. Forest Products Laboratory, USDA

Source: AWC

AHC established 6 performance objectives:

1. **No collapse** under reasonable scenarios of complete burn-out of fuel without automatic sprinkler protection being considered.

2. **Highly reliable fire suppression systems** to reduce the risk of failure during reasonably expected fire scenarios. The degree of reliability should be proportional to evacuation time (height) and the risk of collapse.


Photo: LEVER Architecture

AHC established 6 performance objectives:

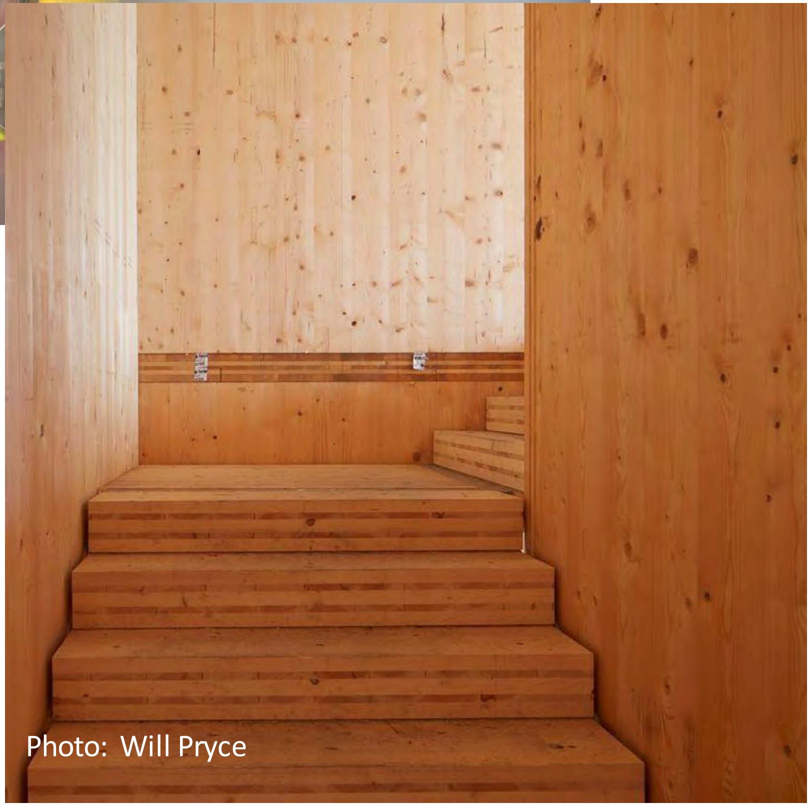
3. **No unusually high radiation exposure from the subject building to adjoining properties** to present a risk of ignition under reasonably severe fire scenarios.

4. **No unusual response from typical radiation exposure from adjacent properties** to present a risk of ignition of the subject building under reasonably severe fire scenarios.

AHC established 6 performance objectives:

5. **No unusual fire department access issues**

6. **Egress systems designed to protect building occupants** during the design escape time, plus a factor of safety.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ICC TWB AHC Proposals

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Requirements for the new Types of Construction:

- IBC Section 602.4 – Type of Construction (G108-18)
- IBC Section 703.8 – Performance Method for Fire Resistance from Noncombustible Protection (FS5-18)
- IBC Section 722.7 – Prescriptive Fire Resistance from Noncombustible Protection (FS81-18)
- IBC Section 703.9 – Sealants at Edges (FS6-18)
- IBC Section 718.2.1 – Fire and Smoke Protection (FS73-18)
- IBC Section 403.3.2 – High-Rise Sprinkler Water Supply (G28-18)
- IBC Section 701.6 – Owners' Responsibility (F88-18)

IFC Section 3308.4 – Fire Safety During Construction (F266-18)

Allowable building size limits:

- IBC Table 504.3 – Building Height (G75-18)
- IBC Table 504.4 –Number of Stories (G80-18)
- IBC Table 506.2 – Allowable Area (G84-18)

Housekeeping changes:

- IBC Section 3102 – Special Construction (G146-18)
- IBC Appendix D – Fire Districts (G152-18)
- IBC Section 508.4 and 509.4 – Fire Barriers (G89-18)

- IBC Table 1705.5.3 Special Inspections (S100-19)
- IBC Section 110.3.5 Connection Protection Inspection (ADM35-19)
- IBC Section 2304.10.1 Connection Fire Resistance Rating (S170-19)

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SO WHAT'S CHANGED??

2021 IBC Introduced

3 new tall wood construction types:

BUILDING ELEMENT	TYPE I		TYPE II		TYPE III		TYPE IV				TYPE V	
	A	B	A	B	A	B	A	B	C	HT	A	B

Fire-Resistance Ratings

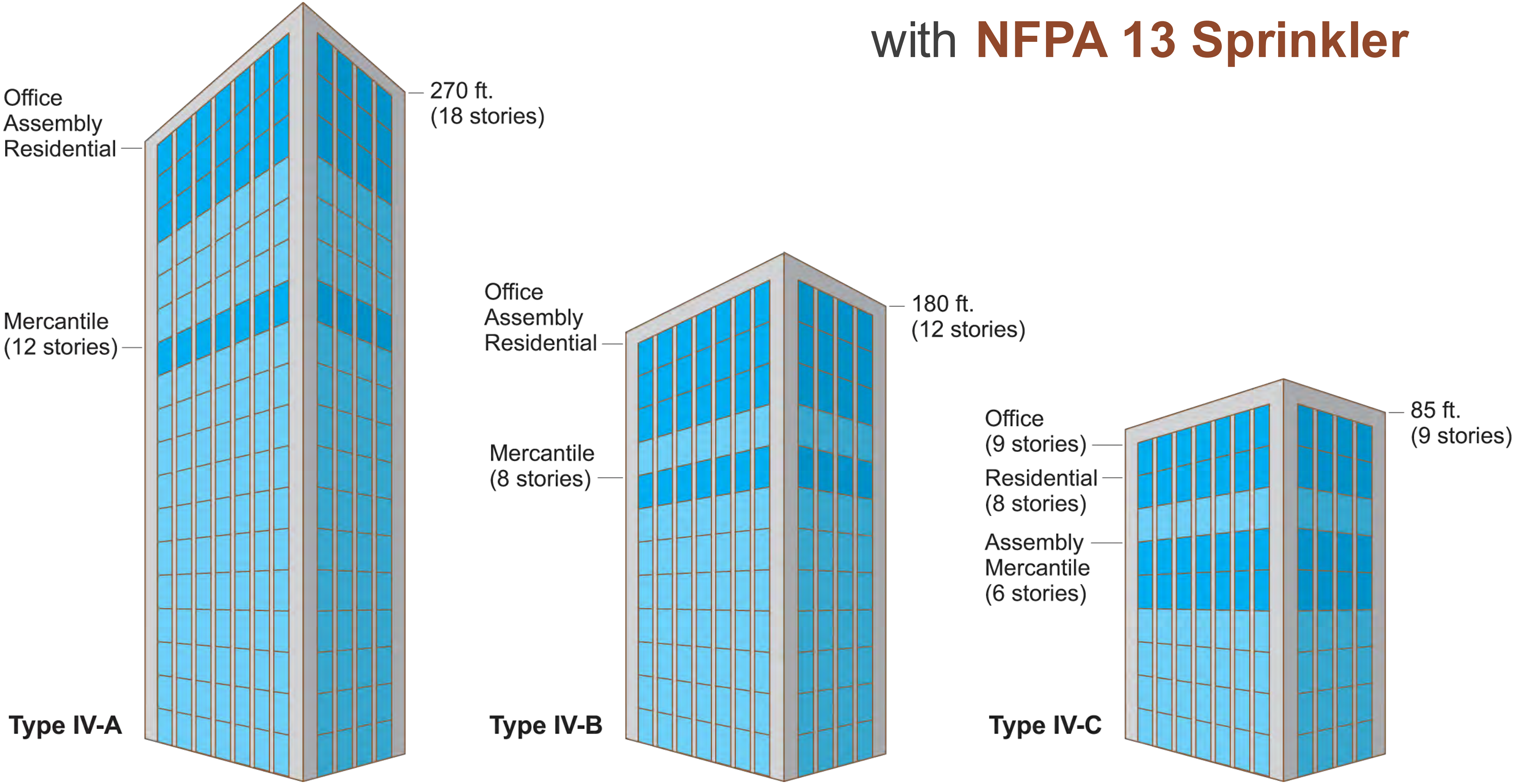
Driven primarily by construction type.

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

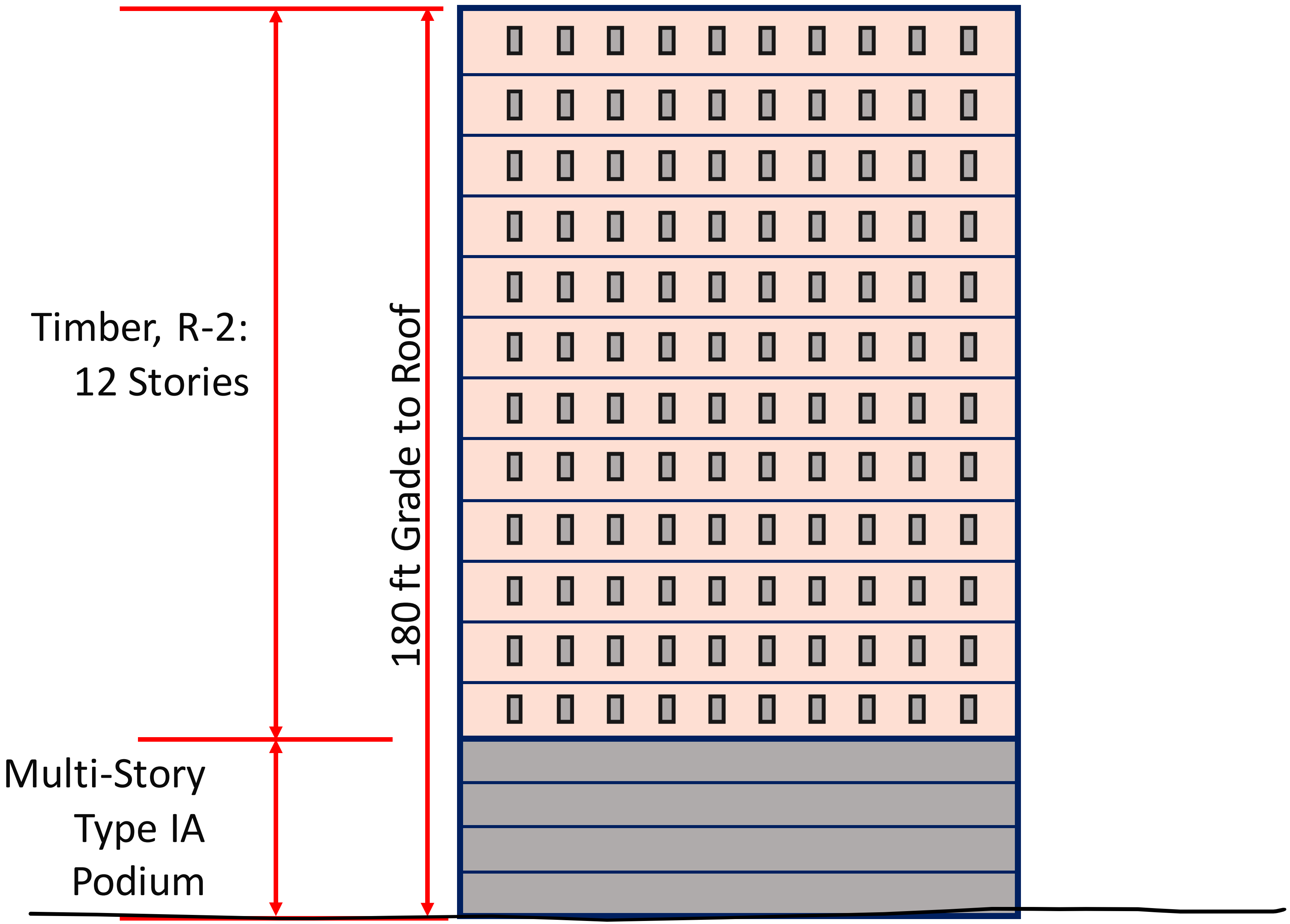
BUILDING ELEMENT	TYPE I		TYPE II		TYPE III		TYPE IV				TYPE V	
	A	B	A	B	A	B	A	B	C	HT	A	B
Primary structural frame[f] (see Section 202)	3[a,b]	2[a,b,c]	1[b,c]	0[c]	1[b,c]	0	3[a]	2[a]	2[a]	HT	1[b,c]	0
Bearing walls												
Exterior[a,f]	3	2	1	0	2	2	3	2	2	2	1	0
Interior	3[a]	2[a]	1	0	1	0	3	2	2	1/HT[g]	1	0
Nonbearing walls and partitions Exterior	See Table 705.5											
Nonbearing walls and partitions Interior[d]	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	See Section 2304.11.2	0	0
Floor construction and associated secondary structural members (see Section 202)	2	2	1	0	1	0	2	2	2	HT	1	0
Roof construction and associated secondary structural members (see Section 202)	$1^1/_2$[b]	1[b,c]	1[b,c]	0[c]	1[b,c]	0	$1^1/_2$	1	1	HT	1[b,c]	0

2021 IBC Tall Wood Construction Types

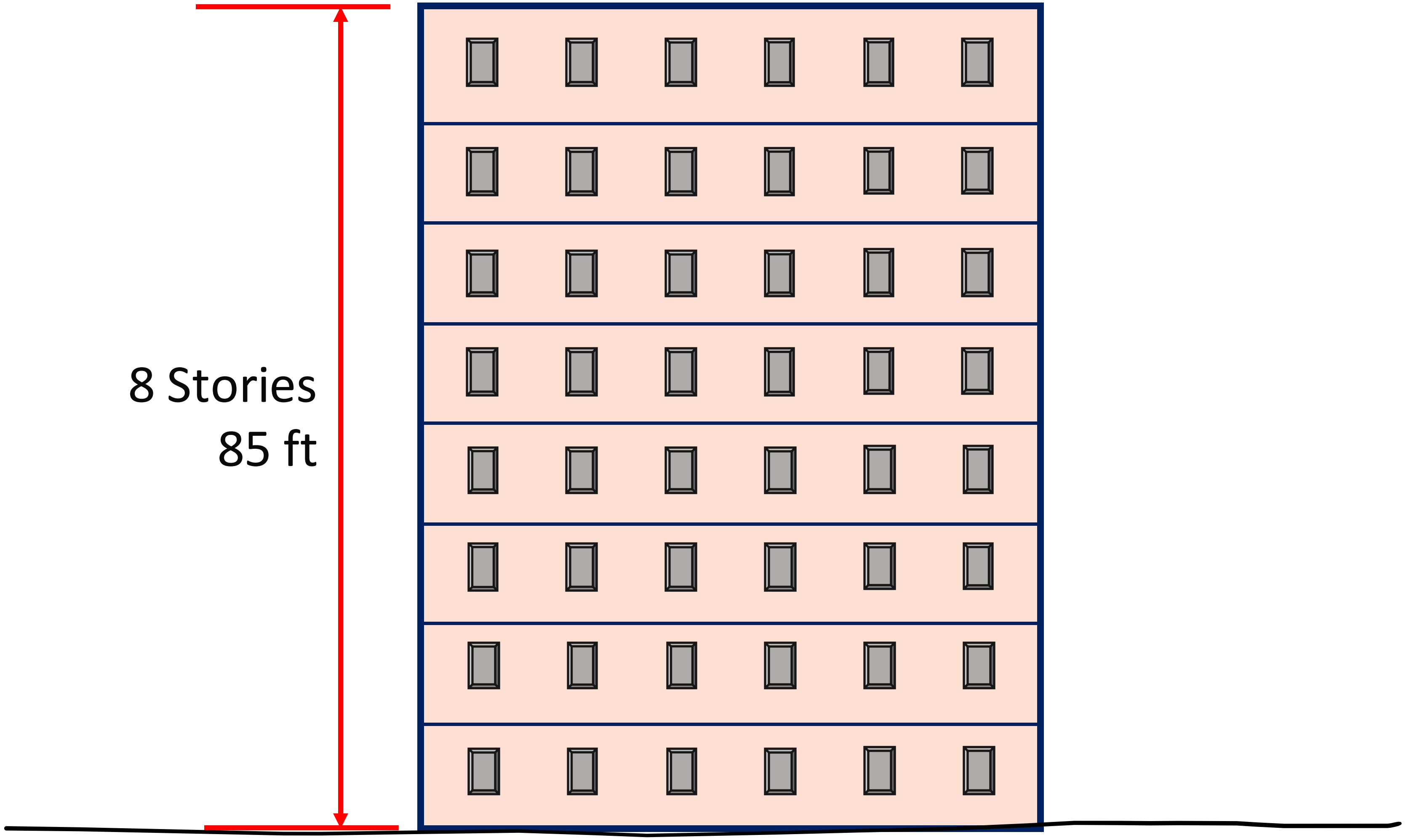
with **NFPA 13 Sprinkler**



Example Mixed-Use, Type IV-B Building



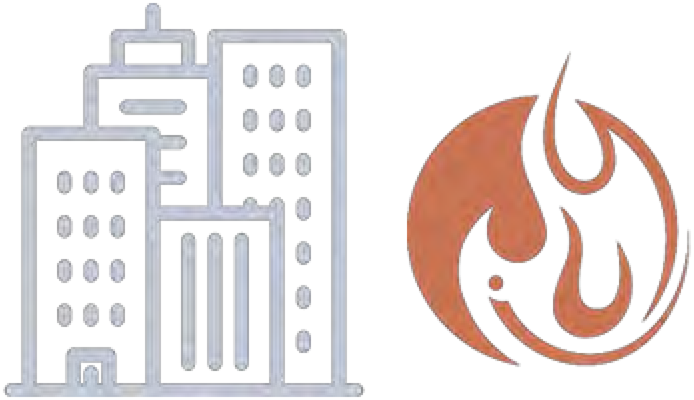
Example R-2, Type IV-C Building



Tall Wood Building Size Limits

	Construction Type (All Sprinklered Values)						
	I-A	I-B	**IV-A**	**IV-B**	**IV-C**	IV-HT	III-A
Occupancies	**Allowable Building Height above Grade Plane, Feet (IBC Table 504.3)**						
A, B, R	Unlimited	180	**270**	**180**	**85**	85	85
	Allowable Number of Stories above Grade Plane (IBC Table 505.4)						
A-2, A-3, A-4	Unlimited	12	**18**	**12**	**6**	4	4
B	Unlimited	12	**18**	**12**	**9**	6	6
R-2	Unlimited	12	**18**	**12**	**8**	5	5
	Allowable Area Factor (At) for SM, Feet^2 (IBC Table 506.2)						
A-2, A-3, A-4	Unlimited	Unlimited	**135,000**	**90,000**	**56,250**	45,000	42,000
B	Unlimited	Unlimited	**324,000**	**216,000**	**135,000**	108,000	85,500
R-2	Unlimited	Unlimited	**184,500**	**123,000**	**76,875**	61,500	72,000

Noncombustible Protection (NC)



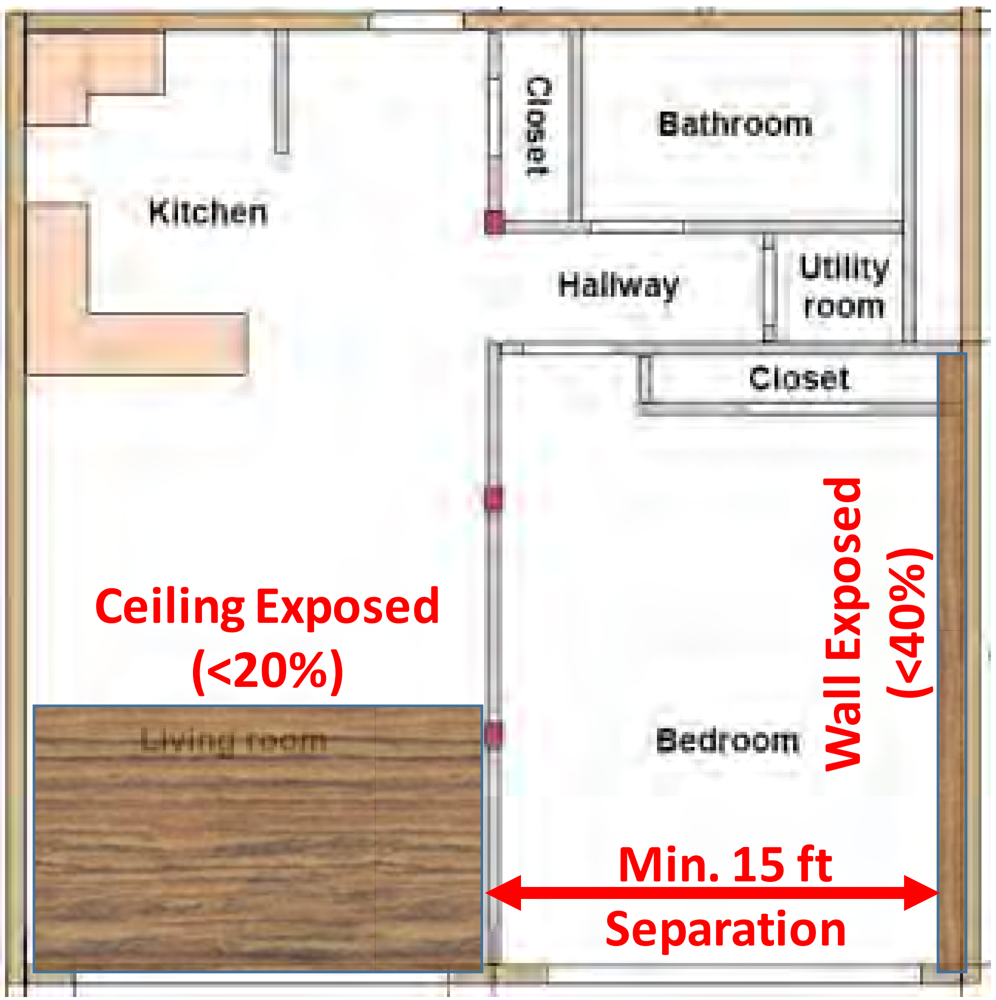
The definition of **"Noncombustible Protection (For Mass Timber)"** was created to address the **passive fire protection** of mass timber.

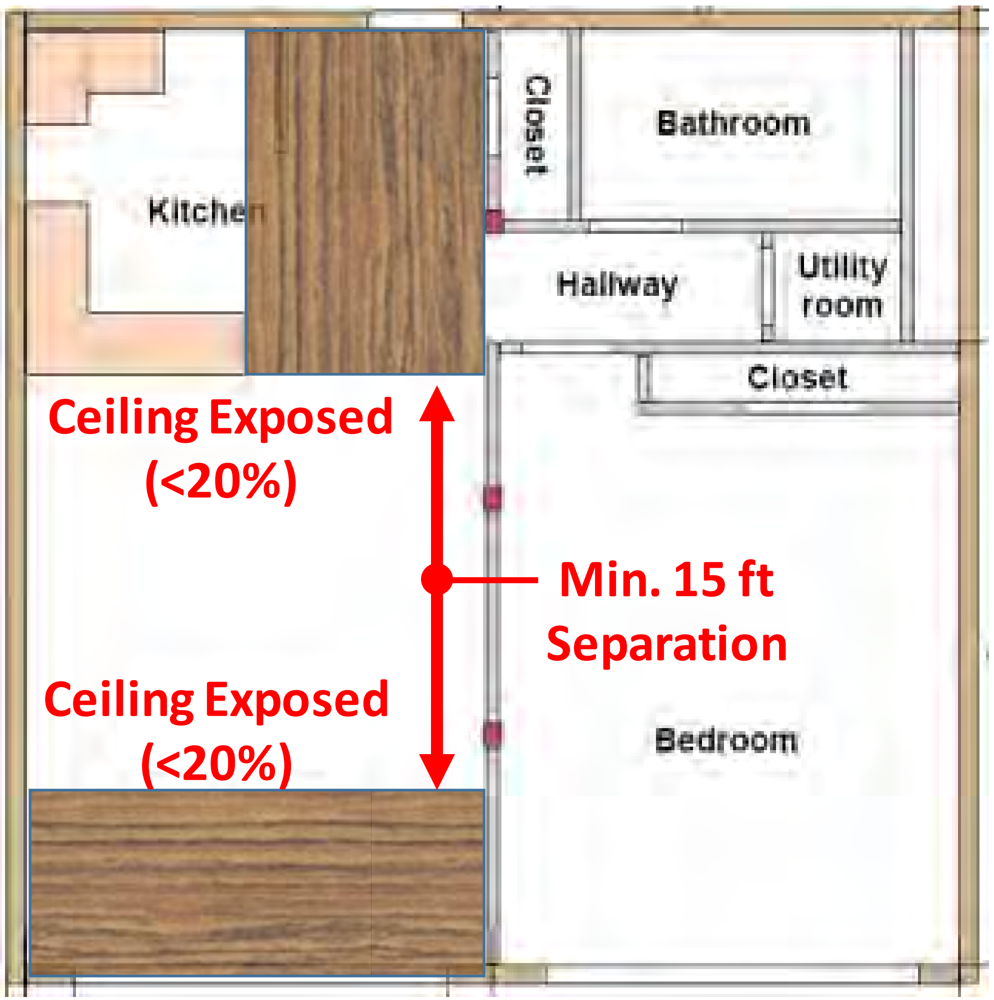
Credit: WGI

Protection vs. Exposed

IV-B

2021 IBC Allowances





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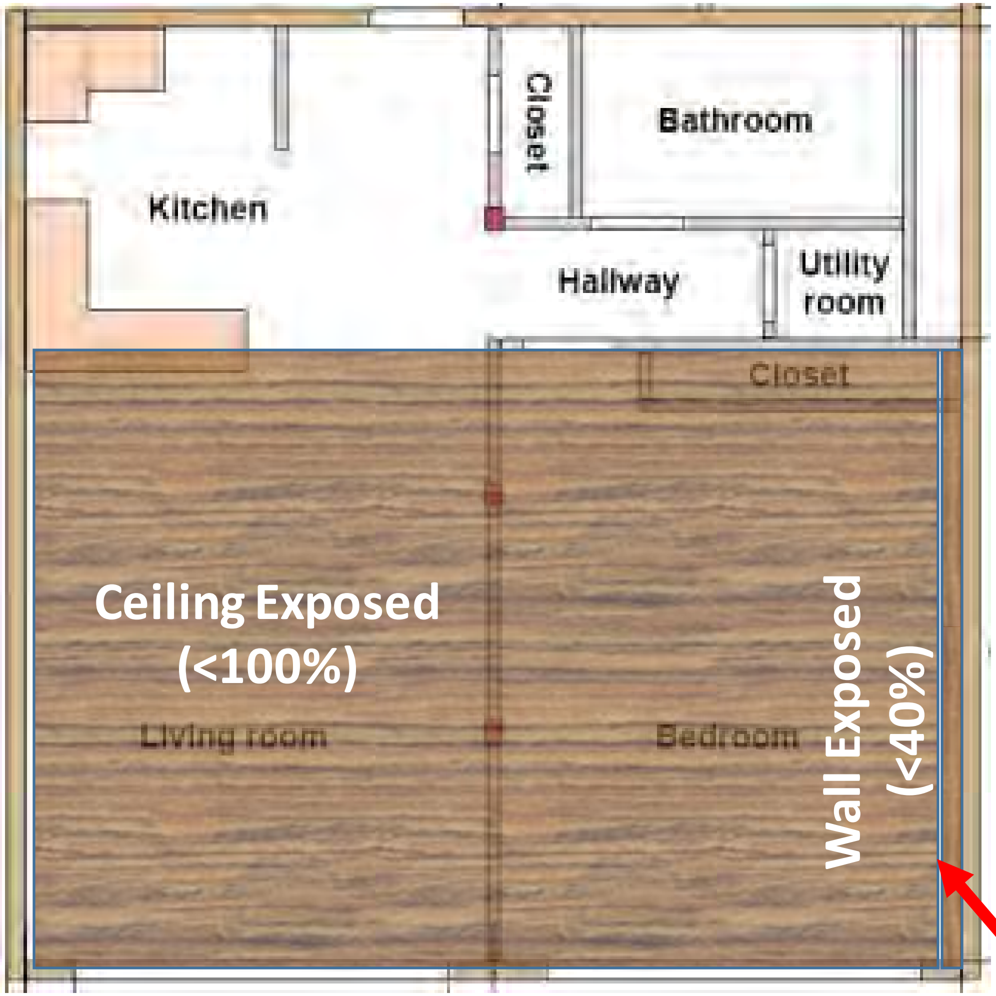
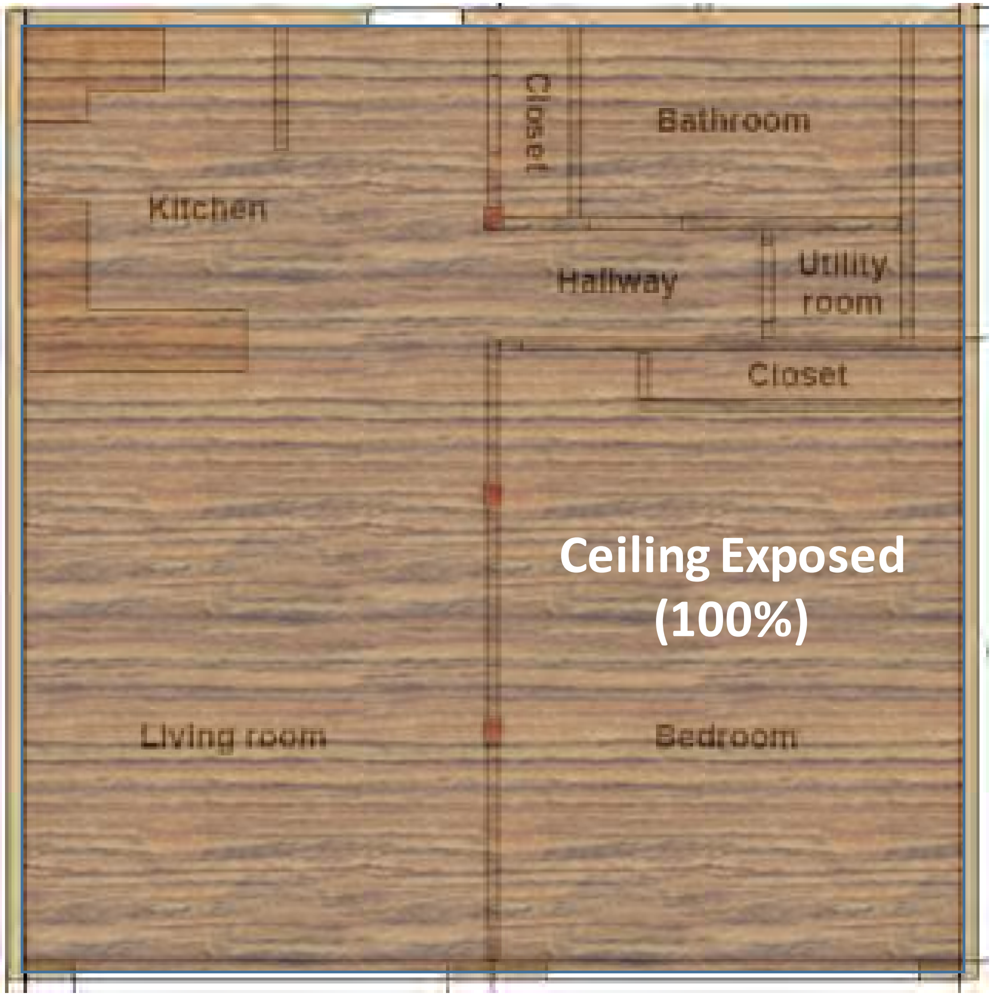
Protection vs. Exposed

IV-B

2024 IBC Allowances





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No separation req'd between wall & ceiling

Protection vs. Exposed: 2024 IBC

IV-B

100% Timber Ceiling Exposure Up to 12 Stories

CONSTRUCTION DEVELOPMENT SUSTAINABILITY

Denver Adopts Tall Mass Timber Codes

milehighcre — January 6, 2020

On December 23, the City of Denver voted to adopt the 2019 Denver Building Code, which includes the tall mass timber code provisions approved for the 2021 International Building Code (IBC).

As part of the adoption of the new code, there will be a four-month period where new projects can use either the 2016 Denver Building Code or the newly-adopted 2019 version. After four months, all building and fire code permits will be processed under the 2019 Denver Building Code.

"We congratulate the City of Denver on incorporating mass timber into its building codes, and recognizing the potential of this new category of wood products to revolutionize the way America builds," said American Wood Council president & CEO Robert Glowinski. "Mass timber offers the strength of historic building materials with lower weight, and, in the rare event of a fire, has inherent fire resistance. Beyond the aesthetic qualities of mass timber that building owners and designers are seeking, wood is among the most energy-efficient and environmentally friendly of all construction materials, storing carbon from the atmosphere for long periods of time."

The adopted proposal to recognize mass timber in the new code was submitted by Dr. Gregory R. Kingsley on behalf of the Structural Engineers Association of Colorado. The American Wood Council provided technical assistance to the city in support of the proposal.

The 2019 Denver Building Code will now recognize three new types of construction that also are included in the 2021 IBC:

AMENDMENTS TO THE BUILDING AND FIRE CODE FOR THE CITY AND COUNTY OF DENVER

The 2019 Denver Building and Fire Code includes the following codes except as amended herein.

APPENDIX U
TALL WOOD BUILDINGS

SECTION U101
GENERAL

U101.1 Purpose. The purpose of this appendix is to provide criteria for three new mass timber construction types: Type IV-A, Type IV-B, and Type IV-C. These building types expand the allowable use of mass timber construction to larger areas and greater heights than allowed for Type IV-HT construction.

U101.2 Scope. The provisions in this appendix are in addition to or replace the sections in the 2018 *International Building Code* where Types IV-A, IV-B, and IV-C construction are used. Where building Types IV-A, IV-B, or IV-C are not used, this appendix does not apply.

SECTION U102
AMENDMENTS TO THE INTERNATIONAL BUILDING CODE

(Under use of this appendix chapter, the following sections shall be modified or added as follows and shall supersede the corresponding sections in the International Building Code or Denver amendments to the International Building Code)

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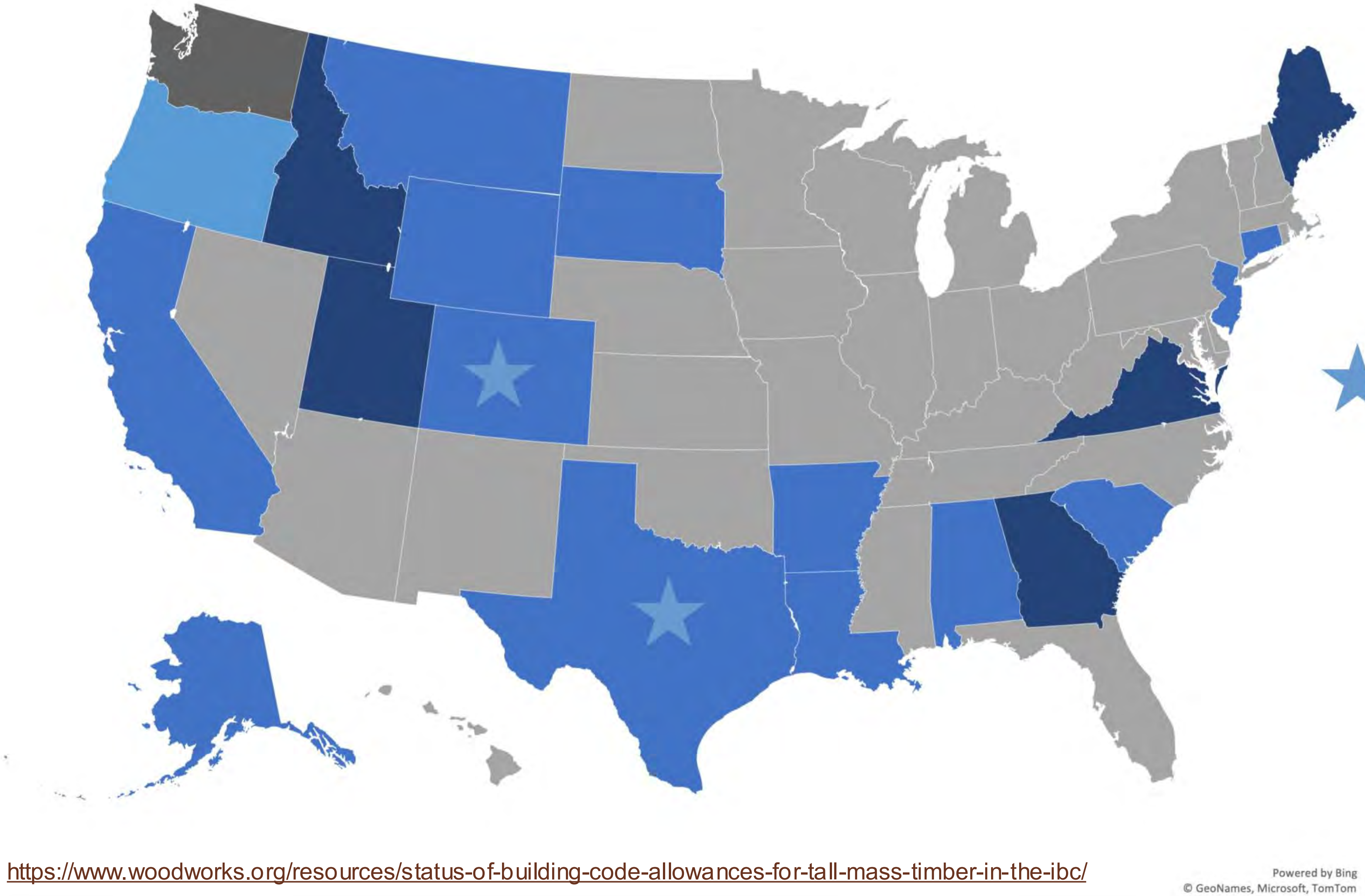
Tall Mass Timber Code Adoptions by State



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https://www.woodworks.org/resources/status-of-building-code-allowances-for-tall-mass-timber-in-the-ibc/

INTRO, CLEVELAND

9 Stories | 115 ft

8 Timber Over 1 Podium

Type IV-B: Variance to expose ~50% ceilings

Photo: Harbor Bay Real Estate Advisors, Image Fiction | Architect: Hartshorne Plunkard Architecture

HEARTWOOD, SEATTLE

8 STORIES

Workforce Housing

Type IV-C: 66,000 SF

126 units, 60-100% AMI

Photo: Atelier Jones |
Architect: Atelier Jones

MINNESOTA PLACES, PORTLAND

8 STORIES

Affordable Housing

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Architect: Wright Architecture

Type IV-C: 72 Units
7 Stories of Timber over Podium

TIMBERVIEW, PORTLAND

8 STORIES

Affordable Housing

Type IV-C: 105 Units

Photo: Access Architecture
Architect: Access Architecture

BAKER'S PLACE, MADISON, WI

15 STORIES

12 TIMBER OVER 3 PODIUM

Photo: The Neutral Project
Architect: Michael Green Architecture

Type IV-B: 72 Units

1510 WEBSTER, OAKLAND

18 STORIES

16 TIMBER OVER 2 PODIUM

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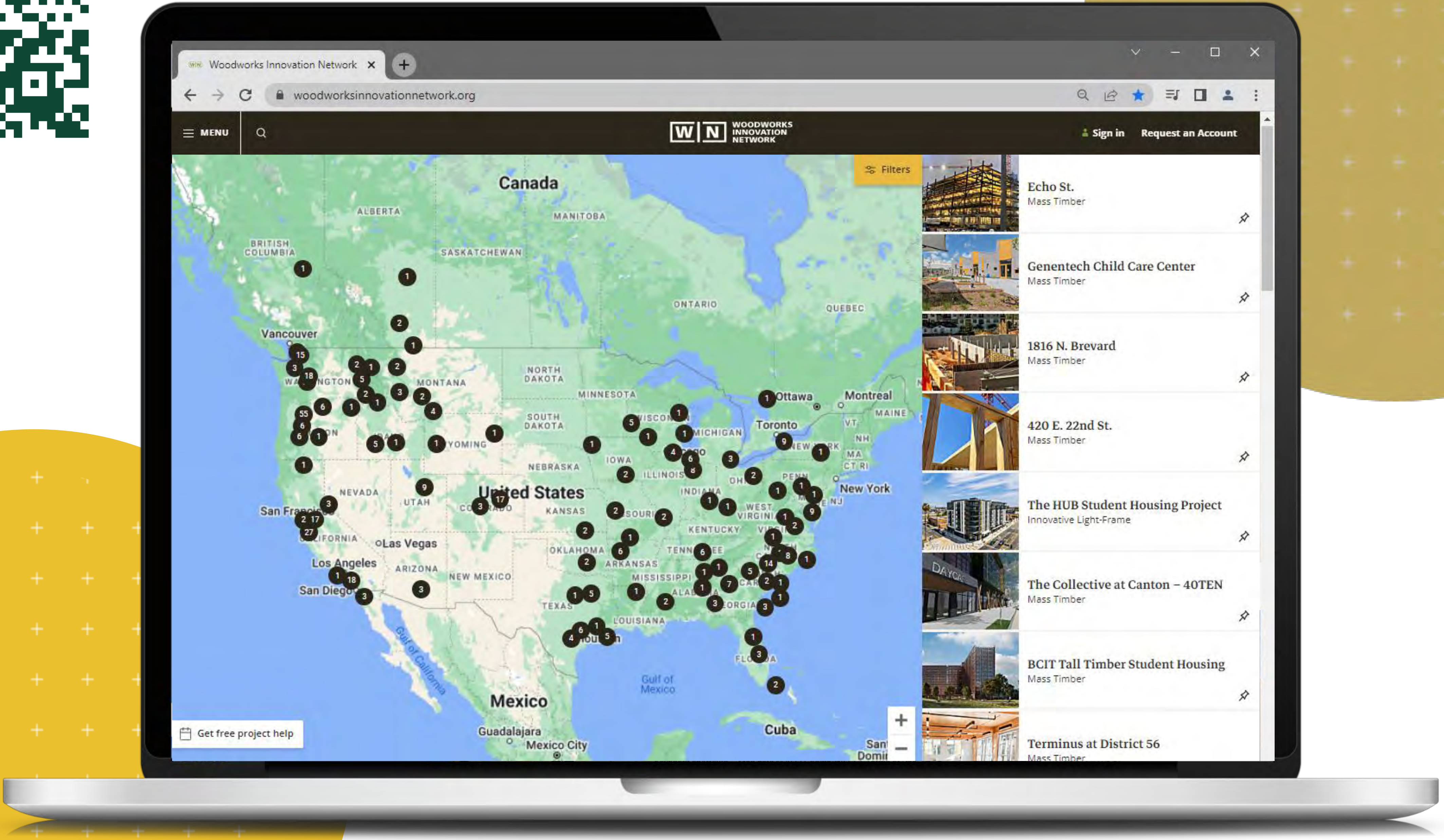
Type IV-A: Point Supported Mass Timber Floors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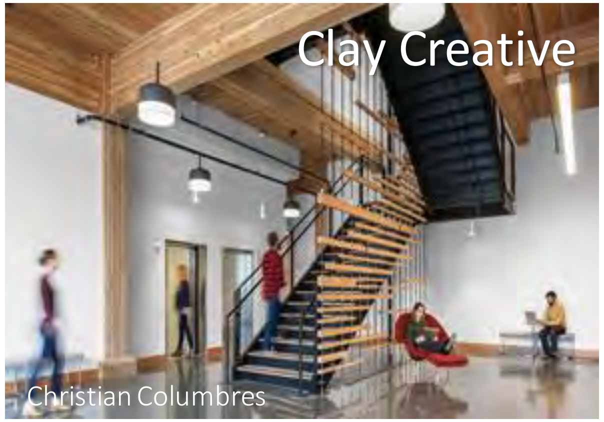

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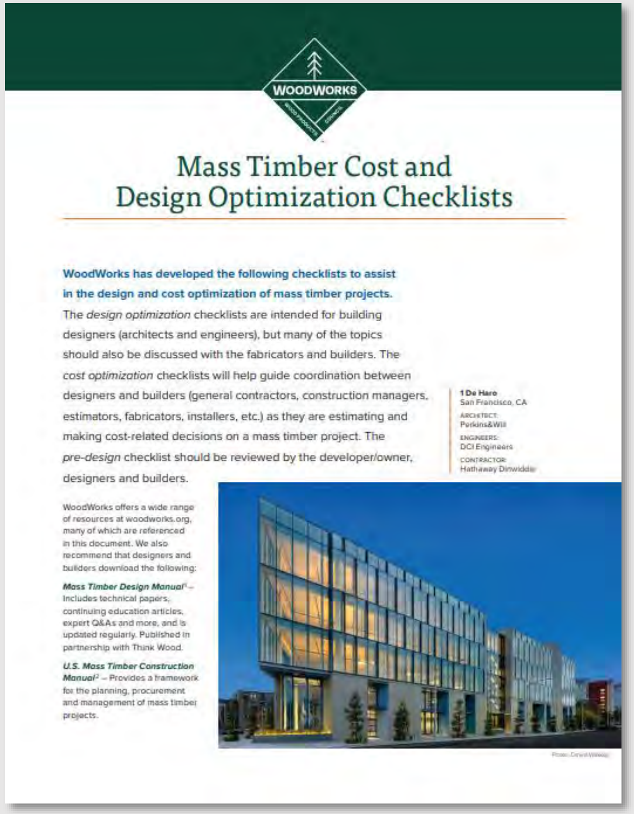
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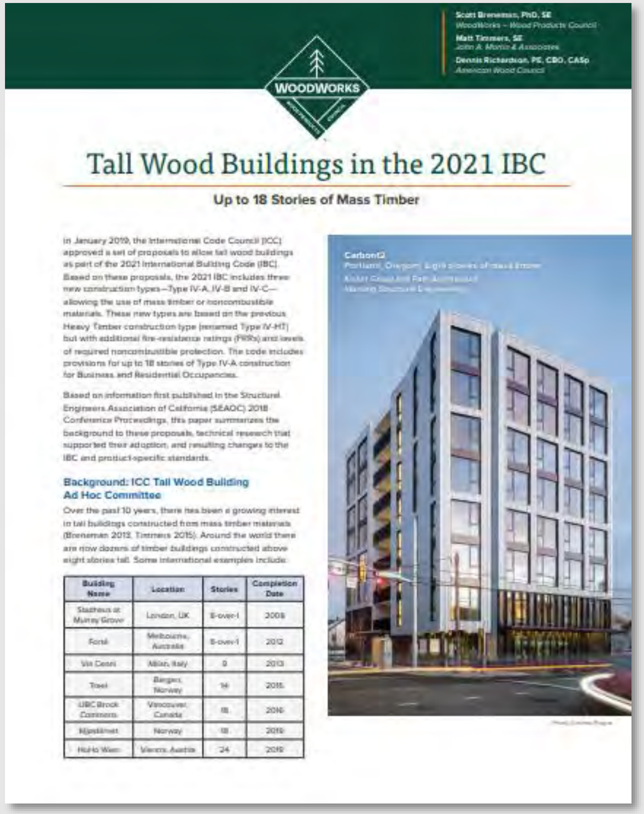
Mass Timber Cost and
Design Optimization Checklists

WoodWorks has developed the following checklists to assist in the design and cost optimization of mass timber projects.

The *design optimization* checklists are intended for building designers (architects and engineers), but many of the topics should also be discussed with the fabricators and builders. The *cost optimization* checklists will help guide coordination between designers and builders (general contractors, construction managers, estimators, fabricators, installers, etc.) as they are estimating and making cost-related decisions on a mass timber project. The *pre-design* checklist should be reviewed by the developer/owner, designers and builders.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Tall Wood Buildings in the 2021 IBC

Up to 18 Stories of Mass Timber

Background: ICC Tall Wood Building Ad Hoc Committee

Visit woodworks.org/tools-guides/ for many more resources.

Upcoming Events

NATIONAL ONLINE:

Design of Mass Timber Diaphragms and the new CLT Diaphragm Design Guide | July 12, 2023

1.5 AIA/CES HSW LUs, 1.5 PDH credits, 0.15 ICC credits

IN PERSON:

IWBC 2023 : Leading Offsite Wood Construction Featured at Greenbuild | September 27-28, 2023, in Washington, D.C.

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