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Mass Timber Construction: Technical review of proposed code changes

The provincially led national Joint Task Group — Harmonized Variations for Mass Timber (JTG-HVMT) is inviting comments on proposed code changes related to encapsulated mass timber construction (EMTC). The proposed code changes build on the 2020 National Model Code provisions for EMTC and would expand the use of mass timber to more building occupancies, enable taller buildings, and vary encapsulation requirements.

The public review will run from December 8, 2023 to January 26, 2024. Information to support your participation is available on the Canadian Board for Harmonized Construction Codes public review website: <https://cbhcc-cchcc.ca/en/advancing-emt-provisions/>

- Watch a video summary of the proposed changes on YouTube:
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kMPpZbse0d4>

Following the public review, a final report will be prepared by the JTG-HVMT and submitted to the Canadian Board for Harmonized Construction Codes for consideration for incorporation into future editions of the National Model Codes. The report and proposed code content will also be made available to any jurisdictions wanting to pursue the expansion of permissions for mass timber construction in a harmonized and coordinated way ahead of any updates to the National Model Codes.

Please feel free to share this information with others in your organization.

Thank you for considering this invitation. We hope you will participate. Your comments are greatly appreciated.

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