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# Unlocking BCBC 2024 with Trax Codes: Al Tools for BC Building Officials

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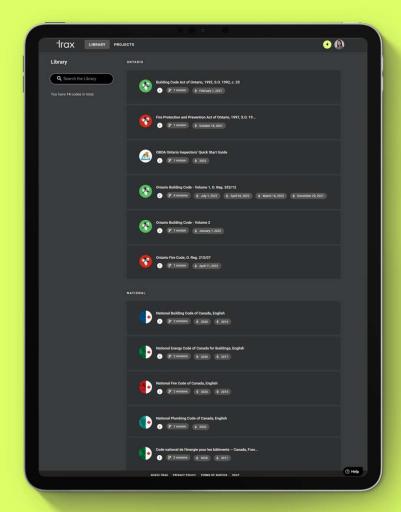
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Presenter: Azam Khan, CEO & Co-founder, Trax

# Cracking the code

**Untangling the Codes with Al-enabled Tools** 



## Trax W5

What what are the mandatory requirements?

When Today?

Where in BC?

Why For a specific project?

Who Mandatory i.e., for everyone...

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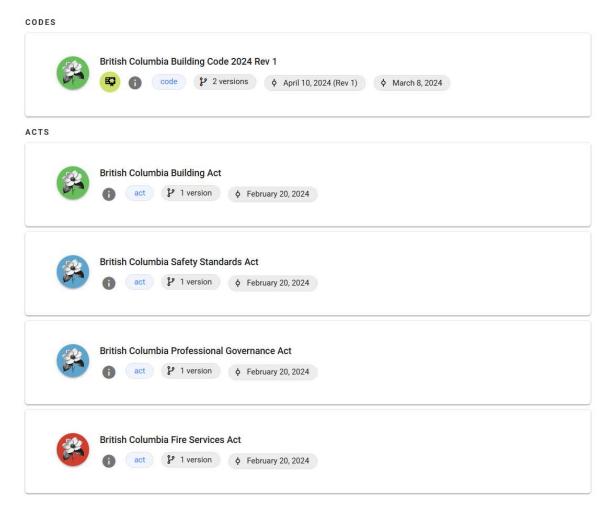
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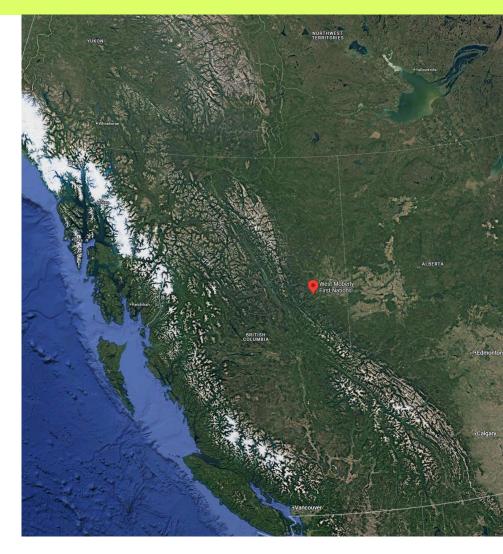
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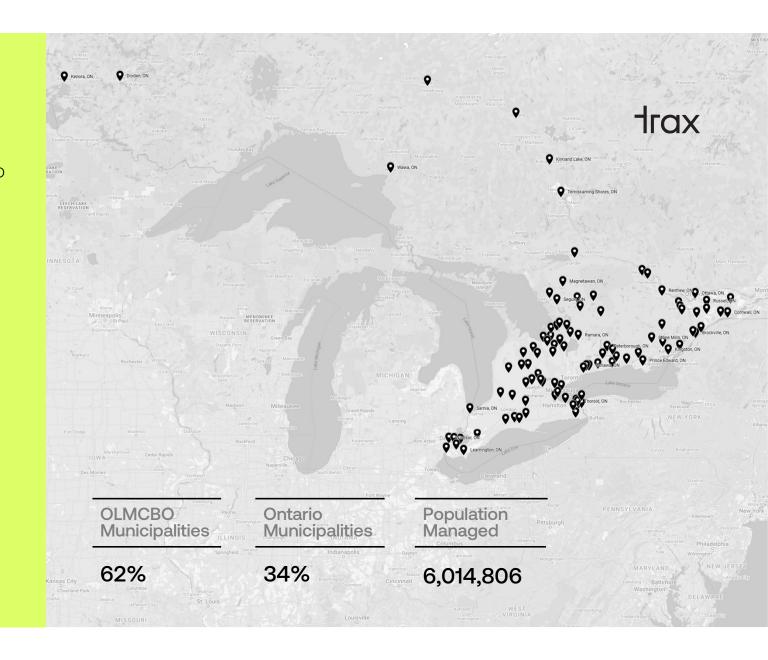


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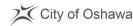






















































































































































































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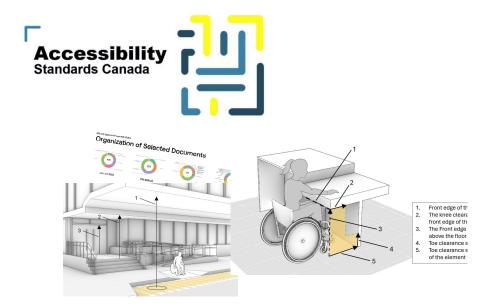




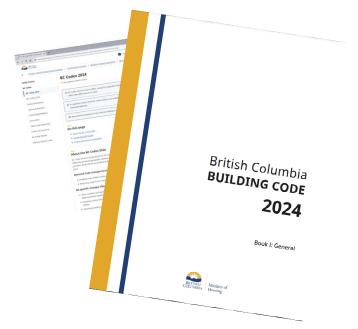


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Trax is developing diagrams for Accessibility Standards Canada, a federal corporation, of various accessibility requirements. Previously, Trax completed a comparative study, introducing a new methodology to classify and quantify differences in requirements. A comprehensive database of standards, codes, acts, and recommendations was created to facilitate Al processing. Trax created 10 quantitative measures and 8 metrics designed to effectively measure differences in requirements from multiple standards.



Trax is under contract with the **Ministry of Housing, Province of British Columbia** to develop the BC Building Code 2024 document based on integrating the NBC 2020 and BC changes (October 2023 – September 2024). Published first integrated version in March 2024 and currently **working on the first update** to the codes.

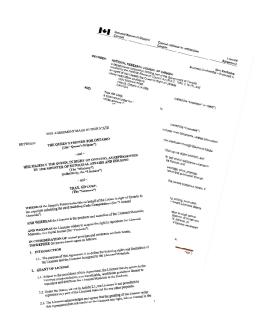
Trax develops two versions: one for online use (in compliance with provincial accessibility requirements), and a print-ready version for **BC King's Printer**.

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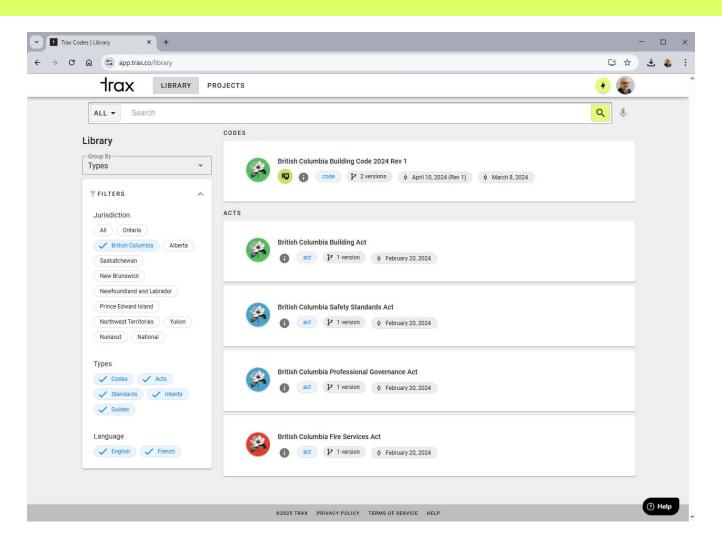


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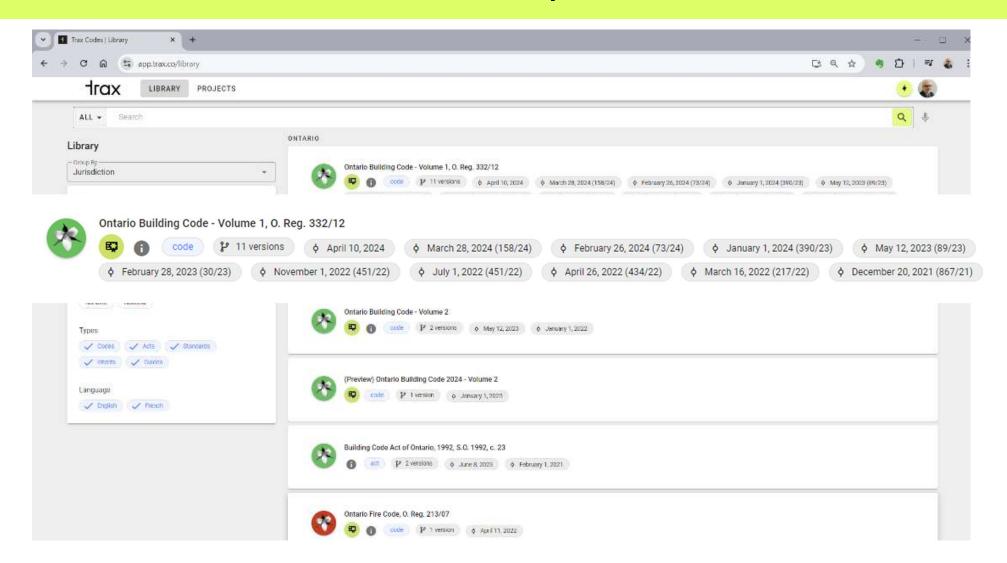
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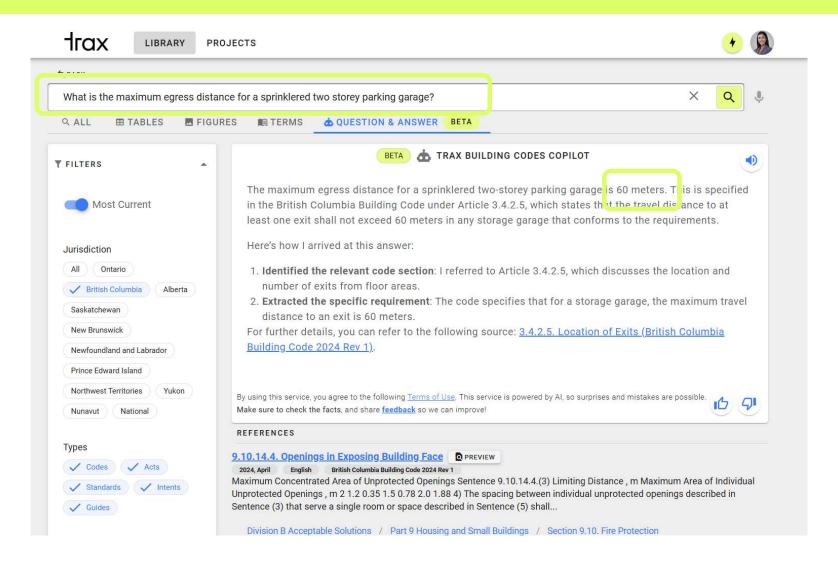
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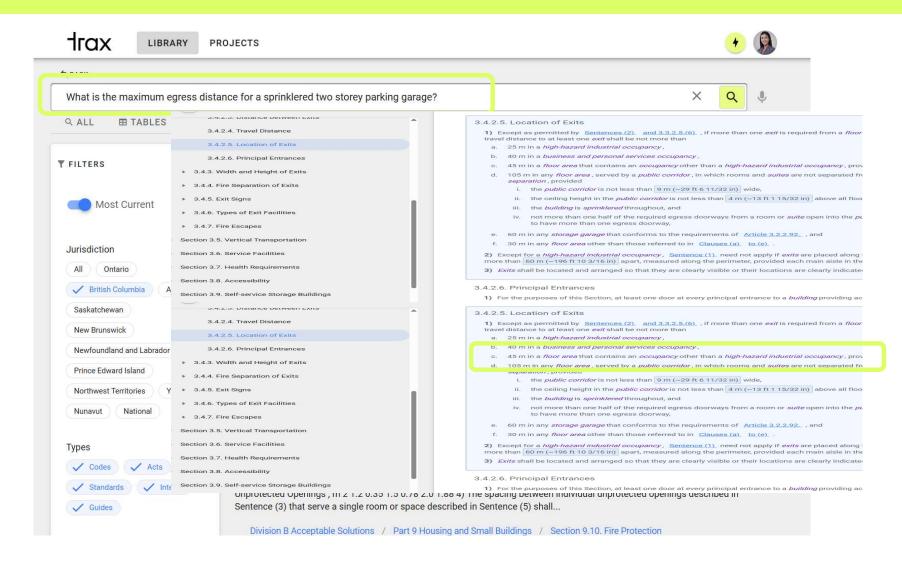


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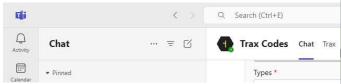


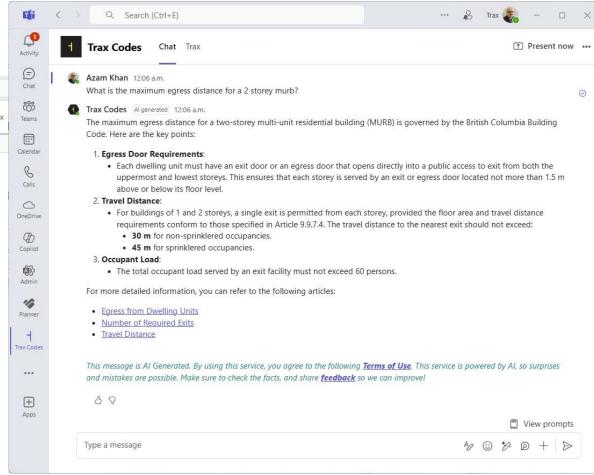


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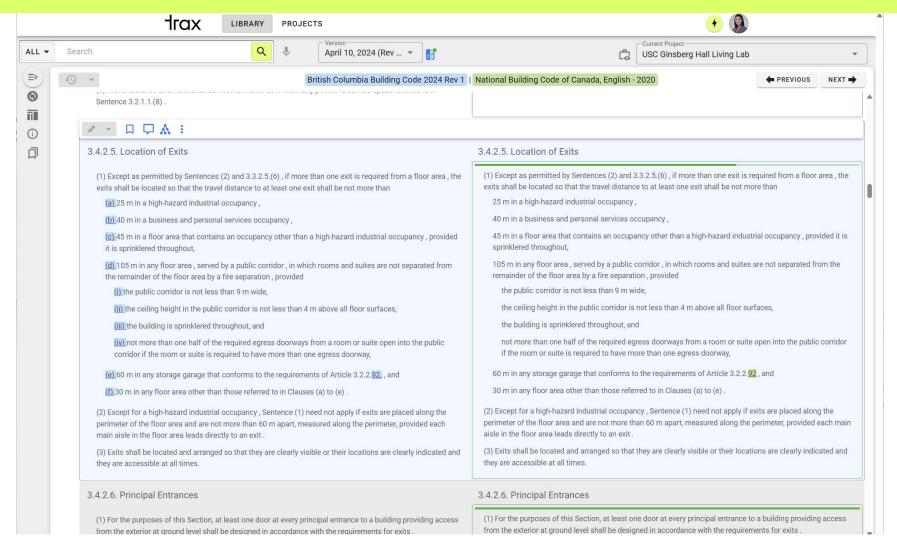
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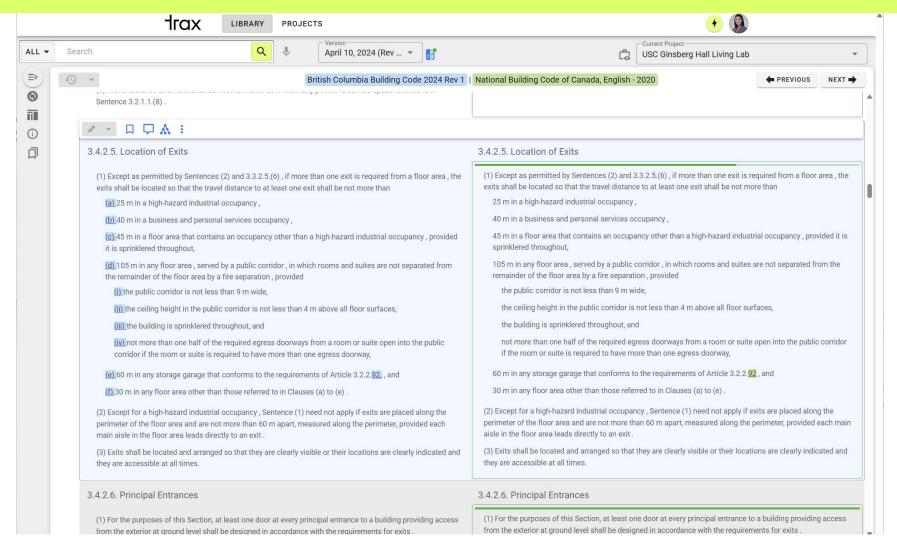


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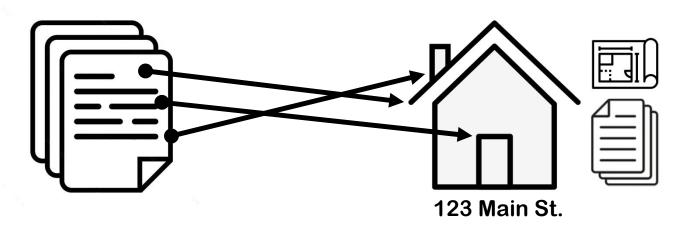
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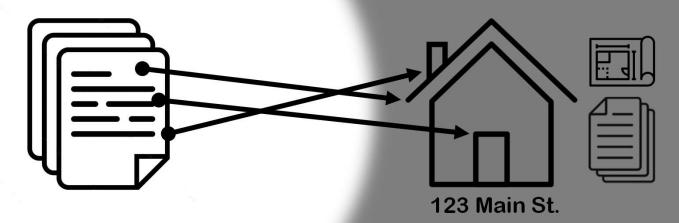
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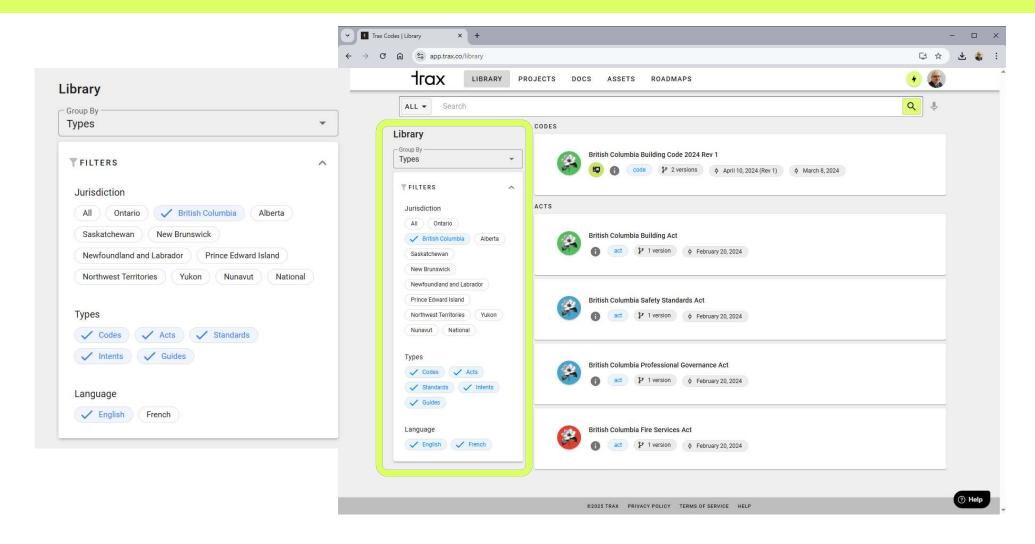


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.2. Application of Division B   A-1.1.2 Limit of Application.  .1.2.1. Application of Parts 1, 7 and 12  (1) Part 1 of Division B applies to all buildings.	3.5.	Section
	3.5.2.	Subsection
	3.5.2.1.	Article
	3.5.2.1.(2)	Sentence
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1.2.2. Application of Parts 3, 4, 5 and 6	3.5.2.1.(2)(a)(i)	Subclause
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(a) used for major occupancies classified as,		
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(i) Group A, assembly occupancies,

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(b) exceeding 600 m<sup>2</sup> (~6,458.3 ft²) in building area or exceeding three storeys in building height and used for major

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#### 4.1.5.6. Loads for Dining Areas

(1) The minimum specified live load listed in Table 4.1.5.3. for dining areas may be reduced to 2.4 kPa (~0.3 lb/in², 50.1 lb/ft²) for areas in buildings that are being converted to dining areas, provided that the floor area does not exceed 100 m<sup>2</sup> (~1,076.4 ft<sup>2</sup>) and the dining area will not be used for other assembly purposes, including dancing.

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- D. Its average total smoke extinction area is not more than [1.0 m \* (~10.8 π\*)], and
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- 3) If a material referred to in Sentence (2) consists of a number of discrete layers and testing reveals that the
- a. its average total heat release is not more than 3 MJ/m<sup>2</sup> (~264.2 Btu/ft<sup>2</sup>)
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- 3) Where splice plates are used at splices of roof arches supported on the tops of walls or abutments, roof trusses roof beams and roof girders in heavy timber construction, they shall be not less than 64 mm (~2 17/32 in) thick.
- 4) Floors in heavy timber construction shall be of glued-laminated or solid sawn plank not less than a. 64 mm (~2 17/32 in) thick, splined or tongued and grooved, or
- b. 38 mm (~1 1/2 in) wide and 89 mm (~3 1/2 in) deep set on edge and well spiked together
- 5) Floors in heavy timber construction shall be laid
- a, so that no continuous line of end joints will occur except at points of support, and covered with i. tongued and grooved flooring not less than 19 mm (~3/4 in) thick laid crosswise or diagonally, of
  - ii. tongued and grooved phenolic-bonded plywood, strandboard or waferboard not less than 12.5 mm (~1/2 in)
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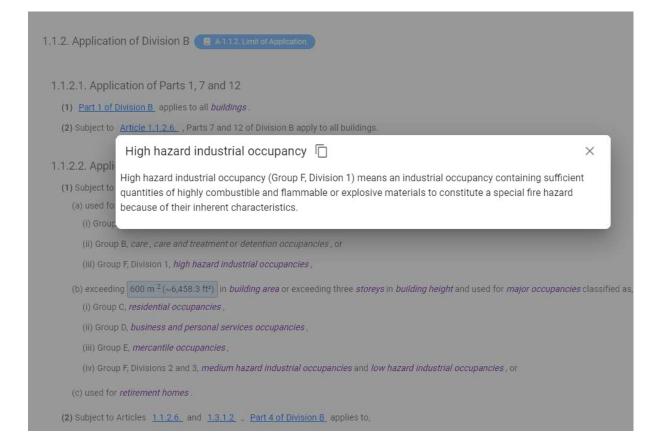
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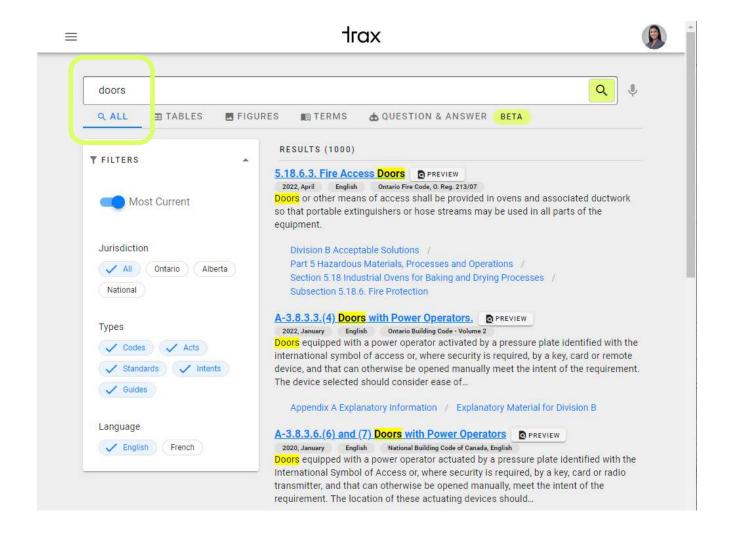
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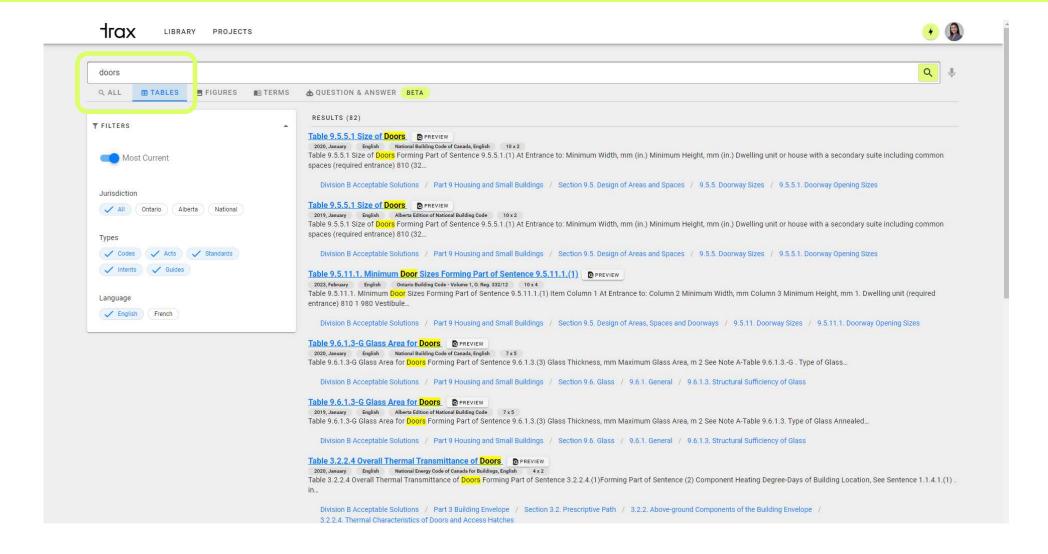
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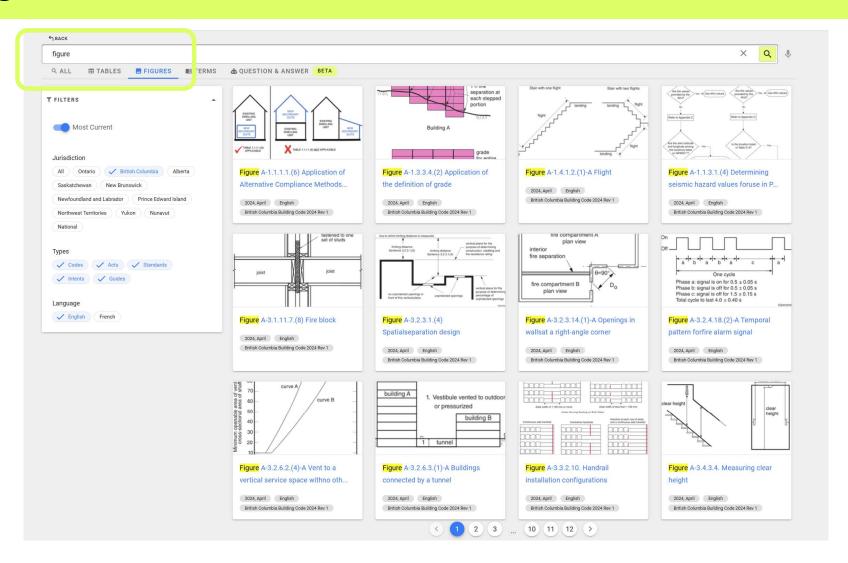
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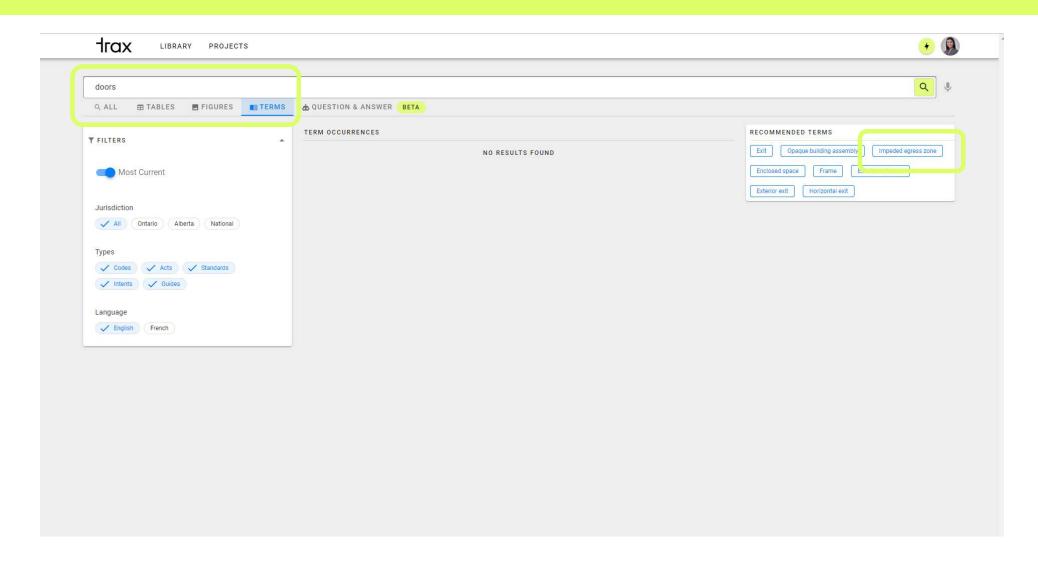
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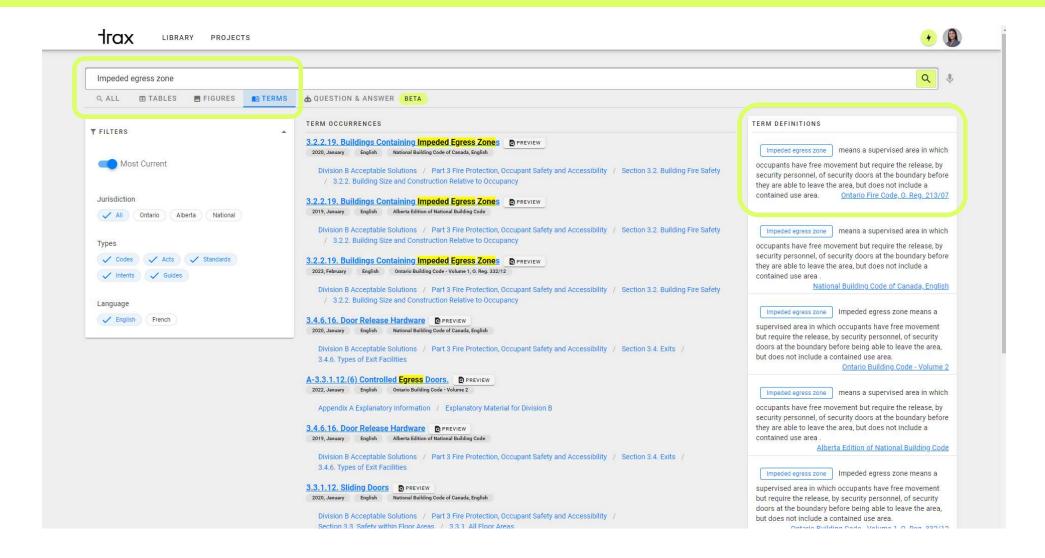
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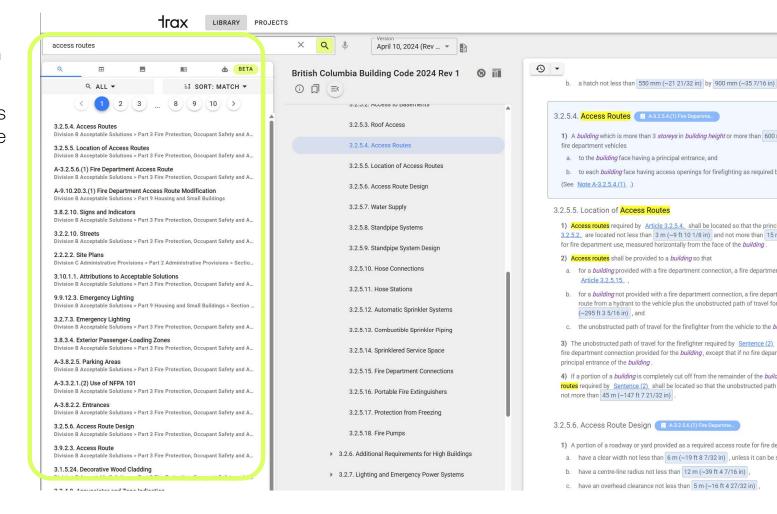
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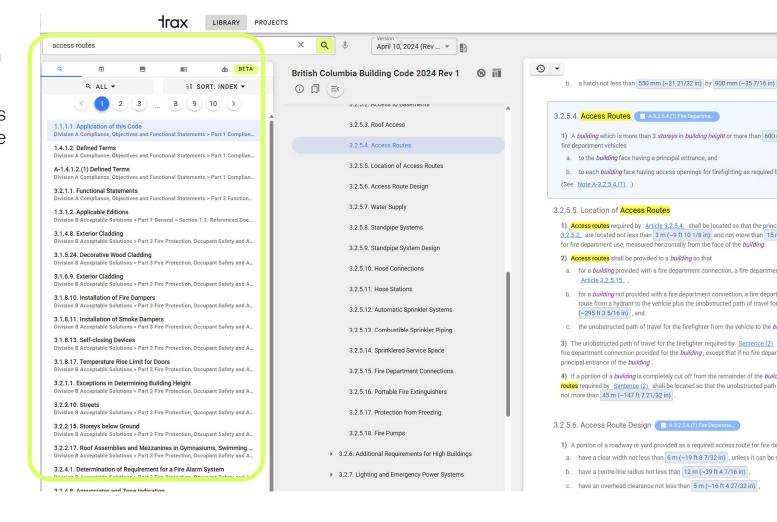
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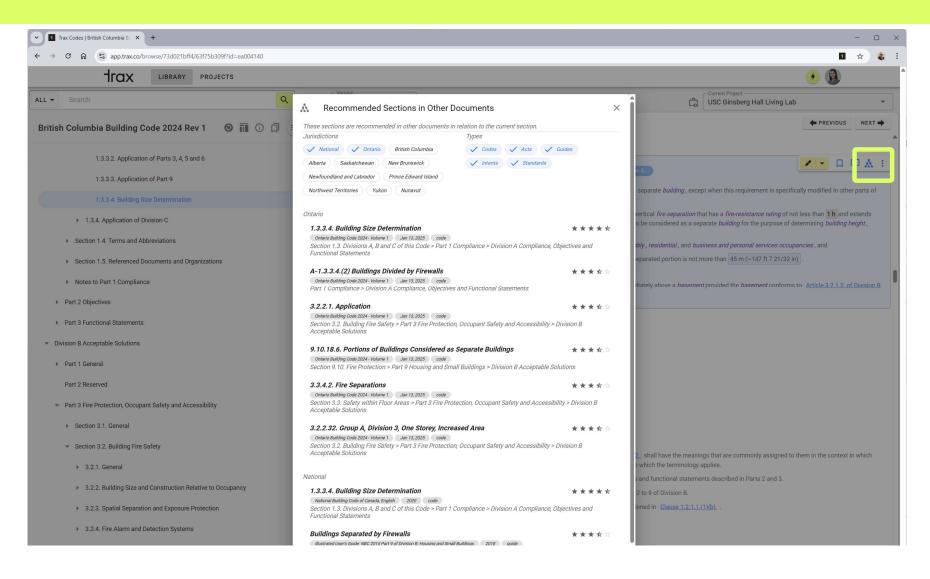


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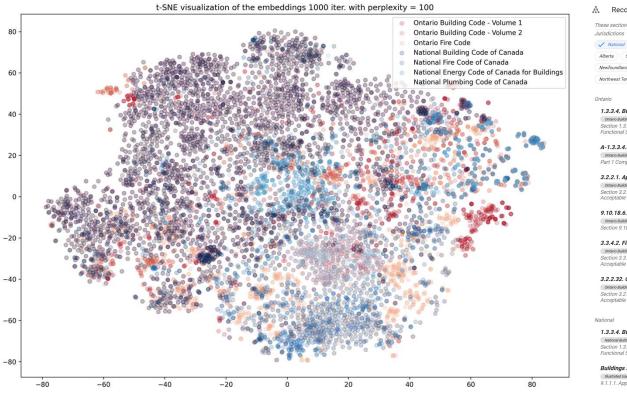
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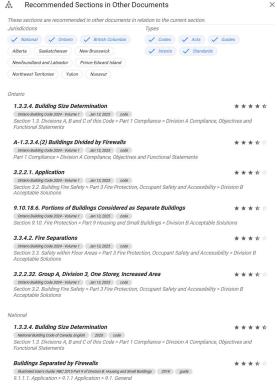


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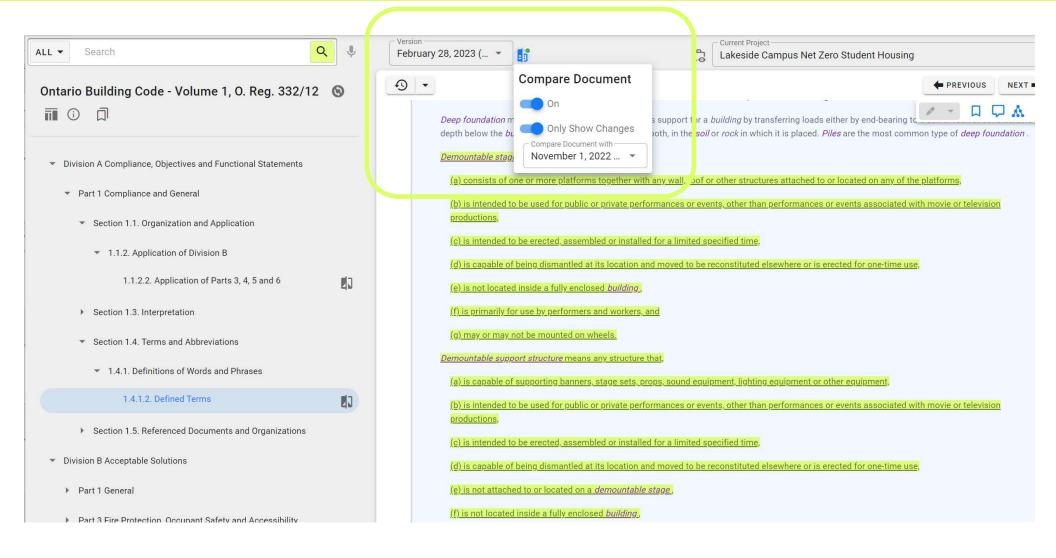
Map of related code section semantic overlaps that drives the related document ranking shown (projection from high dimensional space) for building code analysis.





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3.1.5.20. Combustible Plumbing Fixtures 3.1.5.17. Combustible Plumbing Fixtures (1) Combustible plumbing fixtures, including wall and ceiling enclosures that form part of the plumbing fixture, are permitted in a building required to be of noncombustible construction provided they are constructed of (1) Combustible plumbing fixtures are permitted in a building required to be of noncombustible construction if they are constructed of material having a flame-spread rating and smoke developed classification permitted in material having a flame-spread rating and smoke developed classification not more than that permitted for the wall surface of the room or space in which they are installed Subsection 3.1.13 3.1.5.21. Wires and Cables 3 1 5 18 Wires and Cables (1) Except as permitted by Sentence (2) and Articles 3.1.5.19, and 3.1.5.21, optical fibre cables and electrical wires and cables with combustible insulation, jackets or sheathes are permitted in a building required to be of (1) Except as required by Sentence (2) and Articles 3.1.5.22, and 3.1.5.25, optical fibre cables and electrical wires and cables with combustible insulation, jackets or sheathes are permitted in a building required to be of noncombustible construction, provided (a) the wires and cables exhibit a vertical char of not more than 1.5 m when tested in conformance with the Vertical Flame Test - Cables in Cable Trays (FT4 rating) in CSA C22.2 No. 0.3, Test methods for electrical wires (a) the wires and cables exhibit a vertical char of not more than 1.5 m when tested in conformance with the Vertical Flame Test - Cables in Cabletrough in Clause 4.11.4. of CSA C22.2 No. 0.3, "Test Methods for Electrical Wires and Cables". (FT4 Rating). (b) the wires and cables are located in (b) the wires and cables are located in (i) totally enclosed noncombustible raceways (see Note A-3.1.4.3.(1)(b)(i) ). (i) totally enclosed noncombustible raceways, (ii) concealed spaces in walls. (ii) masonry walls, (iv) a service room separated from the remainder of the building by a fire separation having a fire-resistance rating not less than 1 h. or (iv) a service room separated from the remainder of the building by a fire separation having a fire-resistance rating not less than 1 h, or (v) totally enclosed non-metallic raceways conforming to Clause 3.1.5.23,(1)(b), or (c) the wires and cables are communication cables used at the service entry to a building and are not more than 3 m long. (c) the wires and cables are communication cables used at the service entry to a building and are not more than 3 m long. (See Note A-3.1.5.21.(1).) (2) The requirement in Clause (1)(a) is considered to be met where the wires and cables exhibit a flame-spread of not more than 1.5 m, a smoke density of not more than 0.5 at peak optical density and a smoke density not (2) Except as permitted in Sentences (3) and (4), optical fibre cables and electrical wires and cables with combustible insulation, lackets or sheathes that are used for the transmission of voice, sound or data and are not re than 0.15 at average optical density when tested in conformance with the Flame and Smoke Test in the Appendix to CSA C22.2 No. 0.3, "Test Methods for Electrical Wires and Cables", (FT6 Rating). located in totally enclosed noncombustible raceways are permitted to be installed in a plenum in a building required to be of noncombustible construction, provided the wires and cables exhibit a horizontal flame distance of not more than 1.5 m. an average optical smoke density of not more than 0.15, and a peak optical smoke density of not more than 0.5 when tested in conformance with CAN/ULC-S102.4. "Standard Method of Test for Fire and Smoke Characteristics of Electrical Wiring, Cables and Non-Metallic Raceways' (FT6 rating). (3) Except as permitted in Sentence (4), where totally enclosed noncombustible raceways are used in a plenum, exposed components of viring systems with combustible insulation, jackets or sheathes, including optical fibre cables and electrical wires and cables that are used for the transmission of voice, sound or data, that are installed in the plenum or that extend not more than 9 m from the plenum including drop down to the floor level, are permitted provided they exhibit a vertical char of not more than 1.5 m when tested in conformance with the Vertical Flame Test - Cables in Cable Trays (FT4 rating) in CSA C22.2 No. 0.3. "Test methods for electrical wires (4) Cables or wires within plenums that are used for the transmission of signals in fire alarm systems need not comply with the requirements of Sentences (2) and (3) . 3.1.5.22. Combustible Travelling Cables for Elevators 3.1.5.19 Combustible Travelling Cables for Flevators (1) Combustible travelling cables are permitted on elevating devices in a building required to be of noncombustible construction (1) Combustible travelling cables are permitted on elevating devices in a building required to be of noncombustible construction 3.1.5.23. Non-metallic Raceways 3 1 5 20 Nonmetallic Raceways (1) Except as required in Sentence (2), subject to the limits on the size of elements that penetrate fire separations when complying with Article 3.1.9.2, within a fire compartment of a building required to be of (1) Except as provided by Subclause 3.6.4.3.(1)(a)(iv) and subject to limits on size for penetrations of fire separations as required by Sentence 3.1.9.3.(2), within a fire compartment of a building required to be of noncombustible construction, totally enclosed nonmetallic raceways not more than 175 mm in outside diameter, or an equivalent rectangular area, are permitted to be used to enclose optical fibre cables and electrical wires noncombustible construction, totally enclosed non-metallic raceways not more than 175 mm in outside diameter, or of an equivalent rectangular area, are permitted to be used to enclose optical fibre cables and electrical and cables, provided, where, (a) where the wires and cables in the raceways meet or exceed the requirements of Clause 3.1.5.21 (1)(a), the non-metallic raceways meet the requirements for at least an FT4 rating in (a) the wires and cables in the raceways meet or exceed the requirements of Clause 3.1.5.18.(1)(a), the nonmetallic raceways meet the requirements for at least an FT4 rating in (i) CAN/CSA-C22.2 No. 262, "Optical Fiber Cable and Communication Cable Raceway Systems", or (i) CAN/CSA-C22,2 No. 262. "Optical Fiber Cable and Communication Cable Raceway Systems" or (ii) CAN/ULC-S143. "Fire Tests for Non-Metallic Electrical and Optical Fibre Cable Raceway Systems", and (ii) CAN/ULC-S143, "Standard Method of Fire Tests for Non-Metallic Electrical and Optical Fibre Cable Raceway Systems" and (b) the wires and cables in the raceways do not meet or exceed the requirements of Clause 3.1.5.18.(1)(a), the nonmetallic raceways exhibit a vertical char not more than 1.5 m when tested in conformance with the Vertical (b) where the wires and cables in the raceways do not meet or exceed the requirements of Clause 3.1.5.21 (1)(a), the non-metallic raceways exhibit a vertical char of not more than 1.5 m when tested in conformance with Flame Test (FT4) Conduit or Tubing on Cable Tray in Clause 6.16 of CSA C22.2 No. 211.0, General Requirements and Methods of Testing for Nonmetallic Conduit the Vertical Flame Test (FT4) Conduit or Tubing on Cable Tray in Clause 6.16 of CSA C22.2 No. 211.0, "General Requirements and Methods of Testing for Nonmetallic Conduit." (2) Totally enclosed non-metallic raceways used in a plenum in a building required to be of noncombustible construction shall exhibit a horizontal flame distance of not more than 1.5 m, an average optical smoke density of

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3.1.5.24. Decorative Wood Cladding

(1) On buildings required to be of noncombustible construction, decorative wood cladding is permitted to be used on the exterior fascias and soffits of marquees or canopies on the building face of a storey having direct access to a street or access route, provided the wood cladding is fire retardant-treated wood that has been conditioned in conformance with ASTM D2808. Standard Practice for Accelerated Weathering of Fire Retardant-Treated Wood for Fire Testing, Defore being tested in accordance with CAVULC-STO, Standard Method of Test for Surface Burning Characteristics of Building Materials and Assemblies.

not more than 0.15, and a peak optical smoke density of not more than 0.5 when tested in conformance with CAN/ULC-S102.4, "Standard Method of Test for Fire and Smoke Characteristics of Electrical Wiring, Cables and

3.1.5.25. Wood Decorative Cladding

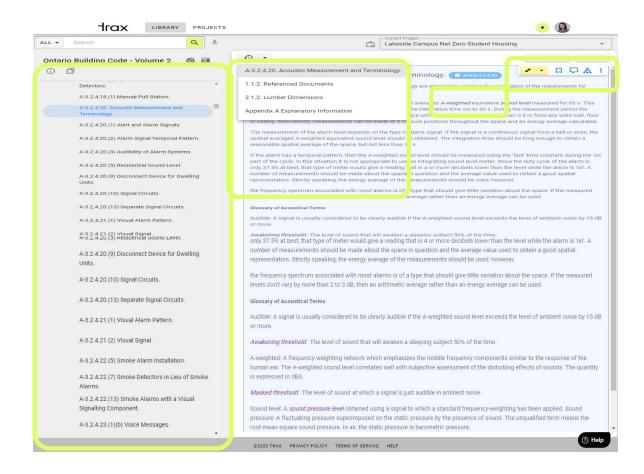
(1) Wood decorative cladding is permitted to be used on exterior manques fascias, of a storey having direct access to a street or access route, of a building required to be of noncombustible construction, provided the cladding is fire-freatdam treated wood that before testing to CAVIULS 110. Test for Surface Burning Characteristics of Building Materials and assemblies, has been conditioned in conformance with ASTIM D2893. Accelerated Weathering of Fire-Relatant Treatment Wood for Fire Festing.

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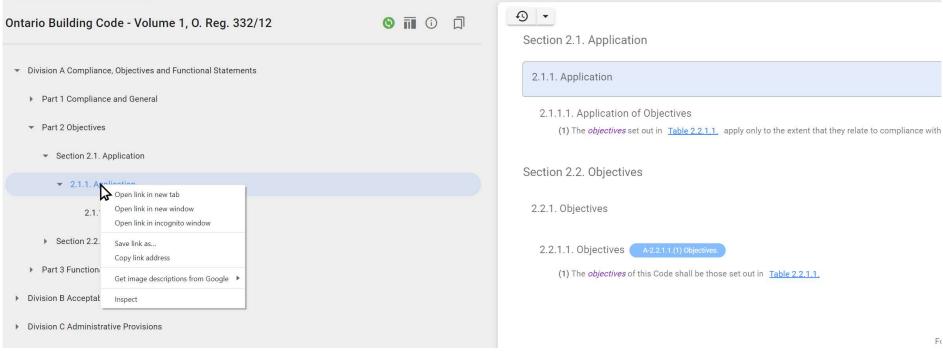
Trax Codes makes navigation and interpretation easier:

- tree table of contents on the left
- use the History button to return to previously visited items
- linking referenced items
- Previous / Next buttons to move the focus to neighbouring items
- pop-up definitions for specific terms defined in other parts of the code
- · open links in new tabs, like a website



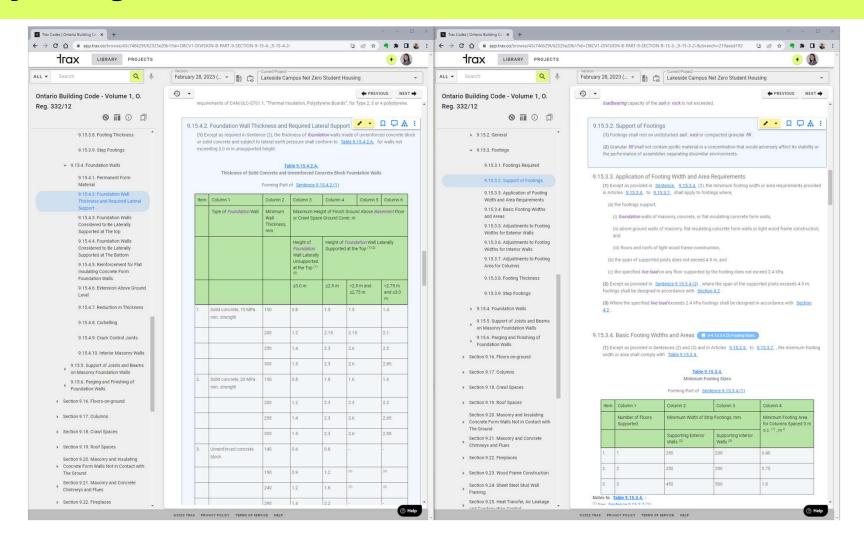
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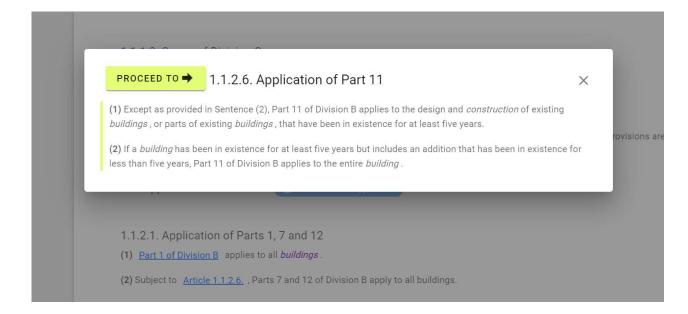


#### **Quick Link Preview**

#### **Нгах**

The **Link Preview** feature, similar to how term definitions can be displayed incontext in a pop-up dialog, when clicking on a link, a pop-up dialog will open with the content of the destination section.

In the popup, simply click the "Proceed to" button to go to the destination section or click outside the dialog to close it (or hit the Esc key, or the X button in the top right of the dialog).

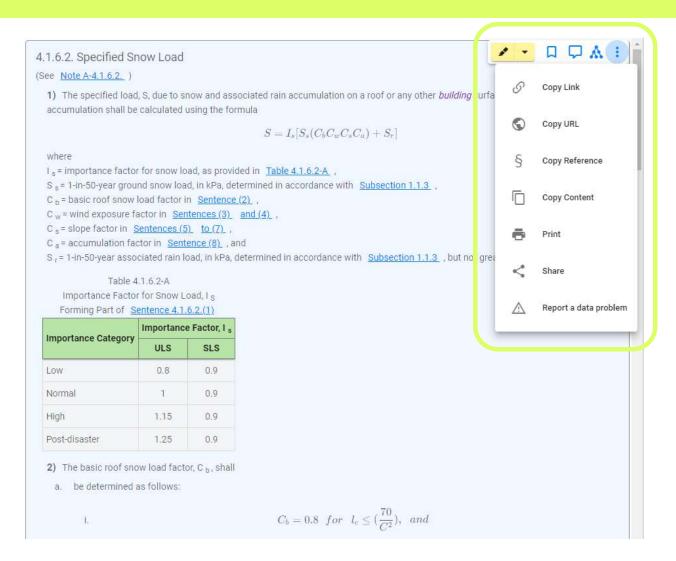


#### Collaboration: Easy to Share

#### **Нгах**

Use the Context Menu on an item to:

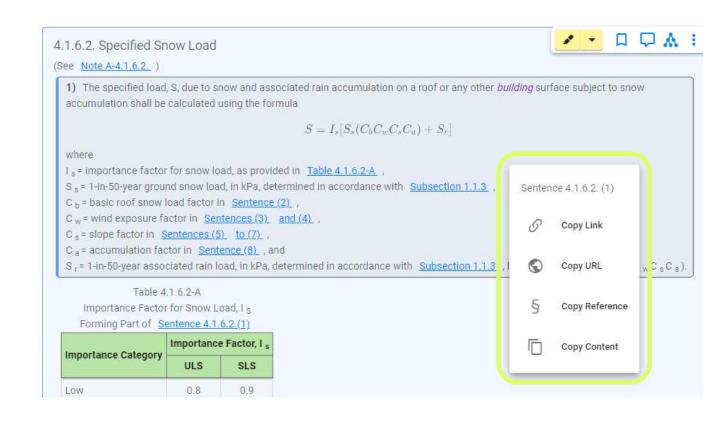
- Copy a link, URL, or Reference to the clipboard
- Copy the item's content to the clipboard
- Print the section
- Share the item using the system share function
- Report a problem with the item content



#### Collaboration: Share specific document parts

**Нгах** 

Select any level of hierarchy to share.

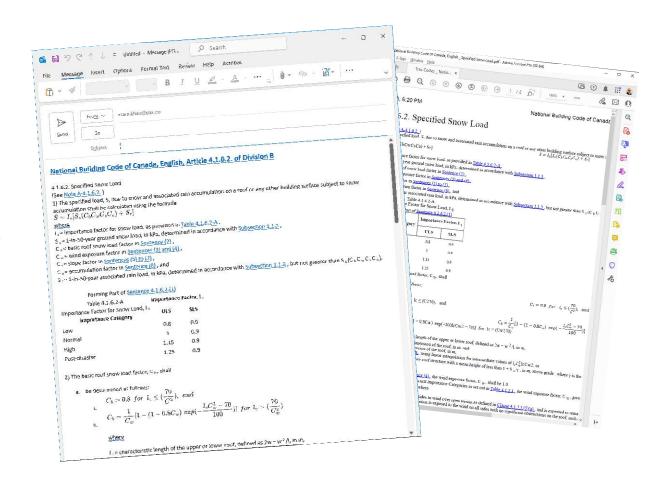


## Collaboration: Paste into email, ePermit systems...

#### **Нгах**

#### Paste into:

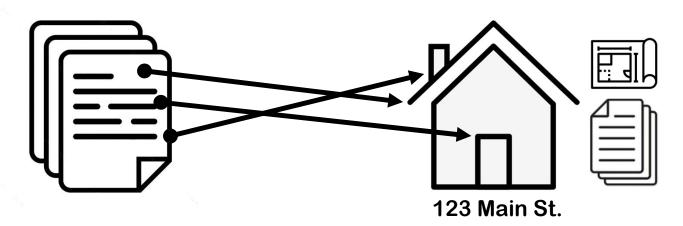
- Word, Excel, google Docs, etc.
- E-mail, E-Permit systems, inspection reports, compliance letters, etc.
- Print to PDF or paper.
- Share link using txt message or WhatsApp on mobile device, etc.





## Library

#### **Projects**



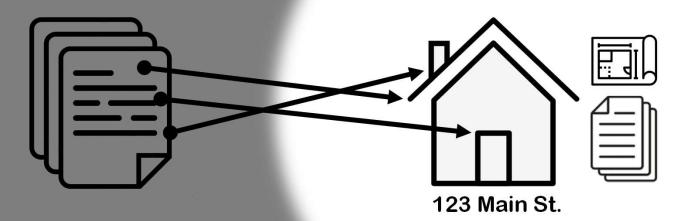
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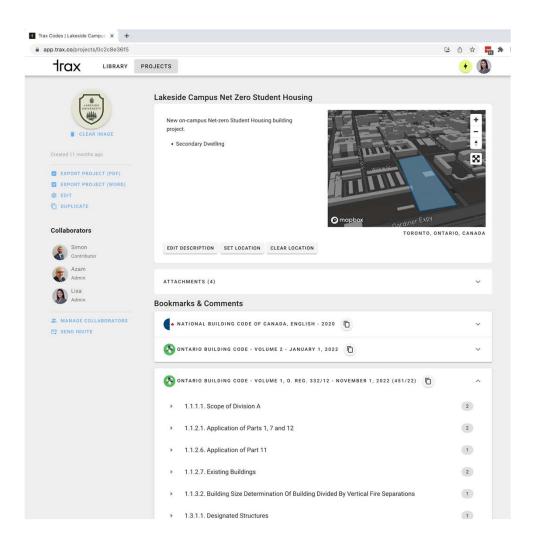
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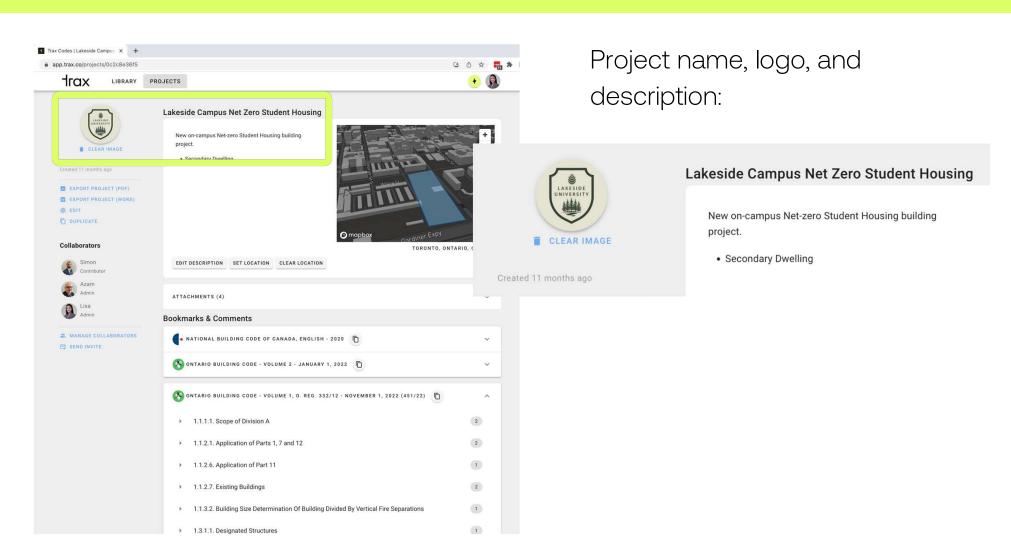
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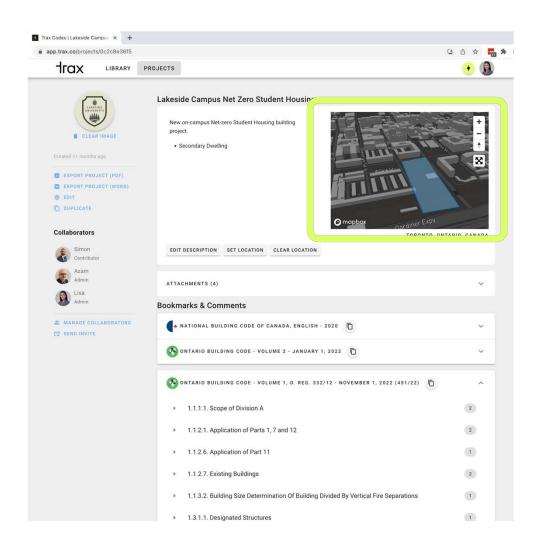


Bookmarks, highlights, comments, and file attachments can be grouped into collaborative projects.





#### **Нгах**



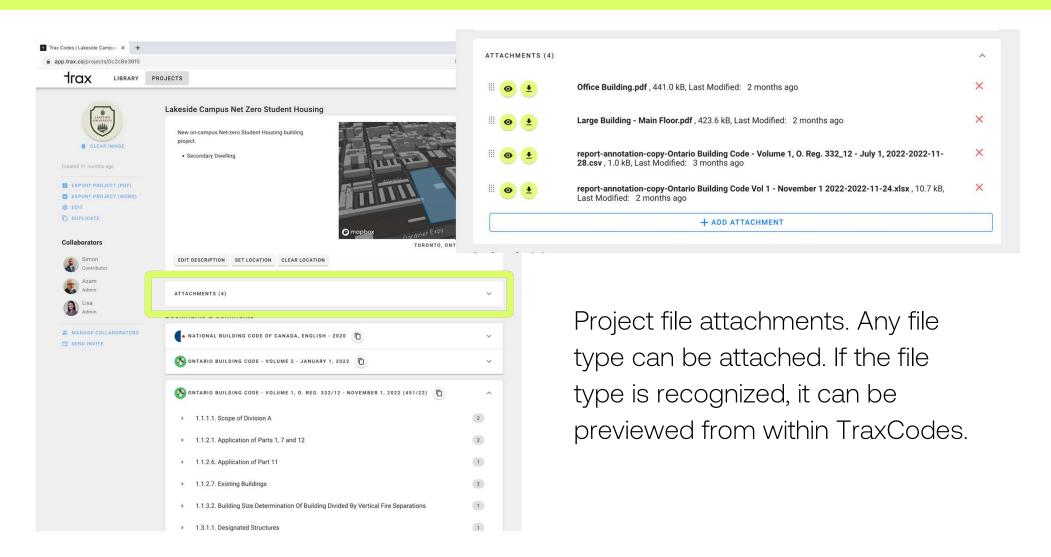
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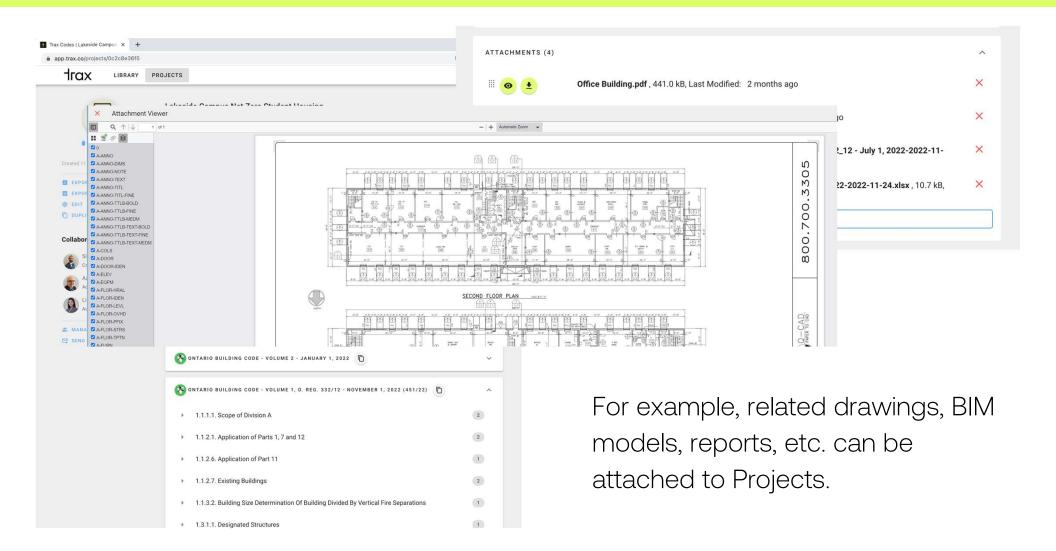
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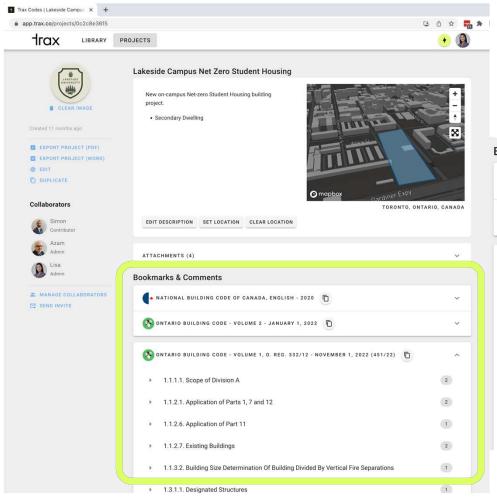












For example, related drawings, BIM models, reports, etc. can be attached to Projects.

Bookmarks & Comments	
NATIONAL BUILDING CODE OF CANADA, ENGLISH - 2020	~
ONTARIO BUILDING CODE - VOLUME 2 - JANUARY 1, 2022	~
ONTARIO BUILDING CODE - VOLUME 1, O. REG. 332/12 - NOVEMBER 1, 2022 (451/22)	^
1.1.1.1. Scope of Division A	2
1.1.2.1. Application of Parts 1, 7 and 12	2
1.1.2.6. Application of Part 11	1
▶ 1.1.2.7. Existing Buildings	2
▶ 1.1.3.2. Building Size Determination Of Building Divided By Vertical Fire Separations	1

#### Highlights, Bookmarks, Comments

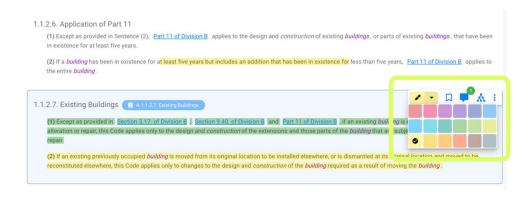


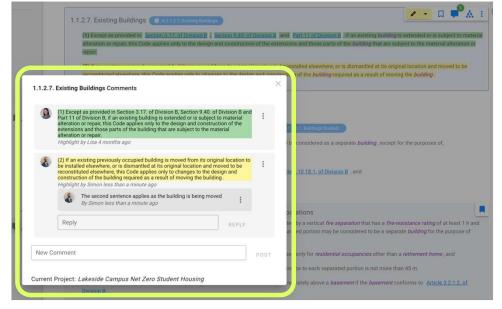
Comments are associated with the current project and can be exported per project.

Add multi-color highlights.

Add comments to any item of the code or a highlight.





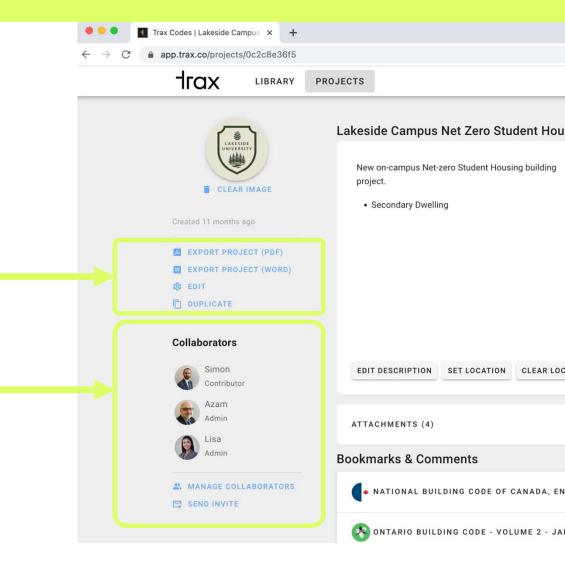


#### **Collaborate with Projects**

**Нгах** 

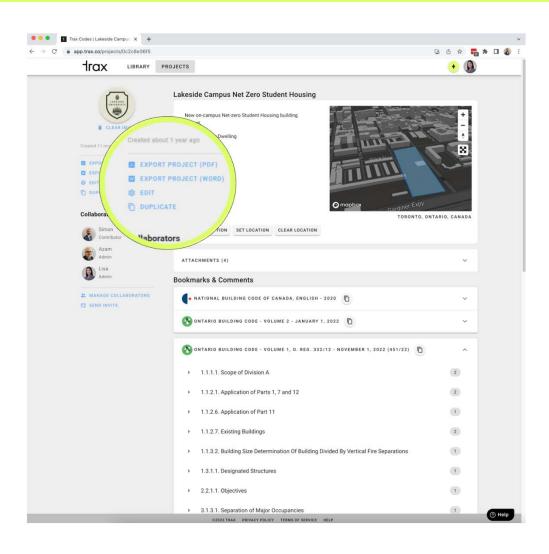
Projects can be exported as Microsoft Word documents to edit into a Response Letter.

Invite Collaborators to participate in Reviews.

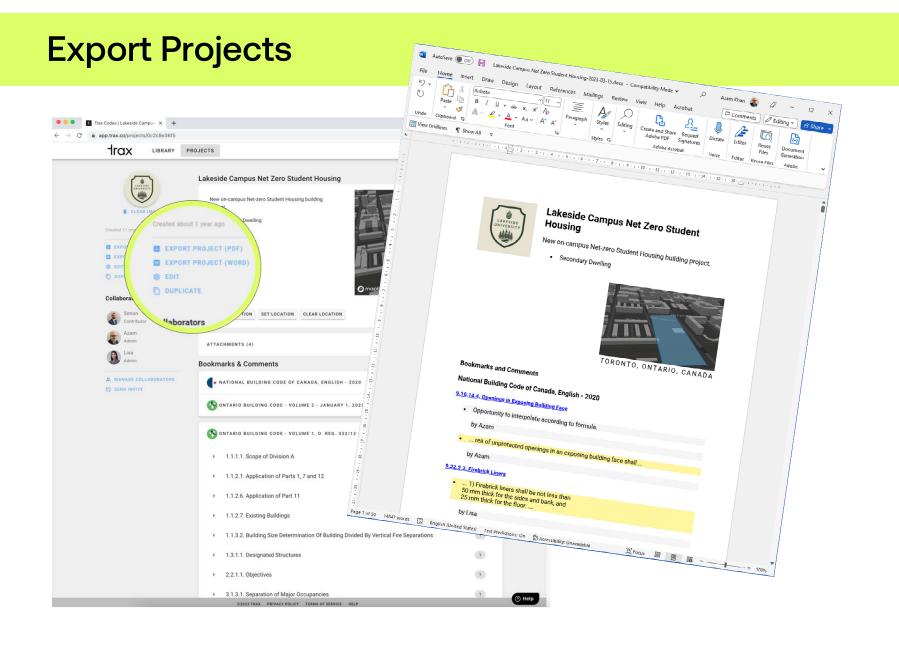


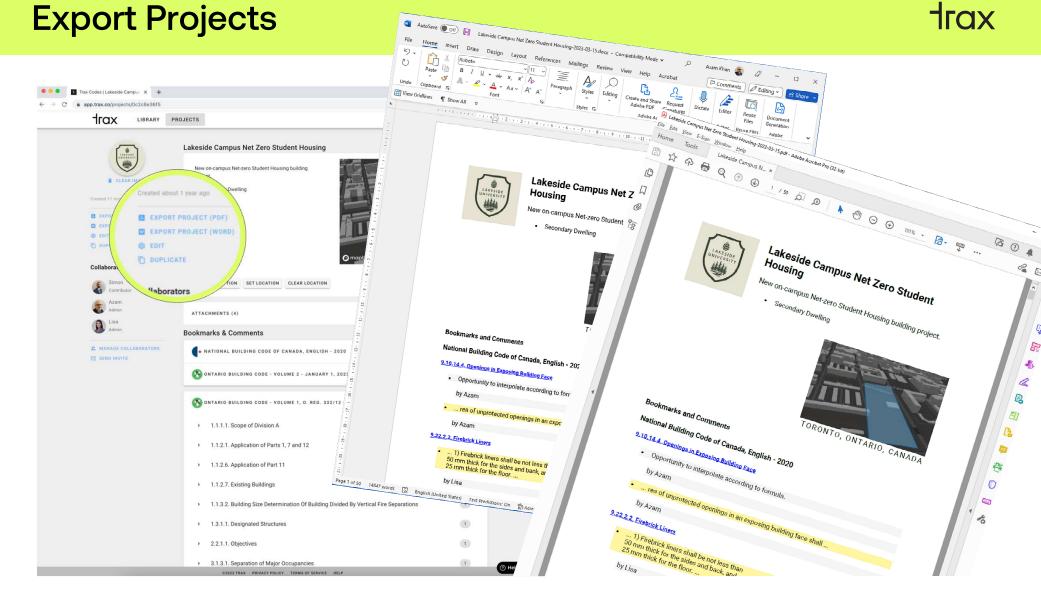
## **Export Projects**











### **Migration of Annotations**

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1.4.1.1, Non-defined Terms

4.1.1.3 Design Requirements

**Тгах** 

Migration of annotations to other versions of the Building Codes as regulations change over time, ensuring everything is always up to date.

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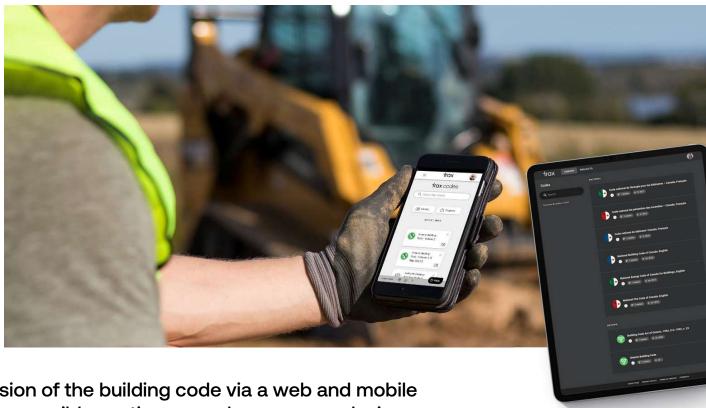
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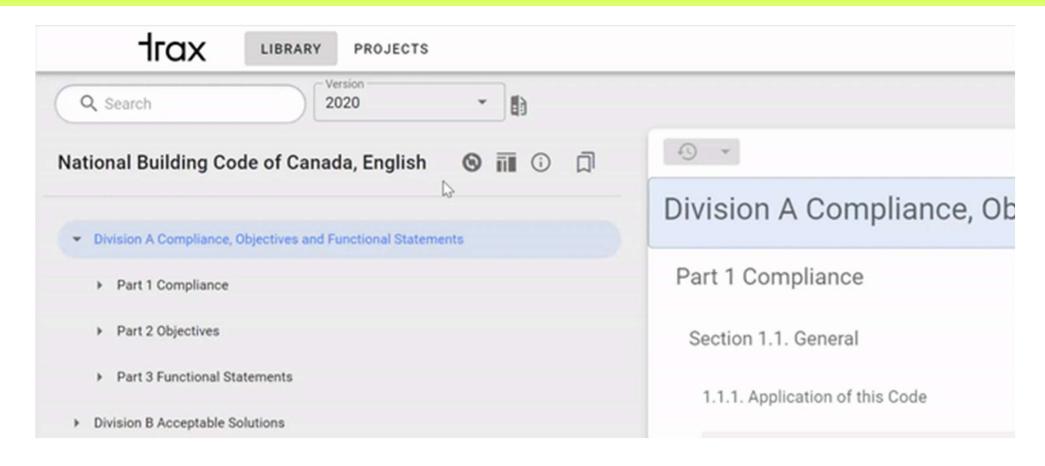




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## Benefits

#### **Benefits of Trax Codes**





#### Consolidated Regulatory Ecosystem

The building codes **reference hundreds of related documents**. Many sources need to be checked in reviewing a project for compliance. To address this, Trax Codes **consolidates the equivalent of 20,000 pages of regulations**. Trax Codes integrates the national model codes, the provincial codes, the applicable law, related guides, and intent documents.



#### **Untangling Complex Regulations with Al**

From our **high-quality search engine**, to our freeform **Question & Answer** tool, Trax generates **easy to understand explanations** of complex building code problems, powered by our integration of the Microsoft Azure OpenAl Service.



#### Always Up-to-date

New versions of the building codes, amendments to related applicable laws, and revisions of standards makes **compliance a moving target**. As these updates are made in Trax, users can be notified of changes and have their work **automatically linked to the latest version** of any code section.



#### **Access Anywhere**

Trax Codes delivers a digital version of the building code via the **web and mobile** applications, making regulations accessible **anytime**, **anywhere**, **on any device**. Quickly access, save, and reference code requirements, both in the office and on-site.



#### Improve Review Efficiency

Boost team productivity. Accelerate and streamline code research using advanced tools like **Search** (tables, terms, figures, and Q&A) and **Code Compare**. Avoid repetitive work: annotate and **save commonly referenced codes** in reviews for future use. Automatically **generate compliance reports**.



#### **Enhance Expertise**

Enable everyone to **improve their building code knowledge** using advanced tools and **thousands of detailed diagrams**. Enable staff at all levels to consistently and accurately understand, interpret, and apply code using **shared projects**, **bookmarks**, **and comments**.

#### It took me no time at all to see the incredible value in Trax!

Jeremy Bender, CBCO Inspector, Large & Complex Buildings Building Services, City of Peterborough "With CHBA members in all provinces, our technical team loves Trax Codes – where building codes are available, searchable, and annotatable in a single application."

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# Al Training for Municipal Staff special project (2025)

Grant funding provided by: AI Adoption Accelerator in partnership with the Pan-Canadian Artificial Intelligence Strategy

#### The Challenge

- Municipalities across Canada face a critical capacity shortage in handling the growing volume of building permit applications, to review and approve 4.5 million permits needed to address the country's housing gap by 2030 (as forecasted by CMHC).
- With only 5,000 building officials nationwide, the current workforce is under immense pressure to process permit reviews.
- There is an urgent need to equip building officials, fire prevention officers, and urban planners with Al knowledge and skills to streamline their workflows, enhance accuracy, and increase capacity.

#### **Project Goal**

 Create a comprehensive curriculum introducing Al technologies to 2,500 municipal officials across Canada.

#### **Participants**

- Building officials
- Fire prevention officers
- Urban planners







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