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Annual Conference & Trade Show Program

May 24-27, 2026

Richmond, B.C.



General Information



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Trade Show Exhibit Hours

Show Theatre

Sunday, May 24.....5:00 PM to 9:00 PM
Monday, May 25.....7:00 AM to 12:00 PM



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GREETINGS FROM THE MAYOR:



On behalf of City Council and the residents of Richmond, I would like to extend sincere greetings, and welcome you all to the *2026 Building Officials Association of British Columbia (BOABC) Conference*, being held from May 24th – 27th, at the River Rock Casino Resort in Richmond.

Hosted by the *BOABC*, this year's exciting conference is sure to be a success, with delegates attending from municipalities across British Columbia. We are proud to welcome this significant event to our city, creating an environment for shared learning and the exchange of best practices. Our vibrant community offers exceptional services and attractions to ensure a successful conference that will be remembered by attendees for years to come.

I hope those visiting will have the opportunity to enjoy the wide variety of restaurants our City offers, as well as our many shopping destinations and recreational facilities. Richmond is also home to an abundance of natural parks, gardens, and miles of dykes to walk and explore.

Best wishes to all the participants for an enjoyable and memorable conference!

Malcolm D. Brodie
Mayor

BOABC President Welcome Message



Welcome to the 2026 Building Officials' Association of B.C. annual conference! This year's conference is filled with over 36 educational breakout sessions and 3 unique tours, including visiting the British Columbia Institute of Technologies' High Performance Building Lab as well as the Oakridge Park Development site tour (one of the largest building construction projects in British Columbia). This conference offers the incredible opportunity to advance our professional development, as code practitioners, while affording us the opportunity to connect and collaborate across the building construction industry. Whether you are here to present your work, learn from others, or build new partnerships, we hope that this conference will provide a rewarding and enriching experience.

Collaboration is a critical part of the work we do each day and this conference is no different. We are privileged to have the support of our sponsors. InteriorTech has been a strong supporter of our conference for the last number of years and we welcome them again in 2026 as our Title Sponsor. GHL Consultants, a part of JS Held, has generously returned as the sponsor of the banquet dinner on Tuesday evening. Our Educational Partner for this year's conference is BC Hydro. We are pleased that Trax Codes has returned as our Digital Partner. We'd like to also recognize the support of Heating Refrigeration and Air Conditioning Institute of Canada, B.C. Association of Building Designers, Thermal Environmental Comfort Association, Architectural Institute of B.C., Western Wood Truss Association of B.C., SMS Law, the City of Richmond, Tourism Richmond, Manufactured Housing Association of B.C., and Bibby Ste Croix as Wine Sponsor. Thank you to all of our sponsors for their generous support and collaboration!

Our trade show is another opportunity for us to collaborate and educate ourselves on new products and advancements in the building construction industry. With Fortis BC as our Trade Show sponsor, we are excited to have an offering of 40 exhibitor booths. Don't miss out on exploring this incredible space and learning.

I am looking forward for the opportunity to connect and collaborate over the next few days. Thank you for joining us at the River Rock Casino Resort in Richmond!

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Trevor Welsh', written in a cursive style.

Trevor Welsh, RBO, CRBO
Executive Committee, President
Building Officials' Association of B.C.

Event Agenda

- Building Stream
- Sustainability Stream
- Plumbing Stream
- Professional Practice

Registration and Trade Show – Sunday, May 24, 2026

TIME	River Rock Casino Resort
5:00pm – 9:00pm	Delegate Registration – <i>Show Theatre</i>
5:00pm – 9:00pm	Trade Show (Appetizers and Cash Bar) – <i>Show Theatre</i>

Conference Day 1 – Monday, May 25, 2026

7:00am – 12:00pm	Trade Show – <i>Show Theatre</i>			
7:00am – 9:00am	Breakfast – <i>Show Theatre</i>			
8:00am – 9:00am	Opening Remarks – <i>Show Theatre</i>			
10:00am – 10:15am	Coffee Break – <i>Show Theatre</i>			
11:30am – 12:30pm	Lunch – <i>Whistler Ballroom C</i>			
1:30pm – 3:00pm	The Density Dilemma: Navigating Fire Flow & Sprinkler Requirements in Part 9 Infill – Tony Giroux, BCABD and James Hook, CASA <i>Whistler Ballroom A</i>	Fire and Security: An Overview of ULC/S104 Opening Protectives and Fire Doors, as well as Ballistic Rated Doors, Blast Resistant Doors, and Forced-entry-resistant Doors – Dan Quatier, interiorTech <i>Whistler Ballroom B</i>	2025 National Plumbing Code Changes – Doug Vance, RBO <i>Thompson, 2nd Floor Conference Centre</i>	Use of 3D Cameras for Building Code Compliance – John Kiedrowski <i>Fraser, 1st Floor Conference Centre</i>
	1:00 – 4:00pm: Offsite Tour – Oakridge Park Site <i>Offsite</i>	1:30 – 3:30pm: Offsite Tour – BCIT High Performance Building Lab: Net Zero Buildings: an Envelope First Approach <i>Offsite</i>		
3:00pm – 3:15pm	Coffee Break – <i>Whistler Ballroom C</i>			
3:15pm – 4:45pm	Evacuation – Time to Go – Dilip Rathinakumar & Frankie Victor, GHL <i>Fraser, 1st Floor Conference Centre</i>	3:15 – 4:00pm: Powering B.C. with Building Codes – Gurmesh Sidhu, Moment Energy <i>Whistler Ballroom B</i>	New to the 2025 Code: Condensate Systems & NSF 61 – Kevin Wong, UPONOR <i>Thompson, 2nd Floor Conference Centre</i>	Architectural Services from BP Documents to Occupancy – Maura Gatensby, AIBC <i>Whistler Ballroom A</i>
	1:00 – 4:00pm: Offsite Tour – Oakridge Park Site <i>Offsite</i>	4:15 – 5:00 pm: An Update on B.C.'s Digital Transformation in Permitting and Construction – Nicole Vukosavljevic, CSDS <i>Whistler Ballroom B</i>		
6:00pm – 8:00pm	Conference Welcome Reception – <i>Fraser, 1st Floor Conference Centre</i>			

Conference Day 2 – Tuesday, May 26, 2026

7:30am – 9:00am	Breakfast – <i>Whistler Ballroom C</i>			
9:00am – 10:00am	Keynote Speakers – Catherine & Craig – <i>Whistler Ballrooms A,B,C</i>			
10:00am – 10:15am	Coffee Break – <i>Whistler Ballroom C</i>			
10:15am – 11:00am	Back to Basics! New Order of Firestopping from 2024 and Beyond – Enzo Saponaro, Div7 <i>Whistler Ballroom A</i>	Mezzanines – An In-Depth Look at the Part 3 & 9 Provisions – Lucas Genereux, GHJL <i>Whistler Ballroom B</i>	Residential HVAC Safety: Addressing IAQ and Depressurization Risks – Niss Feiner, HRAI <i>Thompson, 2nd Floor Conference Centre</i>	Evaluation of Air Barrier Systems in Light of the Changes Introduced in the NBC 2025 – Caroline St-Onge, CCMC <i>Fraser, 1st Floor Conference Centre</i>
11:00am – 11:15am	Coffee Break – <i>Whistler Ballroom C</i>			
11:15am – 12:00pm	Code & Compliance Essentials for Modular Housing – Paul Binotto, Modular BC, Gord Rattray, MHABC, Ken Kunka, CSDS, and Ron Burnett, BCQ <i>Whistler Ballroom A</i>	Leveling Up Inspections: Using Checklists with a Cloudpermit Walkthrough, Roleplay & Discussion – Nathan Brooks, RBO, City of Terrace <i>Whistler Ballroom B</i>	Firestopping Combustible Pipe Penetrations – Cory Norman, IPEX <i>Thompson, 2nd Floor Conference Centre</i>	What’s Next in Regulatory Workflows: A Preview from Trax – Azam Khan and Ellen Hlozan, Trax <i>Fraser, 1st Floor Conference Centre</i>
12:00pm – 1:00pm	Lunch – <i>Whistler Ballroom C</i>			
1:00pm – 1:30pm	Conference Group Photo			
1:30pm – 3:00pm	Demystifying Fire-Rated Assemblies – Brent Belanger, CertainTeed Canada <i>Whistler Ballroom A</i>	Regional Realities of High-Performance Building in B.C. – Lisa Mak, Community Energy Association <i>Whistler Ballroom B</i> 1:30 – 3:30pm: Offsite Tour – BCIT High Performance Building Lab: Residential Air Source Heat Pumps: Design, Installation, and Performance Offsite	Part 9 (Residential) Air to Air Heat Pump Design & Inspection – Todd Backus, TECA <i>Thompson, 2nd Floor Conference Centre</i>	Code Evaluations for Innovative Products – David Beauchamp, ICC <i>Fraser, 1st Floor Conference Centre</i>
3:00pm – 3:15pm	Coffee Break – <i>Whistler Ballroom C</i>			
3:15pm – 4:45pm	Field Review Process for Building Officials – Andy Christie, City of Kimberley and Tony Bartko, BCQ <i>Whistler Ballroom A</i>	3:15 – 4:00pm: Balancing Code and Performance when Retrofitting Existing Buildings – Adam Hatch, Heritage BC <i>Whistler Ballroom B</i> 4:15 – 5:00 pm: HPSC’s Spring 2026 Update: How the HPCN is Building Capacity for B.C.’s Retrofit Future – Braidey Sturgeon, Home Performance Stakeholder Council <i>Whistler Ballroom B</i>	3:15 – 4:00pm: NFPA 13R Residential Design Review – James Hook, CASA <i>Thompson, 2nd Floor Conference Centre</i> 4:15 – 5:00pm: Investigation and Enforcement of Building Bylaws and Codes – Matthew Voell and Sara Dubinsky, Lidstone & Company <i>Thompson, 2nd Floor Conference Centre</i>	Building Official Internship Program – Tim Byron, RBO, Chris Derouin, RBO, Gage Peter, Darryl Tunnicliffe, P.Eng., Naut’sa mawt Tribal Council <i>Fraser, 1st Floor Conference Centre</i>
6:00pm – 7:00pm	Cocktail Hour – <i>Whistler Ballroom Foyer</i>			
7:00pm – 12:00am	Banquet Dinner – <i>Whistler Ballrooms A, B, C</i>			

Conference Day 3 – Wednesday, May 27, 2026

7:30am – 9:00am	Breakfast – <i>Whistler Ballroom C</i>			
9:15am – 10:00am	Understanding Integrated Systems Testing - CAN/ULC S1001 – Cory Thorson <i>Whistler Ballroom A</i>	Part 9 (Residential) Hydronic Design & Inspection – presented by Fortis BC <i>Whistler Ballroom B</i>	Waterproof Connections in Curbless & Accessible Tiled Showers – Maria Rudman and Robert Palmer, Schluter Systems <i>Thompson, 2nd Floor Conference Centre</i>	Advancing DASH – Digitally Accelerated Standardized Housing – Dr. Esther de Vos, BC Housing and Kevin Harding, Ministry of Housing and Municipal Affairs <i>Fraser, 1st Floor Conference Centre</i>
10:00am – 10:15am	Coffee Break – <i>Whistler Ballroom C</i>			
10:15am – 11:00am	Demistifying the Roof Truss Package – Kenneth Su, WWTABC <i>Whistler Ballroom A</i>	Off-Site Fabrication – Assessment of Design & Construction – Fred Tewfik, City of Richmond <i>Whistler Ballroom B</i>	Protecting Drinking Water from Contamination – Raj Samra, BCIT <i>Thompson, 2nd Floor Conference Centre</i>	Warranty Woes – When Minor Details Cause Major Problems – Brendan Bobby, Travelers Insurance <i>Fraser, 1st Floor Conference Centre</i>
11:00am – 11:15am	Coffee Break – <i>Whistler Ballroom C</i>			
11:15am – 12:00pm	Accessibility Standards Canada (ASC) – Dino Zuppa, Accessibility Standards Canada <i>Whistler Ballroom A</i>	Ethics, Conflicts, and Legal Obligations for Building Officials – Peter Johnson and Kerri Crawford, Stewart McDannold Stuart <i>Whistler Ballroom B</i>	Level 1 Plumbing Inspections – Best Practices and Common Deficiencies – Ivo Tanner, Regional District of North Okanagan <i>Thompson, 2nd Floor Conference Centre</i>	Responsible AI in Building Approvals: A Trust-Based Framework for Digital Permitting – Joe Philbrook, Archistar & Stephanie Di Perna, City of Markham <i>Fraser, 1st Floor Conference Centre</i>
12:00pm – 12:45pm	Lunch – <i>packed lunch available for pickup</i>			
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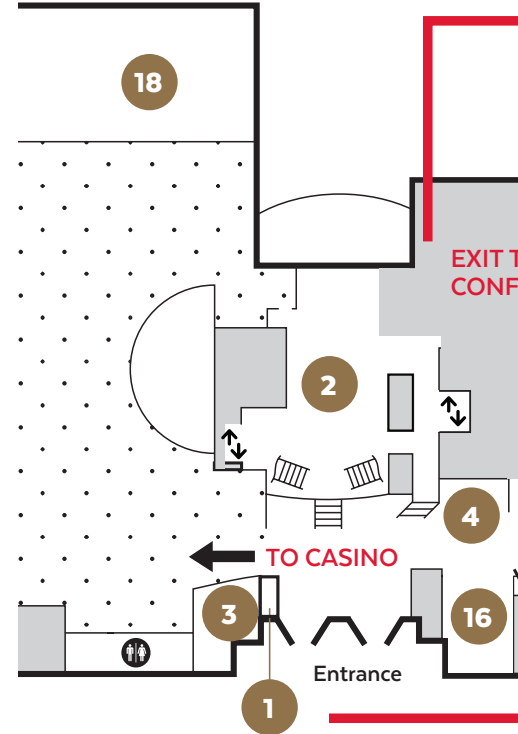
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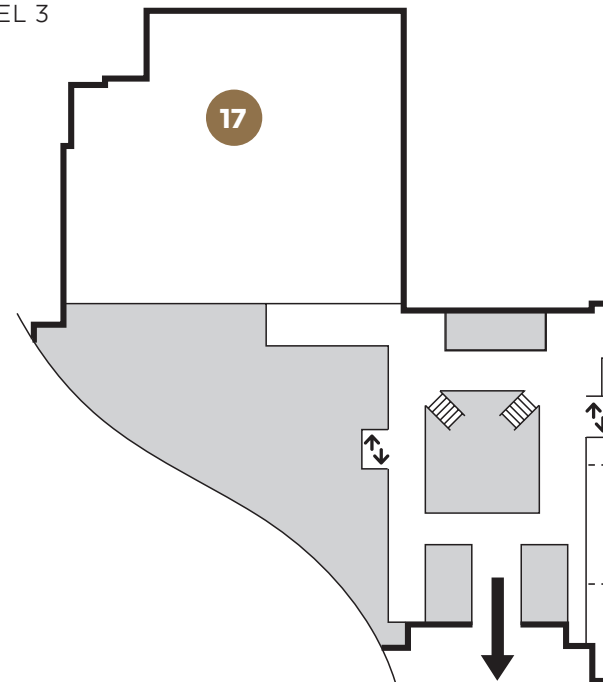
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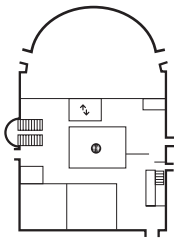
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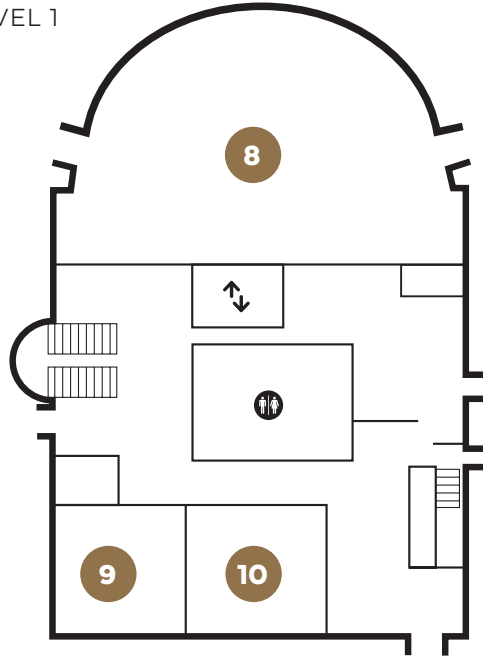


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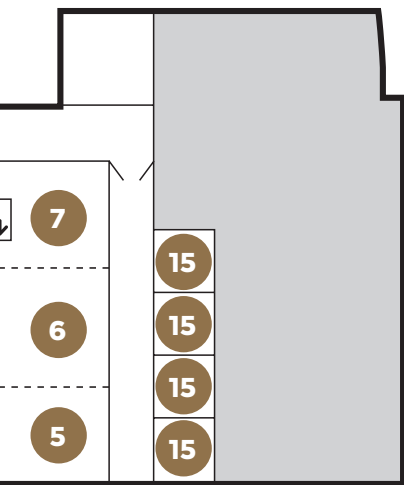
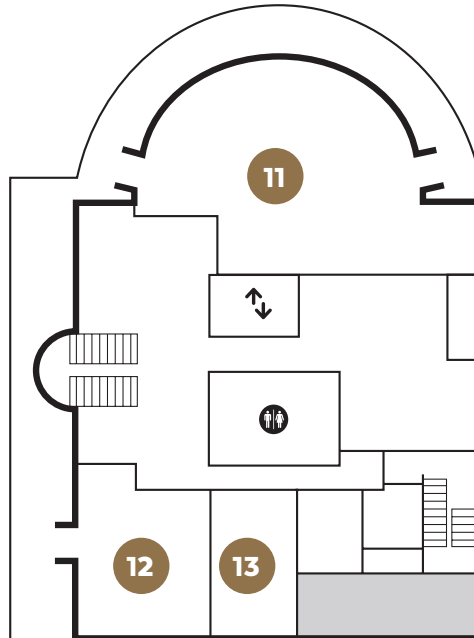
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