



OBC 2024 - Explore Large Farm Buildings in Part 2 of the OBC

Moderator(s): Scott Sutherland

DATE: Tuesday, October 1st, 2024 TIME: 3:30 pm

LOCATION: Salon D,D1

GUEST SPEAKERS: Will Teron - Tacoma Engineers / Canadian Farm Builders Association, Jesse McKnight - Tacoma Engineers

DESCRIPTION: How the updates relate to the new Pt. 2 provisions, how they may (or may not) functionally relate to the provisions of applicable law, qualification and registration for design, review and inspection, as well as the OBC provisions which are not found in the Model National Code (ie. Pt. 11, Pt. 7, Pt. 8, Pt 12)

BIOGRAPHY: Will Teron, P.Eng.

With over 30 years of engineering, construction and business experience, Will brings a practical and tested outlook to all his projects. Will has been directly involved in the design of over 400 agricultural buildings including large dairy, beef, poultry, swine, sheep, equine, commodity and equipment storage facilities. Many of these are CFBA award winning projects.

For the past decade, Will has been at the forefront of the efforts to update the National Farm Building Code of Canada. On behalf of CFBA, Will lobbied the Canadian Commission on Building Codes to initiate the very overdue update. After years of deliberations across the country, in 2012 this effort was started in earnest. Will now represents CFBA on farm building related Joint Task Groups, Technical Standing Committees and Working groups that are all working to a 2020 farm building requirement update. In addition, Will regularly participates in industry forums and makes presentations to Ontario Building Officials. He is a strong advocate for a strong and healthy farm building industry.

BIOGRAPHY: Jesse McKnight, P.Eng.

Jesse McKnight is a Professional Engineer and Senior Associate with specializations in building code consulting and structural engineering. A staunch advocate for continuous learning, Jesse embarked on his career in engineering technology while simultaneously pursuing an engineering degree focused on structural engineering. As a licensed professional with OACETT, PEO, and the OBOA, Jesse is dedicated to upholding the highest standards of professionalism and a thorough understanding of codes and standards.

With a commitment to ongoing education and a variety of roles at Tacoma Engineers, Jesse has cultivated a diverse skill set, enabling a multifaceted perspective on projects. With over 15 years of experience in engineering consulting, Jesse now spearheads the Code Consulting team at Tacoma Engineers, striving to elevate the industry standard for proper code application.