



## RCCAO podcasts take deep dive into issues affecting Ontario construction industry

Aug. 31, 2020, Vaughan, Ont. – Nine thought-provoking podcasts on a variety of critical issues related to the residential and civil construction sectors in Ontario have been released and are now available for download.

The podcasts feature discussions on everything from the collapse of the Sidewalk Labs proposal for Toronto's Port Lands to a conversation on what's being done to prevent flooding in the city and another on how to deliver subway projects more cost effectively.

The podcasts, called Conversations about Construction, were commissioned by the [Residential and Civil Construction Alliance of Ontario \(RCCAO\)](#) and are available for download [here](#). Dave Trafford, host of the Weekend Morning Show on Newstalk 1010 in Toronto, moderates each of the discussions.

**"We produced these podcasts to inform people about a cross-section of issues about the importance of infrastructure investment to our collective future," says RCCAO executive director Andy Manahan. "Often critical issues such as the value of using recycled aggregate and asphalt are not addressed by the mainstream media, but these are essential topics and are of interest to the public. These podcasts are a great way to learn about the issues that are not necessarily on the radar of all Canadians."**

RCCAO has established a solid reputation in advancing policy discussions and will be celebrating its *15<sup>th</sup> anniversary* this October. It is a non-partisan alliance of construction labour and management groups whose members build the homes, transportation networks and water systems that are vital to achieving the high living standards that Ontario residents and businesses demand.

The nine podcasts cover:

- **Hallway Medicine:** Practical ways to deal with overcrowding in hospitals and seniors housing
- **Talking Trades:** Why young people should consider a career in construction
- **Infrastructure Ideas:** A look at essential transit projects
- **Aggregate Reuse & Recycling:** How to get municipalities to reuse aggregate
- **Infrastructure Beyond Investment:** How to kick-start the economy after COVID

- **Focus on Transit:** Why the Ontario Line is important
- **Timber Talk:** The benefits of building with mass timber
- **The Big Pipe:** What Toronto must do to solve its flooding problems
- **Sidewalk Labs:** What went wrong and next steps for Toronto's waterfront

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