

## **RESCON signs on with One Ontario permitting program**

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TORONTO — AECO Innovation Lab has announced that **the Residential Construction Council of Ontario (RESCON)** has joined the One Ontario data exchange program for development approvals.

The program was established by AECO with the goal of establishing a set of provincial guidelines for data and information exchange during the development approval process, stated an Aug. 25 release. The framework will be aligned with regulatory requirements set by the province and will employ modern technological tools in use by the architecture, engineering and construction (AEC) sectors such as BIM and automated code compliance checking algorithms, said AECO.

The new protocols are intended to decrease permit application times, improve enforcement and reduce costs to municipalities.

“RESCON is an essential partner whose involvement is vital to One Ontario. RESCON’s support and experience in all aspects of the AEC ecosystem, especially in the areas of research, education and industry advocacy, will play an important part in One Ontario,” said Arash Shahi, CEO of AECO, in the release.

“The successful evolution of One Ontario is important in creating a more predictable environment for housing in our province, which can then drive industry productivity and ultimately deliver homes that are affordable for all Ontarians,” said Richard Lyall, president of RESCON.

“This transformation creates more favourable conditions that quickens the pace of construction, minimizes risk for everyone and generates efficiencies long overdue in the industry.”