



The Cob Report

Bringing the ancient art of Cob Earth Wall Building into the modern world. Cob is a method of building walls using a mix of clay-soil, sand, straw and water.

THE COB CODE FINAL VOTE IS UNDERWAY!

On Oct 26 CRI's testimony for RB299 the IRC COB CONSTRUCTION APPENDIX was heard at the ICC Public Comment Hearing in Las Vegas. Ten people testified in support (including 4 members of CRI's core team) and there was no opposition testimony. The Public Comment was overwhelmingly approved with a 94% vote (93-6) in the room. This was a great showing of support.

NOW RB299 must receive a 2/3 approval vote in the Final Online Governmental Consensus Vote (OGCV) between Nov 18 - Dec 5.

This vote by ICC member building and fire officials is going on now !!!
CRI has been contacting select ICC VOTING MEMBERS to help ensure a successful vote.

This is CRI at work. Creating a COB BUILDING CODE for all to use !!!

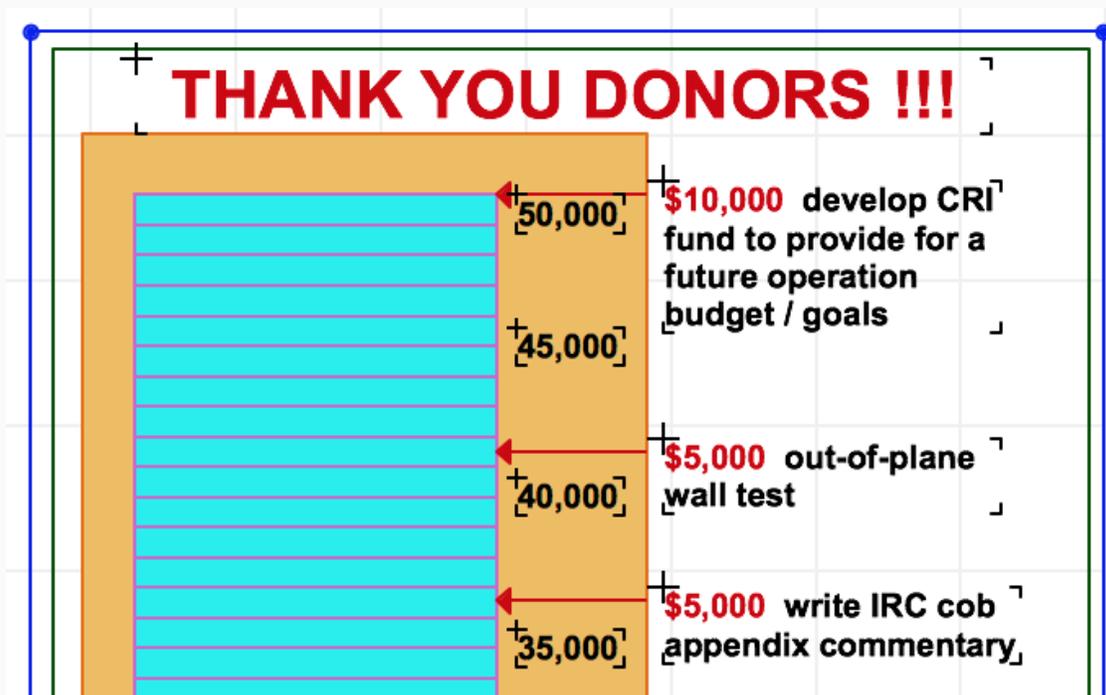
NOW AN IMPORTANT CRI FUNDING ANNOUNCEMENT

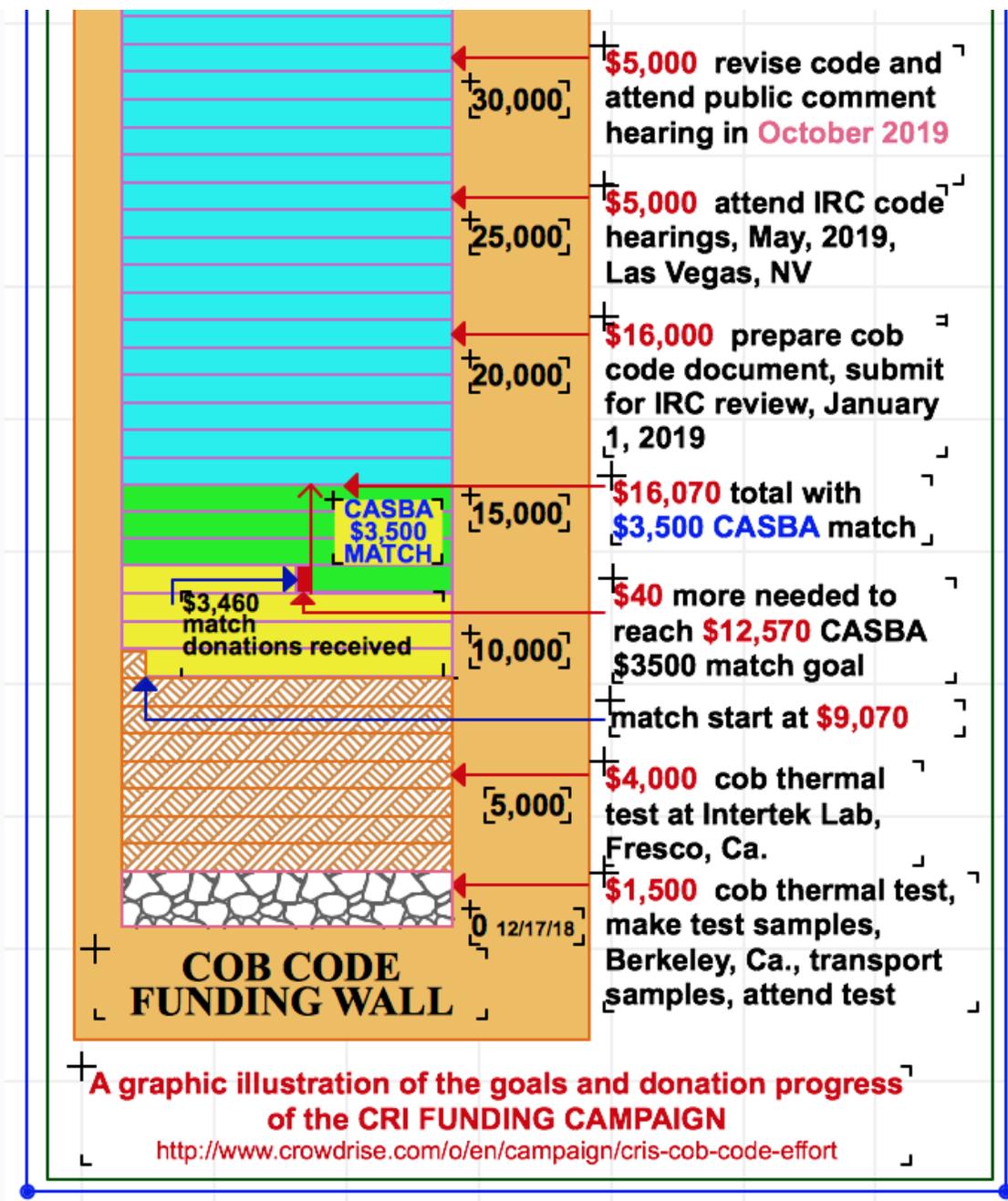
THE CRI / CASBA DONATION MATCH IS NEARING SUCCESS
**WE ONLY NEED TO RECEIVE \$40 MORE IN DONATIONS
TO MEET CRI's \$3500 MATCHING GOAL !!!**

The California Straw Building Association is continuing their \$3,500 matching donation. When CRI receives \$40 or more in new donations, all the recent \$3500 donations from you, our faithful supporters, will be matched by CASBA dollar for dollar. **If everyone who receives the Cob Report, or has donated to CRI before can donate just \$10 today, we will reach the \$3500 match goal.**

**CASBA will then complete their match and donate
\$3500 to CRI.**

DONATE NOW TO CRI





This COB CODE FUNDING WALL illustration was created one year ago. It shows CRI's projected 2019 funding needs for the testing, writing and submitting the IRC Cob Construction Appendix to the International Codes Council triennial code development process. As the year has progressed we have had good success and a Cob Building Code is close to becoming a reality. But as the Funding Wall shows, the funding campaign has not kept up with the cost. CRI has gone into roughly \$40,000 debt. This has been an expensive project and its success has been possible due largely to the hard work and trust of the professional team that wrote the proposed code with broad input, and ushered it through the entire development / approval

process. But now we must make good and pay these hard working people. We will seek grant funding in 2020, but we need your help now as well. If everyone who stands to benefit from a cob building code can join the CRI code effort and donate , this will go a long way towards supporting this hard won success. **Please join us and donate to CRI today!**

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A word about CRI.

The Cob Research Institute is a public interest 501(c)3 non-profit organization founded in 2008 with the mission to remove legal obstacles to building with cob.

CRI needs to be able to support a small staff to do the work of making a cob building code a reality. The needed research, testing, code development, and ultimate gaining of acceptance by the code authorities is expensive and CRI is working to do this on your behalf. Please do your part and support the CRI effort. Become a part of the CRI team ! I'd like to thank you in advance for your generosity.

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