



Duncan, BC:

For Pacific Building Systems of Cobble Hill (Duncan) and their construction division, Canarc Construction Ltd. of Surrey, B.C., the Colborne Architectural Group was asked to coordinate the design for a 76,000 sq. ft. RONA Homecentre for retail building materials and hardware. The project is part of the larger 38 acre Cowichan Commons, a large-format retail development (Canadian Tire, London Drugs, Specialty Foods, etc.) located on Vancouver Island's central Trans-Canada Highway.

The main structure is an all-steel, pre-engineered 25 ft. high structure enclosing retail and 'warehouse' drive-through function for construction product sales aimed primarily at building contractors. A custom two-storey, wood-detailed entry structure with 2nd floor administrative offices and adjacent 'Garden Centre' greenhouse has been incorporated to appeal to the walk-in homeowner retail trade. Employee support and training areas with shipping - receiving facilities are also incorporated as well as secure yard storage for bulk construction product storage. The building is finished, signed and landscaped to meet local planning objectives set by the Municipality of North Cowichan and to compliment the 'rural' design theme established for the Norcross Centre.

Construction Cost, \$4.75M + site works, spring, 2008.



Cobble Hill, BC:

On the site of Pacific Building Systems current Pacific Truss plant and the original McKinnon Family building supply operation, a new 34,000sf Rona Homecentre has been constructed, integrating the original material storage yard and some of the earlier building elements.

Construction Cost. \$3.75M + site development, spring, 2007.