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**CFSEI TO HOST WEBINAR ON “COLD-FORMED STEEL CLASSROOM:  
DESIGN TOPICS NOT IN A STANDARD” ON JUNE 27, 2019**

WASHINGTON, D.C., June 17, 2019 – The Cold-Formed Steel Engineers Institute (CFSEI) will host a webinar on “Cold-Formed Steel Classroom: Design Topics Not in a Standard” on Thursday, June 27, 2019 from 3:00 pm to 4:30 pm EDT. The webinar is designed for architects, engineers, building officials and contractors. Participants are eligible for 1.5 PDHs.

The webinar will provide engineering principles to address some of the most common cold-formed steel design inquiries received by experts at CFSEI’s Steel Hotline (1-800-79STEEL). In 2018, the experts responded to over 4,800 inquiries that covered the gamut of cold-formed steel applications. In many cases, the questions went beyond the scope of a design standard, requiring engineering judgement. The topics to be addressed include:

- Should loose straps be a concern?
- Does gypsum between the steel piles impact the screw connection strength?
- For the single-side strap brace, what are the implications for the design of the boundary post?
- How does one design a shear wall for force transfer around openings?
- What wind loading draft limits are appropriate for mid-rise structures?

The webinar will be conducted by Roger LaBoube, Ph.D., P.E., the Curator’s Distinguished Teaching Professor Emeritus of Civil, Architectural and Environmental Engineering and Director of the Wei-Wen Yu Center for Cold-Formed Steel Structures at the Missouri University

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of Science & Technology (formerly University of Missouri-Rolla). He holds B.S., M.S., and Ph.D. degrees in Civil Engineering from the University of Missouri-Rolla, and has an extensive background in the design and behavior of cold-formed steel structures. His research and design activities have touched on many facets of cold-formed steel construction such as cold-formed steel beams, panels, trusses, headers, and wall studs as well as bolt, weld, and screw connections. Dr. LaBoube is active in several professional organizations and societies. He is a member of AISI's Committee on Specifications for the Design of Cold-Formed Steel Structural Members and is chairman of AISI's Committee on Framing Standards. He is a registered Professional Engineer in Missouri.

This webinar is the most recent in Dr. LaBoube's ongoing Cold-Formed Steel Classroom series. More information on the webinar and registration is available at <https://www.cfsei.org/webinar-june-27-2019>.

The Cold-Formed Steel Engineers Institute comprises hundreds of structural engineers and other design professionals who are finding a better way to produce safe and efficient designs for commercial and residential structures with cold-formed steel. CFSEI members work together to develop and evolve industry standards and design methods, produce and issue technical bulletins, and provide seminars and online training to improve the knowledge and skills base of engineers and design professionals. For more information, visit [www.cfsei.org](http://www.cfsei.org).

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