



Milestone Reached - 3,000,000m³ of fill in Dry Gut



Dry Gut—Aerial View courtesy HMS Richmond 29.8.13

We announced on 11th July 2013 that Basil Read had completed 2,000,000m³ of fill in Dry Gut. We are now pleased to announce that we have reached the 3,000,000m³ mark. This achievement was accomplished on the 24 September. This followed a further 58 dayshifts and 53 nightshifts at an average of 9,009m³ per shift or just over 18,000m³ per day combined.

To reach the 3,000,000m³ milestone has taken over 193,500 ADT trips into Dry Gut. A further 5,000,000m³ of fill is required. The fill in Dry Gut is due to be completed in September 2014



Dry Gut—20 September 2013

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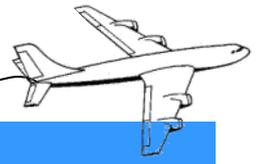
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Airport Buildings



Work Progressing at the Airport Buildings Site



Aerial View courtesy HMS Richmond 29.8.13

Work is underway at the buildings site on Prosperous Bay Plain. Construction has started on the foundations for the Combined Building (see photograph opposite). In addition, the setting out, excavation and the installation of underground services for the terminal building have commenced.

Brick Making



With work progressing quickly on the buildings site, a Robust Brick Making Machine with an additional pan mixer has been installed on site. This machine has the capacity to produce 2,800 to 3,000 bricks per day subject to conditions.

To date an average of 1,800 bricks per day are being manufactured for use on the buildings site. It is estimated that a total of 250,000 bricks will be required for the Combined and Terminal buildings.

The bricks are smaller in size and are made of finer material compared to those currently used in the local building industry.





Work Progressing at the Airport Buildings Site (continued)



View from Creeper Hill towards the Combined building's foundations 22 September 2013. ©Halcrow

Air Service Provider

The Access Office, Enterprise St Helena and the DFID Airport Project Team have spoken to air service providers who have shown an interest in St Helena. To date, no contractual negotiations have taken place for the provision of air services. In the upcoming weeks, a contract will be issued to a company who will lead on route planning and service provision; this work is expected to deliver a recommendation on the procurement of an air service provider in early 2014. More will follow on this in future Airport Updates.

St Paul's & Pilling Primary Schools Visit the Airport Site



Primary Schools' students watching a blast



As part of a lesson on sound and how sound travels, the Primary Schools undertook a visit to Prosperous Bay Plain on Friday, 20th September. The blast is an example of how noise vibration travels so that the blast can be heard from some distance away. More information on blasting can be found in Airport Update No. 35 (see www.sainthelenaaccess.com)

Ruperts Wharf

Work is continuing on the final designs for Ruperts Wharf. We are currently compiling a pack of information to accompany a request to amend the original development permission for the wharf to reflect the updated design. This will be released shortly. Keep an eye out for our next Airport Update which will provide another feature on Ruperts Wharf.



Work Continues on the Access Road



Construction is continuing on the access road from Pipe Ridge through to Prosperous Bay Plain. Depending on weather conditions, the road construction teams are moved to different areas of the site to achieve maximum safety and efficiency during wet weather periods.

Layer works are in progress from Pipe Ridge to lower Deadwood. From Middle Point to Bottom Woods the first layer of gravel is being laid whilst from Bottom Woods through to the Airport site excavation, blasting and road bed construction continues.

As this is a new road, it is essential to ensure that construction meets the required specifications. Residents will notice the road level being cut low in some areas and built up in others; this is to reduce gradients and improve road safety.



Road construction into Fishers Valley ©Halcrow

Signage is displayed to remind the public that the access road is part of a construction site. Public access is only permitted where the access road links into the public highway (i.e. between Mulberry Gut and Coltsheeds and between Bottom Woods Corner and Bradleys). **Drivers are asked to proceed with caution in these areas and to adhere to the signage in place. All other sections of the access road remain closed to the public.** Your cooperation in this matter is much appreciated.

Farewell to the Trotech Team



Part of the Trotech Team ©Halcrow

Departing on the RMS on Thursday were a team from Trotech.

Contracted to assemble and weld the fuel storage tanks at the permanent BFI site in Ruperts the team includes specialist welders and boiler makers.

The team departed on completion of this stage of the contract; however a return in 2014 is scheduled to install the piping.

Our thanks to the Trotech Team for all their hard work.