



Port Authority Announces Construction Milestones at World Trade Center Site



The Port Authority of New York and New Jersey made substantial progress on the 9/11 Memorial, One World Trade Center, the WTC Transportation Hub and the other public infrastructure projects at the rebuilding site in the first quarter of 2009.

Seven of eight milestones for the period of January 1 to March 31 were completed, including the full formation of the North pool of the 9/11 Memorial and a contract award for the World Trade Center Transportation Hub steel. The Hub project includes 22,000 tons of steel, twice the amount of steel used for the new Yankee Stadium, and came in on budget.

The remaining milestone—the completion of pavilion/spot network footings that will support the National September 11 Memorial & Museum Pavilion and remaining steel structure for the Memorial Plaza over the PATH tracks—was completed on April 24.

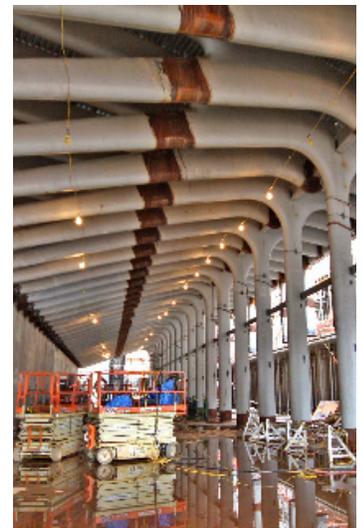
The milestones were announced in the second World Trade Center Quarterly Report, part of an ongoing initiative to give the public a tangible way to track the agency's progress. These regular installments are published on the WTC website – www.wtcprogress.com – at the end of every quarter. They contain a complete accounting of the

interim milestones that the Port Authority established in October 2008, as well as an overview of the other work going on at the site so the public has a full understanding of what we are doing to advance the rebuilding effort.

In a letter to New York Governor David A. Paterson, Port Authority Executive Director Chris Ward highlighted the achievements and spoke about challenges ahead.

“This report shows tangible progress being made on all of the public projects throughout the site,” Ward said. “But we have many more milestones to hit, and we must continue working to meet every single one of them.”

Overview of World Trade Center Site



Fulton Street Arches

Milestones – First Quarter

TRANSPORTATION HUB

Steel Contract Award – The Port Authority Board of Commissioners awarded a contract for more than 22,000 tons of steel for the World Trade Center Transportation Hub – the largest contract awarded to date for the major transportation facility.

South Mezzanine Steel Complete – Located south of the existing temporary PATH station directly above the active PATH tracks, this steel helps to form the eastern-most portion of the Memorial's southern pool and provides structure-to-grade over the PATH tracks in that area.

Pavilion/Spot Network Footings – These footings will support the Memorial's Pavilion (Visitor's Center) and remaining steel structure for the Memorial Plaza over the PATH tracks.

GREENWICH STREET

Top-Down Underpinning Design Complete – This design represents the plan to permanently underpin the #1 Subway Line and Greenwich Street, providing the structural support for the subway box that divides the East and West portions of the site. For the first time in history, a train structure unparalleled in length – over 1,000 feet long – is being suspended in the air by columns that then transfer the loads to the underpinning system.

NATIONAL SEPTEMBER 11 MEMORIAL & MUSEUM

Temporary Ramp Removed – A temporary ramp was removed to enable the continued erection of the remainder of the Memorial's structural steel, which is now over 50% complete. Part of the ramp is being retained by the Memorial Foundation to be included in the future Museum.

Pavilion Cladding Design – This design package will enable the bidding, award and fabrication of the metal and glass outer skin that will cover the Memorial Pavilion.

VEHICLE SECURITY CENTER & TOUR BUS PARKING FACILITY

West Street Slurry Wall Started – The “slurry wall” forms the foundation of the facility, which will eventually be used for the screening of vehicles entering the WTC site and its facilities.

ONE WORLD TRADE CENTER

Begin Fulton Street Deck – Forty-seven arches designed by noted architect Santiago Calatrava, supporting Fulton Street, are in place and metal decking has been installed to support the Fulton Street Deck structure. This is a critical milestone because Fulton Street will also serve as a major access and logistics area for the construction of One World Trade Center and the WTC Transportation Hub.

Emergency Drills Help Responders Prepare



Photo courtesy of AP Photographer Seth Wenig

More than 800 first responders from the Port Authority Police, NYPD and FDNY took part in a major emergency response drill at the World Trade Center PATH Station on Sunday May 17.

The drill, a joint effort of the Port Authority of NY & NJ Public Safety Department, Port Authority Trans-Hudson Corporation (PATH), New York City Office of Emergency Management, NYPD, FDNY and many other agencies, required the temporary closing of the PATH World Trade

Center Station, where officials staged a mock explosion. More than 150 volunteers wearing makeup simulating blood posed as the victims. The public was given advance notification of the drill to minimize any inconvenience. The exercise was deemed a success by officials.

Port Authority Chairman Anthony R. Coscia said the drill, Operation Safe PATH 2009, will help PAPD and partner agencies respond quickly and effectively in the case of a real emergency. "Our top priority is the safety and security of our customers, which is why we've invested billions in security at our facilities," he said.

During the month of May and June, the Port Authority also planned to perform intermittent tests of a new emergency mass notification system at the World Trade Center Site. The new system of strobes and speakers will visually and audibly alert all site personnel of a hazardous condition requiring an evacuation or relocation from any of the construction zones within the site. Due to the sensitive nature of the site and its surrounding residential and professional neighbors, the mass notification system is designed to minimize the audible and visual impact on the surrounding community.



WTC and the Community

Liberty Street Pedestrian Corridor Will Get Makeover

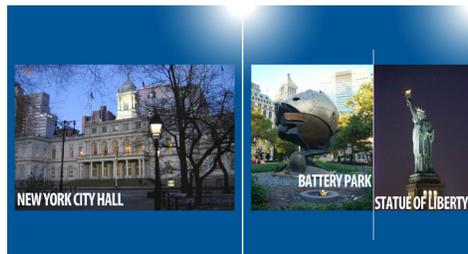
The Liberty Street corridor, an important east/west path for residents of Battery Park City and World Financial Center tenants on the southern border of the World Trade Center Site, is getting a new look.

New photo panels of iconic New York destinations and renderings of future sites, including the National September 11 Memorial & Museum will soon be on display inside the Liberty Street pedestrian sidewalk shed. The new wall panels depict Lower Manhattan images, such as the Statue of Liberty, Trinity Church and New York City Hall, as well as Battery Park City scenes including the Police Memorial.

The new wall design is part of the Port Authority's effort to improve pedestrian access and circulation around the reconstruction site. Officials met with Battery Park City, Brookfield Properties and the Downtown Alliance to develop an enhancement plan to modify the Liberty Street corridor. Other improvements include the installation of anti-slip floor coating, new lighting, and additional signage.



Liberty Street Pedestrian Bridge panels



Photos of Lower Manhattan iconic landmarks welcome visitors and commuters near WTC

In the Spotlight

Quentin Brathwaite



Director, Port Authority Office of Program Logistics, Assistant Director of World Trade Center Construction

Q: Why was the Office of Program Logistics created?

A: The Port Authority of New York and New Jersey created the Office of Program Logistics in October 2008 to be the focal point for planning the smooth movement of vehicles and pedestrians around the World Trade Center site. The office also manages logistics between the many projects at the site, maintaining a proactive approach to identifying and resolving challenges with short- and long-term plans.

Q: What is your Office doing to improve the vehicular and pedestrian traffic around the WTC Site?

A: The Port Authority has stationed new uniformed pedestrian officers around the WTC Site to help visitors, commuters and residents navigate the perimeter. Also, our Office is working with NYSDOT, NYCDOT, and LMCCC to plan the relocation of the Liberty Street Pedestrian Bridge at Route 9A. Additionally, we are studying various off-site truck staging areas to minimize the impact of truck deliveries to the Site.

Q: How many projects does the Office of Program Logistics coordinate?

A: At the World Trade Center Site, we're coordinating work on major skyscrapers, which will house Class A office space; one of the world's most significant memorials and museums; the third-largest transportation hub in New York City; a world-class retail venue serving all of Lower Manhattan; a major performing arts center; a state-of-the-art vehicle security center; two new city streets (Greenwich and Fulton) and two new pedestrian ways (Cortlandt and Dey); and all of the critical infrastructure to support these projects including a chiller plant, utility and communication networks, and more.

