

With all hands on deck and all eyes on the future, everyone is anxiously waiting for the Balsam's project to move forward. The rebirth of the Balsam's will have a positive impact on our North Country with new jobs coupled with tourism growth. I expect starting with the summer of 2016, the Berlin Airport will see an increase in activity that we must continue to prepare for. Replacing our Snow Removal Equipment Storage Building and upgrading our snow removal equipment will prove to have been an essential step in being ready for what is expected to follow.

The Balsams ski expansion has already begun the design and planning phase of the project and are poised to begin construction in the upcoming year. We anticipate the new activity to have an impact on the Berlin Regional Airport.

The Berlin Airport was finally able to wrap up the Jet-A Storage Tank Project which has been ongoing for several years. Every one of our Capital Improvement Projects has presented unique challenges and this one was no exception. This winter was brutally cold which brought about concerns with cold weather operation of the fuel pump.

Our next project will include the rehabilitation of the rotating beacon's steel structure and replacement of the wind cone.

The rotating beacon has a Fresnel lens which is very similar to the type of lens used on older lighthouses. We intend to preserve this piece of history so it will continue to shine for many years to come. In 2017 the Berlin Regional Airport will be 75 years old and plans are in the works now to do something special to tie in with what is happening in Dixville Notch. Stay tuned.

I would like to take a moment to thank everyone involved with the Berlin Airport for your continued support as we move forward together.



Chief Pilot Floyd DePhillips shows children from the White Mts. Community College Daycare Program the inside of a Falcon 2000

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