RUNWAY REPAIRS INFO

STATUS

Update, Friday July 14th.

Grass seed and straw laid down. Contractor's work complete. We have a new runway and field!

Update, Thursday July 13th.

Grading work virtually complete. All that's left is to put down grass and straw.



Update, Wednesday July 12th.

Concrete taxiways laid down



Update, Monday July 10th.

Grading work continued. Extra fill pushed out to extend runway length on grass.



Update, Saturday July 1st.

Grading work was actually started Thursday and Friday!



Update, Wednesday June 28th.

Summers Taylor made short work of paving the runway today. Hooray! We finally have a real runway again! Next step is to grade the sides and get rid of the "walls"! We opened the runway up for flying at 6 pm and Doug Lindauer and Philip Rowan were the first to fly off it with a pair of MotionRC Freewing jets: an F-16 and a Stinger. Several perfect takeoffs and landings were made to baptize the tarmac.



Update, Tuesday June 27thth.

No more work on the runway but we've put up our new signage, thanks to the efforts of Glenn Ross, Skip Weller, and Tim Edwards.



Update, Monday June 19th.

Crews out there today putting down more gravel and sand and then compacted it nicely. The runway as is, is good enough to fly anything off of except that there are still high walls in some places



Update, Friday June 16th.

Crews out there today putting down gravel and sand over some areas which had depressions.



Update, Saturday May 6th.

Well the first of May has come and gone! The weather has slowed things down but work has progressed slowly. Grading has been going on and the runway bed has been scraped down about 18" in some places. A lot of red clay fill material has been brought in to level things out and a drain tube has been put in place under the north end of the runway. Gravel will be brought in soon. Work is being done to try to give us a runway as flat and level as possible.

Update, Friday April 21st.

Moving the runway: Plans have changed and the runway won't be shifted 100' to the right as originally intended. It will be restored to the original position. Current estimates are that we MIGHT have the runway done by the first of May.

Monday, April 10th:

As everyone should now be aware, our runway repairs are underway. The old asphalt will be ripped up, the ground leveled, and new asphalt will be put down. The position of our runway, as currently planned, will be shifted to the right by about 100', i.e. in the direction of the T-33 and the lower area. This will eliminate some of the highly slanted area at the southwest end of the old runway. The runway will be flat but will probably have to have a slight slant upward from right to left due to the slant of the landfill as it currently stands. This seems to be unavoidable.

The length of time this will take will depend somewhat on the weather and there can't be any firm schedule at this time. It is hoped that the project will be completed in early May. In the mean time we all need to be patient.

Wednesday, April 12th:

About 150' of asphalt has now been ripped up.



Thursday, April 13th:

All asphalt will be ripped up by the end of the day!



And it was!



Monday, April 17th:

The dirt is smoother today. We could actually fly off the dirt (if you could avoid the survey markers and the heavy equipment on the runway.)



Thursday, April 20th:

More grading has been done and more fill material has been brought in. Not much work has been done this week due to the rain. Prospects are better for next week.



Tuesday, May 2nd :

Things have been rainy but they've done what they can.



Saturday, May 6th:

They've done a good job of grading using the red clay material from the back of the landfill across the hill. It's smooth, more or less but don't walk on the wet runway unless you want to spend a half hour cleaning the clay off your shoes!

