Snowmass Mountain Condominiums Construction Update Week 13 July 10-17, 2011

The rains continued to fall the first half of the week, but fortunately the daily, heavy rainfall of the past two weeks has not been problematic, according to the Neenan engineers overseeing the project. The first organized "owners site visit" was held on Tuesday this week. Even with very short notice, several owners and visitors were there for the tour conducted by Hank Hays, our complex manager, and two supervisors from Neenan, Bill Perry and Jason Doty.

Not only is our project the talk of the town because of its size and complexity (and because it's the biggest private project going on in the village right now), but it is very exciting to see up close. The picture below shows two levels of shoring blocks that are already in place. The drilling rig is on the left side of the picture; the green caps on the steel rods that extend horizontally into bedrock (reached at between 40-50 feet on average) are now in place on most of the concrete slabs, the final step for each slab.



The enormous scale and depth of excavation is better seen in the next two photographs. The first was taken from what used to be the driveway in front of Building B. The second shows owner Eric Loeb and Hank Hays standing in front of (and dwarfed by) the shoring blocks, part of the MSE wall designed to hold the mountain behind us in place.







Above, owners work their way up the unsteady surface of the steep grade from the bike path to a narrow strip in front of the upper buildings -- all that is left of what used to be the driveway. At the entrance to our complex, shown below, the last of the sewer lines is being installed (note the size of the concrete box); once this is



After some prodding, owner Judy Kava and Neenan engineer Jason Doty smiled for the camera. An experienced construction engineer, Jason is overseeing the day-to-day operations and coordination of the many different elements of the project.



The next photo shows the installation of a manhole for accessing some of the new utility lines that have been and will be installed

underground.



Women are working on the project too; here an Aspen Earthmoving truck driver.



This area is the site of the interceptor drain that was installed last year as part of the project. Last fall it was a muddy eyesore. Look at it now! A beautiful natural garden filled with silver lupine, balsam root, "donkey ears," aspens, and native grasses.



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Melissa Temple with Jason Doty and Hank Hays behind Building B/C (partially repainted). Melissa's email note below is a perfect ending for this week's update.



Hi Greer and Hank,

I just wanted to thank you both for organizing the tour yesterday. I cannot tell you how excited I am from the visit. I am very positive about all that is being done and very positive about our investment.

If you would like me to pen a letter from an owner perspective for our community I would absolutely love too. I want to share my enthusiasm and excitement.

Also, feel free to pass my name on to anyone interested in finding out about the complex from a real estate perspective. I am living and breathing Snowmass Mountain Condos and have a vested interest in its' success.

Cheers, Melissa

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