



MINISTRY OF WORKS, TRANSPORT AND INFRASTRUCTURE (MWTI) NEWS BULLETIN

Talofa lava and Welcome!

The MWTI is very grateful to provide its reader with this second edition of the News Bulletin for 2015.

This edition will cover an update of all events that occurred from April to June 2015. These events includes all MWTI Divisions activities; ranging from overseas and local meetings and workshop, to Annual Audits , with refresher exercises carried out to practically ensure continuity of good understanding of responsibilities and roles within the Ministry and in turn provide efficient and adequate service to our people Samoa. MWTI is also overseeing contractual work on the Apia Park Stadium development before the most anticipated game between our Manu Samoa and the All Blacks and the Commonwealth Games at the end of this year. In addition to its busy schedule, MWTI also participated in the 53rd Annual Marching Parade for Samoa's Independence as a sign of respect and courtesy for our ancestors and to set an example for future generation that you are never too busy to spare time to appreciate how far your country has come as a nation and as people working together.

We are proud to inform all you good people of the April—June activities of MWTI and trust that you will find the information provided here useful and hope you enjoy reading through this Issue.

Lastly we would like to take this opportunity to wish our homeboys the Manu Samoa all the best in their test with the All Blacks next week 8 July 2015!

[GO MANU!!](#)



MWTI Staff and Management after the 53rd Independence parade at Mulinuu

“Vision—To be proactive in maintaining its national and international standards as the regional leader in pursuing safety and security of all forms of Transport and Infrastructure.”

“Mission—To strengthen the Ministry's administration and regulatory roles in ensuring a safe, secure and viable Transportation modes and Infrastructure Regime, to improve Samoa's quality of life.”

SUMMARY OF ALL DIVISIONS WORK FOR THIS QUARTER

Special points of interest:

- CAD conducted a major emergency exercise at Fagalii;
- ACEO MAR attended a workshop on “Supporting Safe, Efficient & Sustainable Maritime Transport Systems;
- MAR carried out an ISPS Refresher Exercise for SPA and Lady Naomi Crew;
- MWTI joins the Independence parade;
- AMBD prepares for the Manu Samoa v All Blacks test and the Commonwealth Games in September;
- New employees means new and improve minds to the MWTI family for 2015.

CAD—usual operation for CAD during this quarter includes Annual Audits, Emergency Exercise at Fagalii Airport and continuing training for staff development.

MAR— similar to CAD, MAR carried out Audit work for all vessels in Samoa waters in pursuant to the requirements of ISM Code 1998;

- Among other things, MAR pursued MWTP's obligation towards dry-docking of vessels at the Slip Way at Aleipata;

- MAR carried out an ISPS Refresher Exercise for SPA and Lady Naomi Crew as part of the Maritime Administration's role;

- MAR also attended final consul-

tation Workshop on the World Banks Study on “Supporting Safe, Efficient & Sustainable Maritime Transport Systems.”

LTD— LTD kicks off Road Maintenance Inspection Program for Quarters 1 & 2, 2014-2015.

PPD—representative from MWTI under this Division attended a Seminar on WTO Pacer-Plus to extend and support knowledge on the same for future endeavors. In addition PPD will provide an exciting overview on the MWTI's participation in 53rd Independence Anniversary of Samoa in June.

AMBD—is greatly involved

with tendering of contracts for renovations builds and equipment for the Commonwealth Youth Games for September, and the All Blacks test in July, with the tenders for the constructions contract for the new Parliament Building at Mulinuu at second stage.

- On a different matter AMBD is conducting a National Building Code review.

CSU— during this quarter CSU greatly invested in attending capacity building Workshop to enhance knowledge and understanding in order to better provide the assistance they can to the rest of the Ministry.



05 – 06 May 2015: Annual Audits for Part 21 (Certificate of Airworthiness) of Polynesian Airlines twin otters registration 5W-FAY & 5W-FAW)



The annual audit was conducted by PASO Contracted Inspector Mike Good and assisted by CAD Staff. The final audit report indicated that both aircrafts were airworthy with minor recommendations for continued compliance.

The final audit report was submitted to CEO for his considerations before forwarding to the certificate holder to compile a Corrective Action Plan to address the recommendations and findings identified during the audit.

07 May 2015: Annual Audit Part 19F (Aviation Fuel Supplier) - PPS

The annual audit was conducted by PASO Contracted Inspector Mike Good and assisted by CAD Staff. The Final Audit Report indicated that certificate holder was compliant with the rule requirements.

The final audit report was submitted to CEO for his considerations before forwarding to the certificate holder to compile a Corrective Action Plan to address the recommendations and findings identified during the audit.



CAD Continues – Operational Works for May 2015

14 May 2015: Fagalii Airport Major Emergency Exercise

In compliance with CAR Pt. 139 requirements and also to address recommendation identified in the annual audit of Fagalii Airport conducted in December 2014, the Exercise Easter was conducted.

The MWTI was the lead referee and Exercise Easter was deemed a mild success.

After consultations with the CEO the final Exercise Critique Report which included recommendations for improvement was forwarded on the 18



Rescued Effort by FESA and Police

May 2015, to the certificate holder for their considerations.

15 May 2015: Follow Up Inspections for CAR Pt. 139 and 140

The SAA is the certificate holder for both Part 139 (Aerodromes) and Part 140 (Aviation Security) and was due for renewal on 31 May 2015.

The annual audit for both certificates was conducted in December 2015 and found the certificate holder compliant with the rule requirements. Subsequently, the certificate holder had forwarded the required



FESA and Police collaborating to rescue injured passenger

Corrective Action Plan identifying mitigating actions they had undertaken to address the recommendations and findings identified in the Final Audit Report.

The follow up inspections rationale was to verify that the certificate holder had satisfactorily addressed the issues identified in the final report, so as to form the basis of a recommendation for the renewal of both certificates.

The certificates were endorsed by the Minister on the 19 May 2015 and valid for five (5) years.



Red Cross assessing wounds to passengers before transporting them to Triange Area



FESA bringing the aircraft fire under control

CAD Continues—Operational Works for June 2015

08 – 09 June 2015: Annual Audits for Maota & Asau Aerodromes

The annual audit for the above mentioned Aerodromes was conducted by PASO Aerodrome Inspector and assisted by the MWTI CAD Staff. The final audit report indicates the Certificate Holder; the SAA is compliant with the rule requirements with minor recommendations to enhance compliance.

STAFF DEVELOPMENTS & TRAININGS

Aviation Security Officer Risati Muna attended the Aviation Security Cargo and Mail Security Course in Singapore from 11 – 15 May 2015.

The course was fully funded under the Special Aviation Program which is financed by the Civil Aviation Authority of Singapore.

The SAP consists of 10 fully funded courses and if so requested by the MWTI, secondments can also be arranged with the CAAS.



Quaver Epati—Principal Officer Licensing & Certificates



Risati Muna— Aviation Security Officer

MARITIME DIVISION (“MAR”) ARTICLES (MAY—JUNE 2015)

Final consultation for the World Bank’s Study, on ‘Supporting Safe, Efficient & Sustainable Maritime Transport Systems’.

The workshop was for representatives from Samoa, Tonga, Tuvalu, Vanuatu and Kiribati to discuss final recommendations to the World Bank through SPC in their respective countries, and identified gaps in the maritime transport sector and propose specific maritime operations. It is envisaged that the workshop will identify funding needs to identify funding safe, security, efficient, competitive terms.



Fepuleai Faleniu Alesana attended on behalf of the Ministry and Samoa

dations on the study conducted by the World countries. The study report has identified and challenges that are common across these five straining the contribution of the maritime transport sustainable measures to strengthen port and that this report will form the basis of coordinated needs to effectively address issues relating to and sustainable regional maritime transport systems.

ISPS Refresher Exercise for SPA and Lady Naomi Crew

As part of the Maritime Administration’s role in overseeing and monitoring the security of all maritime activities on vessels as well as in Ports of Samoa especially to conform with the requirements of the ISPS Code 2003 and Regulation 2004. The Maritime Division prepares one scenario for the Samoa Authority and the Shipping Corporation namely Lady Naomi actually test the effectiveness and reliability of their actions regarding to maintaining security and compliance. The ACEO was leading the exercise with other staff members also there to observe the compliance of Lady Naomi’s crew and SPA’s responsible officers performance towards the scenario given.



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Maritime exercise Maritime who were

Fishing Vessel Violomanu during the dry-docking at Samoa Shipping Slip Way at Aleipata

The Ministry’s role with regards to dry-docking of vessels is to ensure that the vessel on the slip way has been fully inspected for any deficiencies on the hull that needs to be rectified. On the 23rd of May, FV Violomanu conducted its final stage of repair work by the Samoa Shipping Slip Way Service at Aleipata to rectify deficiencies identified during the random boarding of fishing vessels by the Samoa Police Boat Nafanua.

Within the period of this dry-docking, the Ministry’s Surveyor was monitoring the whole repair work at the slip way to ensure that the repair works conducted by the Company were done as directed. The fishing vessel resume its normal operation upon completion of the safety inspection on 8th June 2015.



MAR CONTINUE...



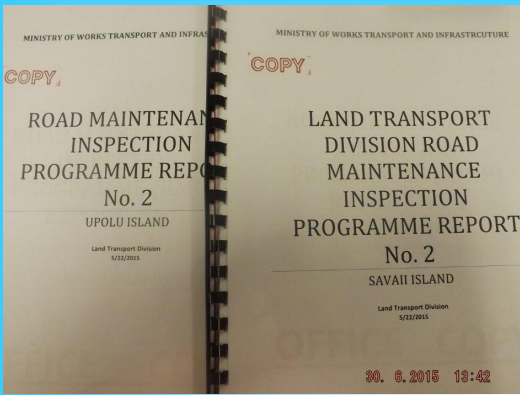
ISM AUDIT identifies the continuous compliance of Vessels with the requirements of ISM Code 1998

Before the year 1998 the IMO continues to face the accelerating increase of maritime accidents involving ships due to human errors or poor management decisions made by the captains and the vessels crew. This has led to establishment of ISM Code 1998 under SOLAS Convention which stipulates all necessary tasks and actions that needs to be emphasized and enforced by the Maritime Administrations.

The overall safety of the vessel and cargoes onboard relies heavily on the execution of the captain and crew’s responsibilities and in ensuring that their obligations are carried out in accordance with the requirements of the ISPS Code 1998, ISM Audit is considered as the most useful mechanism. Thus, for the MV Lady Naomi which is normally engaged on international voyages the Maritime Division of the Ministry continues to monitor its compliance through auditing. ISM of the said vessel was conducted on 16th June 2015. During the audit, the auditors would have to make sure in terms of interviewing the crew and sighting their records that they were fully aware of their safety responsibilities not only towards the passengers onboard but the crew and the vessel as well.

LAND TRANSPORT DIVISION (“LTD”) – ARTICLES (MAY – JUNE 2015)

Land Transport Division kicks off Road Maintenance Inspection Programme for Quarters 1 and 2, 2014-15



The Land Transport Division as per its core functions under the MWTI’s principle legislation carried out its second Road Maintenance Inspection Programme (RMIP) for both Upolu and Savaii. The main objectives of the inspection were to identify some of the critical areas of the road network in Samoa and to follow up on the upgrading works by the responsible contractors under the Land Transport Authority’s Routine Maintenance Programme for fiscal year 2014-15.

The RMIP started on April 14th 2015 in the Apia CBD focusing on the current upgrading works to ensure critical areas have been prioritised by the responsible contractors and that quality of these construction works are up to standard. This was followed by site inspections on the Eastern Coast and Western Coast Roads. The final week of inspection covered the island of Savaii

from the 27th– 29th of April, 2015.

As a result of these round islands RMIP undertaken, it was evident from the findings that there has been a significant change with road upgrading works in both Upolu and Savaii since the previous RMIP carried out in mid-2014. This stems from the fact that majority of the roads were upgraded along with other appropriate road furniture to ensure road safety and enhance road infrastructure durability. However, there were also significant issues observed by the inspection team pertaining to road construction works whereby other contractors did not fully comply with LTA Road Construction standards resulting in road surface resealing and other road related



LTD Division at the Savaii inspection

reconstruction works. Other issues include road cuts as a result of other utility service providers’ activities. Minor ponding issues and drainage blockage affecting other parts of the road network were noted by the team for upcoming upgrading works by LTA’s contractors.

Findings of these inspections have been documented in the Final Road Maintenance Inspection Programme (RMIP) Reports 2015 for Upolu and Savaii.



Lisabella Ropati during the Savaii inspection

MAKING SURE ALL ROAD NETWORKS ARE UPGRADED AND MAINTAINED IS OUR TOP PRIORITY!!!

POLICY AND PLANNING DIVISION ("PPD") – ARTICLES (MAY – JUNE 2015)

World Trade Organization (WTO) National Workshop on Trade in Services—4-6 May 2015 (SBEC Conference Room—Sanalele Complex)

CAD ACEO Nanai Jr Saaga and Nina Tala of PPD attended the above mentioned Workshop in attempt to extend and renew knowledge on Trade in Services within Samoa and to some extent the development of Trade in Services since acceding to WTO in 2012.

Mr Markus Jelitto, a Trade in Services

expert from the WTO was the facilitator of this significant Workshop. The main objective of this workshop is to enhance engagements/contributions during consultations on trade in services, allow for the proactive submission of notifications to WTO, strengthen the capacity of stakeholders to be engaged in the discussions on Trade in Services under PACER Plus along with other relevant Agreements, and more importantly, enhance understanding of the services discussions in Geneva and how Samoa could contribute to such work under the Doha Development

Agreement Agenda for services (DDA) once talks resumes.

This workshop is a follow up to the previous sessions conducted in 2013 and is a great opportunity to build the participants understanding on issues relating to services but more importantly, to support our national work in terms of WTO.



MWTI not only took part in the national clean up day on 30 May 2015 in preparation for Samoa's 53rd Independence, but was also one of many Government Ministries, Private and Public Sectors and Schools who joined the Independence Marching Parade at Mulinuu on 1st June 2015 to showcase their respect and sense of pride for being Samoans and gratitude for our ancestors whom without our Independence would not have been possible!



ASSET MANAGEMENT BUILDING DIVISION ("AMBD") – ARTICLES (MAY – JUNE 2015)

Commonwealth Youth Games

The Building Division has been heavily involved with the tendering of contracts for renovations, new builds and equipment for the Commonwealth Youth Games taking place in September this year.

All major contracts have now been approved and many construction firms are busily involved in renovation works at Apia Park, the Faleata Sports Complex, Samoa and Pesega Colleges. The Building Division is doing their part in providing technical advice during inspections and tender evaluations.



AMBD CONTINUES—All Blacks v Manu Samoa Test (Apia Park Stadium)



The upgrade of Apia Park for the All Blacks test in July is at practical completion stage. With the generous financial assistance of the Chinese Government, Shanghai Construction has been engaged to replace the dilapidated roof structures on the western stands and upgrade the seating in anticipation of a busy year for Apia Park with the All Black test and the Commonwealth Youth Games in September. Structural Engineers Tinai Gordon and Associates have been engaged by MWTI to assess the new roof structure to ensure compliance with the National Building Code.

National Building Code

The National Building Code review is still underway with a new timeline and work plan approved to implemented by the UNDP LDCF(Least Developed Country Fund) Project administered by MNRE. We are hoping to have engaged technical assistance by the 3rd quarter.

New Parliament Building

Tenders for the construction contract for the new Parliament Building at Mulinuu have reached the second stage and we should have a formally appointed contractor by the end of October. The contract for demolition has been advertised and MWTI has volunteered to supervise the demolition of the Legislative Assembly Offices which has been included as part of the overall works.



CORPORATE SERVICES DIVISION (“CSD”) - ARTICLES (MAY – JUNE 2015)

Public Service Workforce Planning Workshop 20-24th April 15/ 8-12th June

Kicking off training for this Quarter was the Workforce Planning Workshop for 5 days from 20 -25th June 2015. This workshop was conducted by Mrs Robyn McLeod an ICTP Training Consultant from New Zealand.

The overall objective of this special Training is to improve the capacity of Government Ministries to develop and implement their workforce plans as prescribed under Employment Instruction #20 of the Public Service Manual of Working Conditions and Entitlements. The objectives were heavily focused on the importance of having a good Workforce Plan by simply analysing and evaluating the existing PS Workforce Plan Framework 2012 and taking into consideration the importance of environmental scanning within and outside any workforce.



CSD Continues—Sector Plan Outcomes Mapping Workshops: MOF’s Mapping Exercise.



This individual session for the Outcomes Mapping Exercises was coordinated by the Ministry of Finance for the Transport Sector alone. The main objective of the exercise was to strengthen the existing mechanism that we currently have in place in terms of Monitoring, Evaluating and Reporting on National Outcomes of Sector Plans. Also to understand and to be clear on our current position with sector implementation, how to organize Sector coordinators to implement sector plans and where we actually want to be in the next 4-5 years.

An Outcomes Map is an abstract plan initiated by MOF to articulate the rationale behind a Sector Plan program or project in understanding the cause-and-effect relationships between inputs, activities, outputs, intermediate outcomes and ‘end of SP’ outcomes. This method is built as a participatory activity at early stages of design and a base for the development of an M&E and reporting plan.

The participatory Outcomes Exercise aims to strengthen the Design, Monitoring, Evaluating, Learning and Reporting of SP and to be clear with SP review processes and design of Monitoring and evaluation plan. Mr Muliagatele Paulino, Nanai Saaga, Nina, Makerita and Orion were part of this Participatory exercise by MOF.



NEW RECRUITS

1. Congratulations to Mrs Faamaini on her re-appointment as ACEO fo Corporate Services Unit.
2. MWTI welcomes its newly appointed staff, Mr Masoe Iosefa Ulale , Marine Surveyor for the Maritime Division

RESIGNATION

Talamoni Simi, Senior Inspector Officer for Building Division resigned on 13th June 2015.

PROMOTION

MWTI congratulates Mr Tiniuota Metuli on his promotion as Driver for the CEO effective on the 21st April 2015.



Masoe Iosefa Ulale
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BLESSED DAY AND ENJOY! GO BLUE!!!



BIG FANS OF MANU SAMOA—MWTI STAFF

OOU MANA NA MANU SAMOA!!