

**The Institution of Highways and Transportation HK Branch
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The Institution of Civil Engineers, Hong Kong Association
Jointly Organized Site Visit
to
Ocean Park Funicular Tunnel
Date: 8 November 2008 (Saturday)
Time: 9:30 am to 11:30 am**

Ocean Park is undertaking a Master Redevelopment Project (MRP) to build the park into the world's best marine-based theme park and firmly establishing itself as a world-class, must-see landmark that will further strengthen Hong Kong as a premier tourist destination.

A funicular system has been designed as a new ride attraction between the Waterfront and the Summit areas. This will provide alternative guest movement within the Park, supplementing the Cable Car. With a design capacity of 5,000 persons per hour per way, this funicular system will run in a 1.3 km long straight tunnel under Brick Hill to provide a direct, weather-proof, high capacity, fast, and environmental friendly link for the guests between the Waterfront and the Summit.

Being mostly in rock, the funicular tunnel is being constructed by drill-and-blast method. A conveyor belt system has also been erected from the Summit down to Tai Shue Wan for the disposal of the excavated spoils by barges, to minimize the environmental and traffic impacts. Construction works commenced in March 2007 and are now well advanced, with completion expected in early 2009.







