



UPDATE ON THE JOHNSTOWN INCLINED PLANE REHABILITATION PROJECT

For Immediate Release:

Johnstown, PA - (July 31, 2026) The Cambria County Transit Authority (CamTran) is providing an update on the progress of the Johnstown Inclined Plane Rehabilitation Project following the successful completion of its required 30-day operational testing period.

- **The Johnstown Inclined Plane Successfully Completes Major Testing Milestone**
- **Historic Landmark Enters Final Inspection and Certification Phase Prior to Reopening**

JULY 2026 – THE INCLINED PLANE REHABILITATION UPDATE:

CamTran today announced that the **Johnstown Inclined Plane has successfully completed its required 30-day operational testing period**, marking a major milestone in the rehabilitation of one of Pennsylvania's most iconic transportation landmarks. The project now advances into its final regulatory inspection and certification phase before reopening to the public.

During the testing period, the Inclined Plane's operating systems, including the trolley wire that powers the car communications and lighting systems, performed as designed. All remaining follow-up work associated with the rehabilitation has also been completed, positioning the project for its final state reviews.

Project Status:

The rehabilitation project has now achieved several significant milestones:

- Successfully completed the required 30-day operational testing period.
- All operating systems performed as intended.
- Remaining construction and follow-up work completed.
- Pennsylvania Department of Labor & Industry (L&I) inspection scheduled for **August 7, 2026**.
- Pennsylvania State Safety Oversight Office (SSO) review scheduled for **August 12, 2026**.
- Final certifications remain before reopening to passenger service.

"Successfully completing the required 30-day operational testing period is a significant milestone for the Johnstown Inclined Plane and our community. Our team has worked diligently throughout this rehabilitation project. Nearly 60 technical documents, amounting to 200 pages, have been submitted as part of the State Safety Oversight review process, demonstrating the extensive work required to safely return the Inclined Plane to service. We are closer than ever to reopening this historic landmark and remain committed to ensuring it returns to service safely, reliably, and ready to serve residents and visitors for generations to come." Said **Rose M. Lucey-Noll, Executive Director of CamTran**.

What's Next?

These inspections represent the final steps in the certification process required before passenger service can resume. Upon receiving all required approvals, CamTran will announce an official reopening date.

Preserving a Historic Transportation Landmark

The Johnstown Inclined Plane is one of the region's most recognizable landmarks and an important transportation asset connecting downtown Johnstown with Westmont. The rehabilitation project represents a significant investment in preserving this landmark that is classified under the National Register of Historic Places (NRHP) while modernizing critical infrastructure to ensure safe, reliable operation for residents and visitors for decades to come.



Throughout the rehabilitation project, **Asiago's Tuscan Italian Restaurant**, located within the Inclined Plane Visitor Center, has remained open and continues to welcome customers.

CamTran encourages the public to stay informed by visiting the CamTran Facebook page, as well as the official Johnstown Inclined Plane website, for the latest project updates.

CamTran thanks residents, businesses, and visitors for their patience throughout this significant rehabilitation project and looks forward to welcoming passengers back to the Johnstown Inclined Plane once final certifications are complete.

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