

SITREP 1, November 20, 2011, Day 6 on Ice

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Written at McMurdo Station

I. Passenger movements

A. SCO

1. I traveled from home to McMurdo Station leaving the CONUS on 11/10, arriving in Christchurch on 11/13 and McMurdo station on 11/14 as scheduled.
2. S. Anandakrishnan, V. Miller (I-161) arrived 11/16
3. G. Clow, F. Urban (I-168), E. Waddington, and D. Kluskiewicz (I-162) arrived on 11/17 as scheduled.

B. IDDO

1. K. Dahnert, M. Jayred, J. Goetz and E. Morton traveled from home to McMurdo Station, arriving on 11/14

II. Cargo Movements

A. Cargo arriving from CONUS

1. All I-477 cargo arrived and has been put into the system for shipment to WSD.
2. No cargo delivered to WSD.
3. I met with Lt Col Matt LeClair, the Deployed Commander of the 139 EAS and Col Shawn Clouthier to go over plans for the cold deck later in the season. They showed me the work sheet that the aircraft commander will have to log temperatures in the aircraft. I am confident that we are as sure as we can be that if the aircraft can be cooled down before arriving at WSD, it will be kept cold for the return trip. If the aircraft can not be cooled down before approach into WSD, the camp staff will be instructed to load alternate cargo into for the return trip and the core will be taken back to the arch.

III. Camp Activities

- ### A. Current camp population, 21 RPSC, 3 NANA (the cooks)

- B. Construction of camp is complete and work on clearing the arch is progressing. The D4 still in McMurdo however, and this slows work clearing the arch. The arch has been accessed by the processing-end doors.
- C. WSD is currently experiencing a significant storm. New snow and high winds have combined to put up some large drifts and have kept the camp staff and carpenter crew inside. Fortunately, this storm is not altering our plans to put in on Monday.
- D. I am making comms with Dean (camp manager) daily at 10:00 to discuss logistics and to remain aware of the conditions at camp.

IV. Drill Depth and Time

- A. N/A

V. Status of Drilling (# of runs, meters of ice drilled, core quality)

- A. N/A

VI. Other

- A. The Borehole Logging team has started the process of training and preparing cargo for the put in at WAIS Divide. All of the cargo for T-350, I-477, I-161, and some of I-168 has been processed and is ready for delivery to WSD.
- B. Flights scheduled for this week; D007 with the D4, D008 with T-350, myself, cargo and the explosives. Beyond that, we are in a state of flux. The D008 flight is already switched to a back up for a Pole flight and the weather is not supposed to improve either in McMurdo or at WAIS Divide.
- C. Met with the Borehole Logging team (minus Peters and Bay) and T-350 for introductions, review of the put-in schedule, and discussion about safety (E. Morton is the drillers safety officer) around the arch and around camp. Also discussed the alcohol policy and reminded everyone that moderation is the order of the day and that no alcohol will be allowed in or around the arch, or during working hours.