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Introduction

The Freeware-Route “Project Freiberg (Sachs)” is an expansion to the Train Simulator 2014. It contains the 57 km long, electrified section Tharandt – Freiberg (Sachs) – Floeha of the main line Dresden – Werdau, the non electrified branch lines Freiberg (Sachs) – Halsbruecke (8 km), Freiberg (Sachs) – Berthelsdorf (6 km), Berthelsdorf – Grosshartmannsdorf (12 km), Brand-Erbisdorf – Langenau (4 km) as well as a lot of industrial sidings.

Realism

The route doesn't raise a claim to be a 1:1 realization of the railway system around the town of Freiberg. It is a mixture of railway lines that still exists and some lines that were abandoned a lot of years ago. It was my ambition to show the railway system around Freiberg in the condition of its “golden years” before the massive deconstruction in the past 20 years. For the design of the route I used track plans of the years between 1960 and 1990. I followed those plans as good as I could, in view of some restrictions that the Train Simulator requires. As I'm not a specialist in object building, I only used standard material, but tried to show the flair of the original route nevertheless.

Terms of licence

This route is freeware and can be used free of charge for private purposes. A commercial use without the agreement of the author is not permitted.

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The author is not responsible for potentially occurring damage, by installing the files from the installation package „Projekt_Freiberg_v1_1.rwp”

Donation link

If you enjoy this route, and you want to support me in maintenance and future development of the project, you can make a donation by clicking this link:

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Installation

Please install the package „Projekt_Freiberg_v1_1.rwp“ using the Utility Tool included in Train Simulator 2014. The package contains the route folder, the asset folder “kstdija” and the manual folder with a copy of this manual and the train timetables.

For the correct functionality of the route add-on, it is necessary to install all the payware- and freeware-content listed in the next chapter.

Necessary downloads

For the correct functionality of the route add-on you will need the following additional payware and freeware content.

Ruhr – Sieg Route Add-On (payware)
<http://store.steampowered.com/app/208304/>

European Loco and Asset Pack (payware)
<http://store.steampowered.com/app/208300/>

Altenburg-Wildau 2.0 (freeware)
<http://rail-sim.de/railsimnew/index.php/component/jdownloads/viewdownload/41-strecken/827-altenburg-wildau-2-0-for-ts2012?Itemid=207>

Additionally some Freeware-Content is necessary for the correct functionality. This is a list in alphabetical order of the assets as displayed in the package manager tool. Below the list you can find the download-links for all assets (as of date July 2014).

1.	bueunlicht	Engfer
2.	Deutsche_Formsignale_V4	Schuster
3.	dkw_laternen_v2	Holzlaender
4.	dr_hektometersteine_v1.0	Holzlaender
5.	DR-Lf4_Lf5_pack	Holzlaender
6.	DR-So2_und_So7-Tafeln	Holzlaender
7.	gn-roundhouse	Michael Stephan
8.	Grenzzeichen	Mathias Müller
9.	Haltetafeln	Counterstrike12
10.	Hochspannungsmasten	Andi_M
11.	Josef72_Mostky	Josef72
12.	JuRa Weichenlaternen v 1.2	JuRa
13.	lc_unb_alt	Engfer
14.	Mostky_1	Josef72
15.	Mosty_beton (Cybgate)	Josef72
16.	Nastupiste v 1.0	Roman72
17.	Ocelobetonove mosty pro Train Simulator 2012 v 1.0	Roman72
18.	Pfeiftafeln	Counterstrike12
19.	PR_Bahnhofsschilder2	pawerbys
20.	PR_Bahnhofsset_04	pawerbys
21.	PR_Hauserset_02	pawerbys
22.	PR_Hauserset_03	pawerbys
23.	PR_Hauserset_10	pawerbys
24.	PR_Hauserset_11	pawerbys
25.	PR_Hauserset_12	pawerbys
26.	RAG	RailSim
27.	Roman72_naspy	Roman72
28.	stemmen	Engfer
29.	SZDC_nadjezd_01	Roman72
30.	Telegrafenmasten	Andi_M
31.	vR_PZB_Magnete_V2_2	vR Maik Goltz
32.	wop_dr-endoftrack-tafeln	Holzlaender
33.	wop_dr-tracks	Holzlaender

The following two packages from UKTS are also needed, but they are not displayed in the package manager tool.

Package: Blocks-Lofts-Bridges #1
Provider: UKTS
Link: http://www.uktrainsim.com/FreewarePacks/index.php?p=ThePacks&pack_id=BlocksLofts1

Package: Industrial #1
Provider: UKTS
Link: http://www.uktrainsim.com/FreewarePacks/index.php?p=ThePacks&pack_id=Industrial1

The downloads from the UKTS-website may take a lot of time, depending on the number of downloaders. Here are alternative links to a french website, where you can find these packages too.

<http://www.railsim-fr.com/forum/index.php?app=downloads&showfile=164>

<http://www.railsim-fr.com/forum/index.php?app=downloads&showfile=168>

Here is the list of the downloads 1-33 with their according links.

1.

Package: BÜ unbeschr. mit Lichtsignal alt v.1.0
Utilities: bueunlicht
Provider: Mathias Müller
Link: <http://rail-sim.de/railsimnew/index.php/component/jdownloads/viewdownload/50-sonstige-objekte/767-bue-unbeschr-mit-lichtsignal-alt?Itemid=207>

2.

Package: Deutsche Formsignale V4.0
Utilities: Deutsche_Formsignale_V4
Provider: Schuster
Link: <http://rail-sim.de/railsimnew/index.php/component/jdownloads/viewdownload/49-signale/1666-deutsche-formsignale?Itemid=207>

3.

Package: DR Weichenlaternen für Kreuzungsweichen V2.0
Utilities: dkw_laternen_v2
Provider: Holzlaender
Link: <http://rail-sim.de/railsimnew/index.php/component/jdownloads/viewdownload/50-sonstige-objekte/1081-dr-weichenlaternen-fuer-kreuzungsweichen?Itemid=207>

4.

Package: DR Hektometersteine v1.0
Utilities: dr_hektometersteine_v1.0
Provider: Holzlaender
Link: <http://rail-sim.de/railsimnew/index.php/component/jdownloads/viewdownload/50-sonstige-objekte/1082-dr-hektometersteine?Itemid=207>

5.

Package: DR Lf4/Lf5 Langsamfahrsignale v1.0
Utilities: DR-Lf4_Lf5_pack
Provider: Holzlaender
Link: <http://rail-sim.de/railsimnew/index.php/component/jdownloads/viewdownload/49-signale/1179-dr-lf4-lf5-langsamfahrsignale?Itemid=207>

6.

Package: DR Schachbrett- und Schneepflugtafeln v 1.0
Utilities: DR-So2_und_So7-Tafeln
Provider: Holzlaender
Link: <http://rail-sim.de/railsimnew/index.php/component/jdownloads/viewdownload/49-signale/1182-dr-schachbrett-und-schneepflugtafeln?Itemid=207>

7.

Package: Modular Roundhouse Kit
Utilities: gn-roundhouse
Provider: Michael Stephan
Link: <http://www.golden-age-rails.com/rwscenry.html>

8.

Package: Grenzzeichen.rwp v.1.0
Utilities: Grenzzeichen
Provider: Mathias Müller
Link: <http://rail-sim.de/railsimnew/index.php/component/jdownloads/viewdownload/49-signale/771-grenzzeichen-rwp?Itemid=207>

9.

Package: DR Haltetafeln v1.0
Utilities: Haltetafeln
Provider: Counterstrike12
Link: <http://rail-sim.de/railsimnew/index.php/component/jdownloads/viewdownload/49-signale/645-dr-haltetafeln?Itemid=207>

10.

Package: Hochspannungsmasten v.1.1
Utilities: Hochspannungsmasten
Provider: Andi_M
Link: <http://railworks-austria.at/index.php/downloads/viewdownload/14-objekte/90-hochspannungsmasten>

11.

Package: Kamenné mosty1_Cybgate
Utilities: Josef72_Mostky
Provider: Josef72
Link: http://www.railworks.cz/index.php?option=com_docman&task=doc_download&gid=64

12.

Package: Deutsche Weichenlaternen V1.2
Utilities: JuRa Weichenlaternen v 1.2
Provider: JuRa
Link: <http://rail-sim.de/railsimnew/index.php/component/jdownloads/viewdownload/50-sonstige-objekte/1005-deutsche-weichenlaternen?Itemid=207>

13.

Package: Unbeschränkter Bahnübergang alt v.1.0
Utilities: lc_unb_alt
Provider: Engfer
Link: <http://rail-sim.de/railsimnew/index.php/component/jdownloads/viewdownload/50-sonstige-objekte/761-unbeschränkter-bahnuebergang-alt?Itemid=207>

14.

Package: Mostky a propustky_1
Utilities: Mostky_1
Provider: Josef72
Link: http://www.railworks.cz/component/option,com_docman/task,doc_download/gid,40/

15.

Package: Betonové mosty1_Cybgate
Utilities: Mosty_beton (Cybgate)
Provider: Josef72
Link: http://www.railworks.cz/component/option,com_docman/task,doc_download/gid,41/

16.

Package: Nastupiste_v1.0.rar (Bahnsteige)
Utilities: Nastupiste v 1.0
Provider: Roman72
Link: http://www.railworks.cz/component/option,com_docman/task,doc_download/gid,60/Itemid,999999/

17.

Package: Ocelobetonový most (Stahlbrücke mit Betonauflegern)
Utilities: Ocelobetonove mosty pro Train Simulator 2012 v 1.0
Provider: Roman72
Link: http://www.railworks.cz/component/option,com_docman/task,doc_download/gid,62/Itemid,999999/

18.

Package: DR Pfeifetafeln v.1
Utilities: Pfeifetafeln
Provider: M.Müller
Link: <http://rail-sim.de/railsimnew/index.php/component/jdownloads/viewdownload/49-signale/647-dr-pfeifetafeln?Itemid=207>

19+20.

Package: PR_Bahnhofsset_DB_04 v1.1
Utilities: PR_Bahnhofschilder2 / PR_Bahnhofsset_04
Provider: pawerbys
Link: <http://rail-sim.de/railsimnew/index.php/component/jdownloads/viewdownload/46-lampen-schilder/826-pr-bahnhofsset-db-04?Itemid=207>
ATTENTION!! Please install also the file PR_Bahnhofschilder2.rwp !!

21.

Package: PR_Häuserset_02 v3.0

Utilities: PR_Häuserset_02

Provider: pawerbys

Link: <http://rail-sim.de/railsimnew/index.php/component/jdownloads/viewdownload/57-wohnaeuser/587-pr-haeuserset-02?Itemid=207>

22.

Package: PR_Häuserset_03 v3.0

Utilities: PR_Häuserset_03

Provider: pawerbys

Link: <http://rail-sim.de/railsimnew/index.php/component/jdownloads/viewdownload/57-wohnaeuser/589-pr-haeuserset-03?Itemid=207>

23.

Package: PR_Häuserset_10 v3.0

Utilities: PR_Häuserset_10

Provider: pawerbys

Link: <http://rail-sim.de/railsimnew/index.php/component/jdownloads/viewdownload/57-wohnaeuser/927-pr-haeuserset-10?Itemid=207>

24.

Package: PR_Häuserset_11 v3.0

Utilities: PR_Häuserset_11

Provider: pawerbys

Link: <http://rail-sim.de/railsimnew/index.php/component/jdownloads/viewdownload/57-wohnaeuser/928-pr-haeuserset-11?Itemid=207>

25.

Package: PR_Häuserset_12 v2.0

Utilities: PR_Häuserset_12

Provider: pawerbys

Link: <http://rail-sim.de/railsimnew/index.php/component/jdownloads/viewdownload/57-wohnaeuser/902-pr-haeuserset-12?Itemid=207>

26.

Package: Ruhrkohle Förderturm

Utilities: RAG

Provider: icepack

Link: <http://rail-sim.de/railsimnew/index.php/component/jdownloads/summary/22-bergbau/60-ruhrkohle-foerderturm>

27.

Package: Roman72_náspy (Bahndämme und Einschnitte)

Utilities: Roman72_naspy

Provider: Roman72

Link: http://www.railworks.cz/index.php?option=com_docman&task=doc_download&gid=63

28.

Package: Bahnhofsset Stemmen v. 1.0
Utilities: stemmen
Provider: Engfer
Link: <http://rail-sim.de/railsimnew/index.php/component/jdownloads/viewdownload/51-bahnhofsgebaeude/753-bahnhofsset-stemmen?Itemid=207>

29.

Package: Nedjezd_01 (Brücke)
Utilities: SZDC_nadjezd_01
Provider: Roman72
Link: http://www.railworks.cz/component/option.com_docman/task_doc_download/gid.61/

30.

Package: ÖBB Telegrafmasten-Set v.1.0
Utilities: Telegrafmasten
Provider: Andi_M
Link: http://railworks-austria.at/index.php/downloads/viewdownload/14-objekte/91-telegrafmasten-set?jsn_setmobile=yes

31.

Package: virtualRailroads PZB Magnete v.2.2
Utilities: vR_PZB_Magnete_V2_2
Provider: Maik Goltz
Link: <http://rail-sim.de/railsimnew/index.php/component/jdownloads/viewdownload/49-signale/1312-virtualrailroads-pzb-magnete?Itemid=207>

32+33.

Package: DR Gleisset v.2
Utilities: wop_dr-endoftrack-tafeln / wop_dr-tracks
Provider: Holzlaender
Link: <http://rail-sim.de/railsimnew/index.php/component/jdownloads/viewdownload/45-gleissets-texturen/1289-dr-gleisset?Itemid=207>

ATTENTION!! Please install also the file wop_dr-endoftrack-tafeln.rwp !!

Signalling systems

The main line Tharandt – Floeha is completely equipped with the HL signalling system. These signals were used in the “Deutsche Reichsbahn”, the railroad company of the former German Democratic Republic. You can find a short description of the HL – signals here:

<http://www.sh1.org/eisenbahn/shhl.htm> (english)

<http://de.wikipedia.org/wiki/HL-Signalsystem> (german)

All branch lines are equipped with the Hp semaphore signalling system, as described in these two links:

<http://www.sh1.org/eisenbahn/shhf.htm> (english)

<http://de.wikipedia.org/wiki/Formsignal> (german)

Description of the route (main line and the branch lines)

Dresden-Werdau (main line)

Basis of my route project is a part of the electrified main line Dresden – Werdau, between the provincial towns of Tharandt and Floeha with the old silver mining town Freiberg approximately in the middle of the route. This route add-on starts between the stations of Freital-Hainsberg-West and Tharandt at milestone km 11.8. Until the railway station Tharandt, there is a third rail for freight service beside the passenger rails. Tharandt station is located in the valley of the small river “Wilde Weisseritz” at km 13.7 with a height of 208 meters above sea level. I designed the station according to a track plan from 1987. Today, the station has only a couple of rails, because it was heavily destroyed during the flooding in 2002.

Leaving Tharandt, the line follows the river “Wilde Weisseritz” up the valley. Directly behind the train station is the narrowest turn of the line with a radius of 215 meters. Behind the turn the line climbs up with a gradient up to 25 per mill to the station “Edle Krone”. On their way the rails cross the small river and the street beside it a bunch of times. At km 15.9 the line passes the block Signal “Breiter Grund”.

The train station „Edle Krone“ lies pictorially in a right turn, directly in front of the only tunnel of the route. Since the electrification of the line, Edle Krone is only a through station. Formerly there was a siding for helper locos in the age of steam railroads.

Shortly behind the tunnel the line leaves the river “Wilde Weisseritz” and climbs up to Klingenberg – Colmnitz. This steep gradient line, with up to 26 per mill, crosses a large woodland called “Tharandter Wald”. At km 21.5 the line passes the block signal “Seerenteich” beside the small lake with the same name.

The following train station „Klingenberg-Colmnitz“ at km 25.4, is the summit of the track at a height of 436 meters above sea level. Until the 1970s Klingenberg-Colmnitz was a connecting station with some narrow-gauge railways starting here. At that time you could go to Frauenstein and Oberdittmannsdorf by steam locos. The narrow-gauge tracks were located at the rear side of the station building. The track layout is consistent with the late eighties, but I have to say that the available track plans weren't of good quality.

From Klingenberg-Colmnitz the line goes slightly downwards to the train station “Niederbobritzsch” at km 30.8. Because the track is mostly straight, the trains can drive here with the maximum speed of 100 km/h. On a 148 meter long and 25 meter high viaduct, the line crosses the small town of Colmnitz. For the train station “Niederbobritzsch” I used a track plan from 1965. Beside the passenger rails, there are also a freight service track and a small branch to the local farming goods dealer. Closely to the station, the tracks cross the village on a 14 m height and 175m long viaduct. Because of a lot of narrow turns, the max. speed is reduced to 80 km/h.

At km 35.9 the track reaches the train station “Muldenhuetten”. A track plan from 1965 provides the basis for its layout. Only the connection between the two main tracks was moved to another position, because of some super elevation limits of the Train Simulator. Beside the platforms are a lot of tracks for the local metallurgical industry.

From Muldenhuetten the line goes slightly upwards to Freiberg (Sachs). A viaduct with a height of 45 meters and a length of 195 meters overstretches the small river “Freiberger Mulde”. At kilometer 38.7 the line splits of into the passenger tracks at the right side and the freight track at the left side. There are also two bridges for the branch lines from Halsbruecke and Berthelsdorf.

Shortly behind the bridges the line reaches the train station “Freiberg (Sachs)” at kilometer 40.0. The height of the station is 413 m above sea level. The track layout is from the year 1989. Only the depot with the roundhouse has been “reactivated” for the simulation. The original depot has been closed in the early seventies at the end of the steam loco age. What remains today of Freiberg station is not more than a through station with some freight tracks. Most of the freight tracks were

deconstructed during the last ten years.

When we leave Freiberg, the single track to Nossen is located beside the main tracks. Shortly behind the block signal “Hospitalwald” the trains can accelerate to 100km/h. At kilometer 45.4 the line reaches the small station “Kleinschirma” at a height of 415m over sea level.

Between Kleinschirma and the next station „Frankenstein (Sachs)“, the line crosses the village of Wegefath on a 39 m high viaduct. Frankenstein is built to a track plan from 1965. Beside the main tracks are a freight track and a siding for a small warehouse.

Now, the line goes slightly upwards until it reaches the block signal “Kaltes Feld” at kilometer 54.4. From here we drive downwards with a reduced speed of 80 km/h to the station “Oederan”. A track plan from 1965 was the base for the station layout. Beside the platform tracks are some freight tracks normally used for passing the slow freight trains. Also you can find here some industry sidings. Before electrification of the line, Oederan had a turntable to rotate the steam helpers formerly needed for the ramp between Oederan and Falkenau. This ramp begins immediately behind the station. The trains downwards can drive with 100km/h, the trains upwards only with 80 km/h. That’s why the trains upwards needs 2 minutes longer for the distance between Oederan and Falkenau. Shortly behind the block signal “Hetzdorf” the line crosses the valley of the river “Floeha” on a nice 325m long and 43m height viaduct. On the viaduct we have a speed restriction of 20km/h because of structural damage to the construction. In 1992 a new bridge was opened, as a straight connection between the block signal Hetzdorf and the station Falkenau (Sachs) Sued. The old viaduct was changed to a hiking trail since then. At kilometer 64.7 the line reaches the station Falkenau (Sachs) Sued. As shown in the 1965 track plan, there was a short freight track beside the main track. According to my grandfathers memories there were some more tracks for the helper engines, needed for the ramp to Oederan.

From Falkenau the line goes slightly downwards to the train station Floeha. This station never was a considerable freight station but the junction of some branch lines requires three platforms, a lot for such a small town like Floeha. The middle platform is for the main line and the others for the branches to Reizenhain and Annaberg-Buchholz. Beside the platforms, the remains of the old station “Kommotauer Bahnhof” are used as a siding for the local coal trader and as holding tracks. Behind the Floeha station the main line goes on in the direction of Chemnitz or Karl-Marx-Stadt, as the city was named in the GDR before 1989.

For additional information on this line I can recommend the Wikipedia Page for the Dresden-Werdau line, unfortunately only in German:

http://de.wikipedia.org/wiki/Bahnstrecke_Dresden%E2%80%93Werdau

Freiberg (Sachs) – Halsbruecke

The line from Freiberg to Halsbruecke was a non electrified branch line that connected the mining town Freiberg with the smelting industries in Halsbruecke until it was given up in 1995. Since 1975 no more passenger trains were seen at this line. Today most of the tracks are still laying at the ground, but nature recaptured them. As a kid I used to play at the area of the abandoned station Freiberg (Sachs) Ost very often, which is the main reason for “reanimating” this line at my TS2014 project.

The line starts at station Freiberg (Sachs), at the eastward platform. Behind a short ramp upwards, the line crosses the main line in a left turn. Immediately behind the bridge you can branch off to the siding of the zinc factory. We follow the line to the left and reach the sidings of the slaughterhouse, the shoe factory and the junk yard. Behind a right turn the track reaches the station Freiberg (Sachs) Ost. This station only had one small platform, because the main task of the station was the freight service to the surrounding industry sidings, like the institute for combustible materials, the heat plant, some mines and the porcelain factory. The track layout is up to 1965.

The track to Halsbruecke goes steep downwards from here with a gradient of up to 25 pro mill. After a short ride we reach Tuttendorf. The track crosses the village in a wide right turn, then goes on downwards to Halsbruecke. Its station is the end of this short branch line. Beside the platform track are some freight and holding tracks. The track layout was often changed over time. Here I show the state of 1965.

For this line as well, a German Wikipedia article and another link exist:

http://de.wikipedia.org/wiki/Bahnstrecke_Freiberg%E2%80%93Halsbr%C3%BCcke
http://www.sachsenschiene.net/bahn_alt/index.htm

Floeha – Annaberg-Buchholz

This line is not really a part of my project. I have built only 1,5 kilometers of this line between Floeha station and just ahead of the station Floeha-Plau. The line to Annaberg-Buchholz, also known as the “Zschopautalbahn” starts at the southern platform in Floeha. I have built this small part of the line only for the purpose of placing AI-traffic at Floeha.

If you are interested in the entire line, here is a German article:

http://de.wikipedia.org/wiki/Bahnstrecke_Annaberg-Buchholz_unt_Bf%E2%80%93Floeha

Floeha – Reitzenhain

Another line that starts in Floeha goes to Reitzenhain. Before the end of World War 2, the end of this line was located in Komotau (Chomutov). At that time the line started in the old station beside the actual platform tracks.

The line starts at kilometer 57.9 on the northern platform in Floeha and counts down to the Czech border nearby Reitzenhain. At the first meters the line goes parallel to the main line Dresden – Werdau, but in contrast only with a small gradient upwards. Beside the river Floeha the line goes to the small station Falkenau (Sachs). Next station is Hetzdorf, directly below the Hetzdorf viaduct, part of the Dresden - Werdau main line. The track layout of Hetzdorf is from the year 1990. Until 1967 Hetzdorf also was the start of a narrow gauge line to Eppendorf. At this time the station had more tracks than today and a lot of railway equipment. Behind the viaduct the line ends in the wood in this project.

Here you can find a lot of information in German language:

http://de.wikipedia.org/wiki/Bahnstrecke_Reitzenhain%E2%80%93Floeha
http://de.wikipedia.org/wiki/Schmalspurbahn_Hetzdorf%E2%80%93Eppendorf%E2%80%93Gro%C3%9Fwaltersdorf

Nossen – Holzgau

The line Nossen – Holzgau is a single spur, non electrified branch line. Before 1945 the line ended in the Czech town Moldau (Moldava). Since 1977 there is no passenger traffic between Nossen and Freiberg, the part from Freiberg to Holzgau is still in use.

For this project I have built the line from kilometer 19.8 to 31.2. We start from the direction of Nossen nearby the village Kleinschirma. The line crosses a large wooded area, called Hospitalwald. At kilometer 21.5 the main line Dresden – Werdau is crossed through a small tunnel. Shortly behind the tunnel is a siding at the right side, for a geological institute. Behind the next bridge the line goes parallel to the main line to the station Freiberg (Sachs). The line to Holzhau uses the southern platform in Freiberg. Together with the tracks to Halsbruecke the line leaves Freiberg and crosses the freight Tracks in a right turn. After a couple of kilometers we reach the station Berthelsdorf. The tracks were built to a layout from 1965, as there were some freight tracks beside the platforms back then, making the scenario more interesting. The right platform is the beginning of the line to Grosshartmannsdorf and Langenau. When we leave Berthelsdorf in the direction of Holzhau, the line passes a switch to the siding of the Weissenborn paper factory. Behind a wide right turn the line reaches the station Berthelsdorf Ort. Shortly behind the station the line ends in this project.

Please read here for more informations in German:

http://de.wikipedia.org/wiki/Bahnstrecke_Nossen%E2%80%93Moldau

http://www.sachsenschiene.net/bahn_alt/index.htm

Berthelsdorf – Großhartmannsdorf / Langenau

At Berthelsdorf starts another branch line to Brand-Erbisdorf, where it splits in two lines, going on to Grosshartmannsdorf and to Langenau.

Beginning in Berthelsdorf the track goes around a lake, part of the Freiberg – Brand-Erbisdorf mining area. The next station we reach is Zug. From this direction the platform is very hard to see, because it lies in a sharp left turn. Beside the platform track is a siding to the local leather factory. At the next switch a track goes to the NARVA lamp factory complex. Additionally to some loading tracks you can find there a container crane. We follow the line straight on to Brand-Erbisdorf. At the left side on a plateau you can find a lot of siding tracks of the Brand-Erbisdorf forging factory. The station Brand-Erbisdorf has two platforms, one for the route to Grosshartmannsdorf, one in the direction of Langenau. There are also some freight tracks and loading ramps.

At first let's have a look at the line to Grosshartmannsdorf. This part of the line was given up a lot of years ago. Before 1975 the tracks crossed Brand-Erbisdorf until they reached the siding to the cork block factory. Then it goes through woods and farming ground to the small station Muedisdorf. The station is a little bit outside of town. After some more kilometres, the line ends in the station Grosshartmannsdorf. You can find here some freight and holding tracks, and supplies for diesel and steam engines.

The line to Langenau goes into a right turn immediately behind the station Brand-Erbisdorf. Next station is a small stopping point in Brand-Erbisdorf with a small siding to a local farming goods dealer. At the following bridge, there is a speed restriction of 20km/h because of the bad condition of the bridge. We follow the tracks and reach the stopping point Himmelsfuerst with a siding to an old mining complex. The next bridge is as old as the last one, and has a speed restriction to 20 km/h as well. The next siding goes to the mine “Glueckauf – Schacht”. Following the route we arrive in Langenau (Sachs), the end station of this line. Diesel and steam engines supplies can be found here.

Here you can find a lot of information in German language:

http://de.wikipedia.org/wiki/Bahnstrecke_Berthelsdorf%E2%80%93Gro%C3%9Fhartmannsdorf

http://de.wikipedia.org/wiki/Bahnstrecke_Brand-Erbisdorf%E2%80%93Langenau

http://www.sachsenschiene.net/bahn_alt/index.htm

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I wish you a lot of fun, driving on my route.

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