Surveying Specialty

Layout for Industrial and Heavy Civil Projects



Engineering Consultants | Infrastructure | Land Development | Surveying

Overview

Industrial surveying is sometimes used to describe the precise alignment of industrial machining or equipment and is also sometimes termed "optical tooling." Although some overlap exists between this process and traditional surveying techniques, SDA primarily focuses on the precise surveying layout work that is required to set the foundation for a project before the millwrights, boilermakers, machine installers or toolmakers take over to perform the final measurements and installation. In these types of applications, surveyors are often followed by other professionals who use tilting levels, laser trackers, and other measurements to achieve sub-millimeter accuracy.

Projects for manufacturing plants, steel mills, refineries, and power plants comprise the bulk of our industrial work. Owners include automotive companies and suppliers, defense manufacturers, energy producers, and steel makers. Services involve providing layout for installing process line support steel in existing facilities; setting control for process or assembly lines; layout for piles, footings, piers, foundations, and anchor bolts for new construction; layout for architectural metal or screen-wall assembly for buildings; anchor-bolt and steel-erection surveys; crane rails surveys; coal volume surveys; and verification and as-built surveys. The common thread between these projects is the large scale of the construction, the exacting tolerances required, and the relative complexity of the projects and plans.

Industrial sites require stringent safety practices, exacting tolerances, and attention to detail.



POINT OF BEGINNING

2012 CONFERENCES, P11 | SURVEYING VS. MAPPING, P36 | EVIDENCE STANDARDS, P40

DECEM

BER 2011

for Point of Beginning (POB) n a national public SDA crews performed extensive layout and as-built measurements, on a new blast

furnace at the former Rouge Steel site, including the check of each irregular-shaped piece of the assembly to extremely tight tolerances.

Spalding DeDecker's Industrial Surveying practice was featured as the cover story for Point of Beginning (POB) magazine, a national publication for the surveying industry.

PRECISION:

on Industrial Sites, #12

Industrial Surveying



Spalding DeDecker Associates, Inc. (SDA) has performed several different types of projects across the United States. Some of the services we have provided include:

Architectural Metal and Screen Wall Layout

Modern building construction often includes a structural steel framework to support the building and a modular screen wall to encapsulate the structure and provide architectural highlights. Precise layout is required to assure that the various panels are plumb and aligned in all planes. Alternating windows and building panels typically leave very little room for error, with little allowance provided for variations in spacing. Because line of sight from one panel to the next is an aesthetic issue, it is critical that all joint lines are precisely aligned. All of this demands precise, exacting tolerances for surveying layout and specialized techniques.

SDA is experienced in working on projects with a variety of construction elements, including architectural metal, glass, premanufactured panels, and other details.

Layout for Plant Process Lines

Process equipment such as paint lines within a paint shop require support steel located along the line. This support steel is typically attached to the concrete plant floor by drilling holes and setting quick-set bolts or anchoring the bolts with epoxy. This task typically requires the precise layout for dozens of columns and hundreds of individual bolts.

Coal Volume Surveys

Power plant operators require accurate volume surveys on a regular basis in order to confirm their usage computations versus their delivery records and actual remaining volumes. Because the volume of coal varies greatly depending on the type, source, and method of stockpiling, reconciling the calculations can be a challenge and having accurate measurements is critical.

SDA is able to use conventional surveying measurements, laser scanning, or automated methods to accurately compute coal stockpile volumes.

Anchor Bolt As-Built

Measurements and Drawings

As-built surveys of anchor bolts are typically requested prior to beginning steel-erection. These surveys are critical to spotting problems while there is time to make corrections. Correcting these problems in advance helps to avoid costly down time and scheduling issues during the steel-erection process.

SDA typically verifies furnished site control and locates the centerline of each bolt pattern. We then calculate the offset of the as-built column in relation to the proposed centerline, the measured distance between bolt patterns, the bolt projection, and the top of concrete elevation. Additional measurements can be made to determine the orientation of the bolt patterns to determine if they are skewed in relation to the column lines. For larger bolt patterns, templates can be made for a test fit of bolts to spot problems early on if bolts are leaning or incorrectly spaced. Results are typically presented in a drawing and spreadsheet format.



Layout and As-Built Locations for Crane Rail

Crane rail installation typically requires exacting specifications for horizontal and vertical alignment. SDA provides layout, as well as as-built measurements and drawings to support this precise work. Depending on the type of system installed, this critical work may begin with assistance in installing the support columns and crane girders. SDA provides reports relative to standards of the Crane Manufacturer's Association of America (CMAA) for rail span, straightness, elevation, and eccentricity. This includes evaluating direct measurements as well as the rate of change.

Supplemental Layout for Steel Erection

Supplemental layout may include establishing the bottom of base plate elevations by setting shims or setting one leveling nut to the proposed elevation. For structural steel that requires precise alignment, we have also provided assistance in plumbing individual columns. In some applications we have also provided horizontal and vertical alignment for crane girders. All these steps are critical for the final crane rail installation, assuring that proper eccentricity is achieved, meaning that the rail is centered on the crane girder.



Industrial Surveying

Following is a partial list of industrial projects we have performed throughout the United States:

GM Service Parts Operations Swartz Creek, Michigan November, 2014 - December, 2014

GM Lansing Grand River Assembly Plant Lansing, Michigan October, 2014 - present

BOSCH Plymouth, Michigan October, 2014 - December, 2014

Marathon Woodhaven Woodhaven, Michigan October, 2014 - December, 2014

Sunoco Inkster Terminal Taylor, Michigan September, 2014 - October, 2014

COBO Center Piling Detroit, Michigan August, 2014

Shimizu G-TAC Canton, Michigan July, 2014 - September, 2014

Wayne State University Biomedical Bldg. Detroit, Michigan July, 2014 - August, 2014

Palace Score Board Auburn Hills, Michigan July, 2014

Marathon Canton Refinery Canton, Ohio July, 2014

Ford Livonia Transmission Livonia, Michigan June, 2014 - September, 2014 **GM Arlington Assembly Plant** Arlington, Texas June, 2014 - September, 2014

Subaru SIA Paint Shop 2 Lafayette, Indiana June, 2014 - July, 2014

COBO Center Media Wall Detroit, Michigan May, 2014-December, 2014

GM Lansing Delta GK Underbody Delta Township, Michigan June 2014 - July, 2014

Ford Allen Park Testing Facility Allen Park, Michigan April, 2014

Ford Kentucky Truck Plant - Paint Shop Louisville, Kentucky March, 2014 - October, 2014

Neal Cavern at the Catlettsburg Refining Facility Neal, West Virginia February, 2014 - April, 2014

Benteler Steel / Tube Shreveport, Louisiana February, 2014 - December, 2014

GM Lansing Grand River Lansing, Michigan February, 2014 - October, 2014

Comerica Park Pepsi Porch Detroit, Michigan January, 2014 - February, 2014

GM Flint Paint Shop Flint, Michigan February 2014 - November, 2014 **Detroit Thermal Steam Service to GM** Detroit, Michigan December, 2013 - May, 2014

Ford Kentucky Truck Stamping Plant Louisville, Kentucky December, 2013 - July, 2014

NASA Mobile Launcher Cape Canaveral, Florida December, 2013 - present

Oakland University Elliott Tower Rochester, Michigan November, 2013 - December 2014

Sunoco Inkster Terminal Inkster, Michigan August, 2013 - October, 2013

GM Reduced Scale Wind Tunnel Warren, Michigan April, 2013 - July, 2013

Ford Dearborn Diversified Manufacturing Dearborn, Michigan May, 2013 - June, 2013

Ford DSP Rollform Dearborn, Michigan March, 2013 - July, 2013

The Rivers of Grosse Pointe Grosse Pointe Farms, Michigan March, 2013 - June, 2013

Ford DSP/DEFTP Dearborn, Michigan February, 2013 - March, 2013

COBO Center Detroit, Michigan December, 2012 - May, 2013

Industrial Surveying

Ford Dearborn Stamping Plant Dearborn, Michigan October, 2012 - February, 2013

COBO Hall Detroit, Michigan October, 2012 - September, 2014

Chrysler SHAP Body Shop Sterling Heights, Michigan October, 2012 - February, 2013

Sunoco Inkster Terminal Romulus, Michigan September, 2012 - November, 2012

Ford Triple Cyclone Aluminum Dearborn, Michigan September, 2012

St. Joseph Mercy Oakland Pontiac, Michigan August 2012 - February, 2013

Sunoco Inkster Cavern Subsidence Monitoring Inkster, Michigan July, 2012 - August, 2012

Neal Cavern at the Catlettsburg Refining Facility Neal, West Virginia June, 2012

Marathon Canton Cavern Canton, Ohio June, 2012

Marathon Woodhaven Cavern Woodhaven, Michigan June, 2012 **Chrysler SHAP Paint Shop Paint Line MW** Sterling Heights, Michigan June, 2012 - December, 2012

Chobani (Agro-Farma) New Berlin, New York May, 2012 - June, 2012

GM Arlington Presses Arlington, Texas May, 2012 - May, 2013

Chrysler SHAP Paint Shop Sterling Heights, Michigan May, 2012 - October, 2012

Chrysler SHAP Paint Shop Sterling Heights, Michigan March, 2012 - September, 2012

Ford Dearborn Stamping Plant and Crane Measurments Dearborn, Michigan February, 2012 - December, 2013

COBO Center Phase 3 Detroit, Michigan February, 2012 - December, 2012

Ford Wayne Stamping Press Line #5 Building Addition Wayne, Michigan January 2012 - February 2012

GM Fort Wayne Assembly Plant Fort Wayne, Indiana October 2011 - November 2011

COBO Center Detroit, Michigan September, 2011 - October, 2011 **Bell Building** Detroit, Michigan August 2011 - September 2011

GM Pontiac Press Upgrade Pontiac, Michigan August 2011 - December 2011

Chrysler Trenton Engine Plant Trenton, Michigan July 2011 - August 2011

Chrysler Sterling Heights Assembly Plant (SHAP) Paint Shop Sterling Heights, Michigan July 2011 - October 2011

DTE Energy Monroe, Michigan March 2011 - December 2011

DTE FERMI Monroe, Michigan May 2011 - August 2011

COBO Center Detroit, Michigan April 2011 - May 2011

General Motors New Topcoat Lines Lake Orion, Michigan April 2011 - July 2011

Severstal NA Cold Rolling Mill Dearborn, Michigan March 2011 - December 2011

Marathon Detroit Refinery DHOUP Detroit, Michigan March 2011 - December 2011

Industrial Surveying

Northrop Grumman Shipbuilding SMOF Building Newport News, Virginia February 2011 - October 2011

COBO Center Detroit, Michigan January, 2011 - February, 2011

Severstal Galvanizing Line Dearborn, Michigan July 2010 - January 2011

GM Flint Stamping Press Upgrade Flint, Michigan November 2009 - August 2010

Lockheed Martin Aeronautics Fort Worth, Texas October 2009 - December 2009

Thyssen-Krupp New Steel Plant Calvert, Alabama September 2008 - July 2010

Troy Beaumont Pedestrian Bridge Troy, Michigan August 2008 - January 2009

National Alabama Railcar Cherokee, Alabama July 2008- August 2008

BMW Paint Shop Spartanburg, South Carolina April 2008 - July 2008 **BASF** Wyandotte, Michigan February 2008 - May 2008

Dearborn CSO Contract No. 8 Dearborn, Michigan December 2007 - September 2011

GETRAG Tequila Transmission Plant Tipton, Indiana August 2007 - November 2007

Severstal Blast Furnace "C" Stoves Dearborn, Michigan July 2007 - February 2008

Honda P2M-F Assembly Plant (Paint Shop) Greensburg, Indiana August 2006 - February 2007

Honda P2M-F Assembly Plant Greensburg, Indiana August 2006 - February 2007

Severstal Blast Furnace "B" Rebuild Dearborn, Michigan January 2008 - July 2008

Honda Engine Plant 2PX Anna, Ohio August 2006 - February 2007

DTE Energy Detroit, Michigan July 2006 Severstal Blast Furnace "C" Rebuild Dearborn, Michigan March 2006 - October 2007

COBO Hall Entrance Detroit, Michigan December, 2005

GM Lansing ASRS Building Delta Township, Michigan October 2005 - May 2006

Bodine Aluminum Jackson, Tennessee August 2005 - November 2005

Wyandotte Power Plant Coal Volumes Wyandotte, Michigan 2001 - Present

Daimler Chrysler Dodge City Warren, Michigan October 1999

Compuware Detroit, Michigan November, 1999 - February, 2004

Chrysler Office Building Auburn Hills, Michigan December 1998