



1. Please indicate whether a railway line was built in Gongnong Village, Haixou Town, Fuqing City, Fuzhou.

The Fuxia (an abbreviation of Fuzhou-Xiamen) railway line (福厦铁路) between Fuzhou and Xiamen was built between 2006 and 2009.¹ The line opened to freight traffic on 31 December 2009², and high-speed passenger services on the Fuxia line commenced in April 2010.³ Maps sourced from Google Earth and Google Maps show the railway line under construction. In these maps, the Fuxia line passes through the east of Fuqing City and travels toward the south-west, away from the location of Gongnong village.

The first map below, sourced from the China Page website, shows the area through which the Fuxia railway travels.⁴ The Fuxia line follows the coast, roughly along the red line from Fuzhou south to Fuqing, and on through Putian, Quanzhou and then south through Jinjiang to Xiamen.



¹ 'Fuzhou-Xiamen Railway' 2010, Google translation of Chinese Wikipedia website, 14 April http://translate.googleusercontent.com/translate_c?hl=en&u=http://zh.wikipedia.org/zh/%25E7%25A6%258F%25E5%258E%25A6%25E9%2593%2581%25E8%25B7%25AF&rurl=translate.google.com&usg=ALkJrhgIXwMTCdESwEBGGNmIaxTGyypIQ – Accessed 4 May 2010 – Attachment 1.
² 'Fuzhou-Xiamen railway opens to traffic' 2010, What's On Xiamen website, (source: *Xiamen Economic Daily*), 1 January <http://www.whatsonxiamen.com/news9422.html> – Accessed 4 May 2010 – Attachment 2.
³ 'Fuzhou-Xiamen bullet trains roar into services today' 2010, What's On Xiamen website, (source: *Xinhua News*), 26 April <http://www.whatsonxiamen.com/news11796.html> – Accessed 4 May 2010 – Attachment 3.
⁴ 'Fu-Xia Railroad' 2005, China Page website, 1 October <http://www.chinapage.com/road/fu-xia-railroad.html> – Accessed 4 May 2010 – Attachment 4.

The second map, sourced from the What's On Xiamen website, illustrates the actual route of the Fuzhou-Xiamen railway.⁵ In this map, the railway line can be seen to veer to the south-west after Fuqing station.



The following map, sourced from Google Earth, shows the Fuxia Railway under construction near Fuqing in 2008 and 2009.⁶ A section of the railway is missing, as the central part of the map is sourced from satellite imagery from 2005; the Country Adviser filled in the estimated path of the line in the missing section. The approximate location of Gongnong village is also indicated, which would not have been directly affected by the construction of the Fuzhou-Xiamen railway.

⁵ 'Fishing in Fuzhou countryside' 2010, What's On Xiamen website, 10 February <http://www.whatsonxiamen.com/xiamen-info-666.html> – Accessed 4 May 2010 – Attachment 5.

⁶ Google Earth, 'Fuqing, Fuzhou, Fujian, China' 7 April 2008-15 April 2009 – Accessed 4 May 2010 – Attachment 6.



Attachments

1. 'Fuzhou-Xiamen Railway' 2010, Google translation of Chinese Wikipedia website, 14 April
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6. Google Earth, 'Fuqing, Fuzhou, Fujian, China' 7 April 2008-15 April 2009 – Accessed 4 May 2010.