

= Trondheim Airport Station =

Trondheim Airport Station (IATA code : TRD) , also known as Værnes Station (Norwegian : Værnes holdeplass) , is a railway station located within the terminal complex of Trondheim Airport , Værnes in Stjørdal , Norway . Situated on the Nordland Line , it serves both express trains and the Trøndelag Commuter Rail both operated by Norges Statsbaner . The station was opened on 15 November 1994 along with a new terminal at the airport , making it the first airport rail link in the Nordic Countries . The station cost NOK 24 million , and was built along the existing railway line . In each direction , the station handles one to two hourly commuter rail services , and three daily express services . Travel time to Trondheim is 38 minutes , while it is 9 hours and 5 minutes to Bodø . Access to the airport terminal is outdoors , but sheltered .

= Facilities =

The station is located at the terminal of Trondheim Airport , Værnes . The connection between the station and the airport is outside , but there is a roof for the whole distance . The platform is about 190 metres (620 ft) from the check @-@ in at the terminal . The station is 33 @. @ 0 kilometres (20 @. @ 5 mi) from Trondheim Central Station , and located 5 @. @ 0 metres (16 @. @ 4 ft) above mean sea level . There is no manned ticket sale , but a vending machine for tickets is located in the airport terminal . Luggage trolleys are available , and the airport terminal offers an array of traveler services , such as dining , paid parking , restrooms , car rental , taxis , retailing , ATMs and kiosks . There is a single track at the station , but built in such a way that the it can easily be converted to become an island platform with two tracks . Work on a second track has not begun as of 2014 , but there is budget for double track between Hell and Værnes .

= Service =

The Norwegian State Railways operates both commuter and express trains to Trondheim Airport . In each direction , there are three daily express trains , one to Mo i Rana and two to Bodø . One of the Bodø @-@ trains is a night train . Travel time to Mo i Rana is 6 hours and travel time to Bodø is 9 hours and 5 minutes . The Mo i Rana @-@ service is operated with Class 93 trains , while the Bodø @-@ services are operated with Di 4 @-@ hauled trains .

The Trøndelag Commuter Rail offers hourly services in each direction : northbound to Steinkjer and southbound to Trondheim and Lerkendal . During peak hours , the frequency is doubled . Travel time to Trondheim is 38 minutes and to Lerkendal 51 minutes . Northwards , travel time to Levanger is 48 minutes , to Verdal 1 hour and 2 minutes , and to Steinkjer 1 hour and 26 minutes . The commuter rail is operated with Class 92 trains . From the airport , there is connection with local buses operated by Nettbuss . Klæburuten operates an airport coach to and from the city center of Trondheim every ten minutes from 4 in the morning until 9 in the evening . NOR @-@ WAY Bussekspress and TrønderBilene operate a coach service to Steinkjer and onwards to Namsos .

= History =

The railway past Værnes opened on 27 October 1902 as the Hell ? Sunnan Line ? today part of the Nordland Line . The plans for a railway station in the terminal of Værnes were launched in 1990 , along with the plans to build a second terminal at the airport . Construction of the new terminal started on 1 October 1992 . On 15 March 1993 , NSB announced that they would start a commuter train service between Steinkjer and Melhus , south of Trondheim . The service would give a half @-@ hour headway during peak hours between Stjørdal and Melhus , and a one @-@ hour headway onwards to Steinkjer . NSB stated that the concept was based on the success of the Jæren Commuter Rail and that they hoped to have a 70 % increase in ridership , in part due to the opening of the airport station . The concept would also take advantage of expansion of Trondheim Central Station that would co @-@ locate the main coach- and train terminals in Trondheim . The

service would also give direct services along the Dovre Line to Oppdal and the Røros Line to Tynset . Estimates were that the railway would capture a 10 % ground transport market share . The commuter rail service started on 1 September 1993 .

Construction of the railway station started on 7 April 1994 , and cost NOK 24 million . The terminal opened on 15 November 1994 , the same day as the new airport terminal . Minister of Transport and Communications Kjell Opseth performed the official opening . NSB stated that their primary goal was not to compete with the four hourly airport coaches that operated to the hotels in Trondheim , but instead to provide services to communities in Nord @-@ Trøndelag and south of Trondheim . It was the first airport rail link to open in Northern Europe , with the closest integrated train station at Schiphol Airport in Amsterdam , the Netherlands .