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240 bored piles for new high-bay warehouse

Work at Bikar proceeds with consistency despite the icy winter / Drill first stuck at Albrechtsplatz

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Raumland. (vö) Winter break at the construction site? There can definitely be no talk of that at the Bikar site in the Raumland industrial area. Because despite the harsh Wittgenstein winter and the icy temperatures, work on the construction of the new, state-of-the-art high-bay warehouse and the new company administration is proceeding consistently. Another way of putting it: Winter cannot stop this ambitious project, which for the company is nothing less than a clear commitment to the Wittgenstein site and jobs in the region.

Since Wednesday, drilling work has been underway in Raumland for a total of 240 bored piles on which the warehouse will stand in the future. "Because we require enormous precision, there must be no movement at all in the building. It's all about stability," said company spokesman Jan Saßmannshausen when asked by SZ. Especially since enormous loads would be moved in the future building. The 110-ton drill was scheduled to arrive in Raumland at the end of last week, but due to the severe onset of winter, the final stop was at Albrechtsplatz on Friday. It was not until the beginning of this week that the heavy equipment could be moved again.

The frozen ground poses no problem at all for the massive drill. The temperature below the earth's surface is constant anyway, revealed architect Jörg Arlt in an interview with the SZ. And, "Today, almost anything is possible, even at the lowest temperatures." Concrete could even be poured in the ground - despite the sub-zero temperatures. The high-bay warehouse, which is around 25 meters high and 30 meters long, is being built between the existing plants II and III, preceded by a goods receiving building. The investment in the double-digit million euro range of the Wittgenstein-based metal specialist, which operates successfully worldwide, is rounded off by the construction of a new company administration building. The planned high-bay warehouse will replace the existing temporary tent warehouse. The ultra-modern building will be equipped with two operating units that can store and retrieve goods. Bikar is thus undoubtedly setting new standards again in terms of technology - although similar technology is already in use at the existing Plant II in Raumland.

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