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Shotcrete Activities in the Czech Republic

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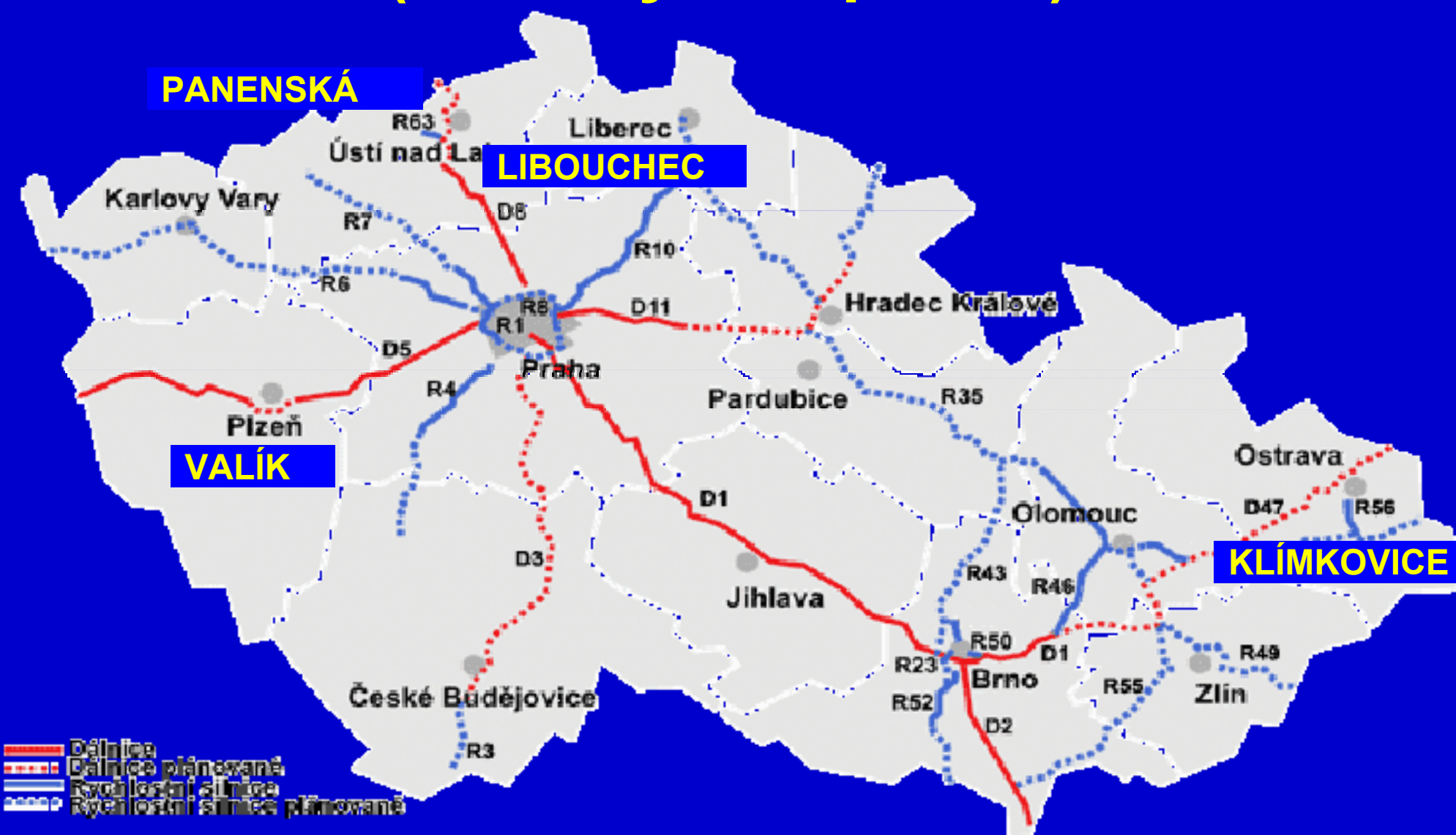
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1. NATM tunnelling in the Czech Republic

Completed NATM Road Tunnels

Tunnel	Total length of driven sections (m)	Profile (m ²)	Overburden (m)	Deformations (mm)	Geology	Construct. period
Hřebeč	275	160	40	40	Rock	1995 - 1996
Valík	2 x 200	330	16	15	Rock	2004 - 2005
Panenská	2 x 2000	90	70	15	Rock	2003 - 2005
Libouchec	2 x 500	90	30	7	Rock	2005 - 2006
Klimkovice	2 x 850	115	20	20	Rock	2004 - 2006
Pisárecký	2 x 300	95	35	20	Rock	1995 - 1997
Mrázovka	2 x 1000	140 - 350	60		Rock	1999 - 2004
TOTAL	10 km	100 - 120 m²	20 - 60 m	20 mm	Rock	

Czech NATM Highway Tunnels (recently completed)

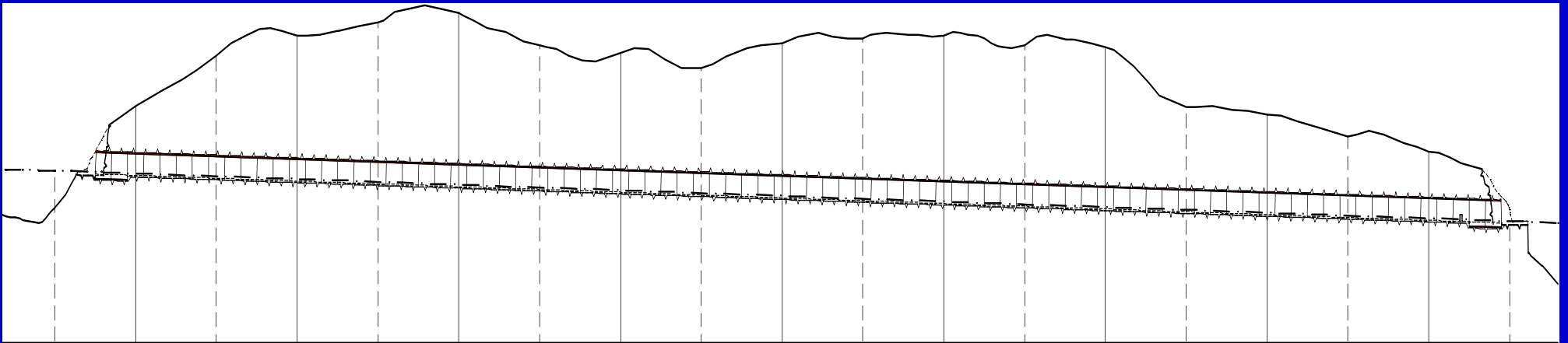


Completed NATM Railway Tunnels

Tunnel	Total length of driven sections (m)	Profile (m ²)	Overburden (m)	Deformations (mm)	Geology	Construct. period
Vepřek	272	112	30	20	Rock	2002 - 2003
Krasíkovský	1035	124	15	10	Rock	2002 - 2003
Tatenický	85	112	25	15	Rock	2002 - 2003
Malá Huba	300	117	20	15	Rock	2003 - 2004
Hněvkovský I.	130	117	15	15	Rock	2004 - 2005
Hněvkovský II.	432	104	15	15	Rock	2004 - 2005
Nové spojení	2 x 1200	100	50	15	Rock	2005 - 2006
Březno	1500	72	30		Soft ground	2002 - 2007
CELKEM	6 km	110 m²	20 – 50 m	15 mm	Rock	

Typical Czech NATM Tunnel

Tunnel overburden: 20 – 60 meters

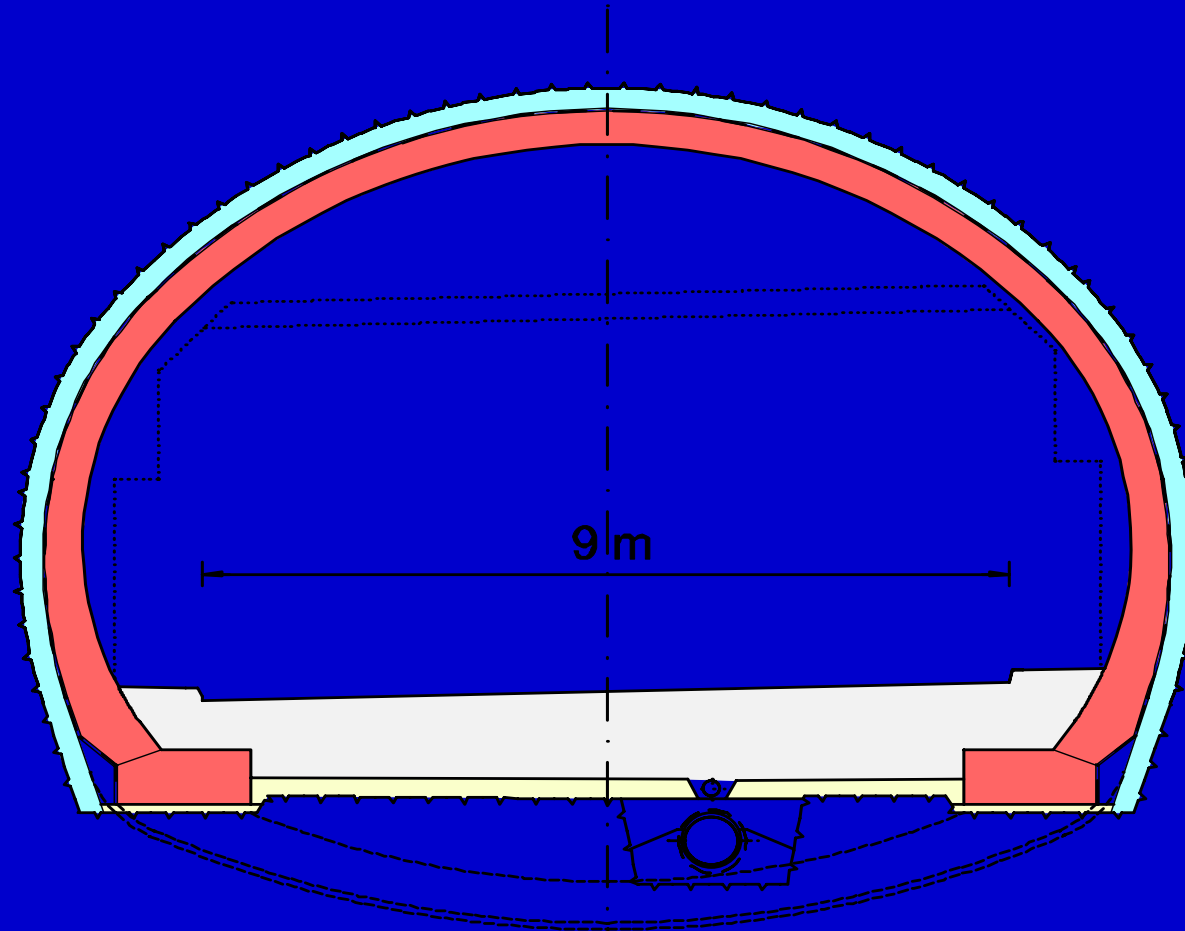


Tunnel length: 500 – 1500 m

Tunnel profile: 100 – 120 m²

Geology: Rock

Typical Czech NATM Road Tunnel Two-lane twin tube



Czech NATM Road Tunnels

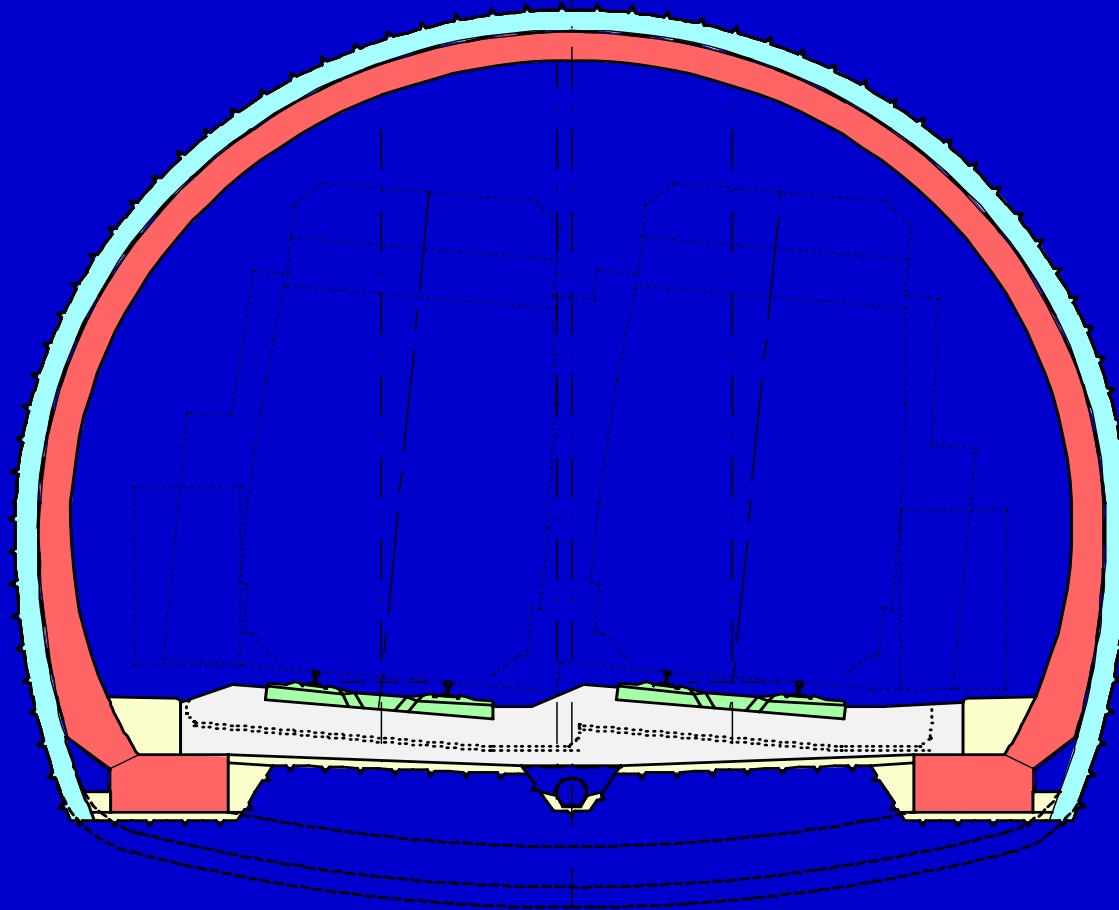


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Typical Czech NATM Railway Tunnel Double track (single bore)



Czech NATM Railway Tunnels



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Planned Road Tunnels (2006 – 2015)

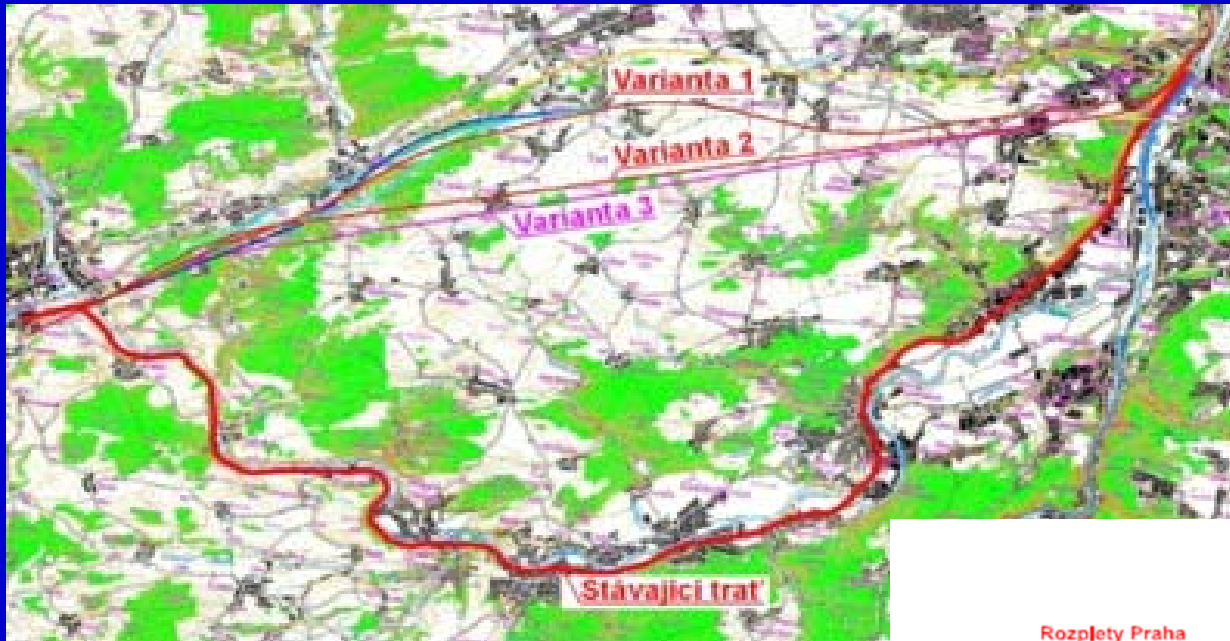
Tunnel	Total length of driven sections (m)	Profile (m ²)	Overburden (m)	Geology	Construction period
SOKP 513	2 x 1900	110 - 160	50	Rock	2006 - 2008
SOKP 514	2 x 1650	110 - 160	50	Rock	2006 - 2008
SOKP 518	2 x 400	100	10	Rock	2008 - 2012
MO Myslbek	2 x 1000	160	15		2008 - 2015
MO Blanka	2 x 2500	110 - 160	40	Rock	2008 - 2015
MO Bílá skála	2 x 2000	110	50	Rock	2008 - 2015
MO other	2 x 2000	110	30	Rock	2008 - 2015
Radlická rad.	2 x 2000	110 - 160	70	Rock	2008 - 2015
Dobrovského	2 x 1000	125	25	Soft ground	2006 - 2009
D8 Radejčín	2 x 600	120	50	Rock	2010 - 2012
D8 Prackovice	2 x 300	120	50	Rock	2010 - 2012
D3	2 x 2000	100	50	Rock	2010 - 2015
R11	2 x 2000	?	100	Rock	2010 - 2015
TOTAL	30 km	100 – 160 m²	20 – 60 m	Rock	2006 - 2015

Planned Railway Tunnels (2008 – 2015)

Tunnel	Total length of driven sections (m)	Profile (m2)	Overburden (m)	Geology	Construction period
3rd railway corridor	Prague – Pilsner – Cheb - Germany				
Prague - Beroun	2 x 25000	do 110	180	Rock	2011 -2016
Homolka	2 x 4000	110 až 124	70	Rock	2008 -2013
Cheb	500	65	15	Soft ground	2008 -2013
4th railway corridor	Prague – Tábor – Czech Budwaiser - Austria				
Tomický	300	100	25	Rock	after 2010
Zahradnický	1000	100	50	Rock	after 2010
Olbramovický	500	100	20	Rock	after 2010
Votice	600	100	25	Rock	after 2010
Deboreč	600	100	50	Rock	after 2010
Mezno	800	100	20	Rock	after 2010
Sudoměřice	400	100	20	Rock	after 2010
Zvěrotice	372	100	6		
Sedlčany	300	100	5		
Janovský	876	100	11		
Hosín	1500	100	50	Various	after 2014
Nemanice	2300	100	60	Rock	after 2014
TOTAL	70 km	100 m2	20 - 60	Rock	after 2010

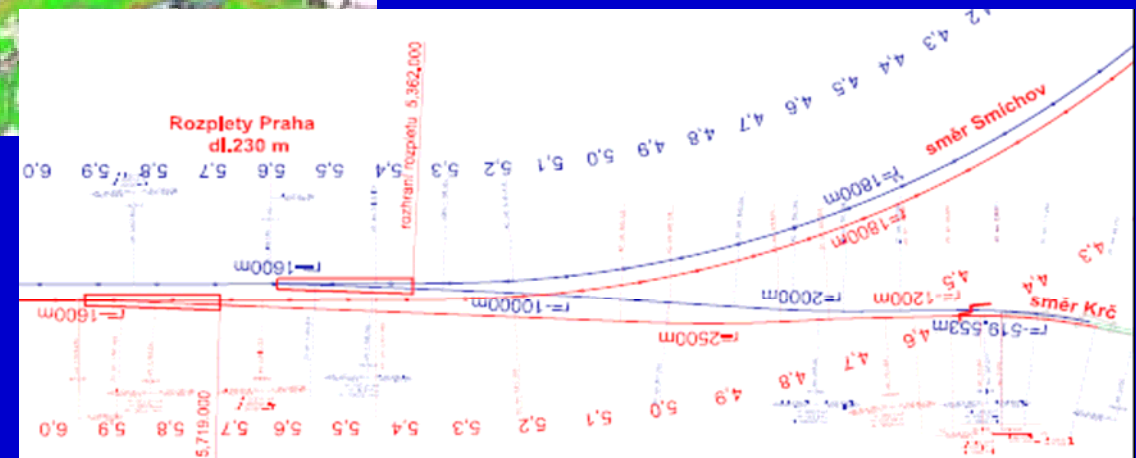
Prague – Beroun

25km long high-speed railway tunnel



- Two tubes + XP
 - Speed up to 300kph
 - Majority TBM
 - Partly NATM
- Expected construction:
2011 - 2016

- Prague – bifurcation
(about 9km of NATM)



NATM Tunnelling in the Czech Republic



NATM Technology (basic elements, design and construction)

Skills of labours (i.e. nozzle-men), quality of primary shotcrete lining

Geomonitoring (GTM)

Machinery optimisation

Tunnel functionality, durability

Conservative design, resistance against new methods (permanent SCL, fibre reinforced SCL, etc.)

Excavation optimisation (based on monitoring, geology, etc.)

Construction management – competencies, involvement of designer, risk management

Construction cost

2. Shotcrete Trends in the Czech Republic

Steel Fibres Reinforced Shotcrete

Plugs for underground gas reservoir Pribram

Number of plugs: 4

Length of one plug: 10 m

Total volume: 620,000 m³

Gas pressure: 2.0 – 9.5 (12.5) MPa

Gas capacity: 55 mil. m³ (82 mil. m³)

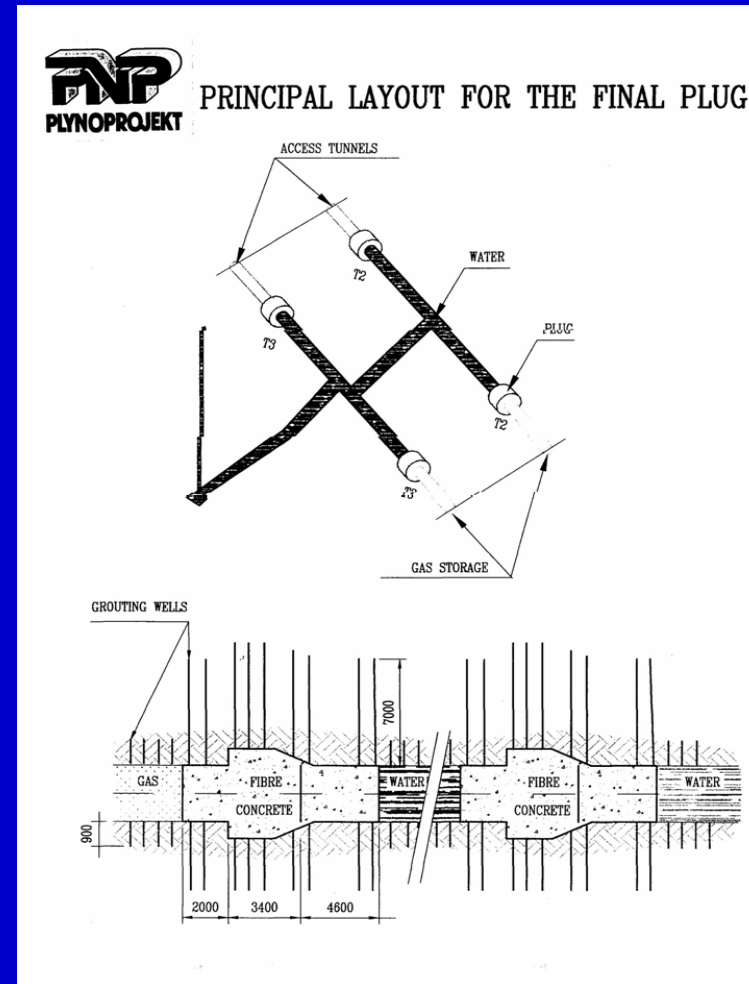
Overburden: 1000m

Fibre dosage: 90kg/m³

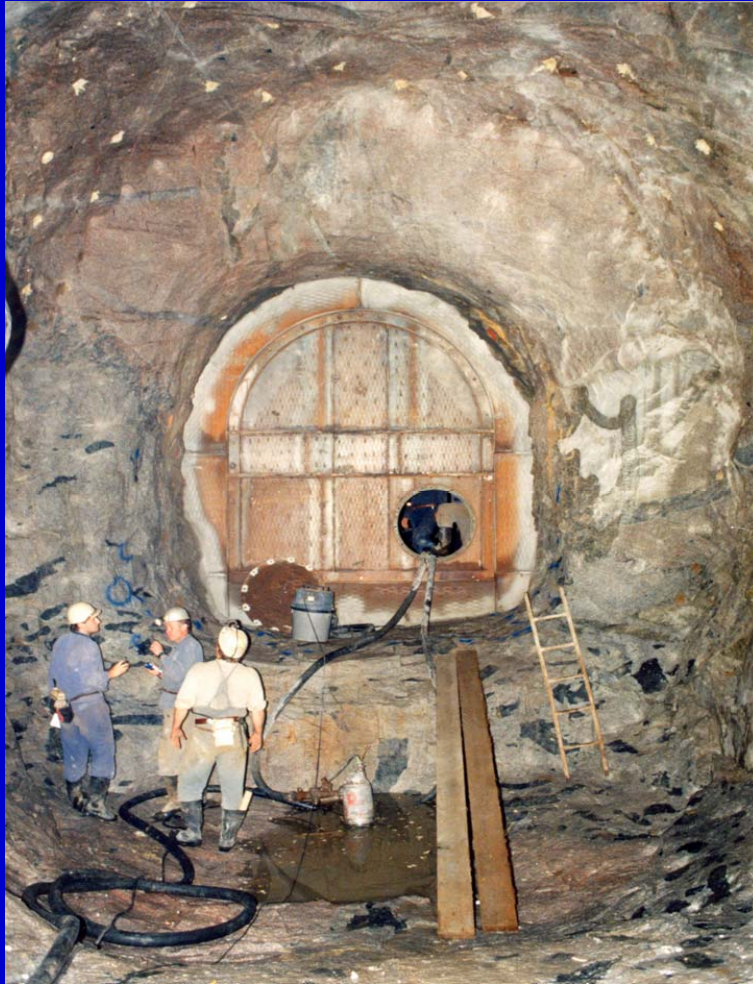
Shotcrete strength: 40MPa

Completed: 1998

Required shotcrete watertightness was reached (pressure tests)



Plugs for underground gas reservoir Pribram



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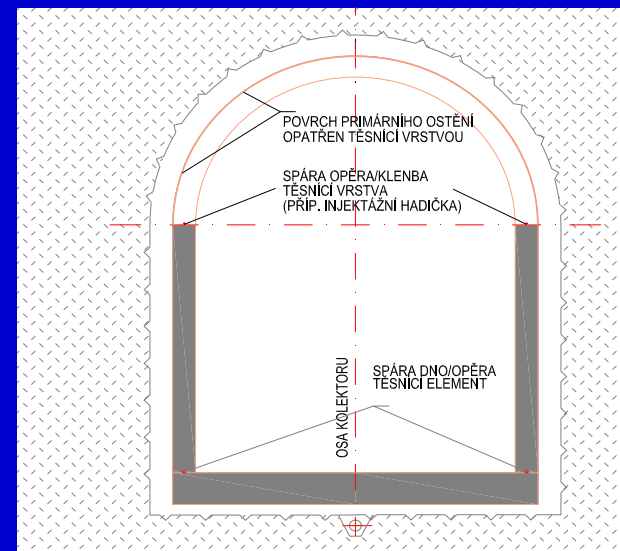
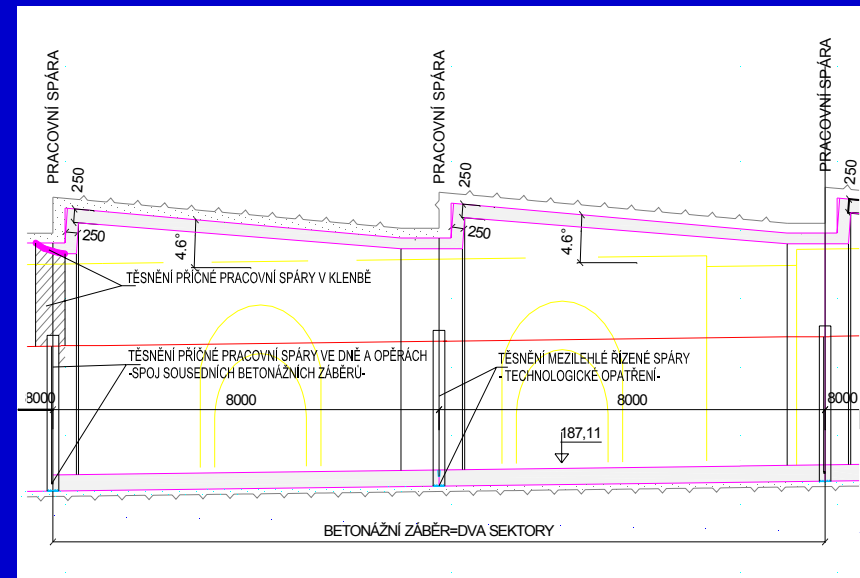


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Permanent Sprayed Concrete Lining

Cable tunnels in Prague

- **Geology:** sands, gravels
- **Support:** grouted columns (grouted in advance from face)
- **Varying tunnel profile**
- **Length of columns:** 9,25m
- **Primary lining:** SCL
- **No sheet membrane**
- **Secondary lining:**
 - **Invert:** cast concrete
 - **Vault:** sprayed concrete



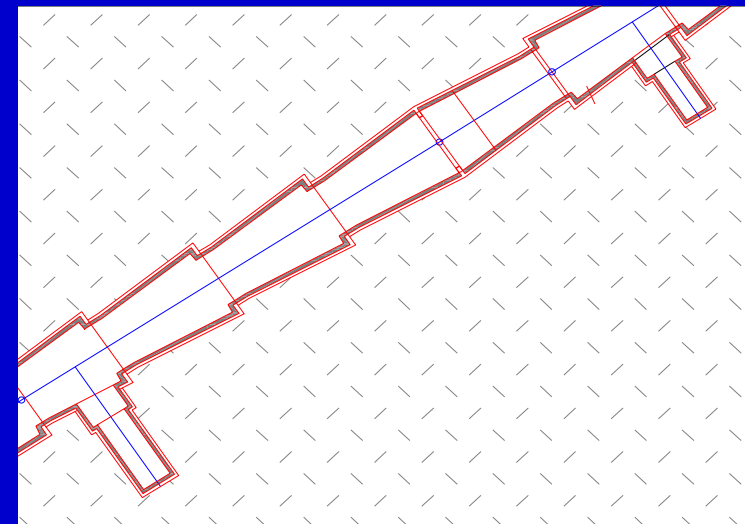
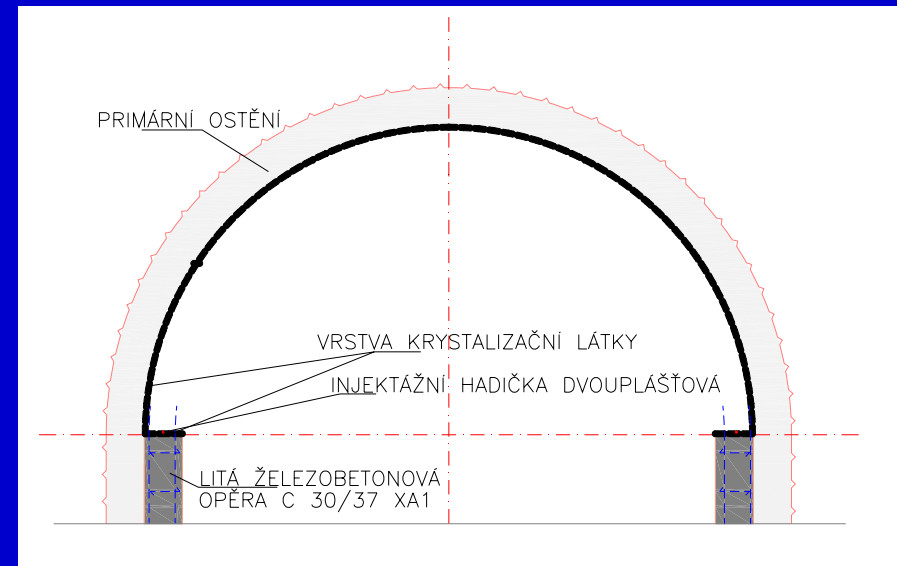
Cable tunnels in Prague

Watertightness:

- Xypex layer (crystalline material)
- Shotcrete composition
- Hydrophilic gaskets



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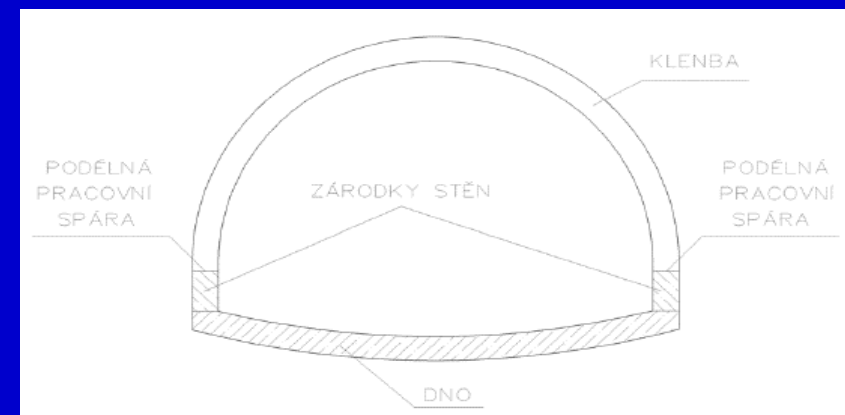
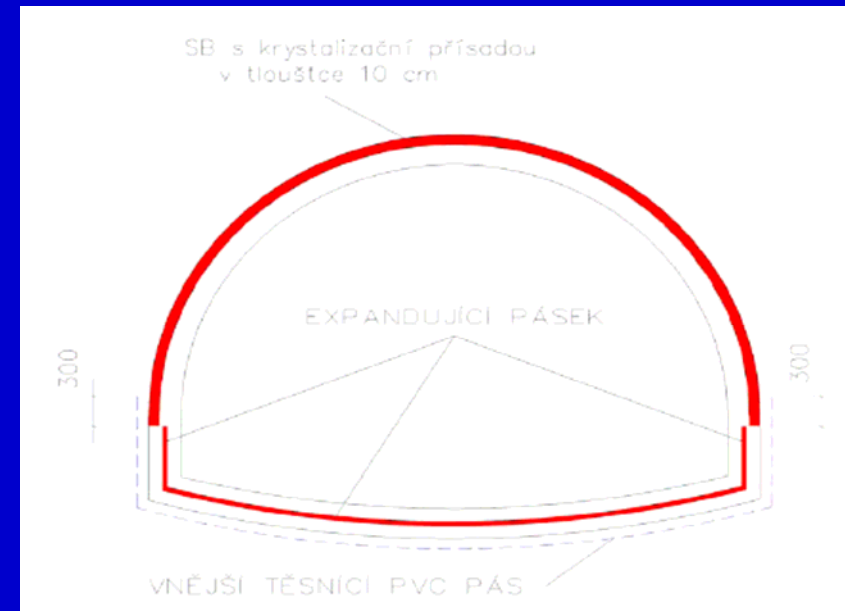
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Permanent SCL – Motol adit

- **Completed: 2007**
- **Primary lining: SCL**
- **No sheet membrane**
- **Secondary lining:**
 - **Invert: cast concrete**
 - **Vault: sprayed concrete**

Watertightness:

- **Xypex layer (crystalline material)**
- **Shotcrete composition**
- **Hydrophilic gaskets**



Sprayed Membranes

Prague Metro

- **Application: 2005 (first in CR)**
- **Reason: difficult geometry**
- **Structure: pumping station**
- **Material: Masterseal 345**
- **Sprayed area: 750 m²**
- **Consumption: 3000kg**
- **Good bond to sheet membrane**
- **Training of local contractors**

- **Problem: dust**



Prague Metro - Sprayed Membranes



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Plain in-situ cast concrete for secondary lining

Libouchec Tunnel

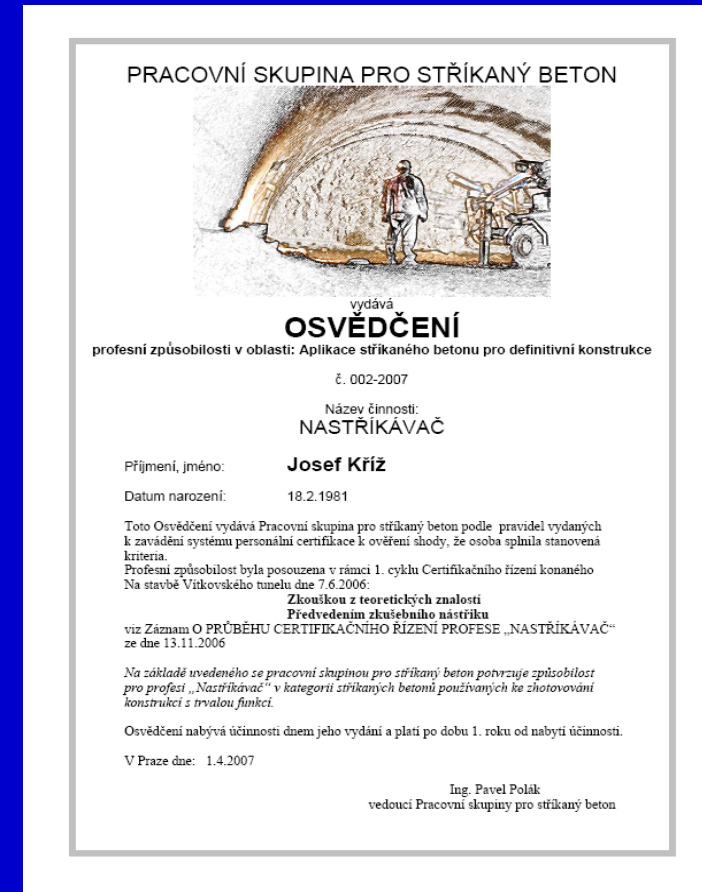
- 2 x 2 lanes highway tunnel
- Length: 0.5km
- Secondary lining reinforced only in areas of portals and XP
- Allowed cracks: max. 0.8mm
- Calculation: Non-linear
- Steel weight reduction from original 700t to 150t
- Tunnel was opened in 2006



Certification of Shotcrete Nozzlemen

Documents for procedure

- Basic document about certification (reasons, examining board, management)
- Manual about SCL application (theoretical and practical information for labours)
- Forms for testing
- Certificates



Certificate

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Programme of Certification

- Education
 - Sprayed concrete (composition, application, etc.)
 - Machinery (operation, maintenance, etc.)
- Practical tests (60%)
 - Tunnel lining spraying (top heading)
 - Test panels spraying
- Theoretical tests (40%)
- Evaluation (more than 70% required)

Certification of Nozzlemen



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Conclusion:

1. NATM tunnelling in the Czech Republic

- NATM – prevailing tunnelling method
- Many ongoing and proposed NATM projects (highways, railways, utility tunnels, etc.)
- Good experience with NATM
- Czech sprayed concrete guidelines were published in 2003 (WG12)

2. Shotcrete trends in the Czech Republic

- Conservative environment (resistance against new methods)
- First applications of:
 - permanent shotcrete lining
 - sprayed membranes
 - fibre reinforced shotcrete
 - plain secondary lining
- Shotcrete nozzlemen certification started in 2006 (WG12)

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