Project Profile: MICROTUNNELING



Ellwood Water Treatment Plant

Wampum, PA



PROJECT OVERVIEW AND CHALLENGES

Bradshaw completed two 75" OD microtunnels with a length of 480' and 523' and one 60" OD microtunnel with a length of 530'. Two of the tunnels were microtunneled from a 150' deep shaft and passed under Norfolk Southern railroad right of ways while the third tunnel passed under the CSX railway right of way. The jacked tunnels used Permalok steel casing, except within the railroad right of ways, where welded steel casing was used. We were able to perform the work within the specified duration despite numerous obstacles such as mining through a pile of railroad timbers that had been buried in the past. In order to facilitate the overall project schedule, we proceeded with two of the tunnels before the recovery cofferdams were completed. This Bradshaw microtunnel project was nominated for the NUCA project of the year award.





PROJECT INFORMATION - 569

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COMPLETION DATE:

11/15/2018

GEOLOGY:

Sandstone

EXCAVATION METHOD:

Herrenknecht AVN-1500 MTBM

MINING DIMENSIONS:

523', 478' x 75" Ø & 530' x 60" Ø

FINAL LINING:

24" Ductile Iron Pipe (bundled) 2" Polyvinyl Chloride Pipe & 2"-4" Stainless Steel (bundled)

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