



EXPERIENCES IN TUNNEL SURFACE CONSTRUCTION BASED ON PROJECTS IN AUSTRIA AND GERMANY (AND ITALY...)

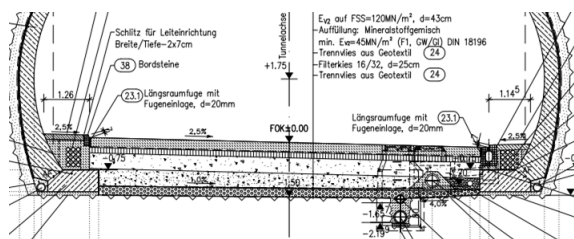
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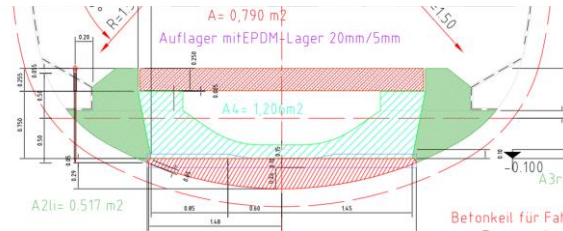
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REQUIREMENTS ON MODERN SUPERHIGHWAYS

- high capacity,
- high durability,
- low maintenance expenses
- long life-span

► **Concrete pavements meet these demands**

GENERAL

CHARACTERISTICS OF MODERN CONCRETE PAVEMENTS

- High load capacity
- Resistant to deformations at any load and any temperature
- Very good evenness during the entire life-span
- No lane grooves (Aquaplaning)
- Good water conducting performance
- Long-lasting skid resistance & low noise emission
- Reduction of lighting costs in tunnels
- Reduction of fire load in tunnels
- High availability, few job sites, few traffic jams
- Life expectancy of at least 30 years
- During life-span only low maintenance und repair action needed

► **Megatrend: Sustainability**

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DESIGN



DESIGN (GERMANY)

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- Guidelines for pavements structures
- Standardization of layer order and thickness

Plate 2: Structures with concrete surface course for carriageways on F2- and F3-subsoil/subgrade

(Thicknesses in cm; \rightarrow E_{T2} minimum values in MPa)

| Line | Load class | BK100 | BK32 | BK10 | BK3.2 | BK1.8 | BK1.0 | BK0.3 |
|--|--|--------------------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|
| | B (million of ESALs) | > 32 | > 10 – 32 | > 3.2 – 10 | > 1.8 – 3.2 | > 1.0 – 1.8 | > 0.3 – 1.0 | ≤ 0.3 |
| | Thickness of frost resistant pavement structure \uparrow | 55 65 75 85 | 55 65 75 85 | 55 65 75 85 | 45 55 65 75 | 45 55 65 75 | 45 55 65 75 | 35 45 55 65 |
| Base course with hydraulic binders on frost blanket course or layer of non-frost-susceptible material | | | | | | | | |
| 1.1 | Concrete surface course | | | | | | | |
| | Non-woven fabric [®] | 27 | 26 | 25 | 24 | 23 | | |
| | Hydraulically bound base course (HBB) | 15 | 15 | 15 | 15 | 15 | | |
| | Frost blanket course | 45 | 45 | 45 | 45 | 45 | | |
| 1.2 | Concrete surface course | | | | | | | |
| | Non-woven fabric [®] | 27 | 26 | 25 | 24 | 23 | | |
| | Stabilized granular material layer of non-frost-susceptible material – widely or gap-graded in line with DIN 18196 | 20 | 15 | 15 | 15 | 15 | | |
| | Thickness of layer of non-frost-susceptible material | 8 ⁴ 18 ⁴ 28 38 | 14 ⁴ 24 34 44 | 15 ⁴ 25 35 45 | 6 ⁴ 16 26 36 | – 27 ⁴ 37 | | |
| 1.3 | Concrete surface course | | | | | | | |
| | Non-woven fabric [®] | 27 | 26 | 25 | 24 | 23 | 20 | 20 |
| | Stabilized granular material layer of non-frost-susceptible material – narrowly graded in line with DIN 18196 | 25 | 20 | 20 | 20 | 20 | 15 | 15 |
| | Thickness of layer of non-frost-susceptible material | 3 ⁴ 13 ⁴ 23 33 | 9 ⁴ 19 29 39 | 10 ⁴ 20 30 40 | 1 ⁴ 11 ⁴ 21 31 | 2 ⁴ 12 ⁴ 22 32 | 10 ⁴ 20 30 40 | – 10 ⁴ 20 30 |
| 2 | Asphalt base course on frost blanket course | | | | | | | |
| | Concrete surface course | | | | | | | |
| | Asphalt base course | 10 | 10 | 10 | 10 | 8 | | |
| | Frost blanket course | 45 | 45 | 45 | 45 | 45 | | |
| 3.1 | Crushed rock base course on layer of non-frost-susceptible material | | | | | | | |
| | Concrete surface course | | | | | | | |
| | Crushed rock base course | 29 | 28 | 27 | 26 | 24 | | |
| | Layer of non-frost-susceptible material | 30 ¹⁶ | 30 ¹⁶ | 30 ¹⁶ | 30 ¹⁶ | 30 ¹⁶ | | |
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| 4 | Frost blanket course | | | | | | | |
| | Concrete surface course | | | | | | | |
| | Frost blanket course | 21 | 21 | 21 | 21 | 21 | 21 | 21 |
| | Thickness of frost blanket course | 24 ¹³ 34 44 54 | 14 ¹³ 24 34 44 | – 19 ¹³ 29 | – 21 ¹³ 31 | | | |

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for the standardisation
of pavement structures of
traffic areas

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




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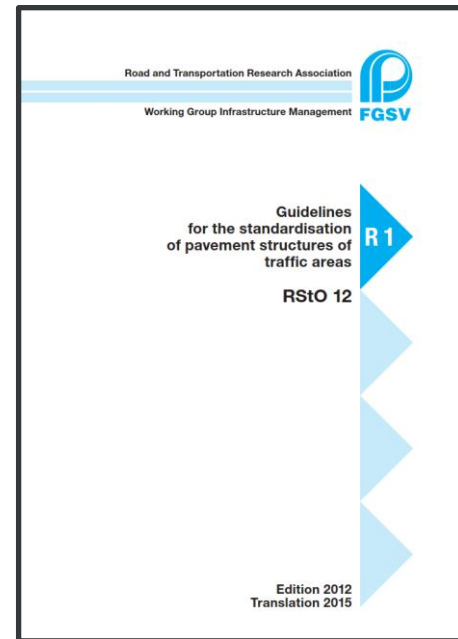
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| | Frost blanket course |  | | 45 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Thickness of frost blanket course | - | - | 33 ²⁾ | 43 | - | | 24 ³⁾ | 34 | 44 | - | 25 ³⁾ | 35 | 45 | - | - | 26 ³⁾ | 36 | - | - |

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| | Asphalt base course | |  | 10 |  | 10 |  | 10 |  | 10 |
| | Frost blanket course | |  | 45 |  | 45 |  | 45 |  | 45 |
| | Thickness of frost blanket course | | - | 29 ³⁾ | 39 | 49 | - | 30 ²⁾ | 40 | 50 |



- Upper layer 5 cm
- Lower layer 17 ... 24 cm
- Geotextile
- Bound or unbound Base course
- De-icing layer / Unbound base course

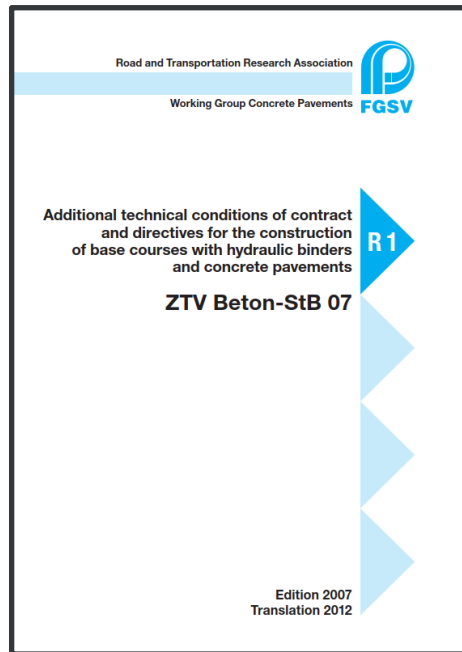
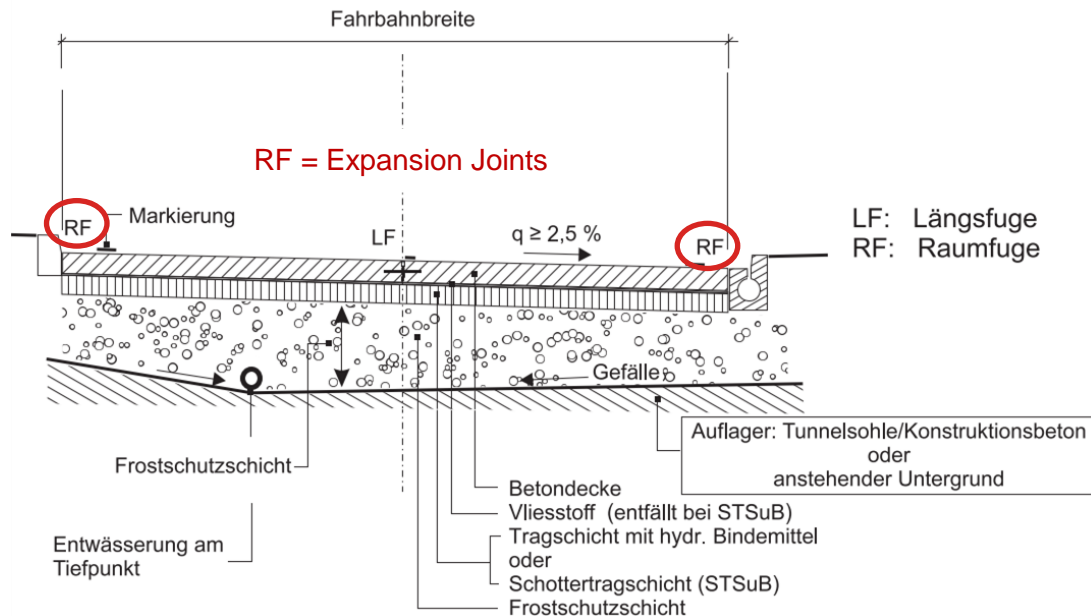


- No specific rules for pavements in tunnels!

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ZTV BETON-STB

- Technical conditions of contract



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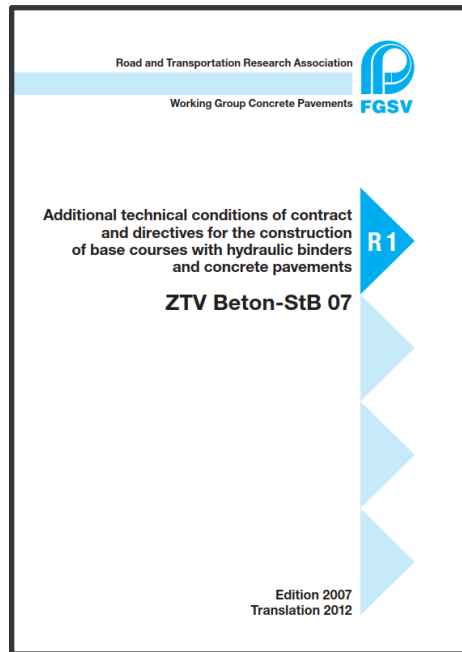
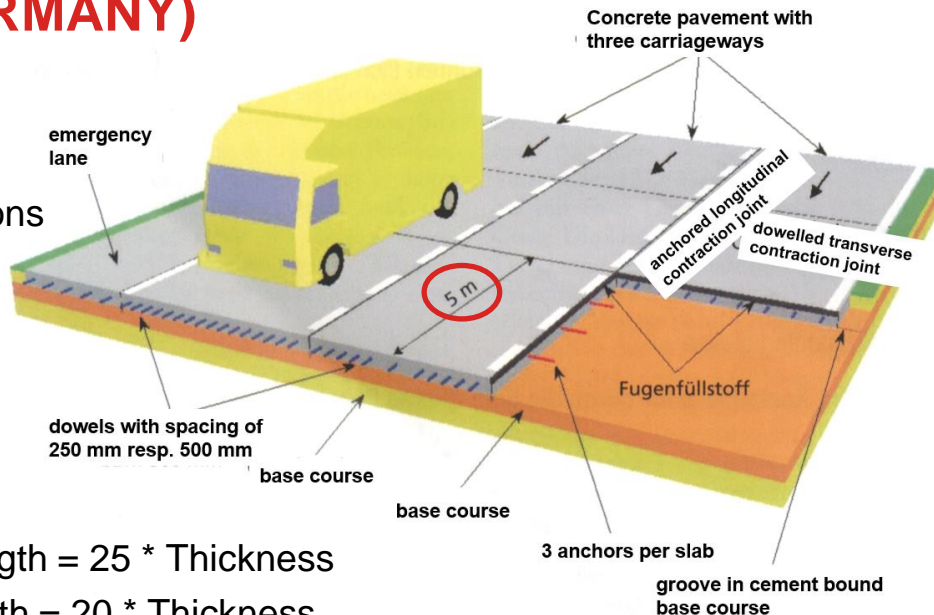
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- Slab Dimensions:

General: max Length = $25 \cdot \text{Thickness}$

Tunnel: max Length = $20 \cdot \text{Thickness}$



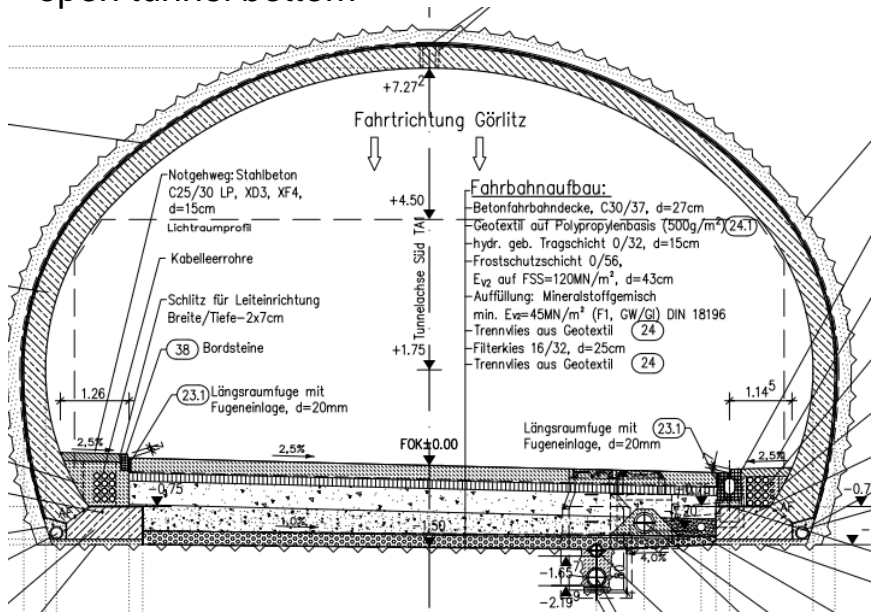
Reason:

- More air movement in tunnel and therefore more evaporation in the upper layer
- Prevention of curving / bowing in the slab due to increased shrinkage

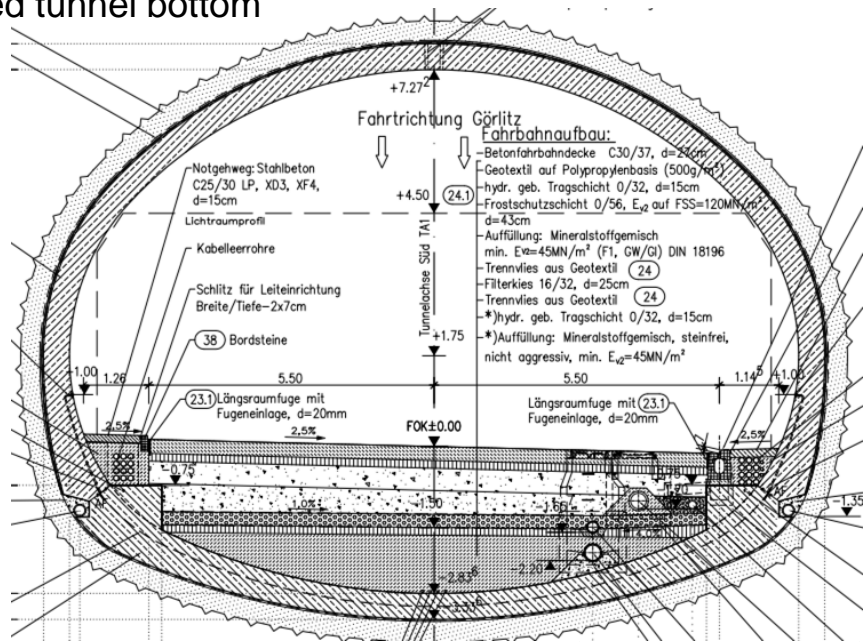
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PROJECT TUNNEL DESIGN (EXAMPLE: A4 TUNNEL JAGDBERG, GERMANY)

- open tunnel bottom

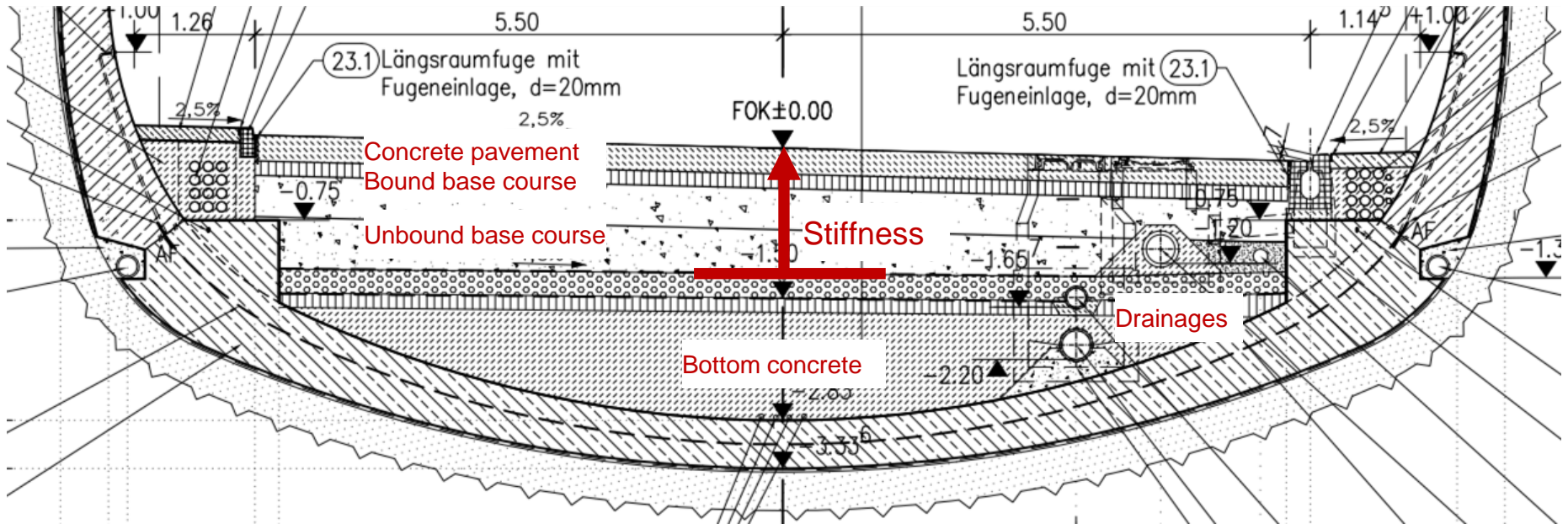


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PROJECT TUNNEL DESIGN



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EXECUTION WORKS



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UNBOUND BASE COURSE



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- Lower layer 17 ... 25 cm
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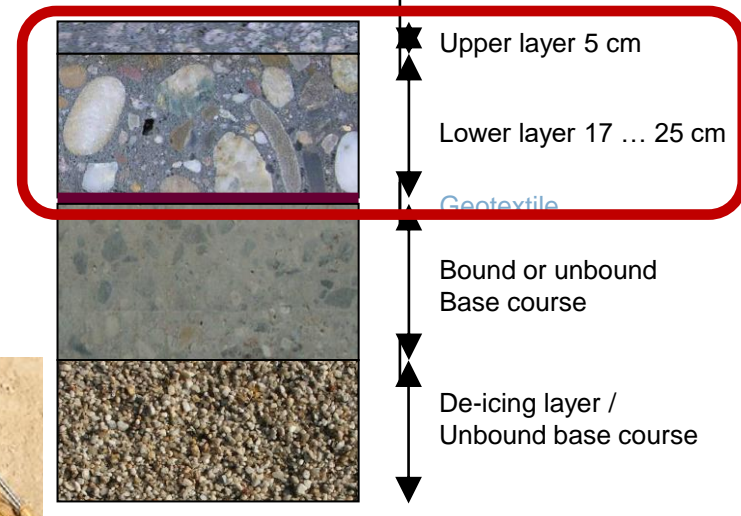
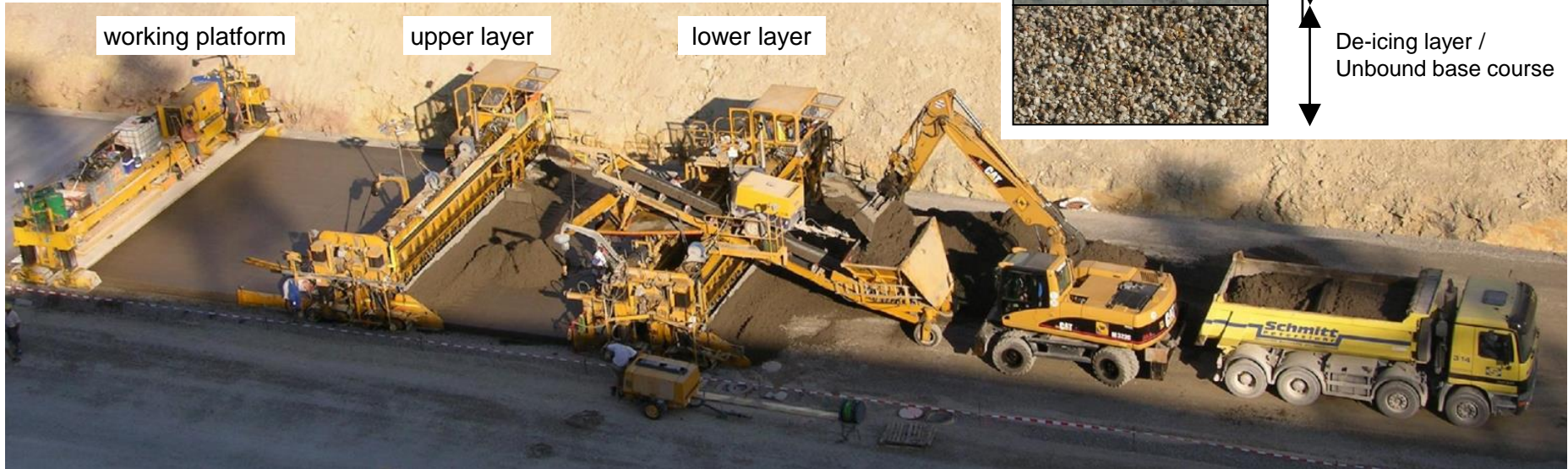
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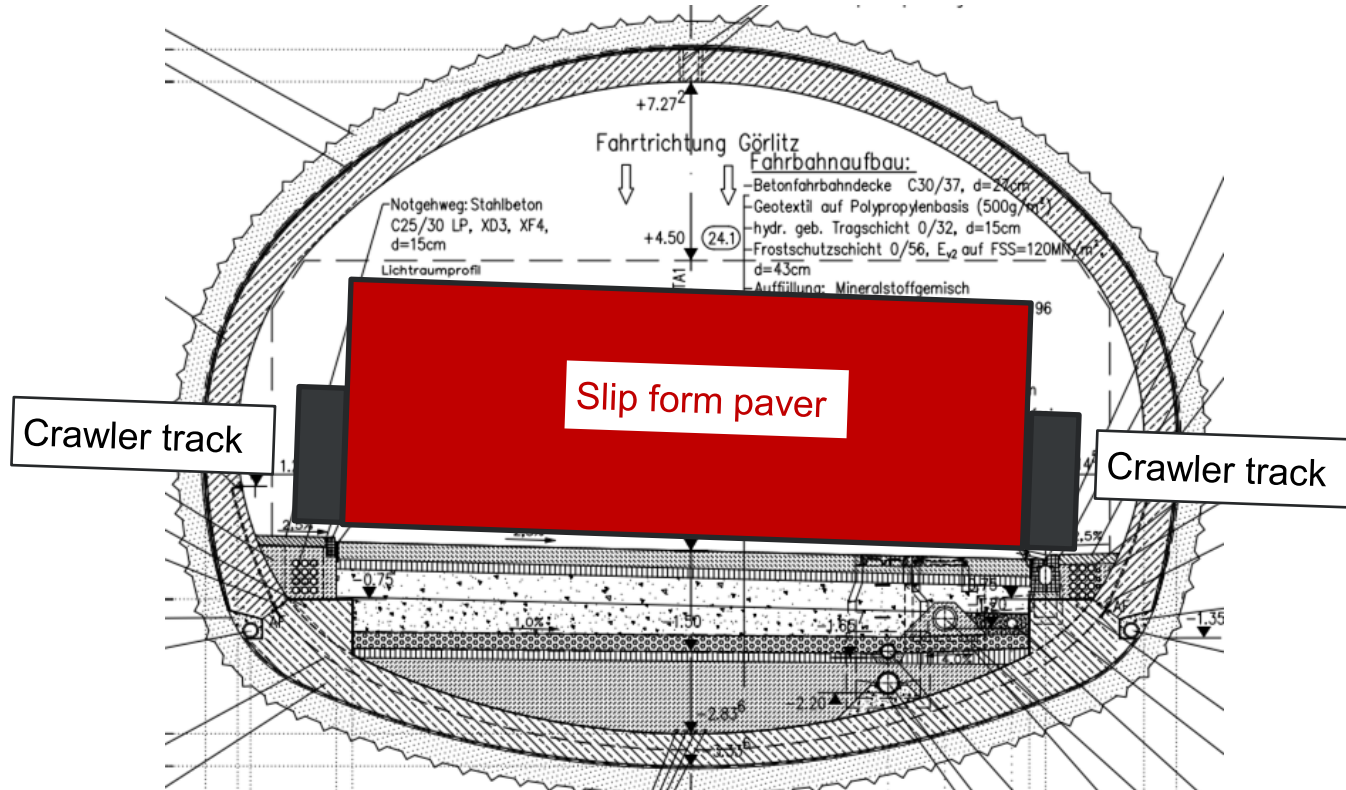
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PAVING TRAIN FOR TWO-LAYER CONCRETE PAVEMENT



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TUNNEL CLEARANCE



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LOWER LAYER CONCRETE



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UPPER LAYER CONCRETE



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CONCRETE SURFACE



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FINISHED CONCRETE SURFACE



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TUNNEL CLEARANCE



A10 Tunnel Katschberg (Austria), 2008

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SPECIAL DETAIL



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MANHOLE: 2 OPTIONS



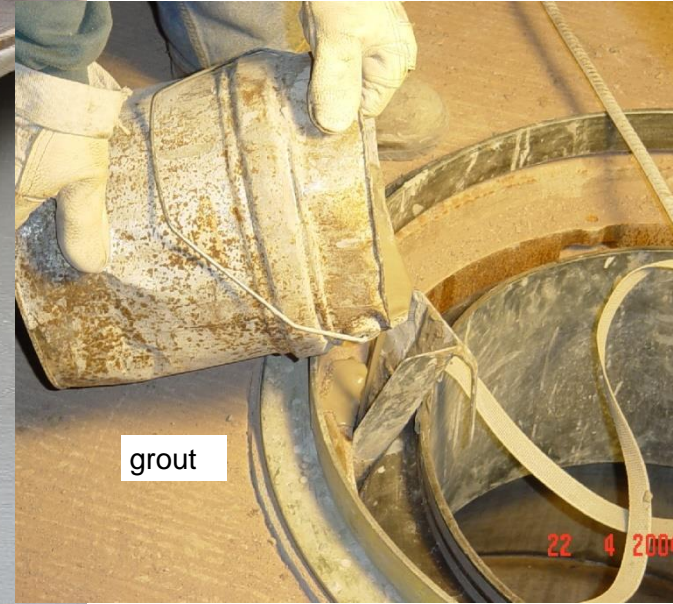
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MANHOLE (OPTION A)



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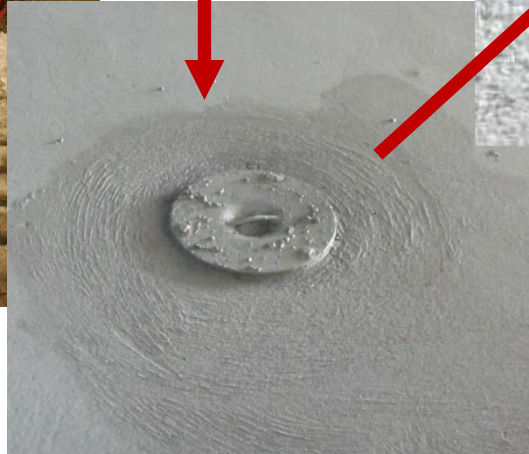
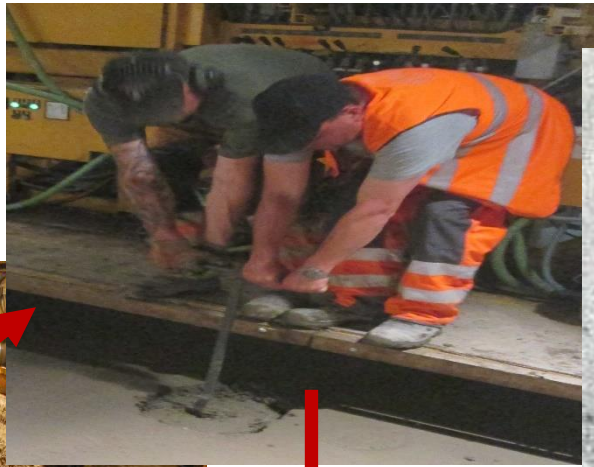
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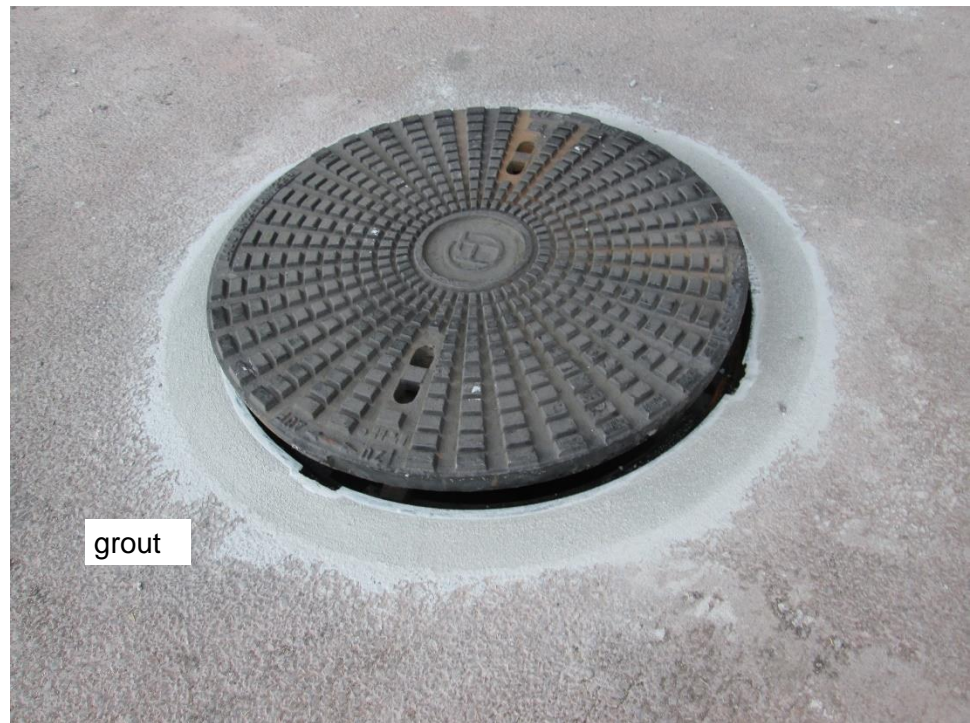


core drilling device



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MANHOLE (OPTION B)



grout

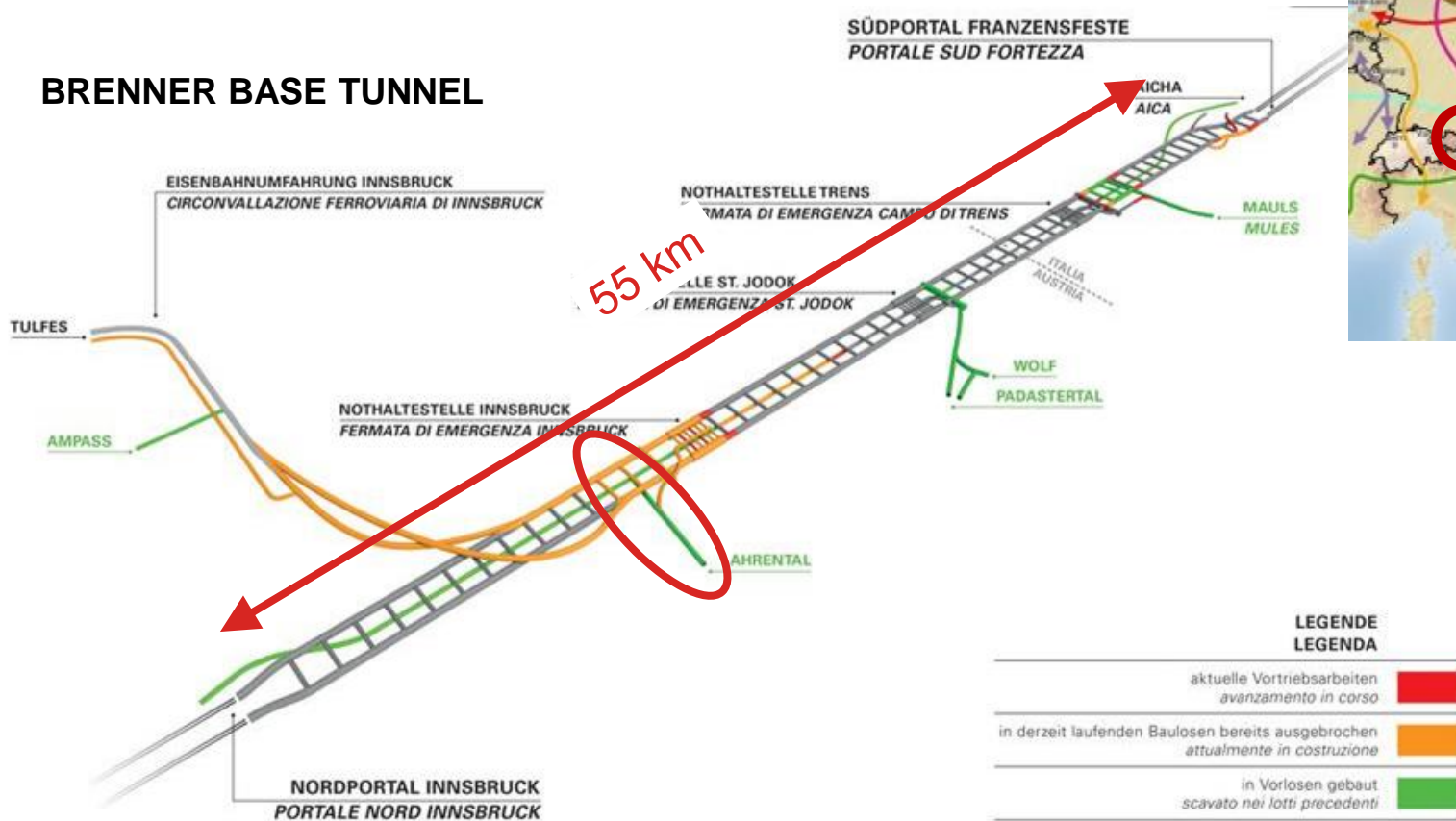
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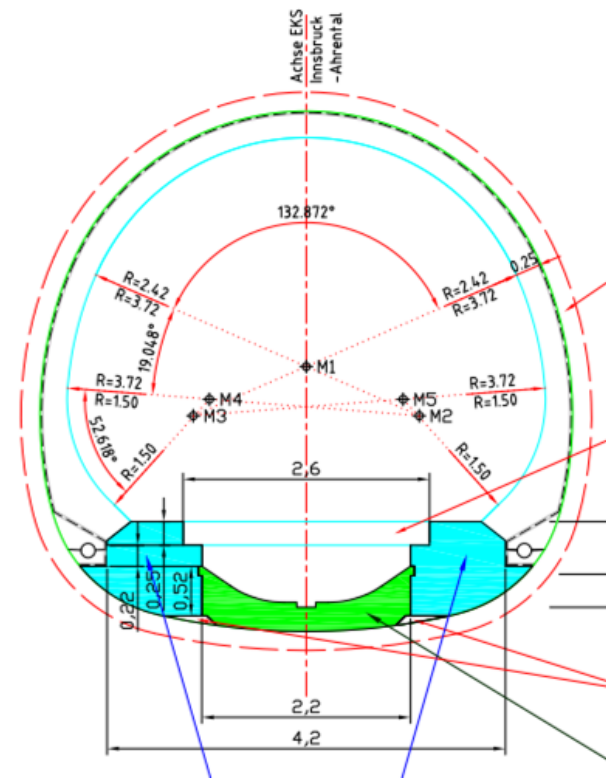
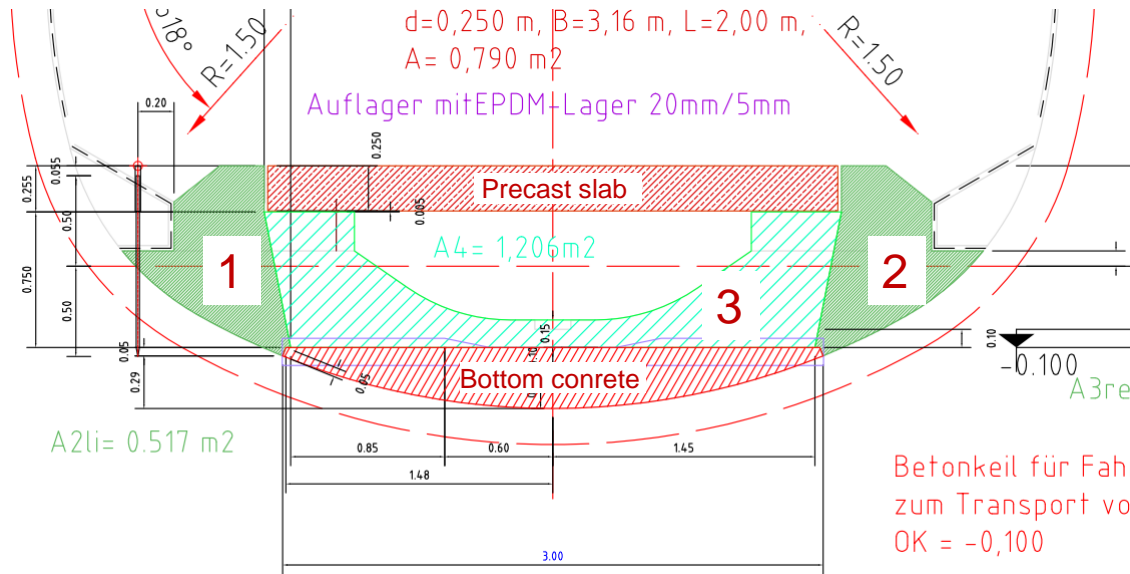
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BRENNER BASE TUNNEL



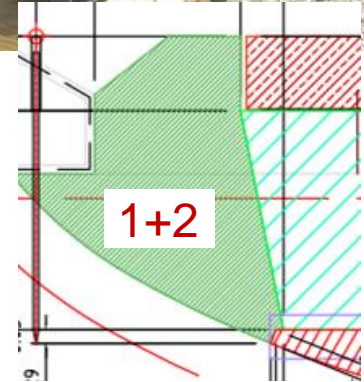
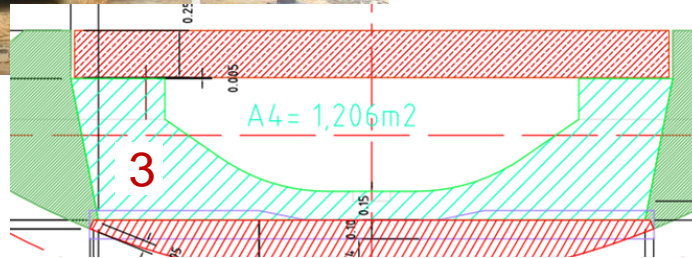
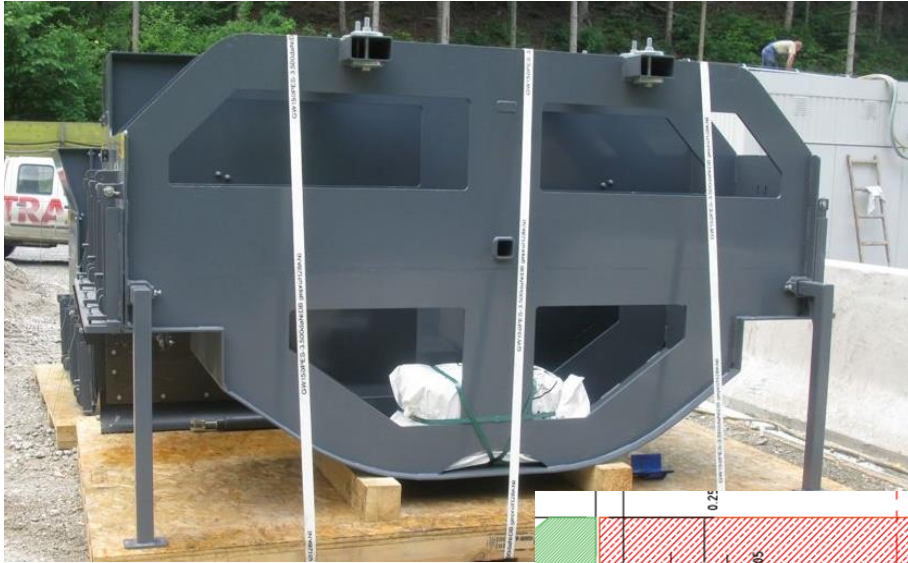
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GUTTER, EMERGENCY AND EXPLORATORY TUNNEL



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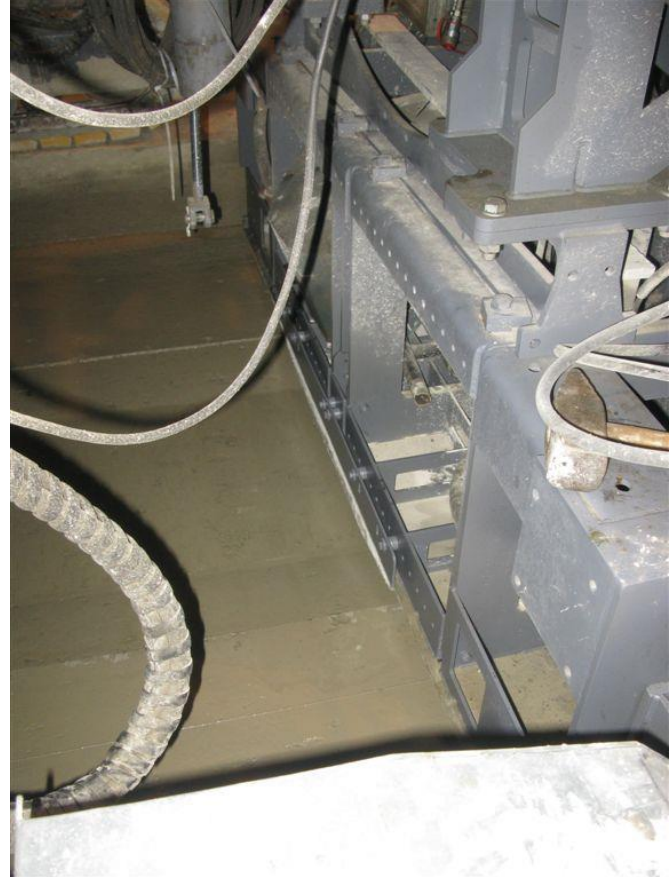
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Brenner Base Tunnel (Austria), 2012

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CONCLUSION



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CONCRETE PAVEMENTS IN TUNNEL

- Design... is not substantially different from outdoor pavements
- Execution of works... has to be carried out under special conditions
- Special Details... require special types of execution
- Special Tasks... can be performed with slip form technology