

# *Anderson Road Quarry Joint Cavern Development*

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# Project Background



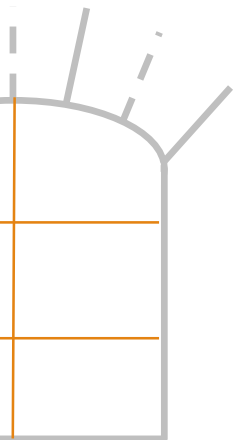
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Rock Cavern Project for **NIMBY** only?

*What can be done **NEXT?***

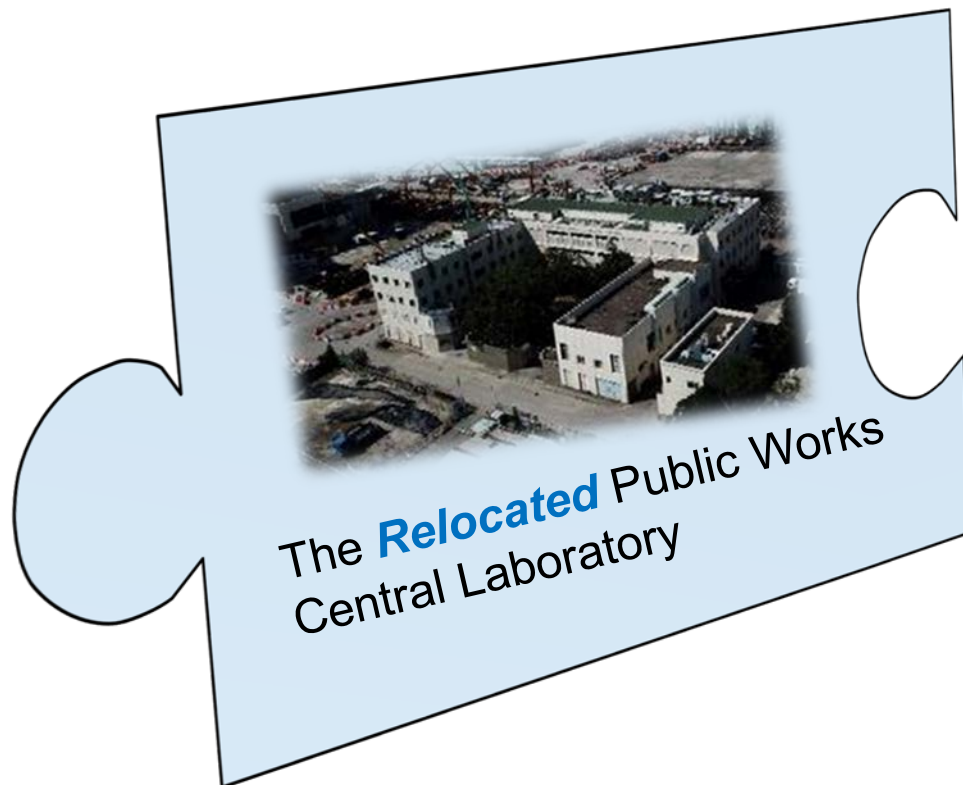
*Are we ready **Now?***

***YES*** we are!



# Project Background

The Anderson Road Quarry Joint Cavern Development consist ***TWO facilities***



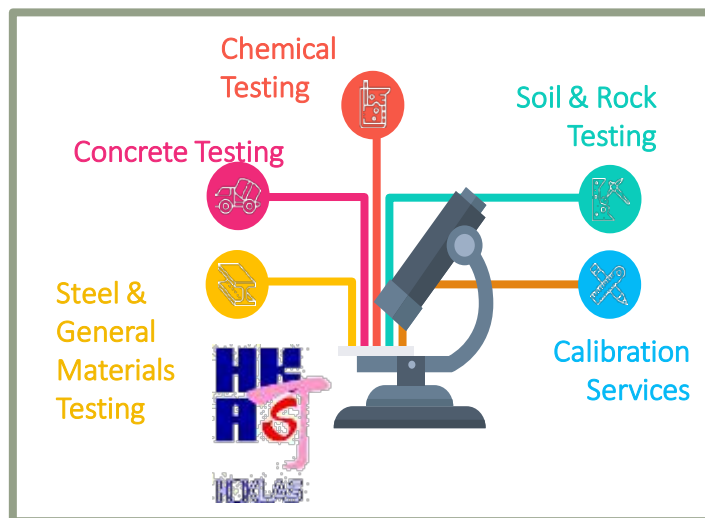
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Relocation of Public Works Central Laboratory (PWCL) into cavern



# Project Background

- Ensure the construction materials for public works meet the **highest standards**
- Provide **high quality testing services**

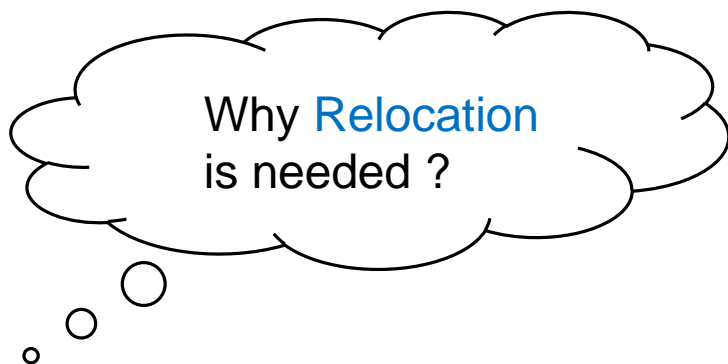


# Project Background



350 types of test  
on average 400,000 test per year





1. Release the *valuable surface land resource*
2. Establish a *modern and more sophisticate* laboratory



Aging facilities and inefficient design



Insufficient space limited development

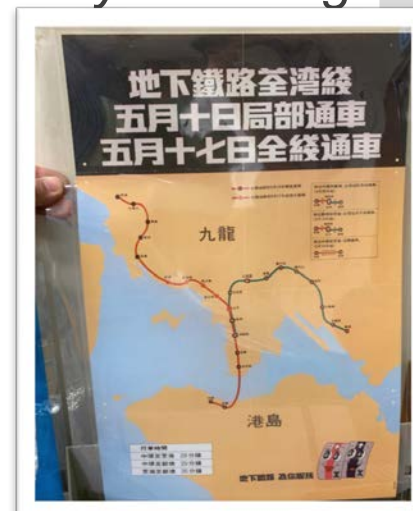
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New Government Records Service(GRS)'s Archives Centre (AC)



## Vision of the GRS

To be the leading, *most insightful and resourceful public archives* in Hong Kong that excels in preserving and promoting the documentary heritage of our city in the digital era.



# Project Background



Archives Repositories



Paper Repositories



Microfilm Repositories



Electronic Records  
Repositories



Appraisal and Description

- Various Records Repositories
- Search Room
- Records Preservation and conservation area
- Exhibition Room
- Lecture Room
- Office and Works Area



Conservation  
Workshop



Workshop and Seminar



Reference Services Counter



Search Room



Finding Aids Area

# Project Background

Why a NEW Archives  
Centre is needed ?

- The existing Hong Kong Public Records Building commissioned in 1997. After 24 years, **capacity of the Archives Repositories capacity had been fully utilized.**
- Due to the specific requirements on **temperature, humidity, lighting, weight**, etc., for Archives Repositories, **ordinary buildings are not suitable** for storage of the documents.

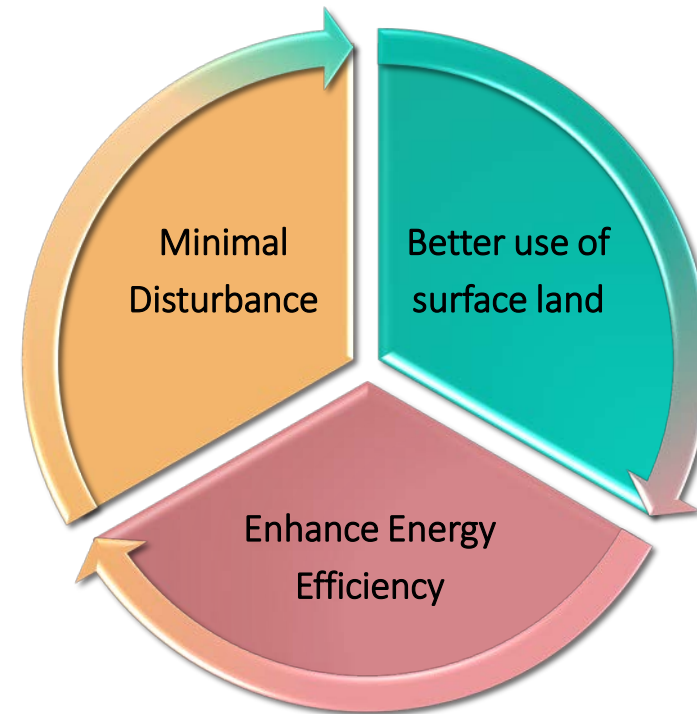
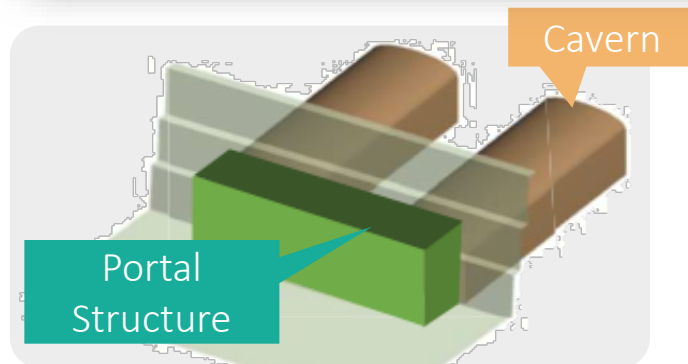
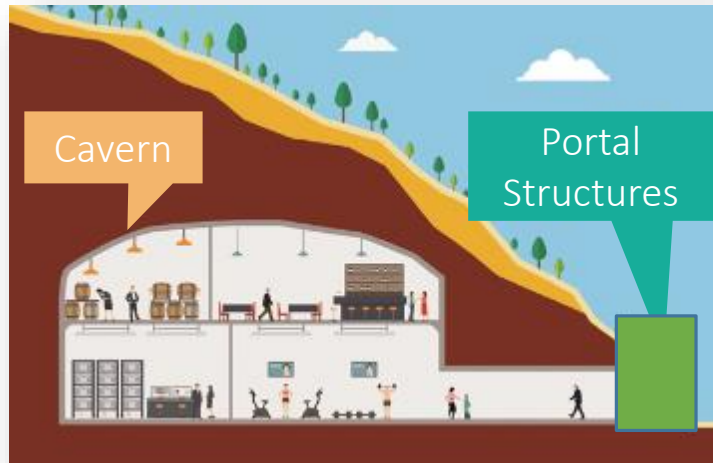
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We are FULL



# Why do we use Rock Cavern



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# Benefits of using Rock Cavern

Reserving  
surface land for  
**Better land use**



# Benefits of using Rock Cavern

Rock Cavern provides **Stable Environment** which could enhance **Energy Efficiency**



Paper Repositories (18°C/50%)



Microfilm Repository (13°C/35%)



Curing tank (27°C)



Triaxial Test (19-24°C)

Key consideration:

- ✓ **Environmental Friendly** – Less energy consumption
- ✓ **Economy** – Less cost for E&M equipment to maintain stable environment
- ✓ **Sustainability** – Increase design lift span of the facilities

# Benefits of using Rock Cavern

- Rock Cavern could easily **blend into Natural Environment**
- Rock mass could effectively **isolate the nuisance**
- **Do not constrain** future development outside cavern

Example

- ✓ **Isolation of potential Noise and Emission**



Concrete pipe load test



Tension test for steel

# Benefits of using Rock Cavern

## Foreign Successful Cases



Material Lab – Switzerland



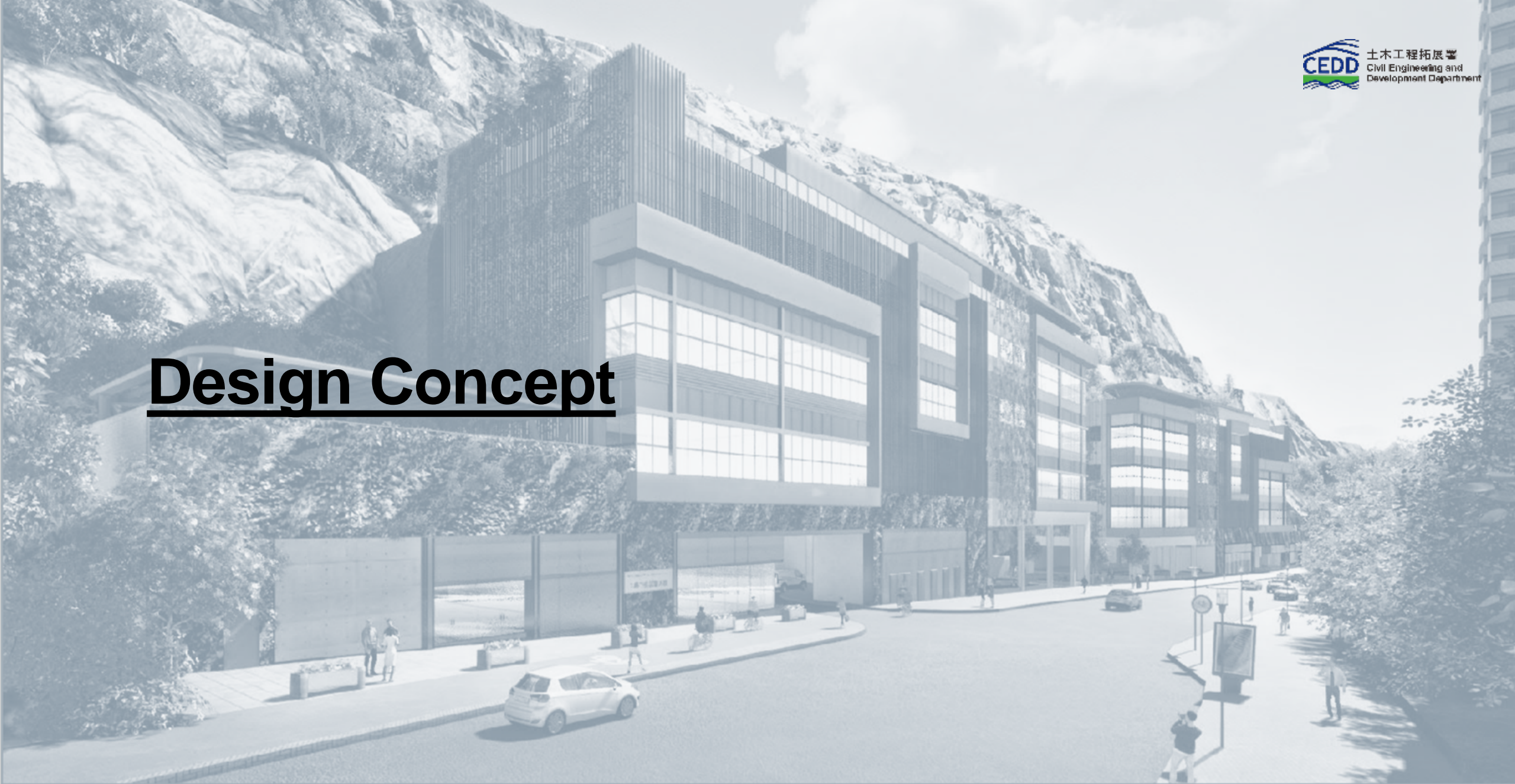
National Archives - Norway



## ***WE WILL BUILD***

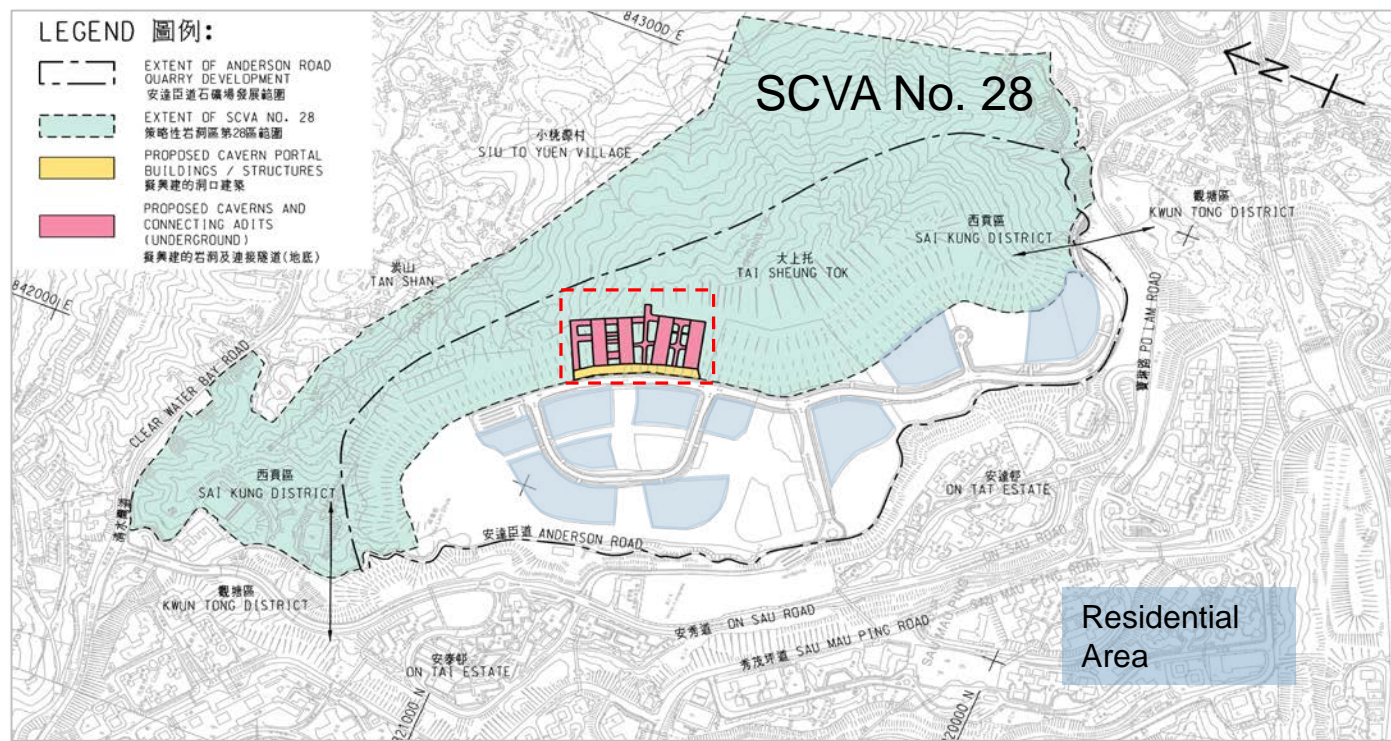
- ❑ **FIRST** MATERIAL LABORATORY IN CAVERN IN THE WORLD
- ❑ **FIRST** ARCHIVES CENTRE IN CAVERN IN ASIA

# Design Concept



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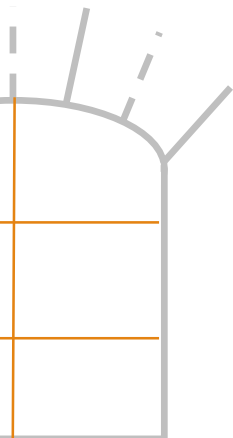
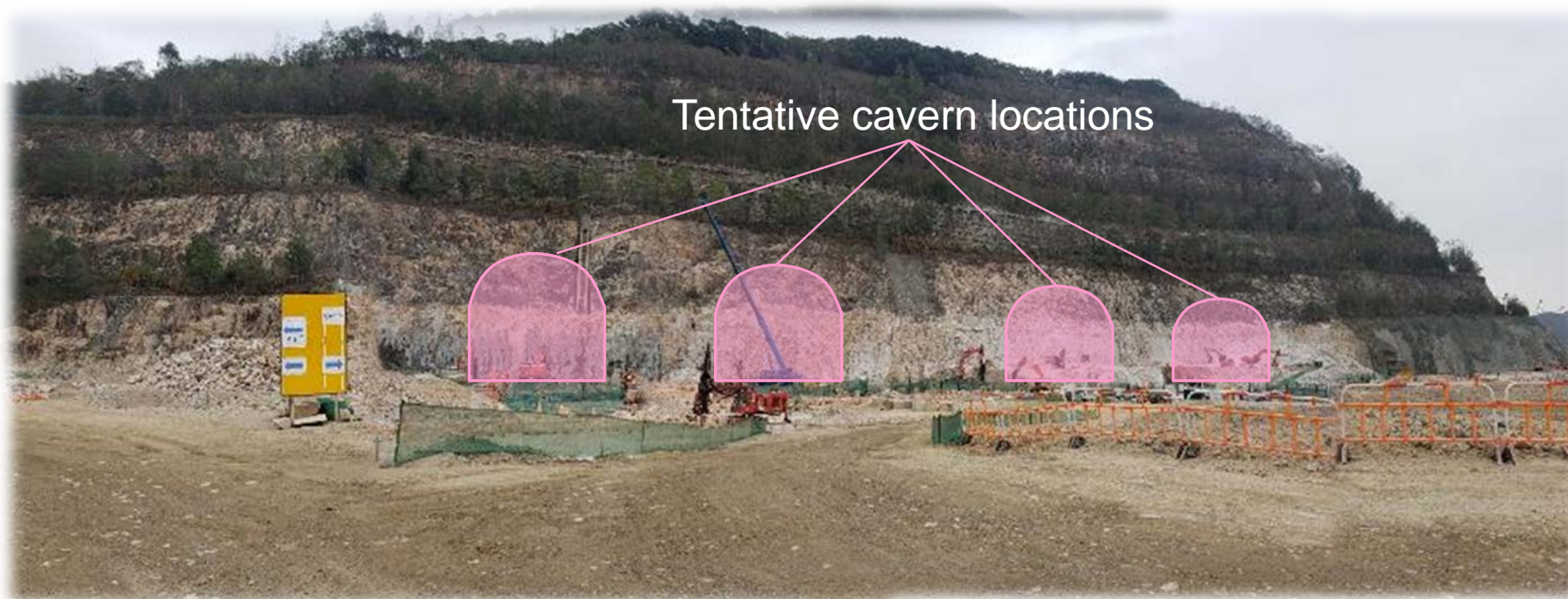
## Selected Location – Anderson Road Quarry (ARQ) Site



Tai Sheung Tok Strategic Cavern Area (SCVA) No. 28

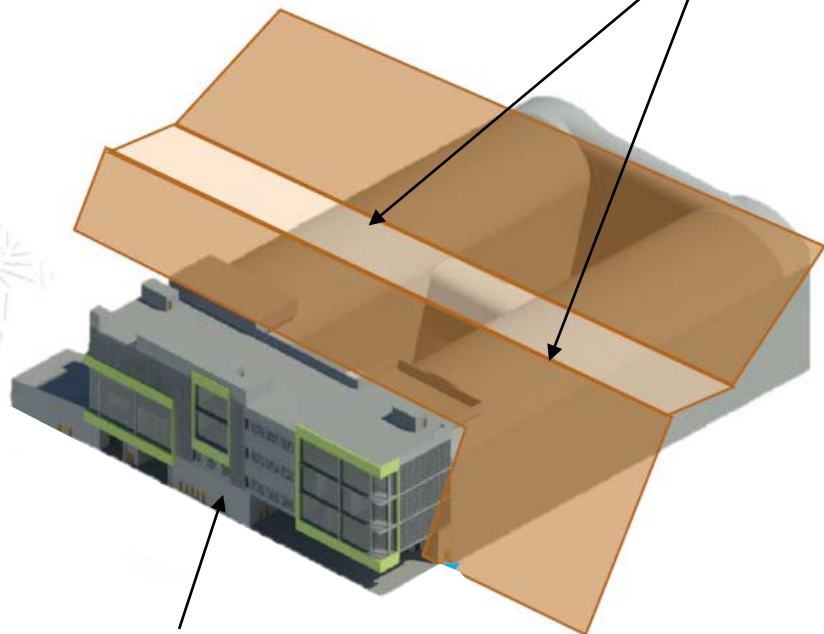
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Existing Site Condition of ARQ



# Design Concept

Cavern Structure (laboratory testing area, records repositories)



Portal Structure

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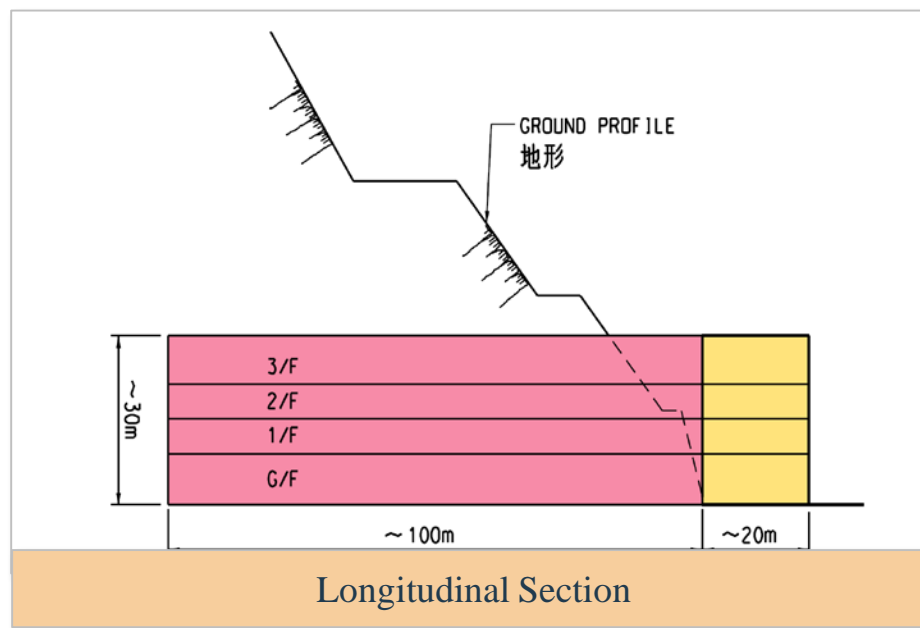
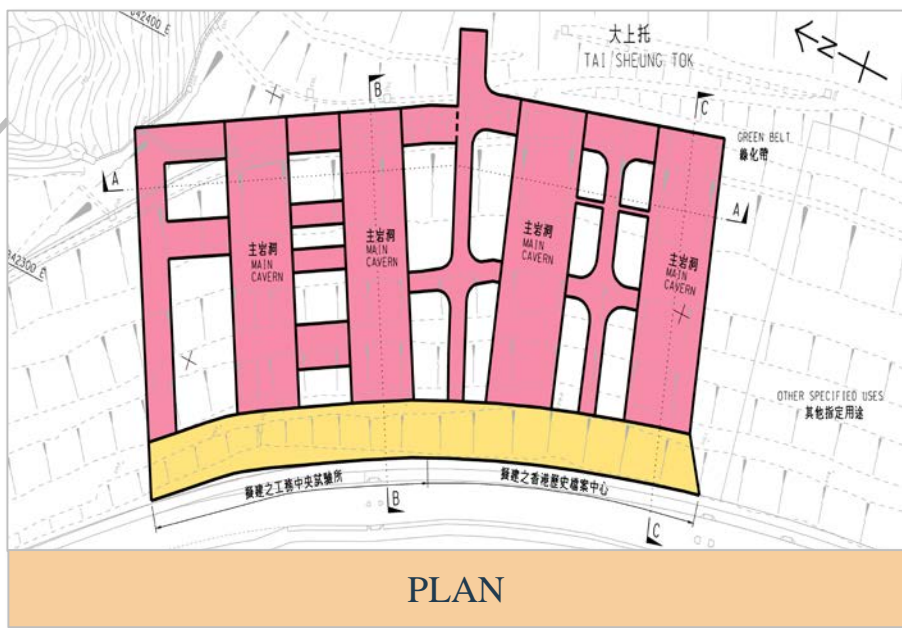
**Integrated Structure**

Cavern Structure

Portal Structure (for general office, E&M plants, conference room, etc.)

# Design Concept

- Preliminary Dimensions in accordance with Feasibility Studies, will be further **OPTIMIZED**
- Multi-storey structure inside caverns

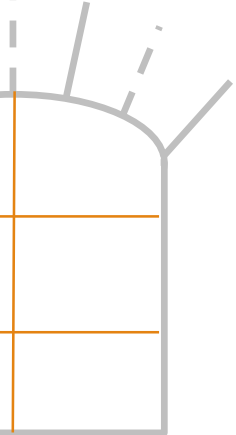


# Design Concept



Coherent  
Architectural  
design

- ✓ Astonishing structure **Outside**
- ✓ Functional area **Inside** for effective **Isolation**



# Design Concept



Blending into  
Environment

- ✓ Greening Provision to tie-in with the adjacent natural environment
- ✓ Match with community's development plan
- ✓ Reserved Space for public event



Covered Open Area



Display Panels for Hong Kong Geology

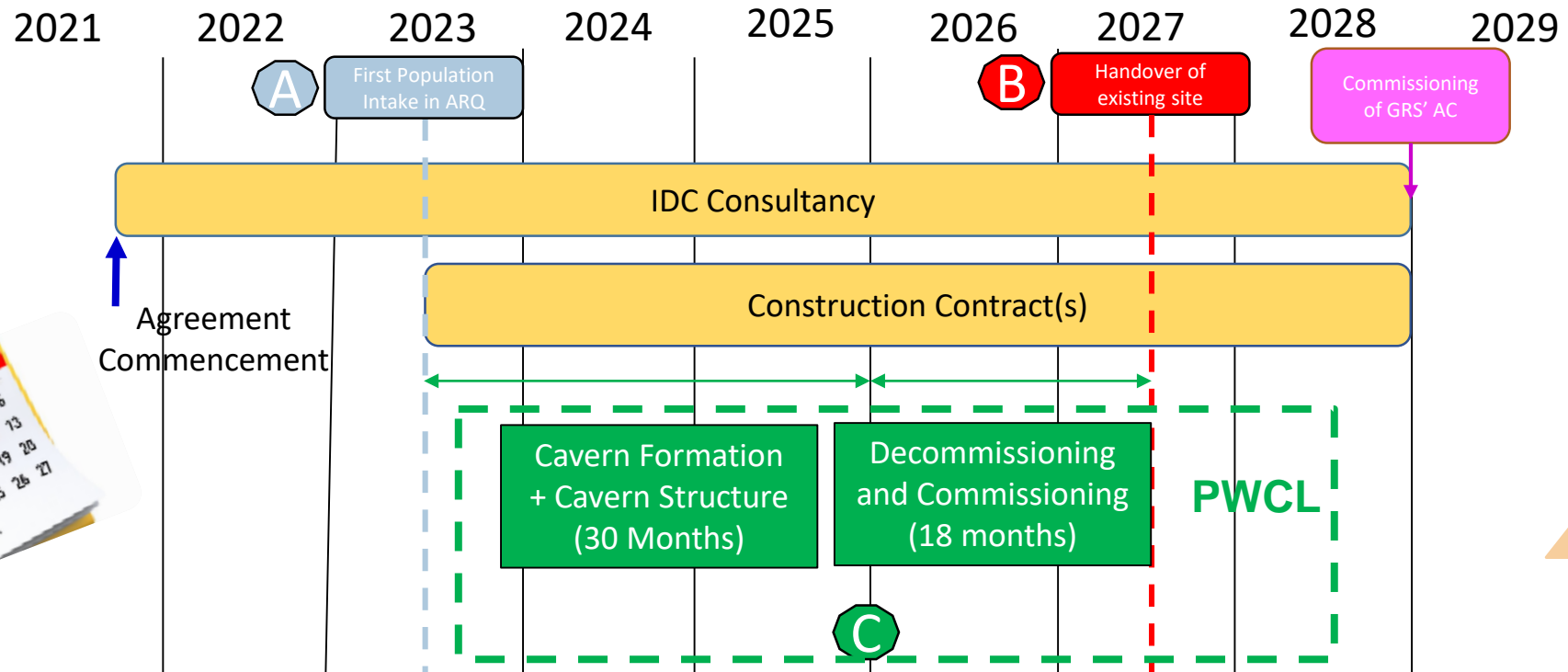


# Major Challenges



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## 1. Extremely Tight Programme for Commission of New PWCL



Overall Programme for Joint Cavern Development (PWCL and AC)



# Major Challenges

## 2. Design Challenges for New Types of Cavern facilities (laboratory and warehouse) of relatively high population

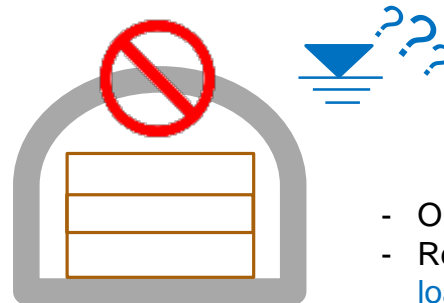
Emergency Vehicular Access  
 Fire Resistance Rating Requirement Fire Engineering  
 Place of Safety Fire Service Installations Safe Passage  
 Mean of Access  
**CAVERN**  
 Rock Reinforcement Approach  
 Seepage Control Water Proofing MiC System  
 Cost Efficiency Radon Gas Size E&M Plant Location  
 Ventilation Requirement  
 Air Quality and Zero Emission  
 Permanent Sprayed Concrete

- ❑ No applicable design guideline for this types of facilities in caverns



Guide on Fire Safety Design for Cavern 1994 (for small cavern with low population)

- ❑ More Cost-effective Design



- Omission of Permanent Lining
- Review of design ground water loading

# Major Challenges

## 3. Safeguarding the Development Potential of the SCVA No. 28

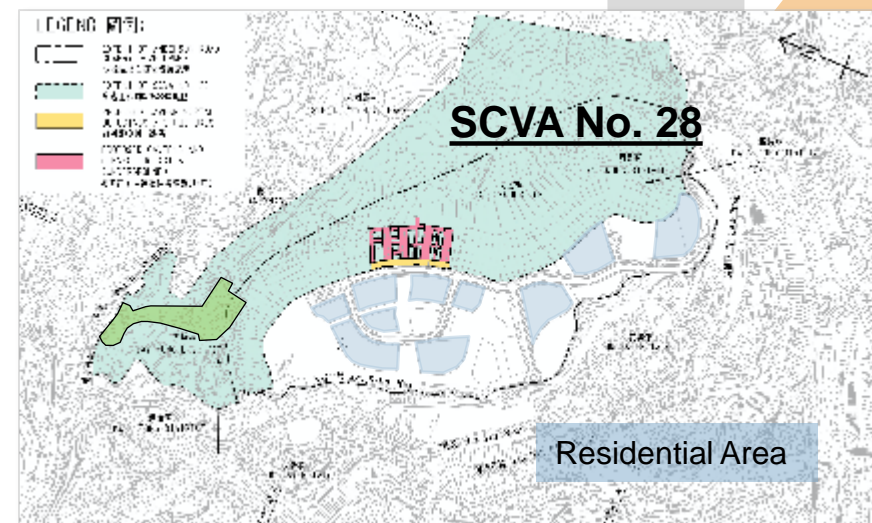
### DEVB TC(W) No. 8/2017



### Policy

8. All new Government projects<sup>4</sup> and land disposal/alienation proposals (including lease modification and land exchange) that wholly or partly fall within SCVAs delineated in the CMP shall be submitted for vetting by the SCCD. The SCCD will make comments and, where appropriate, recommendations on **suitable provisions to safeguard the development potential of the SCVAs and optimise their utilisation.**

- After the commissioned PWCL and AC, they become sensitive receivers which may prohibit future development
- ARQ full population intake in 2026

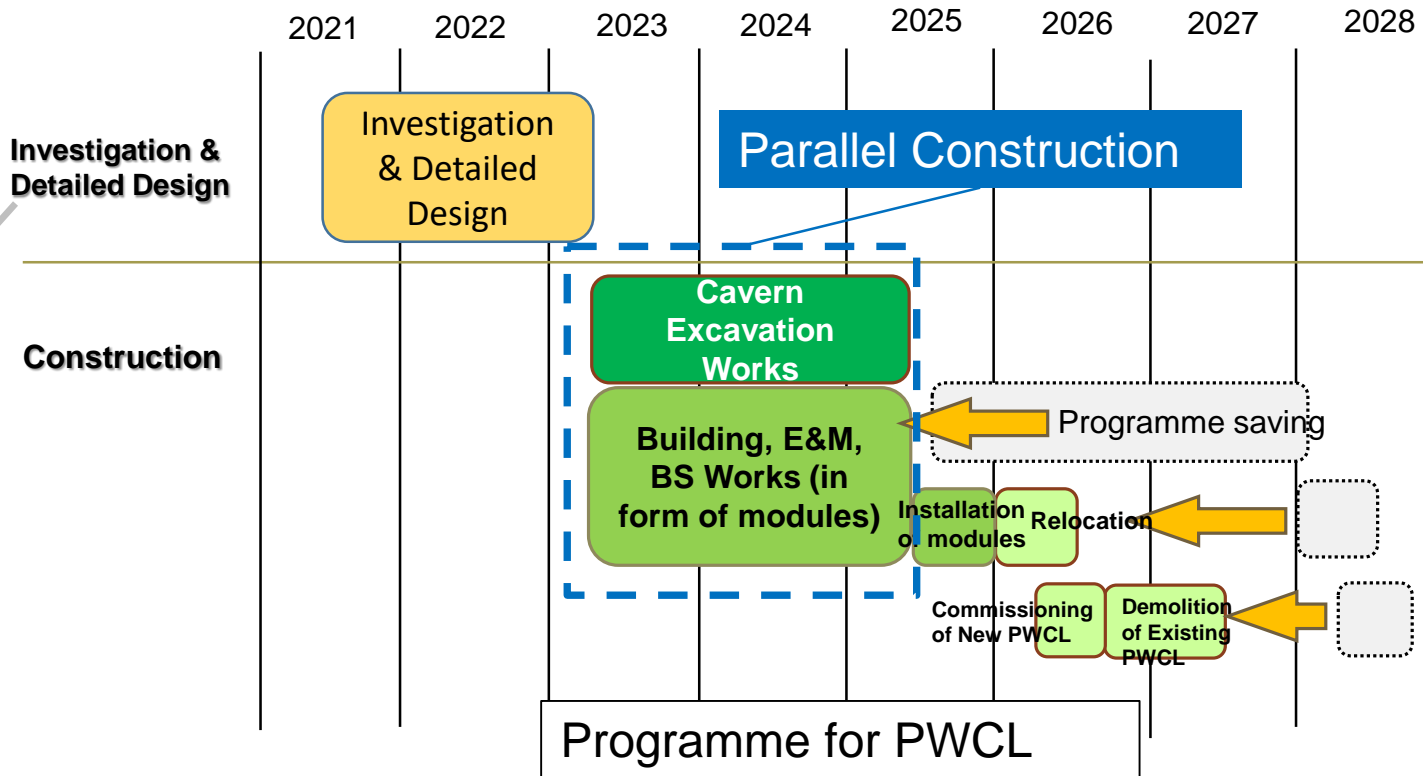


# Technical Innovations



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## 1. Modular Integrated Construction (MiC) in Cavern



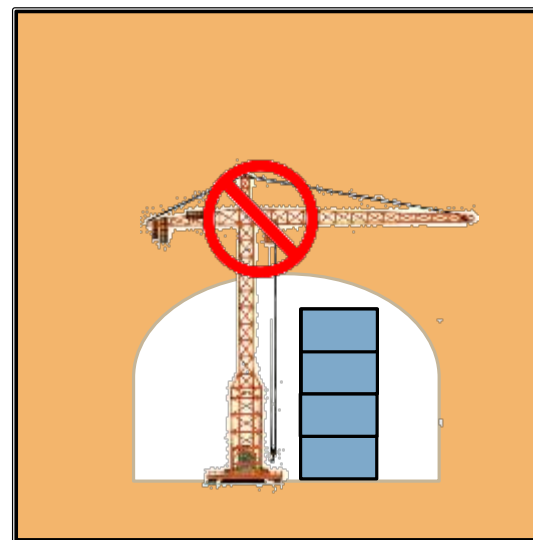
Quarantine Camp in Penny Bay – Phase 1A  
110 units built in **56** day



Quarantine Camp in Penny Bay – Phase 4  
306 units built in **41** day

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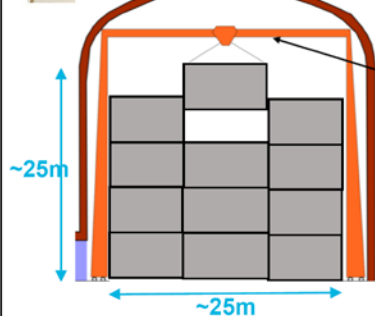


- ❑ Spatial constraint inside cavern – **Atypical assemble method**
- ❑ Unprecedented case worldwide

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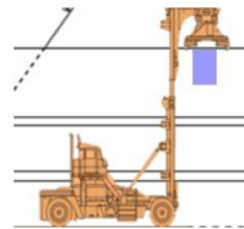
## 1. Modular Integrated Construction (MiC) in Cavern – Possible ways of assemble

Option 1 – by Gantry Crane



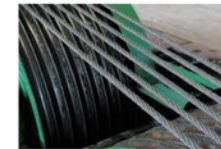
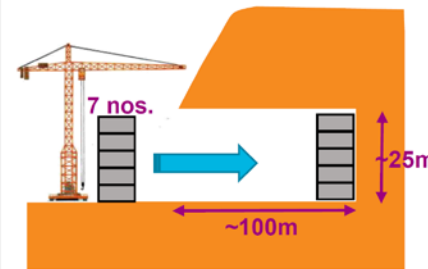
- Extra excavation volume are required for the space occupied by the gantry

Option 2 – by Forklift



- Limited loading height and capacity

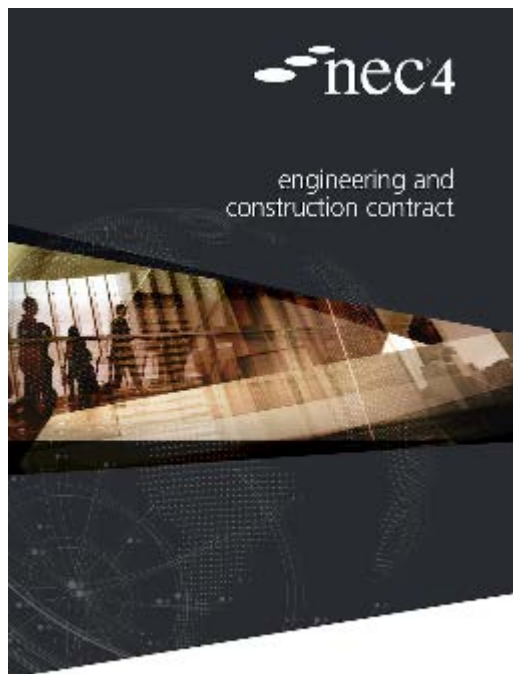
Option 3 – by Cable Pulling System



- Difficult to maintain the verticality and prevent overturning
- Longer time for installation and testing of the system before use

# Technical Innovations

## 2. Early Contractor Involvement (ECI)



- ❑ NEC4 New Clause X22 the Early Contractor Involvement
- ❑ **Modified version** to suit HKSAR contract procurement
- ❑ To capture **CONSTRUCTOR'S EXPERTISE ON MiC CONSTRUCTION** at early stage



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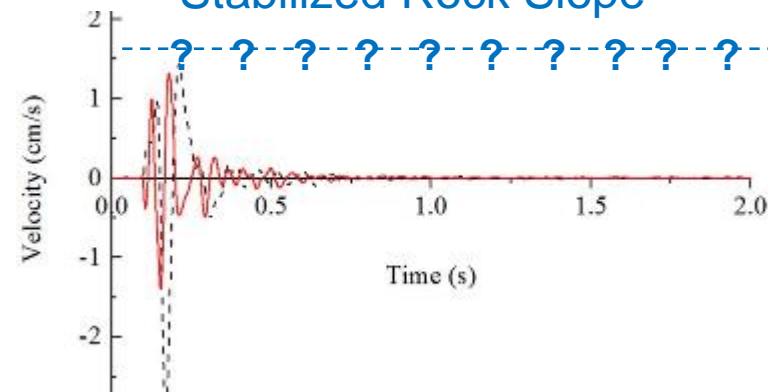
## 3. Increase of rock slope vibration Resistance

- ❑ To expedite the rock excavation rate, charge weight would be maximized



- ❑ Stabilized Rock Slope form under ARQ are the main sensitive receivers to the blasting vibration

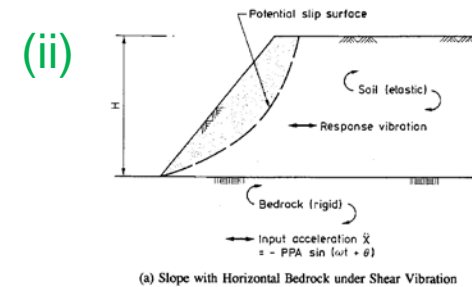
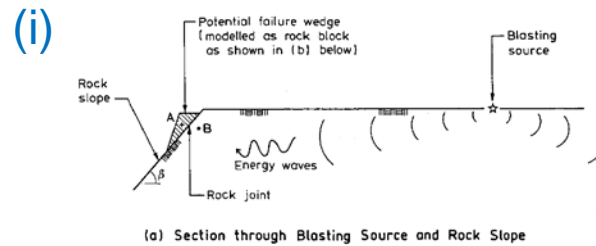
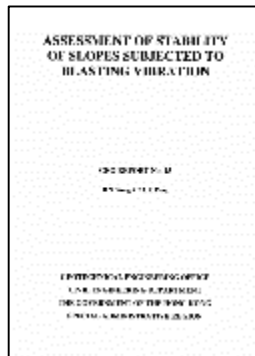
### Determination of PPVc for Stabilized Rock Slope



# Technical Innovations

## 3. Increase of rock slope vibration Resistance

- GEO Report No. 15 provided guideline to determine ppvc for (i) rock slope without stabilization measures and (ii) Soil Slope



- GEO TGN No. 28 stipulated the Control Frameworks for Soil Slopes subjected to blasting vibration

### NEW CONTROL FRAMEWORK FOR SOIL SLOPES SUBJECTED TO BLASTING VIBRATIONS

Type of Slope	Slopes that pose negligible risk to life	Consequence-to-life (CTL) category 1 & 2 slopes that meet current standards	All other slopes
PPV Limit	25 mm/s (Notes 1 & 2)	25 mm/s (Notes 1 & 2)	Analysis or other justified approach

# Technical Innovations

## 4. Use of Advance Sprayed Concrete

- Successful application of Sprayed Concrete Lining worldwide



Crossrail – Stepney Green junction’s Eastbound SCL cavern



High quality concrete could be produced

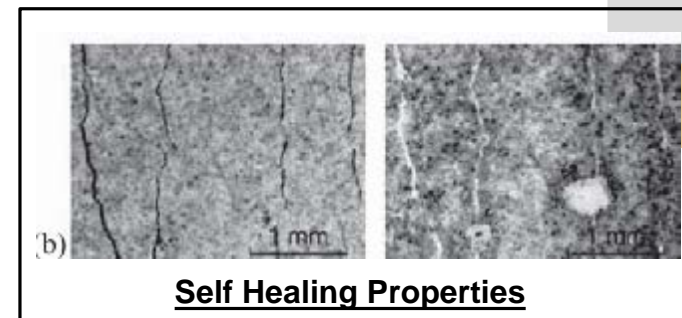
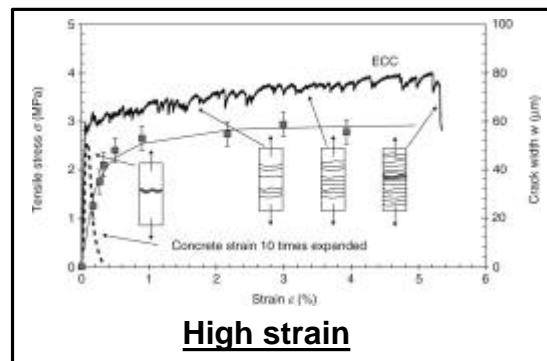
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## 4. Use of Advance Sprayed Concrete

- ❑ Recent Advancement in Concrete Technology
- ❑ Example **Engineering Cementitious Composites (ECC)** by Prof. Victor Li, University of Michigan



**Bendable Concrete**

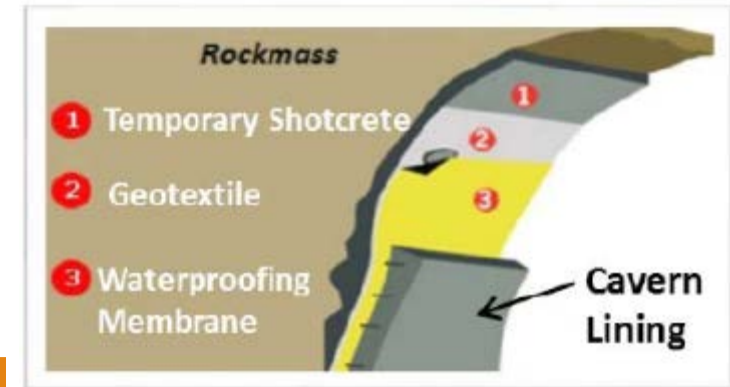


**Self Healing Properties**

# Technical Innovations

## 4. Use of Advance Sprayed Concrete

- Composite Lining Design – More Cost Effective



Option	Primary Lining	Secondary Lining	Waterproof	Composite Action
1	Temporary	Yes	Yes	No
2	Permanent	Yes	Yes	Load Sharing
3	Permanent	Yes	No	Load Sharing
4	Permanent	Yes	Yes	Composite
5	Permanent	Yes	No	Composite
6	Permanent	No	No	Single Pass

← Traditional Design (Hong Kong)



← Crossrail (2009)

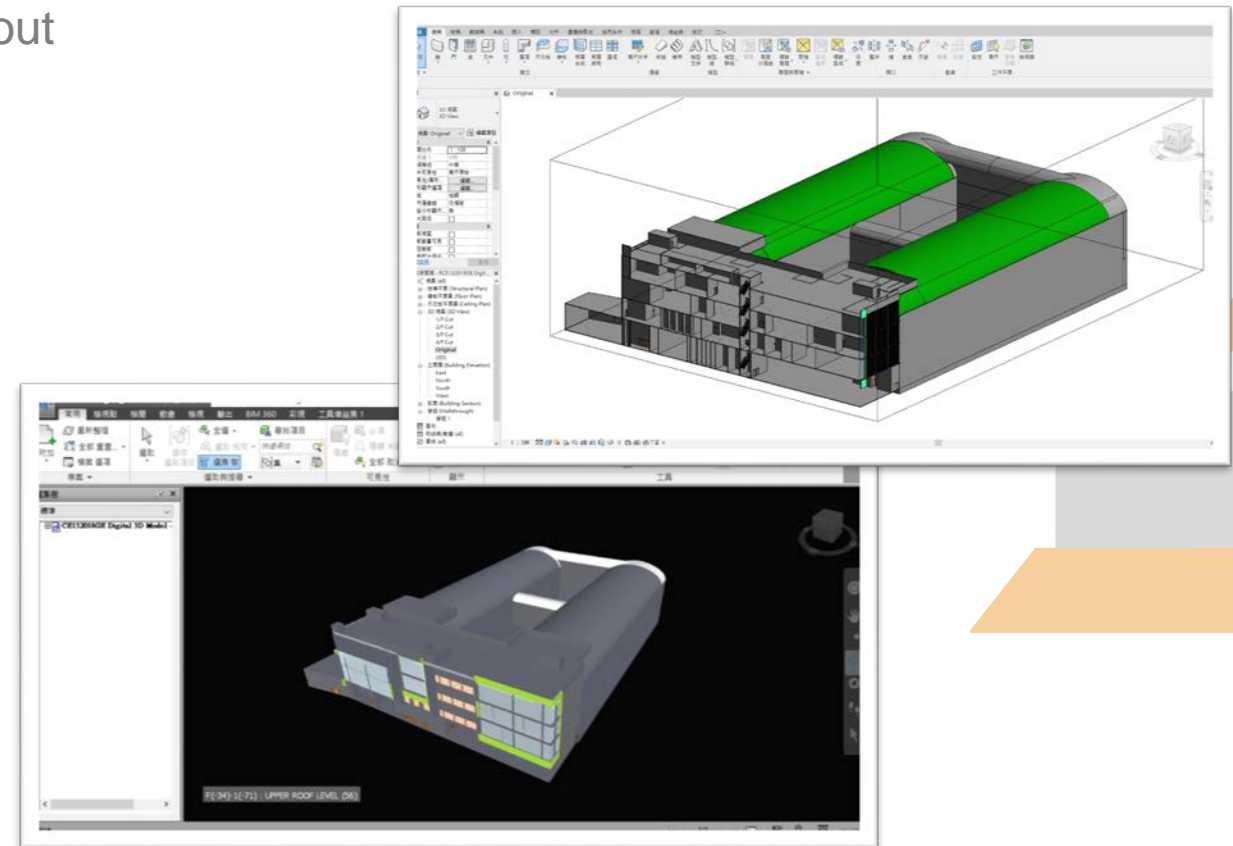
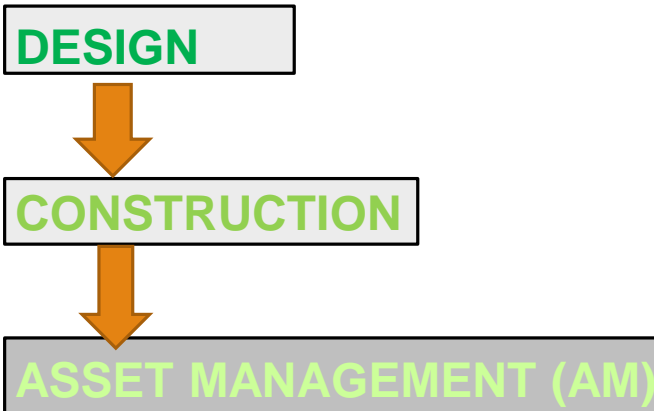


← Tideway West (2016)

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## 5. Adoption of Latest BIM Technology for Asset Management

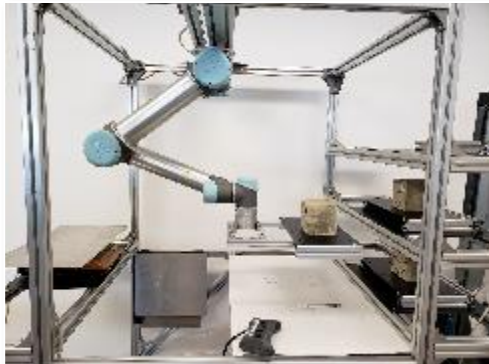
- Full use of BIM technique throughout



# Technical Innovation

## 6. Automation system

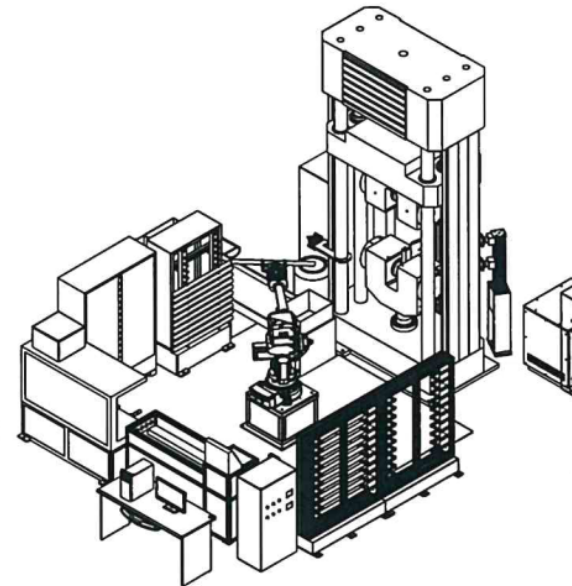
- ❑ Increase operation efficiency, improve occupation safety, minimize human error



Robotic Arm



Automated Storage and Retrieval System



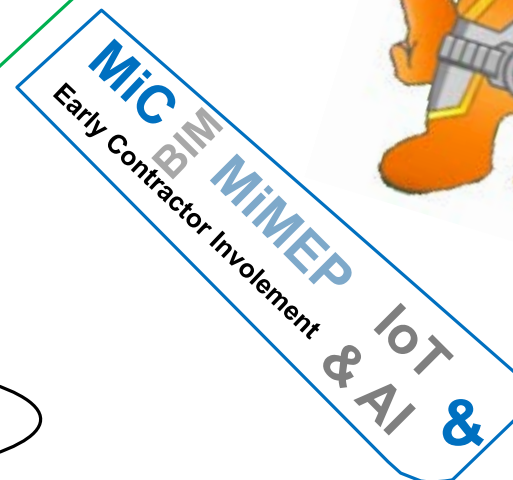
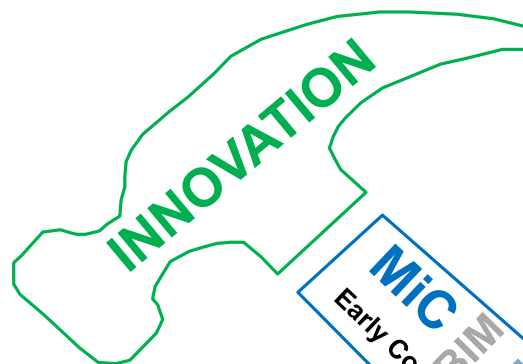
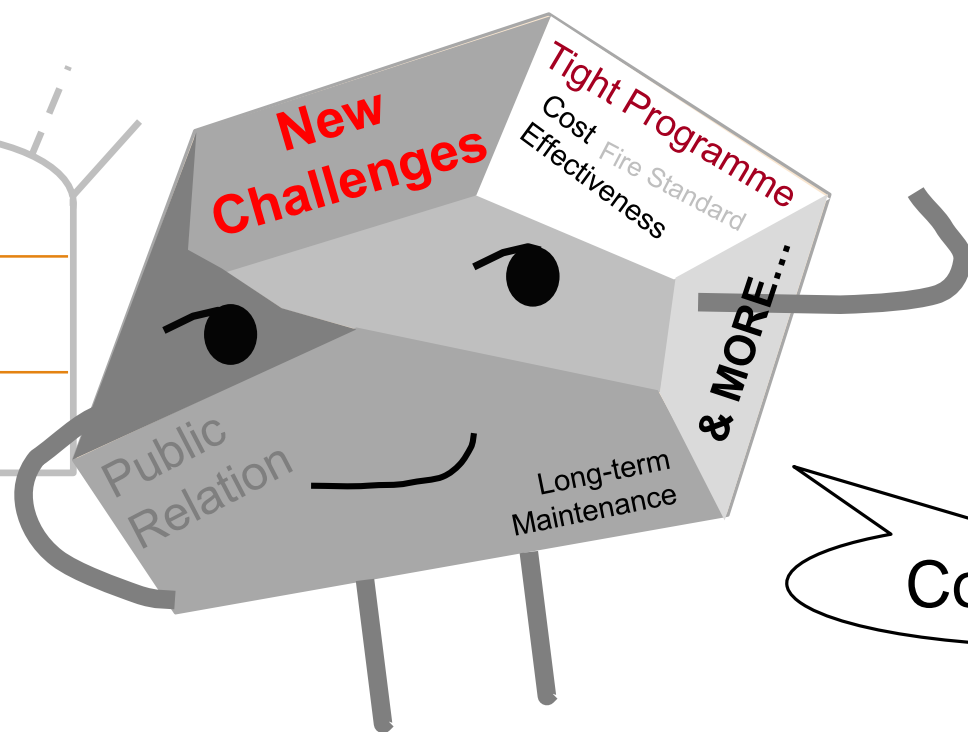
Automated Steel Testing (prototype)

# Conclusion



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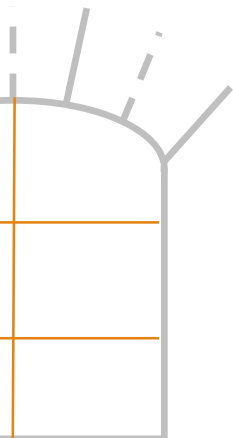
- New Cavern Development brings **New Challenges**
- and **INNOVATION** is the tool to overcome **Challenges**



**& A LOT MORE!**

# Conclusion

More Important ! Your Ideas and Support are **NEEDED !**



# Conclusion

*Only with Our Collaborative Effort, **Full Potential of Rock Cavern** could be unleashed*

To create **MORE** Rock Caverns

for **WIDER** applications

and **BETTER** connect to the Community



*End*

*Thank you for your attention*