### **SWEDISH ROCK BLASTING ASSOCIATION**



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BEF – Bergsprängnings Entreprenörernas Förening, established in 2002.

We currently have 95 member companies spread throughout the country. Our member companies perform approx. 85% (blasted volume) of surface blasting in Sweden.

The association also has a section for actively supporting partners, i.e. companies with a significant role in the rock blasting industry. At the moment we have approx. 50 actively supporting partner



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Our primary task is to support our members in their daily work. We have a strong focus on work environment and safety-security.

We monitor and influence relevant authorities in matters of legislation and regulations that affect our industry





# ONGOING AND UPCOMING LARGE ROCK PROJECTS IN SWEDEN

### SWEDISH TRANSPORT ADMINISTRATION



## TRAFIKVERKET







### **Projects**

The North Bothnia Line

Göteborg-Borås Marieholmsförbindelsen Västlänken The Stockholm City Line Project
E4 The Stockholm Bypass
The Mälaren Line Project
The North Link Project
The East Link Project
The Södertörn Cross Link Project
The Eastern Stockholm Connection Project















### The West Link Project

2/3 of the tunnel is in rock.

1/3 of the tunnel is in a special kind of clay called "Gothenbourg clay" which is looser and has lower strength than many other soils.

Special methods to manage groundwater.





### The E4 Stockholm Bypass Project

21 km new road west of Stockholm. Drilling and blasting 20 milj. tons of rock. Started in 2016 and will be finished in 2030.





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Complicated rock blasting close to the subway, culturalhistorical buildings, housing and other buildings.







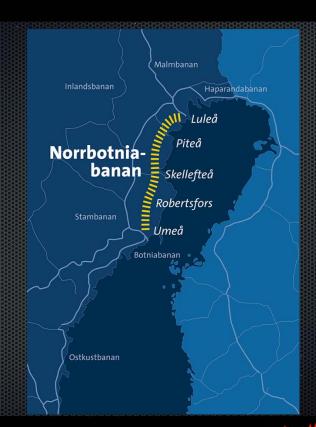






### The North Bothnia Line

270 km coastal railway between Umeå and Luleå





### The North Bothnia Line

- 250 new bridges.
- 550 km new roads.
- ~ 14 million tons of rock.
- Open to traffic beyond 2030
- Cost: 3,7 billion €.







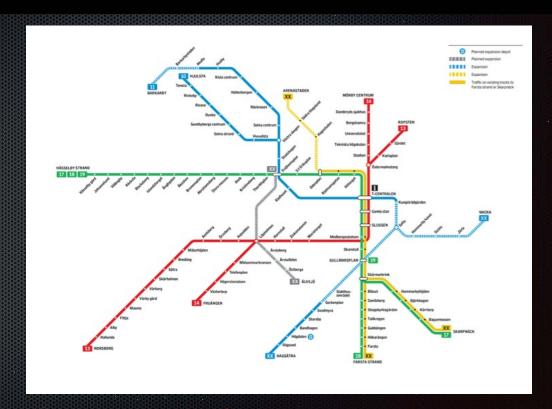








30 km of tracks
18 stations
15 milj. tons of rock.
180 000 more people will be able to travel the Metro every day





Currently being built







- The Blue line to Barkarby
- The Yellow line to Arenastaden
- The Blue line to Söderort and Nacka
- The Högdalen depot expansion
- Metro to Älvsjö

In service in 2026
In service in 2028
In service in 2030
Operational in 2025
In service in 2034





## UPCOMING PROJECTS





### **Swedish Gouverment**



### 81 000 000 000 €

The biggest investment in infrastructure in modern times, the next 10 years



### National plan for the transport infrastructure in Sweden.



15 billion euros for operation and maintenance of state railways

18 billion euros for the operation and maintenance of gouverment roads

40 billion euros for the development of the transport system.

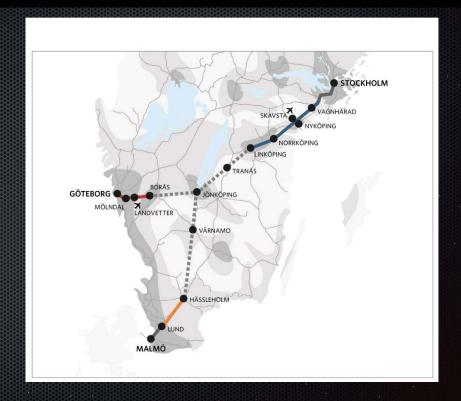
#### And

8 billion euros comes from congestion tax, railway fees and co-financing



### New high-speed railways

- The East Link project 2024-2034
- The Gothenburg-Borås project 2025-2027
- The Hässleholm-Lund project 2027-2029





## And more in addition to the previous...

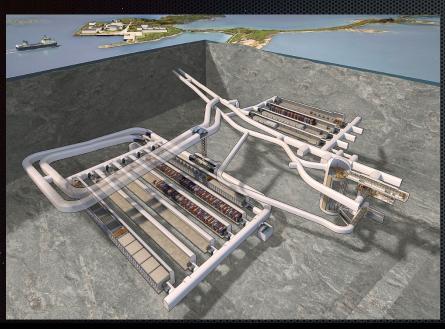




SKB, the Swedish Nuclear Fuel and Waste Management Company, is engaged in one of Sweden's largest environmental protection projects.



### Expansion of capacity for final repository, short-lived radioactive waste



The Project scope contains both the detailed design and construction of:

- Ramp (drill & blast) year 2024-2027
- Repository area (drill & blast) year 2024-2027
- The infrastructure of the repository area year 2027-2030
  - Construction of buildings
  - Installations :

Cables, electric, water pumps, ventilation etc.





### Final repository for spent nuclear fuel, long-lived radioactive waste

#### Facts & Figures

Start of construction 2028, start of operation 2038, in operation for 50 years

Main part of the scope is paused until legal permits has been granted.

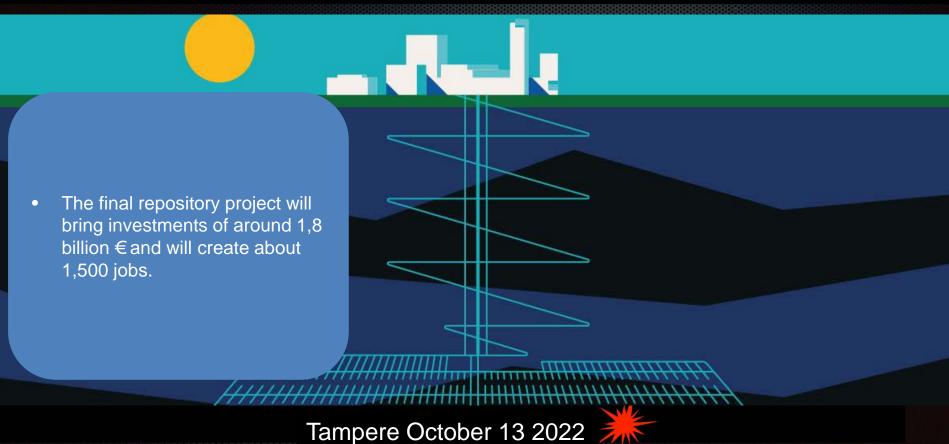
#### **Underground facility**

- Capacity to store 6000 canisters (12 000 tonnes of spent fuel)
- Storage depth ~ -500 meters
- Transport and deposit tunnels of 60 km total length
- Ramp 5km length (10% slope)
- the repository will be three to four square kilometers in size
- More than 6 million tons of rock





### Investments and jobs





### Good times

In summary, recent decades we have had a very high occupation regarding working in rock. The future also looks very good. In addition to the large planned projects, more housing, schools, hospitals and roads are also needed.





## But, we also have some problems...





- The war in Ukraine affect us all
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- High inflation, rising interest rates
- Rising energy costs
- Lack of goods, raw materials, transports etc.
- New government after the election in September



### No new high-speed railways?

Last week, the incoming government announced that they do not want to build high-speed railways.

But the last word has not yet been said...





### And then we have...

The cement crisis on Gotland!







The Land and Environmental Court rejected the company Cementa's application for continued mining on July 6, 2021

The company has a temporary permit until the end of 2022.





Production on Gotland accounts for approximately 75 percent of the cement used in Sweden.

200,000 – 400,000 jobs are at risk as a direct consequence!!





The future of cement production on Gotland is higly risky.

A decision is expected later this autumn.





The large projects, especially in Stockholm, provide a surplus of stone. Stone that could be used to improve the environment in the city, both on land and in the water.



Instead of today's rather boring quays, it would be possible to create...









