



# ACS awarded tunnel project in Canada

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**Dragados Canada will be responsible for the construction of 6.4 kilometres of CSST (Combined Sewage Storage Tunnel) tunnel in Ottawa**

The ACS Group, in the framework of its strategy of growth and expansion in North America and Canada, has been selected by the city of Ottawa for the construction of a tunnel for the storage of storm waters worth 150 million Canadian dollars (approximately 101.5 million euros). The works started in September of this year, with completion expected in September 2019.

Dragados Canada, a subsidiary of ACS designated the winning bidder in the project, will build a tunnel of 6.4 km in length and 3 m in diameter, executed with a tunnel boring machine. The works will allow the temporary storage of surplus flows from existing collectors in Ottawa for further treatment in the city's purifying plants, which will improve the quality of the river water.

These new works will prevent contaminated waters from pouring in into the Ottawa River, thus improving water quality, one of the City's main concerns.

The work also includes the construction of the corresponding connection pits to the existing collectors.

This is the second contract awarded to Dragados Canada in the city of Ottawa after the contract in 2012 for the city's first light rail line for 1.8 billion dollars.

## **Dragados**

Dragados, the construction branch of the ACS Group, is the largest construction company in Spain with a strong international presence (North America, Europe and South America). **Its construction activities include, among other infrastructures, more than 10,500 kilometre of roads and motorways**, including: WestConnex - M5 in Australia, A30 in Canada, S8 in Poland or I-595 in the United States;

**It also features more than 1,380 of kilometre of tunnels of all types and in very different geotechnical conditions**, including, North West Rail Link in Australia, East Side Access of New York, Metro of Madrid, Guadarrama stretch of the AVE line, or the South Bypass of the M-30 in Madrid; A total of over 1,500 bridges built, including: the Constitution of 1812 bridge in Cádiz, the Centennial and the Alamillo bridges, both in Seville, the Waterford bridge in Ireland and the Third Millennium Bridge in Zaragoza;

Similarly, **more than 1,700 kilometres of railways, high speed lines and public transport lines**, including projects such as the California High Speed Rail Construction Package 2-3, first stretch of the California high speed rail system.

Furthermore, Dragados USA continues to expand in the United States with a wide network of offices in cities nationwide. Specifically, in Seattle (Washington), California, Texas, Florida, New York, Puerto Rico, and North Carolina.