## NORTHEAST OHIO REGIONAL SEWER DISTRICT SOUTHERLY TUNNEL AND CONSOLIDATION PROJECT

Project Clean Lake work in Cleveland, Newburgh Heights and Cuyahoga Heights

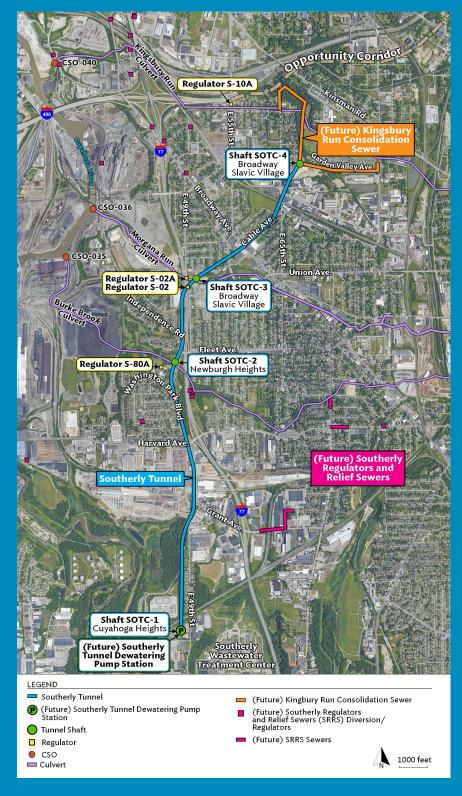
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**ABOUT THE PROJECT** 

# SOUTHERLY TUNNEL AND CONSOLIDATION PROJECT AND PROJECT CLEAN LAKE

The Southerly Tunnel and Consolidation (SOTC) project is part of Project Clean Lake, a \$3 billion, 25 -year program NEORSD began in 2011 to meet Clean Water Act standards. The SOTC is the sixth of seven new large diameter tunnels, along with other projects, that **NEORSD** will use toward Project Clean Lake's overall goal to reduce 4.5 billion gallons of combined sewer overflows (CSOs) released into Lake Erie and its tributaries in the Greater Cleveland area.

SOTC includes nearly 3.5 miles of 23-ft diameter tunnel, built in soft ground (soil), 130 to 185 feet under Cleveland (Broadway Slavic Village), Newburgh Heights and Cuyahoga Heights. Overflows captured by SOTC will be stored until dewatered by the future Southerly Tunnel Dewatering Pump Station to the Southerly Wastewater Treatment Center for treatment before release to the Cuyahoga River.



### SOUTHERLY TUNNEL AND CONSOLIDATION PROJECT

#### **SCHEDULE**

SOTC Project Schedule																																
	Year																															
<b>Project Phase</b>	2021		2022			2023			2024			2025			2026			2027			2028											
Design																																
Bidding							П																									
Construction																																

#### COST

The cost of construction is \$328 million.

#### **CURRENT STATUS**

Construction

#### **BENEFITS**

The SOTC will capture and store overflows from three of the largest CSO outfalls along the Cuyahoga River. Together with the future Kingsbury Run Consolidation Sewer, Southerly Regulators and Relief Sewers and the Southerly Tunnel Dewatering Pump Station, the Southerly Tunnel system will reduce overflow volumes by approximately 760 million gallons each year, providing:

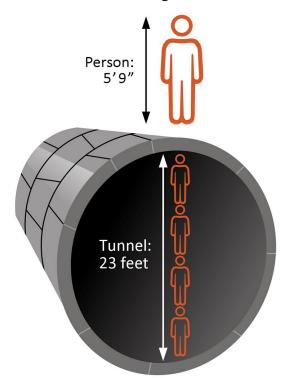
- Improved water quality in the Cuyahoga River;
- A reduction in public health risks associated with CSOs; and
- A cleaner Lake Erie for drinking water, boating, beach-going, and other recreational purposes.

#### SIZE

The finished tunnel will be 23-feet in diameter. That's as tall as four people (5' 9" tall) standing on top of each other!

#### **LENGTH & DEPTH**

Nearly 3.5 miles of tunnel at a depth of 130 to 185 feet below ground.



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