

Tips For Having a Successful Career in Underground Construction

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– Lunch Provided –

Mr. Swinton will provide advice and tips on what it takes to be successful as an engineer and/or builder in the underground construction industry based on his observations and 20 years of personal experience. He will give examples of both successes and failures of projects and people at various stages throughout their career.

In addition, Mr. Swinton will give an overview of 15 active Kiewit projects – ranging from the massive decade-long Rondout tunnel project to a three-month-long shaft shotcrete rehabilitation project. He will also briefly give his thoughts on the status of the Underground Construction market and where it may be headed.



Matt Swinton is a Senior Vice President of Kiewit Infrastructure Co., part of Kiewit Corporation. He serves as District Manager for Kiewit's nationwide underground tunneling and foundations contracting operations. Matt is responsible for the overall planning and direction of construction, engineering, estimating, bidding and administration of all work for the Underground District.

Matt joined Kiewit in 1999 after receiving his Bachelor of Science, Mining Engineering and Geological Engineering degrees from the Colorado School of Mines. He began his career in Kiewit's operations as an Engineer-Estimator with the Underground District in Omaha. He was the Project Engineer on the \$112-million Chattahoochee Tunnel project in Atlanta, Georgia; Job Superintendent on the Cape Creek Tunnel project in Oregon; Job Superintendent on the DFW J1A Tunnel in Texas; and Project Manager on the Marathon Cavern in West Virginia. From 2009 to 2014, he served as Sponsor for projects such as the Deep Rock Tunnel Connector in Indianapolis; the Euclid Creek Tunnel in Cleveland, Ohio; and the Kemano Backup Tunnel in British Columbia. Matt was promoted to Senior Vice President in 2014.

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