The next milestone for the National War Memorial Park Underpass comes in early April with the pouring of the first concrete roof span. An eye-catching feature of the trench is the preparation for the first span. The temporary support (falsework) will be stripped off once the concrete has cured – up to a week.

The underpass is rapidly taking shape in preparation for the planned October opening.

The trench looks like a complicated maze of steel reinforcing in this photo. But our skilled tradesmen (about 90) know their way around.

A
- Reinforcing for the concrete walls: 60% of the walls have been completed.

B
- Falsework for the first roof span – timber scaffolding with a plywood deck supported on steel legs. Reinforcing for the concrete is being installed. The first roof span:
  - 14.5m wide, 10m long and 0.8m deep – a total of 116 cubic metres
  - Containing 300 tonnes of concrete.

C
- Steel reinforcing for the next pour of the concrete floor slab.
- Concreting of the tunnel floor section of the underpass is complete – 130m in length.