

TIME PLAN FOR THE PROJECT OF THE CENTURY

Nagra will continue its research – until the final closure of the repository. The authorities will monitor the project up till then. Along the way, scientific and political support as well as that of society will be required, with the goal of protecting future generations.

Nagra will prepare the general licence applications in the next two years. Following submission, the Federal Council and Parliament will make their decisions and, in case of an optional referendum, the Swiss voters.

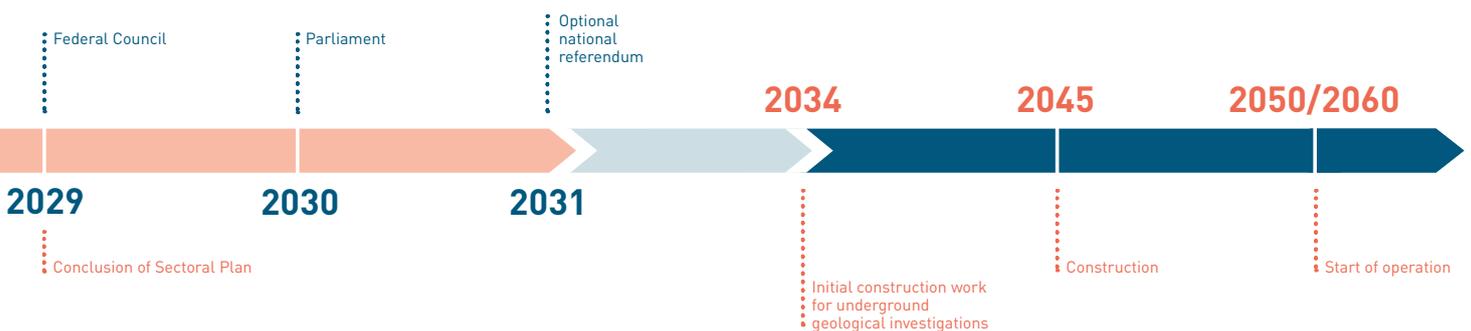
INCORPORATING FUTURE PROGRESS

Initial construction work for underground geological investigations will start around 2034. Approximately ten years later, these facilities will be expanded to become part of the deep geological repository: Emplacement operations for the low- and intermediate-level waste will start from 2050 and

for high-level waste from 2060. By around 2065, the long-term monitoring phase is expected to begin. The repository could be closed by 2125.

The authorities have obliged Nagra to continue its research and to take into account technological progress up till the closure of the repository. To ensure the success of the project of the century, scientists, politicians and society must work together and exchange information. Only then can the issue of radioactive waste disposal be solved and future generations be relieved of the need to concern themselves with it.

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