

Nada Pacific creates GBM Success Story



Nada Pacific Corporation, a long time Akkerman microtunneling equipment contractor recently completed several pipeline installations using the Guided Boring Method in Long Beach California.

The installation of over 800 lineal feet of 10.75 inch outside diameter clay pipe was carried out in four drives. Each drive of approximately 200 feet long used the GBM240, which installs pipes up to 24 inch diameter while meeting exacting line and grade tolerances required. The GBM was operated as a stand-alone unit, although options are available which allow it to be mounted on top of an auger boring rig.

Impressive overall production rates were achieved on this project. One line installation of 200 lineal feet, including pilot tube, auger casing and clay pipe, was achieved in 30 hours. Set-up time for the drive was 8 hours. Pilot tube installation rates of 200 feet per 8 hour shift were also achieved on this project.

The Model 240 has 9,140 lb-ft of torque with 182,600 lbs of thrust and 93,130 lbs of pull-back capability.