

# Dam Gallery Work Being Pushed Now

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Soon it will be possible for visitors to Boulder dam, the world's largest engineering project, to enter an elevator and plunge down for a distance of over 500 feet to emerge into a tiled gallery passage into the powerhouse structure.

Work has been started on the finishing of the two access galleries which lead from the base of each elevator shaft. Each gallery, at elevation 705, leads to the powerhouse structure, and is the only means of reaching the powerhouse from the top of Boulder dam.

The galleries were poured when Boulder dam was still in a stage of completion, and now their interior is being incased in concrete. The floor section is to be poured soon, after which the walls of the galleries, or tunnels, will be covered with a buff-colored glazed tiling. After the floor sections are poured they will be covered with a coating of terazzo, consisting of colored concrete mixed with marble chips. The surface will then be ground and given a high polish.

The two large galleries will each be illuminated by an indirect lighting system.

Official date as to when the galleries and elevators, which have not yet been installed, will be open to the public was not given this morning.