



CHANGES to Pit Rim Walkway route

Early on Tuesday morning this week approximately two million tonnes of rock slipped from the north wall of the Martha open pit.

This was not unexpected. The community was advised of this possibility last week. Also last week, a northern section of the Pit Rim Walkway was rerouted.

Until we can get a better understanding of what is happening we have now decided to close part of the Pit Rim Walkway along a section of the north wall.

The section being closed is shown on the accompanying map. People who wish to use the entire Pit Rim Walkway are advised to detour using Savage Road and Cambridge Road. The remainder of the walkway is unaffected.

We originally closed a section of the walkway last week and rerouted it as we didn't want

the public to be startled when the rock fall occurred. Since then we have found that some people have been removing the gates from their hinges or finding ways to get over the fence. Public safety is our prime concern, so it is best that we close this section entirely until we can fully assess the situation now that the slip has occurred.

This closure, which is on land owned by OceanaGold, will take place immediately.

Once we understand the full extent of the situation we will be able to determine when it may be possible to reopen this section of the walkway. We have had staff on hand at both ends of the stopped section advising of the closure.



The OceanaGold Waihi Operation community engagement line is attended 24 hours a day, seven days a week. Contact the Company Liaison Officer, Donna Fisher.

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