



WE'RE BACK AT WORK

OceanaGold staff went back to work this week to a very different world. A Covid-19 Level 3 Management Plan has been put in place. The plan aligns with Government guidance for Covid-19 Alert Level 3.

Those who can are being asked to continue working from home, using 'virtual platforms' for conference calls and keeping in touch. A large number of staff need to be on site to work. Staff who work underground, in exploration and geology, at the Water Treatment Plant or who undertake environmental monitoring all need to be on site. These staff have received an induction which details how to stay safe and look after each other.

Working under Level 3 means staying away from each other, restricting movements around site,



All staff on site will be required to keep at least one metre apart, unlike those shown here in this older underground photo. This will require new ways of working for everybody.

Staff will also be required to keep a daily work record contact diary which will detail their movement on site and who they associated with. This will assist with contact tracing if staff need to be advised in the event of a local Covid-19 case. A procedure has been put in place to assist any staff who feel unwell while at work.

We know all of this is going to take some getting used to, but we also know it is part of how, together, we are going to get through this.

disinfecting equipment like vehicle controls and door handles in shared vehicles or the buttons on photocopiers, not sharing pens and much more. Staff who work with heavy machinery such as loaders and drill rigs are also required to disinfect control surfaces and tools they share.

In meeting areas there are now markings on the floor to indicate safe distances. If a person cannot find a space, they are not allowed in the room. Start times have been staggered to make sure physical distancing is observed. We are leaving doors open wherever possible and have removed shared cutlery from crib rooms. Staff are being encouraged to bring their own crockery and cutlery, and to bring prepared food for lunch.



Our Moresby Road Administration Office will be closed to visitors during Covid-19 Level 3.

THANKS Waihi

Thanks to the generosity of Waihi locals – and people from far afield, including overseas – our Mines Rescue team has been out over the last two weeks delivering essential food supplies around Waihi and from Karangahake to Bowentown. We have been working in association with the Waihi Salvation Army and local schools. The Sallies and the schools tell us who needs help, and we deliver. Both groups have done an amazing job in coordinating activities.

Behind the scenes was an army of volunteers from OceanaGold who located, ordered and picked up food, and dealt with all of the communications, supply and logistics issues that had to be attended

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to before foodstuffs turned up at the Sallies ready for our team to break it down into family-sized parcels and for us to be given a delivery schedule.

We have been helped by some fantastic businesses and suppliers who have gone out of their way to make our job easier. When all of this is over, we will make sure we thank them all.

We are now back at work, but we know that there are people who need support. If you need ongoing help with food and essentials, please contact the Civil Defence helpline on their Freephone 0800 800 405.

For emergency food parcels please contact Waihi Salvation Army 863 7812

NO VISITORS to site or our Moresby Ave office

We will not be receiving unscheduled visitors to site or our office at Moresby Avenue office. At Baxter Road courier and regular deliveries will be allowed on site. Contractors will also have access to site once they have completed the recently implemented Covid-19 Level 3 site induction. During these visits all appropriate measures will be in place. These include physical distance, not sharing equipment, and regular sanitising of work equipment and work surfaces.

Our Moresby Avenue office will remain closed to visitors. Members of the Waihi community who would normally come to the office to meet with External Affairs & Social Performance staff are asked to contact the team by phone on our **Community Engagement Line 0800 WAIHIGOLD (0800 92 44 44).**

No tour groups will be allowed on site. When we move to Level 2, Education Centre school visits and Gold Discovery Centre tours will be allowed to recommence. These groups have clearly defined areas that they are permitted to access which are well-away from operational areas and the visitors do not get close to staff.

