



Holiday Period Closures and Availability

Welcome to the final OceanaGold Update for 2021!

Our Project Information Office at 86 Seddon Street will be closed from Monday the 20th of December, opening again from Wednesday the 5th of January.

Our Admin Office at 43 Moresby Avenue will be closed to the

public from Saturday the 25th of December, opening again from Monday the 10th of January.

As always, there will be no blasting of any type on Sundays or public holidays.



The Waihi North Project will bring significant employment and economic benefits to the district through to 2037 and beyond.

The project will be publicly notified after it is lodged with the relevant councils. This means that anybody who wishes to, can make a submission on the project.

A broad range of detailed reports, consultation, project design, and technical studies are required to fully assess the proposed project. Delivering a world-class project requires working with a range of world-class experts across multiple fields, as well as engaging with local community groups and leaders. Ongoing restrictions to travel and face to face meetings have affected these processes, however OceanaGold Waihi remain committed to making the Waihi North Project technically robust and involving the local community's input.

As a result of this we will begin moving through the formalised consenting process during 2022.

The project will integrate with already consented mining activities and has five main components:

- A new underground mine at Wharekirauponga, just north of Waihi, and associated infrastructure at a portal entrance on private land at the end of Willows Road, Waihi.
- A new open pit directly to the west of the current Processing Plant.

- Increasing tailings storage capacity by constructing a third tailings storage facility (TSF3) immediately east of the current facilities and adding tailings storage within the Gladstone Open Pit on completion of mining.
- A rock storage facility to the north of the current tailings storage facilities (Northern Rock Stack).
- Increasing throughput capacity at our existing Processing Plant.

 Sustainability is fundamental to the way we do business. OceanaGold has a proven track record of working within a tight regulatory framework including key conditions relating to vibration, noise, dust, ground surface stability, flora and fauna, and water management.

We are committed to mining responsibly, managing our effects and, more broadly, ensuring this project makes a positive contribution to our host communities and society, and to the natural values of the area.

As part of this project development, we are conducting a Social Impact Assessment – this is an independent study that is designed to identify and help us manage the effects of the proposed project on the wider communities' lifestyles, cultures, health, environments, and quality of life. The Social Impact Assessment process has involved working with wider communities to gather information using surveys, interviews, focus groups, and one-on-one meetings.

We welcome inquiries from anyone looking to learn more about the project.

From everyone at OceanaGold Waihi, have a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS OR CONCERNS, PLEASE CONTACT US.

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OUR COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT LINE WILL STILL BE ACTIVE THROUGHOUT THE HOLIDAYS.