PUBLIC HEARING ON THE MARTHA MINERAL ZONE

(proposed plan change 6)

A hearing to consider and make recommendations on what is being proposed by OceanaGold via Proposed Plan Change 6, and requests made in submissions or further submissions, is scheduled to take place from the 10th to the 12th of December at the Presbyterian Community Hall, 76 Moresby Avenue, Waihi.

At the hearing, which will be before an independent Hearing Committee made up of four commissioners, submitters on Proposed Plan Change 6 are able to present evidence to support the points made in their submission/s. Members of the public are free to attend to hear the submissions of various parties.

The proposed expansion of the Martha Pit, as part of the Martha Open Pit Project, would first require a change to the District Plan to increase the boundary to include all the land parcels necessary to support the expansion (this is inclusive of areas required for rehabilitation).

In July 2021, OceanaGold shared details of a proposed change to the Martha Mineral Zone. The existing Martha Mineral Zone, as defined within the Hauraki District Plan, allows for surface mining within its boundaries (subject to obtaining the necessary resource consents).

As shown in the diagram, the Martha Mineral Zone is proposed to be expanded in the vicinity of Moresby Avenue, Pitt Street, Haszard Street, and Seddon Street.



A CHANGE TO THE MARTHA MINERAL ZONE DOESN'T MEAN WE CAN MINE

Any mining activity is controlled by the Resource Management Act and resource consents would still need to be sought should the plan change be approved.

The hearing is not to determine a consent to mine; that would require a separate process, as part of the proposed Martha Open Pit Project.

This hearing is also not related to, or connected with, our proposed Waihi North Proiect.

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