

The East Ender

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Events in MARCH

Correnso Community Meeting, Wed 11 March 2.00pm & 5.30pm Memorial Hall Lounge

The first of this year's two community meetings will be held on 11 March. As usual, there will be two sessions, with the same information provided at both 2.00pm and 5.30pm. These meetings are an opportunity to find out what is happening at Correnso from the staff who work there. Meetings are independently facilitated. All welcome.

Vibration workshop Friday 6 March

We contacted everybody who had previously indicated they wished to attend a vibration workshop and one workshop was held on Friday 6 March. We can arrange another similar event later in the year if there is sufficient interest. If you are interested in attending a vibration workshop let us know.

Gold FM 11 March

Our next Q&A on Gold FM is scheduled for Wednesday 11 March, the same day as the next Correnso Community Meetings. If you have questions you would like answered on air, please get them to Gold FM by Monday 9 March.

*Find out more
www.waihigold.co.nz*

Waihi Gold drilling 'business as usual'

Newmont Waihi Gold has earned a 50 per cent stake in Antipodes Gold's Waihi West tenement adjacent to Newmont's Martha open pit mine and the recently completed Trio underground mine. This 'Farm In and

the mining industry and business as usual as far as both companies are concerned.

"With closure of the Martha open pit in about a year's time and Correnso's current known lifespan only a few years after

Near mine exploration

You may have read the recent article in the *Waihi Leader* headlined *Waihi Gold drilling 'business as usual'*. In the article we explained that we are conducting exploration drilling to the northwest

of the Martha open pit and to the southwest of our completed Trio mine under Union Hill. While exploration drilling is a normal part of our business, this is a 'last look' before we determine that there are no more resources nearby and we move into closure when Correnso is completed. We continue to explore. As we have said many times we would like to be here for the long term. We are also very aware, however, that we have drilled many kilometres of core and most of the time found no economically mineable deposit.

Things that go 'bump' in the night

Recently we have had a higher than usual number of inquiries and complaints about noise and vibration at night time. In all cases our investigations of site activities have determined that the source of the noise or vibration was not our mining operations as we were either not working or not using heavy machinery at that time. If it is not our mining operation causing the noise or vibration it can be difficult for us to find the source, but we do attempt this where practical. For example, previously we have found the noise to be a person working in a garage in the very early hours of the morning. The recent early morning earthquake north of White Island also registered on one of our vibration monitors.

Our operations are not the only source of noise and vibration in the community. As we do not blast at night we feel reasonably confident in stating that night time noise and vibration is not likely to be us. We are still more than happy for people to contact us however, and we would encourage people to continue to do so. You can contact us directly on the 0800 number or leave a message. If there are unusual or unexplained noises or vibration in your neighbourhood at night and these are a concern for you, give us a call on 0800 NEWMONT (0800 639 6668).

Underground visits

Visits to our underground Correnso mine start again on Friday 13 March. Jeannine has been contacting residents who previously indicated that they wished to visit our underground operations. If you have not been contacted and you wish to visit underground please let Jeannine know. You can contact her by phone on 863 9773 or by email, jeannine.wiki@newmont.com. To visit underground you need to be reasonably fit and capable of climbing in and out of the back of a high 4x4 station wagon. If you have no trouble walking around the steeper section of the pit rim walkway you should be just fine underground.

Contact us:

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Correnso North & South Orebody

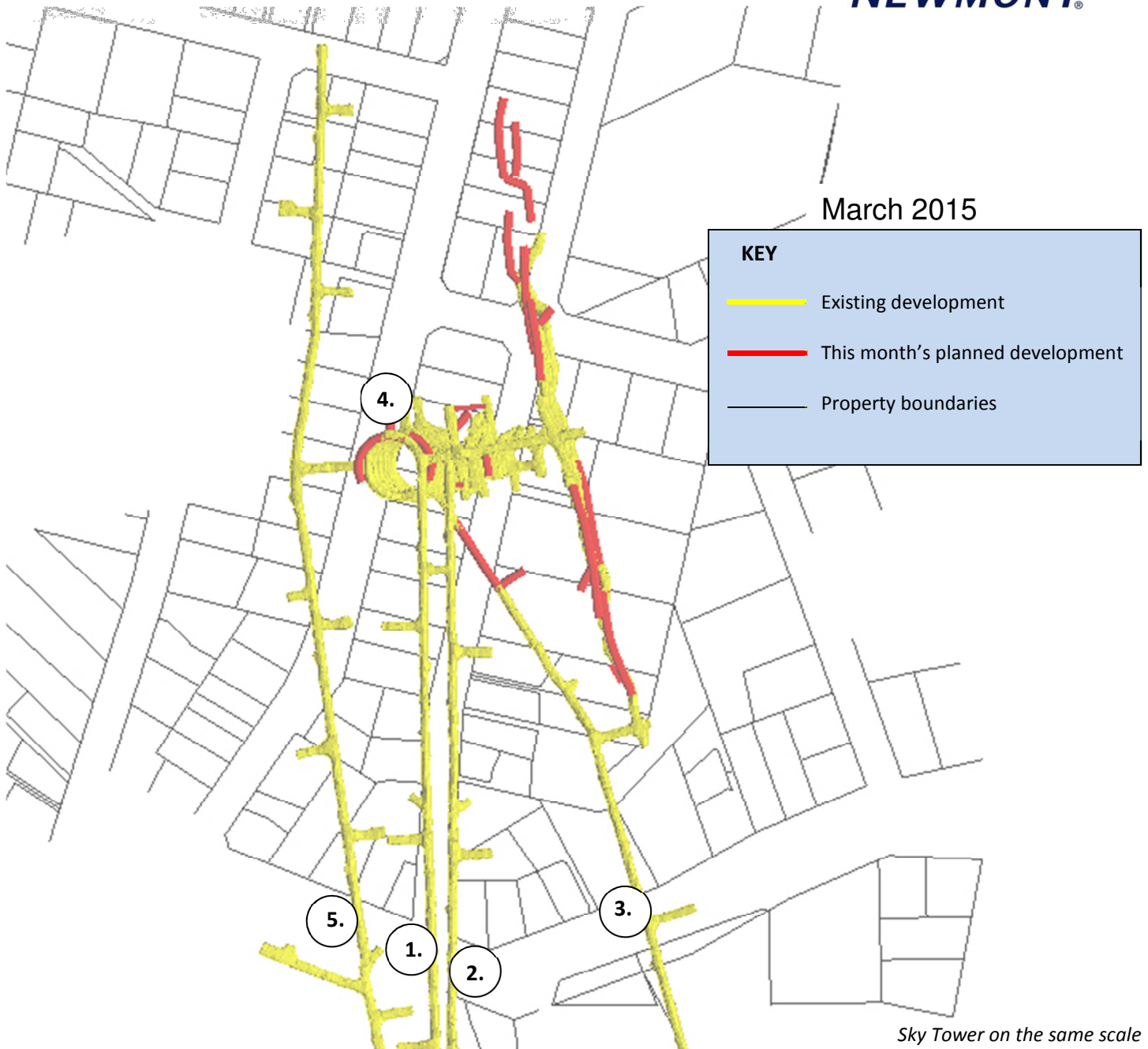
This map shows the ore body we currently plan to mine in Correnso North and South and the properties directly above it. Owners whose properties are directly above the Correnso North ore body (north of Mataura Road) indicated in red have recently been approached and offered the ex gratia payment or been made an offer of purchase as specified in the consent conditions. Property owners above the Correnso South ore body were contacted last year.



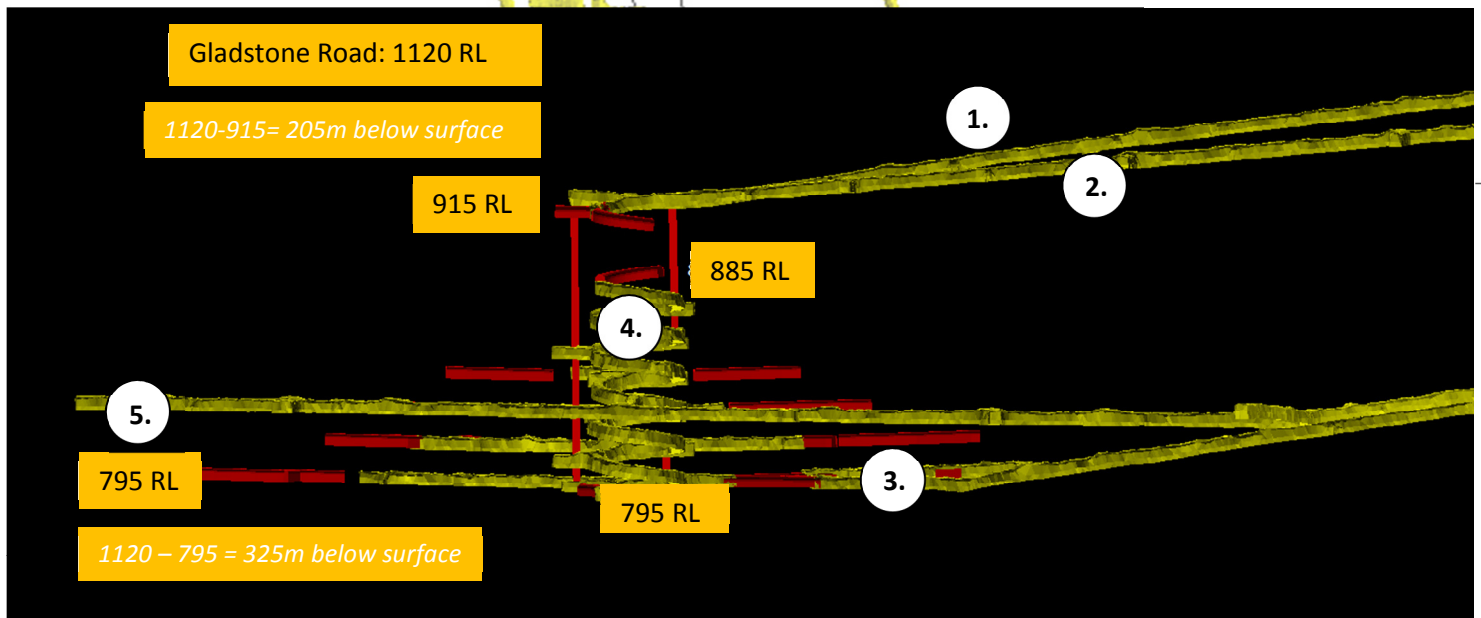
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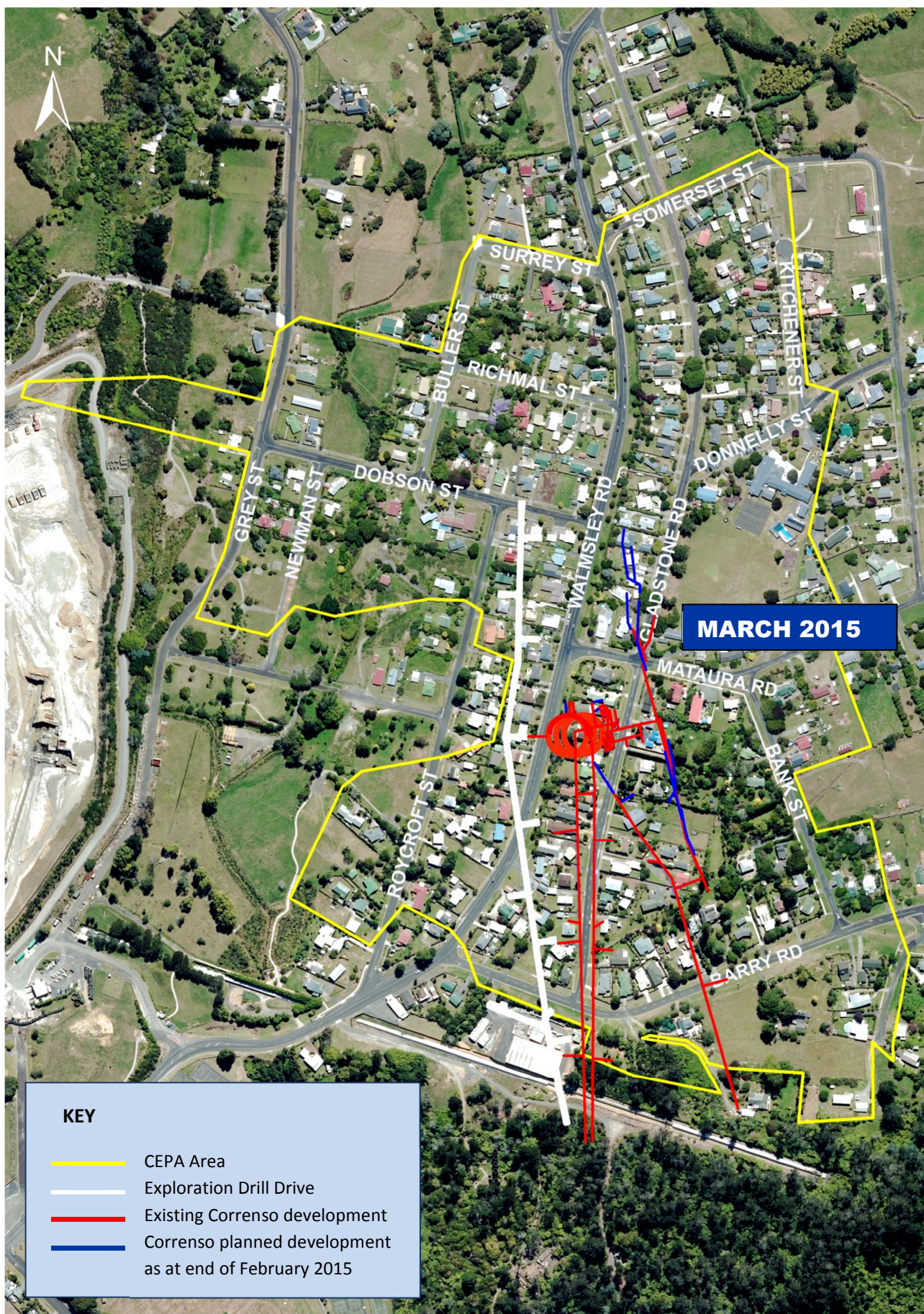


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Sky Tower on the same scale





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