

OceanaGold UPDATE

31 October 2024



THE WAIHI NORTH PROJECT Fast-Track Approvals Bill

Recently, the New Zealand Government released the names of 149 listed projects that will be eligible to apply for approvals through processes under the proposed Fast-track Approvals Act. The Waihi North Project, which would establish the Wharekirauponga Underground Mine, was included in the list.

The Fast-track Approvals Bill is expected to be passed into law by the end of this year, allowing listed projects such as Waihi North to apply directly to an especially appointed expert panel for most of the necessary consents and approvals. In the short term however, it is business as usual for our site.

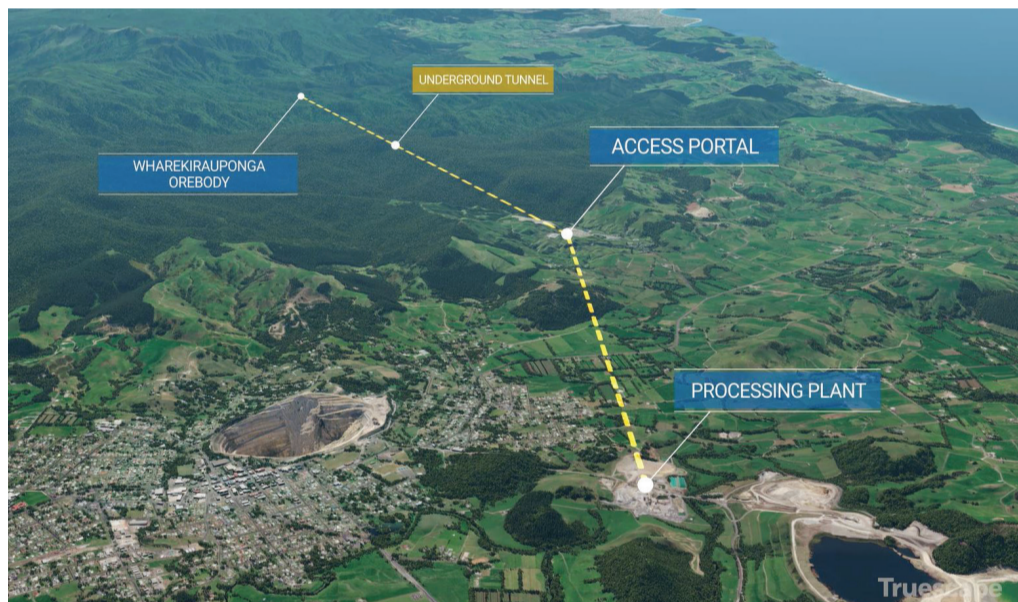
As part of the 'Request For Information' investigations for the existing approvals process, we've been refining our technical studies and optimising the project description. We will now take the time to consider what is next for the Waihi North project and share more information as it becomes available.

We have welcomed the inclusion of Waihi North on the list of projects eligible to make an application. This legislation will allow us to maintain and build upon our contributions to New Zealand's economy, by reducing unnecessary regulatory complexity and delay, while still ensuring the existing high environmental and social standards are met. This includes our commitment to continue engaging fully with affected stakeholders, including iwi, environmental groups, and members of our local community, which would not change under fast-track.

Extending the life of mining in Waihi was a key commitment OceanaGold made to the New Zealand Government when the company acquired the Waihi Operation in 2015. It also means providing certainty for staff, contractors, and our communities.

OceanaGold has contributed significantly to the local, regional, and national economies of New Zealand for over 30 years. In 2022 alone, OceanaGold Waihi employed over 350 direct employees and 100 contractors, of which 79% lived locally*. We spent over \$53 million dollars with local employees and local suppliers. In total, \$164 million (or 91% of all OceanaGold Waihi expenditure) was spent within New Zealand.

* Local is defined as within 30 km or 30 minutes drive of Waihi.



FOR MORE
INFORMATION ABOUT
THE WAIHI NORTH
PROJECT

- Go to www.waihinorth.info
- Call us on: 0800 924 444
- Email us via our website: www.waihigold.co.nz
- Or visit the Project Information Office at 86 Seddon Street, Waihi.

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SPONSORSHIP APPLICATION FORM
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SPONSORSHIPS AND DONATIONS APPROVED IN THE PREVIOUS MONTH

Art Waikino	Advertising, flags, EFTPOS machine hire, catering	\$1,552.50
Waihi Athletic Junior Rugby	Tournament costs	\$2,500.00
HELP Waihi Inc.	Green waste disposal (in-kind)	\$2,800.00
TOTAL		\$6,852.50



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