

PRRA Staff Weekly Unite for the Recovery Update #11 – Monday 10 August 2020

Hi everyone

Welcome to the 11th edition Pike River Recovery Agency weekly staff update, where we acknowledge the Crusaders win on Sunday !!!! The update includes information on uniting for the recovery from COVID-19 and operational matters. Please forward any contributions to me that would be of interest to our team.

UPDATES FROM www.uniteforrecovery.govt.nz



Proposed payments for managed isolation and quarantine

<https://www.uniteforrecovery.govt.nz/updates-and-resources/latest-updates/proposed-payments-for-managed-isolation/>

What does the Government's COVID-19 Plan entail?

The Government has a range of actions, including the Alert System (we're on level one), border restrictions and testing.

<https://www.uniteforrecovery.govt.nz/covid-19/government-actions/>

Useful definitions re COVID-19:

[Check out https://thespinoff.co.nz/society/25-07-2020/siouxie-wiles-what-the-victoria-outbreak-means-for-new-zealand/](https://thespinoff.co.nz/society/25-07-2020/siouxie-wiles-what-the-victoria-outbreak-means-for-new-zealand/)

AGENCY UPDATES



Lee's refresher Induction with Cas Monday 3 August 2020



Dinghy being interviewed by Screentime, Monday 3 August



Forensic update Monday 3 August 2020



Russell Smith on site on Thursday 6 August, with the loader behind him.

Last week was full of meetings, planning and the execution of the removal of the loader driven by Russell Smith. The loader was recovered on Tuesday 4 August. As of today (Monday), the forensics barrier was at 1632m.

Also, on Thursday 30 July, the fifth and final robot was recovered at 1566m.

DOC's independent consultant visited the site recently to inspect the rehabilitation work on the ponds and bridges along the haul road. The Agency has received a formal inspection report as a result.

Staff Engagement Survey

Thank you to those who have completed the survey so far! The survey will be open until tonight, please take this opportunity to give us your feedback. Below is the link to Survey Monkey please click on it to complete the PRRA Engagement Survey.

You are able to complete the survey on a range of devices including your work issue iPhone.

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/PRRA2020>

Your feedback is important to us, please take the time to complete.

Contact Families Liaison Officer Emma Cummins with any questions - 029 771 0690.

The Agency is also carrying out a survey with New Zealand Police about the Agency's performance in terms of communication, health and safety, training, engagement and responsiveness, operational cooperation, and compliance with protocols and requirements.

Health & Safety

The Health and Safety Operational Weekly meeting held at the mine site on Tuesday 28 July. Items discussed included:

- Safe work observations – Two observations were completed during the week by statutory officials, taking the total observations completed so far this month to 2, against a target of 15
- Hazard: Incident ratio – the rolling monthly/annual ratio is 6:1 against a target of at least 2:1
- Mines Rescue were on site on 29 July to complete the inspections of CABA sets and emergency equipment underground.
- The Agency has engaged a specialist to work with the mine based team to actively identify and minimise causes of stress and fatigue. The first workshop was held with the afternoon shift on Tuesday 4 August with subsequent sessions planned for Wednesday 19 August and then monthly sessions for the remainder of the year including individual sessions with the shift Underviewers.



Minister Little, Hon Damien O'Connor and Anna Osborne (FRG)

Family and FRG members

New Zealand Police and FRG representatives filmed / photographed the recovered loader driven by Russell Smith at the time of the first mine explosion in 2010, as it emerged from the drift and was taken to the helicopter landing area opposite the lower administration buildings. Family members watched the recovery from the Families Room on site in the lower administration buildings.

From the Office (Wellington and Greymouth)

The office team is focused on:

- Preparations continue for the external audit of the Agency that is planned to commence from 9 to 14 September (tentative).
- Continuing to provide day to day HR, IT and administrative support to the mine-based personnel.
- Focus on 2020 Annual Report
- Working in conjunction with the Site Senior Executive and the selected service provider to finalise arrangements for the session for mine based personnel on managing fatigue on 4 August. Additional sessions will be held on 17 and 18 August.
- Supporting the FRG and NZ Police with the programme of activity around recovery and removal of the loader driven by Russell Smith.

Media requests

A media crew visited the site on Monday 3 August and others visited on Thursday 6 August, focusing on the recovery of the loader driven by Russell Smith at the time of the first mine explosion in 2010.

If you have any questions about any approach by media, discuss with your manager, or the Principal External Relations Advisor – Communication, on 03 789 6522 or lee.harris@pikeriverrecovery.govt.nz.

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Take care everyone and stay safe!- go the Warriors!!!
Have a great week.

Best regards
Michelle