

**Pike River Recovery Agency COVID-19 update**

Saturday 21 March 2020

Hi everyone. The latest information on the coronavirus situation is available at [www.covid.govt.nz](http://www.covid.govt.nz).

The Government has taken further measures to protect New Zealanders from the COVID-19 virus by closing the border for everyone except New Zealand permanent residents and citizens. New Zealanders' partners, legal guardians or any dependent children travelling with them may also return.

The majority of office staff will work from home on 23 and 24 March and likely beyond when the Greymouth office is being used for the workshop to plan and risk assess getting past the Rocsil Plug to the roof fall (which will have a number of mining staff and other experts either in the office or video conferencing in).

This is a time when people are likely to be on edge - most people will be affected in some way by the situation we are in. Please take care and be kind!

If you have any specific questions regarding COVID- 19 please refer to either your Manager or Chief of Staff Michelle Wessing in the first instance.

Regards Dave Gawn