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Hill End increases gold production

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- Hill End plant throughput doubles to average 70 tonnes per day.
- Stope production starts from first Paxton's stoping block of 3,000 tonnes at 45g/t gold.
- Mining and processing moves to production status.
- Development continues to open Paxton's and commences Frenchman's access.
- Recent gold pour bars 20 and 21 containing approximately 270 ounces sourced from 1,042 tonnes of mostly low grade material at nominal 8g/t feed grade.
- Plant gold recovery continues at over 95%.

The operating time of the gravity gold treatment plant at the Amalgamated site at Hill End has been extended to a full time 24/7 basis. The additional shift rosters have been filled with the recruitment of experienced mill fitter / operators and a plant manager has also been appointed.

The Reward level development on the Paxton's veinset has outlined the first stoping blocks to the north of the shaft on which production has commenced.

Level development from the Reward Shaft area has extended the 707 level to the Frenchman's position where mineralised veins have been intersected and rising will commence in the near future.

A number of M2 high grade runs on the 640 Amalgamated level are being reviewed for stoping to commence.

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