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Signed Memorandum of Understanding

Rua Gold ("Rua") has entered into a memorandum of understanding (MOU) with New Zealand based Mining services company Terra Firma Mining ("Terra Firma" or "TFM").

Working closely with our engineering firm Mining One, Terra Firma has been supporting the Auld Creek project team in the preparation of the Preliminary Economic Assessment (PEA) which was released earlier this month.

The MOU formalises Terra Firma's involvement in the current Pre-Feasibility Study (PFS) and Fast-track studies, various field investigations, stakeholder engagement and preparation for mining operations.

Terra Firma has an operations base and workshop in Reefton with a strong capacity to provide people, equipment and expertise to support mining operations. TFM has recently hosted a number of delegations from local and regional government with Rua representatives to provide a briefing on initial mining operational plans at Auld Creek.

CEO Robert Eckford said "This agreement is a solid initial step in showcasing our plans to prioritise the engagement of West Coast business & people as we develop our plans for Auld Creek."

The Rua Gold team has submitted a Fast-track referral application which is before the New Zealand Government for assessment, if the referral is successful the Company plans to submit a Fast-track substantive application in the last quarter of 2026.

Photos – (L) TFM & Rua team onsite (R) Auld Creek briefing with Buller District Council representatives

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