

Rua Gold and the UN Sustainable Development Goals

Link to the UN webpage:
<https://sdgs.un.org/goals>

Introduction

In 2015 the United Nations established 17 Sustainable Development Goals for nation States to aspire to achieving, towards a more sustainable world for people and the environment, including the climate.

Rua Gold's activities connect with many of the SDGs, consistent with our sustainability philosophy of doing "a fine, professional job" as a junior minerals exploration company. We elaborate below.

Note: many of the SDGs are irrelevant in the New Zealand context, eg zero hunger or quality education, or are goals over which Rua Gold can have no influence, eg affordable and clean energy, or apply poorly to Rua Gold's operations, eg responsible consumption and production.

Goal 3: good health and wellbeing

At Rua Gold, we promote and ensure the health, safety and wellbeing of our people, under New Zealand legislation, and in accordance with our Company values, workplace health and safety policy, and Code of Conduct.

Goal 5: gender equality

Rua Gold ensures gender equality, prevention of discrimination, and diversity and inclusion, via its Code of Conduct for the Company and all employees, and under New Zealand legislation.

Goal 6: clean water and sanitation

Rua Gold ensures no, or negligible effects on water quantity and quality where it operates, under New Zealand legislation, and in accordance with its environmental management policy.

Goal 8: decent work and economic growth

Rua Gold is bound by New Zealand employment and other relevant legislation, and its Code of Conduct, which provides for a rewarding, empowering, and healthy and safe working environment.

Goal 11: sustainable cities and communities

At Rua Gold, we live and work in local communities, and support local procurement where possible, including contracting of services, as per our iwi and hapū & stakeholder engagement policy.

Goal 14: life below water

Rua Gold ensures no, or negligible effects on aquatic ecosystems where it operates, under New Zealand legislation, and in accordance with its environmental management policy.

Goal 15: life on land

Rua Gold has no more than temporary minor effects on indigenous vegetation where it operates, in accordance with relevant legislation, and its environmental management policy. We also carry out nature conservation in operating areas, again in accordance with legislation and our policy.


