

McPhillamy's Gold Infrastructure Project – Water Pipeline

Response By Forestry Corporation of New South Wales (FCNSW)

1. McPhillamy's proposed Water Pipeline is currently planned to go underneath sections of Ben Bullen, Vittoria, and Sunny Corner State Forests. This is part of FCNSW's Bathurst Management Area. It is estimated that the pipeline will travel in total approximately 20km (revised route) through these state forests which are (in part) planted with Radiata Pine - a commercial timber crop that is cultivated to provide raw materials for the timber complex located in Oberon.
2. FCNSW have been negotiating with Regis Resources to enter into an Agreement to Grant an Easement (AGE) for the Pipeline for several years. The AGE will contain both a Temporary Easement to cover the construction period as well as an Operations (or permanent) Easement to be granted by the relevant minister.
3. FCNSW is satisfied that these negotiations are being held in good faith and that all issues, including environmental, heritage, operational and commercial, are being addressed. It is anticipated that the AGE will be finalised by the parties by 31 December 2025.

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