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## KANMANTOO PREPARES FOR FIRST STOPE

### HIGHLIGHTS

- A secondary means of egress has been established following installation of a Safescape ladder system. Concurrently, the pit has been dewatered to below the first stope level, and the development drives above and below the first stope are in place. These were the final critical path activities required to enable stoping.
- Raiseboring the slot for the first stope has commenced.
- Stoping will commence this year. First copper production on track for early 2024.

**Figure 1** Secondary means of egress established using Safescape ladder system



**Figure 2      Drawpoint for the first stope**



Commenting on the completion of pre-stope activities, Hillgrove CEO and Managing Director, Lachlan Wallace said:

*“The establishment of the secondary means of egress is another important milestone for the Company. Over the course of the next few weeks, we will commence bulk mining from the stopes and commission the dry circuit of the processing plant in preparation for first copper production early next year.”*

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