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In case you missed it on the Week-end; Boliden will be temporarily suspending operation at Myra Falls while it deals with "challenging ground conditions in the Battle zone". It plans to shut down mid December and reopen on 1st April. In the meantime it will operated the mill at 50% capacity processing waste rock for backfill. I gather from Ted that they will also use tailings for backfill.

IG Machine and Fibre are starting to develop their own pit. They took a 10,000 tonne bulk sample (chert nodule bearing limestone) from a Highways Pit last spring and are now developing their own site next door. They will produce another 25,000 tonnes this year and 60,000 tonnes next. Ultimately, when the plant is up and running it should produce around 240,000 tonnes a year. They are currently producing rather a lot of over-size material but that should change with experience. The crusher goes in next week.

Robert