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A new 45km highway linking Aiambak Port with Lake Murray in the Middle Fly region of Western was officially opened on Monday.

Ok Tedi Mining Limited managing director Peter Graham and Middle Fly local MP Roy Biyama opened the K60 million road – one of many infrastructure projects funded by the Community Mine Continuation Agreement (CMCA) portion of the Western People's Dividend Trust Fund (WPPDTF) and delivered by the Ok Tedi Development Foundation (OTDF).

The construction contract was awarded to Starwest Constructions Ltd with technical engineering support from Kramer Ausenco.

Starwest began work in Nov 2013 and completed the lower portion of the Barramundi Highway in Nov 2015.

Graham said the project was a significant investment and a first class highway so it was important to look after it.

"If we don't maintain the road, keep the drainage right, in no time the road will start to suffer and we'll lose much of its value. So again, we are looking at community support to look after the road," he said.

"The road itself is a means to an end, it's not an end in itself.

"What is important is that the community can now take advantage of what the road offers. It's a lifeline, it gets you to improve access to health, education and markets. It's a wonderful opportunity but that opportunity now rests in your hands."

Biyama, the keynote speaker at the opening ceremony, pledged his support to working closely with OTDF chief executive officer Ian Middleton and the foundation to deliver more projects for the Middle Fly people.

"Middleton, I never knew you, but looking at such things you are doing, creating job opportunities for my people, I would like to support you all the way with whatever OTDF does," Biyama said.

He said he was proud to be able to open the highway on behalf of his people and pledged to give them a canter truck to support their rubber and food security needs.

Middleton acknowledged and welcomed Biyama's support.

Lake Murray LLG government president Sep Galeva, along with many community leaders, expressed their gratitude and asked OTDF to further assist them with rubber, Eaglewood, rice and vegetable markets.

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