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Heritage Signals Major Expansion in Exploration Activity

Northland

Heritage Gold NZ Ltd today announced that its subsidiary, Northland Minerals Ltd, had applied for two prospecting permits in Northland. When granted these permits will substantially increase the area under active investigation by Heritage.

Northland has attracted very little modern mineral exploration until recently, but is well served by infrastructure for future mineral development.

Aurora Minerals is currently drilling epithermal gold targets north of Kaikohe, where several gold occurrences were found during the 1980's.

Another area of epithermal gold mineralization to the south east at Puhipuhi, was drilled in the 1980's by BHP Minerals, yielding 10m averaging 5.3g/t gold and 18.5g/t silver. This occurrence, now being prospected by CanAlaska Ventures, lies about 6km from Northland Minerals' Hikurangi permit application and in the same geological terrain.

Potential

Northland Minerals, in a review of key geological indicators, has identified high mineral potential in these areas for epithermal gold-silver and porphyry copper deposits, as well as gold-rich volcanogenic massive sulphide base metal deposits.

The Hikurangi PP application covers part of eastern Northland, from Whangarei almost to Kaikohe. The area is prospective for epithermal gold-silver and porphyry copper deposits, being geologically the northern equivalent of the Coromandel Volcanic Zone, which is famous for hosting the 8 million ounce Martha gold deposit and the recently discovered Favona deposit at Waihi.

The Tangihua PP application in western Northland covers large massifs of basalt, dolerite, and gabbro with inter-bedded deep water marine sediments. Exploration in the 1960's located several small gold-rich volcanogenic massive sulphide base metal deposits, but no systematic modern exploration for larger deposits has been undertaken.

Programme

When the permits are granted Northland Minerals plans a prospecting programme to delineate areas of mineralisation for detailed evaluation under subsequent exploration permits. Techniques will include geophysics, geological mapping, geochemical sampling and computer-aided deposit modelling.

DISCLOSURE: The information in the report to which this statement is attached that relates to Exploration Results is based on information compiled by Murray Stevens who is a Member of The Australasian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy. Murray Stevens is a self-employed consulting geologist.

Murray Stevens has sufficient experience which is relevant to the styles of mineralisation and types of deposit under consideration and to the activity which he is undertaking to qualify as a Competent Person as defined in the 2004 Edition of the 'Australasian Code for Reporting of Exploration Results, Mineral Resources and Ore Reserves' and Murray Stevens consents to the inclusion in the report of the matters based on his information in the form and context in which it appears."

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