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# SNX hits 26.7g/t gold in maiden drilling at New Pass, Nevada, USA

Assay results from beneath Superior Mine extends high-grade gold vein Highlights

- First hole NP001RC intersects **1.22m at 26.7g/t Au**, 25.1g/t Ag from 186.53m downhole.
- This intersection is **80m down dip** beneath the deepest previously mined high-grade vein position on the Superior Level 4, which itself is 90m below surface.
- In addition, NP001RC intersected two other veins:
  - A previously unknown "hanging wall" vein that contains low-grade gold and silver and
  - o A near-surface expression of the "True Blue" gold vein, a high-grade sub-parallel vein to, and 120m west of, the Superior Vein that saw minor historical mining.
- This is the first drilling into the New Pass vein system in 40 years and demonstrates depth continuity of both the Superior and Thomas West high-grade gold veins.
- Further results from an additional 5 holes at New Pass expected in Q1 CY2023; SNX will resume drilling at New Pass as soon as weather permits in 2023.

Sierra Nevada Gold (ASX: SNX) is pleased to announce first assays from its maiden New Pass reverse circulation (RC) drilling program with **1.22m at 26.7g/t gold** from 186.53m downhole in NP001RC. This hole has intersected the Superior Vein down dip beneath the current level of mining and represents an 80m depth extension of this high-grade gold structure.

The impressive first results attest to SNX's belief that New Pass has the potential to host a significant high-grade gold vein system. *Figures 1 & 2* below show the position of this intercept relative to existing mining infrastructure and interpreted mineralised structure.

NP001RC also intersected **1.22m at 7.79g/t gold** from the near-surface expression of the True Blue Vein, a sub-parallel vein to the Superior Vein that has only seen minor historical mining. This is the first exploration drill hole to intersect the True Blue vein structure. Given this strong first drilling result, SNX will further test the True Blue structure as part of its ongoing explorations of the New Pass Project.

SNX has completed six holes of its planned 16-hole program before drilling was suspended due to inclement winter weather. Drilling will resume as soon as practical after the winter weather conditions have passed.

**SNX Executive Chairman Peter Moore said**: "We're pleased to have completed the first six holes at New Pass, which is a historical high-grade gold mining precinct with existing infrastructure and workings and offers early resource potential. We are especially excited to receive these initial assay results which clearly demonstrate the continuity and persistence of these high-grade structures. The discovery of two additional veins by this first hole attests to the exploration opportunity of this remarkable project. We eagerly await further assay results which we expect in Q1 CY2023."



RC Drilling, New Pass Project, Nevada, USA

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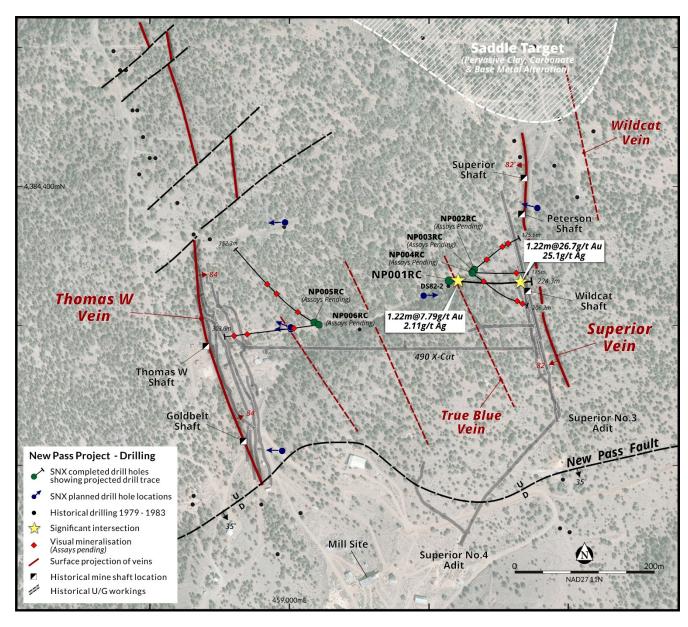


Figure 1. Plan showing SNX's RC drilling at the New Pass project in relation to existing mining infrastructure and historical exploration. Yellow stars show intercepts discussed in this announcement while the red diamonds show areas of visually encouraging potential mineralisation where assays are pending.

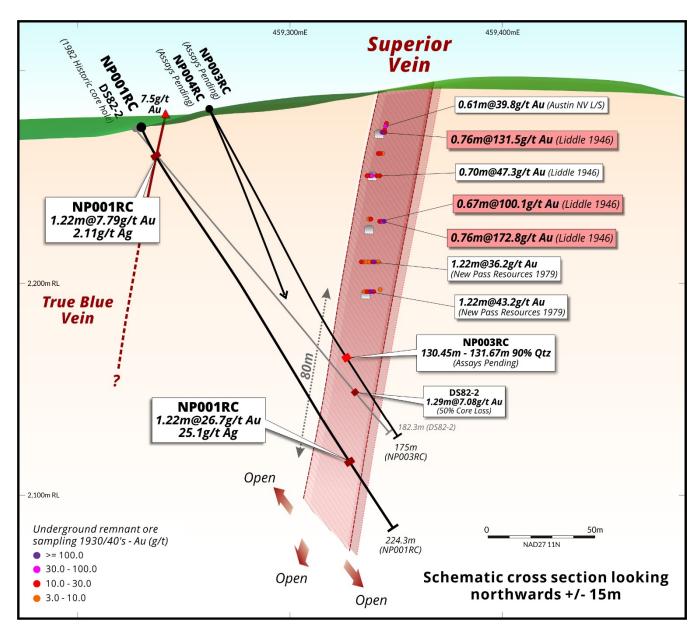


Figure 2. Schematic cross section (+/- 15m) looking northwards showing NP001RC and high-grade intercept in relation to the previously mined Superior Vein, underground workings (Levels 1 - 4) and historic post-mining remnant sampling conducted by previous workers. Also shown is SNX's surface rock chip sample from the True Blue vein taken near the drill collar of NP001RC. Note: Most remnant sampling (shown on the section) of the upper Superior workings was conducted after the completion of the highest intensity mining phase at the Superior Mine that occurred during the 1930s.

#### **Next Steps**

SNX expects the remaining assay results from this first program of RC drilling to be returned during Q1 2023, with the resumption of drilling to commence 2023 once weather conditions allow.

In the coming months, SNX will continue work on the project, including detailed 3D infrastructure and void modelling of historic workings, together with geomechanical investigations. Once these studies are complete and the mine workings declared safe, SNX will commence a program of detailed underground mapping and sampling of available ore positions with a view to confirming the historic estimates of past production and prospective remaining remnant mineralisation.

SNX is confident that a pathway to a high-grade gold resource can be established within 18 months.



#### **About the New Pass Project**

The New Pass Project is prospective for vein style gold deposits and jasperoid-hosted Carlin style gold deposits within the NW orientated Austin Trend. The Austin Trend is south of, and parallel to, the prolific Carlin and Battle Mountain Trends of central Nevada. The New Pass Project is centred on the New Pass Mining centre which until recently produced gold at an estimated average grade of 17g/t Au from two parallel NS striking quartz veins. Approximately 40koz's of gold (non-JORC) is estimated to have been extracted by various private operators over its history. Discovered in 1864, a five-stamp steam-powered amalgamation mill was erected at Warm Springs in 1868. The ore was primarily extracted by stoping along two short tunnels from a 45.7m deep shaft on the Superior vein. In 1917 a 75 ton-per-day cyanide mill was erected by the New Pass Mining Company, however this mill was dismantled due to WWI, with only 5,500 tons treated. By 1939 mining on the Superior vein had developed three main adits, up to 457m long, with a 107m shaft. Underground mining development continued in 1946, with active development along the Thomas W vein and underground rock-chip sampling undertaken by the Silver King Divide Mining Company. Don Jung, a local miner, acquired an interest in the New Pass property in 1965, and he continued mining the property up until he retired and sold the property to Sierra Nevada in 2012.

Prior to Sierra Nevada's involvement, the last modern exploration occurred in the early 1980's by E&B Explorations which conducted mapping and sampling of the underground workings and limited drilling of the Superior and Thomas West veins. This drilling demonstrated the down dip and strike continuity of the veins with numerous high-grade intersections reported. This work provides the basis for Sierra Nevada's planned follow up drilling of the vein targets.

The New Pass Project contains 6.5km's of largely unexplored structurally prospective strike, most of which is covered by thin post mineral sediments and volcanics. Large scale argillic alteration with highly anomalous zinc is present 1km northwest from the main mining centre and presents Sierra Nevada with an immediate prospective area to test.

The New Pass mining centre displays all the characteristics of a large-scale mineral system. It has witnessed both historic and more recent mining with high grade, vein-hosted gold mineralisation exposed at surface and exploited to approximately 150m below surface. North-south oriented gold-bearing veins are present at the historically and recently worked Superior, Thomas West, Gold Belt and Valley View mines and the lightly prospected and exploited Julie, Lander, True-Blue, and Wildcat zones. Complementary datasets across the project indicate a large-scale and highly prospective structural, hydrothermal, and geochemical setting for the formation of vein deposits.

With targeted drilling both down dip and along strike of already defined veins, SNX believes that a pathway to a high-grade gold resource can be mapped within 18 months. Considerable potential also exists north of the mine area within the "Saddle Target", an area of extensive argillic and sulphide alteration displaying highly enriched zinc anomalism.

Further details of the New Pass Project can be found at https://sngold.com.au/projects/new-pass/

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#### **About Sierra Nevada Gold (SNX)**

Sierra Nevada Gold (SNX) is a recently listed ASX company actively engaged in the exploration and acquisition of precious and base metal projects in the highly prospective mineral trends in Nevada, USA since 2011. The Company is exploring five 100%-controlled projects in Nevada, comprising four gold and silver projects and a large copper/gold porphyry project, all representing significant discovery opportunities for the company.

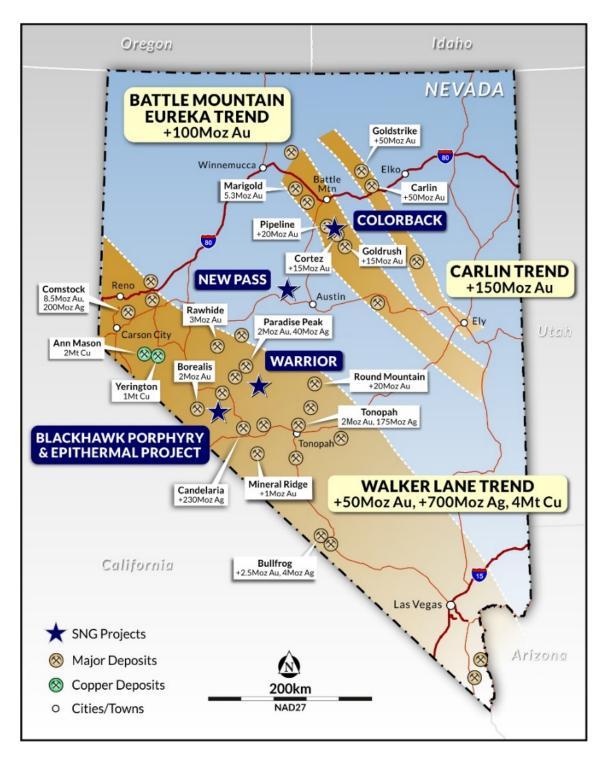


Figure 3. Location of SNX projects in Nevada, USA showing the location of the major gold and copper deposits.



This announcement was authorised for release by Mr Peter Moore, Executive Chairman of the Company.

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### **Competent Persons Statement**

Information in this document that relates to Exploration Results is based on information compiled or reviewed by Mr. Brett Butlin, a Competent Person who is a fellow of the Australian Institute of Geoscientists (AIG). Mr. Butlin is a full-time employee of the Company in the role of Chief Geologist and is a shareholder in the Company. Mr. Butlin has sufficient experience which is relevant to the style of mineralisation and type of deposit under consideration and to the activity being undertaken to qualify as a Competent Person as defined in the 2012 Edition of the 'Australasian Code for Reporting of Exploration Results, Mineral Resources and Ore Reserves'. Mr. Butlin consents to the inclusion in the report of the matters based on his information in the form and context in which it appears.



# **Appendix 1 - Results**

## Table 1 - Drilling information for holes recently drilled at New Pass (RC Significant Intercepts above 0.25g/t Au)

Hole ID	Drill Type	Easting NAD27 11N	Northing NAD27 11N	Collar RL	Azimuth	Dip (deg)	EOH depth (m)	From (m)	To (m)	Width (m)	Est True Width	Au (g/t)	Ag (g/t)	Comments
NP001RC	RC	459229	4384265	2274.6	90	-60	224.33	15.85	17.07	1.22	Unknown*	7.79	2.11	True Blue Vein
								173.12	174.34	1.22	Unknown*	0.28	4.64	Hangingwall Vein
								186.53	187.75	1.22	Unknown*	26.7	25.1	Superior Vein
NP002RC	RC	459265	4384281	2281	52	-60	175.5							Assays Pending
NP003RC	RC	459263	4384276	2276	92	-60	157.38							Assays Pending
NP004RC	RC	459263	4384275	2276	126	-61	206.18							Assays Pending
NP005RC	RC	459035	4384205	2252	301.9	-56	352.35							Assays Pending
NP006RC	RC	459043	4384201	2242.2	260	-61	303.58							Assays Pending

<sup>\*</sup> Not enough information at this early stage



## **Appendix 2 - JORC Code, 2021 Edition Table 1**

## **Section 1 Sampling Techniques and Data**

(Criteria in this section apply to all succeeding sections.)

Criteria	JORC Code explanation	Commentary
Sampling techniques	<ul> <li>Nature and quality of sampling (eg cut channels, random chips, or specific specialised industry standard measurement tools appropriate to the minerals under investigation, such as down hole gamma sondes, or handheld XRF instruments, etc). These examples should not be taken as limiting the broad meaning of sampling.</li> </ul>	RC samples reported in this announcement were collected at 4 foot (1.22m) intervals via a drill rig mounted cyclone and Jones Riffle splitter set to a 12.5% split to produce a nominal 4-7kg sample which was collected in a pre-numbered sample bag for analysis. The remainder of the sample was collected in a large plastic bag where the sample was used for geological logging and magsus using a KT-10.
		All sampling prior to 2011 are considered historic in nature. Prior to 2011 numerous exploration companies undertook drilling, soil and rock sampling programs;  • E & B Explorations completed 25 Rotary drillholes (NP81-1 through NP81-25) in 1981 which totaled 1,457m and in 1982 8 diamond-core (NQ) (DS82-1 to DS82-8) holes which totaled 1,962.6m, selective samples taken. A 623 soil sampling program 50ft/100ft intervals along 400ft line spacing was conducted in 1981, all sample locations and results having been captured from rectified maps. +/-30m. During 1981 over 240 surface rock samples were collected over the project area with these sample locations and results being captured from rectified maps +/-30m. U/G rock grab and channel sampling was also conducted during 1981 all sample locations and results were captured from historic rectified maps  • BHP 1988/1989 collected 204 rock samples over the project area, sample locations and results were captured from rectified maps +/- 30m. In 1990 13 RC drillholes (NP90-01 through NP90-12)
		<ul> <li>which totaled 1,469m were drilled. Samples were collected in 5ft intervals via a tricone splitter and submitted for analysis. All non-Au values were reported as 20ft/25ft composites.</li> <li>Compass Minerals Limited completed 3 RC drillholes (NP001 – NP003) which totaled 708.7m.</li> <li>FMC Gold 1993 - completed a soil sampling and rock chip sampling program, all data was captured from historical maps and logs +/- 30m accuracy.</li> </ul>

Criteria	JORC Code explanation	Commentary
		In 2011 SNX collected 16 rock chip samples from across the project area, where a representative sample of between 0.5-2.5kg was taken and submitted for analysis. SNX employed industry standard sampling techniques.
	<ul> <li>Include reference to measures taken to ensure sample representivity and the appropriate calibration of any measurement tools or systems used.</li> </ul>	RC Sampling is controlled by SNX protocols and QAQC procedures as per industry standard and a chain of custody maintained through transfer to ALS Laboratories in Reno, Nevada, USA.
		Where historical records exist both for RC and Rotary drilling, generally a tri-cone sample splitter was employed to reduce to a manageable sample weight. All sampling prior to 2011 are considered historic in nature.
	<ul> <li>Aspects of the determination of mineralisation that are Material to the Public Report. In cases where 'industry standard' work has been done this would be relatively simple (eg 'reverse circulation drilling was used to obtain 1 m samples from which 3 kg was pulverised to produce a 30 g charge for fire assay'). In other cases more explanation may be required, such as where there is coarse gold that has inherent sampling problems. Unusual commodities or mineralisation types (eg submarine nodules) may warrant disclosure of detailed information</li> </ul>	Industry standard sampling protocols and techniques were variably applied as discussed above according to the prevailing industry standard of the time.
Drilling techniques	Drill type (eg core, reverse circulation, open-hole hammer, rotary air blast, auger, Bangka, sonic, etc) and details (eg core diameter, triple or standard tube, depth of diamond tails, face-sampling bit or other type, whether core is oriented and if so, by what method, etc).	RC drilling cited in this report was undertaken by Alford Drilling using a Foremost Apex 65 track-mounted drill rig operating in a Reverse Circulation configuration. RC drilling was completed with a face sampling hammer of nominal 5.25 inch size.  DS82-1 to DS82-8 drilled using a Long Year 38 diamond-core drill rig, with downhole surveys conducted using Sperry-Sum magnetic single shot instrument.
Drill sample recovery	<ul> <li>Method of recording and assessing core and chip sample recoveries and results assessed.</li> </ul>	RC drill sample recovery is generally high with sample recoveries and quality recorded in the database by the logging geologist.
		Prior to 2011 sampling information for the RC and Rotary drilling techniques does not support making the assessment of this criteria.
		For core drilling (DS82-1 to DS82-8) core recovery is recorded but method used to calculate is unknown.
	Measures taken to maximise sample recovery and ensure representative nature of the samples	Sample recoveries were monitored in real-time by the presence of SNX personnel at the drill site.
		Available sampling information from historical work does not support making the assessment of this criteria.
	Whether a relationship exists between sample recovery and grade and whether sample bias may have occurred due to preferential loss/gain of fine/coarse	No known relationship exists between recovery and grade and no known bias exists.

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		material.	No study of sample recovery versus grade has been conducted as these are early- stage drilling programs to outline mineralisation.
Logging	•	Whether core and chip samples have been geologically and geotechnically logged to a level of detail to support appropriate Mineral Resource estimation, mining studies and metallurgical studies.	RC logging cited in this report records lithology, mineralogy, mineralisation, alteration, structure, weathering, colour and other primary features of the rock samples and is considered to be representative across the intercepted geological units.  All historical holes have been geologically logged and SNX have original field logging sheets. Geotechnical information is not uniformly collected
	•	Whether logging is qualitative or quantitative in nature. Core (or costean, channel, etc) photography.	RC logging cited in this report is both qualitative and quantitative depending on the field being logged.
	•	The total length and percentage of the relevant intersections logged.	100%.
Sub-sampling techniques and	•	If core, whether cut or sawn and whether quarter, half or all core taken.	DS82-1 TO DS82-8 result information taken from historic E & B report, no sampling or laboratory data available.
sample preparation	•	If non-core, whether riffled, tube sampled, rotary split, etc and whether sampled wet or dry.	RC sampling cited in this report has been riffle split via a Jones Riffle Splitter and sampled dry. Moisture content of samples are recorded by the logging geologist.
			Pre 2014 Incomplete information - for historical RC and Rotary drilling Tricone splitter has been used. No uniform reporting of sample moisture exists - geological logs report water level.
	•	For all sample types, the nature, quality and appropriateness of the sample preparation technique.	Since 2011 the sample preparation technique for all samples follows industry best practice, by an accredited laboratory. The techniques and practices are appropriate for the type and style of mineralisation. The RC samples are sorted, oven dried, and the entire sample pulverised in a single-stage process to 85% passing 75µm. The bulk pulverised sample is then bagged and approximately 200g extracted by spatula to a numbered paper bag that is used for the analysis.
			Prior to 2011 available QAQC information does not support making this assessment.
	•	Quality control procedures adopted for all sub-sampling stages to maximise representivity of samples.	QAQC protocols for all RC sampling involved the use of Certified Reference Material (CRM) as assay standards. All QAQC controls and measures were routinely reviewed. Sample size is considered appropriate for geochemical sampling for base-metal and gold mineralisation given the nature of drilling and anticipated distribution of mineralisation.
			Insufficient historical information to make this assessment.
	•	Measures taken to ensure that the sampling is representative of the in situ	Field duplicates were collected at a 1 in 50 sample rate.

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	material collected, including for instance results for field duplicate/second-half sampling.	Insufficient historical information to make this assessment.
	Whether sample sizes are appropriate to the grain size of the material being sampled.	Since 2011 the sample sizes are standard industry practice sample size collected under standard industry conditions and by standard methods and are appropriate for the type, style and thickness of mineralisation which might be encountered at this project.
Quality of assay data and laboratory tests	The nature, quality and appropriateness of the assaying and laboratory procedures used and whether the technique is considered partial or total.	Since 2014 all rock, bulk soil (-2mm), RC and core samples have been analysed by ALS Reno, Nevada utilising Au-ICP21 (30gm FA with ICP-AES finish) and ME-MS61 48 element four acid ICP-MS finish).
		Insufficient historical information to make this assessment.
	<ul> <li>For geophysical tools, spectrometers, handheld XRF instruments, etc, the parameters used in determining the analysis including instrument make and model, reading times, calibrations factors applied and their derivation, etc.</li> </ul>	Downhole geophysical tools were not used.
	Nature of quality control procedures adopted (eg standards, blanks, duplicates, external laboratory checks) and whether acceptable levels of accuracy (ie lack of bias) and precision have been established.	For sampling programs since 2014 by SNX. The laboratories are accredited and uses their own certified reference material. The laboratory has two duplicates, two replicates, one standard and one blank per 50 assays. SNX submitted standard samples every 25th sample, blanks every 25th and field duplicates every 50 samples. Insufficient historical information to make this assessment.
Verification of sampling and assaying	The verification of significant intersections by either independent or alternative company personnel.	Significant intersections are verified by the Company's technical staff.  Prior to 2011 SNX relies on previous workers and consultants assessments as to the verification of historical significant intersections.
	The use of twinned holes.	No twinned holes.
	Documentation of primary data, data entry procedures, data verification, data storage (physical and electronic) protocols.	Primary data is captured onto a laptop through excel software and includes geological logging, sample data and QA/QC information. This data, together with the assay data, is stored both locally and entered into the SNX central online database which is managed by SNX.
		Prior to 2011 documentation on primary data and data entry procedures, verification and data storage protocols are not recorded.
	Discuss any adjustment to assay data.	No adjustments have been made.
Location of data points	<ul> <li>Accuracy and quality of surveys used to locate drill holes (collar and down-hole surveys), trenches, mine workings and other locations used in Mineral Resource estimation.</li> </ul>	Since 2014 drill holes have been surveyed using downhole continuous reading Gyro.  Drill collars are picked up by handheld GPS equipment.

Criteria	JORC Code explanation	Commentary
		Historical drill hole locations have been taken from geo-rectified maps from historical reports with some field verification undertaken by GPS where possible. No MRE has been undertaken.
	Specification of the grid system used.	NAD27 UTM Zone 11N
	Quality and adequacy of topographic control.	NED (US Geological Survey National Elevation Dataset - 10 Meter 7.5x7.5 minute quadrangles) data used to establish RL values where needed. Underground samples RL taken from historical maps. Elevation data taken from historic reports/logs when available.
Data spacing and distribution	Data spacing for reporting of Exploration Results.	The data spacing of both drilling, downhole sampling and soil sampling programs are appropriate for the reporting of exploration reports.
	Whether the data spacing and distribution is sufficient to establish the degree of geological and grade continuity appropriate for the Mineral Resource and Ore Reserve estimation procedure(s) and classifications applied.	The current data spacing would not allow for a MRE procedure.
	Whether sample compositing has been applied.	Sample compositing has not been applied.
Orientation of data in relation	Whether the orientation of sampling achieves unbiased sampling of possible structures and the extent to which this is known, considering the deposit type.	Geophysical and geological interpretations and historic mining support the drilling direction and sampling method employed.
to geological structure	If the relationship between the drilling orientation and the orientation of key mineralised structures is considered to have introduced a sampling bias, this should be assessed and reported if material	No drilling orientation and sampling bias has been recognised at this time.
Sample security	The measures taken to ensure sample security.	Since 2011 rock chip and RC samples were packed in bulk bags, secured with cable ties, and transported from the field by SNX personnel to ALS Reno in Nevada. The laboratories then checked the physically received samples against a SNX generated sample submission list and reported back any discrepancies.  Prior to 2011 no details of the sample security measures are available.
Audits or reviews	The results of any audits or reviews of sampling techniques and data.	No reviews have been undertaken.



# **Section 2 Reporting of Exploration Results**

(Criteria listed in the preceding section also apply to this section.)

Criteria	JORC Code explanation	Commentary
Mineral tenement and land tenure	re or material issues with third parties such as joint ventures, partnerships, overriding royalties, native title interests, historical sites, wilderness or	Individual claim details can be found within SNX Replacement Prospectus Annexure B - Independent Title Report (Page 368 – 375)
status		New Pass Project - NP Claims, Churchill County and Lander County (62 mining claims).
		Record Ownership: Sierra Nevada Gold Inc.
		Royalties: 2% net smelter returns royalty held by Sierra Nevada Gold Pty Ltd as nominee for John Groom, Anthony Kaiser, Peter Woodford and Peter Moore under the Deed of Royalty New Pass Project dated effective February 2, 2013, and a 0.5% net smelter returns royalty held by Kenneth Snyder as Trustee for the Snyder Living Trust under the Deed of Royalty New Pass Project dated effective February 2, 2013.
		New Pass Project - PW Claims, Lander County (114 mining claims).
		Record Ownership: Sierra Nevada Gold Inc.
		Royalties: 2% net smelter returns royalty held by Sierra Nevada Gold Pty Ltd as nominee for John Groom, Anthony Kaiser, Peter Woodford and Peter Moore under the Deed of Royalty New Pass Project dated effective February 13, 2013, and a 0.5% net smelter returns royalty held by Kenneth Snyder as Trustee for the Snyder Living Trust under the Deed of Royalty New Pass Project dated effective February 2, 2013.
		New Pass Project – Thomas W. Superior et al Claims, Lander County (4 mining claims).
		Record Ownership: Donald Eugene Jung, also known as Donald Jung, subject to the Exploration Lease and Option to Purchase Agreement dated September 24, 2020.
		Lease term: Ten (10) years subject to the Company's right to extend the term for an additional term of ten (10) years. The lease grants to the Company the option to purchase the leasehold property for \$750,000.00.
		Royalties: 2% net smelter returns royalty subject to the Company's option to reduce the royalty percentage rate to 1.0% on payment of \$500,000.00.
		Periodic payments: \$12,000.00 annually due September 1, 2021, to September 1, 2023;
		\$18,000.00 annually due September 1, 2024, to September 1, 2026; \$24,000.00 annually due

Criteria	JORC Code explanation	Commentary
		September 1, 2030; and \$30,000.00 annually due September 2, 2031, and September 1 of each succeeding year of the agreement.
		New Pass Project – Donald Jung Patented Mining Claims, Lander County (8 mining claims).
		Record Ownership: Donald Eugene Jung, also known as Donald Jung, subject to the Exploration Lease and Option to Purchase Agreement dated September 24, 2020.
		Lease term: Ten (10) years subject to the Company's right to extend the term for an additional term of ten (10) years. The lease grants to the Company the option to purchase the leasehold property for \$750,000.00.
		Royalties: 2% net smelter returns royalty subject to the Company's option to reduce the royalty percentage rate to 1.0% on payment of \$500,000.00.
	The security of the tenure held at the time of reporting along with any known impediments to obtaining a licence to operate in the area.	The claims are in good standing There are no known impediments to obtaining a licence to operate, other than those set out by statutory requirements which have not yet been applied for.
Exploration done by other parties	Acknowledgment and appraisal of exploration by other parties.	Exploration by other parties have been reviewed and is used as a guide to SNX's exploration priorities and activities. Previous workers have completed geological mapping and sampling, geochemical sampling, geophysical programs, RC and Rotary drilling and core drilling. Significant historical mining has also occurred with the project and this also informs SNX's exploration priorities.
Geology	Deposit type, geological setting and style of mineralisation.	The New Pass Project is prospective for epithermal-style Au and jasperoid-hosted Carlin-style Au mineralisation, hosted within the NW orientated Austin Trend. The Austin Trend is sub-parallel to the prolific Carlin and Battle Mountain Trends which contain Pipeline (+20 M oz), the Cortez Complex (+15 M oz), and Goldstrike (+50 M oz). NNW oriented Au-base metal bearing epithermal veins are present at the historically worked New Pass, Superior Thomas West and Valley View mines and the unexploited Julie, Lander, True-Blue, and Wildcat zones. Jasperoid-bearing rocks south of New Pass Mine, which reported up to 0.38g/t Au, are similar to rocks present at the Westmont deposit (2 Mt at 2.4g/t Au, Allison et al., 1991) located less than 4.5km to the NW. Historic drill holes into jasperoid-bearing rocks reported 6.1m at 0.2g/t Au from 12.19m depth. The New Pass Project displays several features which suggest the potential for economic Au mineralisation.
Drill hole Information	<ul> <li>A summary of all information material to the understanding of the exploration results including a tabulation of the following information for all Material drill holes:</li> <li>easting and northing of the drill hole collar</li> </ul>	Drillhole details see Appendix 1, Table 1

Criteria	JORC Code explanation	Commentary
	<ul> <li>elevation or RL (Reduced Level – elevation above sea level in metres) of the drill hole collar</li> <li>dip and azimuth of the hole</li> <li>down hole length and interception depth</li> <li>hole length.</li> </ul>	
	<ul> <li>If the exclusion of this information is justified on the basis that the information is not Material and this exclusion does not detract from the understanding of the report, the Competent Person should clearly explain why this is the case.</li> </ul>	
Data aggregation methods	<ul> <li>In reporting Exploration Results, weighting averaging techniques, maximum and/or minimum grade truncations (eg cutting of high grades) and cut-off grades are usually Material and should be stated.</li> </ul>	Weighted averages were calculated over reported intervals according to sample length.  No high-grade cuts have been applied to assay results.
	<ul> <li>Where aggregate intercepts incorporate short lengths of high grade results and longer lengths of low grade results, the procedure used for such aggregation should be stated and some typical examples of such aggregations should be shown in detail.</li> </ul>	No aggregate intercepts are reported in this announcement.  The parameters behind historical significant intercepts are unknown and have been taken directly from reports/plans/sections.
	• The assumptions used for any reporting of metal equivalent values should be clearly stated.	No metal equivalent values have been used or reported.
Relationship between mineralisation widths and	These relationships are particularly important in the reporting of Exploration Results.	At this reconnaissance/ early exploration stage, the geometry of the target mineralisation is not adequately defined. All intersections reported are downhole. Historical drilling does drill normal to the previously mined high-grade veins therefore historically recorded intercepts are considered appropriate and close to true width.
intercept lengths	<ul> <li>If the geometry of the mineralisation with respect to the drill hole angle is known, its nature should be reported.</li> </ul>	The Superior Vein dips strikes approximately 345° and dips steeply westwards at a dip of 80°. RC drilling was conducted as close to perpendicular to the structure as possible generally eastwards dipping at -55 to -60° to the east.
		Historical reports do not specifically refer to this however the angle and direction of the drilling is appropriate for testing the high-grade veins as mined by previous miners.
	<ul> <li>If it is not known and only the down hole lengths are reported, there should be a clear statement to this effect (eg 'down hole length, true width not known').</li> </ul>	Reported.
Diagrams	<ul> <li>Appropriate maps and sections (with scales) and tabulations of intercepts should be included for any significant discovery being reported These should include, but not be limited to a plan view of drill hole collar locations and appropriate sectional views.</li> </ul>	Refer to the Report for all relevant maps, sections and diagrams.

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Criteria	JORC Code explanation	Commentary
Balanced reporting	<ul> <li>Where comprehensive reporting of all Exploration Results is not practicable, representative reporting of both low and high grades and/or widths should be practiced to avoid misleading reporting of Exploration Results.</li> </ul>	The parameters behind historical significant intercepts are unknown and have been taken directly from reports/plans/sections.
Other substantive exploration data	<ul> <li>Other exploration data, if meaningful and material, should be reported including (but not limited to): geological observations; geophysical survey results; geochemical survey results; bulk samples – size and method of treatment; metallurgical test results; bulk density, groundwater, geotechnical and rock characteristics; potential deleterious or contaminating substances.</li> </ul>	Covered in the body of the Report.
Further work	The nature and scale of planned further work (eg tests for lateral extensions or depth extensions or large-scale step-out drilling).	Covered in the body of the Report.
	<ul> <li>Diagrams clearly highlighting the areas of possible extensions, including the main geological interpretations and future drilling areas, provided this information is not commercially sensitive</li> </ul>	Covered in the body of the Report.