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# Capital raising to accelerate underground development and ramp-up exploration

Placement and SPP to raise up to A\$70 million (before costs) at A\$1.05 per share will further de-risk the Bellevue Gold Project by opening additional mining fronts and increasing financial flexibility ahead of first production in second half of CY2023

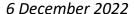
- Bellevue is undertaking a fully underwritten placement within its existing ASX Listing Rule 7.1 placement capacity to raise A\$60m (Placement) and a non-underwritten share purchase plan to raise up to A\$10m (SPP) (before costs)
- Placement and SPP price of A\$1.05 per share represents a discount of 13.2% to the last closing price of A\$1.21 on Monday, 5 December 2022 and a 8.4% discount to the 5 day volume weighted average price (VWAP) of A\$1.146
- Proceeds from the Placement and SPP will be used to:
  - Accelerate underground development
  - o Bring forward development of the Tribune mining front, further de-risking the production outlook
  - o Fund additional drilling focusing on exploration, Resource development and grade control
  - o Provide the Company with increased financial flexibility during project construction and ramp-up
- Bellevue is on schedule to be Australia's next new significant high-grade gold mine, with first production set for H2 CY2023 and ramp-up expected to take 2 months

Bellevue Gold Limited (Bellevue or Company) (ASX: BGL) is pleased to announce the launch of a fully underwritten institutional placement of new fully paid ordinary shares (New Shares) to raise approximately A\$60m (before costs) (Placement) and a non-underwritten share purchase plan to raise up to A\$10m (before costs) (SPP) (together, the Offer).

In conjunction with existing cash on hand, proceeds from the Offer will be used to accelerate underground development and exploration at the Bellevue Gold Project in WA, further de-risking the production outlook and increasing financial flexibility during construction and ramp-up.

The accelerated development strategy allows Bellevue to:

- Accelerate 4,000m 5,000m of underground development to open additional production fronts and de-risk post-production run-rate, and reduce development costs during ramp-up;
- Fast-track the independent Tribune mining front earlier than scheduled and leverage on-site open pit mining equipment for construction of the portal development;





- Fund additional grade control drilling to improve geological confidence and continue to build on the success
  to date in identifying meaningful upside to May 2022 Mineral Resource; and fund additional exploration step
  out and Resource definition drilling targeting growth of the project Resource and Reserve Inventory; and
- Provide additional balance sheet flexibility to commercial production, in conjunction with the existing A\$200m undrawn Macquarie Project Finance Facility and cash at bank of A\$47m as at 30 November 2022 (unaudited).

Bellevue Managing Director Steve Parsons said: "Every aspect of the project is going to plan or better. Development rates, grade control drilling results and exploration are all exceeding our expectations.

"The success is providing us with an opportunity to unlock the value of the project sooner and to a greater extent than originally planned.

"This additional funding will enable us to capitalise on this opportunity by bringing forward some of the underground development, de-risking the production outlook in the process.

"It will also ensure we have a robust level of working capital as we ramp up production".

### **Bellevue Gold Project update**

Bellevue is pleased to announce that project delivery remains on-track with first production targeted in the second half of CY2023 and ramp-up expected to take 2 months post first production. In particular:

- Construction is well advanced with GR Engineering Services Limited (ASX:GNG) fully mobilised and advancing construction activities and bulk earth works complete;
- Mining development is ahead of schedule with the Develop Global Limited (ASX:DVP) mining fleet updated
  with new equipment landed on site, a second jumbo commenced in October 2022, a third to commence in
  January 2023 and a fourth expected to commence in April 2023. Since June 2022, Bellevue has achieved a 32%
  uplift on underground development rates vs planned development; and
- Approvals and permitting remain on track with current development timetable. The key approvals for the
  construction of the processing plant were secured in October/November 2022 and construction of the plant is
  now underway.

Bellevue expects that the remaining pre-commercial production project costs is approximately A\$219m, after incorporating additional accelerated underground development capital, with remaining expenditure significantly derisked as a result of 90% of the pre-production capital being contracted. The remaining material contract is for open pit mining, which is at advanced tender stage and expected to be awarded in coming weeks.

### **Details of the Placement**

Bellevue is undertaking a fully underwritten placement of New Shares to eligible institutional, sophisticated and professional investors to raise A\$60m (before costs).

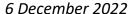
New Shares under the Placement will be issued at A\$1.05 per share, representing a 13.2% discount to the last closing price of A\$1.21 on Monday, 5 December 2022 and a 8.4% discount to the 5 day VWAP of A\$1.146.

The Placement is fully underwritten by Macquarie Capital (Australia) Limited and Canaccord Genuity (Australia) Limited.

### **Details of the Share Purchase Plan**

Following completion of the Placement, Bellevue will offer all eligible shareholders in Australia and New Zealand the opportunity to participate in the non-underwritten SPP of up to A\$10m.

The record date for the SPP is 7.00pm (AEDT) on Monday, 5 December 2022. The SPP offer period is anticipated to be open from Wednesday, 14 December 2022 to Friday, 13 January 2022, subject to Bellevue's discretion to amend these dates by making an ASX announcement in accordance with the ASX Listing Rules.





Under the SPP, New Shares will be offered at A\$1.05, being the same offer price as the Placement.

Further information regarding the SPP (including terms and conditions of the SPP) will be provided to eligible shareholders in the SPP offer booklet, which is expected to be lodged on Wednesday, 14 December 2022. Participation in the SPP is optional. Bellevue reserves the right (in its absolute discretion) to scale back applications under the SPP if demand exceeds A\$10m or to accept oversubscriptions (subject to the ASX Listing Rules).

New Shares issued under the Placement and SPP will rank equally with existing fully paid ordinary shares on issue.

### **Timetable**

Event	Date
Record date for eligibility to participate in SPP	7.00pm (AEDT), Monday, 5 December 2022
Trading halt	Tuesday, 6 December 2022
Launch of Offer and investor presentation	Tuesday, 6 December 2022
Trading halt lifted and announcement of completion of Placement	Thursday, 8 December 2022
Settlement of Placement shares	Monday, 12 December 2022
Allotment of Placement shares	Tuesday, 13 December 2022
Dispatch SPP offer documents and SPP offer open date	Wednesday, 14 December 2022
SPP closing date	Friday, 13 January 2023
Announcement of SPP participation results and allotment of New Shares	Friday, 20 January 2023
Trading of New Shares under the SPP	Monday, 23 January 2023

The timetable is indicative only and remains subject to change at Bellevue's discretion, subject to compliance with applicable laws and the ASX Listing Rules. Bellevue reserves the right to change the timetable or cancel the SPP at any time before new Shares are issued, subject to regulatory requirements. Bellevue encourages Eligible Shareholders who wish to participate to act promptly in submitting their application forms. The Company reserves the right to close the SPP early, in its sole and absolute discretion, should it be considered necessary to do so, by making an announcement to the ASX.

For further information regarding Bellevue Gold Limited please visit the ASX platform (ASX:BGL) or the Company's website (<a href="www.bellevuegold.com.au">www.bellevuegold.com.au</a>).

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- estimated Resources and Reserves;
- · planned production and operating costs profiles;
- · planned capital requirements; and
- planned strategies and corporate objectives.

The Company does not make any representations and provides no warranties concerning the accuracy of the projections, and disclaims any obligation to update or revise any forward looking statements/projects based on new information, future events or otherwise except to the extent required by applicable laws

Forward looking All-In-Sustaining Cost estimates have been prepared on a real basis at a project level. Any All-In-Sustaining Cost, pre-tax free cashflow and IRR estimates in this announcement are based on the economic assumptions detailed in the section titled "Material assumptions" on page 8 of the ASX announcement dated 10 June 2022 titled "Project Production, De-risking and Growth Update-update".

### JORC compliance statements

It is a requirement of the ASX Listing Rules that the reporting of ore reserves and mineral resources in Australia comply with the Joint Ore Reserves Committee's Australasian Code for Reporting of Mineral Resources and Ore Reserves ("JORC Code"). Investors outside Australia should note that while ore reserve and mineral resource estimates of the Company in this document comply with the JORC Code (such JORC Code-compliant ore reserves and mineral resources being "Ore Reserves" and "Mineral Resources" respectively), they may not comply with the relevant guidelines in other countries and, in particular, do not comply with (i) National Instrument 43-101 (Standards of Disclosure for Mineral Projects) of the Canadian Securities Administrators (the "Canadian NI 43-101 Standards"); or (ii) Item 1300 of Regulation S-K, which governs disclosures of mineral reserves in registration statements filed with the SEC. Information contained in this document describing mineral deposits may not be comparable to similar information made public by companies subject to the reporting and disclosure requirements of Canadian or US securities laws.

This announcement contains references to Mineral Resource and Ore Reserves estimates, which have been extracted from the Company's ASX announcements dated 4 May 2022 titled "Resource Update", 10 June 2022 titled "Project Production, De-risking and Growth Update-update" and 24 November 2022 titled "Further positive grade control results". The Company confirms that it is not aware of any new information or data that materially affects the information included in the said announcements, and in the case of estimates of Mineral Resources and Ore Reserves, that all material assumptions and technical parameters underpinning the estimates in the relevant market announcements continue to apply and have not materially changed. The Company confirms that the form and context in which the Competent Persons' findings are presented have not materially modified from the original market announcements.

Information in this announcement that relates to production targets (including subsets of such targets) were first reported in the ASX announcement dated 10 June 2022 titled "Project Production, De-risking and Growth Update-update". Bellevue confirms that all the material assumptions underpinning the production targets, and the forecast financial information derived from the production targets, continue to apply and have not materially changed.

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