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WEST AFRICA'S EMERGING NEW GOLD PRODUCER

- ✓ 2.2Mtpa Sanbrado build and commissioning complete 10 weeks ahead of schedule and US\$20m underbudget
- ✓ Currently processing oxide open-pit and underground development ore, first stoping ore expected in September Quarter 2020
- ✓ On target for +300,000 ounces gold in first full year of production at lowest quartile AISC <US\$500/oz¹
- ✓ Targeting average annual production 217,000oz gold over first five years at lowest quartile AISC <US\$600/oz
- ✓ Growing 3.1 Million ounce gold Mineral Resource²
 - Underground: 0.8 Moz at 19.5 g/t gold
 - Open-pits: 2.3 Moz at 1.3 g/t gold
- ✓ Open at depth 1.7 Million ounce gold Probable Reserve²
 - Underground: 0.65 Moz at 10.2 g/t gold
 - Open-pits: 1.0 Moz at 1.6 g/t gold
- ✓ New acquisition 1.1Moz gold Toega deposit³ trucking distance to Sanbrado



ASX:	WAF
OTC US:	WFRSF
Shares:	870.5 Million
Market Cap:	A\$661 Million

1. From 1 July 2020.
 2. ASX announcement for Feasibility Study release dated 16 April 2019.
 3. Toega resource see ASX announcements 29 April 2020 and 1 May 2020.

CAPITAL STRUCTURE AND ANALYST COVERAGE

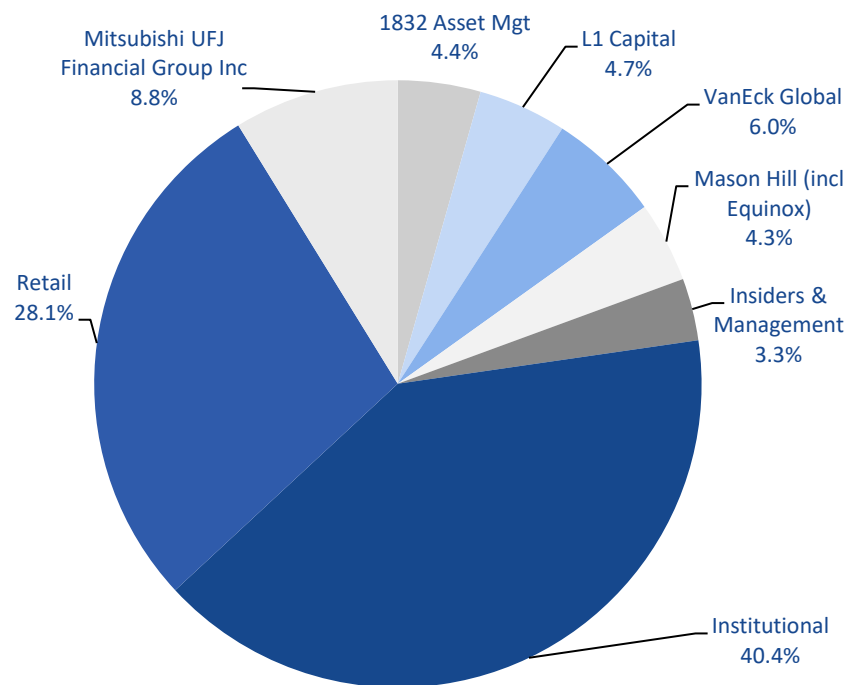
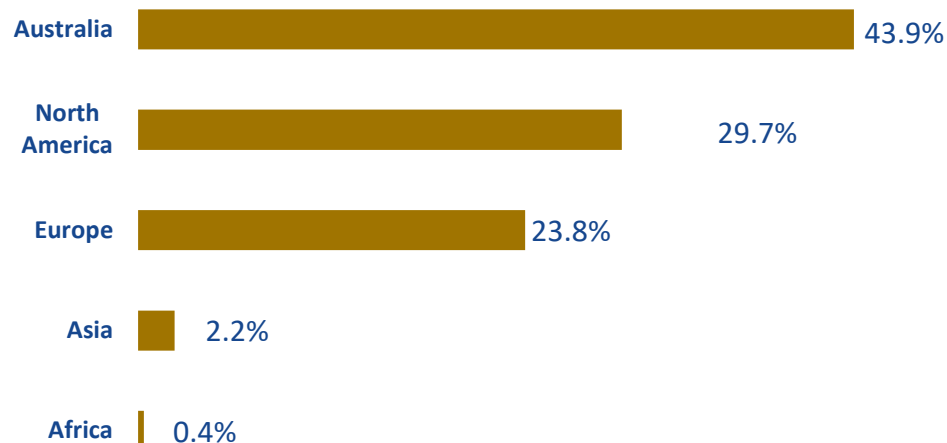
ASX: WAF

Total Ordinary Shares on Issue	870.5m
Options and performance rights on issue	15.7m
Top 20 Shareholders	58%
Cash at 30 April 2020	US\$42.5m
Gold at 30 April 2020 ³	US\$23.3m
US\$200m debt fully drawn – first repayment March 2021	
Market Capitalisation (at A\$0.76/share)	A\$661m

Analyst Coverage²

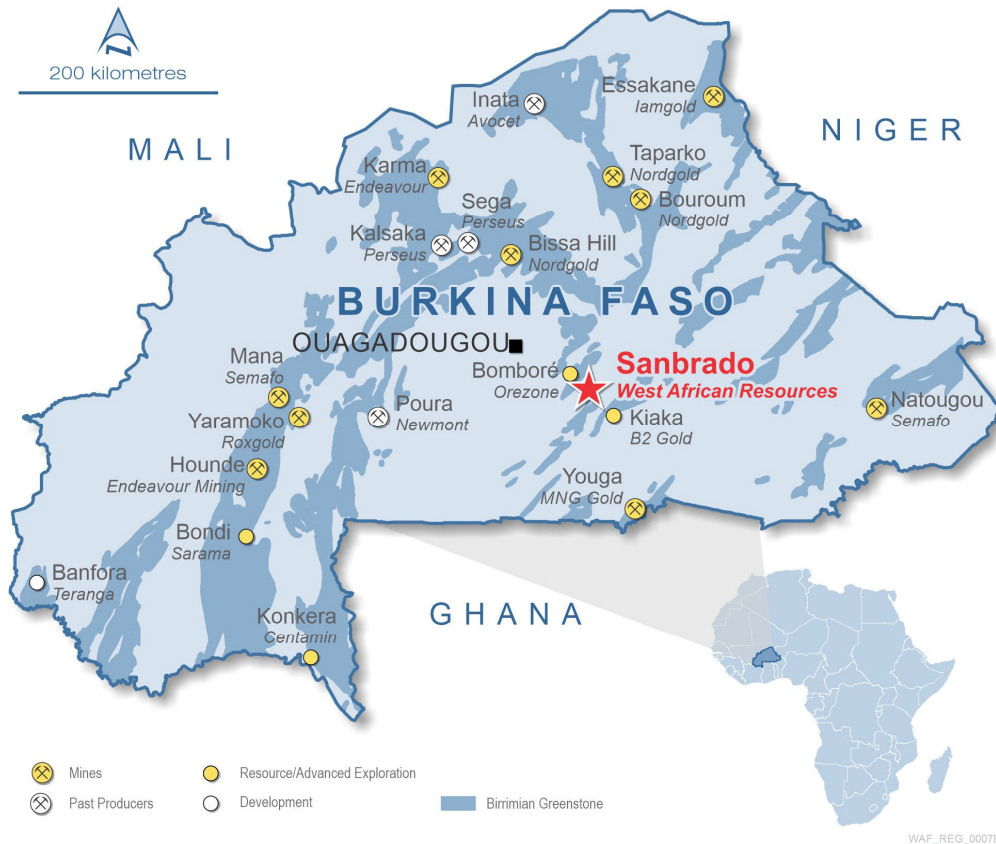
Euroz	Andrew Clayton
Hartleys	Mike Millikan
Macquarie	Andrew Bowler
Sprott	Brock Salier

INVESTOR BY GEOGRAPHIC LOCATION¹



1. For top 81% of investors
2. Further information at <http://www.westafricanresources.com/investor-centre>
3. LBMA PM closing price US\$1702.75 30 April 2020

WHY BURKINA FASO?



- Underlain by Birimian gold bearing rocks
- 1.7 Moz gold production in 2018
- Sanbrado the 14th commercial gold mine in 14 years
- Historically stable government and community support for gold mining
- Sanbrado located in relatively secure south-central Burkina Faso, away from troubled border regions
- Updated mining code 2015:
 - 27.5% corporate tax rate
 - 10% free carry
 - 5% royalty
 - 1% community dividend
- Total WAF Burkina land package 990km²

EXPERIENCED BOARD AND MANAGEMENT

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

RICHARD HYDE

Executive Chairman &
Chief Executive Officer
Founder, Geologist
20 years' experience

LYNDON HOPKINS

Executive Director &
Chief Operating Officer
Geologist
30 years' experience

MARK CONNELLY

Non-Executive Director
Mining Executive,
Accountant
30 years' experience

SIMON STORM

Non-Executive
Director & Co-Sec
Chartered Accountant
30 years' experience

ROD LEONARD

Non-Executive
Director
Metallurgical Engineer
40 years' experience

NIGEL SPICER

Non-Executive
Director
Mining Engineer
40 years' experience

SENIOR MANAGEMENT

MATTHEW WILCOX

Chief Development
Officer
Process Engineer
20 years' experience

PADRAIG O'DONOGHUE

Chief Financial Officer
Chartered Accountant
30 years' experience

JEAN-BERTRAND REINLE

GM Administration
Security Specialist
30 years' experience

LUKE HOLDEN

GM Sanbrado Operations
Process Manager
15 years' experience

VINCENT MOREL

GM Exploration and
New Projects
30 years' experience

TODD GILTAY

GM Finance
Accountant CPA
15 years' experience

STUART CRUICKSHANKS

GM Technical Services
Mining Engineer
25 years' experience

SANBRADO GOLD PROJECT

March 2020

Project Status

100%
COMPLETE

Build complete, commissioning complete on schedule for Q2 2020 commercial production

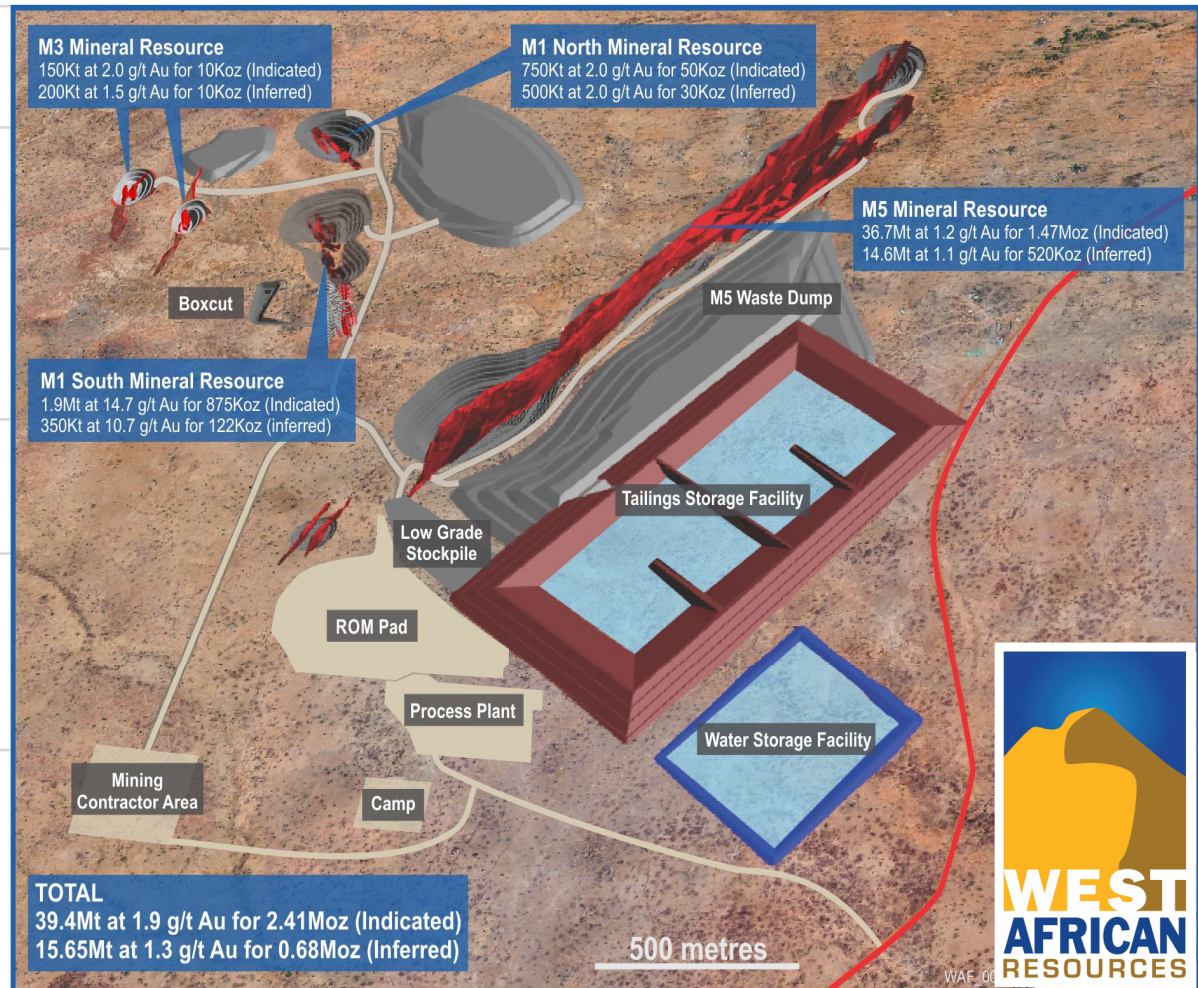
SANBRADO GOLD PROJECT

KEY PROJECT METRICS

- High-grade UG and open-pit operation with conventional 2.2Mtpa SABC CIL plant
- MRE of 3.1 Moz Au
2.4 Moz Au (Indicated) & 0.7 Moz Au (Inferred)
- 1.7 Million ounce Probable Reserve Underground:
0.65 Moz at 10.2 g/t gold
Open-pits: 1.0 Moz at 1.6 g/t gold
- Average 217koz per year for first 5 years
- Average 153koz per year over 10 year LOM
- Low pre-production CAPEX of US\$186M
- Y1-5 AISC of ~US\$590/oz
- ~US\$650/oz over life of mine

2019 DFS at US\$1500/oz gold price

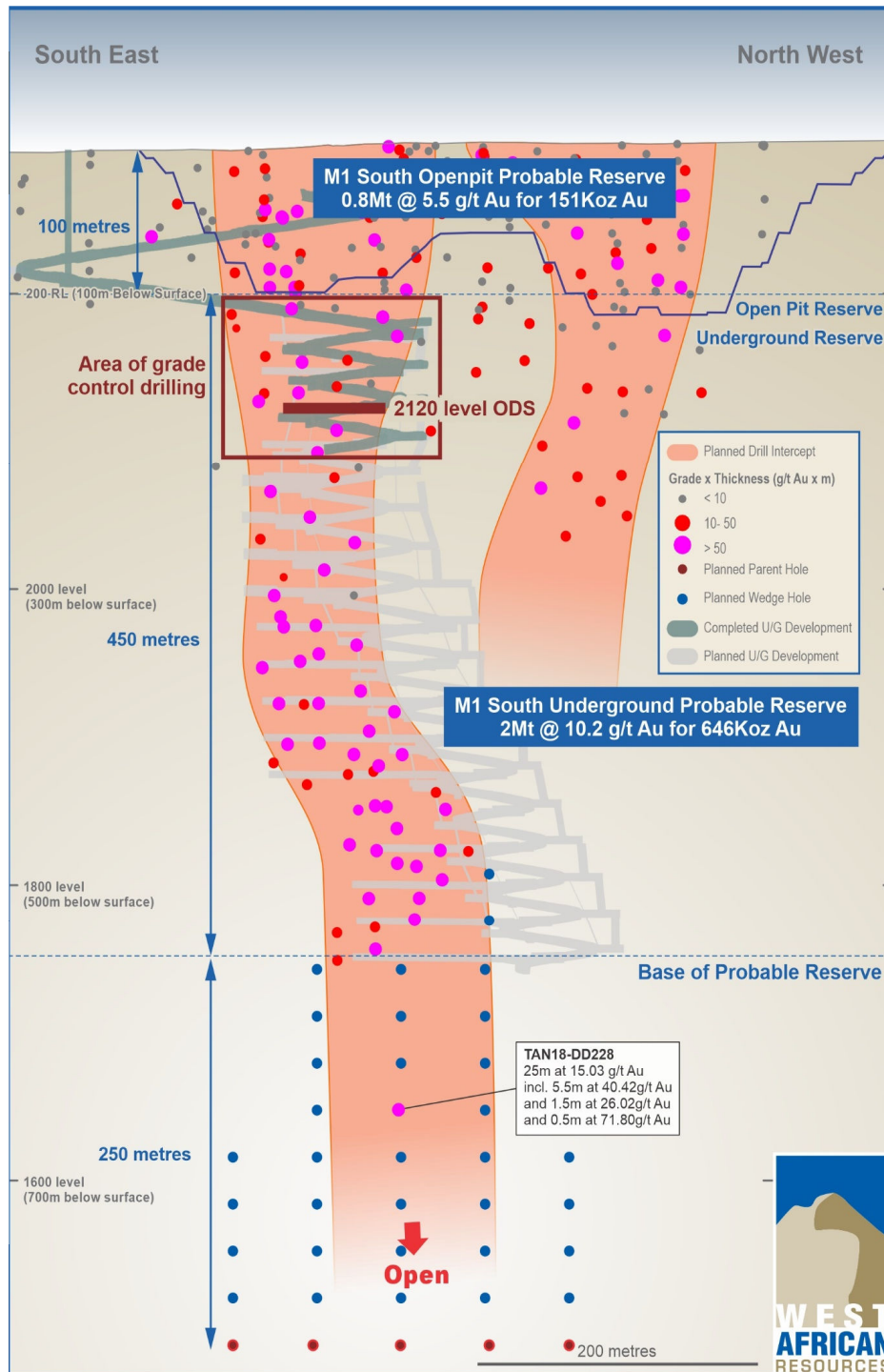
- Pre-tax NPV5% of US\$825m and IRR of 105%
- After-tax NPV5% of US\$599m and IRR of 78.8%
- 12-month post-tax payback on US\$186m capex



Source: ASX Feasibility Study release dated 16 April 2019.

SANBRADO GOLD PROJECT

M1 SOUTH DEPOSIT



- ✓ Development on schedule and budget
- ✓ 2120 level ore development ongoing
- ✓ Grade control ongoing. Results in-line with expectations. Stand out results include:
 - 13.5m at 133.1 g/t Au
 - 13m at 64.1 g/t Au
 - 17.5m at 26.8 g/t Au
 - 7m at 39.5 g/t Au
 - 12.4m at 20.5 g/t Au
- ✓ Recent drilling beneath reserves include TAN18-DD228: 25m at 15 g/t Au from 862m including 5.5m at 40.4 g/t Au
- ✓ Deep drilling program planned, prepared on hold due to COVID-19
- ✓ Deep drilling program targeting 3 - 4 year extension to underground mine life

SANBRADO GOLD PROJECT



WAF team on site with first gold shipment 4th May 2020

SANBRADO GOLD PROJECT



Clockwise from top left; Danny Kotzee (Construction Manager) and Matthew Wilcox (Chief Development Officer), Lyndon Hopkins (Exec Director & COO) and Richard Hyde (Exec Chairman & CEO), First gold bars, Vince Morel (GM Exploration) and Abdou Guire (Senior Geologist).

M1 SOUTH UNDERGROUND DEVELOPMENT PROGRESS



- ✓ Decline +200m below surface level
- ✓ Total development +2,200m
- ✓ First development ore processed April 2020
- ✓ First stoping ore expected September Quarter 2020



SANBRADO GOLD PROJECT

E & S COMMITMENTS

Environmental and Social

- ✓ Baseline studies for the ESIA and RAP were undertaken from 2015 to 2018. Environmental and RAP approvals were granted in 2018.
- ✓ Environmental permit was granted in 2018 covering mining and process plant, Sanbrado exploitation and mining and surface infrastructure.
- ✓ E & S currently undergoing upgrade to satisfy IFC Performance Standards

Positive Social Impact from Sanbrado

- ✓ Employment for local workforce
- ✓ Contributing to community development fund 1% of revenue
- ✓ Infrastructure, community facilities and social services
- ✓ Training, employment and local partnerships
- ✓ Local governance, gender and human rights



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NEW HOMES BUILT
OR UNDER
CONSTRUCTION

<700
RESETTLED LOCAL
PEOPLE

25% Female
75% Male



95% Burkinabé
5% Expatriate



99%
COMPENSATION
PAID TO AFFECTED
LOCALS



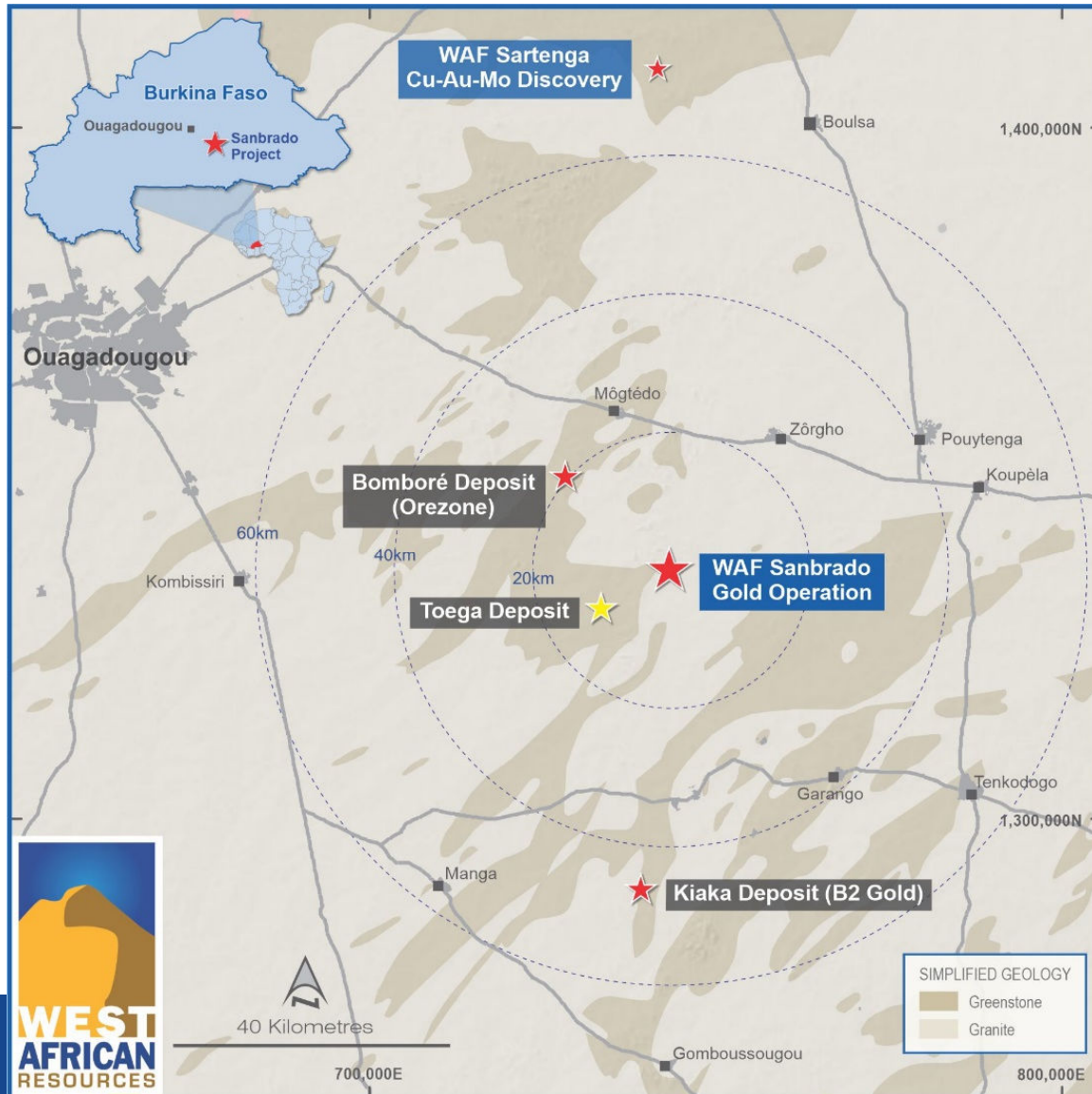
EQUIPÉ SANBRADO



Clockwise from top left: Underground team, CSR dept, Construction team, construction contractors.

TOEGA ACQUISITION

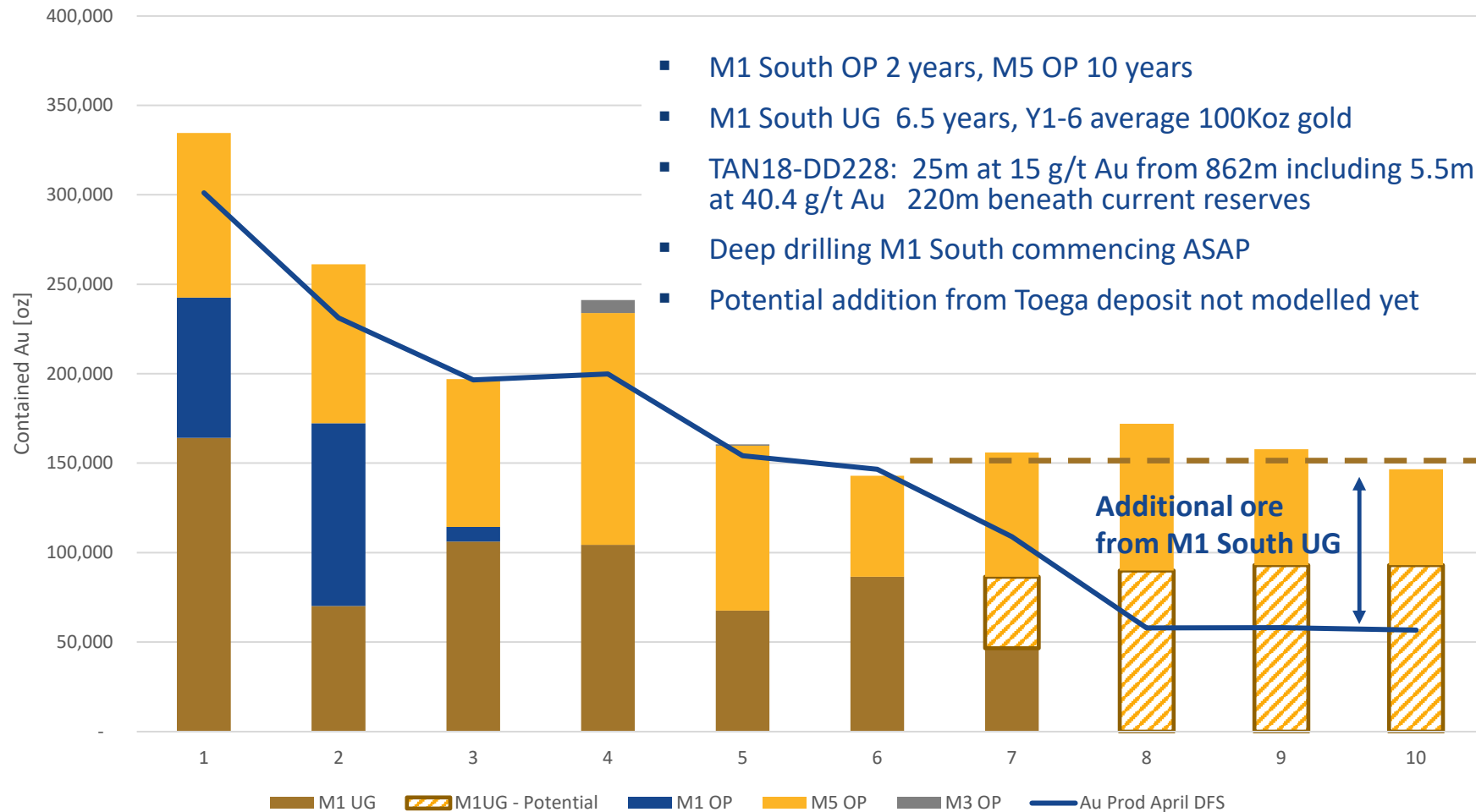
INCREASE TO MINE LIFE AND PRODUCTION PROFILE



- ✓ WAF to acquire Toega from B2Gold and GAMS for US\$45 million in staged payments.
- ✓ Located within trucking distance (14km) of Sanbrado.
- ✓ Existing Inferred Resource is 1.1Moz gold at 2.1 g/t Au, with excellent exploration upside.
- ✓ Toega is expected to increase the Sanbrado production profile and mine life with a relatively low capital expenditure.
- ✓ Planning work to commence immediately, field work to commence later this year following the wet season.

SANBRADO GOLD PROJECT

ANNUAL PRODUCTION – APRIL 2019 DFS + UG POTENTIAL AFTER Y6



Source: ASX Feasibility Study release dated 16 April 2019.

SANBRADO PRODUCTION UPDATE

RAMPING UP TO FULL PRODUCTION Q3 2020

- ✓ COVID response plan enacted - no material impact to operations
- ✓ Continuous operations for approx. 7 weeks from 8th March 2020
- ✓ Processing of oxide open-pit and underground development ore progressing to plan
- ✓ Open-pits and underground production reconciling to models
- ✓ Production for March 200,286t at 1.3 g/t Au 91.8% plant recovery
- ✓ Production for April 238,475t at 1.3 g/t Au 90.7% plant recovery
- ✓ Higher grade open pit ore planned for September quarter
- ✓ Underground stoping ore on schedule for September quarter



Visible gold exposed in the 2120 ore development drive

NEAR-TERM CATALYSTS

RAMPING UP TOWARDS FULL PRODUCTION Q3 2020

Completed build and commissioning	Q1 2020	✓
Commenced underground ore development	Q1 2020	✓
Commence deep resource definition drilling at M1 South	Q1 2020	x
Completed commissioning and first gold pour	Q1 2020	✓
Commercial gold production	Q2 2020	
M1 South stoping ore production	Q3 2020	
Commence deep resource definition drilling at M1 South	Q3 2020	
Resource drilling at Toega	Q3 2020	
2021 year production guidance	Q4 2020	

MINERAL RESOURCES AND RESERVES

SANBRADO GOLD PROJECT MINERAL RESOURCES April 2019	Cutoff	Indicated Resource			Inferred Resource			Total		
	(Au g/t)	Tonnes	Grade	Au Oz	Tonnes	Grade	Au Oz	Tonnes	Grade	Au Oz
			(Au g/t)			(Au g/t)			(Au g/t)	
M1 South U/G >180mRL	3	1,000,000	21.9	697,000	300,000	11.2	117,000	1,300,000	19.48	814,000
M1 South O/P <180mRL	0.5	850,000	6.4	178,000	50,000	5.2	5,000	900,000	6.32	183,000
M5 O/P	0.5	36,650,000	1.2	1,470,000	14,600,000	1.1	520,000	51,250,000	1.21	1,990,000
M1 North O/P	0.5	750,000	2.0	49,000	500,000	2.0	32,000	1,250,000	2.02	81,000
M3 O/P	0.5	150,000	2.0	11,000	200,000	1.5	9,000	350,000	1.78	20,000
Sub-total O/P	0.5	38,400,000	1.4	1,708,000	15,350,000	1.1	566,000	53,750,000	1.32	2,274,000
Total O/P + U/G	0.5 + 3.0	39,400,000	1.9	2,405,000	15,650,000	1.4	683,000	55,050,000	1.74	3,088,000

SANBRADO GOLD PROJECT April 2019 PROBABLE MINERAL RESERVE	Tonnes	Gold	Contained Gold
	Mt	(Au g/t)	koz
M1 South Underground	2.0	10.2	646
M1 South Open Pit	0.8	5.5	151
M1 North Open Pit	0.6	2.1	38
M5 Open Pit	18.1	1.4	811
M3 Open Pit	0.1	1.7	8
Total Probable Mineral Reserve	21.6	2.4	1,653



Note: Due to rounding, numbers presented throughout this document may not add up precisely to the totals provided and percentages may not precisely reflect the absolute figures. The Sanbrado Gold Project Mineral Resources estimates have an effective date of 16 April 2019. For further details, please refer to the ASX announcement released by West African on 16 April 2019 entitled "West African to produce +300,000 ounces gold in first year at Sanbrado". Mineral Resources are reported inclusive of those Mineral Resources that have been modified to Mineral Ore Reserves. Mineral Resources that are not Mineral Ore Reserves do not have demonstrated economic viability. All tonnage, grade and contained metal content estimates have been rounded; rounding may result in apparent summation differences between tonnes, grade, and contained metal content.

MINERAL RESOURCES AND RESERVES

TOEGA GOLD PROJECT MINERAL RESOURCES January 8, 2018		Cutoff	Indicated Resource			Inferred Resource			Total		
		(Au g/t)	Tonnes	Grade	Au Oz	Tonnes	Grade	Au Oz	Tonnes	Grade	Au Oz
				(Au g/t)			(Au g/t)			(Au g/t)	
Toega	O/P	0.6				17,530,000	2.01	1,130,000	17,530,000	2.01	1,130,000
Total						17,530,000	2.01	1,130,000	17,530,000	2.01	1,130,000

Note: The Toega Gold Project Mineral Resources are qualifying foreign estimates under the ASX Listing Rules and are not reported in accordance with the JORC Code. Competent persons have not done sufficient work to classify the qualifying foreign estimates as Mineral Resources in accordance with the JORC Code. It is uncertain, that following evaluation and further exploration, the foreign estimates will be able to be reported as Mineral Resources in accordance with the JORC code. The financial metrics used to determine the reporting limits of the Mineral Resources were compiled by B2 Gold and may not be applicable to West African Resources. The B2Gold financial assumptions should not be relied upon as they were based on the assumptions made by B2Gold at the time they were reported and do not apply to WAF. Mineral Resources that are not Mineral Ore Reserves do not have demonstrated economic viability. All tonnage, grade and contained metal content estimates have been rounded; rounding may result in apparent summation differences between tonnes, grade, and contained metal content. For further details, please refer to the ASX announcements released by West African on 29 April 2020 "WAF to Acquire 1.1Moz Toega Gold Deposit from B2Gold" and 1 May 2020 "Clarification re Toega Gold Deposit".



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