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# MAIDEN DRILL PROGRAM TO COMMENCE AT THE HIGH GRADE LONE PINE GOLD PROJECT

#### **HIGHLIGHTS**

- A maiden drill program is to commence at the high-grade Lone Pine Gold Project in Idaho, USA, with a diamond drilling rig mobilised to site today, 18 June 2020, and drilling to follow shortly after.
- The aim of the Maiden drill program is to generate the first JORC compliant resource at Lone Pine
- The drilling program will target the 71,128 ounce (18.6 g/t) historic, non-JORC gold resource within the well-defined trend of the gold mineralized Lone Pine vein zone<sup>1</sup>.
- In February 2020, Hawkstone completed the acquisition 100% of the high-grade Lone Pine Gold Project located in Idaho, USA, as the Company diversified its asset portfolio to include gold and gold/copper projects.

Hawkstone Mining Limited (**ASX:HWK**) ("**Hawkstone**", the "**Company**") is pleased to announce that a maiden drill program is to commence at the high grade Lone Pine Gold Project ("**Project**") in Idaho, USA, with a diamond drilling rig mobilised to site today, 18 June 2020 and drilling to follow shortly after.

The Maiden drill program will utilise Hawkstone's experienced and established USA team, with the aim of generating a maiden JORC resource.

Following lockdowns in the state of Idaho due to COVID-19 which were lifted on 1 June 2020, and unseasonably late spring snowstorms, a field team undertook site reconnaissance prior to the mobilisation of the drill rig.

Hawkstone Managing Director, Paul Lloyd, commented: "We're very excited to commence drilling at the Lone Pine Gold Project, as this represents a significant milestone in the Company's diversification into the gold sector, that continues to exhibit price strength. Through the maiden drill program, Hawkstone aims to demonstrate the veracity of the historic gold resource, in addition to testing the grade of the broader mineralised zone, as alluded to by Guewilik and demonstrated by previous sampling. The diamond drilling will provide Hawkstone with an excellent understanding of the Lone Pine's geology and grade, guiding future resource definition drilling, with the aim of rapidly defining a potentially high-grade JORC complaint resource in a mining friendly state".

The Lone Pine Gold Project was last mined in 1907 and has not been subjected to modern mining techniques. The Project contains a Non-JORC compliant, mineral resource estimate of **71,128 ounces Au** (122,600 tonnes @ 18.06 g/t Au)<sup>2</sup>, and the Project offers significant financial upside from proof of concept exploration success, as Hawkstone aims to develop the Project into a medium to high-grade gold deposit.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> HWK Announcement February 3, 2020, ACQUISITION OF HISTORICAL HIGH-GRADE LONE PINE GOLD PROJECT, IDAHO, USA

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Michael Lechner, 2018, MINERAL RESOURCE ESTIMATE, BEARTRACK PROPERTY, LEMHI COUNTY, IDAHO, UNITED STATES





Hawkstone announced the finalisation of the acquisition of 100% the Lone Pine Gold Project on the 24 February 2020, as the Company diversified its asset portfolio to include gold and gold/copper projects.



Images 1 & 2 - Lone Pine Gold Project, Access and Sampling

## LONE PINE GOLD PROJECT

#### **Overview**

In February 2020, the Company diversified its asset portfolio, through the acquisition of 100% of the historical high grade Lone Pine Gold project in Idaho, USA, which is currently Hawkstone's main focus. Hawkstone has assembled a highly experienced management, geological and technical team on the ground in the USA and will utilise this expertise to rapidly develop a maiden JORC resource on the Lone Pine Gold Project.

#### Location

The Lone Pine Gold Project lies 16km and 8km east respectively of the Arnett Creek and Beartrack mines operated/explored by Revival Gold Inc., 5km west of the historic Queen of the Hills mine and 900m NW of the King Solomon Mine (Morning Glory Project) explored by Teck Resources (Figure 1).

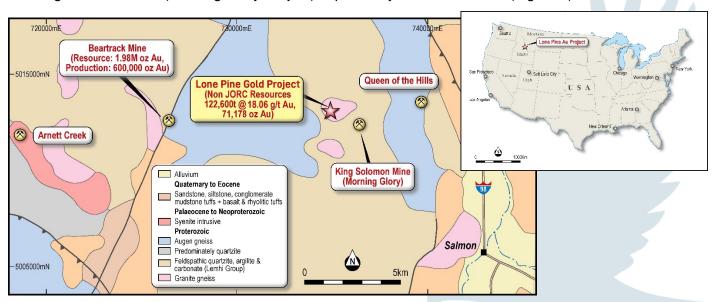


Figure 1 - Project location map - Lone Pine Gold Project

The Queen of the Hills Mine was mined up till its closure in 1942 due to World War 2.



The Morning Glory (King Solomon) Project is held by Jervois Mining, which describes the Morning Glory Project as shear-hosted oxide gold occurrences amenable to open cut mining and processing via heap leach. Exploration to date has consisted of soil sampling, geophysics, trenching and old mine rehabilitation. During the 1995/96 exploration seasons 23 RC drill holes were completed<sup>3</sup>.

#### **Geology**

The Lone Pine Gold Project contains one of the numerous precious metal occurrences related to the Trans-Challis Fault System that has produced more gold than any other area in Idaho.

Gold mineralisation on the Project is hosted by a quartz veined zone in a northeast-trending steeply 80° northwest dipping shear in a granite formation near its contact with the overlying quartzite. The quartz vein zone has been traced by adits and trenches for 480m, which has been traced down dip via adits for up to 150m. It remains open to both the NE and SW as well as down dip (Figures 2, 3 & 4).

The gold mineralised zone consists of quartz veining and coarse gouge. Gouge is mostly schistose crushed quartz as found in Adit # 5. Sampling has demonstrated the gold to be associated with both the vein and gouge.

At the entrance to Adit # 5 the vein zone averaged **14.46 g/t** Au over 2.6 metres representing the weighted average of 5 samples. High grade, select float samples from the vein have returned assays up to **45.67 g/t Au** / 20.75 g/t Ag.<sup>4</sup>

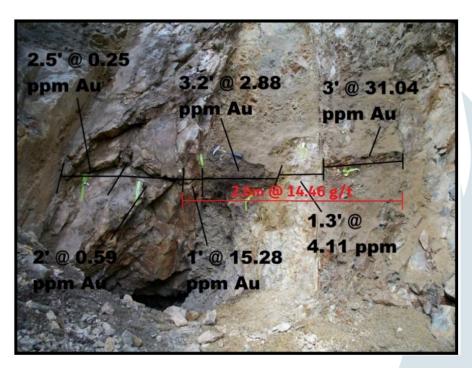


Figure 3 - Lone Pine Gold Project - Adit # 5 Sampling

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Jervois Mining Website: <a href="https://jervoismining.com.au/our-assets/non-core-exploration/">https://jervoismining.com.au/our-assets/non-core-exploration/</a>. The Morning Glory Project & Queen of the Hills Projects <sup>4</sup> HWK Announcement February 3, 2020, ACQUISITION OF HISTORICAL HIGH-GRADE LONE PINE GOLD PROJECT, IDAHO, USA



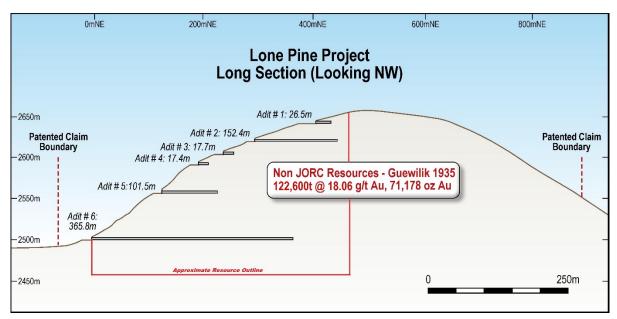


Figure 4 - Lone Pine Gold Project, Long Section Looking NW (plane of vein)

## **Exploration Program**

- A regional and detailed structural analysis is being finalised on the Lone Pine Gold Project to provide an increased understanding of the mineralisation controls, its setting within the regional structural framework and other potential targets within the claim group.
- Phase 1 diamond drilling program is to test the vein zone on 100 metre centres in the area of the historic resource. Further drill programs are planned dependent on results of Phase 1.

This announcement has been authorised by the Board of Hawkstone Mining Limited.

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#### **Competent Persons Statement**

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