



ARGONAUT GOLD

TSX:AR

# Corporate Presentation

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November 2021

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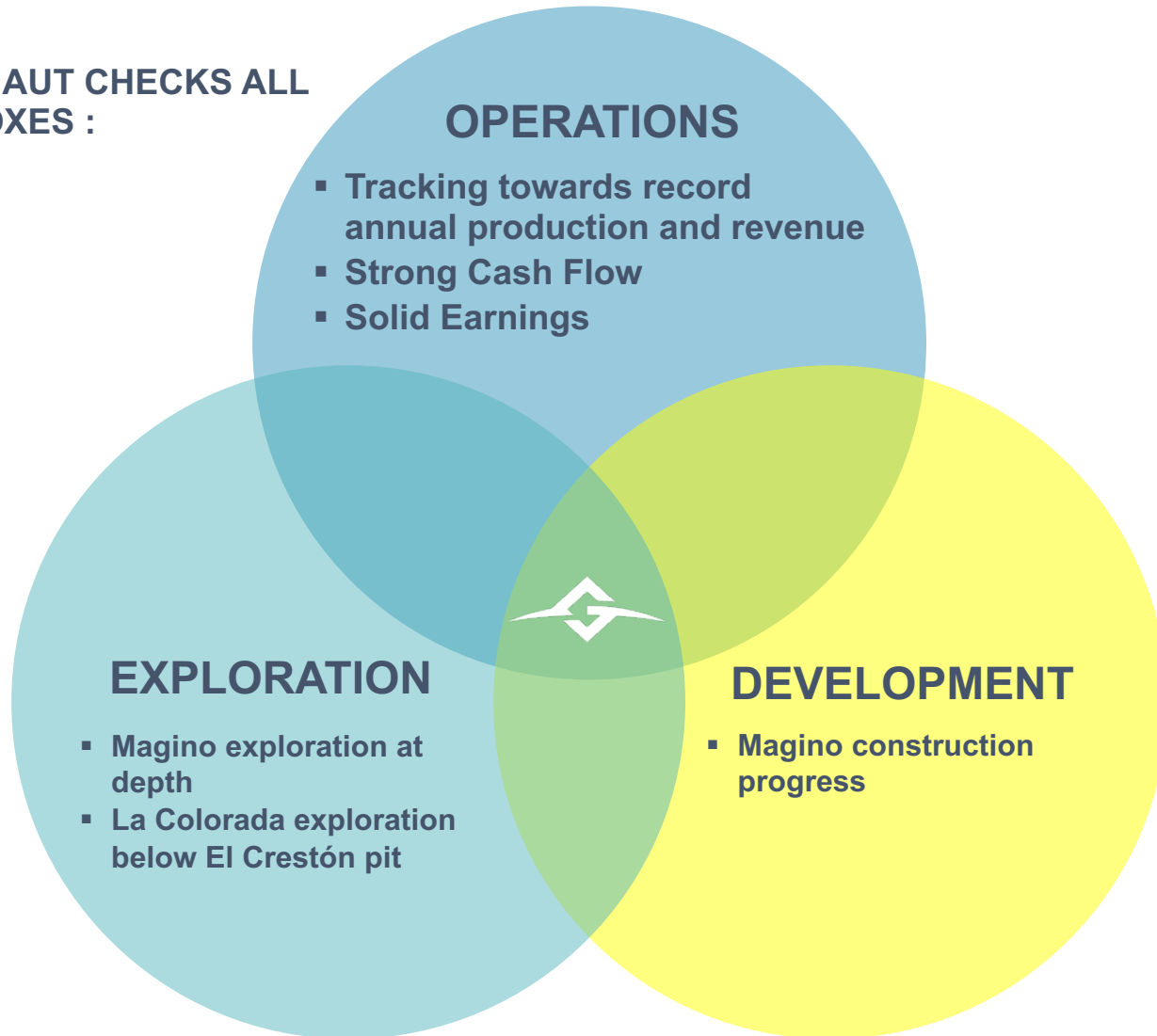
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# Upside with Reduced Risk



**ARGONAUT CHECKS ALL THE BOXES :**



# Argonaut's Commitment to Sustainability



## 2020 Highlights & Ongoing Programs

- Reduction in water consumption by 8% by switching to drip irrigation at operations.
- Reduced GHG by ~84 tonnes/year by installing solar panels.
- Plant and species rescue programs.
- Regular air quality monitoring.
- Regular environmental training programs and workshops.
- Community focused cleaning campaigns.



## Upcoming Initiatives

- Switching to grid power at operations.
- Changes at Florida Canyon which reduces haul truck distances and fuel consumption, which reduces GHG.



## Sustainability Report published April 2021



# North American Focused Intermediate Producer



- PRODUCING MINE
- DEVELOPMENT PROJECT

**FLORIDA CANYON Mine**  
Nevada, USA

**ARGONAUT**  
Reno Office

**LA COLORADA Mine**  
Sonora, Mexico

**MAGINO**  
Ontario, Canada

**EL CASTILLO COMPLEX**  
Durango, Mexico  
**EL CASTILLO Mine**  
**SAN AGUSTIN Mine**

**CERRO DEL GALLO**  
Guanajuato, Mexico

**HISTORICAL PRODUCTION:**  
**1.6M GEOS<sup>1</sup>**  
**at \$801 Cash Cost<sup>2</sup>**

**CASH AT SEPTEMBER 30/21**  
**\$168M**

**DEBT AT SEPTEMBER 30/21**  
**\$58.4M**

**EXISTING UNDRAWN REVOLVER CREDIT FACILITY: \$125M**

<sup>1</sup> GEOs are based on the three-year trailing average silver to gold ratio.

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# Strong Board, Management & Technical

**Argonaut launched in December 2009 by former Meridian Gold Inc. management**  
Meridian Gold history: Launched in 1996 at <\$3.00 per share & Sold in 2007 >\$38.00

## Board of Directors

### **James E. Kofman, Chairman**

Vice Chairman, Cormark Securities  
Work experience at UBS Securities, Osler, Hoskin & Harcourt

### **Peter C. Dougherty**

Work experience at Meridian Gold, FMC

### **Ian Atkinson**

Director of Kinross Gold, Globex Mining and Wolden Resources  
Work experience at Centerra, Hecla, Battle Mountain, Hemlo, Noranda

### **Stephen Lang**

Work experience at Centerra, Stillwater Mining, Barrick, Rio Algom and Kinross/Amax

### **Peter Mordaunt**

Work experience at Barrick/Camflo, Kennecott Copper, Muscocho, Stingray Copper, Corner Bay Silver

### **Dale Peniuk**

Director of Lundin Mining, Capstone Mining  
Work experience at KPMG

### **Paula Rogers**

Work experience at Castle Peak Mining, Goldcorp, Wheaton River and Finning International

### **Audra Walsh**

CEO of MATSA (Minas de Aguas Tenidas SA),  
Director of Calibre Mining  
Work experience at Sierra Metals, Minersa SA, Barrick, Newmont

## Strong Management & Technical Team

### **Peter C. Dougherty, President & CEO**

Work experience at Meridian Gold, FMC

### **David A. Ponczoch, CFO**

Work experience at Twin Metals Minnesota, Yamana Gold, Meridian Gold

### **Lowe Billingsley, Sr. Vice President of Operations**

Work experience at Sibanye-Stillwater, AngloGold Ashanti

### **W. Robert Rose, Vice President of Technical Services**

Work experience at Andina Minerals, Kappes, Cassiday & Associates

### **Daniel A. Symons, Vice President, Corporate Development & Investor Relations**

Work experience at Romarco Minerals, Renmark Financial

### **Brian Arkell, Vice President, Exploration**

Work experience at Caza Gold Corp., Rio Novo Gold Inc. and Newmont Mining Co.



# Top 10 Shareholders



**GMT Capital Corporation (U.S.)**



**NewGen Asset Management**



**Van Eck Associated Corporation**



**Konwave AG**



**Donald Smith & Company, Inc**



**Lemanik Asset Management S.A.**



**Connor Clark & Lunn Investment Management, LTD.**

MUIR STATION, LLC

**Muir Station Capital**




**American Century Investment Management**












**Dimensional Fund Advisors, L.P. (US.)**

 **74% Institutionally held**

 **Top 10 hold 45%**

 **YTD Average Daily Volume = 2.0M shares**

# Analyst Coverage

	Paradigm Capital	C\$6.50
	Cormark Securities	C\$5.50
	Bank of Montreal (BMO)	C\$5.00
	Laurentian Bank	C\$5.00
	Stifel GMP	C\$5.00
	Echelon Capital Markets	C\$4.30
	Desjardins	C\$4.25
	Royal Bank of Canada (RBC)	C\$4.25
	Scotiabank	C\$4.00

**Consensus Analyst 12-month Target Price C\$4.87**





# Capitalization Summary




Exchange / Symbol	<b>TSX:AR</b>
Share Price <sup>(1)</sup>	<b>C\$3.80</b>
Shares Outstanding <sup>(2)</sup>	<b>311M</b>
FD Shares Outstanding <sup>(2)</sup>	<b>320M</b>
Market Capitalization <sup>(1)</sup>	<b>C\$1.2B</b>
52 Week High / Low <sup>(1)</sup>	<b>C\$4.09 / C\$1.90</b>
Cash Balance <sup>(2)</sup>	<b>US\$168M</b>
Debt <sup>(2)</sup>	<b>US\$58M</b>

<sup>1</sup> At November 19, 2021

<sup>2</sup> At At September 30, 2021



# Three Year Snapshot

	2019A	2020A	2021E	
<b>GEO<sup>(1)</sup> production</b>	186,615	203,483 <sup>(3)</sup>	<b>210k – 250k</b>	 <b>PRODUCTION rising</b>
<b>Cash costs<sup>(2)</sup></b> \$ per oz Au	\$1,041	\$936	<b>950 – 1,050</b>	 <b>COSTS relatively flat</b>
<b>AISC<sup>(2)</sup></b> \$ per oz Au	\$1,299	\$1,244	<b>1,250 – 1,350</b>	
<b>Cash Flow Activities from Operating Activities</b> before changes in non-cash operating working capital	\$73.8M	\$95.0M	<b>\$90M - \$140M<sup>(4)</sup></b>	 <b>CASH FLOW rising</b>

<sup>1</sup> GEOs are based on a conversion ratio of 85:1 for silver to gold for 2021, 80:1 for 2020 and 75:1 for 2019. The silver to gold ratio is based on the three-year trailing average silver to gold ratio.

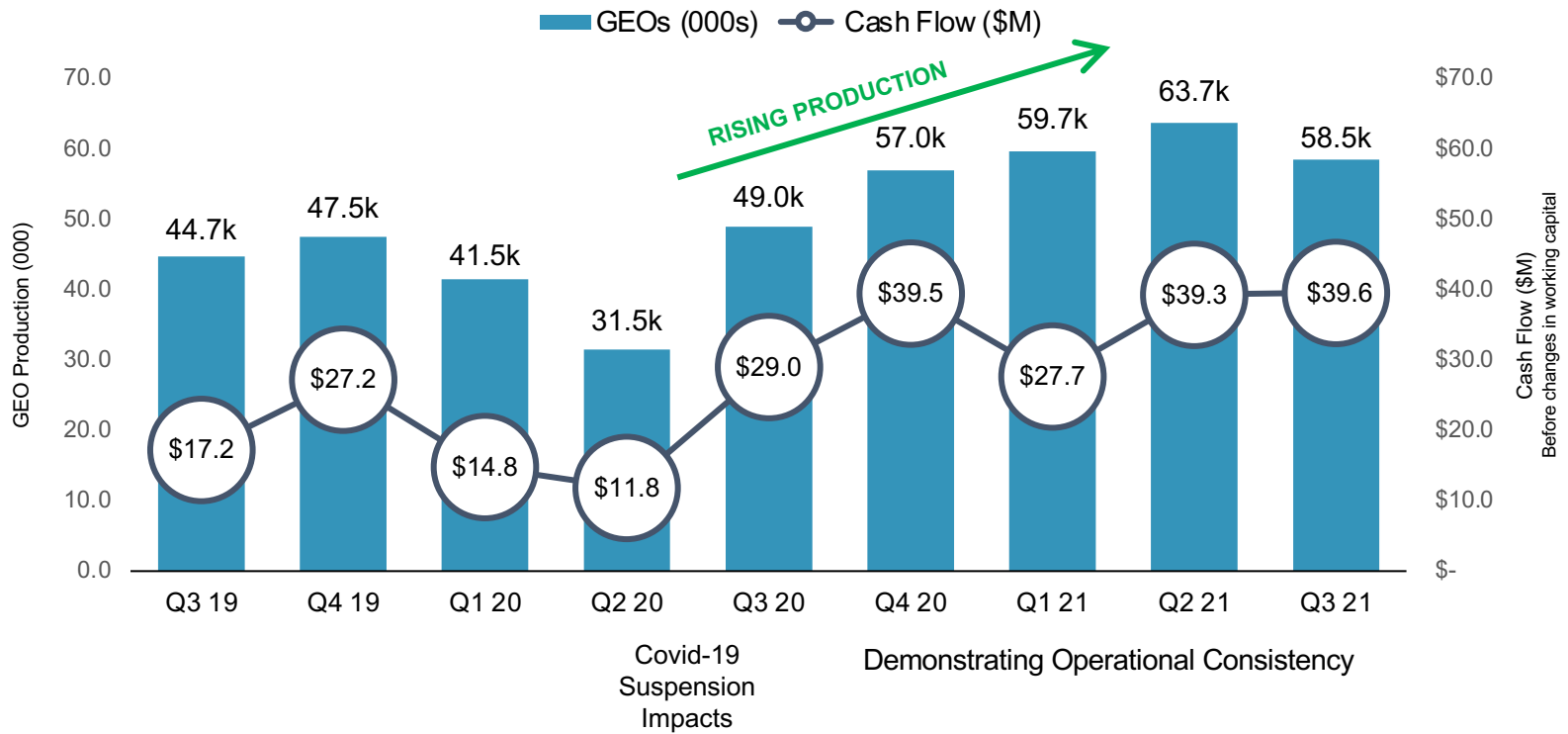
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<sup>3</sup> Florida Canyon production during Q1 2020 and Q2 2020 was under Alio Gold Inc. prior to the closing of the merger between Alio Gold Inc. and Argonaut on July 1, 2020. 2020 GEO production combined full year 2020 production from the El Castillo, San Agustin, La Colorada and Florida Canyon.

<sup>4</sup> Assumes \$1,700 per ounce gold.



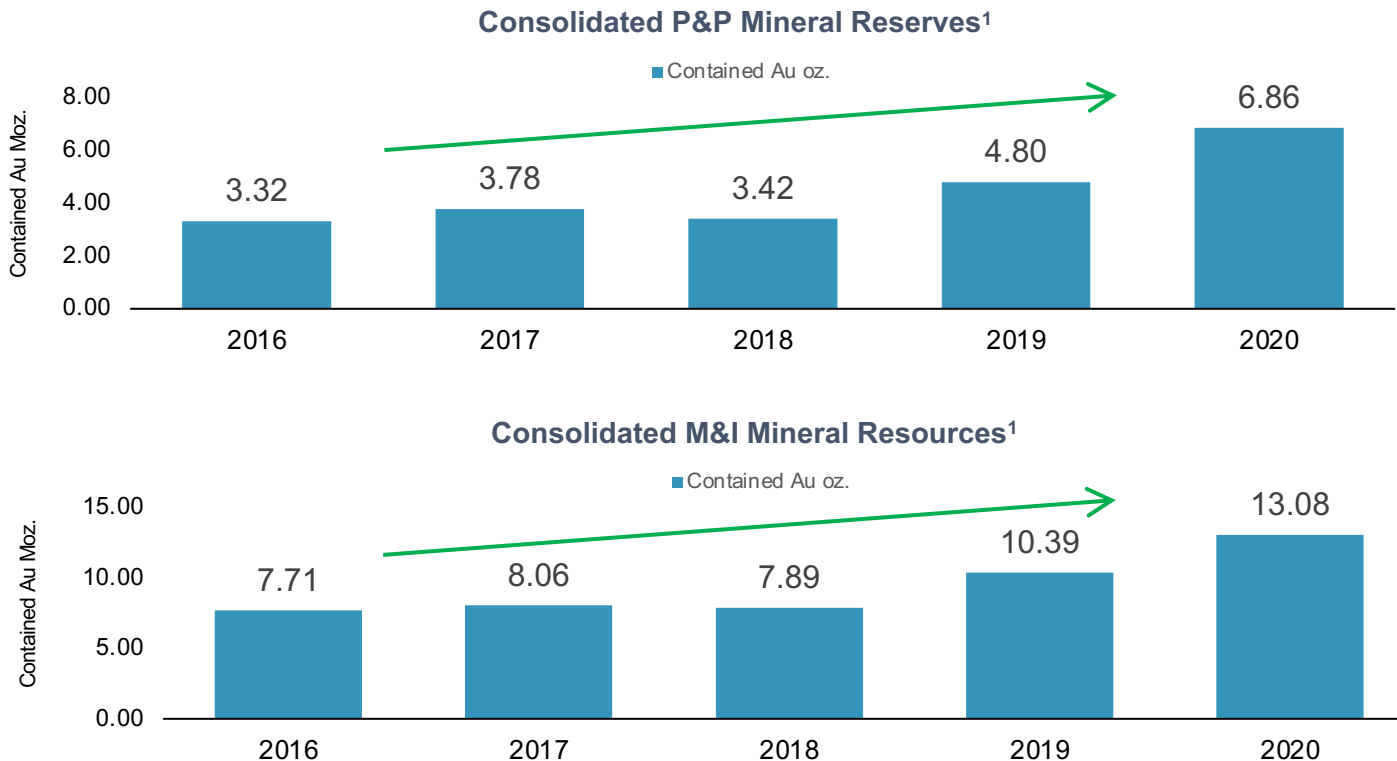
# Quarterly Production and Cash Flow



Tracking towards record annual production.



# 5 Year Mineral Reserves & Resources Growth



**Consistently increasing our Mineral Reserve and Mineral Resource base through exploration and smart acquisition.**

<sup>1</sup> Please refer to Mineral Resource disclosure on slide 41 for full details.



# Tracking vs. 2021 Guidance

## 2021 Production and Cost Guidance

	First Nine month 2021	Full Year 2021 Guidance	Tracking vs. Guidance through Q3 2021	
			Lower Half	Upper Half
<b>GEO production</b>	182,230	210,000 – 250,000		✓
<b>Cash cost per gold ounce sold<sup>1</sup></b>	\$955	\$950 – \$1,050	✓	
<b>AISC per gold ounce sold<sup>1</sup></b>	\$1,234	\$1,250 – \$1,350	✓	
<b>Cash Flow<sup>2</sup></b>	\$107M	\$90M - \$140M		✓



**Well positioned to achieve 2021 consolidated production and cost guidance.**

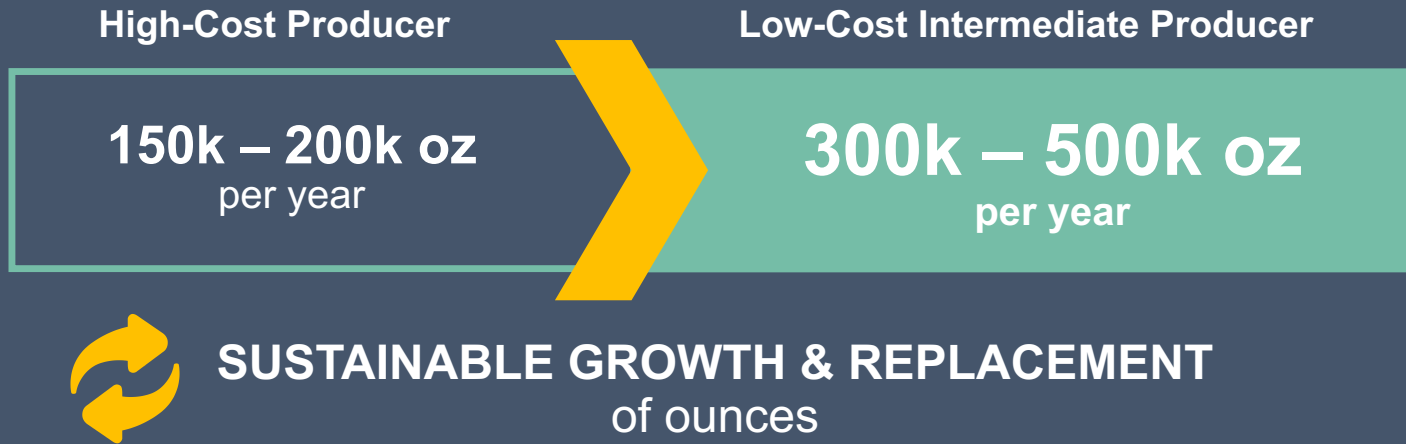
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# Argonaut's Vision & Strategy

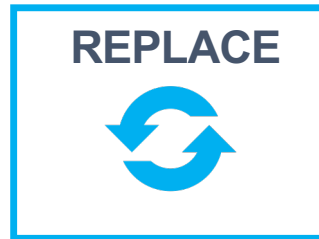
Transitioning our production and cost profile:



## Executing Our Strategy - Our 3-Phase Approach



- **HARVEST** cash from existing operations
- Record annual cash flow from operating activities in 2020



- **REPLACE** depleted gold ounces through exploration at existing assets

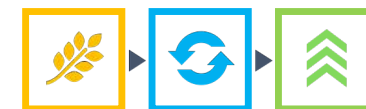


- **GROWTH** through the development project pipeline
- All development stage assets provide much longer mine life and significantly lower operating costs



# Phase 1 – HARVEST CASH

## Not sexy assets, but they make MONEY!



### El Castillo Complex

El Castillo



**M&I** 40.4 Mt at 0.34 g/t Au for 447k Contained Au oz.<sup>1</sup>

**P&P** 17.3Mt at 0.37 g/t Au for 203k Contained Au oz.<sup>1</sup>

**Mine life:** 2022  
**Potential to extend life:** Low

San Agustin



**Indicated** 65.6 Mt at 0.27 g/t Au for 579k Contained Au oz.<sup>1</sup>

**Probable** 47.2 Mt at 0.30 g/t Au for 448K Contained Au oz.<sup>1</sup>

**Mine life:** 2026+  
**Potential to extend life:** Medium

### La Colorada



**Indicated** 35.0 Mt at 0.56 g/t Au for 631k Contained Au oz.<sup>1</sup>

**Probable** 24.1 Mt at 0.58 g/t Au for 453K Contained Au oz.<sup>1</sup>

**Mine life:** 2025+  
**Potential to extend life:** Medium

### Florida Canyon



**M&I** 86.0 Mt at 0.42 g/t Au for 1.16M Contained Au oz.<sup>1</sup>

**P&P** 70.8 Mt at 0.42 g/t Au for 954k Contained Au oz.<sup>1</sup>

**Mine life:** 2031+  
**Potential to extend life:** High

2020 GEOs <sup>2</sup>	2021 GEOs <sup>2</sup> (000s)	2021 Cash Costs <sup>3</sup>
46,182	40 - 50	1,050 – 1,150

2020 GEOs <sup>2</sup>	2021 GEOs <sup>2</sup> (000s)	2021 Cash Costs <sup>3</sup>
63,866	65 - 75	900 – 1,000

2020 GEOs <sup>2</sup>	2021 GEOs <sup>2</sup> (000s)	2021 Cash Costs <sup>3</sup>
46,371	55 - 65	700 – 800

2020 GEOs <sup>2</sup>	2021 GEOs <sup>2</sup> (000s)	2021 Cash Costs <sup>3</sup>
47,064	50 - 60	1,200 – 1,300

2021 Production Guidance	2021 All-in Sustaining Costs <sup>3</sup>	2021 Operating Cash Flow
210K – 250K GEOs	\$1,250 - \$1,350	\$90M - \$140M

<sup>1</sup> Please refer to Mineral Resource disclosure on slide 39 for full details.

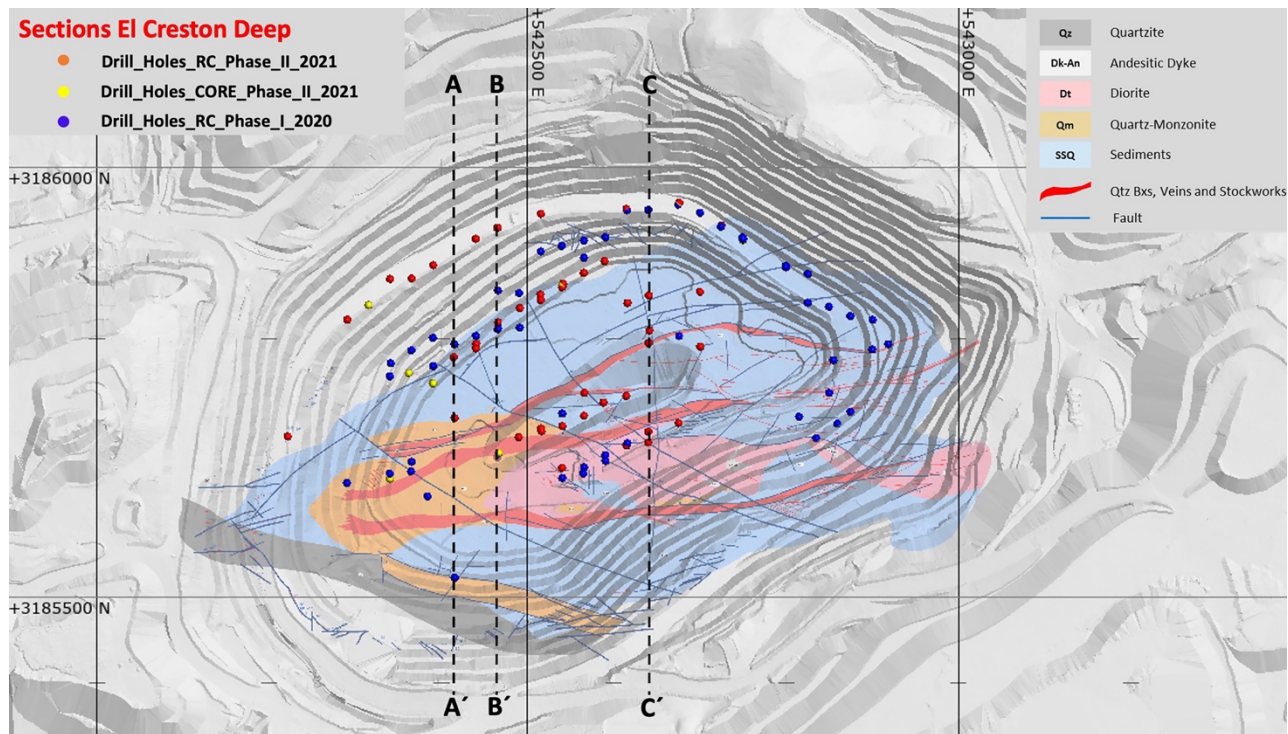
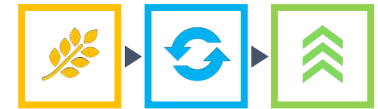
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# Phase 2 - REPLACE

## High Grade Results at La Colorada



### News Release - April 26, 2021

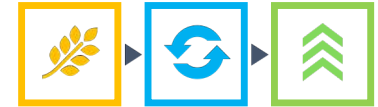
- **DH 20-LCRC-592** intersected 12.2m @ 98.9 g/t Au and 30.3 g/t Ag, incl. 3.0m of 383.0 g/t Au and 113.5 g/t Ag
- **DH 20-LCRC-562** intersected 21.3m @ 44.6 g/t Au and 274.9 g/t Ag, incl. 3.0 m of 283.1 g/t Au and 858.0 g/t Ag

### News Release – September 13, 2021

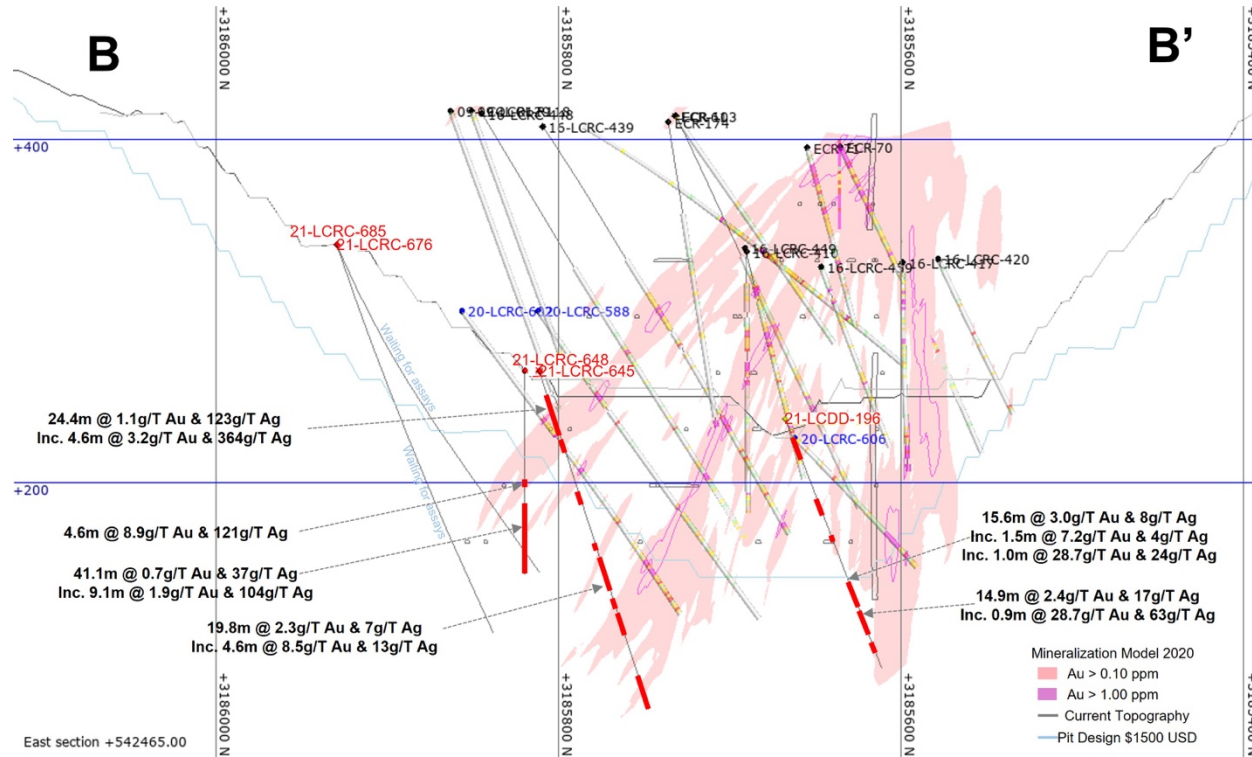
- **South Vein: DH 21-LCRC-667** intersected 38.1m @ 9.1 g/t Au and 126.6 g/t Ag, incl. 4.6 metres of 51.9 g/t Au and 28.5 g/t Ag
- **North Vein: DH 21-LCRC-657** intersected 29.0m @ 3.62 g/t Au and 10.1 g/t Ag, incl. 4.6m of 17.4 g/t Au and 29.0 g/t Ag
- **Central Vein: DH 21-LCRC-673** intersected 22.9m @ 6.7 g/t Au and 30.1 g/t Ag, incl. 1.5m of 90.0 g/t Au and 14.8 g/t Au



# High Grade Results at La Colorada



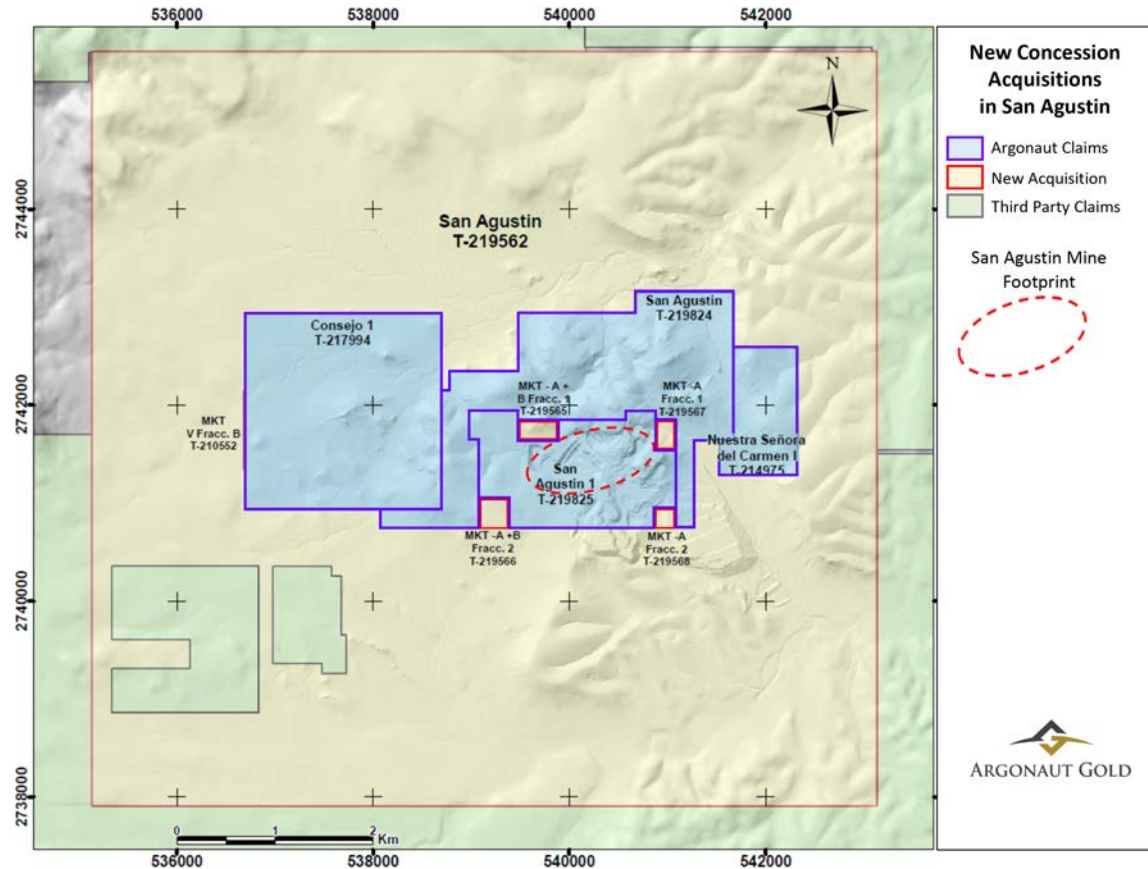
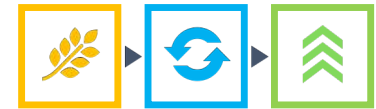
## Recent Drill Results Section B - High Grade Gold Veins Below the El Crestón Pit at La Colorada Mine



Note: Refer to Argonaut Press Release dated September 13, 2021.



# San Agustin – Quadrupled Mineral Tenure

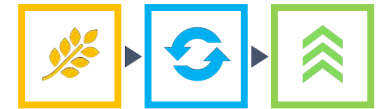


- Acquired new concessions from Fresnillo for \$5.75M
- Allows pit expansion, increase mineral reserves and extends mine life
- Increases area of potential exploration by over 400%

Note: Refer to Argonaut Press Release dated October 12, 2021.



# Phase 3 - GROWTH



## THE DEVELOPMENT PIPELINE

### Magino<sup>4</sup>



Ontario, Canada

M+I 144.0 Mt @ 0.91 g/t, 4.2M oz Au<sup>5</sup>

P+P 59.0 Mt @ 1.13 g/t, 2.1 Moz Au<sup>5</sup>

In Construction

Open Pit, Mill

### Cerro del Gallo<sup>3</sup>



Guanajuato, Mexico

M+I 201.9 Mt @ 0.44 g/t, 2.86M oz Au<sup>5</sup>

P+P 91.8 Mt @ 0.56 g/t, 1.64 Moz Au<sup>5</sup>

Pre-Feasibility

Open Pit, Heap Leach

	Current Operations 2020	Magino <sup>4</sup>	Cerro del Gallo <sup>3</sup>
<b>Production<sup>1</sup></b> (GEOs/year)	203k	126k	77k
<b>Cash Cost<sup>2</sup></b> (per oz.)	\$936	\$669	\$597
<b>AISC<sup>2</sup></b> (per oz.)	\$1,244	\$711	\$667
<b>LOM</b> (years)		17	15
<b>Capital</b> (\$M)		Under Review	\$134



**Lower cost, longer  
life assets**



**Increased production &  
lower operating cost  
= next tier producer**



**Superior Leverage to Gold  
Combined NPV<sup>5%</sup> of ~\$1.0B at  
\$1,700 gold<sup>3,4</sup>**

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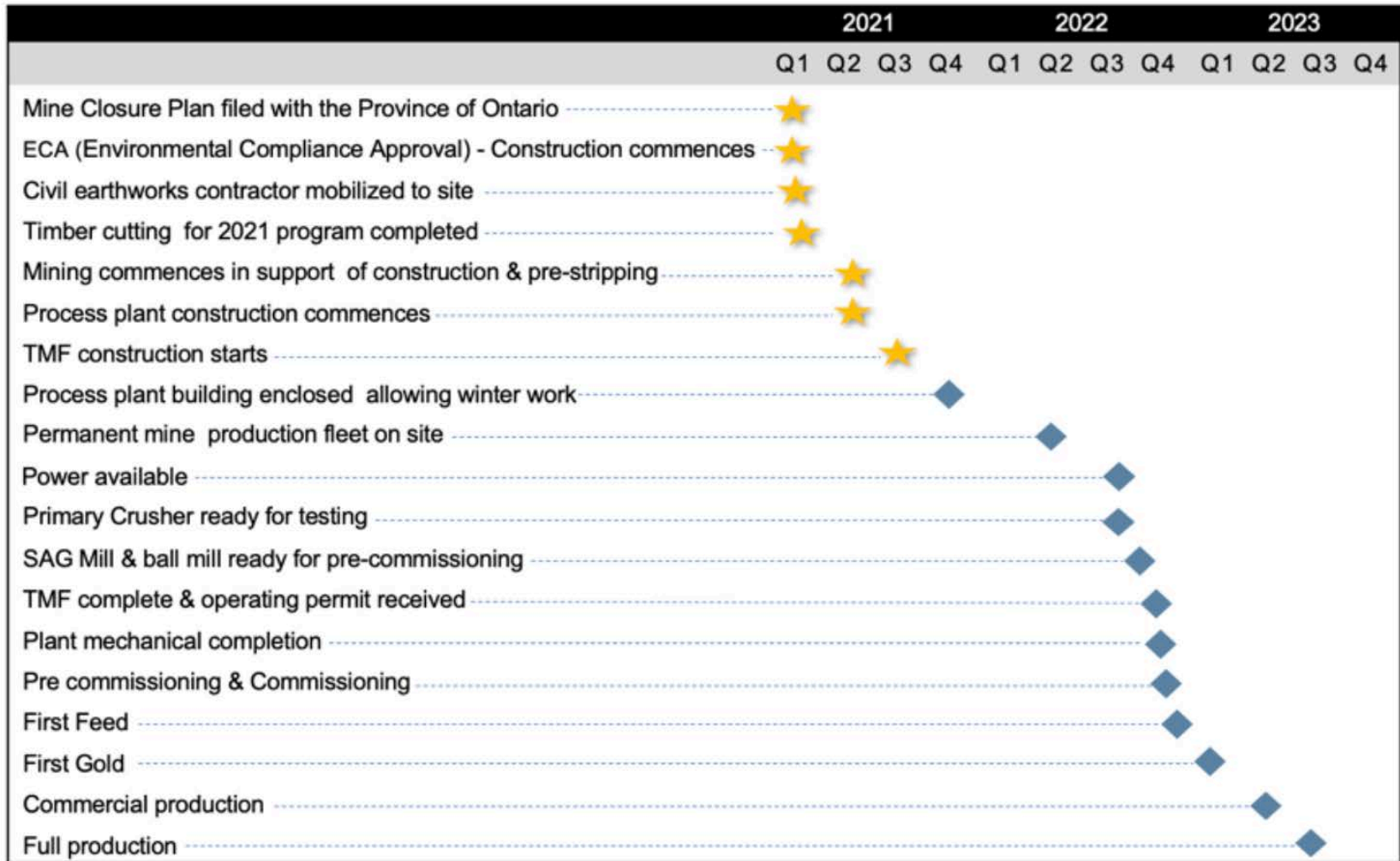
<sup>3</sup> Based on the assumptions and parameters of the Cerro del Gallo Pre-Feasibility Study results announced on December 18, 2019.

<sup>4</sup> Based on the assumptions and parameters as set forth in the Magino Feasibility Study dated December 21, 2017.

<sup>5</sup> Please refer to slide 41 for Mineral Resource Notes and Disclosure. Mineral Resources are inclusive of Mineral Reserves.



# Magino Timeline



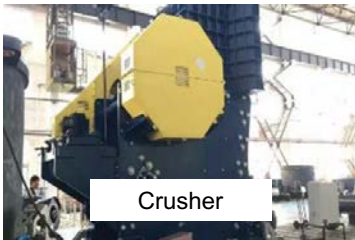
**Tracking on schedule for First Gold Pour in Q1 2023**



# Key Milestone Dates

- **Equipment Delivery** **Q1 2022**
- **Equipment Construction & Installation** **Dec. 2022**
- **Power** **Dec. 2022**
- **TMF Built, Inspection & Approval** **Dec. 2022**

## Process Plant Equipment



# Magino Construction Update

## Tree Clearing & Logging

April 2021



May 2021



# Magino Construction Update

## Plant Site Earthworks

June 2021



August 2021



September 2021



# Magino Construction Update

## Plant Site Construction

September 2021



October 2021



November 2021





# Magino Construction Update

## Open Pit

September 2021



October 2021



November 2021



# Magino Construction



Ground Breaking Ceremony with Provincial and Municipal government officials and local Indigenous communities

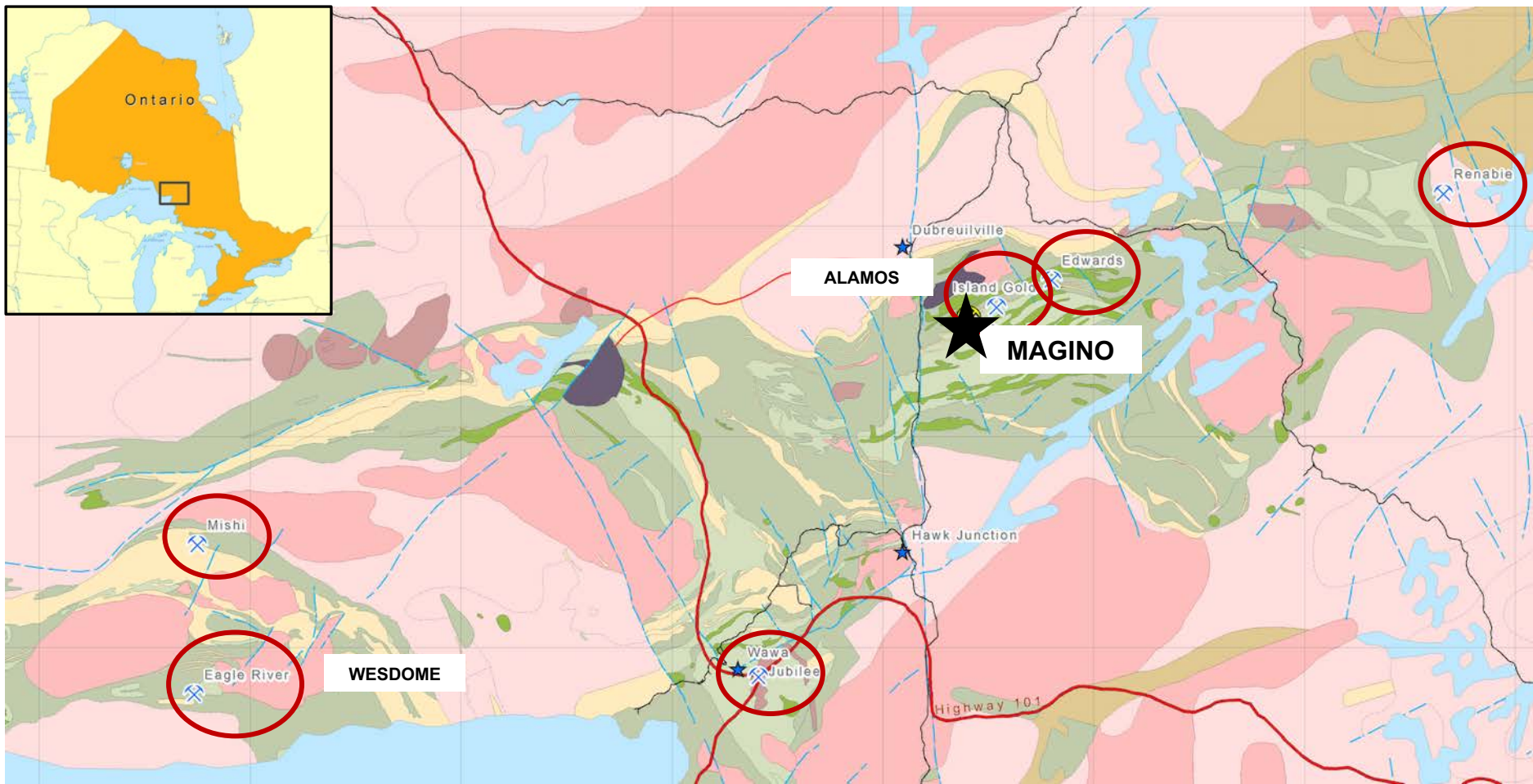


Aaron MacDonnell, Environmental Manager and Steve Murphy, Environmental Stewardship Manager for Michipicoten First Nation.



Magino Lodge – Camp, Recreation Centre and Kitchen

# Magino – Expanding on Goudreau Deformation District

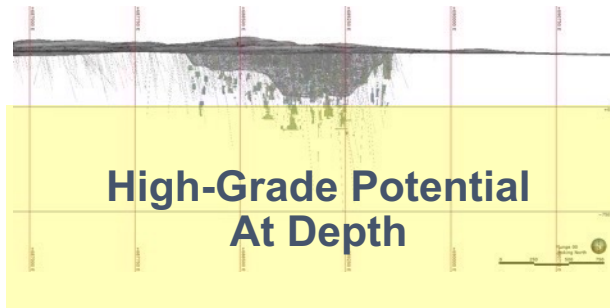


Other mines and projects in the district are showing a grade increase at depth



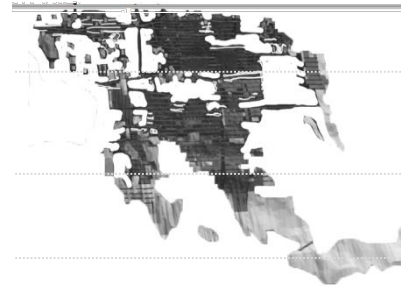
# Potential to Add Mineral Resources and Reserves - Magino

## MAGINO



- Previous exploration = above 300m
- M&I Resources: 4.197 Moz
- P&P Reserves: 2.137 Moz

## ALAMOS GOLD ISLAND GOLD



- Current depth = 1,500m
- P&P Reserves: 1.215 Moz

## WESDOME EAGLE RIVER



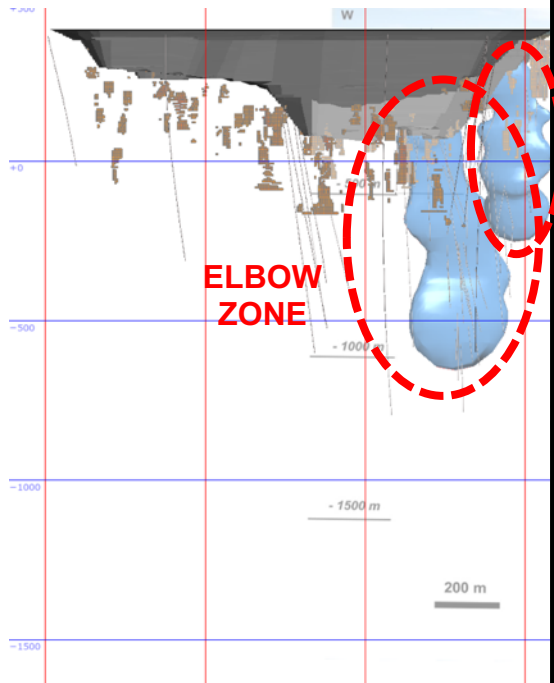
- Current depth = 1,600m
- P&P Reserves: 0.581 Moz



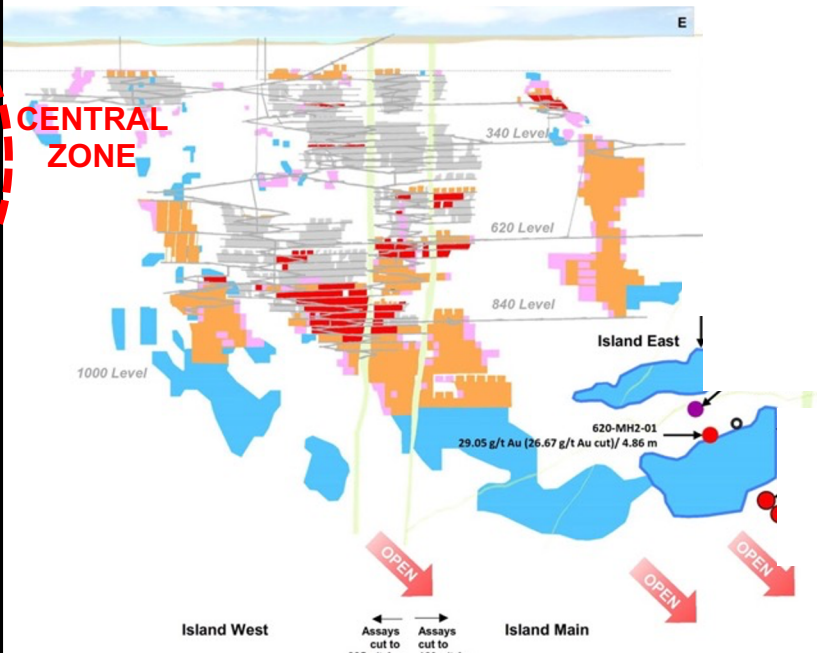
**Over 80,000 metres drilled targeting high-grade potential at depth and regional targets**

# Potential to Add Mineral Resources and Reserves - Magino

## MAGINO PROPERTY



## ALAMOS GOLD'S ISLAND GOLD MINE



Lower grade at surface

INCREASING GRADE

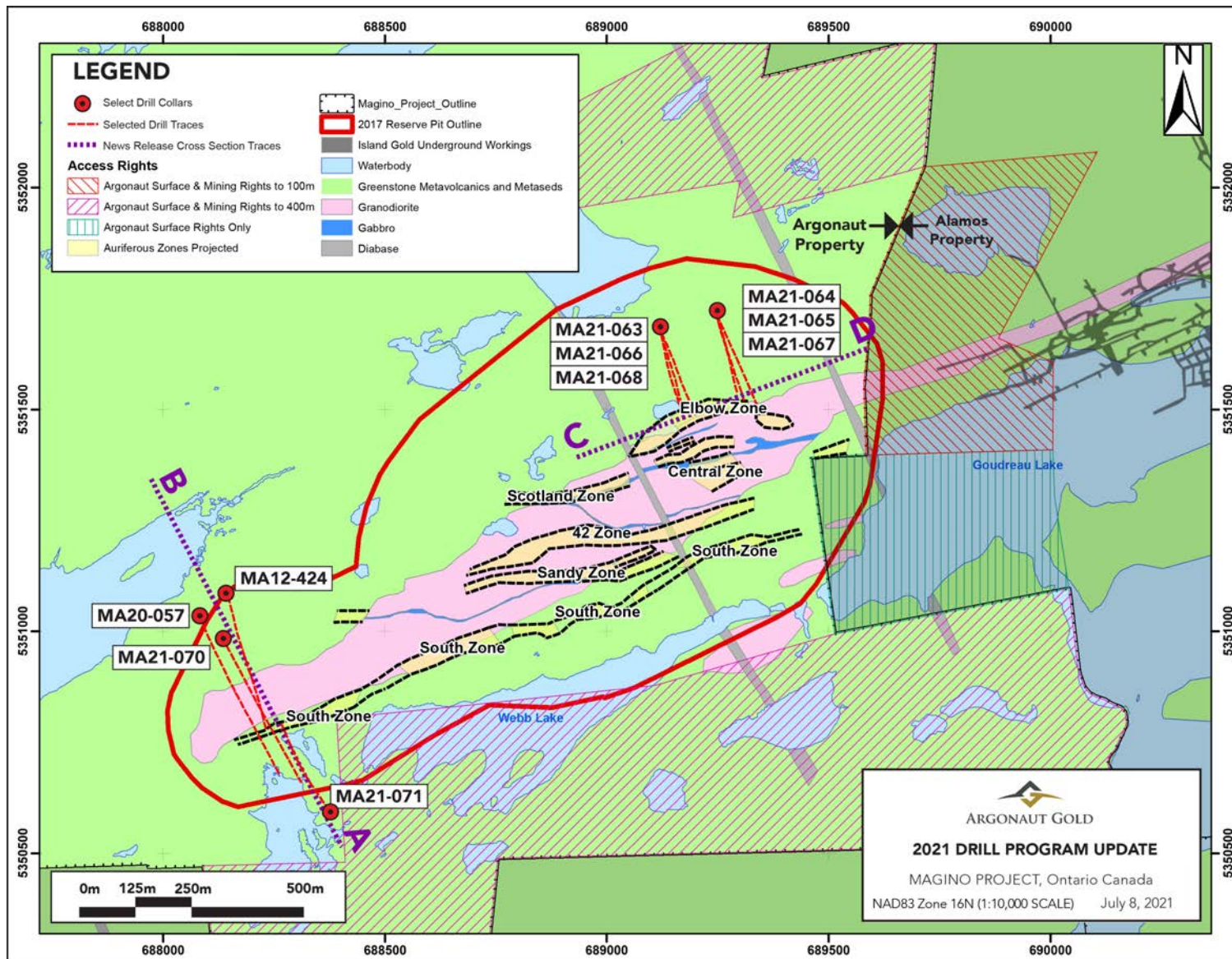
Higher grade at depth



Current program testing down to 1,000m

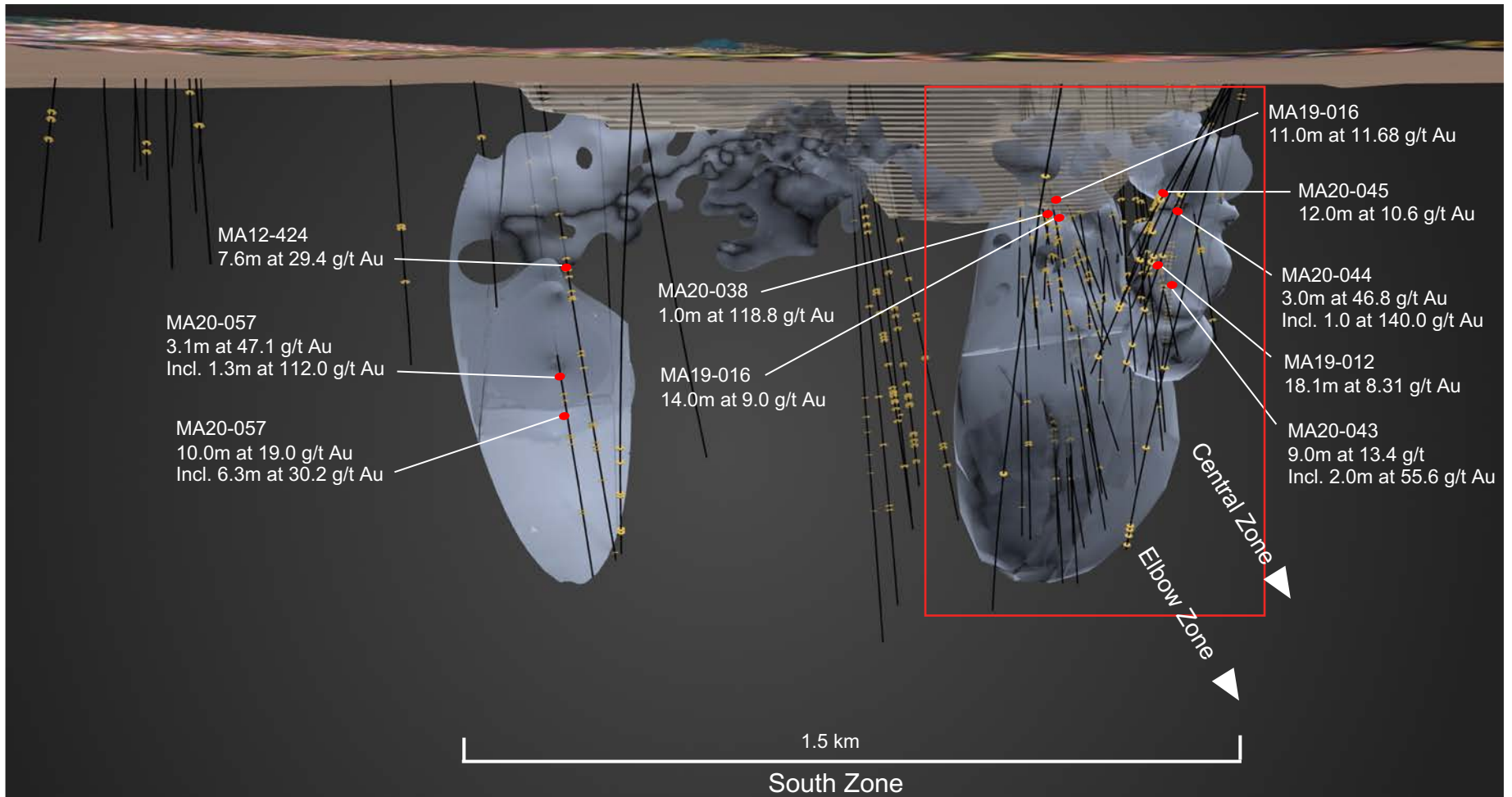


# Magino Plan View

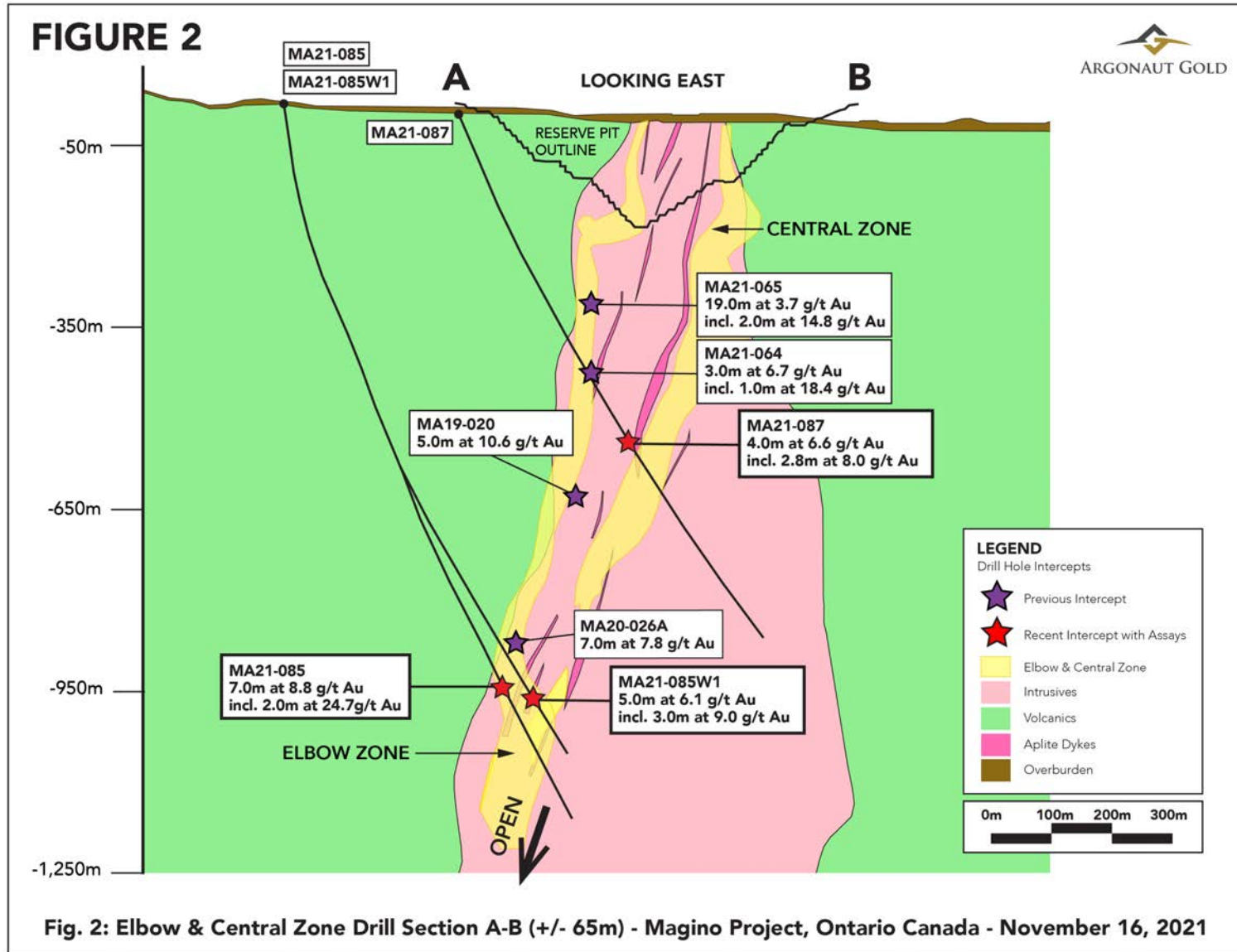


# Magino High-Grade Drill Results at Depth Below the Pit

## Long Section Looking North

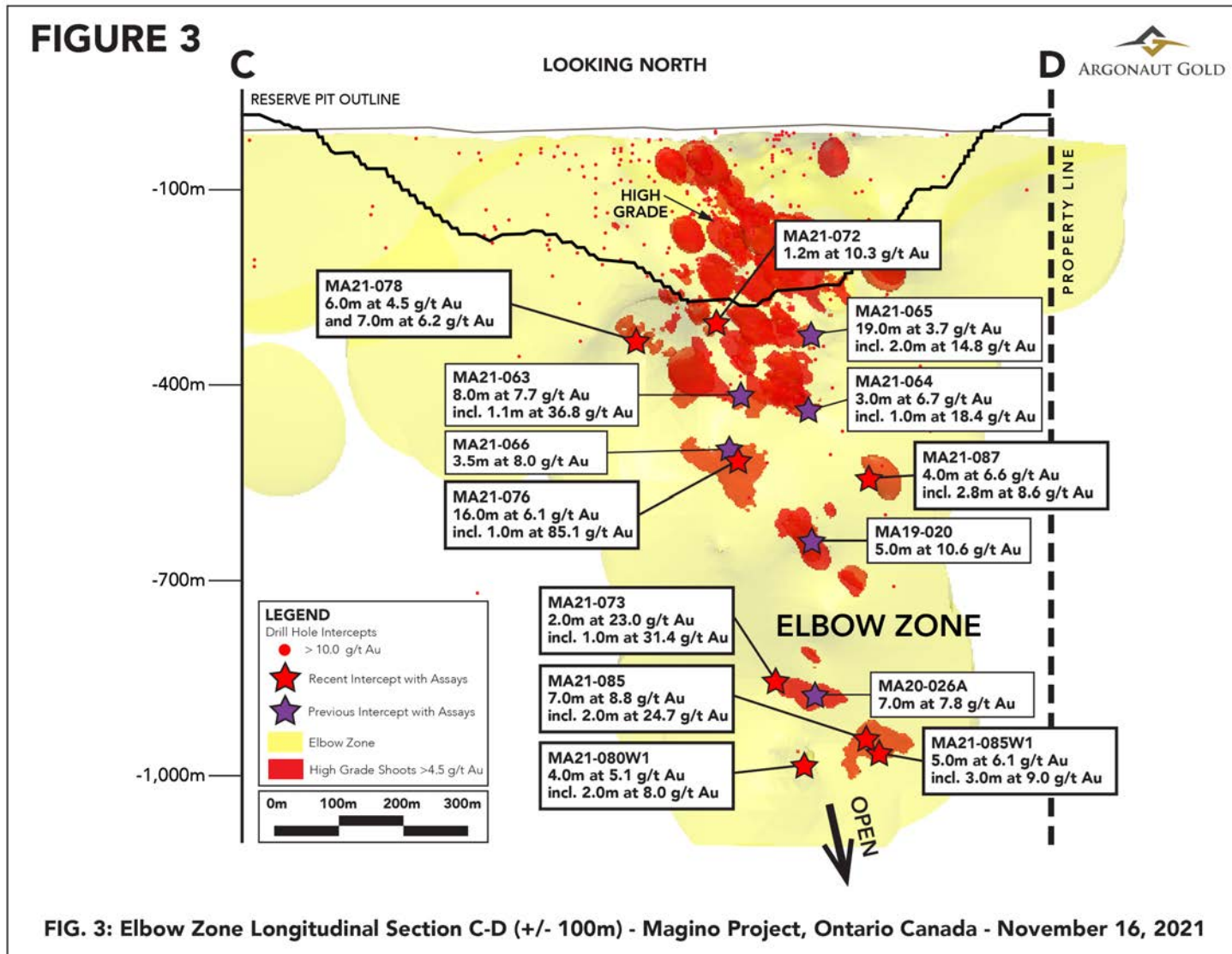


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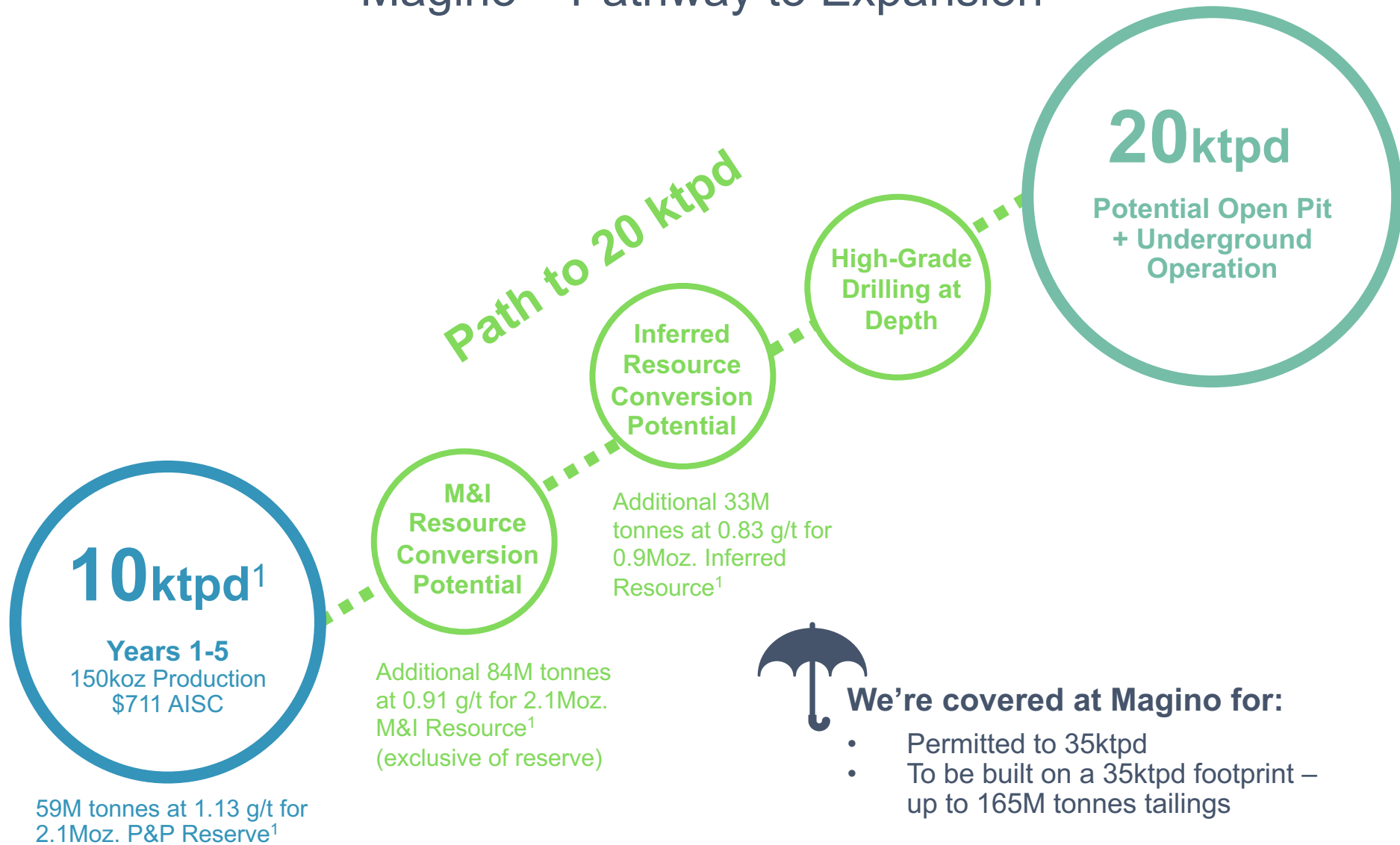




# Early-stage Resource Definition Drilling



# Magino – Pathway to Expansion



<sup>1</sup> Based on the assumptions and parameters as set forth in the Magino Feasibility Study dated December 21, 2017.



# Cerro del Gallo – Low-Cost, Heap Leach Project



## Pre-Feasibility Highlights<sup>1</sup>

- Cash Costs<sup>1</sup> of \$597 /Au oz.
- AISC<sup>1</sup> of \$677/Au oz.
- 15 year mine life averaging 77k GEOs/year

Category	Tonnes (millions)	Au Grade (g/t)	Contained Au Ounces (000s)	Ag Grade (g/t)	Contained Ag Ounces (000s)	Cu %	Cu tonnes (000s)
<b>Proven &amp; Probable</b>							
Proven	70.4	0.59	1,326	13.7	31,088	0.10	67,691
Probable	21.3	0.46	313	11.7	8,012	0.08	17,821
<b>P&amp;P</b>	<b>91.8</b>	<b>0.56</b>	<b>1,638</b>	<b>13.3</b>	<b>39,100</b>	<b>0.09</b>	<b>85,782</b>
<b>Measured &amp; Indicated</b>							
<b>M&amp;I</b>	<b>201.9</b>	<b>0.44</b>	<b>2,864</b>	<b>12.2</b>	<b>79,103</b>	<b>0.09</b>	<b>187,100</b>
<b>Inferred</b>							
Inferred	5.1	0.43	71	11.9	1,947	0.06	1

## Smart Investment

- Purchase Price: \$13M
- Drilling, Met work, PFS: \$4M
- Permitting: \$1M
- Capex: \$135M<sup>1</sup>
- TOTAL: \$153M**

## Leverage to Gold Price<sup>2</sup>

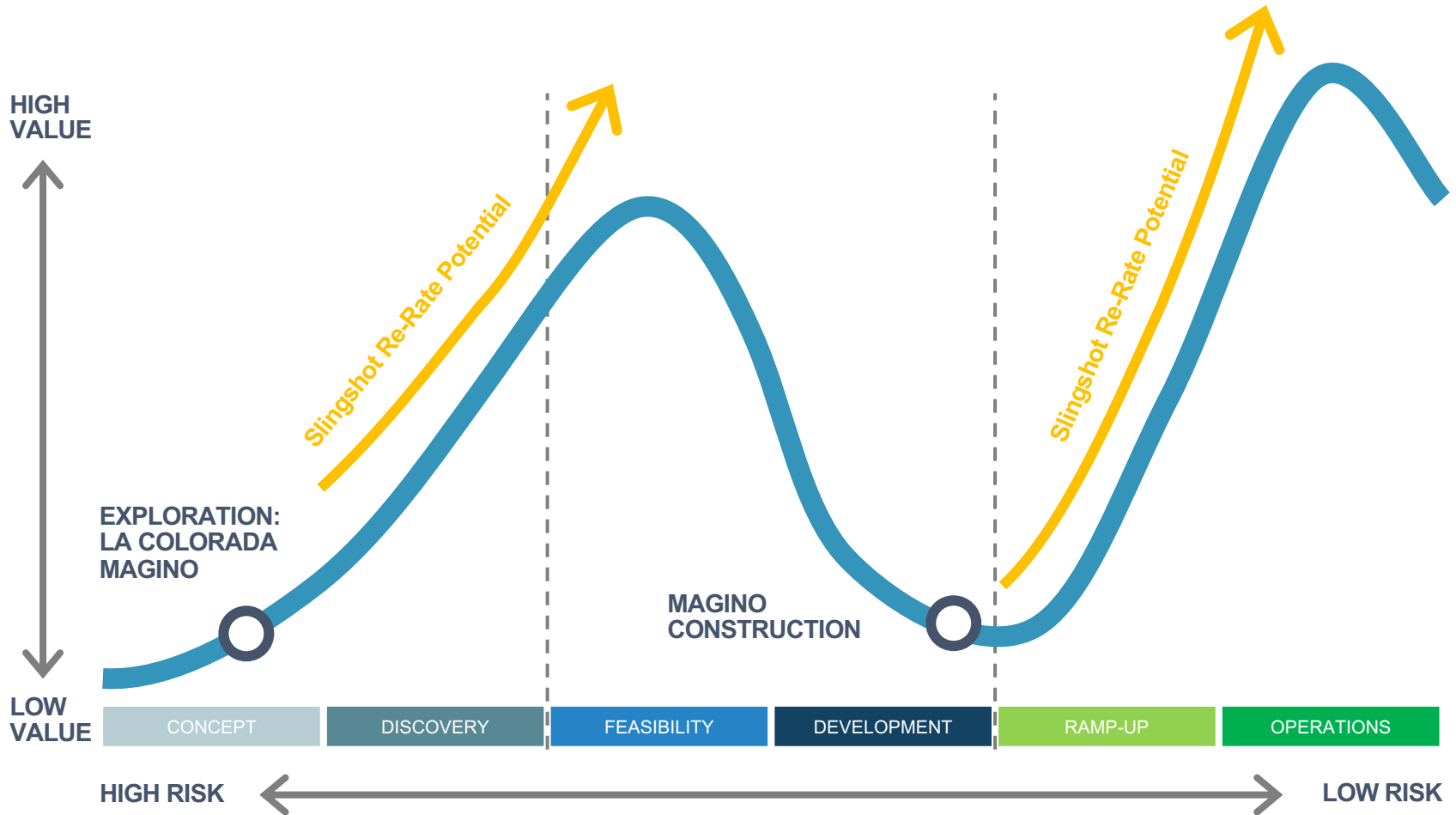
Gold Price	\$1,350	\$1,500	\$1,900
<b>NPV 5%</b>	\$175M	\$214M	\$378M

<sup>1</sup> Please refer to section on slide 40 entitled “Non-IFRS Measures” for a discussion of these Non-IFRS Measures.

<sup>2</sup> Based on the assumptions and parameters of the Cerro del Gallo Pre-Feasibility Study results announced on December 18, 2019.



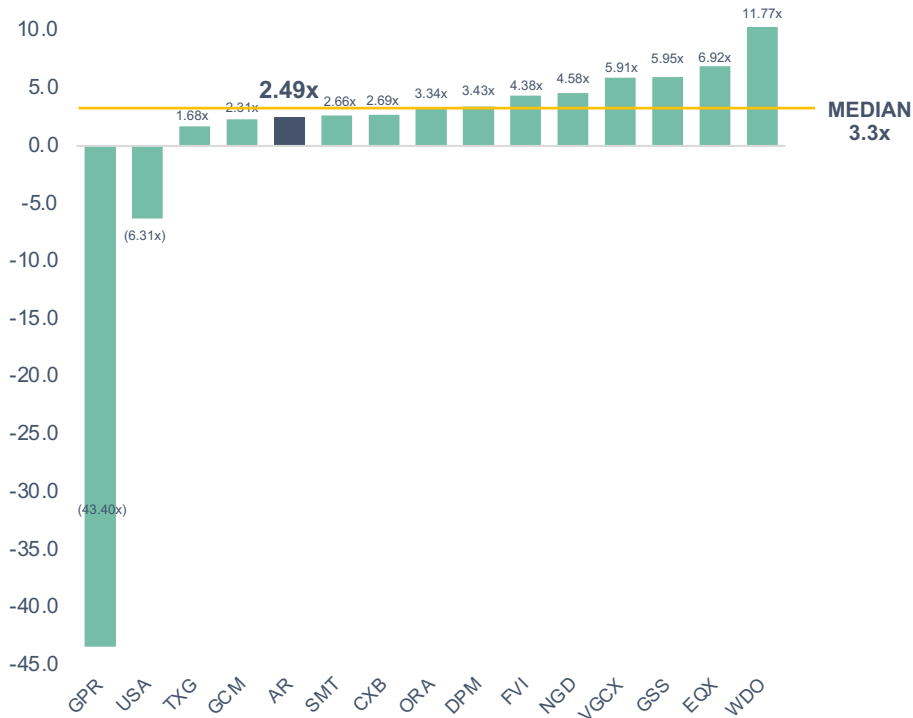
# Lassonde Curve - Slingshot Re-Rate Potential Opportunities



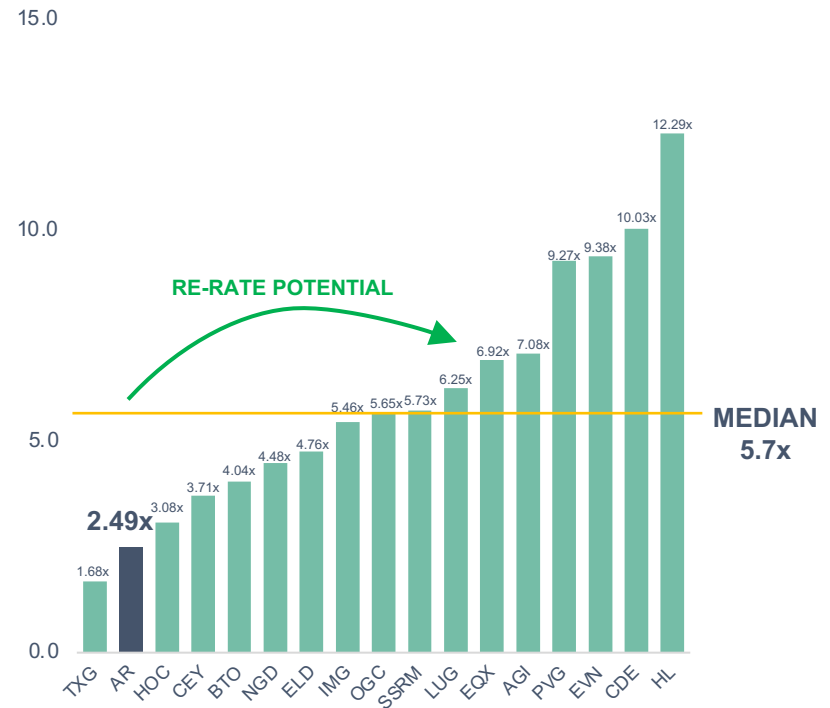
# Precious Metals Producers Comparison

## 2021 EV/EBITDA

### Current Junior Producer Peers



### Future Intermediate Peers in 2023



SOURCE: FactSet Analyst Consensus at Nov. 19, 2021



# Potential Near-Term Catalysts



## **Magino Construction Progress**

- Monthly newsletter and quarterly press release updates



## **Magino Exploration**

- Targeting high-grade gold mineralization at depth



## **La Colorada Exploration**

- Targeting the down dip extension of gold and silver veins below the El Créston pit





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# Notes and Disclosures

Argonaut Gold is a Canadian gold company engaged in exploration, mine development and production. Its primary assets are the El Castillo mine and San Agustin mine, which together form the El Castillo Complex in Durango, Mexico, the La Colorada mine in Sonora, Mexico and the Florida Canyon mine in Nevada, USA. Advanced exploration projects include the Magino project in Ontario, Canada, the Cerro del Gallo project in Guanajuato, Mexico and the Ana Paula project in Guerrero, Mexico. The Company holds several other exploration stage projects, all of which are located in North America.

## QUALIFIED PERSON

Technical information included in this presentation was supervised and approved by Brian Arkell, Argonaut Gold's Vice President of Exploration, and a Qualified Person under National Instrument 43-101 – *Standards of Disclosure for Mineral Projects*. ("NI 43-101").

## NATIONAL INSTRUMENT 43-101

Brian Arkell, Argonaut Gold's Vice-President of Exploration and a Qualified Person under NI 43-101, has read and approved the scientific and technical information in this presentation as it relates to Argonaut. This presentation contains information regarding mineral resources that are not mineral reserves and do not have demonstrated economic viability.

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## NON-IFRS MEASURES

The Company has included certain non-IFRS measures including "Cash cost per gold ounce sold", "All-in sustaining cost per gold ounce sold", "Adjusted net income", "Adjusted earnings per share – basic", "Net cash" and "Free Cash Flow" in this press release to supplement its financial statements which are presented in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRS"). Cash cost per gold ounce sold is equal to production costs less silver sales divided by gold ounces sold. All-in sustaining cost per gold ounce sold is equal to production costs less silver sales plus general and administrative, exploration, accretion and other expenses and sustaining capital expenditures divided by gold ounces sold. Adjusted net income is equal to net income less foreign exchange impacts on deferred income taxes, foreign exchange (gains) losses, non-cash impairment write down (reversal) of work-in-process inventory, unrealized (gains) losses on commodity derivatives and care and maintenance expenses. Adjusted earnings per share – basic is equal to adjusted net income divided by the basic weighted average number of common shares outstanding. Net cash is calculated as the sum of the cash and cash equivalents balance net of debt as at the statement of financial position date. Free cash flow is equal to the change in the Company's net cash (cash and cash equivalents less debt), excluding cash increases related to equity financings. The Company believes that these measures provide investors with an alternative view to evaluate the performance of the Company. Non-IFRS measures do not have any standardized meaning prescribed under IFRS. Therefore they may not be comparable to similar measures employed by other companies. The data is intended to provide additional information and should not be considered in isolation or as a substitute for measures of performance prepared in accordance with IFRS.

Please see the management's discussion and analysis ("MD&A") for full disclosure on non-IFRS measures.

This presentation should be read in conjunction with the Company's unaudited interim condensed consolidated financial statements for the three and six months ended June 30, 2020 and associated MD&A, for the same period, which are available from the Company's website, [www.argonautgold.com](http://www.argonautgold.com), in the "Investors" section under "Financial Filings", and under the Company's profile on SEDAR at [www.sedar.com](http://www.sedar.com).





# Mineral Resource Notes and Disclosures

(1) Mineral Reserves and Mineral Resources have been estimated as at December 31, 2020 in accordance with National Instrument (“NI”) 43-101 as required by Canadian securities regulatory authorities. Mineral Resources are presented inclusive of Mineral Reserves. Numbers may not sum due to rounding.

(2) The Mineral Reserves for El Castillo and San Agustin, which together form the El Castillo Complex, set out in the above table are based on updated models, mine plans and topography, including depletion through mining activities and changes to recovery and cost assumptions as of December 31, 2020. El Castillo used a gold price of \$1,500 per ounce; San Agustin used a gold price of \$1,500 per ounce and silver price of \$18.75 per ounce. Cut-off grades for El Castillo range from 0.10 g/t Au to 0.51 g/t Au depending on ore type; cut-off grades at San Agustin were 0.13 g/t Au.

(3) The Mineral Reserves for La Colorada set out in the above table are based on updated models, mine plans and topography as well as updated recoveries and cost assumptions as of December 31, 2020. La Colorada used a gold price of \$1,500 per ounce and a silver price of \$18.75 per ounce. Cut-off grade for La Colorada was 0.11 g/t gold equivalent (“AuEQ”).

(4) The Mineral Reserves for Florida Canyon set out in the above table are based on updated models, mine plans and topography as well as updated recoveries and cost assumptions as of December 31, 2020. Florida Canyon used a gold price of \$1,500 per ounce. Cut-off grade for Florida Canyon was 0.17 g/t Au.

(5) The Mineral Reserves for the Magino Project set out in the table above were taken from the Magino Technical Report. The Mineral Reserves were estimated at a gold price of \$1,200 per ounce. The Mineral Reserves used a gold cutoff grade of 0.41 g/t.

(6) The Mineral Reserves for Cerro del Gallo set out in the table above were taken from the Cerro del Gallo Technical Report. The Mineral Reserves were estimated at a gold price of \$1,200 per ounce and a silver price of \$14.50 per ounce. The Mineral Reserves used a gold cutoff grade of between 0.30 g/t AuEQ and 0.39 g/t AuEQ depending on ore type.

(7) The Mineral Reserves for Ana Paula set out in the table above were taken from the Ana Paula Technical Report. The Mineral Reserves were estimated at a gold price of \$1,200 per ounce and a silver price of \$17.00 per ounce. The Mineral Reserves used a gold cutoff grade of 0.67 g/t Au.

(8) The M&I Mineral Resources and Inferred Mineral Resources for El Castillo and San Agustin, which together form the El Castillo Complex, set out in the above table were based on pit cones using \$1,800 per ounce gold and \$22.50 per ounce silver. Cut-off grades range from 0.08 g/t Au to 0.43 g/t Au for El Castillo and 0.10 to 0.23 g/t AuEQ for San Agustin, depending on ore type.

(9) The M&I Mineral Resources and Inferred Mineral Resources for La Colorada set out in the above table were based on pit cones using \$1,800 per ounce gold and \$22.50 per ounce silver. Cut-off grade was 0.09 g/t AuEQ.

(10) The M&I Mineral Resources and Inferred Mineral Resources for Florida Canyon set out in the above table were based on pit cones using \$1,800 per ounce gold. Cut-off grade was 0.15 g/t Au.

(11) The M&I Mineral Resources and Inferred Mineral Resources for the Magino Project set out in the table above were taken from the Magino Technical Report. The Mineral Resources were estimated at a gold price of \$1,300 per ounce. The Mineral Resources used a gold cutoff of 0.25 g/t.

(12) The M&I Mineral Resources and Inferred Mineral Resources for the Cerro del Gallo Project set out in the table above were taken from the Cerro del Gallo Technical Report. The Mineral Resources were estimated at a gold price of \$1,600 per ounce and a silver price of \$20.00 per ounce. Cut-off grades range from 0.25 g/t AuEQ to 0.30 g/t AuEQ depending on ore type.

(13) The M&I Mineral Resources and Inferred Mineral Resources for Ana Paula set out in the table above were taken from the Ana Paula Technical Report. The Mineral Resources were estimated at a gold price of \$1,350 per ounce and a silver price of \$17.00 per ounce. The Mineral Resources used a gold cutoff grade of 0.60 g/t Au for the Mineral Resources amenable to open pit extraction and 1.65 g/t Au for the Mineral Resources amenable to underground extraction.

(14) The M&I Mineral Resources and Inferred Mineral Resources for the San Antonio Project set out in the table above were taken from the San Antonio Technical Report. The Mineral Resources were estimated at a gold price of \$1,500 per ounce using a cutoff grade of 0.11 g/t Au for oxide and transition and 0.15 g/t Au for sulphide.

# Consolidated Mineral Resources & Mineral Reserves<sup>(1)</sup>

MINERAL RESERVES		PROVEN & PROBABLE						
Project	Category	Tonnes (Millions)	Au Grade (g/t)	Contained Au Ounces (000s)	Ag Grade (g/t)	Contained Ag Ounces (000s)	Cu Grade (% Cu)	Contained Tonnes Cu
El Castillo <sup>2</sup>	Proven	0.2	0.51	4				
El Castillo <sup>2</sup>	Probable	17.1	0.36	199				
San Agustin <sup>2</sup>	Probable	47.2	0.30	448	9.4	14,278		
<b>El Castillo Complex<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>Proven &amp; Probable</b>	<b>64.5</b>	<b>0.31</b>	<b>651</b>		<b>14,278</b>		
<b>La Colorada<sup>3</sup></b>	<b>Probable</b>	<b>24.1</b>	<b>0.58</b>	<b>453</b>	<b>8.6</b>	<b>6,702</b>		
Florida Canyon <sup>4</sup>	Proven	59.9	0.43	822				
Florida Canyon <sup>4</sup>	Probable	10.9	0.38	132				
<b>Florida Canyon<sup>4</sup></b>	<b>Proven &amp; Probable</b>	<b>70.8</b>	<b>0.42</b>	<b>954</b>				
Magino <sup>5</sup>	Proven	24.2	1.03	804				
Magino <sup>5</sup>	Probable	34.7	1.19	1,332				
<b>Magino<sup>5</sup></b>	<b>Proven &amp; Probable</b>	<b>58.9</b>	<b>1.13</b>	<b>2,136</b>				
Cerro del Gallo <sup>6</sup>	Proven	70.4	0.59	1,326	13.7	31,088	0.10	67,691
Cerro del Gallo <sup>6</sup>	Probable	21.3	0.46	313	11.7	8,012	0.08	17,821
<b>Cerro del Gallo<sup>6</sup></b>	<b>Proven &amp; Probable</b>	<b>91.8</b>	<b>0.56</b>	<b>1,638</b>	<b>13.3</b>	<b>39,100</b>	<b>0.09</b>	<b>85,512</b>
Ana Paula <sup>7</sup>	Proven	6.5	2.62	550	5.3	1,115		
Ana Paula <sup>7</sup>	Probable	6.9	2.12	471	5.1	1,139		
<b>Ana Paula<sup>7</sup></b>	<b>Proven &amp; Probable</b>	<b>13.4</b>	<b>2.36</b>	<b>1,021</b>	<b>5.2</b>	<b>2,254</b>		
<b>Consolidated Mineral Reserves</b>	<b>Proven &amp; Probable</b>	<b>323.4</b>	<b>0.66</b>	<b>6,854</b>	<b>N/A</b>	<b>62,334</b>	<b>N/A</b>	<b>85,512</b>
MINERAL RESOURCES		MEASURED & INDICATED ("M&I")						
El Castillo <sup>8</sup>	M&I	40.4	0.34	447				
San Agustin <sup>8</sup>	Indicated	65.6	0.27	579	8.4	17,651		
<b>El Castillo Complex<sup>8</sup></b>	<b>M&amp;I</b>	<b>106.0</b>	<b>0.30</b>	<b>1,026</b>		<b>17,651</b>		
La Colorada <sup>9</sup>	Indicated	35.0	0.56	631	8.2	9,270		
Florida Canyon <sup>10</sup>	M&I	86.0	0.42	1,161				
Magino <sup>11</sup>	M&I	144.0	0.91	4,197				
Cerro del Gallo <sup>12</sup>	M&I	201.9	0.44	2,864	12.2	79,103	0.09	187,100
Ana Paula open pit <sup>13</sup>	M&I	18.0	2.06	1,195	4.9	2,865		
Ana Paula underground <sup>13</sup>	M&I	3.0	2.80	267	4.2	404		
San Antonio <sup>14</sup>	M&I	65.0	0.86	1,735				
<b>Consolidated Mineral Resources</b>	<b>Measured &amp; Indicated</b>	<b>658.9</b>	<b>0.62</b>	<b>13,076</b>	<b>N/A</b>	<b>109,293</b>	<b>N/A</b>	<b>187,100</b>
MINERAL RESOURCES		INFERRED						
El Castillo <sup>8</sup>	Inferred	1.8	0.35	20				
San Agustin <sup>8</sup>	Inferred	2.1	0.36	25	8.7	603		
<b>El Castillo Complex<sup>8</sup></b>	<b>Inferred</b>	<b>3.9</b>	<b>0.36</b>	<b>45</b>		<b>603</b>		
La Colorada <sup>9</sup>	Inferred	1.4	0.53	23	10.9	480		
Florida Canyon <sup>10</sup>	Inferred	5.8	0.29	54				
Magino <sup>11</sup>	Inferred	33.2	0.83	886				
Cerro del Gallo <sup>12</sup>	Inferred	5.1	0.43	71	11.9	1,947	0.06	1
Ana Paula open pit <sup>13</sup>	Inferred	0.2	1.27	10	8.8	70		
Ana Paula underground <sup>13</sup>	Inferred	0.6	2.07	41	3.9	79		
San Antonio <sup>14</sup>	Inferred	6.2	0.34	67				
<b>Consolidated Mineral Resources</b>	<b>Inferred</b>	<b>56.0</b>	<b>0.65</b>	<b>1,170</b>	<b>N/A</b>	<b>3,094</b>	<b>N/A</b>	<b>1</b>

Measured and indicated Mineral Resources are inclusive of Mineral Reserves

<sup>1</sup> Please refer to slide titled "Mineral Resource Notes and Disclosure" for notes and disclosures.



# 2021 Guidance

## 2021 GEO<sup>2</sup> Production Guidance (in 000s)

		El Castillo	San Agustin	La Colorada	Florida Canyon	Consolidated
<b>GEO<sup>(1)</sup> production</b>	In 000s	40 – 50	65 – 75	55 – 65	50 – 60	<b>210 – 250</b>
<b>Cash costs<sup>(2) (3)</sup></b>	\$ per oz Au	1,050 – 1,150	900 – 1,000	700 – 800	1,200 – 1,300	<b>950 – 1,050</b>
<b>AISC<sup>(2) (3)</sup></b>	\$ per oz Au					<b>1,250 – 1,350</b>

## 2021 Capital Estimate by Project and Category(\$M)<sup>(3)</sup>

	El Castillo	San Agustin	La Colorada	Florida Canyon	Magino	Cerro del Gallo	Exploration	Consolidated
<b>Sustaining</b>	3 – 4	5 – 7	1 – 2	17 - 18	-	-	-	26 - 31
<b>Stripping</b>	6 – 7	-	19 – 20	-	-	-	-	25 – 27
<b>Total Sustaining</b>	<b>9 – 11</b>	<b>5 – 7</b>	<b>20 – 22</b>	<b>17 – 18</b>	-	-	-	<b>51 – 58</b>
<b>Expansionary</b>	-	-	-	11 - 12	180 – 190	3 – 4	10 – 11	204 – 217
<b>Total</b>	<b>9 – 11</b>	<b>5 – 7</b>	<b>20 – 22</b>	<b>28 – 30</b>	<b>180 – 190</b>	<b>3 – 4</b>	<b>10 – 11</b>	<b>255 – 275</b>

<sup>1</sup> GEOs are based on a conversion ratio of 85:1 for silver to gold.

<sup>2</sup> Please refer to section on slide 40 entitled “Non-IFRS Measures” for a discussion of these Non-IFRS Measures.

<sup>3</sup> Assumes exchange rates of MXN:USD of 20:1 and CAD:USD of 1.3:1

