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World class

Golden Meadows Project, Idaho, USA

Exploration

1st Quartile Costs

by-products

proven metallurgy

Low

risk

Proven
management

Community

Sept.4/12

Photo courtesy of the Idaho Historical Society Ref# 80-57-11
Stibnite – looking into the pit (1940s)



A Unique & Exciting Project

**World class,
high grade, open
pit resource**

**Exploration
upside**

**Robust PEA
1st Quartile Costs**

**Strategic
by-products**

**Production
proven metallurgy**

**Low geopolitical
risk**

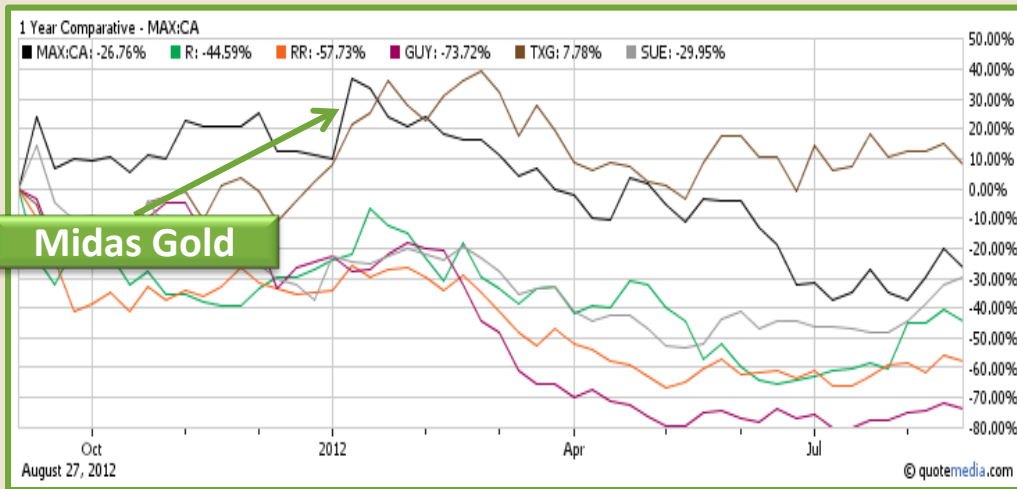
**Proven
management
& board**

**Community
Support**



Capitalization

- Good relative share performance



\$48.3 million in cash (June 30)

Analyst Coverage

Joe Mazumdar – Haywood
 Michael Gray – Macquarie
 Adam Melnyk – Desjardins
 Michael Curran – RBC
 John Hayes – BMO
 Brent Cook – Exploration Insights

- Well funded with strong insider and institutional support

Share Capital

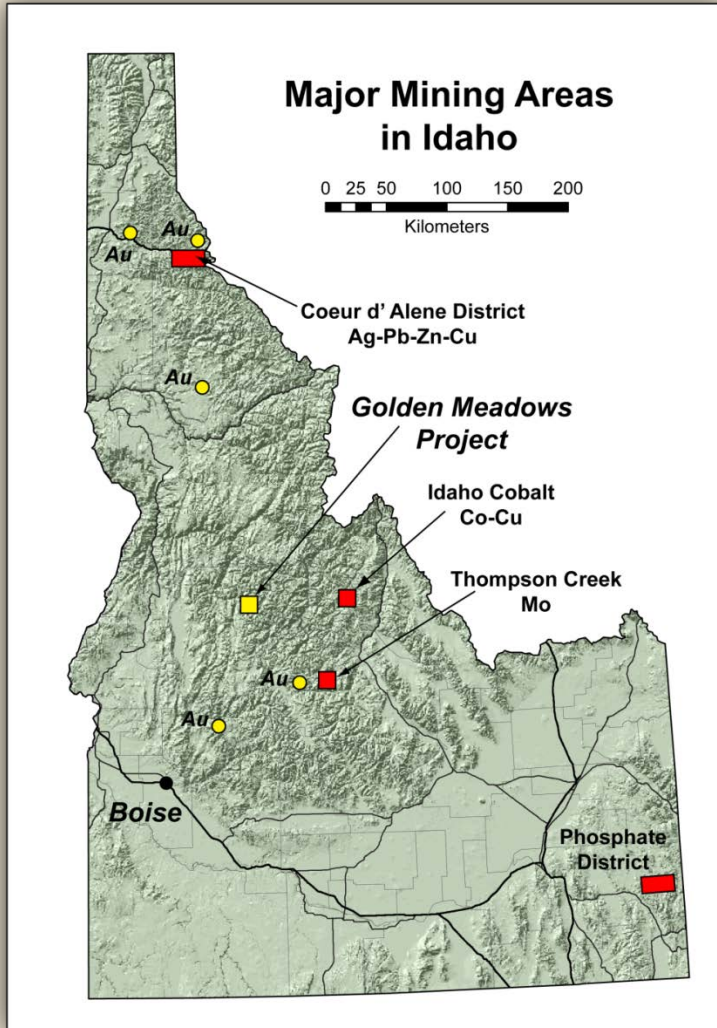
Issued & outstanding	114,466,936
• Vista Gold 31,802,615 (27.8%)	
• Insiders & Founders 17,427,666 (15.2%)	
Options @ \$0.19-\$4.10	9,615,000
Warrants @ \$0.48	1,333,334
Fully diluted	125,415,270

Top Institutions

GCIC (Dynamic)
 RBC Global Precious Metals
 Craton Capital
 American Century
 Passport
 Franklin
 CIBC Asset Management



Located in Low Risk, Mining Friendly Idaho



- ❖ A mining friendly jurisdiction
 - Ranked 5th in the US by Fraser Institute
 - Supportive local communities
 - Established mining state
- ❖ Project area has extensive history of mining
 - Brownfields site, heavily disturbed
 - Good access
 - Local infrastructure and workforce
- ❖ Streamlined permitting
 - Interagency Joint Review Process
 - Proposed US legislation to expedite permitting for metals deemed to be strategic:
 - *Sen. Murkowski and Rep. Amodei each introduced bills into US Congress for expedited permitting processes*

PRELIMINARY ECONOMIC ASSESSMENT

MIDAS GOLD



PEA Highlights (1)

	Years 1-8		Life-Of-Mine (14.2 years)	
Base Case (At \$1,400/oz gold)	Annual Average	Total	Annual Average	Total
Gold (000s oz)	390	3,121	348	4,922
Antimony (M lbs)	9.9	79.3	6.4	90.6
Cash Costs (US\$/oz) ⁽²⁾ (net of by-products)	331		425	
Initial Capital (US\$M)				879
Pre-tax NPV _{5%} (US\$M)				2,136
After-tax NPV _{5%} (US\$M)				1,482
IRR (Pre-tax/After-tax)				33.7%/27.2%
After-tax Payback (years)				3.0

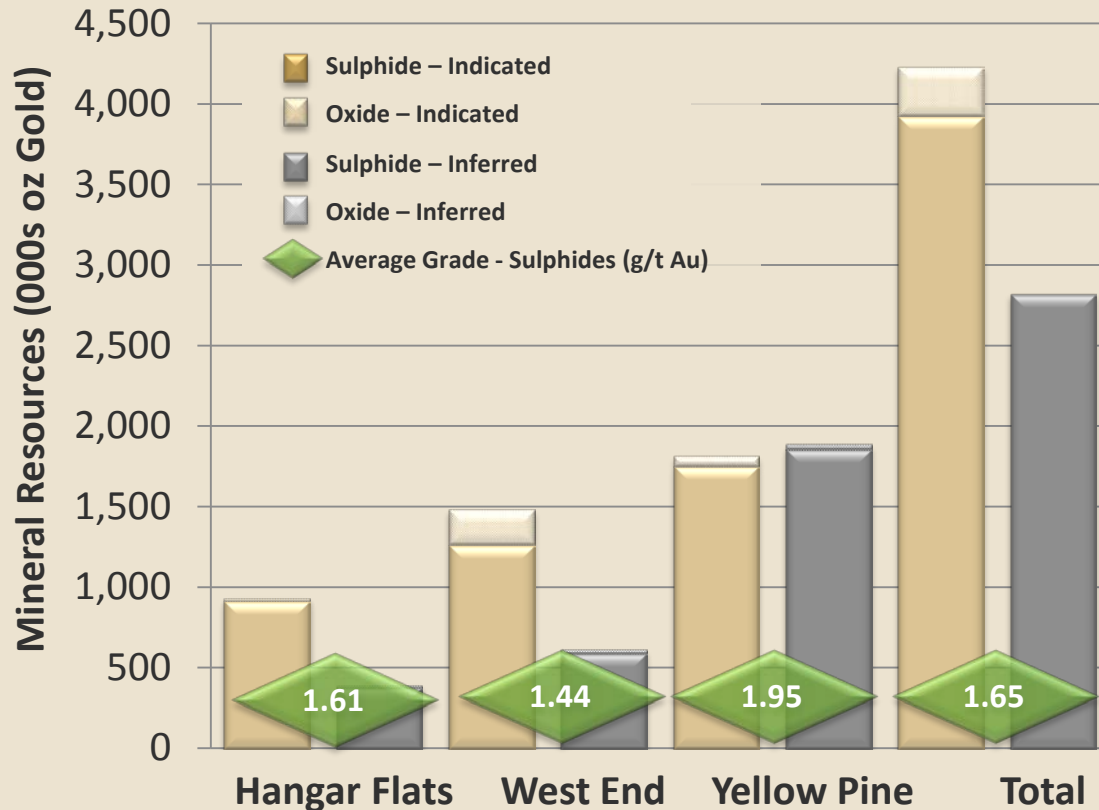
(1) The economic assessment in the PEA is preliminary in nature and uses inferred mineral resources that are considered too speculative geologically to have the economic considerations applied to them that would enable them to be categorized as mineral reserves, and there is no certainty that this PEA will be realized. The inferred mineral resource used in the economic analysis represents 37% of the total life-tonnes considered.

(2) See non-IFRS measures below

In this presentation, “M” = million, “K” = thousands, all amounts in US\$



World Class, High Grade Gold Resource* plus Antimony, Silver



❖ Open pit resource

- High grade
- Brownfield site
- ~0.9M oz of past production

❖ 2,237 holes to end of Aug./12

- 209,104m of drilling
- Mostly in historic mining areas

❖ Resource estimates

- Updates completed Q2/12
- 38,246m of new drilling already completed in 2012
- Further resource update targeted for end of Q1/13

* See NI43-101 slide at the back of this presentation for responsibility and disclaimers.

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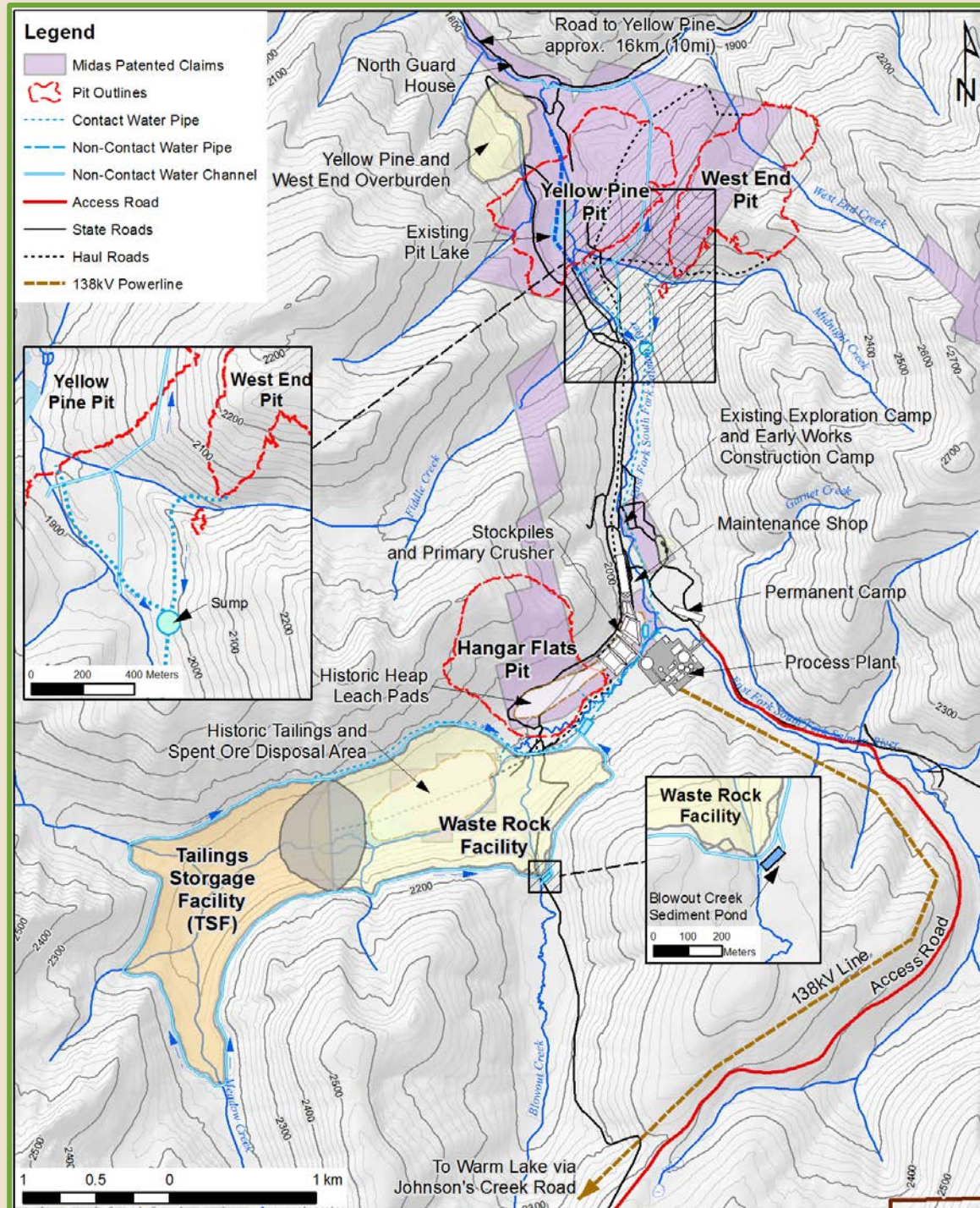
PEA Project Description

- ❖ Power supplied via state grid installed adjacent to upgraded Thunder Mountain road
- ❖ Mining fleet based on 136 tonne haul trucks and 22m³ diesel shovels
- ❖ Water diversion around Yellow Pine pit via 1.4 km long tunnel
- ❖ 20,000 TPD process plant
- ❖ On-site production of gold doré with antimony (Sb) concentrate sales
- ❖ Primary process plant circuits include:
 - Primary (gyratory) crusher & conveyor to crushed ore stockpile
 - SAG (1) and ball (1) milling
 - Antimony flotation with filtration and sales of Sb concentrate
 - Gold flotation – 1 rougher & 3 stages of cleaning
 - Oxidize gold concentrate with single autoclave
 - Carbon-in-leach (CIL) circuit, carbon stripping & refining to doré
 - CN-destruction of CIL tailings
- ❖ Synthetically lined tailings facility for comingled flotation/POX/oxide tailings



Conceptual Site Layout

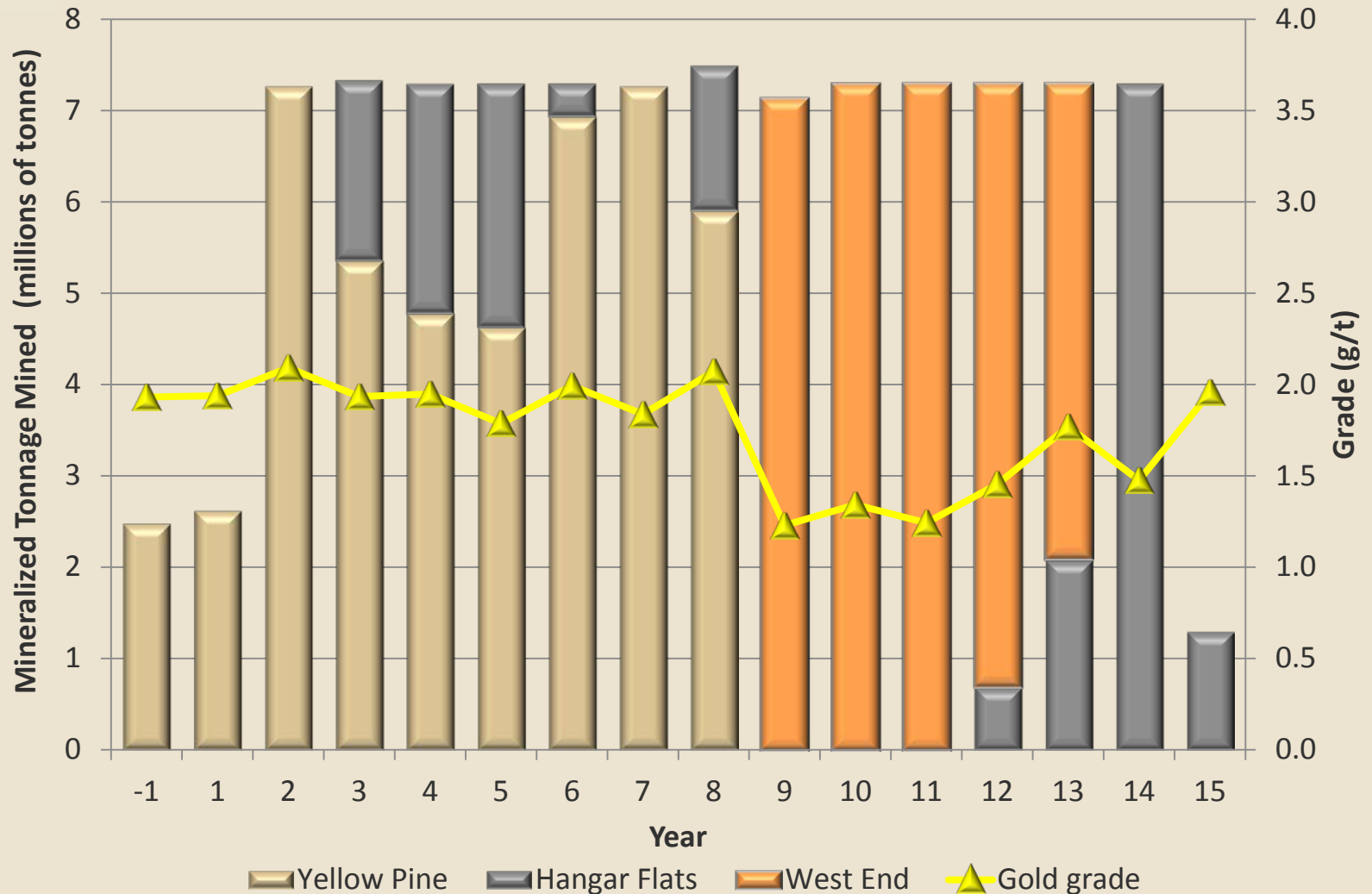
- ❖ Southern access
- ❖ 3 pits
- ❖ Tunnel water diversion
- ❖ Mill feed stockpiles
- ❖ Plant & facilities area
- ❖ Waste rock:
 - On top of historic tailings & spent heap leach ore
 - Backfill Yellow Pine pit
- ❖ Tailings
 - Lined facility
 - Buttressed by waste rock





Open Pit Sequencing

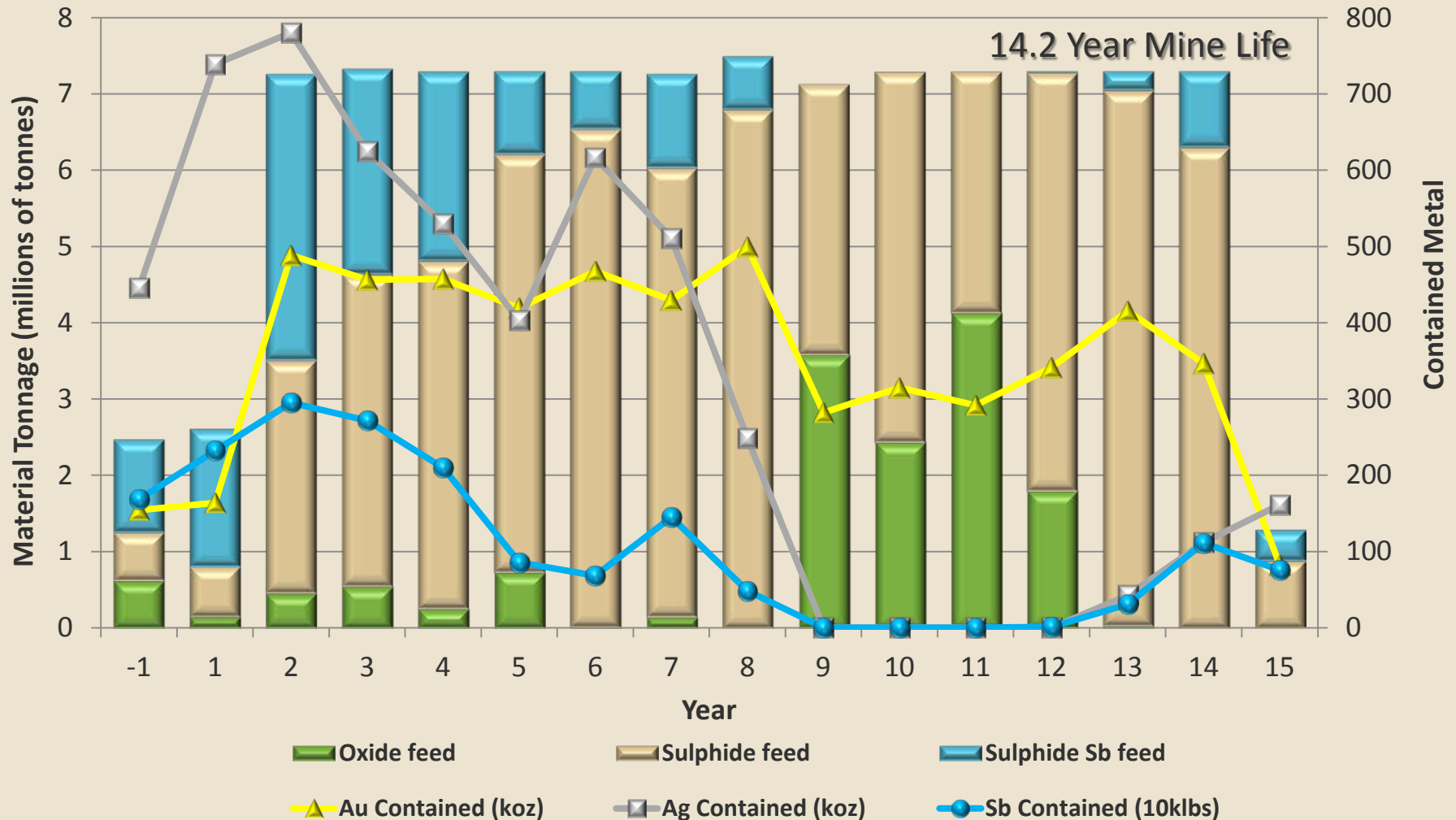
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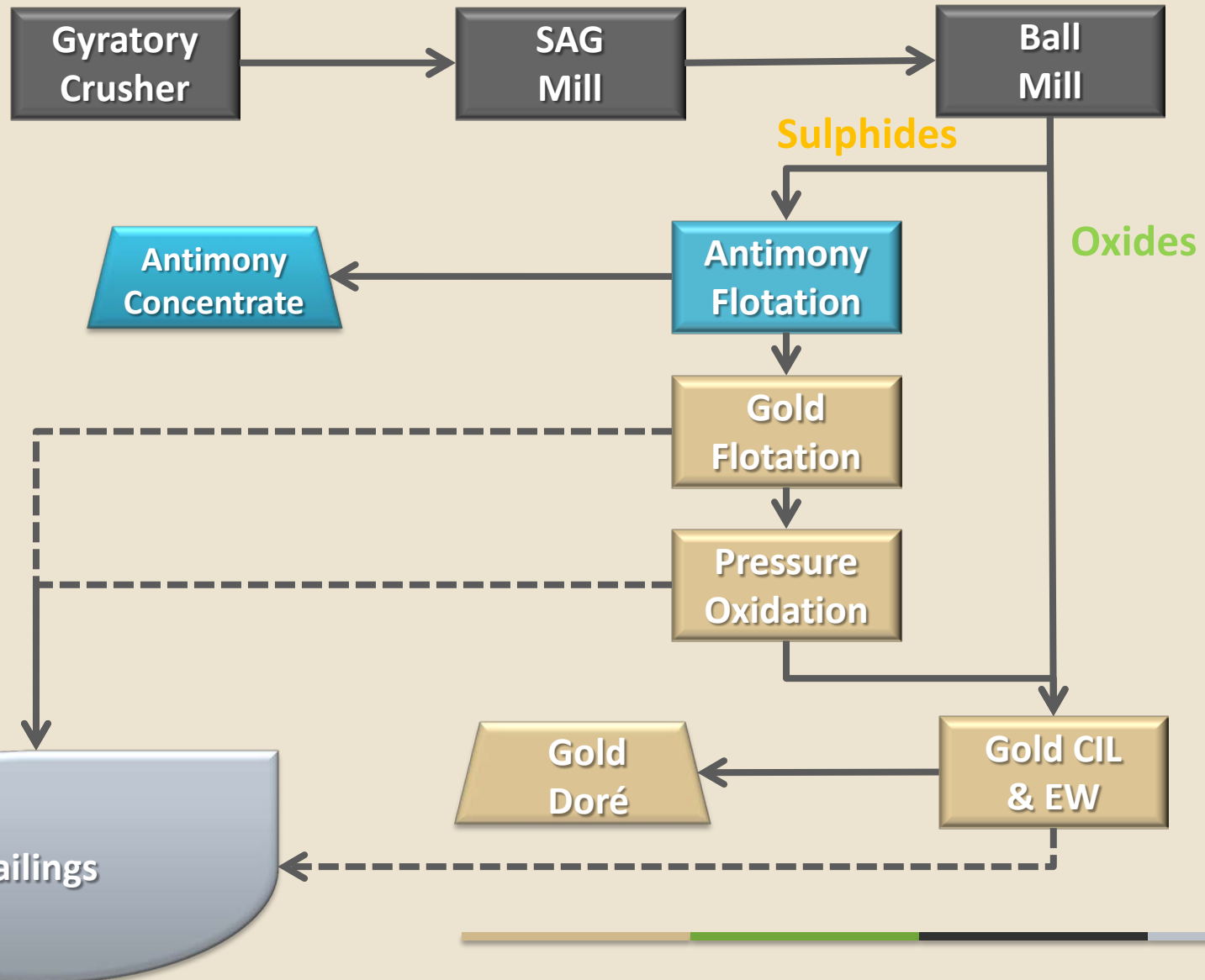
Mill Feed & Contained Metal Summary

(Mineralized material mined in Year -1 is stockpiled and then processed in Year 1)





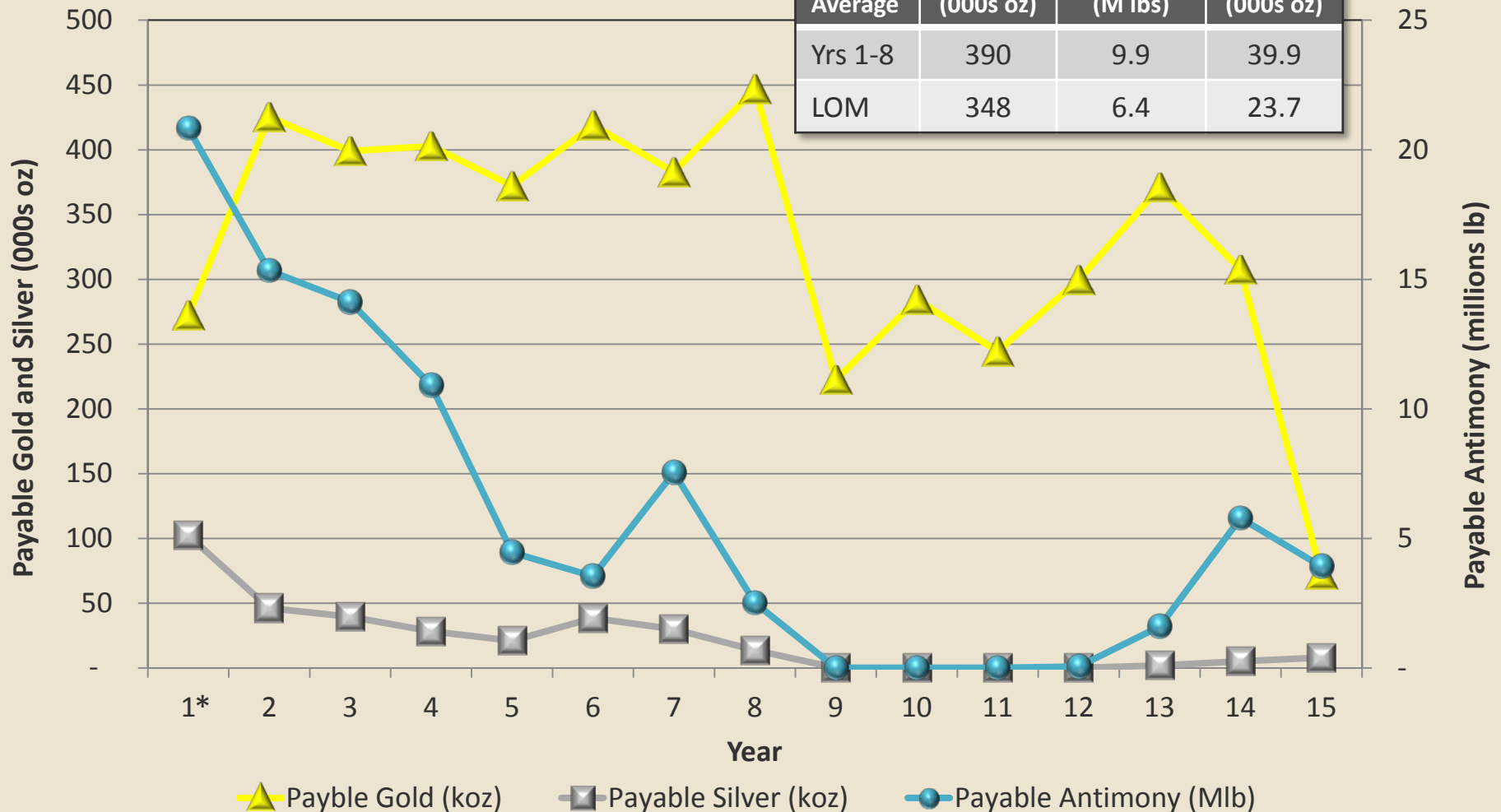
Simplified Process Design





Payable Metal Summary

Annual Average	Gold (000s oz)	Antimony (M lbs)	Silver (000s oz)
Yrs 1-8	390	9.9	39.9
LOM	348	6.4	23.7



* During Year 1, mill is ramping up to full production



Capital Cost Summary

Area	Initial Capital (\$M)	Sustaining Capital (\$M)	Closure (\$M)	Totals (\$M)
Mining Equipment & Pre-Stripping	121.9	107.2	-	229.1
Processing and Utilities	243.0	79.6	-	322.6
On-Site Infrastructure	93.1	38.8	-	131.9
Off-Site Infrastructure	67.0	-	-	67.0
Indirect Costs	148.9	19.4	-	168.3
Owner's Costs & Capital Spares	39.7	-	-	39.7
Closure	-	-	53.0	53.0
Contingency	165.7	4.7	-	170.4
Totals	879.3	249.7	53.0	1,182.0



Operating Cost Summary (Base Case)

Area	Unit	ALL	LOM Oxide	LOM Sulphide	LOM High Sb
Mining ⁽¹⁾	\$/t mined	1.67	1.67	1.67	1.67
Mining ⁽¹⁾	\$/t milled	7.78	7.78	7.78	7.78
Processing					
- Stockpile handling	\$/t milled	0.13	0.13	0.13	0.13
- Crushing & grinding	\$/t milled	2.83	2.83	2.83	2.83
- Oxide Processing	\$/t milled	0.82	5.53	-	-
- Sb flotation	\$/t milled	0.28	-	-	1.66
- Au flotation	\$/t milled	1.77	-	2.08	2.08
- POX	\$/t milled	7.87	-	9.23	9.23
G&A, Water	\$/t milled	4.39	4.39	4.39	4.39
Total Unit OPEX	\$/t milled	25.87	20.66	26.44	28.10
Cash Cost ⁽²⁾ <i>(excluding by-product credits)</i>	\$/oz Au		532 (479 Yrs 1-8)		
Cash Cost ⁽²⁾ <i>(including by-product credits)</i>	\$/oz Au		425 (331 Yrs 1-8)		

(1) Excluding Year -1 (pre-strip) capitalized mining costs

(2) see non-IFRS measures below



Financial Summary

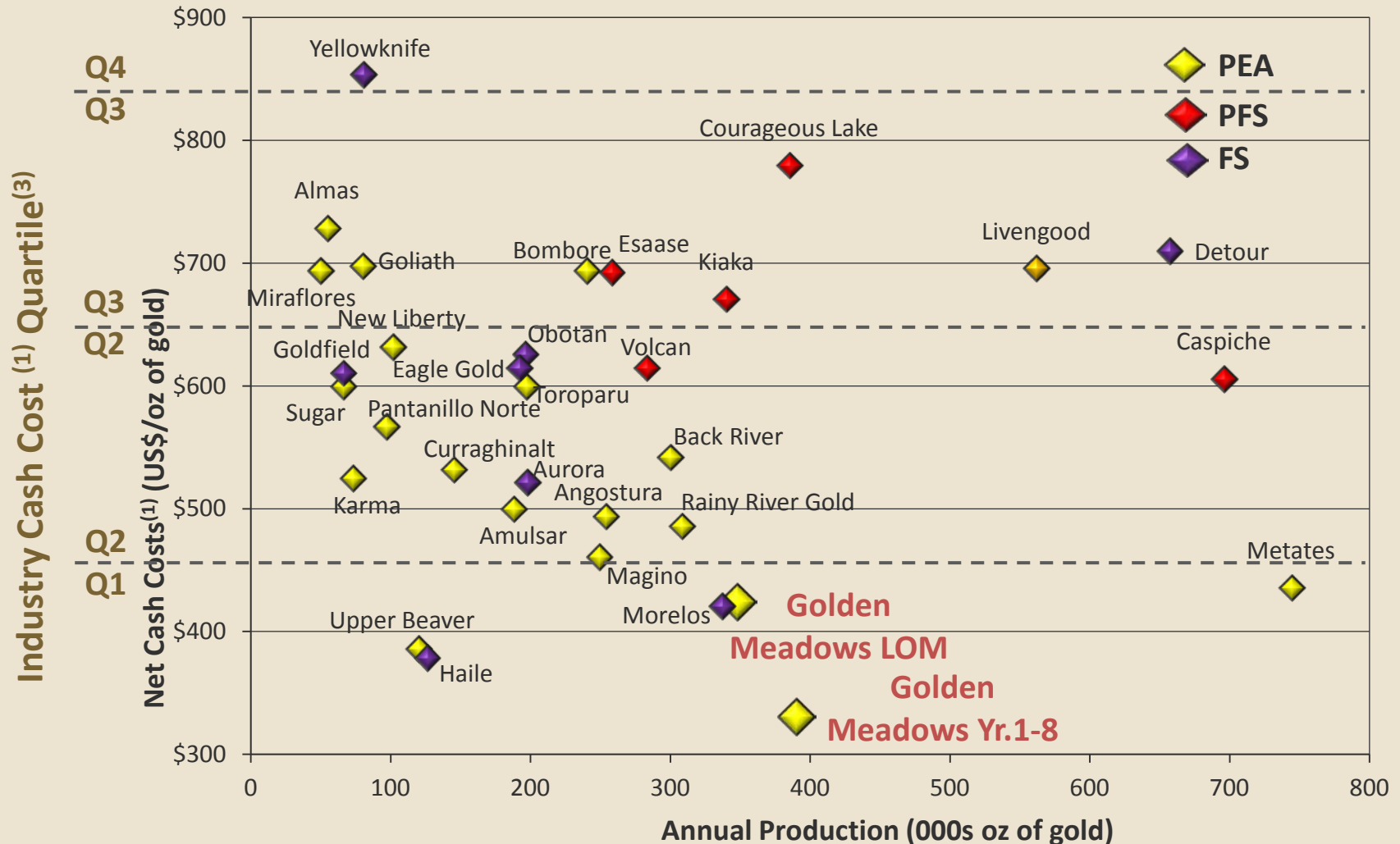
Gold Price (\$/oz)	Pre-Tax (\$ millions)			
	NPV (0%)	NPV (5%)	NPV (10%)	IRR
1,200	2,549	1,464	834	26.6%
1,400*	3,580	2,136	1,296	33.7%
1,600	4,611	2,808	1,759	40.0%
1,800	5,642	3,480	2,221	45.8%
Gold Price (\$/oz)	After-Tax (\$ millions)			
	NPV (0%)	NPV (5%)	NPV (10%)	IRR
1,200	1,874	1,036	546	21.9%
1,400*	2,557	1,482	853	27.2%
1,600	3,233	1,923	1,157	31.9%
1,800	3,910	2,364	1,460	36.3%

**Base case*



Cash Costs⁽¹⁾ Net of By-products vs. Production

2011-12 Studies for Gold Projects ⁽²⁾





Potential Economic Benefits (Base Case)

❖ Significant positive impact already on-going:

- Largest private employer in Valley County (115 people in 2011, 146 in 2012)
 - *More than 70% from Idaho, half of which are from Valley/Adams counties*
- ~85% of 2012's \$50+ million expenditures spent in Idaho, half of it locally

❖ PEA estimates potential future benefits:

- More than 400 direct employees for 14+ mine life
- Average annual payroll of ~\$20 million
 - *Salary levels forecast at more than double Idaho average*
- University of Idaho estimates 2.5 times as many spin-off jobs as direct jobs
- Approximately \$1,223 million in taxes payable over the 14+ year mine life:
 - *Federal: \$800 million*
 - *State: \$220 million*
 - *County: \$3 million*
 - *Excludes payroll taxes, state sales taxes, & income taxes paid by employees*



Closure Concepts

❖ Plant

- Decontaminated, demolished, recycled, rehabilitated

❖ Remaining Tailings supernate

- Treated for discharge or evaporated

❖ Tailings and waste rock dump

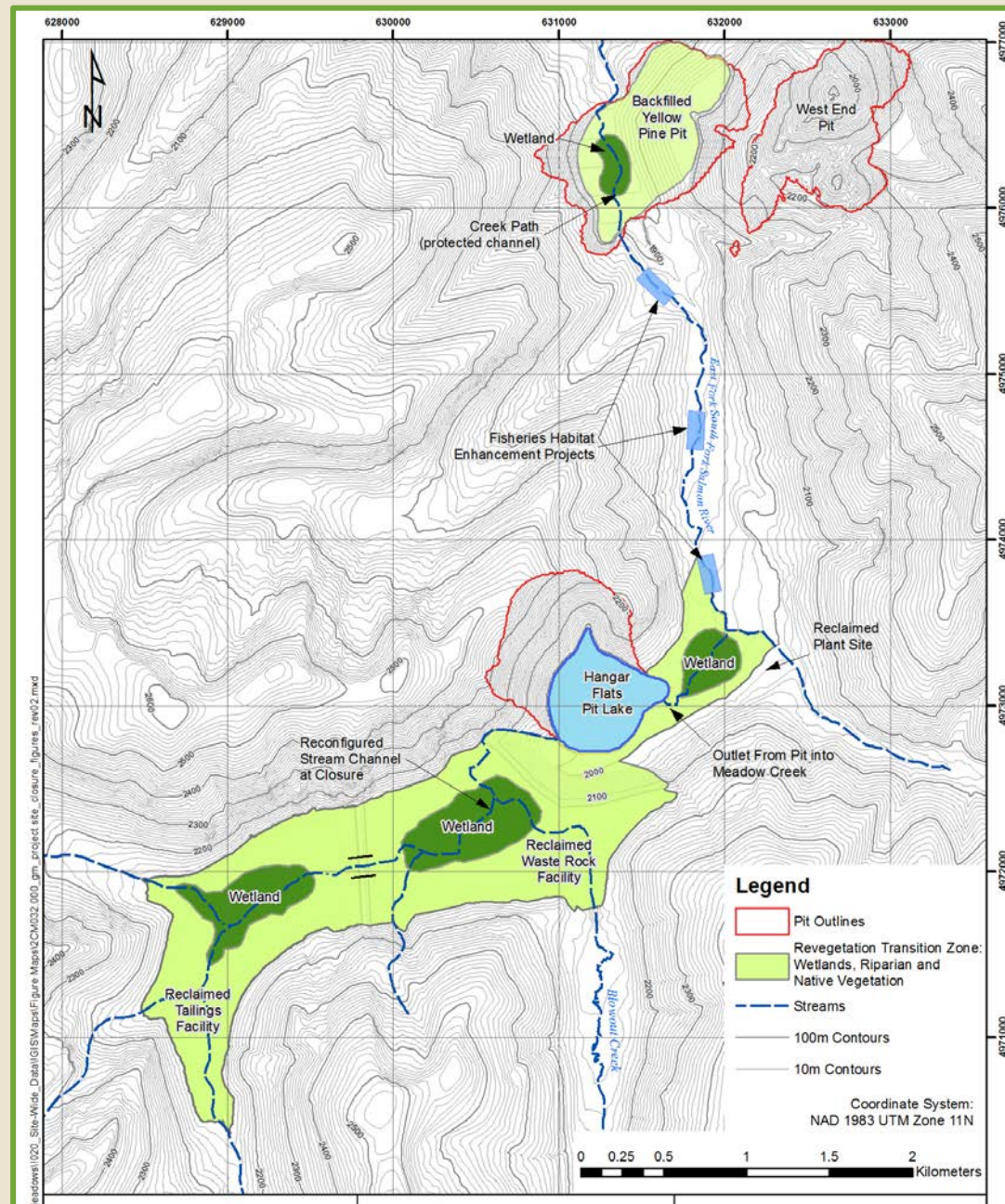
- Rehabilitated and Meadow Creek reestablished with discharge to Hangar Flats settling basin

❖ Yellow Pine pit backfill

- Rehabilitated and EFSF Salmon River reestablished to facilitate fish habitat

❖ Water diversion tunnel

- Bulk-headed at both ends





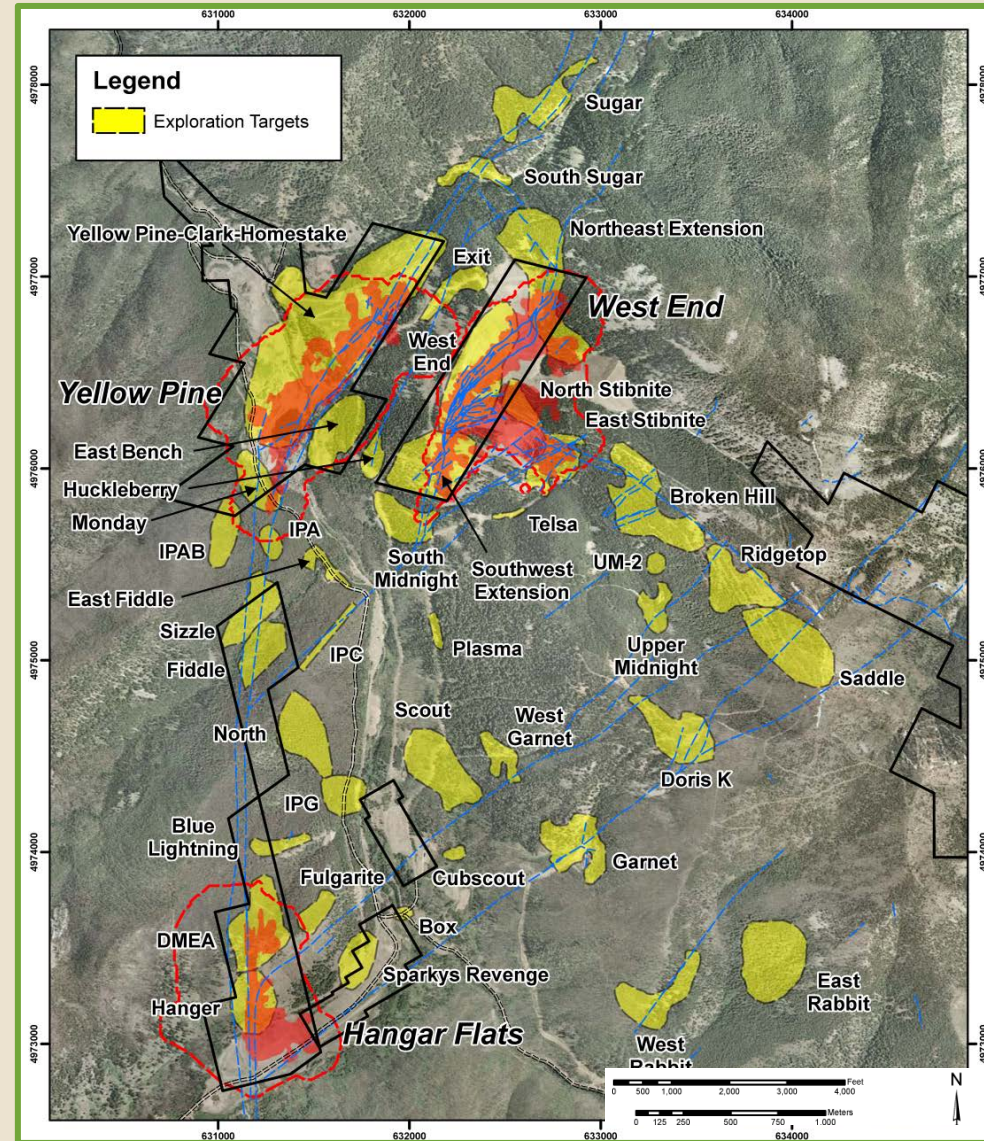
Risks & Opportunities

	Short Term	Long Term
Risks	Ability to complete infill drilling for 2013 PFS to convert inferred mineralization to indicated	Permitting timelines and opposition to project
	Antimony market and the impact of alternate products on the process flow sheet	
Opportunities	Secondary processing of antimony concentrate (Sb metal, Sb trioxide, sodium antimonate)	Exploration success (e.g. Scout) &/or discovery of higher grade oz that would defer lower grades/margin oz to later
	Infill drilling within pit limits converting waste rock to resource	Estimate Sb & Ag for full deposits outside the 0.1% Sb shells
	Geotechnical drilling steepening pit slopes, and reducing strip ratios	Accelerated permitting through land swap &/or critical metals legislation
	Gold concentrate sales versus secondary gold processing	Alternate oxide material flow sheet, e.g. Heap leaching
	Bulk flotation results in improved metallurgical recoveries, etc.	Possible 25-50% increase in throughput



Exploration Upside – New Discoveries

- ❖ Multiple targets defined by:
 - Surface drilling
 - Underground drilling & workings
 - Surface rock & soil sampling
 - Airborne EM & magnetics
 - Ground IP
- ❖ Prioritized targets have potential to host new deposits:
 - Bulk tonnage
 - *Scout, Cinnamid-Ridgetop, Saddle-Fern, Rabbit*
 - Small tonnage, high grade
 - *Garnet, Upper Midnight*
 - Undefined AEM Targets
 - *Mule, Salt & Pepper, Blow-out*





Near-term Value Drivers



- ❖ Ongoing infill, step-out and exploration drill results
- ❖ Ongoing metallurgical, engineering and other studies in support of an updated PEA or PFS
- ❖ Formal permitting process commences with completion of updated PEA or PFS



Regulatory Steps

- ❖ Use PEA to engage with regulators, communities, NGOs, other stakeholders
 - Consider and optimize options
 - Mitigate impacts
 - Demonstrate:
 - *Concurrent environmental & fisheries enhancement as part of overall mine plan*
 - *A robust closure and final reclamation plan*
 - *Significant local benefits through employment & business opportunities*
- ❖ Commence permitting of a mining and processing operation post-PFS
 - EIS/Plan of Operations
 - *Participation of USFS, US EPA, US Army Corps of Engineers, NOAA Fisheries at federal level, Idaho DEQ, Idaho Dept. of Water Resources, Idaho Dept. of Lands, Idaho Dept. of Fish & Game*
 - *50+ permits required*
 - Continued community, NGO and stakeholder engagement



Key Components for Success

***Production proven
metallurgy***

**Strategic
By-products**

Low geopolitical risk

Community Support

Proven Management

**Near-term Value
Drivers**

***World Class,
high grade, open pit
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Exploration upside

REGULATORY INFORMATION

MIDAS GOLD



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The resource estimation for the gold deposits at Golden Meadows was completed by David Rowe, C.P.G of SRK Consulting (Canada), Inc. under the supervision of Guy Dishaw, P. Geo, of SRK Consulting (Canada), Inc. The other Qualified Persons responsible for the PEA study are Gordon Doerksen, P.Eng., of JDS Energy and Mining Inc. (overall project management and economic analysis); Dino Pilotto, P.Eng., of SRK Consulting (Canada) Inc. (mining); Bruce Murphy, FSAIMM, of SRK Consulting (Canada) Inc. (mine geotech); Maritz Rykaart, P.Eng., of SRK Consulting (Canada) Inc. (waste management); John Duncan, P.Eng. of SRK Consulting (Canada) Inc. (water management); Chris Martin, C.Eng., of Blue Coast Metallurgy Ltd. (metallurgy); Kevin Scott, P.Eng., of Ausenco Solutions Canada Inc. (infrastructure and mineral processing); and Rick Richins, BS, MS, of RTR Inc. (environmental considerations) – see the technical report for relevant assumptions and disclaimers.

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