## Ridgeline Minerals Samples 3.8% Copper and 16.3 g/t Gold at the Big Blue Porphyry Project, Nevada

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- Company has expanded the Big Blue land position by 23%
- Visible gold noted in quartz vein in high-grade Au rock chip sample
- Induced Polarization geophysics survey complete August 20<sup>th</sup>

Vancouver, September 5, 2024 - <u>Ridgeline Minerals Corp.</u> (TSXV: RDG) (OTCQB: RDGMF) (FSE: 0GC0) ("Ridgeline" or the "Company") is pleased to announce additional high-grade surface rock chip results of up to 3.9 percent ("%") copper ("Cu") and 16.3 grams per tonne ("g/t") gold ("Au"), with visible gold ("VG") noted in the same quartz veins hosting high-grade Au mineralization (Figure 1 & Picture 1) at the Big Blue ("Big Blue") porphyry Cu-Au project in Elko County, Nevada.

Sampling was completed by Ridgeline's technical team with the highlight rock chips taken from a recently identified historical prospect pit located approximately 300 meters ("m") west of the high-grade Cu-Au rock chips announced on June 27, 2024 (see press release HERE). The Company has since staked an additional 111 lode claims totaling 2,293 acres to fully encompass the proposed porphyry target on the west side of the property (Figure 2), which will be referred to as the "Ohio" target moving forward. The combined Big Blue property now totals 602 lode claims totaling 12,463 acres (~50 square kilometers).

Michael Harp, Ridgeline's Vice President, Exploration commented, "Today's rock chip results represent the highest-grade gold samples at the Big Blue project to-date, with visible gold noted in our highlight rock chip sample. Between the Delker Mine and Ohio targets we have defined a kilometer-scale porphyry Cu-Au footprint that exhibits increasing gold and molybdenum grades towards the Ohio target, which suggests a potential vector to the porphyry system to the west. Our IP geophysics survey is now complete and preliminary results indicate the potential for coincident chargeability anomalies at both porphyry targets, we eagerly anticipate the final IP results over the coming weeks."

Surface Sampling Highlights:

- Ohio Target: 3.9% Cu, 16.3 g/t Au, 0.03 g/t silver ("Ag") (see VG in Picture 1) and 0.1% Cu, 0.01 g/t Au, 0.1 g/t Ag, from two rock chip samples taken from separate quartz veins located in an outcropping historical prospect pit
  - June 27, 2024, press release: 0.44% Cu, 9.56 g/t Au, 0.30 g/t Ag and 0.25% Cu, 0.10 g/t Au, 0.20 g/t Ag from two rock chip samples taken from two separate prospect pits with outcropping quartz veins
  - The presence of highly elevated molybdenum ("Mo") values in the four rock chips taken at the Ohio target (average of 219.6 parts per million ("ppm") Mo) compared to 112 rock chips in the Delker Mine area (average of 9.9 ppm Mo) continues to support the Company's interpretation that the porphyry system may be vectoring towards the west
- Previously reported rock chips at the Delker Mine and Skarn Hill porphyry & skarn targets include:
  - Delker Mine: 10.80% Cu, 0.10 g/t Au, 4.51 g/t Ag and 4.88% Cu, 0.10 g/t Au, BDL Ag (Figure 1 & Picture 2)
  - Skarn Hill: 6.44% Cu, 0.16 g/t Au, 53.75 g/t Ag
- A total of 116 surface rock chips have been collected between Ridgeline and historical operators. Sample values range from Below Detection Limit ("BDL") to 15.49% Cu, BDL to 16.3 g/t Au and BDL to 53.75 g/t Ag (avg. 0.96% Cu, 0.28 g/t Au, 1.47 g/t Ag)

For a full table of rock chip values click HERE

Figure 1: Plan view map showing Cu-Au surface rock chips at the Ohio and Delker porphyry targets (red dash lines) overlying kilometer-scale airborne magnetic highs

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Picture 1: Picture of quartz vein with visible gold and copper oxide mineralization as well as lesser amounts of unoxidized chalcopyrite

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Figure 2: Plan view map showing the 111 claims (yellow border) staked by the Company to fully encompass the magnetic anomaly that defines the Ohio target

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## QAQC Procedures

Samples are submitted to American Assay Laboratories (AAL) of Sparks, Nevada, which is a certified and accredited laboratory, independent of the Company. Independent check samples are sent to Paragon Geochemical Labs (PAL) of Sparks, Nevada. Samples are prepared using industry-standard prep methods and analysed using FA-PB30-ICP (Au; 30 g fire assay) and ICP-5AM48 (48 element Suite; 0.5 g 5-acid digestion/ICP-MS) methods. AAL also undertakes its own internal coarse and pulp duplicate analysis to ensure proper sample preparation and equipment calibration. Ridgeline's QA/QC program includes regular insertion of CRM standards, duplicates, and blanks into the sample stream with a stringent review of all results completed by the Company's Qualified Person, Michael T. Harp, Vice President, Exploration.

Technical information contained in this news release has been reviewed and approved by Michael T. Harp, CPG. the Company's Vice President, Exploration, who is Ridgeline's Qualified Person under National Instrument 43-101 and responsible for technical matters of this release.

**Big Blue Project** 

Big Blue is located in Elko County, Nevada, approximately seventy-five kilometers ("km") southeast of the city of Elko, NV. The Project includes the past producing Delker Mine, which historically produced 94,434 pounds of copper at an average grade of 6.2% between 1916-1917 <sup>1</sup> from structurally controlled skarn deposits outcropping between the Delker Mine and Skarn Hill Adit. The property shares its southern boundary with Reyna Silver's Medicine Springs Ag-Pb-Zn Carbonate Replacement ("CRD") project and had seen limited modern exploration in over a century until Ridgeline staked the property in 2023. The primary target at Big Blue is porphyry-skarn Cu-Au ± Ag-Mo mineralization, with potential to discover polymetallic, carbonate replacement deposit (CRD) style mineralization as the system zones outward over 6 + kilometers of strike towards the Medicine Springs project. This target model is analogous to the Butte Valley porphyry Cu-Au system, which is inferred to be the source of CRD mineralization at the Company's nearby Selena project. Big Blue is 100% owned by the Company and is comprised of a total of 50 square kilometers of highly prospective exploration ground that will benefit from Ridgeline's systematic approach to discovery (view Ridgeline's Corporate Deck HERE).

About Ridgeline Minerals Corp.

Ridgeline Minerals is a discovery focused precious and base metal explorer with a proven management team and a 201km<sup>2</sup> exploration portfolio across five projects in Nevada, USA. The Company is a hybrid explorer with a mix of 100%-owned exploration assets as well as two earn-in exploration agreements with Nevada Gold Mines at its Swift and Black Ridge projects and a third earn-in with South32 at its Selena

project. More information about Ridgeline can be found at www.ridgelineminerals.com.

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## Sources

<sup>1</sup>Delker Mine Historic Production (Page 57): Smith, R.M., 1976, Mineral resources of Elko County, Nevada: U.S. Geological Survey Open-File Report 76-56, 201 p.

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