# New Found Gold Continues to Expand the Dropkick Zone at the Queensway Gold Project: 42.8 g/t Au over 14.95 m, 47.6 g/t Au over 3.95 m and 22.9 g/t Au over 2.40 m

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VANCOUVER, May 21, 2025 - New Found Gold Corp. ("New Found Gold" or the "Company") (TSXV: NFG) (NYSE-A: pleased to announce new drill results from the Company's 100%-owned Queensway Gold Project ("Queensway" or the Newfoundland and Labrador, Canada. Highlights include:

- Dropkick zone ("Dropkick") west of the Appleton Fault Zone ("AFZ"):
  - 42.8 g/t Au over 14.95 m (NFGC-24-2225)1
  - 47.6 g/t Au over 3.95 m (NFGC-24-2214)
  - 22.9 g/t Au over 2.40 m (NFGC-24-2205)
  - Dropkick mineralization has now been intersected over a 580 m strike extent
  - Open in all directions
- Dropkick east of the AFZ:
  - 5.30 g/t Au over 15.20 m (NFGC-24-2233)
  - A newly identified domain at Dropkick on the eastern side of the AFZ
  - Open in all directions
- Pistachio zone ("Pistachio")
  - 5.34 g/t Au over 7.30 m (NFGC-24-2190)
  - 240 m strike length delineated to date with a high-grade portion constrained by one underground panel in the
    mineral resource estimate ("MRE")
  - Open down plunge and to depth

Melissa Render, President of New Found Gold, stated: "In these final drill results from the 2024 exploration program we intersect high-grade gold mineralization and expand both Dropkick and Pistachio. At Dropkick, we have now discovered mineralization both west and east of the AFZ. The continued results from Dropkick and Pistachio, located 8 and 11 kilo north, respectively, of the main resource area at Queensway are highly encouraging and point to the potential for future near-surface resource expansion along the strike of this prolific gold mineralized system. We look forward to continuing tenor and extent of these zones".

Results Summary - This Release:

This news release includes results from 13,768 m of drilling in the final 38 diamond drill holes ("DDH") completed in Q4 of an exploration program at AFZ Peripheral (formerly the Kingsway Project) as well as from other zones throughout Q6 North (Tables 1 to 3). The program included step-out drilling at Dropkick targeting new high-grade mineralization, the sextension of the gold-bearing host fault, and the eastern side of the AFZ. In addition, step-out drilling at Pistachio targe expansion of the high-grade, and systematic reconnaissance drilling along the AFZ Peripheral segment was completed New Found Gold news releases dated February 11, 2025 and October 24, 2024).

Drill highlights, along with details from all 38 DDH in this news release are included in Tables 1 to 3 below.

Dropkick:

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> g/t Au = grams of gold per tonne, m = metres

- Dropkick step-outs west of the AFZ announced in this release include 42.8 g/t Au over 14.95 m (NFGC-24-2225), over 3.95 m (NFGC-24-2214), 22.9 g/t Au over 2.40 m (NFGC-24-2205) and 5.77 g/t Au over 6.55 m (NFGC-24-2214), and all previously drilled intercepts at Dropkick occur in a fault zone subparallel to and west of the AFZ (Tables 1
- This drilling follows up on discovery holes NFGC-24-2197 (89.5 g/t Au over 5.85 m) and NFGC-24-2193 (26.2 g/t 16.15 m; see the New Found Gold news release dated February 11, 2025).
- As part of this program step-out drilling on the north end of the Dropkick zone was extended to test for mineraliza
  eastern side of the AFZ. Drilling returned 5.30 g/t Au over 15.20 m (NFGC-24-2233) east of the AFZ. This is the f
  mineralization at Dropkick east of the AFZ; this new domain of mineralization is open and will be tested in a follow
  program.
- These new results from Dropkick have expanded the high-grade mineralization over a 150 m x 75 m area and are with the Dropkick fault zone that has now been delineated over a 580 m strike length.
- Gold mineralization at Dropkick starts at surface and has been drilled to 285 m vertical depth to date, and is open directions, with expansion potential of the high-grade toward surface.
- Dropkick is the most northern gold discovery found to date along the highly prospective AFZ. It is located 11 km r AFZ Core (see the New Found Gold news release dated March 24, 2025) and indicates that the gold mineral sys Queensway spans a considerable distance to the north (Figure 2).
- Gold mineralization in the DDH in this release exhibit characteristics similar to the primary discovery area, with congold contained in fault-fill quartz veins hosted within an interbedded sequence of siltstones and sandstones.

### Pistachio:

- Continued step-out drilling at Pistachio intersected 5.34 g/t Au over 7.30 m (NFGC-24-2190) and has extended the mineralization in this zone by 40 m down-dip.
- Pistachio is located 150 m north of the Big Vein zone and spans a strike length of 240 m with a high-grade portion by an underground panel in the initial MRE (see the New Found Gold news release dated March 24, 2025).
- Pistachio extends from 165 m to 250 m vertical depth and remains open down plunge and to depth.
- The zone is characterized by a series of quartz veins containing visible gold hosted within a greenish siltstone un spatially associated with a high-grade gold stibnite-bearing fault zone.

## AFZ Peripheral Reconnaissance:

- Systematic step-out drilling initially focussed on the west side the AFZ and targeting regions with prospective feat initiated in Q4/24 at AFZ Peripheral. This work has delivered encouraging early results. Large stretches of both the west sides of the AFZ at AFZ Peripheral have limited to no testing.
- Topographic lineaments which often indicate faults were tested 2.4 km southwest of Pistachio with three drillholes drillhole crosscut a series of stacked quartz veinlets over a downhole length of 42 m containing multiple occurrence gold.
- Additional reconnaissance drilling 1.6 km along trend to the northeast of Pistachio, targeting a gold-arsenic soil as gold-in-rotary air blast ("RAB") drilling intersected a series of brittle structures and mineralization, returning 6.44 graph 2.95 m (NFGC-24-2212) and visible gold in two of the four holes drilled. This soil anomaly is associated with a top lineament having a similar orientation to the prolific Keats-Baseline Fault Zone in the AFZ Core area.
- The early success in the reconnaissance program has identified two target areas that are open for additional testi
   Follow-up drilling is planned for the soil anomaly in Q2/25 as the multitude of prospective features makes this target

### Looking Ahead:

The Company has now released all drill results from the 2024 exploration program, which totaled 89,974 m in 271 DDF results of 37,750 m in 82 DDH were received after the cutoff date for inclusion in the initial MRE and will be included in MRE for the Project.

Based on the highly encouraging results received to date at Dropkick, the Company plans to conduct follow-up drill test beginning in June 2025, with work following at the soil anomaly located north of Pistachio.

Table 1: Drill Result Highlights

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# DROPKICK

Hole No.	From (m	)To (m) Interval (m	) Au (g/t	True Width (%	) Zone
K-23-254	224.45	228.103.65	7.70	Unknown	Dropkick
Including	225.10	226.601.50	11.88	Unknown	
NFGC-24-2205	296.85	299.25 2.40	22.93	70-95	Dropkick
Including	297.15	298.10 0.95	56.78	70-95	
NFGC-24-2214	386.20	390.153.95	47.60	70-95	Dropkick
Including	386.50	386.85 0.35	498.18	70-95	
Including	389.25	389.75 0.50	11.46	70-95	
NFGC-24-2219	268.25	270.702.45	10.05	Unknown	Dropkick
Including	268.25	269.701.45	16.97	Unknown	
NFGC-24-2225	188.85	203.80 14.95	42.79	40-70	Dropkick
Including	197.45	198.85 1.40	432.76	40-70	
And Including	197.45	198.10 0.65	745.88	40-70	
NFGC-24-2228	387.45	394.00 6.55	5.77	Unknown	Dropkick
Including	390.05	390.50 0.45	32.48	Unknown	
Including	391.55	392.50 0.95	10.32	Unknown	
And	402.90	405.002.10	29.52	55-85	
Including	402.90	403.40 0.50	123.86	55-85	
NFGC-24-2233	157.05	172.25 15.20	5.30	Unknown	Dropkick
Including	162.85	164.701.85	17.18	Unknown	

# **PISTACHIO**

Hole No.	From (m) To (m) Interval (m) Au (g/t) True Width (%) Zone							
NFGC-24-2190	264.60	271.907.30	5.34	Unknown	Pistachio			
Including	266.90	267.25 0.35	11.40	Unknown				
Including	268.65	269.65 1.00	11.62	Unknown				
NFGC-24-2204A	264.90	267.002.10	8.56	Unknown	Pistachio			
Including	265.65	266.40 0.75	23.25	Unknown				
NFGC-24-2226	284.70	287.002.30	9.37	Unknown	Pistachio			
Including	284.70	285.05 0.35	60.24	Unknown				

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#### AFZ PERIPHERAL

Hole No. From (m) To (m) Interval (m) Au (g/t) True Width (%) Zone

NFGC-24-2163A 79.80 89.40 9.60 1.48 Unknown AFZ Peripheral

Note that the host structures are interpreted to be moderately to steeply dipping. Infill veining in secondary structures with multiple orientations crosscutting the primary note interval structures are reported in additional uncertainty in true width. Composite intervals reported carry a minimum weighting average of 1.40 Au afficie of the number of

Table 2: Summary of composite results reported in this news release for Dropkick, Pristine, Pistachio, AFZ Peripheral, Golden Glove, Big Vein, Green Mantle, and Hazelnut

Hole No.	From (m	To (m) Interval (m	) Au (g/t	True Width (%	) Zone
K-23-254*	108.90	113.004.10	2.45	Unknown	Dropkick
Including*	109.40	109.70 0.30	16.68	Unknown	
And	224.45	228.103.65	7.70	Unknown	
Including	225.10	226.601.50	11.88	Unknown	
NFGC-24-2205	278.00	280.002.00	1.17	Unknown	Dropkick
And	292.80	295.002.20	1.36	Unknown	
And	296.85	299.25 2.40	22.93	70-95	
Including	297.15	298.100.95	56.78	70-95	
NFGC-24-2208	62.00	65.80 3.80	1.42	Unknown	Dropkick
And	160.55	162.90 2.35	1.42	Unknown	
And	166.10	168.102.00	1.49	Unknown	
NFGC-24-2214	386.20	390.153.95	47.60	70-95	Dropkick
Including	386.50	386.85 0.35	498.18	70-95	
Including	389.25	389.75 0.50	11.46	70-95	
NFGC-24-2219	177.20	180.05 2.85	1.09	Unknown	Dropkick
And	268.25	270.70 2.45	10.05	Unknown	
Including	268.25	269.701.45	16.97	Unknown	
NFGC-24-2220	39.00	42.00 3.00	1.36	Unknown	Dropkick
And	56.45	58.70 2.25	1.65	Unknown	
And	99.30	101.45 2.15	1.11	Unknown	
And	160.10	162.15 2.05	1.21	Unknown	

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NFGC-24-2225	188.85	203.80 14.95	42.79	40-70	Dropkick
Including	197.45	198.85 1.40	432.76	40-70	
And Including	197.45	198.10 0.65	745.88	40-70	
And	212.70	215.15 2.45	1.38	Unknown	
And	243.95	248.25 4.30	1.08	Unknown	
NFGC-24-2228	387.45	394.006.55	5.77	Unknown	Dropkick
Including	390.05	390.50 0.45	32.48	Unknown	
Including	391.55	392.50 0.95	10.32	Unknown	
And	402.90	405.002.10	29.52	55-85	
Including	402.90	403.40 0.50	123.86	55-85	
NFGC-24-2232	No Signi	ficant Values			Dropkick
NFGC-24-2233	15.00	18.50 3.50	1.98	Unknown	Dropkick
And	48.45	52.15 3.70	2.21	55-85	
And	157.05	172.25 15.20	5.30	Unknown	
Including	162.85	164.701.85	17.18	Unknown	
Hole No.	From (m	To (m) Interval (m	) Au (g/t)	True Width (%)	) Zone
Hole No. NFGC-24-2182		To (m) Interval (m	) Au (g/t)	True Width (%)	) Zone Pristine
	No Signi		) Au (g/t <u>)</u>	True Width (%	
NFGC-24-2182	No Signi	ficant Values	) Au (g/t <sub>/</sub> 2.26	True Width (%)	Pristine
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NFGC-24-2183	215.20	221.30	6.10	1.32	Unknown	Pistachio
And	285.30	288.55	3.25	1.71	Unknown	
And	420.90	423.75	2.85	1.42	Unknown	
And	435.20	437.45	2.25	1.31	Unknown	
NFGC-24-2190	250.30	252.85	2.55	3.49	Unknown	Pistachio
And	264.60	271.90	7.30	5.34	Unknown	
Including	266.90	267.25	0.35	11.40	Unknown	
Including	268.65	269.65	1.00	11.62	Unknown	
NFGC-24-2198	215.50	218.15	2.65	2.70	Unknown	Pistachio
Including	215.50	216.05	0.55	11.90	Unknown	
And	286.75	289.90	3.15	2.99	Unknown	
NFGC-24-2204A	264.90	267.00	2.10	8.56	Unknown	Pistachio
Including	265.65	266.40	0.75	23.25	Unknown	
And	385.00	387.05	2.05	2.46	Unknown	
NFGC-24-2215	244.6	247.35	2.75	1.34	Unknown	Pistachio
And	358.8	361.3	2.5	2.95	Unknown	
NFGC-24-2226	263.95	266	2.05	1.64	Unknown	Pistachio
And	284.7	287	2.3	9.37	Unknown	
Including	284.7	285.05	0.35	60.24	Unknown	
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Hole No.				Au (g/t)	True Width (%)	
NFGC-24-2216	No Signif	icant V	alues			Golden Glove
NFGC-24-2231	No Signif	icant V	alues			Golden Glove
Hole No.	From (m)	To (m)	Interval (m)	Au (g/t)	True Width (%)	Zone
NFGC-24-2164	No Signif	icant V	alues			Big Vein
NFGC-24-2167	No Signif	icant V	alues			Big Vein
Hole No.	From (m)	To (m)	Interval (m)	Au (g/t)	True Width (%)	Zone
NFGC-24-2163A	56.50	59.00	2.50	2.11	Unknown	AFZ Peripheral
And	72.00	74.80	2.80	2.21	Unknown	
And	79.80	89.40	9.60	1.48	Unknown	
And	122.00	124.70	2.70	2.11	Unknown	

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NFGC-24-2165	No Signif	ficant Va	alues			AFZ Peripheral
NFGC-24-2170	405.00	407.15	2.15	3.90	Unknown	AFZ Peripheral
NFGC-24-2192	No Signi	ficant Va	alues			AFZ Peripheral
NFGC-24-2196	106.25	108.90	2.65	1.95	Unknown	AFZ Peripheral
NFGC-24-2212	35.4	38.35	2.95	6.44	Unknown	AFZ Peripheral
Including	35.4	35.85	0.45	42.15	Unknown	
NFGC-24-2218	No Signi	ficant Va	alues			AFZ Peripheral
NFGC-24-2224	319.65	321.70	2.05	1.30	Unknown	AFZ Peripheral
NFGC-24-2235	204.90	207.50	2.60	4.01	Unknown	AFZ Peripheral
Including	204.9	205.7	8.0	13.42	Unknown	
Hole No.	From (m)	) To (m)	Interval (m)	Au (g/t)	True Width (%)	) Zone
NFGC-24-2162	285.75	288.25	2.50	5.42	75-95	Green Mantle
Including	285.75	286.25	0.50	24.55	75-95	

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Note that the host structures are interpreted to be moderately to steeply dipping. Infill veining in secondary structures with multiple orientations crosscutting the primary host structures are commonly observed in drill core which could result in additional uncertainty in true width. Composite intervals reported carry a minimum weighted average of 1 g/t Au diluted over a minimum core length of 2m with a maximum of 4m consecutive dilution when above 200m vertical depth and 2m consecutive dilution when below 200m vertical depth. Included high-grade intercepts are reported as any consecutive interval with grades greater than 10 g/t Au. Grades have not been capped in the averaging and intervals are reported as drill thickness. \*Previously released interval.

Table 3: Details of drill holes reported in this news release

Hole No.	Azimuth (°	) Dip (°	) Length (m	UTM E UTM N Prospect
K-23-254	140	-45	271	6631595438126 Dropkick
NFGC-24-2162	96	-49	344	6612925434748 Green Mantle
NFGC-24-2163A	120	-45	436	6605205433196 Knobby
NFGC-24-2164	82	-51	317	6612935434748 Big Vein
NFGC-24-2165	145	-45	422	660497 5433494 Knobby
NFGC-24-2167	49	-48.5	440	6612175434812 Big Vein
NFGC-24-2170	120	-45	464	6610585434405 Knobby
NFGC-24-2171	331	-59.5	389	6619245435249 Pistachio
NFGC-24-2174	300	-45	419	661945 5435186 Pistachio
NFGC-24-2178	306	-45	311	6618955435174 Pistachio
NFGC-24-2182	120	-45	419	661945 5435728 Pristine
NFGC-24-2183	301	-48	473	661895 5435174 Pistachio
NFGC-24-2186	325	-45	371	661945 5435727 Pristine
NFGC-24-2190	313	-52	404	661946 5435186 Pistachio
NFGC-24-2192	300	-45	431	662333 5436311 AFZ Peripheral
NFGC-24-2195	303	-53	329	661946 5435186 Pistachio
NFGC-24-2196	120	-45	308	662333 5436311 AFZ Peripheral
NFGC-24-2198	323	-57	335	661946 5435186 Pistachio
NFGC-24-2203	120	-45	398	661946 5436637 Pristine
NFGC-24-2204A	327	-62	431	661977 5435268 Pistachio
NFGC-24-2205	120	-50	404	663035 5438087 Dropkick
NFGC-24-2208	120	-45	179	663434 5438446 Dropkick
NFGC-24-2212	120	-45	308	662518 5436724 AFZ Peripheral
NFGC-24-2214	120	-45	434	662964 5438076 Dropkick
NFGC-24-2215	328	-56	404	661977 5435268 Pistachio

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NFGC-24-2216	300	-45	377	661088 5432962 Golden Glove
NFGC-24-2218	300	-45	194	662518 5436725 AFZ Peripheral
NFGC-24-2219	120	-45	332	663069 5438060 Dropkick
NFGC-24-2220	120	-45	185	663454 5438492 Dropkick
NFGC-24-2224	119	-45.5	398	662489 5436972 AFZ Peripheral
NFGC-24-2225	120	-45	296	663076 5438004 Dropkick
NFGC-24-2226	345	-60	395	661977 5435268 Pistachio
NFGC-24-2228	120	-45	491	662962 5438130 Dropkick
NFGC-24-2231	300	-45	419	660941 5432777 Golden Glove
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NFGC-24-2233 120 -45 173 6634245438408 Dropkick All drilling recovers HQ core. For deep holes, the core size may be reduced to NQ at depth. The drill core is splitting half-using a diamond saw or a hydraulic splitter for rare intersections with incompetent core.

A Geologist examines the drill the and marks of the state of the sample lengths are mostly 1.0 meter and adjusted to respect lithological and/or mineralogical contacts and isolate narrow (<1.0m) veins or other structures that may yield higher grades.

Technicians saw the core along the defined cutting line. One-half of the core is kept as a witness sample and the other half is submitted for analysis. Individual sample bags are sealed and placed into totes, which are then sealed and marked with the contents.

New Found Gold has submitted samples for gold determination by PhotonAssay™ to ALS Canada Ltd. ("ALS") since February 2024. ALS operates under a commercial contract with New Found Gold.

Drill core samples are shipped to ALS for sample preparation in Thunder Bay, Ontario. ALS does not currently have accreditation for the PhotonAssay™ method at their Thunder Bay, ON, laboratory. They do however have ISO/IEC 17025 (2017) accreditation for gamma ray analysis of samples for gold at their Australian labs with this method, including the Canning Vale lab in Perth, WA.

Samples submitted to ALS beginning in February 2024, received gold analysis by photon assay whereby the entire sample is crushed to approximately 70% passing 2 mm mesh. The sample is then riffle split and transferred into jars. For "routine" samples that do not have VG identified and are not within a mineralized zone, one (300-500g) jar is analyzed by photon assay. If the jar assays greater than 0.8 g/t, the remaining crushed material is weighed into multiple jars and submitted for photon assay.

For samples that have VG identified, the entire crushed sample is riffle split and weighed into multiple jars that are submitted for photon assay. The assays from all jars are combined on a weight-averaged basis.

Select samples prepared at ALS are also analyzed for a multi-element ICP package (ALS method code ME-ICP61) at ALS Vancouver.

Drill program design, Quality Assurance/Quality Control, and interpretation of results are performed by qualified persons employing a rigorous Quality Assurance/Quality Control program consistent with industry best practices. Standards and blanks account for a minimum of 10% of the samples in addition to the laboratory's internal quality assurance programs.

Quality Control data are evaluated on receipt from the laboratories for failures. Appropriate action is taken if

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assay results for standards and blanks fall outside allowed tolerances. All results stated have passed New Found Gold's quality control protocols.

New Found Gold's quality control program also includes submission of the second half of the core for approximately 2% of the drilled intervals. In addition, approximately 1% of sample pulps for mineralized samples are submitted for re-analysis to a second ISO-accredited laboratory for check assays.

The Company does not recognize any factors of drilling, sampling, or recovery that could materially affect the accuracy or reliability of the assay data disclosed.

The assay data disclosed in this press release have been verified by the Company's Qualified Person against the original assay certificates.

The Company notes that it has not completed any economic evaluations of its Queensway Project and that the Queensway Project does not have any reserves.

#### Qualified Person

The scientific and technical information disclosed in this press release was reviewed and approved by Melissa Render, P. Geo., President, and a Qualified Person as defined under National Instrument 43-101. Ms. Render consents to the publication of this press release, by New Found Gold. Mrs. Render certifies that this press release fairly and accurately represents the scientific and technical information that forms the basis for this press release.

About New Found Gold Corp.

New Found Gold holds a 100% interest in Queensway, located in Newfoundland and Labrador, a Tier 1 jurisdiction with excellent infrastructure and a skilled local workforce.

The Company has completed an initial MRE at Queensway (see New Found Gold news release dated March 24, 2025). A fully funded preliminary economic assessment is underway, with completion scheduled for late Q2/25.

Recent drilling continues to yield new discoveries along strike and down dip of known gold zones, pointing to the district-scale potential of the 175,600 hectare project that covers a 110 km strike extent along two prospective fault zones.

New Found Gold has a new management team in place, a solid shareholder base, which includes a 19% holding by Eric Sprott, and is focused on growth and value creation at Queensway.

Please see the Company's website at www.newfoundgold.ca and the Company's SEDAR+ profile at www.sedarplus.ca.

Keith Boyle Chief Executive Officer New Found Gold Corp.

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