

Scorpio Gold Begins Exploration Drilling on Coyote Target, Mineral Ridge Gold Project, Nevada

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VANCOUVER, BRITISH COLUMBIA -- ([Marketwire](#) - June 13, 2011) - [Scorpio Gold Corporation](#) ("Scorpio Gold" or the "Company") (TSX VENTURE: SGN) is pleased to announce that exploration drilling has commenced on the Coyote target, located approximately four kilometres southwest of the Mineral Ridge operation and on strike with the Brodie mineralized body that lies adjacent to the heap leach pad. The Coyote target is one of three priority drill exploration targets outlined by the Company.

Coyote Target

To date, exploration in the Coyote target area has outlined a one kilometre long, north-northeast trending structural corridor that ranges from 200 metres in width in the south to 300 metres in the north and is open in all directions. Structural features of the corridor are traceable on surface a further three kilometers northeast to the Mineral Ridge operation; however, detailed surface prospecting and sampling has yet to be conducted over this extent due to the rugged terrain. Numerous historical workings (circa 1900's) lie within the area to be tested, including seven shallow shafts, one adit and six trenches. Surface grab sampling over the area has reported values up to 14 grams per tonne (0.5 ounces per ton) gold.

The primary host rock outcropping in the Coyote area is the Mary Limestone unit, which is the same unit that hosts mineralization currently being mined in the Drinkwater pit and is known to host primary gold mineralization over four kilometres distance from the pit area. This unit has been overprinted by a strong north-northeast structural fabric that contains secondary quartz veins and quartz swarms, which were the target of the historical workings and prior small-scale mining. Both phases of gold mineralization are present in the Coyote target area, emphasizing the wide-scale distribution of mineralization in the Mary Limestone unit and the importance of the later structural component in enriching the gold content over considerable distances from the current operations.

This drill program represents the first ever conducted in the Coyote area and will comprise 12 reverse circulation drill holes testing the target over a one kilometre strike length.

For additional information please see the Company's website at www.scorpiogold.com. Regional exploration drill targets and proposed drill hole locations at the Coyote target can be found at www.scorpiogold.com/Properties/mineralridge/MR_DrillTargets.jpg and www.scorpiogold.com/Properties/mineralridge/Coyote_DHPlan.jpg, respectively.

President & CEO, Mr. Peter J. Hawley, PGeo, is the Qualified Person for the Mineral Ridge project. Mr. Hawley is responsible for the current exploration and development programs and has reviewed the content of this release.

ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD SCORPIO GOLD CORPORATION

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