

# North Country Gold Corp. Advances Strategic Planning at Three Bluffs

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[North Country Gold Corp.](#) (NCG: TSX-V; NCGDF: OTCQX) ("North Country", "NCG" or the "Company") today announced that the company, has completed a preliminary high-level engineering and logistics study on the Three Bluffs Gold Project, located within Nunavut, Canada. The study was initiated by NCG to assess potential project metrics and to assist in the development of strategies for efficient, directed future exploration and accelerated project development.

The study reviewed a number of potential mining and processing scenarios for possible future development of the Three Bluffs Gold Project including extraction via underground mining only, or via combined open pit and underground mining methods occurring either parallel or in sequence. Consideration was also given to potential onsite processing using a stand-alone gravity and/or carbon-in-leach plant was also assessed for potential operations processing between 500 to 3000 tonnes of ore per day. Capital costs and operating costs for each scenario were estimated using industry analogues and global mining databases enabling the impact of cut off grades to be assessed and potential project metrics to be calculated intended to be considered for a planned PEA study.

Based on results of the study and sensitivity analysis the Three Bluffs Gold Project is more sensitive to increased grade than to increased mineralized tonnes. North Country believes that the Three Bluffs Gold Project is best suited to a possible medium sized operation which focusses on coherent trends of high grade gold mineralization occurring within the present resource.

"The results of the high-level trade off and logistical studies has provided NCG with invaluable information on how to focus ongoing work and fast track the Three Bluffs Gold Project to the PEA stage and to future development" stated John Williamson, President and CEO of [North Country Gold Corp.](#)

The Three Bluffs gold deposit is a structurally controlled lode gold deposit which occurs along the 4.3 km section of the 15 km long Walker Lake trend. Drilling along the 4.3 km section has shown this trend to be continually mineralized. Surface sampling on undrilled portions have returned high grade sample results over its entire length. The potential to add additional resources along strike and below the 500m current depth of drilling is high.

**Table 1. Three Bluffs Resource Estimate, April 2013**  
(see press release dated April 23, 2013)

Open Pit- Three Bluffs Inside Whittle Shell				
Classification	Grade Cut-off g/t	Tonnage tonnes	Au g/t	Au ounces
Indicated	1.35 g/t	3,600,000	4.81	557,000
Inferred	1.35 g/t	1,000,000	5.24	169,000
Underground - Three Bluffs Outside Whittle Shell				
Classification	Grade Cut-off g/t	Tonnage tonnes	Au g/t	Au ounces
Indicated	2.50 g/t	716,000	5.46	126,000
Inferred	2.50 g/t	4,520,000	5.48	796,000
Total Three Bluffs Resource		Tonnage Tonnes	Au g/t	Au ounces
Total Indicated OP+UG		4,320,000	4.91	683,000
Total Inferred OP+UG		5,520,000	5.43	965,000

**Table 2. Three Bluffs Additional Mineral Potential, April 2013**  
(see press release dated April 23, 2013)

Additional Mineral Potential		
tonnage (tonnes)	Grade (g/t Au)	Contained Au (ounces)
4,500,000 to 7,500,000	3.8 to 7.3	550,000 to 1,736,000

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Additional mineral potential exists in the down-dip extensions of the Antler, North, South and West as current drilling in these area has encountered high-grade intersections indicating that high grade mineralization is open to depth.

### About North Country Gold Corp.

[North Country Gold Corp.](#) controls the gold-rich Committee Bay Greenstone Belt located 180km northeast of the of Agnico Eagle's Meadowbank gold mine in Nunavut Canada. It is one of the largest under-explored greenstone belts in Canada with numerous drill-ready high-grade gold targets. The Company holds a 100% interest in 339,240 acres along the 300km long belt and has identified 5 distinct exploration centres with numerous high-grade gold drill intercepts. North Country operations are currently focused on advancement of the Three Bluffs deposit, which is geologically comparable, with similar grades, type of mineralization and age, to the Lupin, Meadowbank and Meliadine gold deposits.

On behalf of the Board North Country Gold.

/s/" John Williamson"

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[North Country Gold Corp.](#) maintains an extensive quality control program in the preparation, shipping and checking of all samples from the property. The content of this news release and the Company's technical disclosure has been reviewed and approved by Peter Kleespies, M.Sc., P.Geol., who is the Qualified Person as defined by NI 43-101 Standards of Disclosure for Mineral Projects. A detailed description of [North Country Gold Corp.](#)'s QA/QC program is provided on the Company's website at [www.northcountrygold.com](#).

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