

Drilling Commences on Orford's Qiqavik Gold Property with First Hole Intersecting Sulphides at the Interlake Trend

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TORONTO, Aug. 8, 2019 - [Orford Mining Corp.](#) ("Orford") (TSX-V: ORM) is pleased to announce that it has begun the 2019 Exploration program on its 100% controlled Qiqavik gold project in the Cape Smith Belt in northern Quebec. Following the completion of the first and second phase exploration program, consisting of an Airborne Electromagnetic (EM) Survey, Induced Polarization (IP) Survey and detailed prospecting and structural mapping focused at Esperance, Interlake and Interlake South (Figure 1), Orford has begun testing drill targets as part of the 1,500m drill program announced on August 2, 2019.

David Christie, President and CEO of Orford, commented, "Our exploration program is off to an excellent start with the new gold boulder showings up to 648 g/t¹ at surface and a sulphide intersection in the first hole drilled at Interlake this year. Detailed geophysical and geological work has provided fundamental targeting information in high priority exploration areas on the Qiqavik Property, including Interlake, Interlake South, IP Lake, and Esperance. The July surveys have refined targets drilled during the spring IP program at Interlake, where large thicknesses of gold mineralization were intersected during the 2018 program (see Orford news release dated October 16, 2018). We look forward to continuing to explore the potential of the 10 km long camp-scale gold belt located in a previously unexplored region of Canada. Our understanding of this new gold belt has evolved since the 2016 field program, and we are eager to put our knowledge to work in the 2019 field program."

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This field work has resulted in:

- Extension of the 2018 mineralized and structural trend at Interlake to 5 km with the identification of a thick (approximately 500m) structural package of multiple shears and crosscutting structures associated with potentially gold bearing mineralization associated with sulphide minerals containing copper, zinc, and lead (pyrite, chalcopyrite, sphalerite, galena) (Figure 2).
- Identification of new Au anomalies in boulders of up to 648 g/t Au¹ (Figure 2) north of the IP Lake Shear Corridor.
- Identification of a large new structural corridor (approximately 75-100m wide) that extends from IP Lake westward for approximately 10 km. The shear is hosted in basalt and meta-sediments and contains decimetre-scale quartz veins with sphalerite, chalcopyrite, galena and pyrite (Figure 2) that report Au values by portable XRF.
- Identification of several IP anomalies associated with surface mineralization at Interlake and IP Lake that will be tested by drilling (Figure 2).
- Identification of new untested EM drill targets along the main Esperance trend, and additional EM anomalies to the west of the main trend (Figure 3).

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Figure 1: Overview of 2019 Work Completed at Qiqavik

Orford has completed an IP survey using Abitibi Geophysics' Orevision™ system at Interlake and the SE Grid for a total of 100 km (Figure 1). The survey was conducted at various line spacings in a pole-dipole configuration with an "a"-spacing of 100m. Results received to date have identified high priority drill targets INT-01, IPL-04B and IPL06C (Figure 1), the IP results for the Western Part of the Interlake grid are pending and are expected to generate additional drill targets. Orford has completed a 100 km airborne EM survey using Geotech's VTEM™ plus time-domain system covering Esperance, Interlake and West Grid with a 100m line spacing (Figure 1). Conductors of interest are in the process of being modelled at Esperance and are expected to generate additional drill targets on the Esperance trend.

Figure 2: Interlake Structural Package and IP Lake Shear Corridor
(Ice direction is SW to NE)

Figure 3: Plan map of EM "Lenses" at Esperance and Past Drilling²

2. Results in bold and noted by QK-17-xxx are drill hole intercepts (see Orford news release dated November 15, 2017 for hole details, available at www.orfordmining.com and under Orford's profile on sedar.com). Horizon is an outcrop channel sample. All other results are surface grab samples. Grab samples are selective by nature and values reported may not be representative of mineralized zones. Note that drill intervals reported in this press release are down-hole core lengths as true thicknesses cannot be determined with available information.

A total of 545 Grab samples, and 289 frost boil samples have been collected for geochemistry. In addition, 118 till samples have been collected at Gerfaut and the Interlake/SE grid area of Qiqavik, a subset of which will be analysed post-program for gold count and associated mineralogy. The first batch of rush grab samples results identified two gold anomalies in angular grading 648.0g/t Au and 25.4 g/t Au (Figure 3)¹.

Additional drill targets will be generated over the coming days as IP inversions, EM Models and rush assay results are

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Diamond drilling commenced on August 3, 2019, with hole QK-19-001 (target # INT-01A; Figure 2) and the drill is currently on its second hole at IP lake (Target # IPL-04B/QK-19-002). Drill hole QK-19-001 was successful in intersecting the IP chargeability anomaly with disseminated to massive sulphides in sheared lapilli volcanic tuff. A summary of the intersection and the hole is shown in Figure 4.

Figure 4: Drill Hole Section (looking west) for QK-19-001 (Target INT-01A)

Targets IPL-4B and IPL-6C (Figure 2), consist of a chargeability anomaly in a resistive body and are both one of the potential source areas for the Au boulder train to the NE. Drilling of these targets is in progress. All assays are pending.

About the Qiqavik Property

The Qiqavik Property covers the 40-km long Qiqavik Break, part of the Cape Smith Belt event which is of Paleoproterozoic age (1.8-1.9 billion years). This geologic era is marked by its significant metal endowment as illustrated by the important gold discoveries that occur worldwide related to geological events of Paleoproterozoic age. These include the Flin Flon-Snow Lake Belt, the Gold Fields of West Africa, the Tapajos-Parima Belt of Brazil, and the Tanami Region in Australia³. The Cape Smith Belt is home to Glencore's world class Raglan Mine.

Early-stage exploration work completed to date on the Qiqavik Property shows that high-grade gold and copper occur in structurally controlled and associated with secondary splay structures located along the district-scale Qiqavik Break Shear which extends the full 40 km length of the Qiqavik Property.

3) This information is not necessarily indicative of the mineralization on Orford Mining's properties.

About Orford Mining Corporation

Orford Mining is a mineral explorer focused on highly prospective and underexplored areas of Northern Quebec. Orford's primary assets are the Qiqavik and West Raglan projects comprising of a land package totaling over 70,000 hectares in the Cape Smith Belt of Northern Quebec. The Qiqavik Project hosts several new high-grade gold discoveries along a mineralized trend of 40 km. Orford's common shares trade on the TSX Venture Exchange under the symbol ORM.

To view further details about the Qiqavik and West Raglan Projects please visit Orford's website, www.orfordmining.com

Qualified Person

The disclosure of scientific and technical information contained in this news release has been approved by Alger St-Jean, Vice President, Exploration of Orford, a Qualified Person under NI 43-101.

The information regarding work disclosed herein in respect of the Qiqavik Property is based on the independent report Dombrowski, P. Geo of IOS Services Geoscientifiques Inc. titled "NI 43-101 Technical Report on Qiqavik Project, North Canada" effective September 14, 2017, and on Orford's news releases available on Orford's website and on SEDAR.

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