

# NioCorp's Scott Honan Promoted to Chief Operating Officer

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CENTENNIAL, July 2, 2020 - [NioCorp Developments Ltd.](#) ("NioCorp" or the "Company") (TSX: NB; OTCQX: NIOBF) is announce the promotion of Scott Honan to Chief Operating Officer ("COO") of NioCorp, a new position. The promotion immediately.

"This is a well-deserved promotion for a friend and colleague who maintains the highest standards of honesty, integrity, dedication," said NioCorp's CEO and Executive Chairman Mark A. Smith. "Scott was instrumental in the characterization of the Elk Creek Project's significant reserve and resource assets, as well as the design of the Project's proposed underground and surface processing facility. Under Scott's leadership, the Project has evolved into a highly efficient, environmentally sound and compelling critical minerals project."

Mr. Honan joined the Company in 2014 as NioCorp's Vice President of Business Development. In addition to his role as new COO, Mr. Honan will remain President of Elk Creek Resources Corporation, NioCorp's operating subsidiary.

Mr. Honan has more than 25 years of experience in base metals, gold, niobium, and rare earth mining and processing, as General Manager and Environmental Manager at the Mountain Pass, CA rare earth facility and as Vice President of Environment, Safety and Sustainability at Molycorp.

Mr. Honan is a graduate of Queen's University in Mining Engineering in both Mineral Processing (B.Sc. Honors) and Environmental Management (M.Sc.) disciplines. He is a Registered Member (No. 04231597) of the Society for Mining, Metallurgy & Exploration (SME).

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## About NioCorp

NioCorp is developing a superalloy materials project in Southeast Nebraska that will produce Niobium, Scandium, and Titanium. Niobium is used to produce superalloys as well as High Strength, Low Alloy ("HSLA") steel, which is a lighter, stronger material used in automotive, structural, and pipeline applications. Scandium is a superalloy material that can be combined with Aluminum to produce alloys with increased strength and improved corrosion resistance. Scandium also is a critical component of advanced solid oxide fuel cells. Titanium is used in various superalloys and is a key component of pigments used in paper, paint and plastics used for aerospace applications, armor and medical implants.

## Cautionary Note Regarding Forward-Looking Statements

Certain statements contained in this document may constitute forward-looking statements, including statements related to the Company's belief that the Elk Creek Project, and its reserve and resource is world-class and is one of the most efficient and environmentally sound, and compelling critical minerals projects in the world today. Readers are cautioned that such forward-looking statements involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other factors that may cause a change in assumptions and the actual outcomes and estimates to be materially different from those estimated or anticipated future achievements or position expressed or implied by those forward-looking statements. Risks, uncertainties and other factors that could cause NioCorp's plans or prospects to change include risks related to the Company's ability to operate as a going concern; risks related to the Company's requirement of significant additional capital; changes in demand for and price of commodities.

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