

Silverton Metals Corp. Announces The Commencement Of Exploration At The Pluton Silver - Zinc - Lead Project, Durango, Mexico

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VANCOUVER, Sept. 27, 2021 - [Silverton Metals Corp.](#) (TSX-V: SVTN) (OTCQB: SVTNF) ("Silverton" or the "Company") to announce the commencement of exploration at the Pluton silver-zinc-lead project in the state of Durango, Mexico.

The Pluton property is within the prolific carbonate replacement, gold, silver, zinc and lead Ojuela-Mapimi Mining District, Durango, Mexico. The property covers 6,534 hectares and is located near Excellon Resources' Platosa mine, one of the highest-grade silver producers in Mexico. In the first six months of 2021, Platosa grade was 506 g/t silver with a silver equivalent metal production of over one million ounces¹. Not only does Pluton share a similar geological environment to Platosa, but it also lies along strike from the past producing La Ojuela mine, historically one of the richest silver mines in Mexico and one of the first mines developed by Peñoles in the late 1800's. La Ojuela was in production for over 350 years. Exploration targets at Pluton include Platosa and Ojuela style silver-lead-zinc manto and chimney carbonate replacement deposits ("CRD"), which may lie beneath shallow alluvium and strongly altered clastic rocks that overlie the productive carbonate rocks.

Mr. John Theobald, President & CEO of Silverton comments, "I am very pleased to start working on Pluton, the district scale hydrothermal system with favourable lithologies, structure, alteration and widespread mineralisation yet despite this remains relatively unexplored. Pluton is a district scale project targeting high-grade carbonate replacement type silver-zinc-lead deposits which are typically in the range of tens of millions of tons such as the Santa Eulalia mine in Chihuahua and represent robust exploration targets. The nearby Platosa mine is Mexico's highest-grade silver mine with a silver equivalent grade of over 500 g/t.

Aeromagnetic and ZTEM surveys show that Pluton, Platosa and the Ojuela-Mapimi district lie in close proximity to a 25 km wide area of intrusions which do not outcrop. The aeromagnetic and ZTEM results along with geochemical and IP surveys identified high-grade targets and resulted in a 3900m nine-hole diamond drill program in 2011. All holes encountered silver-lead-zinc mineralization in veins in an altered shale (hornfels) that overlies the carbonate horizon which hosts the along strike extension of the Ojuela mine. None of the holes were drilled deep enough to intersect carbonate rocks. The vein mineralization discovered is interpreted as leakage into the nonreactive shale-hornfels and is potentially connected to mineralized bodies in the carbonate rocks by fractures. A high-grade target of silver-rich massive sulfides could lie at the contact of the limestone and the downward projection of mineralized fractures seen in the hornfels. An ancillary advantage to the district is that the Peñoles Torreon smelter is close by, and transport and power infrastructure is excellent.

Silverton will focus on the Dos Amigos target in the north of the licence area and San Jose in the south (Figure 1). Initial exploration will include three-dimensional modeling of geophysical data as well as seismic and gravity surveys to rank targets to be tested by drilling. Mineralisation at the Platosa mine and La Ojuela mine, however, are not necessarily indicative of mineralisation at the Pluton property.

¹Excellon Resources News Release July 21, 2021.

²Excellon's website, Corporate Presentation July 2021.

Figure 1. Geology and mineralization of the Ojuela-Mapimi, Platosa, Pluton mining district showing Pluton's target area (discontinuous black-line ellipses) and property limit (continuous black line). The horizontal projection of the Ojuela deposit is shown in red color, productive limestones are shown in blue, overlying, less-reactive to barren clastic rocks (shales, siltstones) are shown in green. Extensive alteration of the clastic rocks, which results in hornfels, is also shown in green. Alluvial cover is shown in light green.

Appointment of Vice-President, Corporate Development

The Company is pleased to announce the appointment of Mr. W. Barry Girling as Vice President, Corporate Development.

Girling has been active in various aspects of mineral exploration since 1977, he holds a B.Com. (Finance) degree from University of British Columbia and currently provides consulting services to a number of junior resource companies. He has extensive capital markets experience and serves as a Director for [Silverton Metals Corp.](#), I-Minerals Inc., [Silver One Resources Inc.](#) and Santa Cruz Silver Mining Ltd.

Qualified Person

Mr. P. Born, P.Geol., a Qualified Person under National Instrument 43-101, has reviewed and approved the technical information contained in this news release.

About Silverton Metals Corp

[Silverton Metals Corp.](#) is a Canadian company focused on the exploration and development of quality silver projects. The company holds a 100% interest in three significant silver assets in Mexico - Pluton, in Durango, Peñasco Quemado in Sonora and Frazada in Nayarit. Silverton management and board have extensive experience identifying and evaluating acquisition and exploration prospects. The company intends to build a strong portfolio of silver and gold-silver projects to drive future growth through exploration success and from later stage projects with production potential. To achieve this growth the Silverton business requires a dynamic combination of development of its existing properties, acquisitions, and partnerships.

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