## Benz Secures Tenure as Part of Upper Eastmain Greenstone Belt Consolidation

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## **HIGHLIGHTS**

- Benz footprint expanded with acquisition of Windy Mountain Project, a western extension of Upper Eastmain Greenstone Belt
- 69 new claims granted over 36km² of prospective tenure, adding approximately 10km additional greenstones strike to the Benz portfolio
- Sulphides (amenable to detection by electromagnetics) identified in outcrops associated with deformed and altered gabbro with quartz veins; outcropping altered metasediments also observed
- Historical surface samples show anomalous nickel and copper assays in trench samples returning 0.08% Cu, 0.9% Zn, 0.05% Ni, and 0.8g/t Ag and 0.02% Cu, 0.02% Ni and 0.03% Co
- Pegmatites were identified at several localities samples collected; assays pending

Toronto, October 28, 2021 - <u>Benz Mining Corp.</u> (TSXV: BZ) (ASX: BNZ) (the Company or Benz) is pleased to announce the recent granting from application of additional prospective ground adjacent to its Ruby Hill West Project. The newly acquired tenement package contains 69 claims covering 36km<sup>2</sup>, increasing Benz' dominant Upper Eastmain land position to 256km<sup>2</sup>.

CEO Xavier Braud commented: "Our strategy is to fast-track growth through discovery, and by rapidly expanding our footprint in a district where we have already made several mineralised discoveries, we lay the foundations for continued success. What is exciting is that the Upper Eastmain greenstone belt is proving to not only be highly prospective for gold, but also for nickel, copper, lithium. We are fortunate to have consolidated an enviable and dominant land position covering the mineralised district."

Figure 1: Windy Mountain and Ruby Hill West Projects with recorded mineral occurrences.

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CEO Xavier Braud commented: "Our analysis of historical work conducted in the Windy Mountain area revealed recorded mineral occurrences coincident with the geology at Ruby Hill West. We were fortunate that this area was not under claim as there has been a lot of tenure activity in the area following our success at Eastmain. With this addition, we bolt on an additional 10km of prospective strike.

"We have always held the belief that the Upper Eastmain Greenstone Belt has the potential to host its own mining camp with possibly several deposits and commodities such as gold, nickel, copper and lithium, just like many other Archean greenstone belts in the world.

"The presence of pyrrhotite associated with favourable rock types in the Windy Mountain area is a great sign as we know we can track this mineral with electromagnetics, a methodology we have successfully employed at our high-grade Eastmain Gold Project.

"Controlling a large portion of a greenstone belt bolsters our opportunity for discovery. In addition to the Eastmain gold deposit and the lithium bearing pegmatite at Ruby Hill West, we also have multiple base and precious metals occurrences at Ruby Hill East and West. With the addition of Windy Mountain, we have one more metallic occurrence and several pegmatite outcrops.

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"Our team has already done a reconnaissance prospecting campaign to the area and collected multiple grab samples of all styles of mineralisation on outcrops and blocs. During this campaign, our teams have also identified occurrences of pegmatite. This is a welcome surprise and confirms the potential of the area for lithium mineralisation, a potential which we shall fully investigate in parallel with our gold drilling."

Figure 2: Upper Eastmain Greenstone Belt simplified geology, Benz tenure in blue, newly acquired Windy Mountain Project in red.

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Figure 3: Sampling pegmatite outcrop at Windy Mountain.

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Figure 4: Pegmatite Outcrop at Windy Mountain.

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Figure 5: Sulphide mineralisation in outcrop at Windy Mountain.

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Figure 6: Quartz Sulphide vein in mafic host rock at Windy Mountain.

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About Benz Mining Corp.

Benz Mining Corp. (TSXV: BZ) (ASX: BNZ) brings together an experienced team of geoscientists and finance professionals with a focused strategy to acquire and develop mineral projects with an emphasis on safe, low risk jurisdictions favourable to mining development. Benz is earning a 100% interest in the former producing high grade Eastmain gold mine, Ruby Hill West and Ruby Hill East projects in Quebec and owns 100% of the Windy Mountain Project.

About the Eastmain Gold Project

The Eastmain Gold Project, situated on the Upper Eastmain Greenstone Belt in Quebec, Canada, currently hosts a NI 43-101 and JORC (2012) compliant resource of 376,000oz at 7.9gpt gold (Indicated: 236,500oz at 8.2gtp gold, Inferred: 139,300oz at 7.5gtp gold). The existing gold mineralisation is associated with 15-20%

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semi-massive to massive pyrrhotite, pyrite and chalcopyrite in highly deformed and altered rocks making it amenable to detection using electromagnetic techniques. Multiple gold occurrences have been identified by previous explorers over a 10km long zone along strike from the Eastmain Mine with very limited but highly encouraging testing outside the existing resource area. Benz has subsequently identified over 150 DHEM conductors over a strike length of 6km which is open in all directions.

Figure 7: Benz tenure over Upper Eastmain Greenstone Belt simplified geology.

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JORC Competent Person's Statements: The information in this report that relates to Exploration Results is based on and fairly represents information and supporting information compiled by Mr Xavier Braud, who is a member of the Australian Institute of Geoscientists (AIG membership ID:6963). Mr Braud is a consultant to the Company and has sufficient experience in the style of mineralization and type of deposits under consideration and qualifies as a Competent Person as defined in the 2012 edition of the "Australasian Code for Reporting of Exploration Results, Mineral Resources and Ore Reserves". Mr Braud holds securities in

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The information in this announcement that relates to the Inferred Mineral Resource was first reported under the JORC Code by the Company in its prospectus released to the ASX on 21 December 2020. The Company confirms that it is not aware of any new information or data that materially affects the information included in the original market announcement and confirms that all material assumptions and technical parameters underpinning the estimate continue to apply and have not materially changed. The Company confirms that the form and context in which the Competent Person's findings are presented have not been materially modified from the original market announcement.

Appendix 1: JORC Tables

Section 1 Sampling Techniques and Data

(Criteria in this section apply to all succeeding sections.)

Criteria JORC Code explanation

- Nature and quality of sampling (eg cut channels, random chi measurement tools appropriate to the minerals under investior handheld XRF instruments, etc). These examples should of sampling.
- Include reference to measures taken to ensure sample repre any measurement tools or systems used.
- Aspects of the determination of mineralisation that are Mater
- In cases where 'industry standard' work has been done this v circulation drilling was used to obtain 1 m samples from which charge for fire assay'). In other cases more explanation may gold that has inherent sampling problems. Unusual commod nodules) may warrant disclosure of detailed information.
- Drill type (eg core, reverse circulation, open-hole hammer, ro and details (eg core diameter, triple or standard tube, depth type, whether core is oriented and if so, by what method, etc
- Method of recording and assessing core and chip sample rec
- Measures taken to maximise sample recovery and ensure re
- Whether a relationship exists between sample recovery and occurred due to preferential loss/gain of fine/coarse material.
- Whether core and chip samples have been geologically and support appropriate Mineral Resource estimation, mining stu
- Whether logging is qualitative or quantitative in nature. Core
- The total length and percentage of the relevant intersections
- If non-core, whether riffled, tube sampled, rotary split, etc and
- If core, whether cut or sawn and whether quarter, half or all of For all sample types, the nature, quality and appropriateness
  - Quality control procedures adopted for all sub-sampling stag
  - Measures taken to ensure that the sampling is representative for instance results for field duplicate/second-half sampling.
  - Whether sample sizes are appropriate to the grain size of the

Sampling techniques

**Drilling techniques** 

Drill sample recovery

Logging

Sub-sampling techniques and sample preparation

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Criteria J	IORC Code explanation
Quality of assay data and laboratory tests	<ul> <li>The nature, quality and appropriateness of the assaying and the technique is considered partial or total.</li> <li>For geophysical tools, spectrometers, handheld XRF instrum determining the analysis including instrument make and mod applied and their derivation, etc.</li> <li>Nature of quality control procedures adopted (eg standards, checks) and whether acceptable levels of accuracy (ie lack of established.</li> </ul>
Verification of sampling and assaying	<ul> <li>The verification of significant intersections by either independence.</li> <li>The use of twinned holes.</li> <li>Documentation of primary data, data entry procedures, data electronic) protocols.</li> <li>Discuss any adjustment to assay data.</li> </ul>
Location of data points	<ul> <li>Accuracy and quality of surveys used to locate drill holes (co workings and other locations used in Mineral Resource estim</li> <li>Specification of the grid system used.</li> <li>Quality and adequacy of topographic control.</li> </ul>
Data spacing and distribution	<ul> <li>Data spacing for reporting of Exploration Results.</li> <li>Whether the data spacing and distribution is sufficient to esta continuity appropriate for the Mineral Resource and Ore Res classifications applied.</li> <li>Whether sample compositing has been applied.</li> </ul>
Orientation of data in relation to geological structure	<ul> <li>Whether the orientation of sampling achieves unbiased samp which this is known, considering the deposit type.</li> <li>If the relationship between the drilling orientation and the orie considered to have introduced a sampling bias, this should be</li> </ul>
Sample security	The measures taken to ensure sample security.
Audits or reviews	• The results of any audits or reviews of sampling techniques a
Section 2 Reporting of Exploration Results	

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(Criteria listed in the preceding section also apply to this section.)

Criteria

JORC Code explanation

Mineral tenement and land tenure status

- Type, reference name/number, location and ow parties such as joint ventures, partnerships, overwilderness or national park and environmental services.
   The security of the tenure held at the time of replicence to operate in the area.

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Criteria	JORC Code explanation
Exploration done by other parties	<ul> <li>Acknowledgment and appraisal of exploration</li> </ul>
Geology	<ul> <li>Deposit type, geological setting and style of m</li> </ul>

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Criteria JORC Code explanation A summary of all information material to the und of the following information for all Material drill h easting and northing of the drill hole collar • elevation or RL (Reduced Level - elevatio • dip and azimuth of the hole **Drill hole Information**  down hole length and interception depth hole length. If the exclusion of this information is justified on exclusion does not detract from the understand explain why this is the case. In reporting Exploration Results, weighting aver truncations (eg cutting of high grades) and cut- Where aggregate intercepts incorporate short le Data aggregation methods grade results, the procedure used for such aggi such aggregations should be shown in detail. The assumptions used for any reporting of meta These relationships are particularly important in If the geometry of the mineralisation with respect reported. Relationship between mineralisation widths and intercept lengths If it is not known and only the down hole lengths effect (eg 'down hole length, true width not know Appropriate maps and sections (with scales) an Diagrams significant discovery being reported These shou collar locations and appropriate sectional views Where comprehensive reporting of all Exploration Balanced reporting both low and high grades and/or widths should Results. Other exploration data, if meaningful and mater geological observations; geophysical survey res Other substantive exploration data method of treatment; metallurgical test results; I characteristics; potential deleterious or contami The nature and scale of planned further work (example) large-scale step-out drilling). Further work Diagrams clearly highlighting the areas of possi

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interpretations and future drilling areas, provide

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