

Tectonic Metals Eagerly Anticipates Remaining 2021 Drill Assays; Provides Summary of Successful 2021 Exploration Program

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VANCOUVER, December 20, 2021 - [Tectonic Metals Inc.](#) (TECT:TSX-V; TETOF:OTCQB; T15B:FSE) (the "Company" or "Tectonic") is pleased to provide a summary of the Company's 2021 exploration activities and new project acquisition in Alaska, USA. Over the course of 2021, Tectonic successfully completed 5,018 metres ("m") of drilling, including 12 holes for 2,319m of the first oriented core diamond drilling and 18 holes for 2,699m of reverse circulation ("RC") drilling at the Company's Tibbs Gold Project ("Tibbs"). Drilling tested known high-grade gold targets and newly discovered prospects exhibiting coincident gold-in-soil anomalies, high-grade mineralization in grab samples, and both surficial structural lineaments and subsurface geophysical anomalies. Phase I drill results have been released; Phase II assays (85% of Tectonic's total drill program) are pending.

Why We're Excited - 2021 Highlights and Key Takeaways

- First-Ever Drill Test of 5 Targets Possessing Characteristics Akin to the Pogo Geological Model (See map here)
 - Since 2018, Tectonic has been diligently and methodically applying the Pogo Geological Model at Tibbs to generate drill targets in search of the next Pogo. In doing so, the Company produced compelling drill-ready gold-in-soil anomalies that share the same host rock (gneissic) and similar geochemistry (Au-As-Bi) as well as interpreted high and low-angle structures observed in lineaments and Tectonic's TITAN Geophysical Survey completed this summer.
 - Gray Lead West Drill Target: situated immediately west of one of the only known high-angle structures carrying high-grade Pogo-style gold mineralization outside of the Pogo mineral claims.
 - 4 holes (959m), including 424m of diamond core, which successfully intersected interpreted high and low-angle Pogo-style quartz veining; assays pending.
 - First ever Pogo-style quartz veining intersected in the western, gneissic host rock region of Tibbs; assays pending.
 - West Trench Drill Target: Tectonic rock grab samples returned Pogo-style quartz veining up to 190 g/t Au, representing the second surface discovery of high-grade Pogo-like quartz veining in the highly prospective western gneissic region of the property. The 190 g/t Au rock grab sample coincides with a high-tenor gold-in-soil anomaly and geophysical anomaly. (News release here)
 - 5 holes (952m) drilled, first ever drill test; assays pending.
 - Johnson Saddle Drill Target: 2 holes (586m). Drill test of arcuate, high tenor gold-in-soil anomaly, including a 790 ppb Au soil sample coinciding with low-angle structures observed in TITAN geophysics and lineament analysis: assays pending.
 - Galosh Drill Target: 2 holes (357m), first ever drill test of gold-in-soil anomaly coinciding with high and low-angle structures observed in TITAN geophysics; assays pending.
 - TITAN-160 Geophysical Survey identified low and high-angle controlling structures coinciding with gold-in-soil anomalies warranting drill follow up in 2022. (News release here)
- High-Grade Rock Grab Anomaly Delineated and Drill Tested (News release here)
 - Jorts Drill Target: Grab rock sampling returned gold values up to 50.3 g/t Au, with 11 rock samples grading greater than 20 g/t Au producing a 450m long high-grade gold rock anomaly. (See map here)
 - Immediately followed up with Phase II drill test consisting of 5 holes (730m); assays pending.
 - Phase I oriented diamond drill results were announced from the Michigan and Gray Lead Zones earlier this year. The program was successful in intersecting high-grade gold mineralization such as 7.69 g/t Au over 6.12m, including 33.92 g/t Au over 1.22m and 12.45 g/t Au over 5.15m, including 41.39 g/t Au over 1.26m, and determining the structural orientation of the mineralization at both the Michigan and Gray Lead Zones. Both zones are approximately 250m in length and remain open along strike and at depth. (News release here)
 - Comprehensive mapping and sampling programs were completed at Tibbs South, Mt. Harper, and Maple Leaf Projects. (News release here)

- Acquisition of Flat Gold Project, a ~92,000-acre Intrusion-hosted, bulk tonnage opportunity in the Kuskokwim Mineral Belt with ~11,000m of historical drilling with all mineralized zones remaining open at depth and along strike and numerous untested gold-bearing trenches, rocks samples and soils located 40km from the Donlin Gold Project, jointly owned and operated by Barrick Gold Corporation (TSX: ABX; NYSE: GOLD) and [NovaGold Resources Inc.](#) (TSX, NYSE American: NG). (News release [here](#))

Tony Reda, President and CEO, commented, "Tectonic's 2021 exploration program at Tibbs was predicated on our desire to find the next mineable gold deposit in the Goodpaster Mining District. Our ambition is reflected in the capital we raised this year and the diligent, aggressive approach we have taken with this year's exploration program at Tibbs resulting in the deployment of two drills to site and the most targets being drill tested in one season at Tibbs. For us, the win is not only in discovering gold, but doing so in a safe and responsible manner. This year, like last year, we had zero COVID-19 cases. Were there challenges, yes of course, there always are, but how you deal with those challenges is what separates a good team from a great team. I am proud of our team, both in the field and off, for their ability to adapt to each situation, pivot, regroup and execute. The Phase I exploration program was a success with drilling demonstrating high-grade gold at two Tibbs' gold zones while prospecting, rock sampling and an accompanying geophysical survey fortified the merit of drill testing our gold-in-soil anomalies now. Having raised additional funds to allow us to be opportunistic, Tectonic quickly launched a Phase II exploration program and delivered a comprehensive drill test focused on making new discoveries in the gneissic terrain of our property. Lab delays mean the majority (85%) of our assays have yet to be released, but we eagerly anticipate sharing these with the market as soon as they are available."

Eric Buitenhuis, VP Exploration, commented, "2021 was a year of "Firsts" for the team at Tectonic, with a comprehensive exploration program led by an aggressive drill campaign that stepped out on our previous discoveries, built on our existing knowledge and pushed into the previously unexplored western gneissic frontier at Tibbs. We not only drilled the first ever oriented diamond core at Tibbs but also completed comprehensive mapping and prospecting programs at our Tibbs South, Mt. Harper and Maple Leaf properties. Another "First" was our TITAN-160 survey, the first high-powered ground-based geophysical survey completed over the western rocks at Tibbs, which provided unprecedented insight into the nature of the controlling structures there. Our 2021 exploration program reflected our attention to detail, aggressive targeting, and fundamental reliance on a scientific approach to advancing our projects."

Fig 1. Tectonic Metals' properties, Alaska, USA

Next Steps - Assays Pending

While positive results have been released from Tibbs' Phase I programs, Tectonic eagerly awaits assays from Phase II of our campaign. The planning and development of our 2022 field season will be informed by these results and the Company looks forward to updating the market at the earliest opportunity.

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About Tectonic

[Tectonic Metals Inc.](#) is a mineral exploration company created and operated by an experienced and well-respected technical and financial team with a track record of wealth creation for shareholders. Key members of the Tectonic team were involved with Kaminak Gold Corporation, the Company that raised C\$165 million to fund the acquisition, discovery and advancement of the Coffee Gold Project in the Yukon Territory through to the completion of a bankable feasibility study before selling the multi-million-ounce gold project to Goldcorp Inc. (now Newmont) for C\$520 million in 2016. Tectonic is focused on the acquisition, exploration, discovery and development of mineral resources from district-scale projects in politically stable jurisdictions that have the potential to host world-class orebodies.

To learn more about Tectonic please [click here](#).

On behalf of [Tectonic Metals Inc.](#),

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