

Highlander Silver Corp. Confirms Expanded High Grade Silver-Gold Footprint at Politunche in Central Peru

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Vancouver, Feb. 21, 2022 - [Highlander Silver Corp.](#) (CSE:HSLV) (CNSX:HSLV.CN) (the "Company" or "Highlander") is pleased to announce the results from ninety-five (95) due diligence grab and chip samples (including six previously reported) from outcropping exposures on its recently acquired Politunche Property ("the Property" or "Politunche"). Highlander was attracted to the Project based on the extent of historic, high-grade gold and silver surface samples and encouraging drill results, found within an intensely altered package of volcanic rocks.

Highlights of the recent sampling include:

- Of the ninety-five (95) samples collected, twenty-two (22) samples returned gold results in excess of 1.0 g/t. Ten (10) of those 22 samples exceeded 3.0 g/t ranging from 3.01 g/t to 13.20 g/t;
- Twenty-five (25) samples returned silver results in excess of 50 g/t ranging from 56.5 g/t to 1,535 g/t;
- The majority of the highly anomalous gold samples are coincident with an historic gold-in-soil anomaly that measures 250 metres by 650 metres that has yet to be drill tested;
- The silver (g/t) to gold (g/t) ratio is highly variable ranging from 1.8 to 4,650. The spatial distribution and analytical data suggest two mineralizing events, a silver rich base metal phase followed by a gold-silver phase.

Ron Stewart, President and CEO of Highlander commented, "The results of our due diligence sampling confirm the presence of a high-grade mineralizing system and clearly demonstrate potential for the discovery of a precious metal deposit on the Politunche property. We intend to systematically map and sample the property to define the size and scope of the mineralized system and develop priority drill targets for testing later in the year. We expect that this work, together with our ongoing exploration of the nearby Alta Victoria project will continue to demonstrate the highly prospective nature of our project holdings.

Since initiating the due diligence a total of 95 grab and chip samples have been collected and analysed on the property including 6 results that were previously reported. In addition, 39 soil samples were collected and submitted for multi-element ICP analysis and 243 sample sites were tested with a portable X-Ray Fluorescence (pXRF) analyzer. This work was directed at confirming the historic results from work completed by Solitario Zinc Corp from 2007 to 2011.

Gold anomalism appears concentrated in the northern half of the property while high-grade silver associated with increased lead-zinc values has a broader distribution across the property. Of the ninety-five (95) samples collected, 22 samples returned gold results in excess of 1.0 g/t and 10 exceeded 3.0 g/t ranging from 3.01 g/t to 13.20 g/t (see Table 1). Forty-three (43) of the samples assayed above 50 g/t silver including 25 assays that ranged from 167g/t to 1,535 g/t silver. Table 2 presents the analytical results of the silver samples that exceed 150 g/t.

Table 1: Gold Grab & Chip Sample Results Above 3.0 g/t

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Table 2: Silver Grab & Chip Samples Above 150 g/t

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The North block mineralization is characterized by a set of NE trending structures cross-cutting a NNW trending ridgeline which transects the property. Historic exploration identified a series of veins, breccias and stockworks over a 1.5 x 3 kilometre area. An arcuate shaped gold trend appears to be emerging from Highlanders current sampling along and adjacent to a ridge-forming, dike-dome outcropping. Here, nine rock samples returned grades in excess of 3.0 g/t with one sample grading above the assay labs upper detection limit of 10 g/t gold. This highly anomalous gold trend zone lies adjacent to a 250ppb gold soil anomaly measuring roughly 250 metres by 650 metres which drapes over a saddle along the NNW trending ridgeline. No drilling has been conducted on this target. (Figure 1).

A second gold trend was previously identified near the northern boundary of the property where a NE trending structural zone hosts multiple veins with gold grades ranging from 0.5 g/t to a maximum of 5.39 g/t over a 1.0-kilometre strike length. Four of Solitario's 11 drill holes encountered multiple, significant gold intercepts within this zone. The best intersection came from hole AZ-003 that averaged 0.46 g/t Au, 7.3 g/t Ag over 54.5m including 6.9m @ 1.46 g/t in hole AZ-003.

Figure 1: Location of grab & chip rock samples above 3.0 g/t gold

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Silver-lead-zinc bearing structures extend over the entire length of the property, forming what appears to be a north-northwest trend. The distribution may be in part due to limited sample density. These veins and breccias typically contain disseminated to semi-massive veinlets of galena, brown sphalerite and silver sulfosalts with later drusy quartz cavity linings and bladed barite. This style of mineralization occurs with pervasive argillic and phyllic alteration, which is often known to be linked to underlying intrusive related, mineralizing systems at depth.

Figure 2 presents the location of the 25 silver results above 150 g/t. The distribution of silver lead-zinc anomalism together with the fact that only 2 of the 25 highly anomalous silver samples had corresponding gold grades in excess of 3.0 g/t suggests the probability of two mineralizing events. This is further supported by the highly variable silver (g/t) to gold (g/t) ratio that varies from a low of 1.8 to a high of 4,645. Our current working hypothesis is that a late gold event overprinted an earlier silver- base metal phase in a telescoping, multi-episodic mineralizing system.

Figure 3: Location of Silver Grab & Chip Samples Above 150 g/t

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Politunche Property

Highlander entered into an option agreement (the "Agreement") to acquire 100% of the 600 hectare (Ha) Politunche Property located in the prolific, silver-rich polymetallic belt of central Peru and just 15 kilometres from the Company's flagship, Alta Victoria Project. The company can acquire a 100% interest in the Property by paying US\$2.0 million over 4 years and completing a minimum of 2,500 metres of drilling. The property owner will retain a 2% NSR which Highlander may purchase by paying US\$500,000 per one percent (see News Release dated January 19, 2022)

Quality Control

All new rock and soil samples reported in this press release were delivered to CERTIMIN Laboratories, a

certified laboratory located in Lima, Peru for preparation and analysis. Rock samples were weighed, dried, crushed to 90% <2mm and riffle split while soils were weighed, dried and screened to -180 µm. A 250g subsample was pulverized to 85% <75 µm for both rock and soil sample types. All samples were assayed using a 30g nominal weight fire assay with atomic absorption finish (Au-G0108) for gold, and 49 elements by 4-acid ICP-OESMS (method G0176R). When G0176R results were >100ppm for Ag and >10,000ppm for Pb and Zn assays were reported using four-acid digest method (G0048) and metals (Ag-G0002, Pb-G0077, Zn-G0388). Where silver exceeds 1000 ppm those samples were reported using Fire Assay-gravimetric (Ag-G0008). Two standards and one duplicate sample were submitted by Highlander. CERTIMIN routinely inserts certified gold, silver and base metal standards, blanks and pulp duplicates, and results of all CERTIMIN QA/QC samples are reported. The standard, blank and duplicate samples used by CERTIMIN are generally considered sufficient QA/QC for Highlander's sample analysis however Highlander may choose to add to the QA/QC protocol.

Qualified Person Statement

All scientific and technical information contained in this news release was prepared and approved by Ronald Stewart, P.Geo., President and CEO of [Highlander Silver Corp.](#) who is a Qualified Person as defined in NI 43-101. Mr. Stewart has verified the scientific and technical information disclosed in this news release by reviewing the sampling, analytical and drilling data from the Property.

About Highlander Silver Corp.

[Highlander Silver Corp.](#) is a mineral exploration company focused on the exploration of silver-polymetallic projects in central Peru, as well as targeting the acquisition of additional mineral projects by leveraging the team's significant experience in Peru and South America more widely. Additional information about Highlander and its mineral projects can be viewed on the Company's SEDAR profile at www.sedar.com and its website at www.highlandersilver.com.

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