

# Idaho Strategic Announces Expansion and Consolidation of 'Roberts' Rare Earth Elements Project and Rebranding - Now Known as the 'Mineral Hill REE' Project

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COEUR D'ALENE, June 29, 2023 - Idaho Strategic Resources (NYSE American:IDR) ("IDR" or the "Company") is pleased to announce the expansion (and consolidation) of the Company's Roberts project with the addition of the Phyllis Gross and Lower Lee Buck claim groups; and the subsequent rebranding of this landholding as the Mineral Hill REE project. Given the increased size of these additional claim groups, the prior reference to "Roberts" becomes inadequate when referring to our expansive landholdings. The addition of the Phyllis Gross land package marks the first time, in 75 years, this land has changed hands from its original claimant. All geologic maps show the Phyllis Gross area as blank with no mapping ever being completed. The Lower Lee Buck group also represents a vast and underexplored prospect adjacent to the north of the Phyllis Gross claims.

The addition of the Phyllis Gross and the Lower Lee Buck claim groups consolidates a large contiguous landholding which now forms IDR's "Mineral Hill REE" project. These additional claims (46) cover 700 acres and bring the Mineral Hill REE project area to 2,100 total acres. The Phyllis Gross claim group has added a level of anticipation given its location as the central hub to the carbonatite activity in the district, and its lack of modern-day exploration. The geology mapped in adjacent areas suggest it as inhabiting a dynamic structural hub to the carbonatites of the Mineral Hill district and since there is no institutional geologic data to build from, this area will need to be examined in detail, with boots on the ground.

IDR's VP of Exploration, Rob Morgan explained, "Following our 2022 rare earth exploration field season it became evident that the project we were referring to as Roberts, which is located within the Mineral Hill District, is merely the name of one of multiple rare earth elements ("REE") occurrences across our continuous claim group in the northern portion of the Idaho REE-Th Belt. The more exploration we conducted, the more we began to realize that simply referring to the project as Roberts may be confusing as we continue to explore and expand our knowledge of the project. With the addition of the Phyllis Gross claim group, our potential for additional discovery has increased significantly. The culmination of increasing our land position and defining multiple occurrences has led us to adopt 'Mineral Hill REE project' as the new name for the Company's landholdings in the northern portion of the Idaho REE-Th Belt, which also aligns better with historic publications and references."

Idaho Strategic's President and CEO, John Swallow commented, "With IDR's considerable land package and best-in-class portfolio of rare earth elements projects including Lemhi Pass, Diamond Creek, and the newly expanded and rebranded Mineral Hill REE project, our land positioning is largely complete for now.

At the risk of once again repeating myself, IDR's business plan was built for exactly the environment that we are in today. Gold as a store of value and hedge against inflation and macro uncertainties, and rare earth elements as the building blocks of modern technology, decarbonization, and defense technologies (including an Idaho-based production and processing business and operating track record). And while I do not feel it is appropriate to discuss some of the conversations that we are having - concurrent to field work and conducting further mineralogical/metallurgical analysis - I am very confident in our approach. In recent months we met with and have enjoyed getting to know some great folks. And it is evident that our country is literally figuring out how to build and rebuild supply chains from scratch within our borders while communities are exploring economic development opportunities as we witness the merging of technology and mining. Relationships take time to form and there is no shortcut to building trust, locally, operationally, and personally."

Qualified person

IDR's Vice President of Exploration, Rob Morgan, PG, PLS is a qualified person as such term is defined

under S-K 1300 and has reviewed and approved the technical information and data included in this press release.

About Idaho [Strategic Resources Inc.](#)

Domiciled in Idaho and headquartered in the Panhandle of northern Idaho, Idaho Strategic Resources (IDR) is one of the few resource-based companies (public or private) possessing the combination of officially recognized U.S. domestic rare earth elements properties (in Idaho), the largest known concentration of thorium resources in the U.S., and Idaho-based gold production located in an established mining community.

Idaho Strategic Resources produces gold at the Golden Chest Mine located in the Murray Gold Belt (MGB) area of the world-class Coeur d'Alene Mining District, north of the prolific Silver Valley. With over 7,300 acres of patented and unpatented land, the Company has the largest private land position in the area following its consolidation of the Murray Gold Belt for the first time in over 100-years.

In addition to gold and gold production, the Company maintains an important strategic presence in the U.S. Critical Minerals sector, specifically focused on the more "at-risk" Rare Earth Elements (REEs) with an overall land position of approximately 18,030 acres in Idaho's REE-Th Belt. The Company's Lemhi Pass, Diamond Creek, and Mineral Hill REE properties are included in the U.S.' national REE inventory as listed in USGS, IGS and DOE publications. IDR's Lemhi Pass REE-Thorium Project is also recognized by the USGS and IGS as containing the largest concentration of thorium resources in the country. All three projects are located in central Idaho and participating in the USGS Earth MRI program.

With an impressive mix of experience and dedication, the folks at IDR maintain a long-standing "We Live Here" approach to corporate culture, land management, and historic preservation. Furthermore, it is our belief that successful operations begin with the heightened responsibility that only local oversight and a community mindset can provide. Its "everyone goes home at night" policy would not be possible without the multi-generational base of local exploration, drilling, mining, milling, and business professionals that reside in and near the communities of the Silver Valley and North Idaho.

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