

Perpetua Resources Announces Second Quarter 2023 Highlights

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BOISE, Aug. 14, 2023 - [Perpetua Resources Corp.](#) (Nasdaq: PPTA) (TSX: PPTA) ("Perpetua Resources" or "Perpetua Company") announced today that its unaudited condensed consolidated financial results for the period ended June 30, 2023 have been filed. For details, please see the Company's filings available on EDGAR and SEDAR.

Perpetua Resources' vision is to provide the U.S. with a domestic source of the critical mineral antimony, develop one of the largest and highest-grade open pit gold mines in the country and restore an abandoned brownfield site. Perpetua Resources is advancing the permitting for the Stibnite Gold Project ("Project") through the National Environmental Policy Act ("NEPA") process and construction readiness for the Project.

Second Quarter 2023 and Recent Highlights:

- Zero lost time incidents or reportable environmental spills.
- Successfully mobilized teams and equipment to site for the next round of voluntary legacy waste cleanup and waste management improvement actions in the historical Stibnite Mining District.
- Added to the Russell 2000® Index and the broad-market Russell 3000® Index.
- Held 2023 Annual General Meeting and shareholders voted in favor of all proposals.
- Published 2022 Sustainability Report, the Company's tenth annual sustainability report.
- Signed Definitized Agreement for Critical Minerals Award of \$24.8 million under the Defense Production Act ("DPA").
- Filed Clean Water Act Settlement Agreement with the Nez Perce Tribe.

"Perpetua Resources had another strong quarter and we continued to advance the Stibnite Gold Project while showing we can be a trusted partner and help leave a lasting legacy of positive benefits in our community," said Laurel Sayer, President and CEO of Perpetua Resources. "We responded promptly to all information requests related to the federal permitting process, advanced several ancillary permits, and successfully mobilized teams and equipment for legacy waste cleanup activities this summer. We also continued to demonstrate a strong safety record with zero lost time incidents or reportable spills."

Permitting and Construction Readiness Activities Update:

Following completion of the public comment period and analysis on the Supplemental Draft Environmental Impact Statement ("SDEIS"), the United States Forest Service updated the permitting schedule for the Project with a Final Environmental Impact Statement ("FEIS") and draft Record of Decision ("ROD") expected by the end of 2023 and a final ROD anticipated in early 2024.

Perpetua advanced work on several ancillary permits which are being progressed in parallel with the NEPA process. Recent regulatory updates include:

- Submitted the 404 Wetlands & Compensatory Mitigation Plan application to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers ("USACE") in April 2023 and USACE provided a 404 permit application completeness determination in July 2023.
- Submitted the formal request to begin the 401 Water Quality Certification process to Idaho Department of Environmental Quality ("IDEQ") in May 2023.
- Submitted tailings storage facility dam safety application to Idaho Department of Water Resources ("IDWR") in July 2023.

Perpetua is advancing construction readiness activities which are reimbursable under the DPA funding. In the second quarter of 2023, the Company began project execution planning and scheduling, selected a construction manager general contractor, advanced studies and detailed engineering for the road design, and began detailed scoping and engineering for the power plant.

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About Perpetua Resources and the Stibnite Gold Project

[Perpetua Resources Corp.](#), through its wholly owned subsidiaries, is focused on the exploration, site restoration and redevelopment of gold-antimony-silver deposits in the Stibnite-Yellow Pine district of central Idaho that are encompassed by the Stibnite Gold Project. The Project is one of the highest-grade, open pit gold deposits in the United States and is designed with a modern, responsible mining approach to restore an abandoned mine site and produce both gold and the only mined source of antimony in the United States. Further advancing Perpetua Resources' ESG and sustainable mining goals, the Project is powered by the lowest carbon emissions grid in the nation and a portion of the antimony produced from the Project will be sold to Ambri, a US-based company commercializing a low-cost liquid metal battery essential for the low-carbon energy transition. Perpetua Resources has been awarded a Technology Investment Agreement of \$24.8 million in Defense Production Act funding to advance construction readiness and permitting of the Project. Antimony trisulfide from Stibnite is the only known domestic source of antimony that can meet U.S. defense needs for many small arms, munitions, and missile types. In addition to the company's commitments to transparency, accountability, environmental stewardship, safety and community engagement, Perpetua Resources adopted formal ESG commitments which can be found [here](#).

Forward-Looking Information and Cautionary Note

Investors should be aware that the publication of the SDEIS and the permitting schedule, and the identification by the USFS of the Modified Mine Plan as the Preferred Alternative in the SDEIS, does not indicate any commitments on the part of the USFS regarding the content or timing of a final decision. In developing the Final Environmental Impact Statement ("FEIS"), the USFS, as part of the NEPA planning process, the USFS may select various actions based on the Modified Mine Plan or each of the alternatives analyzed in the SDEIS. Furthermore, the USFS is not bound by the permitting schedule and anticipated milestones may or may not be materially or not be satisfied.

Statements contained in this news release that are not historical facts are "forward-looking information" or "forward-looking statements" (collectively, "Forward-Looking Information") within the meaning of applicable Canadian securities legislation and the United States Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. Forward-Looking Information includes, but is not limited to, disclosure regarding possible events, next steps and courses of action including environmental clean up actions by us and our contractors; our ability to comply with and obtain permits related to the Stibnite Gold Project; actions to be taken by the USFS, of Defense, USFS, the State of Idaho and other government agencies and regulatory bodies; our ability to successfully complete and fund the Project and the occurrence of the expected benefits from the Project; the timing of updates from the USFS regarding the Stibnite Gold Project, including with respect to the FEIS, DROD and ROD; predictions regarding improvements to water quality, water temperature, and fish habitats and other environmental conditions at the site, including with respect to process air emissions and such improvements; reduction of the Project footprint and the anticipated benefits and other effects thereof; our ability to successfully implement the Project and the occurrence of the expected benefits from the Project, including contributions to the local workforce, national security and clean energy transition; our and Ambri Inc.'s ability to perform under the supply agreement, which agreement is subject to certain conditions, including identification of one or more refiners to transform our antimony concentrate into antimony metal, and mutual agreement on certain material terms, including volume and pricing; the timing and outcome of the settlement of the CWA litigation. In certain cases, Forward-Looking Information can be identified by the use of words and phrases or variations of such words and phrases or statements such as "anticipate", "expect", "plan", "likely", "believe", "intend", "project", "estimate", "potential", "could", "may", "will", "would" or "should". In preparing the Forward-Looking Information in this news release, Perpetua Resources has applied several material assumptions, including, but not limited to, assumptions concerning current exploration, development, environmental and other objectives concerning the Stibnite Gold Project can be achieved; that its other corporate activities will proceed as expected; that general business and economic conditions will not change in a materially adverse manner and that permitting and operations costs will not materially increase; the review process under NEPA (including any joint review process involving the USFS, the State of Idaho and other agencies and regulatory bodies) as the FEIS will proceed in a timely manner and as expected; the settlement of the CWA litigation will proceed on the agreed terms and timeline; that we will be able to obtain sufficient funding to finance permitting, pre-construction and construction of the Project and that all requisite information will be available in a timely manner. Forward-Looking Information involves known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other factors which may cause the actual results, performance or achievements of Perpetua Resources to be materially different from any future results, performance or achievements expressed or implied by the Forward-Looking Information. Such risks and other factors include, among other things, changes in laws and regulations; changes in the application of standards pursuant to existing laws and regulations which may result in unforeseen results; delays in the permitting process; uncertainty surrounding input to be received from regulators and community stakeholders; risks related to dependence on key personnel; risks related to unforeseen delays in the review process including availability of personnel; risks related to USFS, State of Idaho and other stated, federal and local agencies and regulatory bodies (including, but not limited to, future government shutdowns); risks related to opposition to the Project; risks related to increased or unexpected costs in operating the Project during the permitting process; risks that necessary financing will be unavailable when needed on acceptable terms, or at all; risks related to the outcome of litigation and potential for delay of the Project, as well as those factors discussed in Perpetua Resources' filings with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") and its Canadian disclosure record. Although Perpetua Resources has attempted to identify important factors that could affect Perpetua Resources and may cause actual actions or results to differ materially from those described in Forward-Looking Information, there may be other factors that cause actual events or results not to be as anticipated, estimated or intended. There can be no assurance that Forward-Looking Information will prove to be accurate, as actual results and future events could differ materially from those anticipated in such statements. Accordingly, readers should not place undue reliance on Forward-Looking Information. For further information on these risks and uncertainties that may affect the Company's business and liquidity, see the "Risk Factors" and "Management Discussion and Analysis of Financial Condition and Results of Operations" sections of the Company's filings with the SEC, including

Perpetua's Annual Report on Form 10-K filed with the SEC on March 16, 2023 and subsequent Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q filed with the SEC, which are available at www.sec.gov and with the Canadian securities regulators, which are available at www.sedar.com. Except as required by law, Perpetua Resources does not assume any obligation to release publicly any information or to update or revise any Forward-Looking Information contained in this news release to reflect events or circumstances after the date hereof or the occurrence of unanticipated events.

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