

Westhaven Commences Summer Drill Program On The Shovelnose Gold Project, Southern British Columbia

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VANCOUVER, June 19, 2025 - [Westhaven Gold Corp.](#) (TSX-V:WHN) is pleased to announce that exploration drilling is underway at the Company's 100% owned Shovelnose gold project in the Spences Bridge Gold Belt of Southern British Columbia. Approximately 5,000 metres of drilling is planned over the summer, with a focus on identifying new areas of low sulphidation epithermal gold mineralization.

Ken Armstrong, President & CEO of Westhaven, stated, "Summer exploration at Shovelnose is now in full swing with the start of an expanded, 5,000m drilling program. Drilling will focus on testing a number of 'step change' target areas where the discovery of new gold mineralization would complement the South Zone, FMN and Franz gold deposits (please refer to the attached plan map), which were the subject of a recently completed preliminary economic assessment of the potential for a high grade, high margin underground gold mining opportunity at Shovelnose (please see news release dated March 3rd, 2025 for details). As part of the drill program, we also plan to complete at least one drill hole to provide additional geotechnical, geochemical and metallurgical data on Vein Zones 1, 2 and 3, in the core of the South Zone."

On behalf of the Board of Directors

WESTHAVEN GOLD CORP.

"Ken Armstrong"

Ken Armstrong, President and CEO, is responsible for this news release and can be reached at 604-681-5558.

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About Westhaven Gold Corp.

Westhaven is a gold-focused exploration and development company targeting low sulphidation, high-grade, epithermal style gold mineralization within the Spences Bridge Gold Belt in southern British Columbia. Westhaven controls ~61,512 hectares (~615 square kilometres) within four gold properties spread along this underexplored belt. The Shovelnose Gold project is the most advanced property, with a recently updated 2025 Preliminary Economic Assessment that validates the Project's potential as a robust, low cost and high margin 11-year underground gold mining opportunity with average annual life-of-mine gold production of 56,000 ounces and having a Cdn\$454 million after-tax NPV_{6%} and 43.2% IRR (base case parameters of US\$2,400 per ounce gold, US\$28 per ounce silver and CDN/US\$ exchange rate of \$0.72). Initial capital costs are projected to be Cdn\$184 million with a payback period of 2.1 years. Please see Westhaven's news release dated March 3, 2025 for details of the updated PEA. Shovelnose is situated off a major highway, near power, rail, large producing mines, pipelines and within commuting distance from the city of Merritt, which result in lower cost exploration and development.

Qualified Person: The technical and scientific information in this news release has been reviewed and approved by Peter Fischl, P.Geol, who is a Qualified Person for the Company under the definitions established by National Instrument 43-101 Standards of Disclosure for Mineral Projects.

Westhaven trades on the TSX Venture Exchange under the ticker symbol WHN. For further information, please call 604-681-5558 or visit Westhaven's website at www.westhavengold.com.

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Forward-looking statements in this news release may include, but are not limited to, statements with respect to the results of the Preliminary Economic Assessment, the Mineral Resource Estimate future planned activities, future mineral production and future growth potential for the Company and its projects, the interpretation of preliminary results from exploration undertaken to date at Shovelnose using various exploration techniques and analysis; statements with respect to potential styles of epithermal mineralization at the Shovelnose Project; and the possibility that the Company's Shovelnose project may host multiple gold bearing epithermal systems; . In certain cases, forward-looking statements can be identified by the use of words such as "plans", "expects" or "does not expect", "is expected", "budget", "scheduled", "estimates", "forecasts", "intends", "anticipates" or "does not anticipate", or "believes", or variations of such words and phrases or state that certain actions, events or results "may", "could", "would", "might" or "will be taken", "occur" or "be achieved". Forward-looking statements are based on the opinions and estimates of management as of the date such statements are made, and they are subject to known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other factors that may cause the actual results to be materially different from those expressed or implied by such forward-looking statements or forward-looking information. Assumptions have been made regarding, among other things, the price of gold and other precious metals; costs of exploration and development; the estimated costs of development of exploration projects; the Company's ability to operate in a safe and effective manner and its ability to obtain financing on reasonable terms. Although management of Westhaven Gold Corp. have attempted to identify important factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from those contained in forward-looking statements or forward-looking information, there may be other factors that cause results not to be as anticipated, estimated or intended. Many factors, both known and unknown, could cause actual results, performance, or achievements to be materially different from the results, performance or achievements that are or may be expressed or implied by such forward-looking statements or forward-looking information. Such factors include, without limitation: the Company's dependence on one group of mineral projects; precious metals price volatility; regulatory, consent or permitting delays; risks relating to reliance on the Company's management team and outside contractors; risks regarding mineral resources and reserves; the Company's inability to obtain insurance to cover all risks, on a commercially reasonable basis or at all; currency fluctuations; risks regarding the failure to generate sufficient cash flow from operations; risks relating to project financing and equity issuances; risks and unknowns inherent in all mining projects, including the inaccuracy of reserves and resources, metallurgical recoveries and capital and operating costs of such projects; laws and regulations governing the environment, health and safety; operating or technical difficulties in connection with mining or development activities; employee relations, labour unrest or unavailability; the Company's interactions with surrounding communities; the speculative nature of exploration and development, including the risks of diminishing quantities or grades of reserves; stock market volatility; conflicts of interest among certain directors and officers; and the factors identified under the caption "Risk Factors" in the Company's management discussion and analysis. Mineral exploration involves a high degree of risk and few properties, which are explored, are ultimately developed into producing mines. There can be no assurance that such forward-looking statements or 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 statements and forward-looking information. The Company will not update any forward-looking statements or forward-looking information that are incorporated by reference herein, except as required by applicable securities laws.

Plan Map of Proposed Summer Drilling

A photo accompanying this announcement is available at <https://www.globenewswire.com/NewsRoom/AttachmentNg/2bd223b3-3ba3-452a-9326-2503041e3efb>

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