

First Mining Files Pre-Feasibility Study Technical Report for the Springpole Gold Project, Ontario, Canada

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[First Mining Gold Corp.](#) ("First Mining" or the "Company") (TSX: FF) (OTCQX: FFMGF) (FRANKFURT: FMG) is pleased to announce that the Company has filed on SEDAR+ an independent Pre-Feasibility Study ("2025 PFS") technical report ("Report") for its 100%-owned Springpole Gold Project (the "Project" or "Springpole") located in Ontario, Canada.

The Report, entitled "Springpole Gold Project NI 43-101 Technical Report and Pre-Feasibility Study, Ontario, Canada" prepared by Ausenco Engineering Canada ULC of Vancouver, Canada ("Ausenco") in accordance with National Instrument 43-101 Standards of Disclosure for Mineral Projects ("NI 43-101") and has an effective date of December 1, 2025.

The 2025 PFS results support a 30,000 tonnes-per-day ("tpd") open pit mining operation.

2025 PFS Highlights^{1,2}

- US\$3.2 billion pre-tax net present value at a 5% discount rate ("NPV_{5%}") at US\$3,100/oz gold ("Au"), increasing to US\$4.2 billion at US\$4,200/oz Au²
- US\$2.1 billion after-tax NPV_{5%} at US\$3,100/oz Au, increasing to US\$3.8 billion at US\$4,200/oz Au
- 54% pre-tax internal rate of return ("IRR") at US\$3,100/oz increasing to 82% at \$4,200/oz Au
- 41% after-tax IRR at US\$3,100/oz Au increasing to 63% at US\$4,200/oz Au
- Life of mine ("LOM") of 9.4 years
- After-tax payback of 1.8 years and reducing to 1.2 years at US\$4,200/oz Au
- Initial capital costs estimated at US\$1,104 million, sustaining capital costs estimated at US\$323 million, plus US\$100 million in closure costs (excluding plant closure)
- Average annual payable gold production of 330 koz per year (Years 1 to 5); 281 koz per year LOM
- Total net cash costs³ of US\$742/oz (Years 1 to 5); and US\$802/oz LOM
- Net All-In Sustaining Costs ("AISC")³ of US\$877/oz (Years 1 to 5), and AISC US\$938/oz (LOM)

Qualified Person

Hazel Mullin, P.Geol., Director, Data Management and Technical Services of First Mining, is a "Qualified Person" for the purposes of NI 43-101 Standards of Disclosure for Mineral Projects and has reviewed and approved the scientific and technical disclosure contained in this news release.

¹ Base case parameters assume a gold price of US\$3,100/oz, silver price of US\$35.50/oz, and an exchange rate (C\$ to US\$) of 0.74. All currencies are reported in U.S. dollars unless otherwise specified. NPV calculated as of the commencement of construction and excludes all pre-construction costs.

² US\$4,200/oz Au spot case also based on US\$51/oz Ag and 0.71 (C\$ to US\$).

³ Initial capital costs, total cash costs and all-in sustaining costs are non-IFRS measures widely used in the mining industry as a benchmark for performance, but do not have standardized meanings under the Company's financial reporting framework. The methods used by the Company to calculate such measures may differ from methods used by other companies with similar descriptions.

About First Mining Gold Corp.

First Mining is a gold developer advancing two of the largest gold projects in Canada, the Springpole Gold Project in northwestern Ontario, where we have commenced a Feasibility Study and permitting activities are on-going with a final Environmental Impact Statement / Environmental Assessment for the project submitted in November 2024, and the Du

Gold Project in Quebec, a PEA-stage development project located on the Destor-Porcupine Fault Zone in the prolific Abitibi region. First Mining also owns the Cameron Gold Project in Ontario and a 30% project interest in the Pickle Crow Gold Project in Ontario.

First Mining was established in 2015 by Mr. Keith Neumeyer, founding President and CEO of [First Majestic Silver Corp.](#)

ON BEHALF OF FIRST MINING GOLD CORP.

Daniel W. Wilton
CEO and Director

Cautionary Note Regarding Forward-Looking Statements

This news release includes certain "forward-looking information" and "forward-looking statements" (collectively "forward-looking statements") within the meaning of applicable Canadian and United States securities legislation including the United States Securities Act of 1933 and the United States Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995. These forward-looking statements are made as of the date of this news release. Forward-looking statements are frequently, but not always, identified by words such as "expects", "anticipates", "believes", "intends", "plans", "projects", "intends", "estimates", "envisages", "potential", "possible", "strategy", "goals", "opportunities", "objectives", "may", "could", "would", "might" or "will" be taken, occur, be achieved, or the negative of any of these terms and similar expressions.

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First Mining cautions that the foregoing list of factors that may affect future results is not exhaustive. When relying on or making decisions with respect to First Mining, investors and others should carefully consider the foregoing factors and other uncertainties and potential events. First Mining does not undertake to update any forward-looking

statement, whether written or oral, that may be made from time to time by the Company or on our behalf, except as required by law.

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The Company is a "foreign private issuer" as defined in Rule 3b-4 under the United States Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and is eligible to rely upon the Canada-U.S. Multi-Jurisdictional Disclosure System, and is therefore permitted to prepare the technical information contained herein in accordance with the requirements of the securities laws in effect in Canada, which differ from the requirements of the securities laws currently in effect in the United States. Accordingly, information concerning mineral deposits set forth herein may not be comparable with information made public by companies that register in accordance with U.S. standards.

Technical disclosure contained in this news release has not been prepared in accordance with the requirements of United States securities laws and uses terms that comply with reporting standards in Canada with certain estimates prepared in accordance with NI 43-101.

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