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A New High-Grade Gold Discovery *Plus*A Prospective Porphyry Copper Deposit
In Nevada



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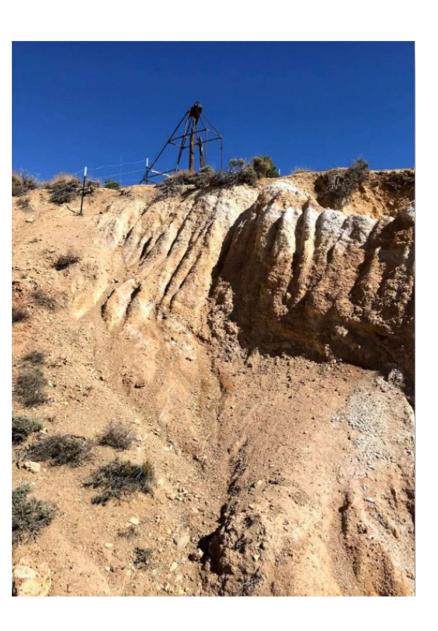
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### Why Athena Gold

Expanding a shallow, high-grade, oxide gold discovery at its flagship Excelsior Springs Gold Project in Nevada

Associations of arsenic, antimony, bismuth, copper, lead, molybdenum, tellurium and zinc indicate adjacent or nearby intrusion-related gold deposits, per Dr. Richard Sillitoe and others.

A large untested IP geophysical anomaly provides additional exploration potential.

Experienced management and technical teams with proven track records in exploration, development, construction, permitting, financing and production.

Tier-1 mining jurisdiction with major gold producers.

Market capitalization is only US \$ 5.7 million.

Prospective copper porphyry deposit with high magnetic anomalies. Located about 60 miles north of Excelsior Springs.

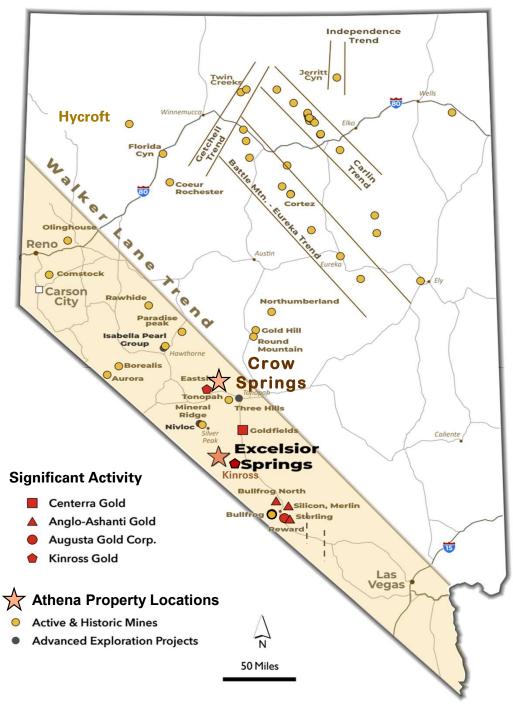
Excelsior Springs is a new discovery in Nevada's famous Walker Lane trend where a major gold rush is under way.

	Augusta Gold
Centerra	Acquires
Acquires	Bullfrog Mine ~
Goldfield	\$ 52 M (100%
Project ~	basis), then
US \$206M	Reward (\$45M)

Feb	Mar	Sep 2020	Jan 2022
2022	2022	Jun 2022	<b>Sep 2022</b>

Kinross – Strategic investment in Eastside Project. AngloGold acquires Corvus Gold \$450M, then Coeur's Project for \$150 M. Announced 8.4 million resource ounces at end of 2022

Crow Springs is a prospective copper - gold - molybdenum porphyry deposit.



### **History**

1960s & 1970s

1986

1988

2011 - 2015

**2020 - Present** 

EACH OPERATOR HAS ADVANCED THE PROJECT AND DRILLED EXTENSIONS OF GOLD MINERALIZATION. Late 1800s Un-verified, historic production of 19,200 oz Au (18,000 tons at 1.2 oz Au/ton (37.3g Au/T). \*

Efforts to re-timber shafts and attempts at small scale mining.

**Great Pacific Resources (11 RC holes).** 

Lucky Hardrock JV (12 RC holes).

STRIKE NEW VEIN IN THE BUSTER MINE

Reno Gazette-Journal (Reno, Nevada), 13 Nov 1908

2005 - 2007 Walker Lane Gold (22 RC holes).

2008 -2010 Evolving Gold (8 RC holes). Nubian Resources leased the property in 2010.

Global Geoscience & Osisko (31 RC holes & Geophysics). Turned back to Nubian.

Athena Gold (29 RC Holes). Discovers Western Slope High-Grade Oxide Gold Zone.

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<sup>\* 56</sup> holes were drilled in the main Buster mineral zone where underground mining occurred in the late 1800's. 57 holes were drilled in the Far East, Far West, Ridge & Western Slope Zones.

# Significant Grades and Intervals in 84 Historic Drill Holes

The Excelsior Springs
Project was acquired
based on these
significant thick, highgrades at shallowdepths; strong
exploration potential;
and a data base
including 84 RC holes
drilled from 1986
through 2015.

Most of the old holes were angled toward the north. Athena is having better success drilling angled holes toward the south.

Hole	Interval	Gold	Depth	Meters
No.	Meters	G/T	From	То
TA-03	16.8	1.34	1.5	18.3
TA-11	15.2	1.52	0	15.2
88-02	6.1	3.69	10.7	16.8
88-06	27.4	2.49	0	27.4
88-08	38.1	0.93	0	38.1
EX-02	33.5	2.73	70.1	103.6
EX-13	15.2	2.48	0	15.2
EX-15	30.5	0.87	19.8	50.3
EX-18	6.1	5.44	42.7	48.8
EX-30	17.2	2.38	71.6	94.5
GE-08	22.9	3.3	93	105.2
GE-14	24.4	1.09	9.1	33.5

### **Summary of Holes Drilled to Date**

	Total Holes Drilled	Holes with at least 20 ft (6.1m) ≥ 1.0 g Au/t	Holes with at least 20 ft ≥ 0.50 g Au/t	Holes with at least 20 ft ≥ 0.20 g
No. of Holes	113	27	46	67
% of Total	100%	24%	41%	59%

The 113 holes had an average depth of 418 feet and ranged from 100 to 1,000 feet.

Sixty-seven holes contained 119 mineral intercepts above current cutoff criteria\* and that averaged 33 feet long with a grade of 1.20 g Au/t and a GxT of 40.

The highest intercept GxT was 566 within 110 feet of 5.2 g Au/t. The highest GxT for a hole was 768 within two intercepts.



#### **Excelsior Springs**

#### Athena's Flagship Project

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#### **Land Position**

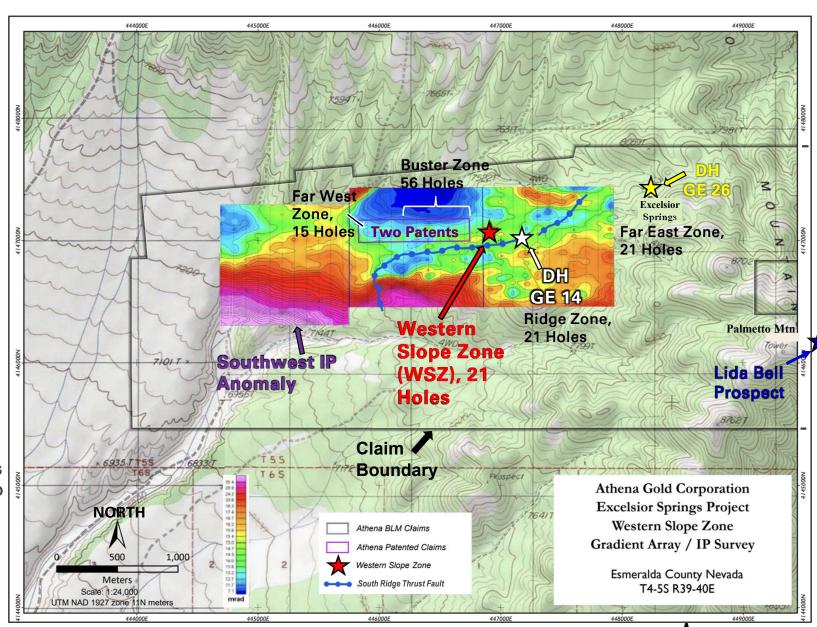
Two patents and 200 unpatented mining claims (4,000 acres or 1,619 ha).

New Drill Targets
A relatively shallow IP
anomaly is 1,700 m WSW
of the WSZ.

DH GE14 has 80 feet of 1.1 g Au/t only 30 feet deep and is 300 m east of WSZ.

DH GE26 has 665 feet of anomalous gold with nine pathfinder elements indicative of intrusive related gold (IRG) deposits. This hole is 1,300 m ENE of the WSZ.

The Lida Bell Prospect has surface samples with up to 51.4 g Au/t, 509 g Ag/t, very high IRG pathfinder elements and is 3,200 m ESE of the WSZ



### Western Slope Discovery Key Intercepts 1)

#### **Athena Drill Programs 1 - 3**

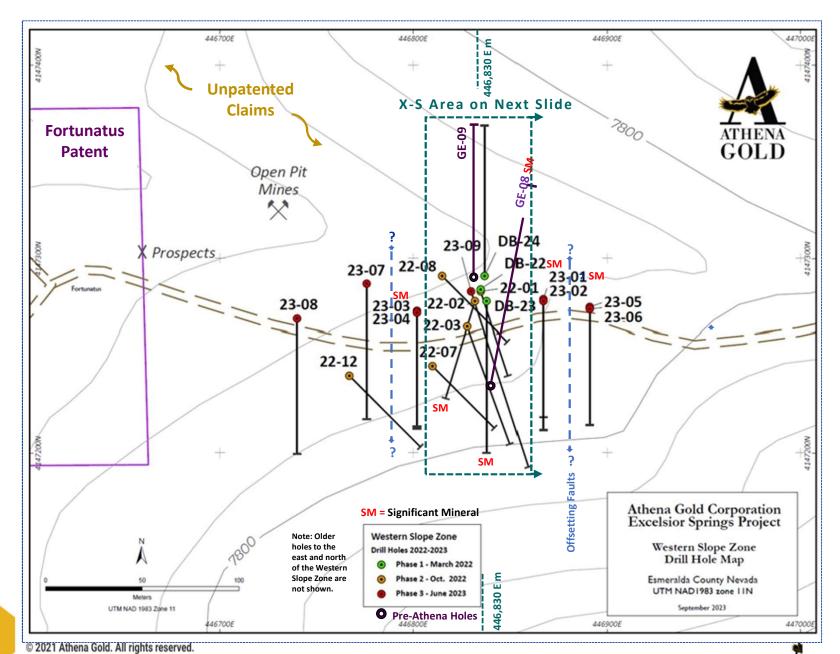
Hole	Inte	rvals,	, Feet	Interv	als, M	leters	Az	Dip	Au	Ag	Au G/T		Cu	Pb	Zn	Hole I	Depth
ID	From	То	Thick	From	То	Thick	0	0	G/T	G/T	x Feet		%	%	%	Ft	M
Spring	Spring 2022																
<b>DB-23</b>	140	250	110	42.7	76.2	33.5	180	50	5.15	8.9	567		0.03	0.27	0.27	400	121.9
Incl.	140	195	55	42.7	59.4	16.8			10.03	17.3			0.08	0.81	0.79		
Incl.	140	175	35	42.7	53.3	10.7			15.35	26.5			0.00	0.02	0.02		
Fall 2022																	
22-01	130	220	90	39.6	67.1	27.4	162	50	6.05	17.4	544		0.07	0.29	0.48	300	91.4
Incl.	130	165	35	39.6	50.3	10.7			10.20	30.8			0.17	0.64	1.14		
	255	300	45	77.7	91.4	13.7			4.97	14.4	224	2)	0.07	0.82	1.00		
22-02	135	185	50	41.1	56.4	15.2	197	55	4.49	27.3	225	]	0.08	0.38	0.55	300	91.4
Incl.	145	175	30	44.2	53.3	9.1			7.29	44.2			0.09	0.62	0.87		
	225	250	25	68.6	76.2	7.6			1.20	7.7	30		0.02	0.23	0.22		
Spring 2023																	
23-01	245	265	20	74.7	80.8	6.1	180	60	2.18	1.9	44		0.057	0.37	0.38	400	121.9
23-03	95	265	170	29.0	80.8	51.8	180	60	1.02	8.20	174		0.020	2.12	2.71	400	121.9

Intercept Cutoff Criteria: Grade ≥0.20 g Au/t. Mineral interval: ≥ 20 feet. G xT: ≥ 4.00. Waste within mineral intervals: ≤ 20 feet. Waste between mineral intervals: < 20 feet.</p>

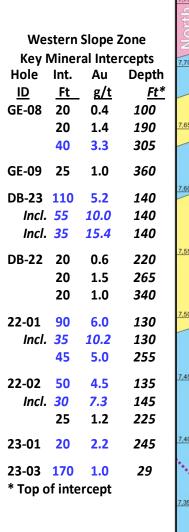


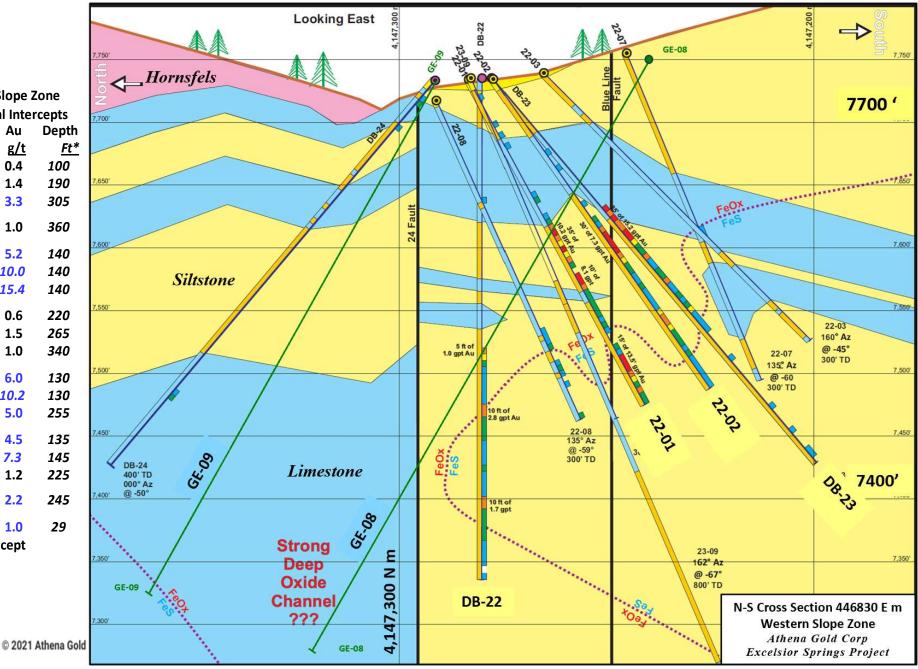
<sup>2)</sup> Total hole G x T at 768 is the highest on the property

### Western Slope Drill Hole Map



### **Western Slope Cross Section**





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# Field Analytics and Metallurgy

An XRF hand-held analytical device was tested on drill cuttings and rapidly measured significant base metals that strongly correlate with certified gold and silver assays. As a result, this tool is planned for use during upcoming programs to confirm or re-position the drilling of new holes.

In 1986, an initial metallurgical bottle roll test on a composite of 11 drill cutting samples from the Buster Zone were ground to -80 mesh and achieved recoveries of 92% of the gold and 77% of the silver. This composite contained 4.9 g Au/t.

Much additional sampling and testing is needed to advance the Project, including heap leach column tests on various ore types and grades.



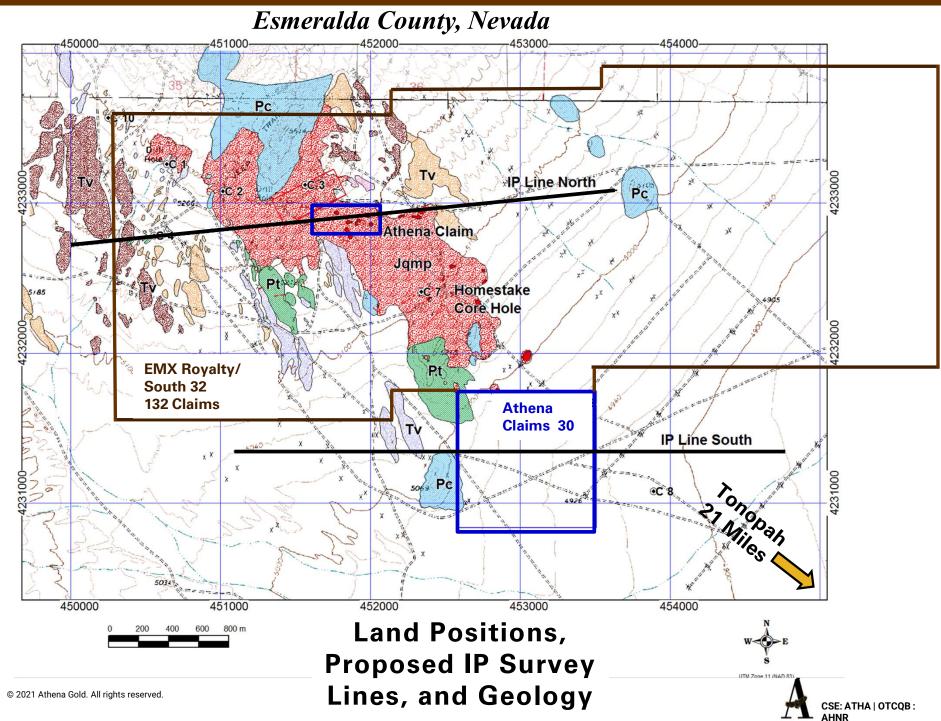
### **Crow Springs Copper Project**

#### Esmeralda County, Nevada

- Athena strategically staked 30 claims and acquired 1 claim during 2022 and 2023, mainly based on strong long-term interest in copper and the potential of the Crow Springs District.
- Alteration, geochemistry and past drilling indicate a porphyry system over 4.5 square miles in surface area.
- A 2021 magnetic/radiometric survey defined an untested anomaly on Athena's claims.
- Another magnetic high anomaly is on adjacent claims controlled by EMX Royalty Corp (NYSE and TSX:EMX). EMX has a current market capitalization of C\$ 237 million and multiple global property and royalty holdings, including 132 claims at Crow Springs.
- Wide spaced core drilling by Homestake Mining in 1962 indicates propylitic alteration (clay-pyrite-carbonate) surrounding magnetic high centers of potassic alteration, none of which have been drilled.
- Coeur Mining drilled 10 RC holes and discovered anomalous gold about 2,000 meters NE of Athena's single claim. Otherwise, there has been no significant drilling in the area for more than 40 years.

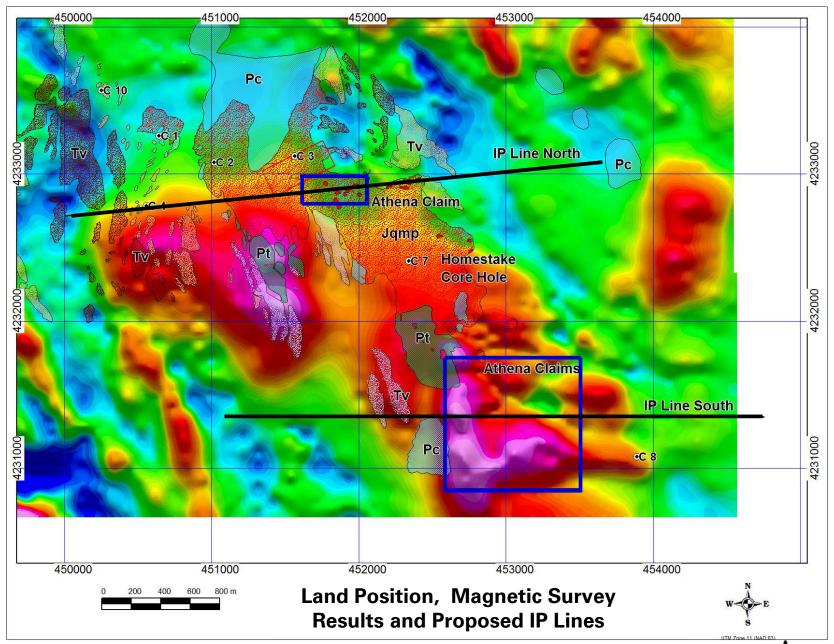


### **Crow Springs Copper Project**



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#### Esmeralda County, Nevada



### **Management & Directors**



Past President of Redwood Microcap Fund, Inc.(1985-2005). Increased shareholder value by 6X under his stewardship.

President of Athena Gold since 2010 - Managed Langtry Silver project and developed NI 43-101 compliant resource of over 60 million oz Ag

### John Hiner DIRECTOR

A licensed geologist (Washington, 2002) with a history of 45+ years with several major mining companies exploring for geothermal energy, precious metals and industrial minerals.

Currently a director of Golden Lake Exploration Inc. (since 2018) and an independent consulting exploration geologist.

### Ty Minnick CFO

A CPA with 30 years experience as an accountant and controller, including 9 years as a CFO beginning with Bullfrog Gold Corp from 2011-2020 and continuing with Athena Gold in 2021.

Responsible for accounting, auditing, tax returns and SEC filings in the US and Canada.





### **Accomplished Advisors**

David Beling, P.E.

Strategic Advisor & Senior Consultant

A Professional Mining Engineer with 43 years of Board experience and 60 years of experience as an engineer, developer, operator and senior executive, including:

CEO of Bullfrog Gold Corp (2011-2020). Drove the 2015 acquisition of Barrick Gold's lands and data. Developed 525,000 ounces of gold M&I resources with existing drill holes. Increased recoveries by 15% by testing high pressure grinding rolls on finer heap leach feed. Spearheaded a dual listing on the Canadian Securities Exchange in 2019.

Sr. Vice President, Hycroft Resources (1987-1992) during construction and operations. Also served as General Manager on site for 2 years.

George Mannard, P.Geo
Technical Advisor

Credited with the Louvicourt base metal discovery in Val d'Or, Quebec as Senior Project Geologist for Aur Resources in 1989. Co-founded what is now Wesdome Gold Mines in 1994 and developed the Eagle River, Edwards, Mishi and Kiena gold mines as VP of Exploration.

Over 20 years Board and executive management experience. Professional Geoscientist and a Fellow of the Society of Economic Geologists. Graduated from Queen's University (BSc honours, 1982) and McGill University (MScA, 1984).





# **Capital Structure**

January 4, 2024

	Millions
Issued Shares	150.6
Float	30.0
Warrants	40.0
Options and RSU's	5.0
Fully Diluted Common Shares	190.6
Market Capitalization	US \$5.7
	US \$/Share
Current Price	0.038
52-Week Trading Range	0.021 - 0.086



#### **Significant Shareholders**

46,000,000 Management

**Nubian Resources** 45,000,000

10,000,000 **Private Company \*** 

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<sup>\*</sup> Controlled by Eric Sprott





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