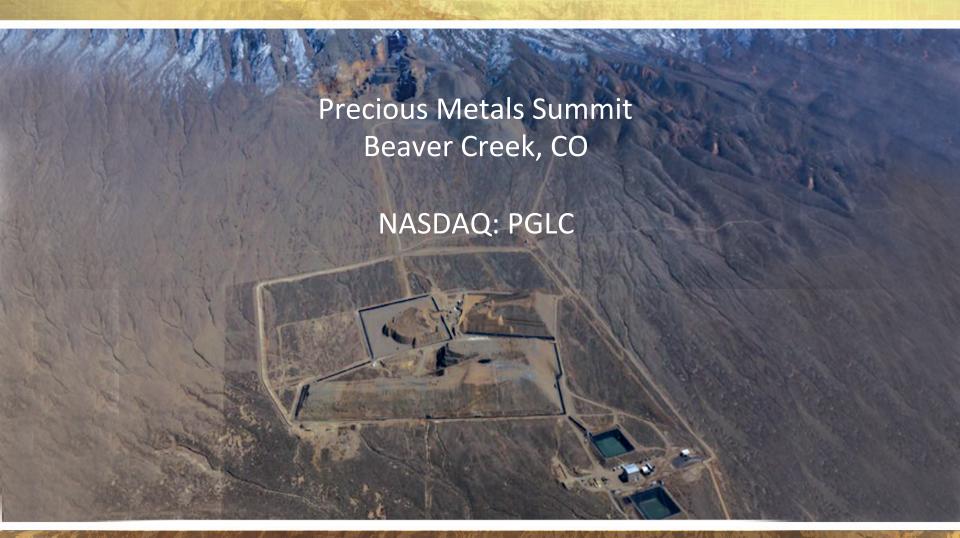


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## pershing gold Investment Highlights

### Relief Canyon Gold Mine, Pershing County, Nevada

- Permitted, Open-pit, Heap-leach Gold Mine
- Permitted Processing Facility
- No Debt, Low CAPEX
- ~25,000 Acres
- Experienced Team

#### **2015**

Q1

- Landmark Newmont Deal
- Highest-Grade Intercepts
   Recovered

Q2

- 2015 Drilling Underway
- NASDAQ Up-listing
- Resource Increased and Upgraded

Q3

- Frankfurt Listing
- NI 43-101 Report Published
- BLM Scoping Period Started for Relief Canyon Expansion

Q4

- TSX Listing
- Economic Study
- Start-up Decision

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# Experienced Leadership: Management



#### **STEVE ALFERS**

#### **Executive Chairman, CEO & President**

- 30+ years experience in mining industry
- Well known executive and attorney responsible for many landmark mining royalty and property transactions worldwide
- Provided strategic advice on Long Canyon land consolidation and development, and many other Nevada and international projects
- Formerly CEO, New West Gold & Chief of US Operations, Franco Nevada





# **Experienced Leadership: Board of Directors**

#### **STEVE ALFERS**

#### **Executive Chairman, CEO & President**

- 30+ years experience in mining industry
- Formerly CEO, New West Gold & Chief of US Operations, Franco Nevada

### **Barry Honig**

#### **Director, Founder**

- President, GRQ Consultants
- Successful investor with extensive knowledge of capital markets

#### **Ed Karr**

#### **Director**

- 20+ years capital markets experience
- CEO and Founder, Strategic Asset Management SA

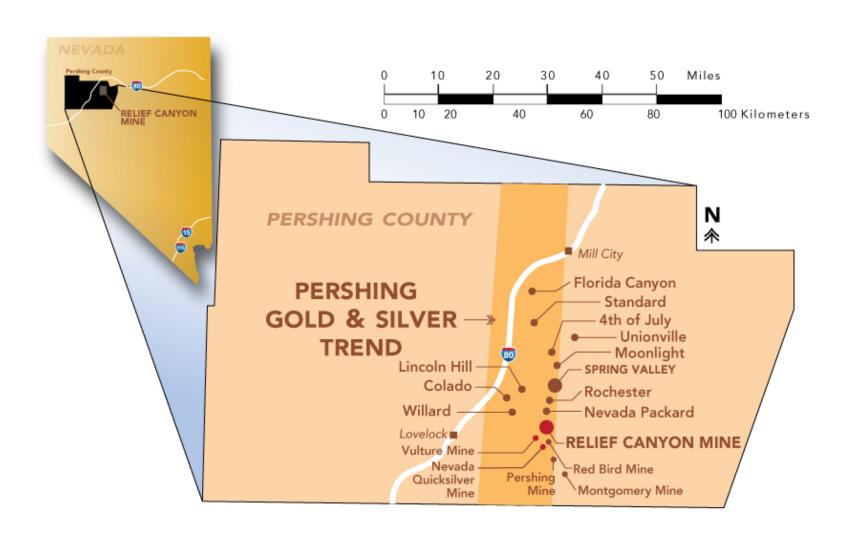
#### **Alex Morrison**

#### **Director**

- CPA with 25+ years experience in mining industry
- Formerly CFO, Franco Nevada

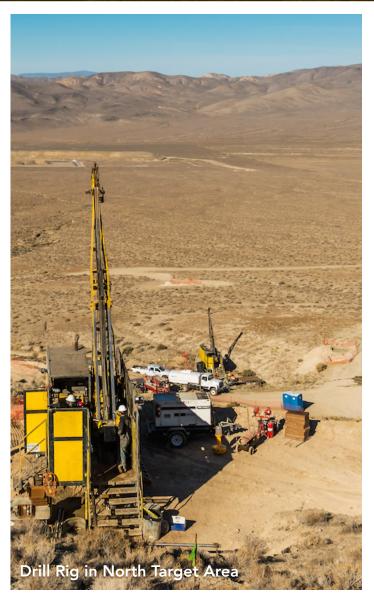


## Relief Canyon Mine is Situated in a Known Gold and Silver Trend



### pershing gold | Business Model

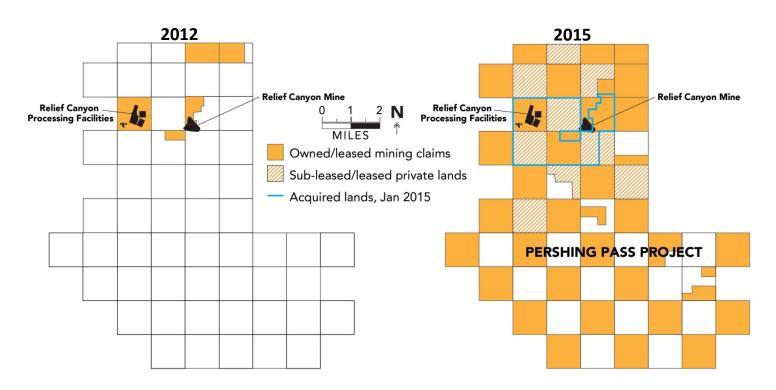
- Advance Relief Canyon Mine to commercial production
- Expand and upgrade
   Relief Canyon deposit
   by development drilling
- Explore land position to discover and develop additional gold deposits
- Create value through strategic acquisitions



## pershing gold A Growth Story: 2012 to 2015

- Grew land position from 1,100 to ~25,000 acres
- Received permits to re-start mining in existing disturbance
- Grew Market Capitalization from ~\$48MM million to ~\$130MM

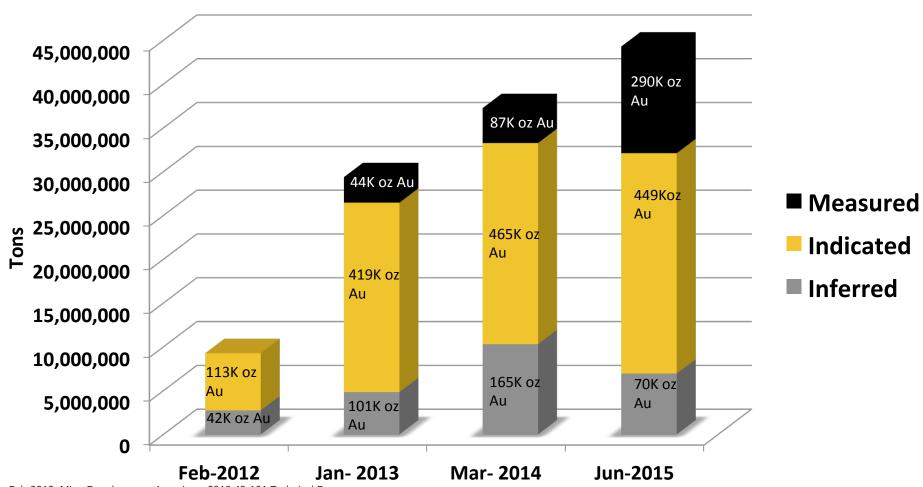
- Built Operational Team
  - Hired COO, Senior VP, General Manager, Process Manager, Mine Engineer
- Completed metallurgical, engineering and geotechnical work
- Grew resource estimate >520%



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# 2014-2015, 34% Increase in Measured and Indicated Resource

### **Growing NI 43-101 Resource Estimate**



Feb 2012: Mine Development Associates 2010 43-101 Technical Report Jan 2013: Roscoe Postle Associates Inc. 43-101 Whittle Pit Resource

Mar 2014: Mine Development Associates 43-101 Block Model Resource Estimate
June 2015: Mine Development Associates 43-101 Block Model Resource Estimate

## pershing gold June 2015 Resource Upgrade

Category	Cutoff	Tons	Gold Grade		Total Gold
Category	(opt Au)	IOIIS	(oz/ton)	(gpt)	(Ounces)
Measured- Oxide	0.005	12,182,000	0.024	0.822	290,000
Indicated – Oxide	0.005	24,736,000	0.017	0.582	426,000
Indicated - Sulfide	0.020	417,000	0.054	1.849	23,000
Indicated Total	Variable	25,153,000	0.018	0.616	449,000
Measured & Indicated Total	Variable	37,335,000	0.020	0.685	739,000
Inferred - Oxide	0.005	6,928,000	0.010	0.342	70,000
Inferred - Sulfide	0.020	2,000	0.025	0.856	>100
Inferred Total	Variable	6,930,000	0.010	0.342	70,000

#### Notes:

- 1. Canadian Institute of Mining, Metallurgy and Petroleum definitions were used to categorize the Mineral Resource.
- 2. Mine Development Associates Geologist, Paul Tietz, is the qualified person responsible for this resource estimate.
- 3. This updated resource estimate includes the results from the 141 core hole drilling program (~80,000 feet, 24,000 meters) completed in 2014 and early 2015 in the North Target Area and pit areas.
- 4. Rounding may cause apparent inconsistencies.
- 5. See Cautionary Notes on page 2.

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# **Creating Value Through Strategic Transactions**

### August 2011

 Investors acquired Relief Canyon open-pits and processing facility for \$20 million

#### March 2012

 Acquisition of ~9,700 acres of mining claims on Pershing Pass Property, south of Relief Canyon

### April 2012

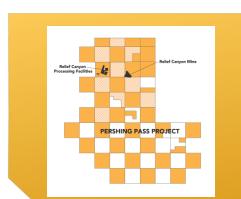
 Acquisition of ~13,300 acres of mining claims and patented lands surrounding Relief Canyon from Victoria Gold

### February 2013

- Expansion of landholdings by ~2,630 acres at Relief Canyon

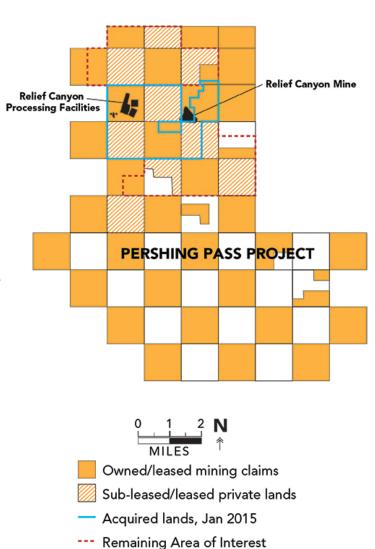
### January 2015

Landmark deal with Newmont consolidating Relief Canyon Lands



## January 2015: Landmark Deal with Newmont Gold

- Acquired appx. 2,900 acres of new long-term mining leases and mining claims
- Terminated back-in rights and reduced royalty
- Acquired new surface rights for mine facilities expansion
- \$6 million purchase price
- Expanded exploration relationship in the district





# Relief Canyon Mine and Processing Facility



## pershing gold | Permitted Processing Facility

- State-of-the-art, permitted heap-leach facility
- Leach pad has 21-million ton capacity
- Plant size can accommodate future growth of the deposit
- Ideally situated to process discoveries from satellite deposits





Facilities Ready to Receive and Process the Deposit

## pershing gold | Metallurgical Testing

- Positive column leach metallurgical tests
- Results show higher gold recoveries than previous operators (Pegasus recovered ~65%)
- ~78-91% recoveries from crushed and agglomerated material in ~70 days of leaching
- Column tests underway for large diameter core samples from Lower and Jasperoid Zones
- Test work underway on bulk sample to optimize crush size on leach pad and predict run-of-mine recoveries



### Sequential and Seamless Permitting Strategy

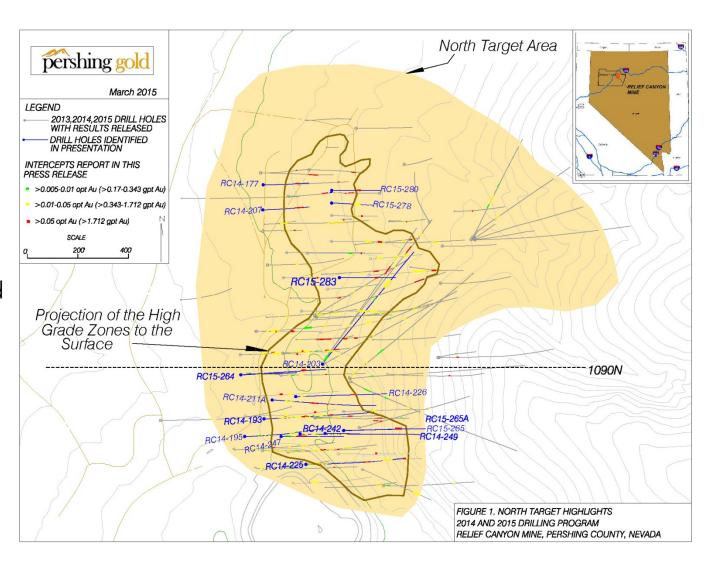
- 1. Permits to start mining in the pit and operate the heap leach facilities approved in September 2014
- 2. Permit modifications submitted in Q1 2015 to expand the pit above-the-water-table in 2016
- 3. Additional permitting planned in 2016 for future mine expansion below the water table

## This Permitting Strategy Minimizes Risk of Permitting Delays



## pershing gold | 2014-Early 2015 Drilling Program

- 134 core holes
- 74,000 feet of drilling
- Results
   incorporated
   into new
   resource
   estimate
- Expands size of high-grade gold zone in North Target Area
- Grades in North
   Target Area
   much higher
   than average
   grade of
   deposit
- ~\$4.2 million



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# 2014-Early 2015 North Target Area Drilling Highlights

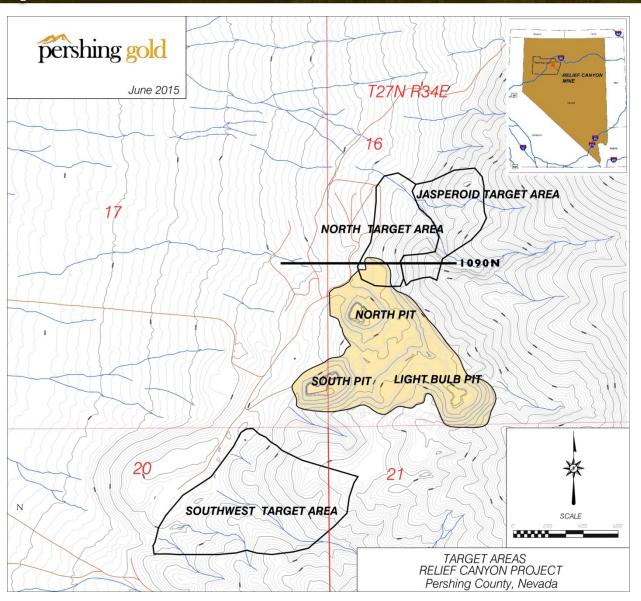
Core Hole #	From (feet)	To (feet)	Width (feet)	gpt gold	opt gold
RC14-177	408.1	494.2	86.1	3.562	0.104
including	460.0	485.0	25.0	9.641	0.281
RC14-193	90.0	441.7	351.7	0.896	0.026
RC14-195	106.5	307.0	200.5	0.941	0.027
including	301.8	307.0	5.2	29.700	0.867
RC14-203	478.1	536.2	58.1	4.070	0.119
including	485.0	492.6	7.6	21.650	0.632
RC14-207	429.2	562.0	132.8	1.810	0.053
RC14-211A	262,2	334.8	72.6	3.057	0.089
RC14-225	0.0	64.6	64.6	0.240	0.007
	408.5	463.5	55.0	4.020	0.117
RC14-226	394.7	423.0	28.3	5.004	0.146
including	394.7	413.8	19.1	6.909	0.202
RC14-242	0.0	20.0	20.0	1.320	0.039
	386.1	464.0	77.9	3.031	0.089
including	453.0	462.3	9.3	14.060	0.411
RC14-247	40.0	172.0	132.0	0.305	0.009
	185.0	299.6	114.6	2.193	0.064
RC14-249	0.0	65.0	65.0	0.445	0.013
	443.2	503.0	59.8	2.651	0.077
including	443.2	452.0	8.8	10.890	0.318
RC15-264	164.7	200.0	35.3	0.272	0.008
	450.0	489.0	39.0	10.120	0.295
including	462.8	467.5	4.7	76.800	2.243
	509.4	543.0	33.6	3.896	0.114
including	531.8	540.0	8:2	14.995	0.438
RC15-265	375.0	420.4	45.4	2.854	0.083
RC15-265A	376.8	422.0	45.2	7.859	0.229
including	391.7	422.0	30.3	11.422	0.334
including	407.0	410.0	3.0	87.912	2.567
RC15-278	268.0	344.2	76.2	1.372	0.040
	410.0	447.0	37.0	5.069	0.148
including	424.7	426.1	1.5	123.900	3.618
RC15-280	296.6	338.0	41.4	3.541	0.103
RC15-283	411.5	446.6	35.1	9.886	0.289
including	431.6	444.5	12.9	25.367	0.741
including	437.2	440.5	3.3	84.319	2.462



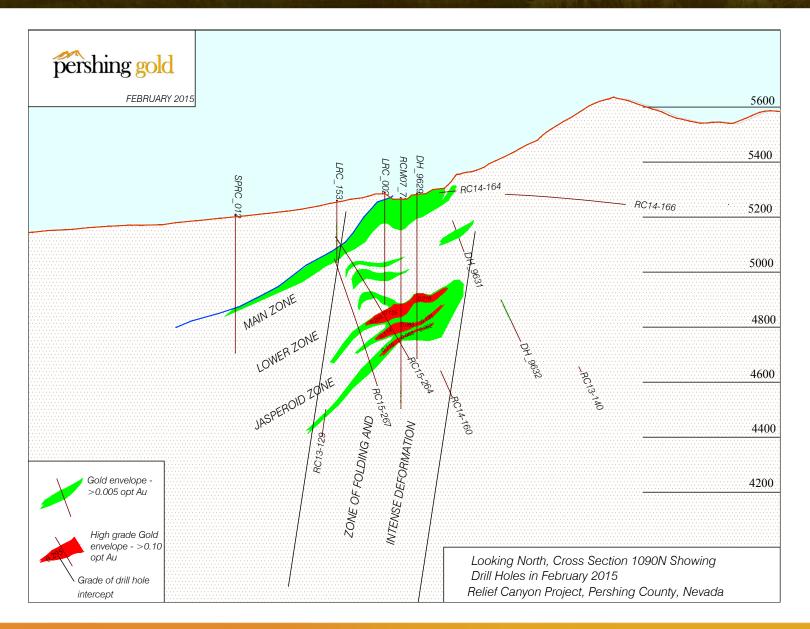
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# 2015 Development and Exploration

- Southwest Target Area
- North Target Area
- Jasperoid Target
   Area
- Targeting along Front Range
- 100 core holes
- 75,000 feet
- ~\$4.4 million

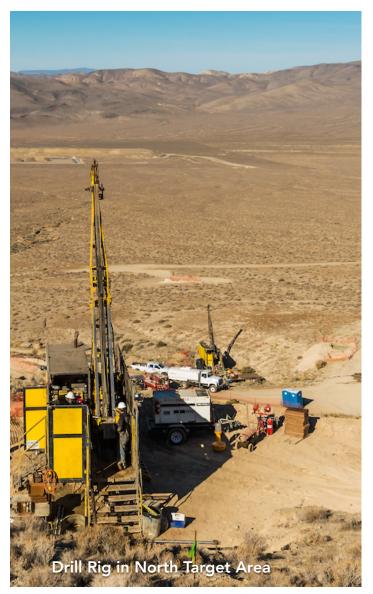


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## pershing gold | 2015 Drilling Program Highlights

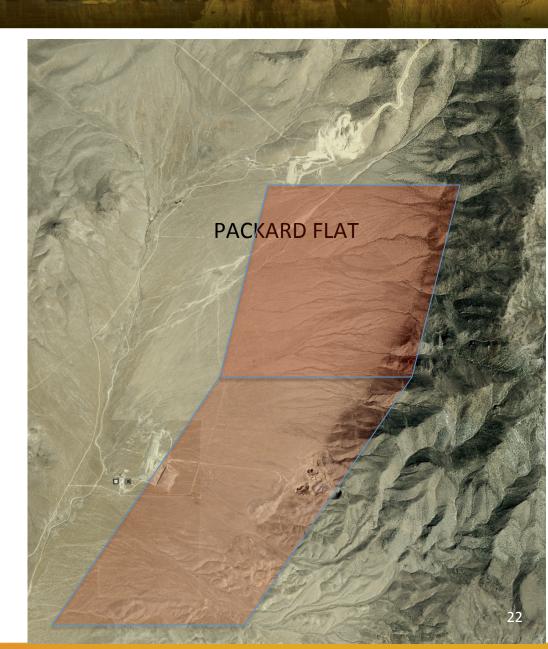
<b>Core Hole</b>	From	To	Width	gpt gold	oz/ton gold	Target
Number		feet		<b>0.</b> 0		Area
RC15-289	327.5	338.5	11	1.081	0.032	Southwest
RC15-290	339	349.8	10.8	1.099	0.032	Southwest
RC15-292	215	278.7	63.7	2.074	0.061	Southwest
RC15-292A	214.8	269.8	55	2.611	0.076	Southwest
RC15-295	392.2	411	18.8	2.108	0.062	Southwest
	434.7	460	25.3	0.598	0.017	Southwest
RC15-296	218.7	241.6	22.9	0.275	0.008	North
	250.4	282	31.6	1.536	0.045	North
	416.4	432	15.6	0.566	0.017	North
RC15-297	381.8	407	25.2	0.961	0.028	Southwest
RC15-298	338	355.8	17.8	1.304	0.038	North
	375.1	420	44.9	1.44	0.042	
RC15-300	58.5	74.2	15.7	0.464	0.014	North
	205	251.7	46.7	1.18	0.034	
	332	380.2	48.2	7.49	0.219	
including	340.9	354	13.1	17.335	0.506	
	521.6	555	33.4	0.88	0.026	
RC15-301	300	345.5	45.5	1.939	0.057	Southwest
RC15-302	452	467.7	15.7	1.163	0.034	North
RC15-303	277.1	315	37.9	1.003	0.029	Southwest
RC15-305	203.9	304	100.1	1.45	0.042	Southwest
RC15-307	150	180	30	1.028	0.03	Southwest
RC15-307A	150	194.6	44.6	0.646	0.019	Southwest
RC15-308	334.4	360	25.6	0.786	0.023	North
	393	452	59	1.124	0.033	
RC15-309	204	248.4	44.4	0.633	0.018	Southwest
RC15-310	466	510	44	1.017	0.03	North
	579	605.2	26.2	2.905	0.085	
RC15-311	349	385	36	1.342	0.039	Southwest
	475	495.2	20.2	0.825	0.024	
RC15-314	10.5	62	51.5	7.032	0.205	Jasperoid
including	39	41.8	2.8	108.72	3.175	



### pershing gold 2015 EXPLORATION

#### TARGETING ALONG **RANGE FRONT**

- 1. Target development continues along the Packard Flat eastern range front
- 2. Detailed geologic mapping and rock and soil sampling programs
- 3. Additional geophysical surveys
- 4. Road Building/trenching and Drilling at Buffalo Mountain
- 5. Drilling at South Relief Project
- 6. Drilling along Range Front?



## pershing gold | Capital Structure

Capital Structure <sup>1</sup>	
Common Shares Outstanding	21,707,671
Series E Convertible Preferred Stock <sup>2</sup>	1,851,350
Warrants	3,027,754
Warrant Terms: 217,175 warrants - \$9.00 strike price/expire Dec 2015 796,787 warrants - \$8.10 strike price/expire Jan 2017 137,126 warrants - \$6.12 strike price/expire Jan 2017 785,045 warrants - \$7.92 strike price/expire Apr 2017 120,187 warrants - \$5.85 strike price/expire Oct 2017 8,334 warrants - \$5.40 strike price/expire Jan 2019 963,100 warrants - \$7.20 weighted average strike price/expiration, 746,433 dates between Aug 2016 through Mar 2022	3 from Series E
Stock Options	1,811,121
Debt <sup>3</sup>	\$0MM
Cash <sup>3</sup>	\$12.9MM
Insider Holdings <sup>4</sup>	50%
NASDAQ	PGLC
FWB	7PG1

<sup>1.</sup> As of 06/18/15. Warrants have an avg. strike price of \$7.65 and avg. remaining life of 1.5 years. Options have an avg. exercise price of \$7.21.

<sup>2.</sup> Common stock resulting from conversion of Series E Preferred Stock. Series E shares pay no interest or dividends.

<sup>3.</sup> As of 6/30/15.

<sup>4.</sup> Includes Barry Honig, Director, 23.7%; Frost Gamma Investment Trust, 12.9%; Levon Resources Ltd., 8.3%; Steve Alfers, CEO, 3.2%; and all other directors and officers, 1.9%. Includes voting securities, including shares of Common Stock issuable upon the conversion of Series E preferred stock.

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- Upgraded Resource
- NASDAQ & Frankfurt Listings
- 2015 Drilling Program
- Institutional Targeting
- TSX Listing
- Publish Economics
  - Production rate, costs, life-of-mine, NAV, etc.
- Start-up Decision
  - Dependent on economics
- Advance Exploration Targets







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