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# HIGHLIGHTS: MIDAS GOLD & THE STIBNITE GOLD PROJECT

## WORLD CLASS GOLD PROJECT (1, 2)

- Low geopolitical risk Idaho, USA a stable mining jurisdiction
- Brownfields site Restoration of extensive prior disturbance
- Positive Pre-Feasibility Study US\$832 million NPV at \$1,350 gold, 19.3% IRR (after tax at 5% discount rate)
- Multi-million ounce deposit 8<sup>th</sup> largest gold reserve in USA
- Size 4 million oz gold produced over 12 year mine life
- Superior grade 1.6g/t gold; 4<sup>th</sup> highest grade open pit in USA
- Scale 388,000 oz gold/year for first 4 years; 337,000 oz gold/year LOM
- Modest capital intensity US\$242/oz life of mine production
- Low all-in sustaining costs \$US526/oz for first 4 years (cash cost + royalties + sustaining capital)
- Strong after-tax cash flow US\$294 million/year (Years 1-4); US\$254 million/year (Years 1-8)
- Strategic by-products Antimony + silver with production proven metallurgy
- **Exploration potential** All deposits open to expansion and multiple exploration prospects

## **SOCIAL LICENCE**

- Community Support Strong local and state support
- Financial Support Paulson, Franco-Nevada and Teck
- Corporate Depth Experienced management team and strong boards with local connections
- Well Funded ~US\$42.2 million



(1) The Pre-Feasibility Study ("PFS") is intended to be read as a whole and sections should not be read or relied upon out of context. The information in this presentation is subject to the assumptions, exclusions and qualifications contained in the PFS. See "Regulatory Information" at the end of this presentation.

(2) See non-IFRS measures at conclusion



# **ABOUT MIDAS GOLD**

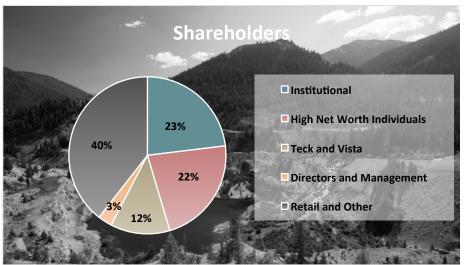
- IPO in 2011 with sole focus on advancing the Stibnite Gold Project, Idaho, USA
- COUS\$137m spent on the Project since 2009
  - ~99,450m of drilling by Midas Gold
  - ~136,400m of drilling pre-Midas Gold
  - PFS completed
  - 3+ years of environmental baseline data collected
- 175 million shares issued
- Major shareholders include:
  - M&G
  - Franklin

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Teck Corp.
Vista Gold

- Gabelli
- Sun Valley
   Vista Gold
- Franco Nevada purchase a 1.7% NSR in 2013
- Teck purchased 9.9% in 2013
- Paulson backstopped C\$55 million financing in March 2016
- Experienced management team and strong boards with local connections



# **PAULSON - STRATEGIC INVESTMENT IN MIDAS GOLD**

- C\$55.2 million investment backstopped by Paulson – March 2016
  - Current shareholders participated for C\$20.7 million
  - Paulson took up balance (C\$34.5 million)
- 0.05% coupon, senior unsecured convertible debenture
- 7-year term, redeemable after 4 years
- Funds the permitting process and feasibility for the Stibnite Gold Project
- Funding certainty for 3+ year period
- Adds cornerstone committed gold investor with strong balance sheet



"We are excited to be investing in one of North America's largest, highest quality gold development projects. With funding certainty, the team at Midas Gold will be able to continue to advance the Stibnite Gold Project. Following shareholder approval, we look forward to working with Midas Gold to see this project through the regulatory process, and into site restoration and development." -Victor Flores, Partner, Paulson & Co.

# NAV SENSITIVITIES IN RISING GOLD PRICE ENVIRONMENT

### NAV Sensitivities (US\$)

	US\$1,200/oz Au <sup>(1)</sup>	US\$1,350/oz Au <sup>(2)</sup>	US\$1,500/oz Au <sup>(3)</sup>
Project NPV5%	\$513M	\$832M	\$1,129M
Cash on Hand	\$42M	\$42M	\$42M
Net Asset Value	\$555M	\$874M	\$1,171M
NAVPS <sup>(4)</sup>	\$1.75	\$2.75	\$3.69

<sup>(1)</sup> PFS Case A: \$1,200/oz Au, \$20/oz Ag, \$4.00/lb Sb, after-tax

 $^{(2)}$  PFS Case B (Base Case): \$1,350/oz Au, \$22.50/oz Ag, \$4.50/lb Sb, after-tax

<sup>(3)</sup> PFS Case C: \$1,500/oz Au, \$25/oz Ag, \$5.00/lb Sb, after-tax

<sup>(4)</sup> Assumes debentures converted to common shares



# VALUE OPPORTUNITY



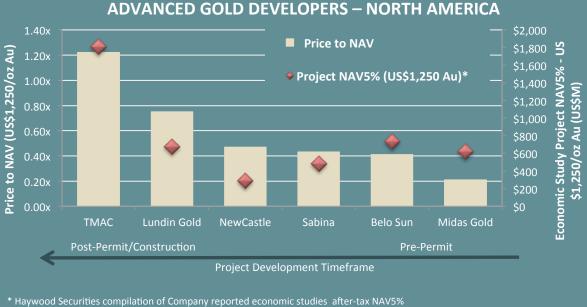
Rainy/Romarco Comparison: Large scale deposits often get acquired after permitting, feasibility

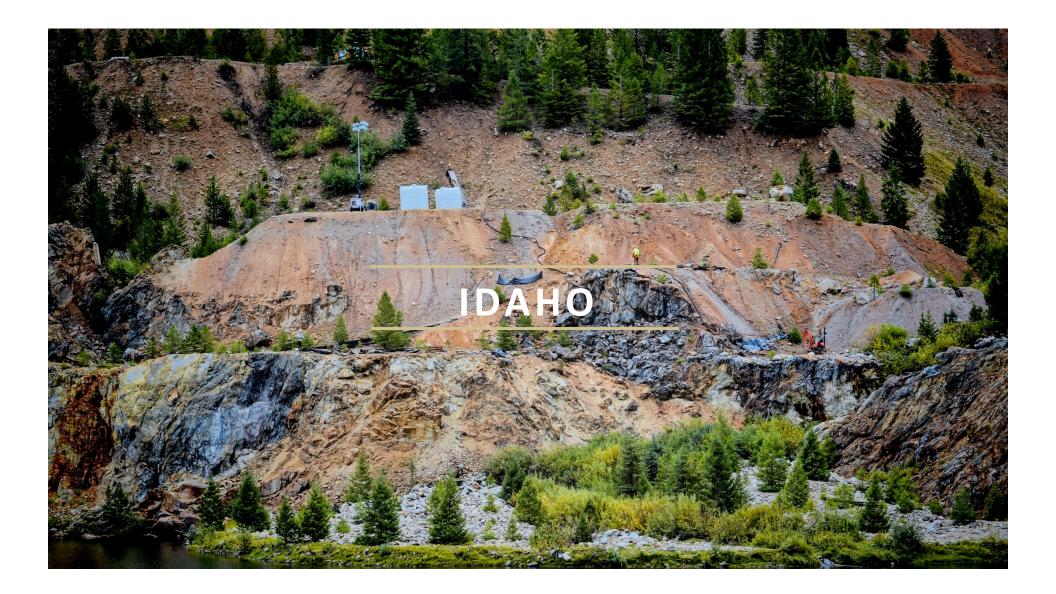
Takeover Precedents	Rainy River	Romarco	Kaminak
Date Acquired	31-May-13	30-Jul-15	12-May-16
Acquirer	New Gold	OceanaGold	Goldcorp
Takeover Value (C\$M)	\$385	\$856	\$520M
Premium (%)	67%	72%	40%
43-101 Reserves (Moz Au)	4.0	2.0	2.2
Per Oz Reserves (C\$/oz)	\$77	\$293	\$218
Project	Rainy River	Haile	Coffee
Stage at Takeover	Post BFS,	Post BFS,	Post BFS, Adv.
	Adv. Permitting	Permitted	Permitting
Project NPV5% (US\$M)*	\$656	\$329	\$438
Takeover P/NAV*	0.50x	1.22x	0.84x
Takeover Consensus P/			
Target**	0.65x	0.84x	1.12x
*BFS Study, After-Tax NPV			
**Analyst Consensus		Source: Haywood Securities	

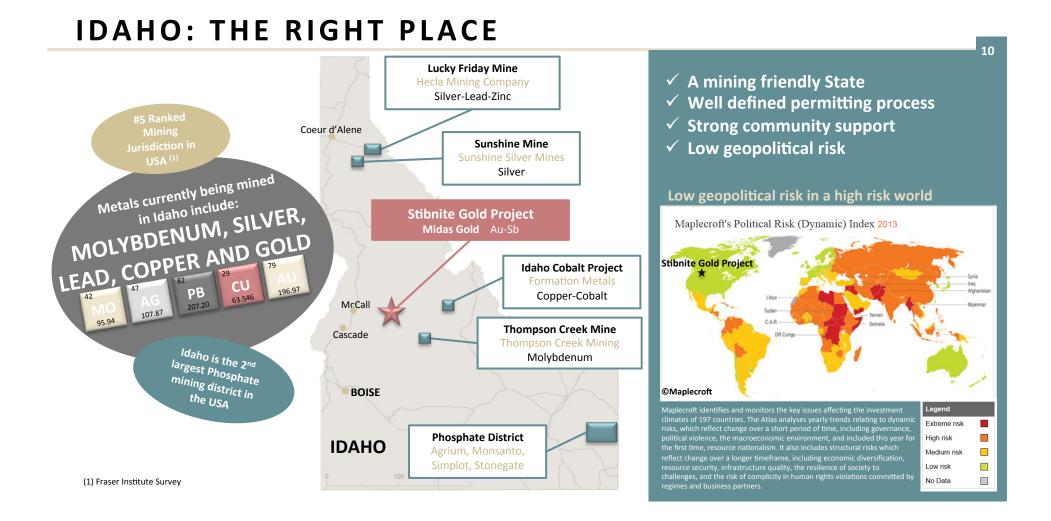
- Development costs lower through a down-cycle
- Construction readiness for a medium-term improvement to gold price

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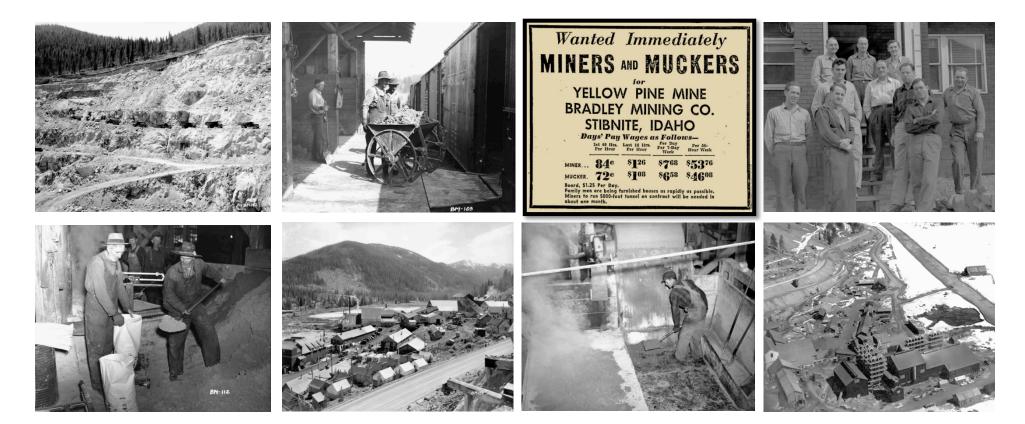
Fully permitted projects traditionally attract higher valuation multiples







# STIBNITE, IDAHO: A RICH HISTORY OF MINING



# **STIBNITE'S LEGACY** BROWNFIELDS SITE & RESTORATION OPPORTUNITY

**Example:** *Fish Passage blocked since 1938* 





Midas Gold would: Restore fish passage



# THE STIBNITE GOLD PROJECT

An economically feasible, socially & environmentally sound project...

- >\$1 billion to be invested in Idaho
- ~1,000 well-paid jobs
- 20-year project, including construction, operations and reclamation



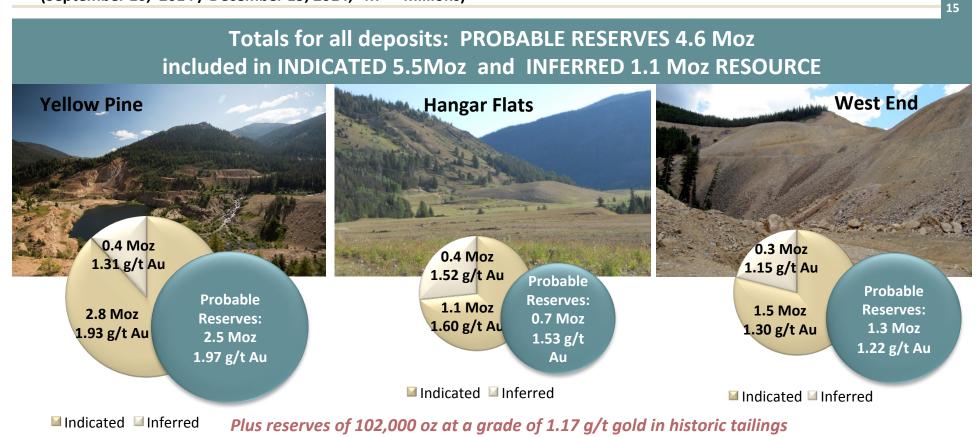
...that will finance restoration at an existing brownfields site...

- Re-establish fish passage in the upper watershed
- Rehabilitate stream channels and create wetlands
- Remove and reprocess existing tailings
- Reuse existing spent ore & waste rock for new construction
- Rehabilitate historical impacts

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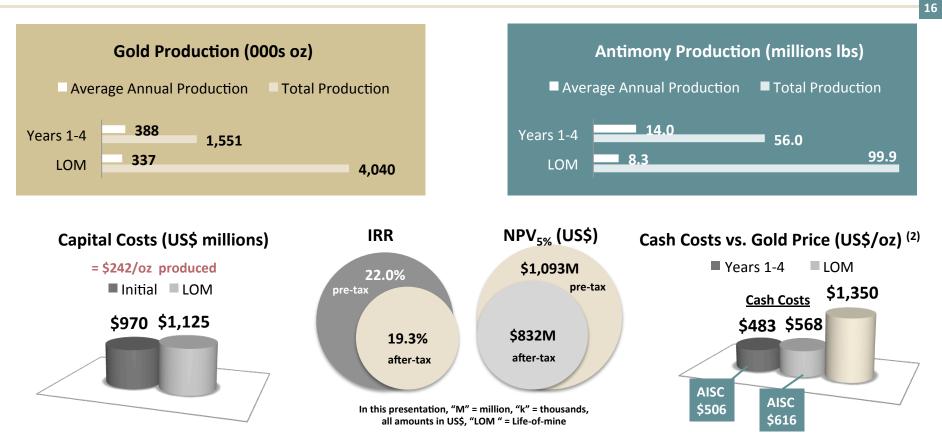
# WORLD CLASS MINERAL RESOURCES AND RESERVES\*

(September 10, 2014 / December 15, 2014; "M" = millions)

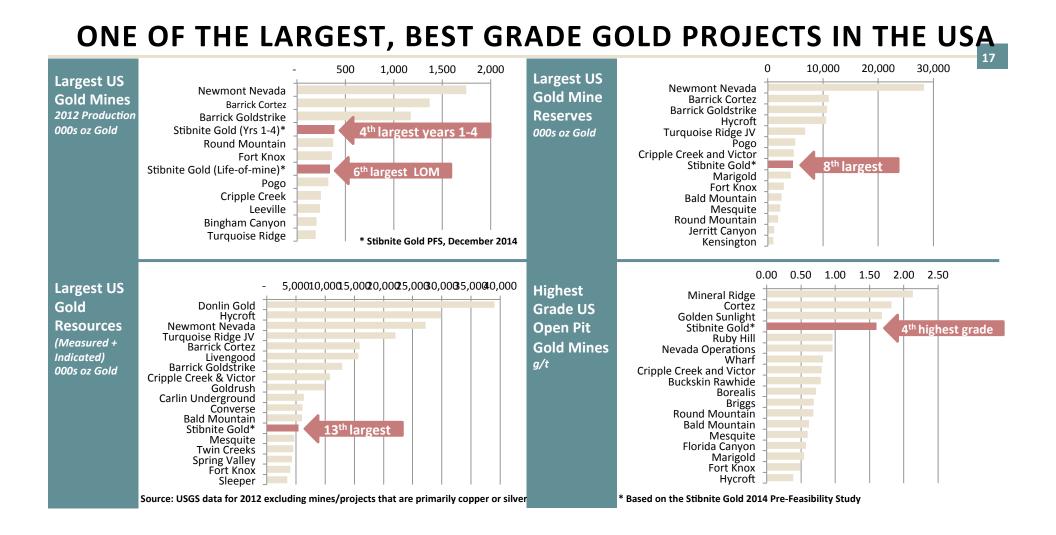


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# **POSITIVE PRELIMINARY FEASIBILITY STUDY (PFS)**\*

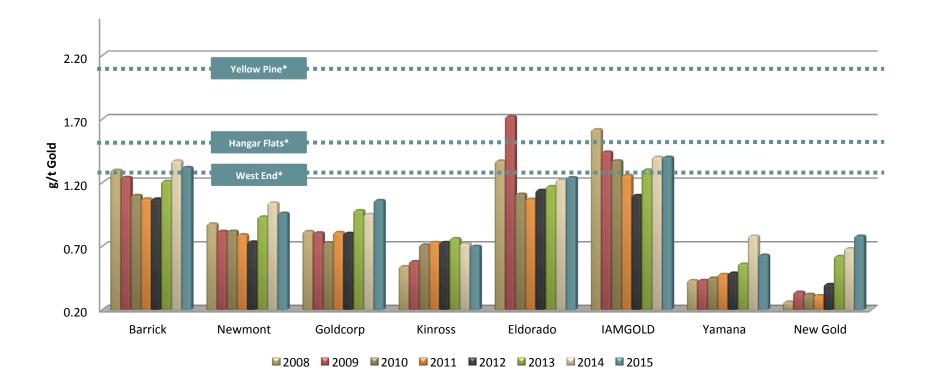


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# SUPERIOR RESERVE GRADE...

...VS. MAJOR GOLD PRODUCER RESERVES



\* Stibnite Gold numbers are mineral reserve grades from the 2014 PFS

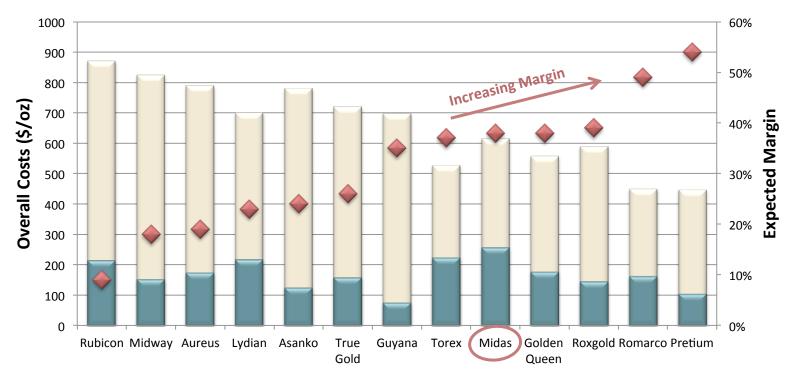
Source: Bank of America Merrill Lynch – North America Precious Metals Weekly and public company disclosure

# **CREATING VALUE THROUGH BUILDING PROJECTS**



Source: RBC Research Report (March 2016): ThomsonOne, Company Reports, RBC Capital Markets estimates

# DEVELOPER EXPECTED MARGIN CURVE BASED ON ~US\$1200/oz



Source: Macquarie Capital Markets

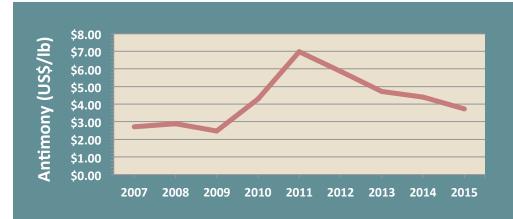
# STRATEGIC BY-PRODUCTS

## POTENTIAL BY-PRODUCT CREDITS FROM ANTIMONY & POSSIBLY TUNGSTEN

## **Supply Risk** - China dominates world antimony & tungsten supply

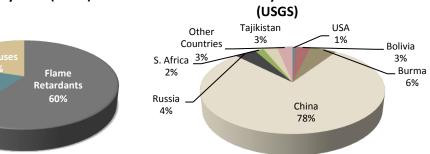
- No domestic U.S. antimony or tungsten mine production
- U.S. is reliant on China for majority of its antimony & tungsten
- Chinese supply is falling
- Export restrictions from China since 2009

## Potential for new U.S. legislation aimed at developing U.S. production of critical minerals



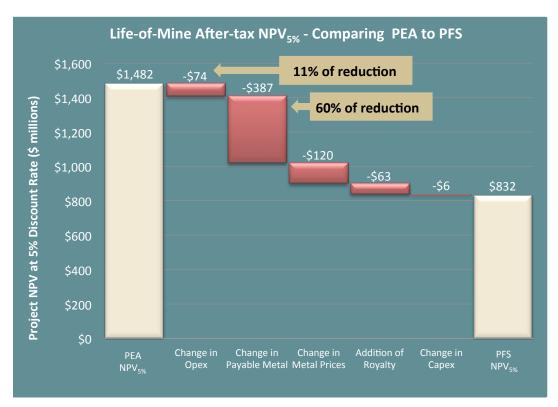
### Antimony Uses (USGS) **World Antimony Production 2014** (USGS) Tajikistan USA Other 1% 3% Countries Bolivia S. Africa 3% 3% Burma Flame 2% Batteries & 6% Retardants allovs 60% Russia 20% China 4% 78%

# Effectiveness of antimony flame retardant (left coverall)



# STIBNITE GOLD PROJECT PFS OPPORTUNITIES

# **PFS vs PEA – NET PRESENT VALUE** REDUCED PAYABLE METALS IS SOURCE OF LARGEST REDUCTION IN NPV



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## **Changes:**

- Decrease in payable metal:
  - Inferred resources excluded in PFS
  - Changes in mineral resource estimation process

- Decrease in metal prices
- Increases to OPEX
  - Finer grinding
    - Increased electricity costs & consumption, grinding media consumption
  - Unit mining costs
    - Lower cost Hangar Flats material eliminated
    - More detailed haulage profiles
- Addition of 1.7% royalty

# PRINCIPAL OPPORTUNITIES

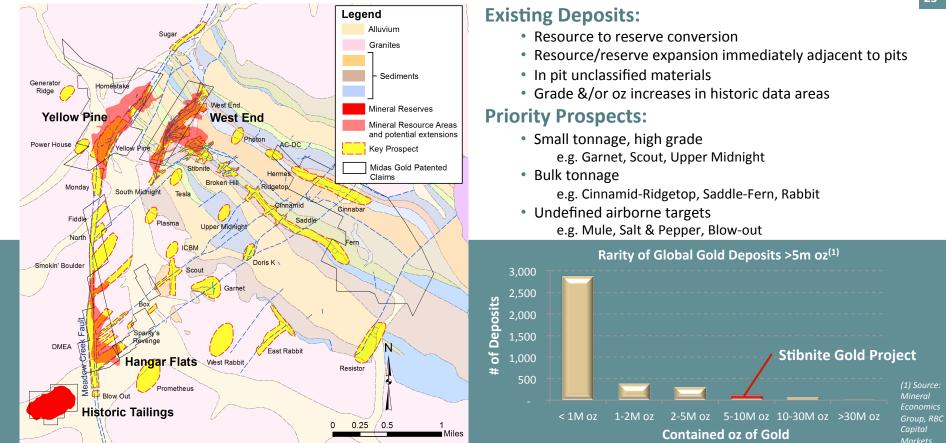
## LARGEST POTENTIAL IMPACT LIKELY TO COME FROM MORE PAYABLE METAL

MINING	PROCESSING	CAPITAL	INCREASE RESERVES AT GOOD GRADES
<ul> <li>Optimizing scheduling, sequencing and stockpiling</li> <li>In pit resource to reserve conversion</li> <li>Optimize pit slopes to reduce stripping</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Optimize grind size/ recovery</li> <li>Secondary processing of antimony concentrates</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Third party funding of offsite infrastructure</li> <li>Reduced construction schedule</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>In pits</li> <li>Beside pits</li> <li>In new, higher grade, underground deposits</li> </ul>

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# **RESOURCE & RESERVE POTENTIAL**



# **IN- & NEXT-TO-PIT RESERVE ADDITION POTENTIAL**

## **INSIDE THE PFS RESERVE PITS**

- Converting some or all of 346k oz Au @ 1.1 g/t Au in inferred mineral resources\* to mineral reserves, also reducing strip ratio
- 50-100k oz Au in partially drilled waste dumps currently treated as waste rock\*\*
- 50-100k oz Au + 30-50M lbs Sb through more detailed drilling of higher grade core of Yellow Pine, where historic data restricted or excluded\*\*

\* See slide 51 for disclaimer regarding Inferred Mineral Resources

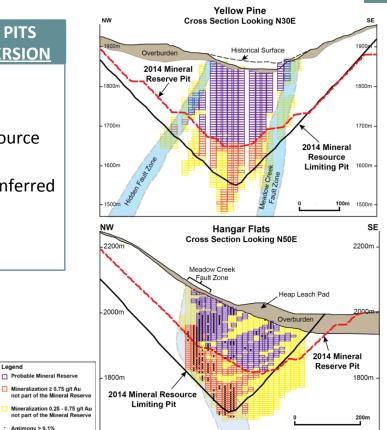
\*\* See slide 51 for disclaimer regarding geologic exploration potential

## **AROUND THE PFS RESERVE PITS** THROUGH RESOURCE CONVERSION

- 889k oz Au @ 1.7g/t Au in indicated mineral resources between reserve pit and resource pit
- 714k oz Au @ 1.5 g/t Au in inferred mineral resources\* between reserve pit and resource pit

Legend

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## EXPLORATION POTENTIAL AROUND THE PFS PITS

NE Yellow Pine, including intercepts of:

- 162ft @ 5.4g/t Au
- 45ft @ 5.9g/t Au

Hangar Flats below pit, including intercepts of:

- 125ft @ 3.1g/t Au, 1.45% Sb
- 249ft @ 1.6g/t Au, 2.5% Sb

Hangar Flats in the old DMEA workings area, which had intercepts of:

- 84ft @ 3.6g/t Au
- 157ft @ 5.1g/t Au, 0.30% Sb
- 294ft @ 1.6g/t Au, 2.76% Sb
- 125ft @ 6.6g/t Au, 0.51% Sb

West End, both along strike and deeper, including intercepts of:

- Deeper: 127ft @ 2.9g/t Au & 230ft @ 2.3g/t Au
- Along strike: 155ft @ 3.5g/t Au & 95ft @ 3.2g/t Au

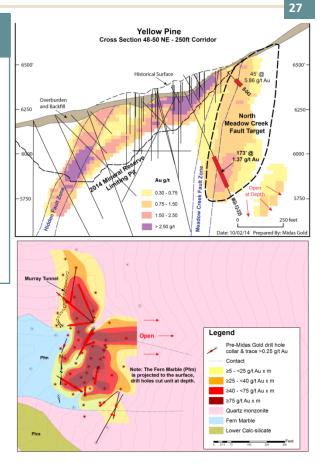
## HIGH GRADE <u>UNDERGROUND</u> PROSPECTS

**Garnet** conceptual underground target with 95 holes completed:

• 1-2m ton range containing 250 – 500k oz Au at grades of 5 – 8g/t Au

**Upper Midnight** is a high grade prospect, including intercepts of:

- 75ft @ 14.8g/t Au
- 100ft @ 6.7g/t Au
- 35ft @ 11.3g/t Au
- 25ft @ 15.6g/t Au



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# **PROJECT PRIORITIES (1) – COMMENCE PERMITTING**

## File a Plan of Restoration and Operations (a PRO)

- Our comprehensive restoration and closure plan will improve the environment and support the restoration of permanent fish passage
- Minimize impacts and maximize benefits to:
  - Communities
  - Environment
  - Local economy
- An integrated plan for:
  - Restoration of legacy mining impacts
  - Development of a modern mining operation
  - Well-paid jobs for hundreds of local people
- Show how we assessed alternatives for major Project components
- Show how we will repair and restore stream channels and wetlands



# PROJECT PRIORITIES (2) – LAUNCH FEASIBILITY WORK

## Metallurgy

- Enhance & optimize already robust PFS outcomes
  - Grind size
  - Flotation mass pull
  - Reagent dosages
  - Recoveries
- Provide FS level confidence results
  - Pilot scale POX plant program
- Support FS-level engineering



## Drilling designed to increase Project NPV and boost production

- Better define and increase early production, shallow, high grade mineralization
- Convert in-pit inferred resources to indicated
- Convert near-pit inferred resources to indicated
- Advance current prospects toward resource definition
- Replace historical data to increase confidence level



# **COMPLIANCE WITH NI43-101**

The technical information in this presentation (the "Technical Information") has been approved by Stephen P. Quin, P. Geo., President & CEO of Midas Gold Corp. (together with its subsidiaries, "Midas Gold") and a Qualified Person. Midas Gold's exploration activities at Stibnite Gold were carried out under the supervision of Christopher Dail, C.P.G., Qualified Person and Exploration Manager and Richard Moses, C.P.G., Qualified Person and Site Operations Manager. For readers to fully understand the information in this presentation, they should read the Pre-Feasibility Study Report (available on SEDAR or at www.midasgoldcorp.com) in its entirety (the "Technical Report"), including all qualifications, assumptions and exclusions that relate to the information set out in this presentation that qualifies the Technical Information. The Technical Report is intended to be read as a whole, and sections or summaries should not be read or relied upon out of context. The technical information in the Technical Report is subject to the assumptions and qualifications contained therein.

Mineral resources that are not mineral reserves do not have demonstrated economic viability. Mineral resource estimates do not account for mineability, selectivity, mining loss and dilution. These mineral resource estimates include inferred mineral resources that are considered too speculative geologically to have economic considerations applied to them that would enable them to be categorized as mineral reserves. There is also no certainty that these Inferred mineral resources will be converted to the Measured and Indicated categories through further drilling, or into mineral reserves, once economic considerations are applied.

Section 2.3 of NI 43-101 states that: Despite paragraph (1) (a), an issuer may disclose in writing the potential quantity and grade, expressed as ranges, of a target for further exploration if the disclosure

(a) states with equal prominence that the potential quantity and grade is conceptual in nature, that there has been insufficient exploration to define a mineral resource and that it is uncertain if further exploration will result in the target being delineated as a mineral resource; and

(b) states the basis on which the disclosed potential quantity and grade has been determined.

The mineral resources and mineral reserves at the Stibnite Gold Project are contained within areas that have seen historic disturbance resulting from prior mining activities. In order for Midas Gold to advance its interests at Stibnite, the Project will be subject to a number of federal, State and local laws and regulations and will require permits to conduct its activities. However, Midas Gold is not aware of any environmental, permitting, legal or other reasons that would prevent it from advancing the project.

The PFS was compiled by M3 Engineering & Technology Corp. ("M3") which was engaged by Midas Gold Corp.'s wholly owned subsidiary, Midas Gold, Inc. ("MGI"), to evaluate potential options for the possible redevelopment of the Stibnite Gold Project based on information available up to the date of the PFS. Givens Pursley LLP (land tenure), Kirkham Geosystems Ltd. (mineral resources), Blue Coast Metallurgy Ltd. (metallurgy), Pieterse Consulting, Inc. (autoclave), Independent Mining Consultants Inc. (mine plan and mineral reserves), Allen R. Anderson Metallurgical Engineer Inc. (recovery methods), HDR Engineering Inc. (access road), SPF Water Engineering, LLC (water rights) and Tierra Group International Ltd. (tailings, water management infrastructure and closure) also contributed to the PFS. Additional details of responsibilities are provided in the technical report filed on SEDAR in December 2014. The PFS supersedes and replaces the technical report entitled 'Preliminary Economic Assessment Technical Report for the Golden Meadows Project, Idaho' prepared by SRK Consulting (Canada) Inc. and dated September 21, 2012 (PEA) and that PEA should no longer be relied upon.

# **NON-IFRS REPORTING MEASURES**

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