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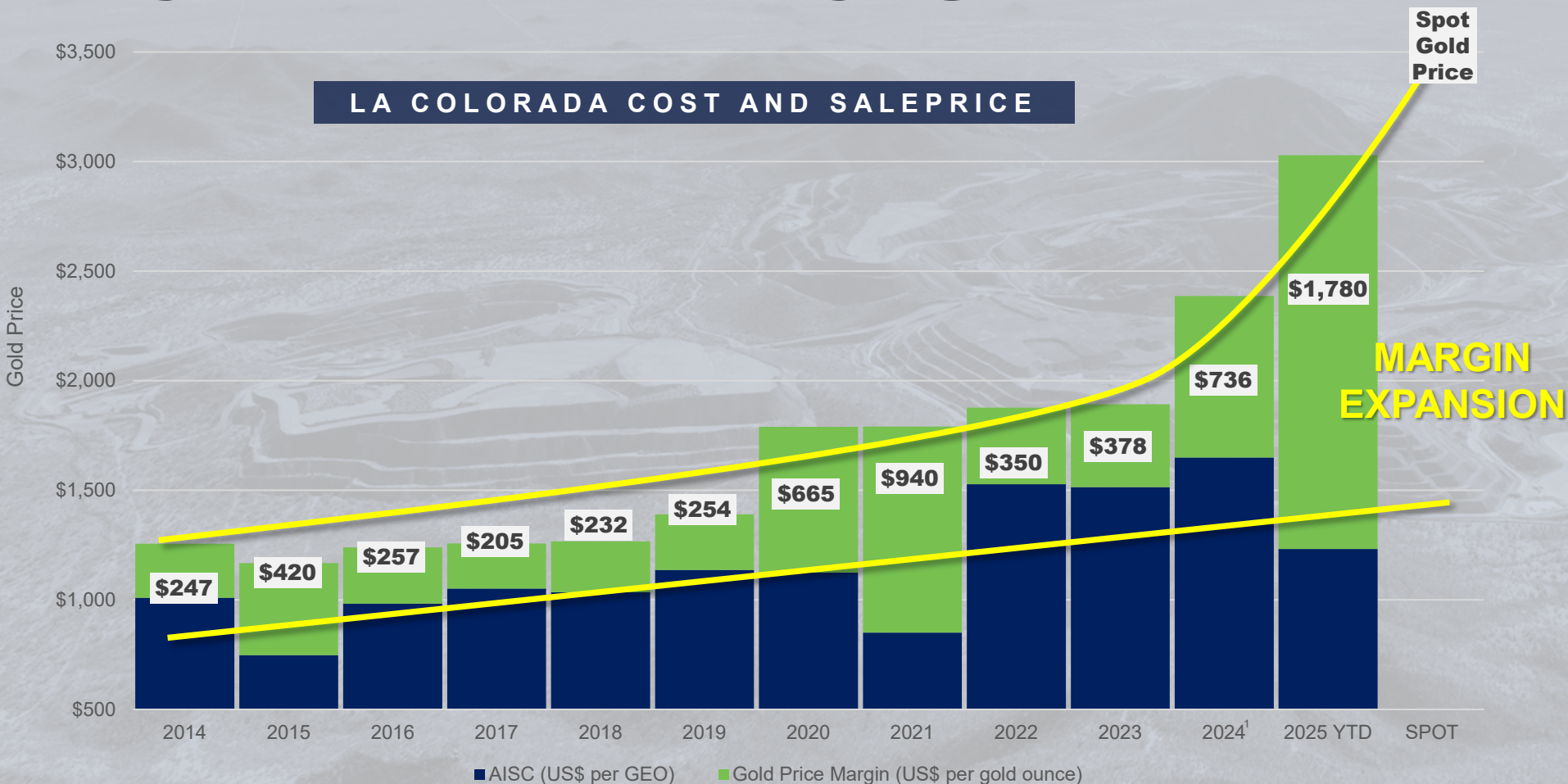
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# Why You Should be Buying Gold Producers



La Colorada has never sold gold for more per ounce in profit than 2025

This is representative of the industry with per ounce profit at its highest historical levels

*“Is today the best time in history to own a gold producer? If so, to own one that is growing is even better!”*

Notes:  
2014-2023 data sourced from owner annual financial reporting  
2024 AISC data from owner guidance and gold price from average 2024 spot gold price. Change due to incomplete reporting during asset sale  
2025 data from Heliostar reporting





# Ambition

BECOMING A MID TIER GOLD PRODUCER

*“Heliostar aims to be a premier precious metals growth company; producing more than 500,000 ounce of gold per year by 2030.*

*Building mines in the 100-250kozpa production space has been abdicated by the major mining companies.*

*Gold deposits regularly grow larger, and this space is a proven pathway to building a multi-billion-dollar business.”*

- Charles Funk, CEO



# Our Portfolio – A Strong 100% Owned Pipeline



## La Colorada Mine

### *Strong Turnaround in 2025*

- Restarted mining in January 2025
- Added 6 years of mine life averaging 50koz/year from pit expansions
- Exploration upside

Q3 2025

*Updated Technical Report*



## San Agustin Mine

### *Restarting Mining in 2025*

- Restart of mining on track Q4 2025
- Approved to expand open pit and raise leach pad
- Oxide growth and sulphide exploration drilling

Q3 2025

*Permits Received*



## Ana Paula Project

### *High Quality Development Project*

- Feasibility Study in progress targeting production in 2028
- ~60m wide High Grade Panel driving UG mine plan
- Minimum 15,000m of drilling in progress

H2 2026

*Feasibility Study*



## Cerro del Gallo Project

### *Second Development Project*

- Potential for long life heap leach mine
- Historic resource being updated with PFS
- Targeting 80-100koz/yr

Q4 2025

*Pre-Feasibility Study*



## San Antonio Project

### *Very Strong Economics*

- 1.0 g/t gold heap leach project
- 1.1 M gold oz production over 13 years
- PEA shows US\$715M NPV5, 59% IRR, and a US\$131M CAPEX at US\$2,600/oz gold

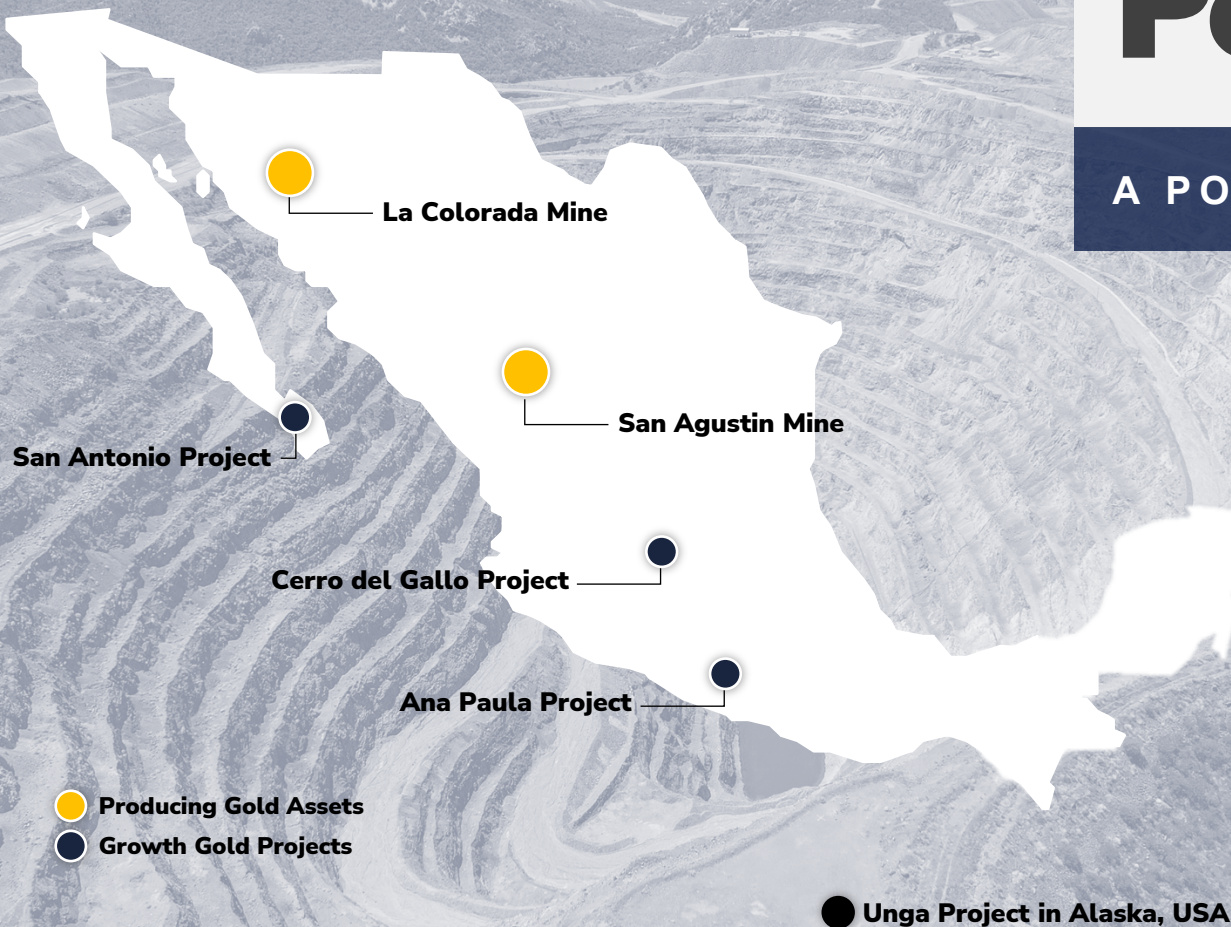
2025

*Advancing Studies*



# Portfolio Position

A PORTFOLIO OF 100% OWNED ASSETS IN MEXICO



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PRODUCING MINES

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GROWTH ASSETS

445 koz<sup>1</sup>

PROBABLE RESERVES

3.2 Moz<sup>1</sup>

CURRENT M&I RESOURCES

2.9 Moz<sup>3</sup>

HISTORIC M&I RESOURCE AT CERRO DEL GALLO – See Appendix Notes

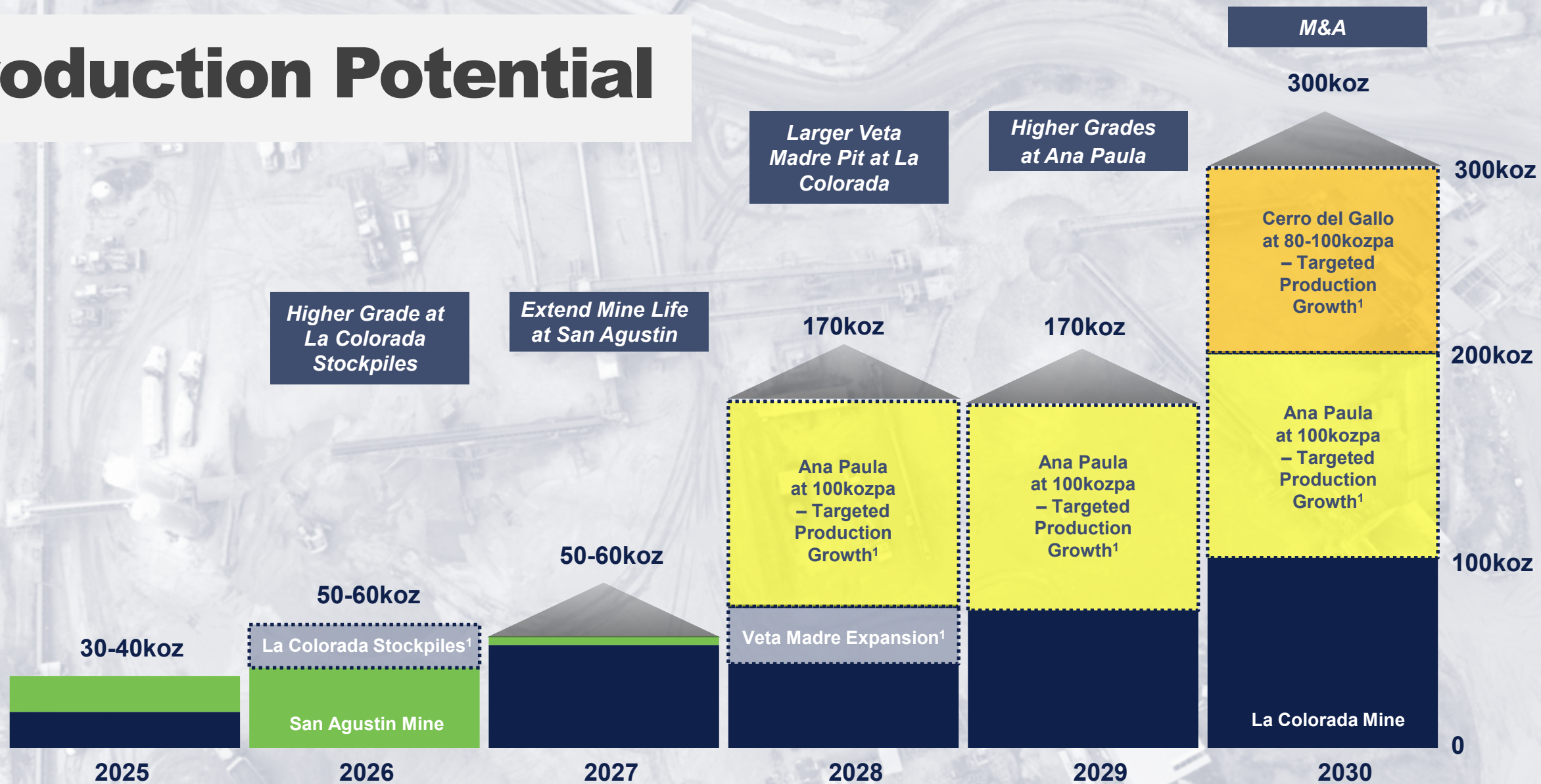
1.0 Moz<sup>2</sup>

CURRENT INFERRED RESOURCES

1. Tabulated from NI 43-101 reports (La Colorada – 2025, San Agustin – 2025 and Ana Paula – 2023)  
2. Tabulated from NI 43-101 reports (La Colorada – 2025, San Agustin – 2025, Ana Paula – 2023 and Unga – 2020)  
3. Tabulated from Historic NI 43-101 report (Cerro Del Gallo – 2019)



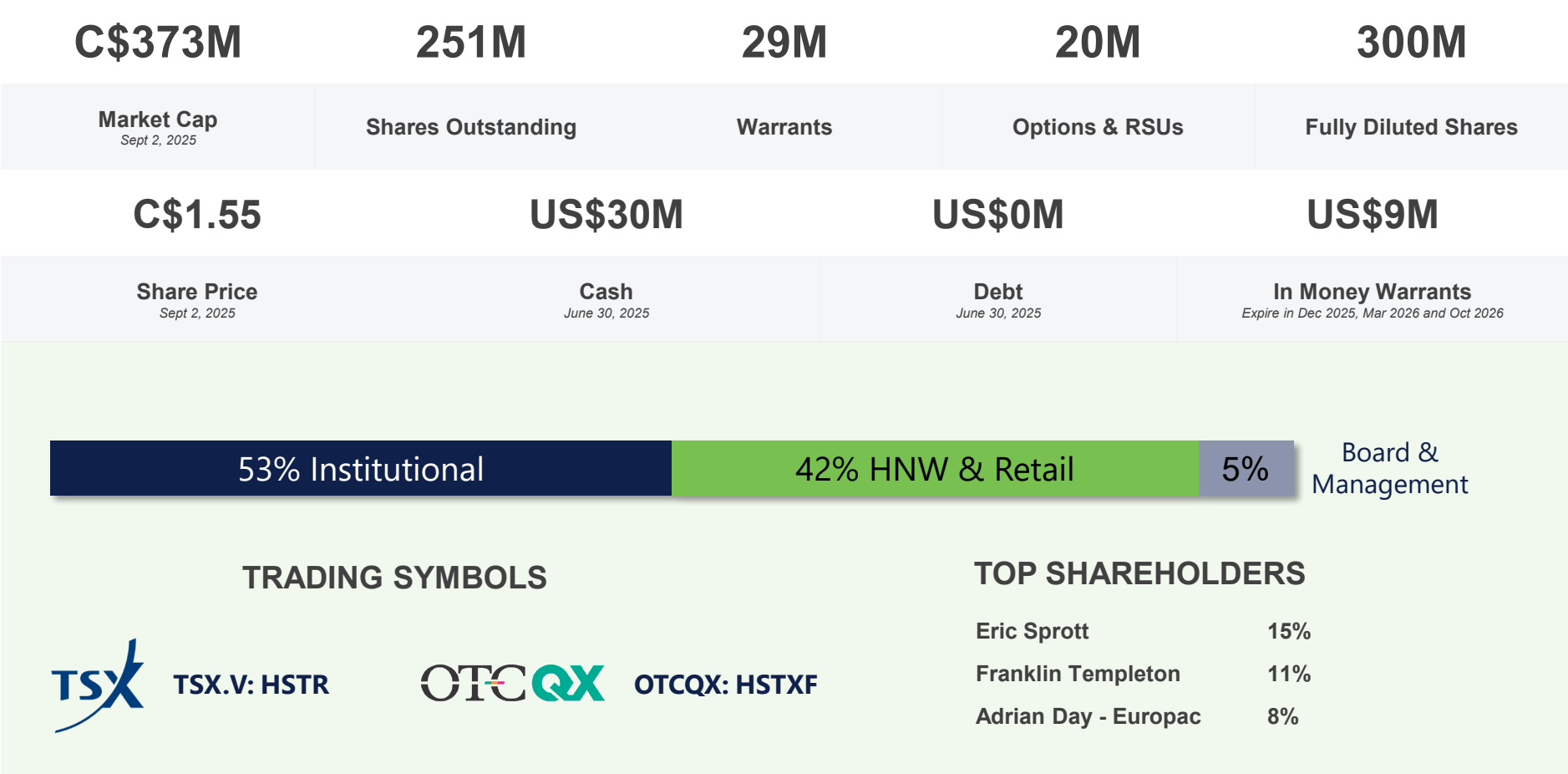
# Production Potential



1 – Dashed lines for La Colorada Stockpiles, Veta Madre expansion, Ana Paula and Cerro del Gallo are annual production targets only. The Company advises these are not supported by current technical reports and represent potential growth scenarios that require one or more of; a technical report, permits, funding and an investment decision



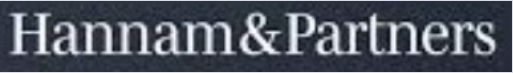
# Capitalization



## ANALYST COVERAGE



Richard Gray



Jonathan Guy



Mike Niehuser

## ANALYST WATCHLIST





# Our Team

## MANAGEMENT

**Charles Funk, BSS, BSc**  
President & CEO

Over 20 years in business development and exploration for companies including Newcrest Mining and OZ Minerals.

Led the Panuco discovery for Vizsla Silver in 2020.

**Vitalina Lyssoun, CPA, CA**  
CFO

A CPA accountant with more than 16 years of experience across diverse industries.

Ms. Lyssoun joined from Gatos Silver providing current operating experience in Mexico.

**Gregg Bush, BSc**  
COO

Proven mine builder with a strong track record of mine development, project integration and operations.

Served as COO of Capstone Mining for nine years and SVP of Mexico for Equinox Gold Corp.

**Sam Anderson, MSc, CPG**  
VP Projects

25 years experience, with 17 at Newmont as Mine Geology Supt. and Senior Manager of Exploration Business Development.

Significant roles at the Merian Mine in Suriname from resource stage, through studies, construction to steady state operation.

**Mike Gingles**  
VP Corporate Development

Extensive corporate and entrepreneurial experience in the mining industry.

He led the Pueblo Viejo and Turquoise Ridge transactions with Placer Dome.

**Stephen Soock, P. Eng., CFA**  
VP Investor Relations & Development

Stephen began his career working in various technical roles at mine sites across Canada.

Prior to joining Heliostar, he spent 8 years as a sell-side research analyst at Stifel covering growth and development companies in the junior precious metals space.

**Hernan Dorado**  
VP Sustainability & Special Projects

Hernan is the fifth mining generation of his family. He has over 20 years of experience in the mining industry in Mexico and overseas.

Most recently he was a founding member of Guanajuato Silver, holding roles including COO.

**Connie Lillico**  
Corporate Secretary

Ms. Lillico has worked with several TSX, TSX-V, and NYSE-listed companies.

Prior to joining Heliostar, Ms. Lillico was the Corporate Secretary at First Majestic Silver Corp.

## BOARD

**Jacques Vaillancourt, CFA**

Non-Executive Chairman

**Charles Funk, BSS, BSc**

Director

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Director

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Director

**Ken Booth, B.Sc, MBA**

Director

**Barry Murphy**

Director

**Ramon Davila**

Director



# 2025 Guidance

Project	Gold Production (Ounces)	Silver Production (Ounces)	GEO Production (Ounces)	Cash Cost <sup>3</sup> (US\$ per GEO)	AISC <sup>3,4</sup> (US\$ per GEO)
La Colorada Mine	17,000-23,300	42,500-51,500	17,500-23,800	1,800-1,950	1,850-1,975
San Agustin Mine <sup>1</sup>	8,500-11,000	-	8,500-11,000	1,500-1,650	1,700-1,850
San Agustin Restart <sup>2</sup>	4,500-5,700	34,000-43,000	5,000-6,200	2,350-2,500	2,900-3,035
<b>Consolidated</b>	<b>30,000-40,000</b>	<b>76,500-94,500</b>	<b>31,000-41,000</b>	<b>1,800-1,950</b>	<b>1,950-2,100</b>

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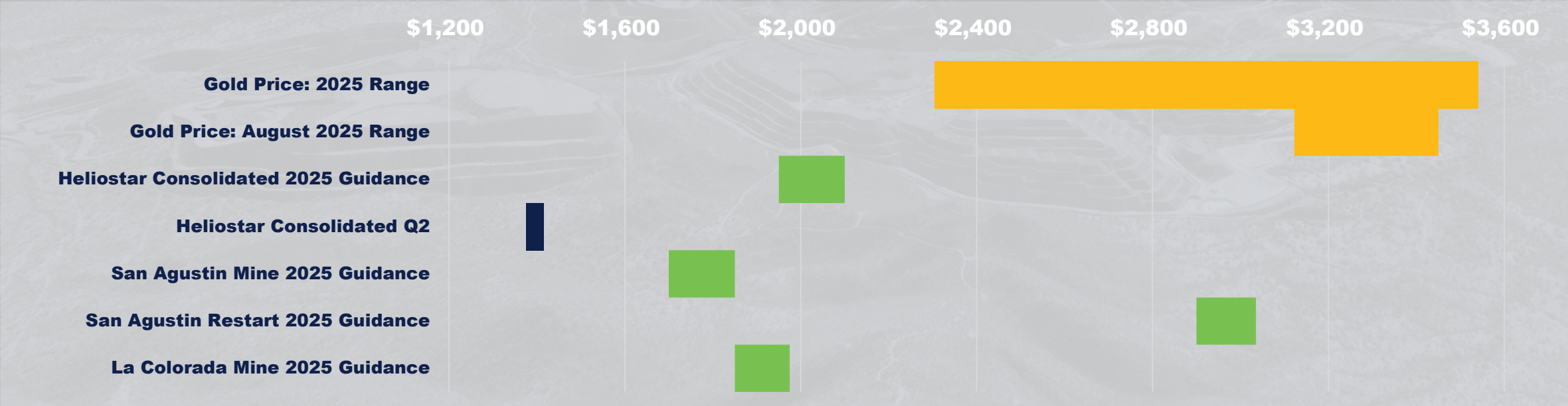
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3. Metal prices estimated at US\$2,400 per ounce gold and \$28 per ounce silver price.
4. Cash costs and AISC are non-GAAP measures. Please refer to the "Non-GAAP Financial Measures" section of the Company's February 4<sup>th</sup>, 2025 news release for further information on this measure.
5. AISC is based on World Gold Council definition.
6. Annual average exchange rate from all costs based on Mexican peso to US dollar (nineteen pesos per one dollar).





# 2025 Q2 Operating Results

- Heliostar sold 8,556 Gold Equivalent Ounces (GEO) at a cash cost of \$1,413 per GEO and an AISC of \$1,541 per GEO in Q2 2025
- Mine operating earnings of \$14.3M in Q2 2025
- Closed Q2 with US\$30M in cash, \$51.7 million in working capital and no debt
- Restarting mining at San Agustin in late 2025, expanding our production profile in Q4 2025 and into 2026



Notes:

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# La Colorada Mine

**GRAN CENTRAL PIT**  
Underground potential

**ADR PLANT**

**LEACH PAD**

**CRUSHING CIRCUIT**

**2028-2031**

**CRESTON PIT**  
Reserve – 312k gold ounces  
Technical Report in Progress  
Underground potential

**VETA MADRE PIT**  
Reserve – 43k gold ounces  
Technical Report in Progress  
Permit expected at end of 2025  
Additional 28k gold ounce resource target – Veta Madre Plus

**2027**

**2026**

**TRUCKSHOP STOCKPILE**  
Results include 10.7m @ 1.81g/t gold

**2026**

**EL DORADO STOCKPILE**  
5.2M tonnes  
Former waste dump for mining in 1990s  
Drilling underway – Results in October 2025  
Potential to mine in 2026

**JUNKYARD STOCKPILE**  
Reserve – 22k gold ounces  
Mining in 2025

**2025**

AERIAL VIEW  
LOOKING NORTHEAST



# La Colorada Mine

Ownership: 100%  
Royalty: 0%  
Mine Type: Open Pit  
Processing: Heap Leach

Probable Reserve: 377k gold ounces  
Reserve Grade: 0.65 g/t gold

2025 Production Guidance: 17,500-23,800 GEOs  
2025 Cash Cost Guidance: 1,800-1,950 US\$ per GEO  
2025 AISC Guidance: 1,850-1,975 US\$ per GEO

## Production Restarted in 2025

- 6 year mine life started in January 2025
- 287,000 ounces of gold production
- Cash Cost of \$1,549 per oz and AISC of \$1,763 per oz
- Base Case US\$26M NPV5, 12% IRR, with a payback multiple of 1.35 at a US\$2,000/oz gold price
- Upside Case shows US\$166M NPV5, 50% IRR, with a payback multiple of 3.2 at a US\$3,000/oz gold price
- \$53M of initial capital expenditure (CAPEX)
- Updated Technical Report planned for September 2025
- Does not include El Dorado or Truckshop Stockpiles from which production is planned prior to pit expansions.
- Potential to fund capital requirements from stockpiles
- Potential to lower CAPEX and increase resources with a 16,211m drill program completed at La Colorada

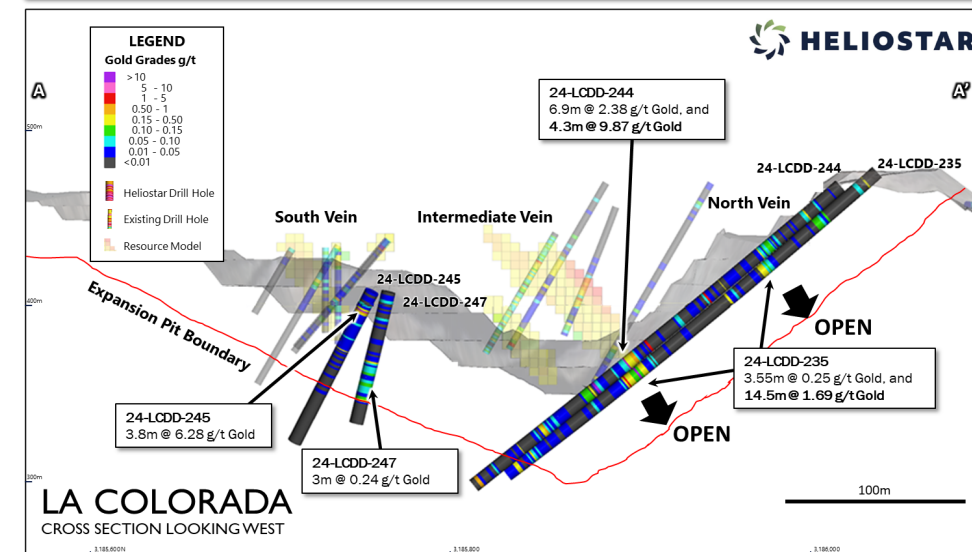
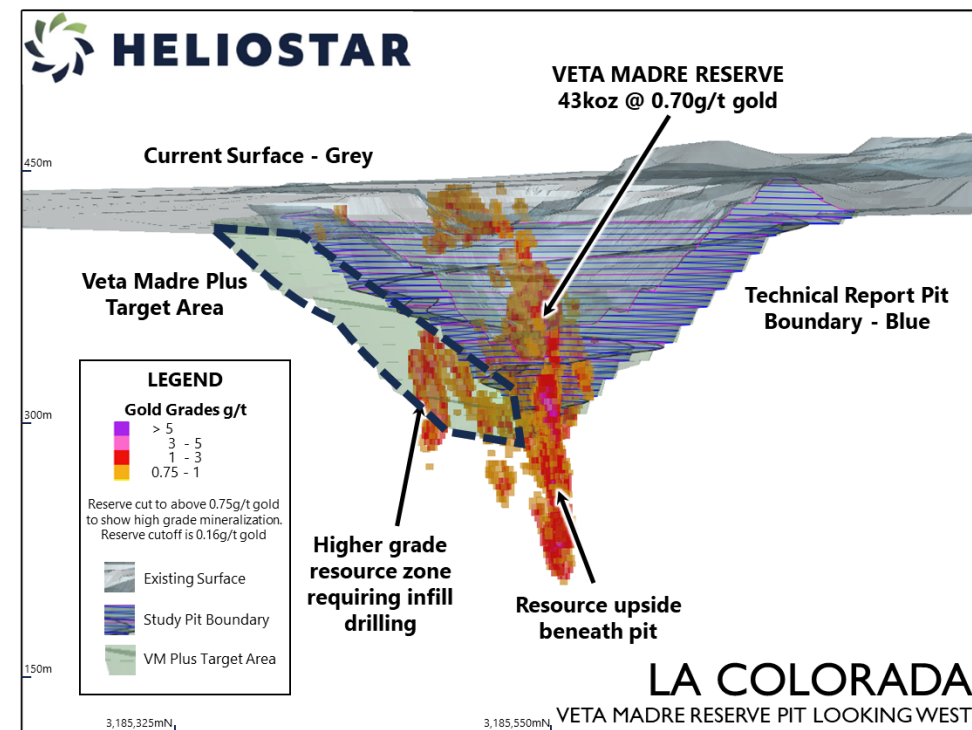
# Resource Growth

## Veta Madre Plus Resource Target

- Pit constrained with \$2,000 gold price in January 2025 technical report
- Higher grade zone to south of pit needs confirmation drilling. It represents a 28,000 gold ounce resource target
- Drilling planned for 2025 prior to commencement of mining in mid-2026

## El Creston

- Deeper results have grades and widths that have the potential to support underground mining
  - 8.85m grading 25.0 g/t gold and 768 g/t silver
  - 8.55m grading 5.52 g/t gold and 121 g/t silver
  - 5.0m grading 18.0 g/t gold
  - 5.0m grading 9.69 g/t gold
  - 4.3m grading 9.87 g/t gold





# Exploration Targets

## Tinajitas

- Window through post mineral cover with strong alteration, historic workings and a geochemical signature

## SW Soils Target

- 2km long, high-grade, coherent, gold in soils signature
- Values in soils above the cutoff grade of the pit reserves but not drill tested

## La Verde

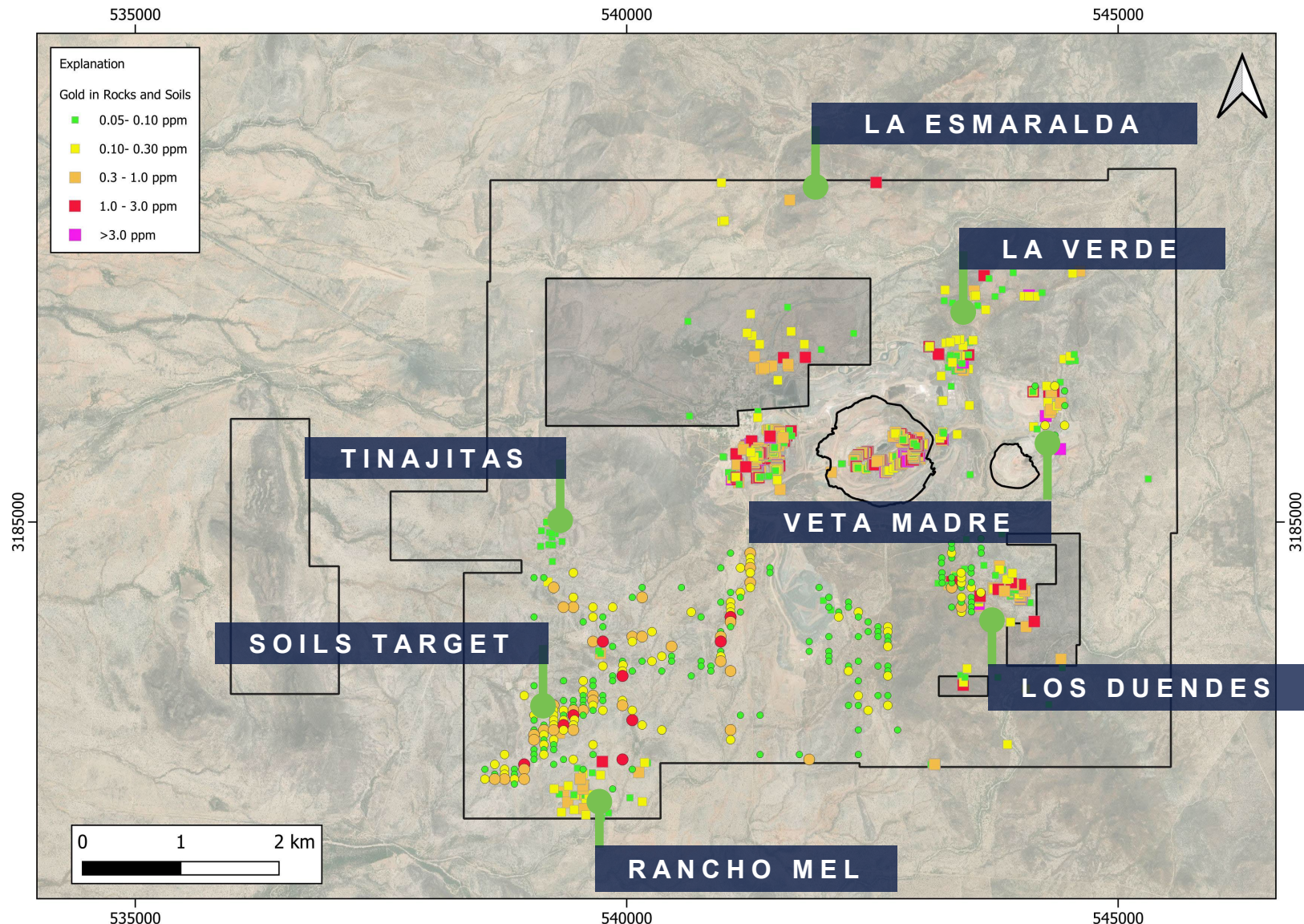
- Underexplored gold in outcrop ~1km northeast of the leach pad

## La Esmeralda

- >1 g/t gold in sparse rock chip sampling with no follow-up

## Los Duendes

- Former open pit mine with expansion potential





# San Agustin Mine

Ownership: 100%  
Royalty: Oxides 0%, Sulphides 2%  
Mine Type: Open Pit  
Processing: Oxide Heap Leach

Probable Reserve: 68k gold ounces  
Reserve Grade: 0.29 g/t gold

## 2025 Mine Guidance

Production: 8,500-11,000 GEOs  
Cash Cost: 1,500-1,650 US\$ per GEO  
AISC: 1,700-1,850 US\$ per GEO

## 2025 Restart Guidance

Production: 5,000-6,200 GEOs  
Cash Cost: 2,350-2,500 US\$ per GEO  
AISC: 2,900-3,035 US\$ per GEO

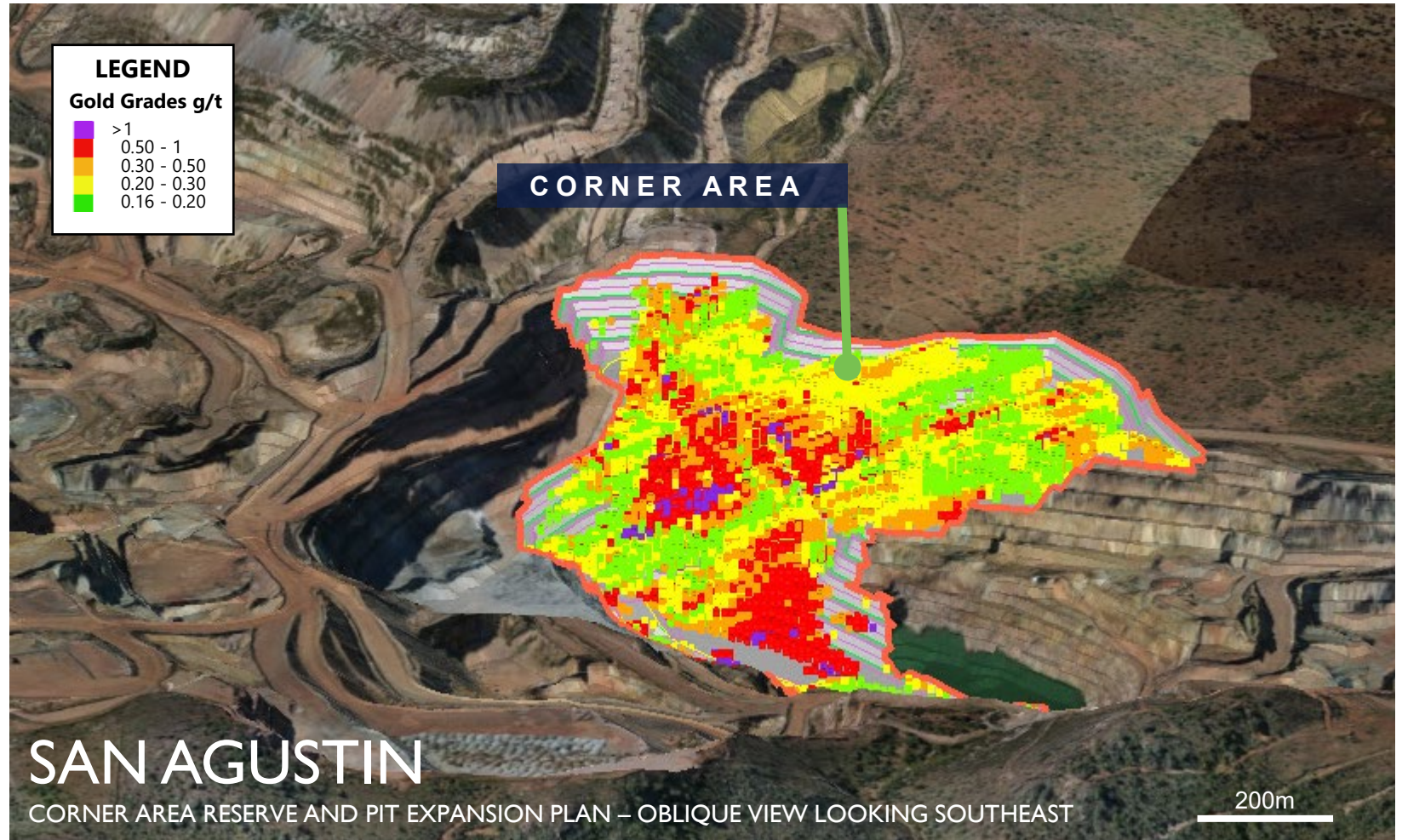
## Q4, 2025 Restart of Mining

- Regularity permissions received and investment decision made in July, 2025
- 1.2 year mine life
- 44,500 ounces of gold production
- Base Case US\$12M NPV5, 156% IRR, with a payback multiple of 1.1 at a US\$2,100/oz gold price
- Upside Case shows US\$35M NPV5, 548% IRR, with a payback multiple of 3.2 at a US\$3,000/oz gold price
- \$4.2M of initial capital expenditure (CAPEX) plus \$1.8M planned for indirect costs through restart
- Restart funded from balance sheet
- 10,000-15,000m drill program to test oxide expansion targets commenced in Q3, 2025



# Corner Area Reserve and Restart of Mining

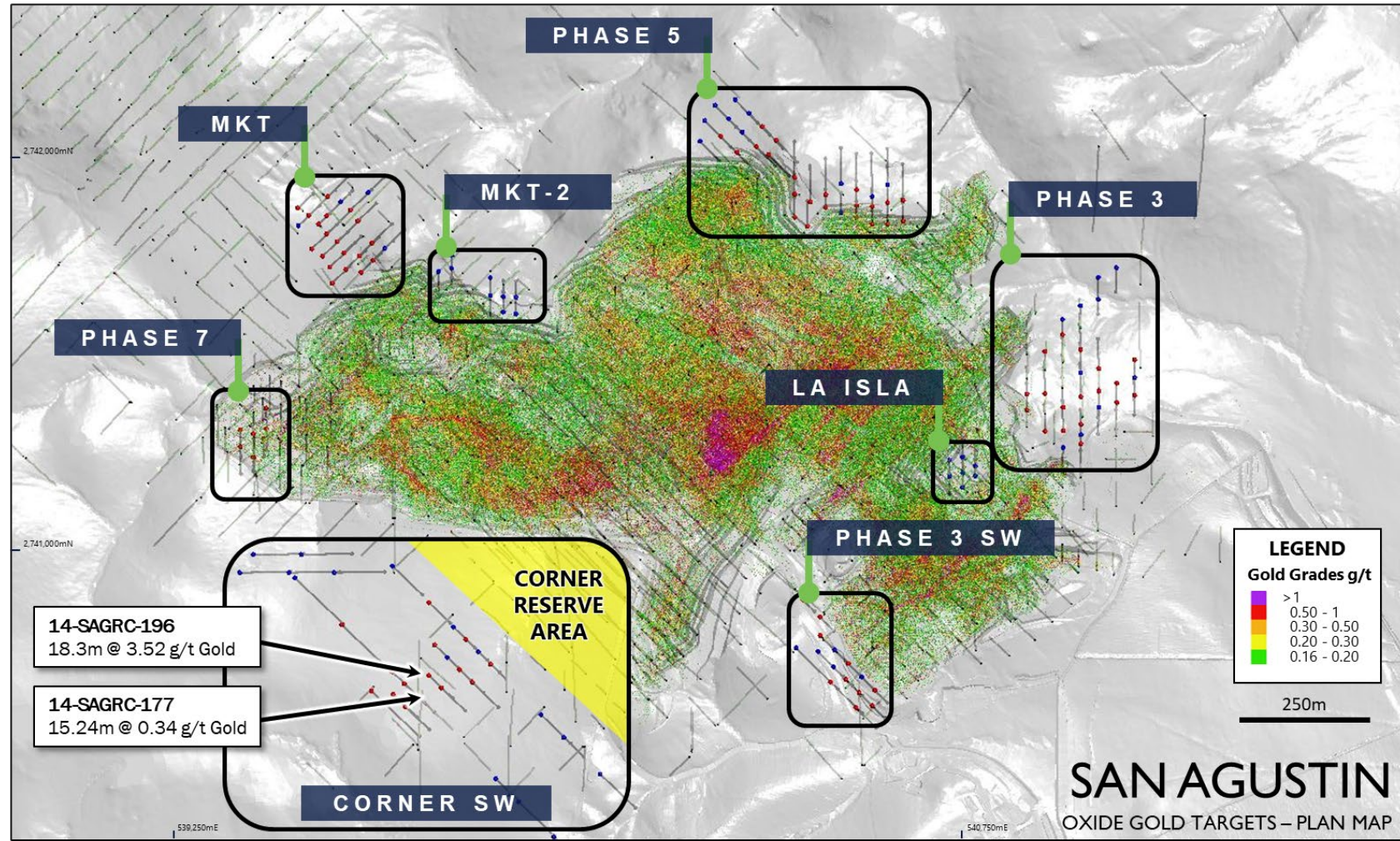
- Mining operations to restart in 2H 2025 with initial production expected in Q4
- NPV5% of US\$35.25M
- IRR of 548%
  - At a US\$3,000/oz gold price
- Initial CAPEX of US\$4.2M
- 44,500 ounces total gold production
- LOM strip ratio of 0.6:1





# San Agustin Oxide Growth and Sulphide Exploration

- Restart provides confidence for Heliostar to invest in long term future of San Agustin
- Drilling will commence shortly on oxide expansion targets
- Targets to expand Corner include:
  - 18m @ 3.52 g/t gold
  - 15.24m @ 0.34 g/t gold
- Sulphide exploration potential beneath and adjacent to current pit
  - Porphyry / breccia exploration targets with analogues to the Peñasquito
- Regional exploration targets include the Consejo vein target with historic intercepts including 1.3 m grading 3,235 g/t silver, 2.85 g/t gold, 15.0% lead and 8.7% zinc<sup>1</sup>





# Ana Paula Project



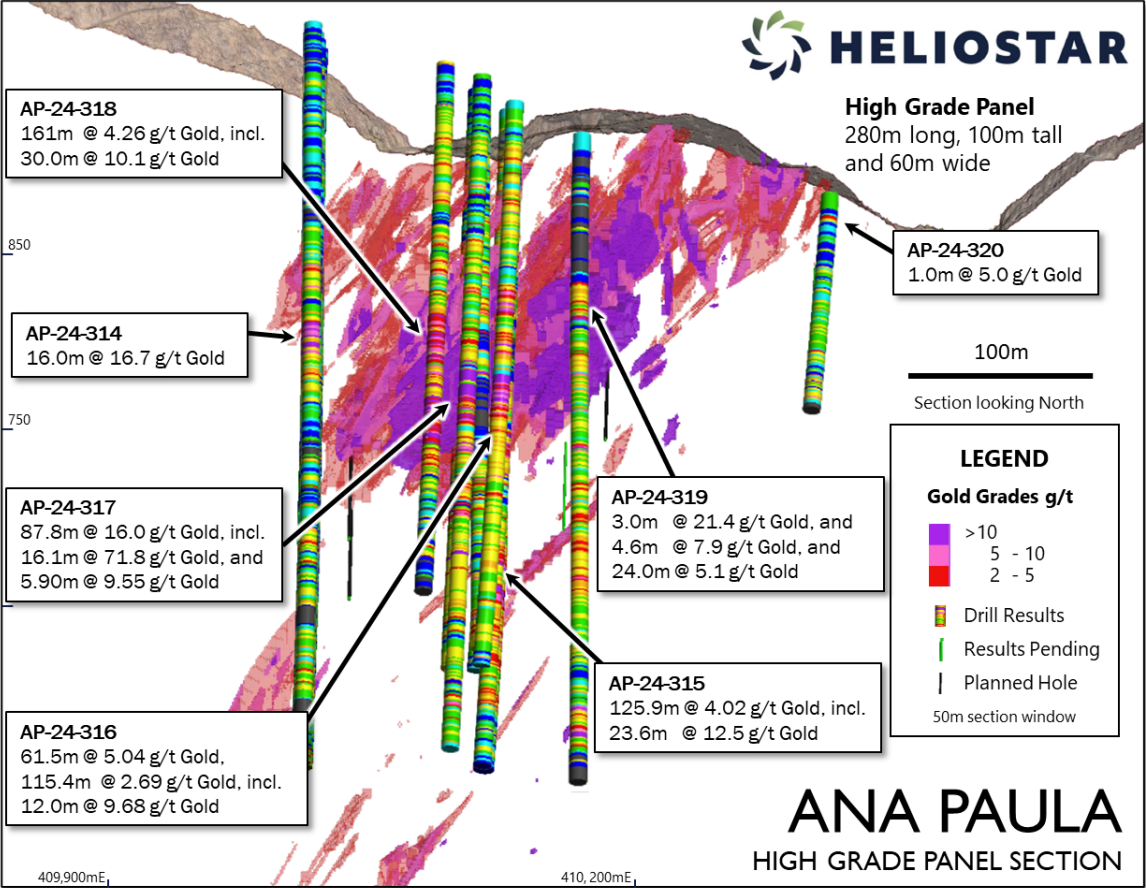
## PRIORITY DEVELOPMENT PROJECT

- Purchased in 2023 for US\$10M with over US\$100M invested into the project
- Open pit mine permit, 53-person camp, surface rights ownership, portal and 412m long underground decline
- Heliostar re-scoped the project as underground only to improve economics
- Over 162,000m of drilling in November 2023 resource
- \$9.5M budget in H2, 2025 including a minimum 15,000 metre drill program focused on upgrading inferred resources and expanding resource envelope
- Feasibility Study in progress

**Targeting commercial production  
starting in 2028**



# Ana Paula Resource Update



Classification	Cutoff Gold Grade (g/t)	Tonnes (Mt)	Average Gold Grade (g/t)	Contained Gold (Ounces)
Measured	2.5	1.11	8.97	320,204
Indicated	2.5	2.24	5.42	390,716
<b>Total Measured &amp; Indicated</b>	<b>2.5</b>	<b>3.35</b>	<b>6.60</b>	<b>710,920</b>
Inferred	2.5	3.28	4.24	447,512

Ana Paula Project NI 43-101 Technical Report Mineral Resource Estimate Update, with effective date November 27, 2023

## RECENT DRILL HITS from western edge

- 30.2m @ 6.29 g/t Gold
- 21.0m @ 6.67g/t Gold
- 14.8m @ 13.6 g/t Gold
- 12.2m @ 8.72g/t Gold

## TOP DRILL HITS from previous program

- 242.0m @9.06 g/t Gold  
incl. 35.2m @ 23.6 g/t
- 87.8m @ 16 g/t Gold  
incl. 16.1m @ 71.8 g/t
- 129.2m @ 6.0 g/t Gold  
incl. 46.0m @ 13.4 g/t

Current drilling targeting conversion of inferred resources in reserve to support a 10-year life of mine in current Feasibility Study



# Path to 2027

## Construction Start

PLANNING TO EXTEND DECLINE  
INTO OREBODY IN 2026

### Scoping

- Flow sheet finalized
- Cut-off grade established
- New mine plan in progress

### Permit

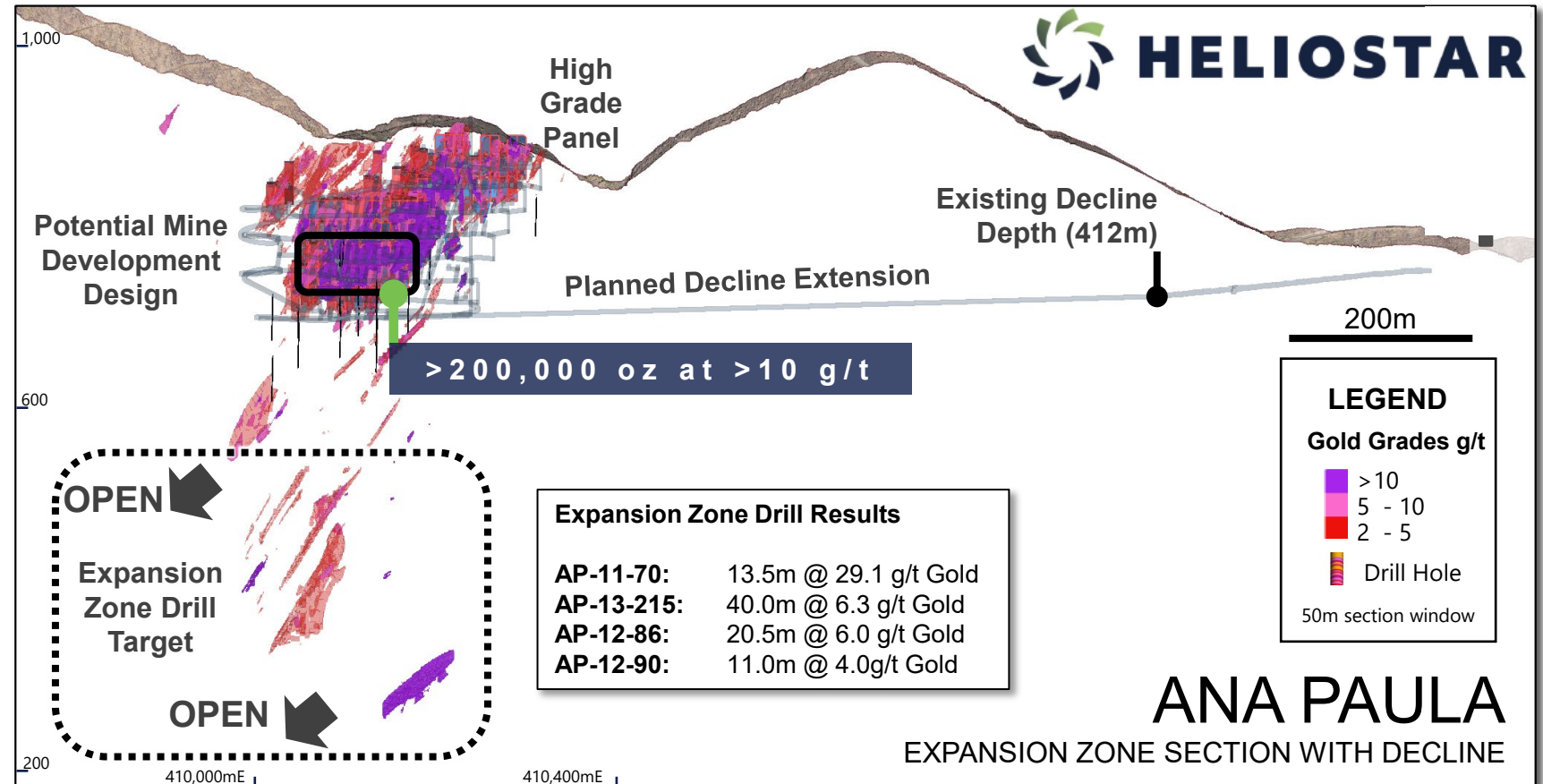
- Submission of underground permit modification in Q4, 2025

### Feasibility Study

- Ongoing through 2026

### Financing

- Building cash from operations
- Preparing for project financing to fully fund construction







## Morelos Complex

Produced – 2.7 Moz gold  
Reserves – 4.9 Moz gold eq.  
Resource – 2.5 Moz gold eq.  
20km Southeast

## Los Filos District

Produced – 1.7Moz gold  
Reserves – 5.4Moz gold  
Resource – 7.9Moz gold  
30km South

## Ana Paula

M&I Resource – 0.71 Moz gold  
Inf Resource – 0.45 Moz gold

# Guerrero Gold Belt

1 Morelos Complex production, reserves and resources from <https://www.spglobal.com/marketintelligence/en/>  
2 Los Filos District production, reserves and resources from <https://www.spglobal.com/marketintelligence/en/>  
3 Management cautions that mineralization hosted on adjacent and/or nearby properties is not necessarily indicative of the presence of similar mineralization or geology at Ana Paula



# Cerro del Gallo

Ownership: 100%  
Royalty: 3.75%

- Gold-silver development project in the prolific State of Guanajuato
- 14 titled concessions covering 15,276 ha, and surface rights totalling 445 ha
- Environmental permit for the project pending
- Technical Report updated planned for fall 2025



# San Antonio

Ownership: 100%  
Royalty: 0%

- Gold development project in the State of Baja California Sur
- Environmental permit required for development
- January 2025 PEA shows strong economics on 1.1 million ounces produced for \$131M initial CAPEX with \$1,063/oz AISC<sup>1</sup>
- \$896M NPV5% and 68% IRR at \$3,000/oz gold price<sup>1</sup>
- Mineral resource of 1.7 million ounces provides attractive optionality with high grade (1.0 g/t gold), low CAPEX, low AISC and long mine life

<sup>1</sup> - NI 43-101 Preliminary Economic Assessment on the San Antonio Project with an effective date of November 30, 2024



# Upcoming Milestones

KEY MILESTONES







# Thank You

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# Appendix



# Heliostar Total Reserves

Category	Tonnes (kt)	Gold Grade (g/t)	Silver grade (g/t)	Gold (kozs)	Silver (kozs)
Probable					
La Colorada	18,159	0.65	8.69	377	5,074
San Agustin	7,358	0.29	16.4	68	3,880
<b>Total Probable</b>	<b>25,517</b>			<b>445</b>	<b>8,954</b>

Note: Probable Reserves tabulated from NI 43-101 reports:

- La Colorada – 2025
- San Agustin – 2025



# Heliostar M&I Resources

Category	Tonnes (kt)	Gold Grade (g/t)	Silver grade (g/t)	Gold (kcozs)	Silver (kcozs)
Measured					
Ana Paula	1,100	8.97		320	
Indicated					
Ana Paula	2,240	5.42		391	
San Agustin	23,629	0.43	12.2	325	9,229
La Colorada					
El Creston	12,393	0.91	11.94	364	4758
Veta Madre	2,724	0.73	3.5	64	309
Chatarrera	3,504	0.20	6.8	23	763
La Colorada Total	18,621			451	5830
San Antonio	55,522	0.98		1,741	
<b>Total Indicated</b>	<b>100,012</b>			<b>2,908</b>	<b>15,059</b>
<b>Total Measured and Indicated</b>	<b>100,012</b>			<b>2,908</b>	<b>15,059</b>

Notes:

- Measured and Indicated Resources are inclusive of reserves for San Agustin and La Colorada
- Measured and Indicated Resources tabulated from NI 43-101 reports:
  - Ana Paula – 2023
  - La Colorada – 2025
  - San Agustin – 2025
  - San Antonio - 2025



# Heliostar Inferred Resources

Category	Tonnes (kt)	Gold Grade (g/t)	Silver grade (g/t)	Gold (kozs)	Silver (kozs)
Inferred					
Ana Paula	3,280	4.24		448	
San Agustin	1,401	0.32	9.4	14	421
La Colorada					
El Creston	202	0.70	6.07	5	39
Veta Madre	77	0.53	2.50	1	6
Chatarrera	1,220	0.41	33.3	16	1,305
<b>La Colorada Total</b>	<b>1,499</b>			<b>22</b>	<b>1,350</b>
<b>San Antonio</b>	<b>14,957</b>	<b>0.38</b>		<b>184.4</b>	
<b>Unga</b>	<b>866</b>	<b>13.8</b>	<b>35.4</b>	<b>384</b>	<b>986</b>
<b>Total Inferred</b>	<b>22,003</b>			<b>1,052</b>	<b>2,757</b>

Note: Inferred Resources tabulated from NI 43-101 reports:

- Ana Paula – 2023
- La Colorada – 2025
- San Agustin – 2025
- San Antonio – 2025
- Unga - 2020



# Heliostar Historical Resources

## CERRO DEL GALLO HISTORICAL PROVEN AND PROBABLE RESERVES

Category	Tonnes (kt)	Gold Grade (g/t)	Silver Grade (g/t)	Gold (kozs)	Silver (kozs)
Proven	70,427	0.59	13.7	1,326	31,008
Probable	21,327	0.46	11.7	313	8,012
<b>Total Proven and Probable</b>	<b>91,754</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1,639</b>	<b>39,020</b>

## CERRO DEL GALLO HISTORICAL MEASURED AND INDICATED AND INFERRED RESOURCES

Category	Tonnes (kt)	Gold Grade (g/t)	Silver Grade (g/t)	Gold (kozs)	Silver (kozs)
Measured	122,000	0.48	13.0	1,899	51,086
Indicated	80,000	0.38	10.9	965	28,017
<b>Total Measured and Indicated</b>	<b>202,000</b>	<b>0.44</b>	<b>12.2</b>	<b>2,864</b>	<b>79,103</b>
<b>Inferred</b>	<b>5,100</b>	<b>0.43</b>	<b>11.9</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>1,947</b>

Note:

- Cerro Del Gallo Historical Reserves and Historical Resources Tabulated from 2019 Cerro del Gallo NI 43-101 report
- See Notes on following pages



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## NOTES FOR HISTORICAL RESERVE AND RESOURCE ESTIMATES:

The historical resource and reserve estimates presented above in respect of the Cerro Del Gallo Project (the “**Historical Reserve and Resource Estimates**”) are reflected in the following technical report:

Pre-Feasibility Study, NI 43-101 Technical Report, Cerro del Gallo Heap Leach Project, Guanajuato, Mexico, prepared for Argonaut Gold by Kappes, Cassiday & Associates with an effective date of January 31, 2020 and a Mineral Reserve Estimate effective date of October 24, 2019 (the “**Cerro del Gallo Technical Report**”). The estimates in the Cerro del Gallo Report were based on the following assumptions:

Mineral resources were constrained by a conceptual pit shell using a US\$1600 gold-equivalent price and using the following assumptions: a gold price of US\$1,600/oz; a silver price of US\$19.30/oz; rock mining cost of US\$1.50/t mined; process cost of US\$6.82/t processed (oxide), US\$6.27/t processed (mixed oxide), US\$7.08/t processed (mixed sulphide), US\$5.70/t processed (fresh); G&A cost of US\$1.55/t processed; NSR royalty of 4.30%; refining cost \$5.00/oz produced, gold metallurgical recoveries from 57.5-74.0%; and silver metallurgical recoveries from 40-78.5%; and pit slope angles of 45°.

Mineral reserves were reported inside an optimized pit shell using a US\$1600 gold-equivalent price and using the following assumptions: a gold price of US\$1,600/oz; a silver price of US\$19.30/oz; rock mining cost of US\$1.50/t mined; process cost of US\$6.82/t processed (oxide), US\$6.27/t processed (mixed oxide), US\$7.08/t processed (mixed sulphide), US\$5.70/t processed (fresh); G&A cost of US\$1.55/t processed; NSR royalty of 4.30%; gold metallurgical recoveries from 57.5-74.0%; and silver metallurgical recoveries from 40-78.5%; and pit slope angles of 45°.

The Historical Resource and Reserve Estimates were reported in accordance with the Canadian Institute of Mining, Metallurgy and Petroleum (CIM) Definition Standards on Mineral Resources and Mineral Reserves adopted by CIM (2014 edition) (the “CIM Standards”). No statement was provided as to whether the Cerro del Gallo reserve and resource estimates were prepared using the CIM Estimation of Mineral Resources and Mineral Reserves Best Practice Guidelines (November 2019; 2019 CIM Best Practice Guidelines) and the historical estimate may not be consistent with those guidelines in all aspects. All tonnage information has been rounded to reflect the relative uncertainty in the estimates; therefore, there may be small differences in the totals.

In accordance with National Instrument 43-101 – Standards of Disclosure for Mineral Projects (“NI 43-101”) the Historical Resource Estimates use the terms “mineral resource”, “measured mineral resource”, “indicated mineral resource”, “inferred mineral resource”, “mineral reserve”, “probable mineral reserve” and “proven mineral reserve”, having the same meanings ascribed to those terms as in the CIM Standards.



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## **NOTES FOR HISTORICAL RESERVE AND RESOURCE ESTIMATES (CONTINUED):**

As the Historical Reserve and Resource Estimates pre-date the Company's agreement to acquire the Projects, the Company is treating them as "historical estimates" under NI 43-101, but they remain relevant as the most recent mineral reserve and resource estimates for the Projects. No more recent estimates or data are available to Heliostar.

Further drilling and resource modelling would be required to upgrade or verify the Historical Reserve and Resource Estimates as current mineral reserves or mineral resources for the Cerro del Gallo and accordingly, they should be relied upon only as a historical reserve and resource estimates of Argonaut, which pre-dates the Company's agreement to acquire the Projects.

The Company intends to prepare new mineral reserve and resource estimates from first principles for Cerro de Gallo. The QP agrees with the Company's intended approach, which should include the following steps:

- Update geological, structural and alteration interpretations and models;
- Review the most appropriate modelling methods, including variography, examination of grade cut-offs or outlier restrictions, and interpolation method;
- Review bulk density assignments;
- Apply confidence classifications consistent with the 2014 CIM Definition Standards;
- Apply current assumptions as to reasonable prospects of eventual economic extraction, including confining the estimate within conceptual mining shapes, and reporting the estimate above a selected cut-off.

A "Qualified Person" under NI 43-101 has not done sufficient work to classify the Historical Reserve and Resource Estimates as current mineral reserves or mineral resources. Accordingly, a Qualified Person of the Company has not independently verified the Historical Reserve and Resource Estimates nor the other information contained herein, and the Company is not treating the Historical Reserve and Resource Estimates as current mineral reserves or mineral resources. There can be no assurance that any of the Historical Reserve and Resource Estimates, in whole or in part, will ever become economically viable. In addition, mineral resources are not mineral reserves and do not have demonstrated economic viability. Even if classified as a current resource, there is no certainty as to whether further exploration will result in any inferred mineral resources being upgraded to an indicated or measured mineral resource category.

Mineral resources that are not mineral reserves do not have demonstrated economic viability.