

## KORE MINING DISCOVERS GOLD IN DRY STREAM BEDS ON NEWLY STAKED GROUND BETWEEN IMPERIAL AND PICACHO DEPOSITS

### *New Staking Opens Eastern Half of Mesquite-Imperial-Picacho Gold District for New Deposit Discovery*

**Vancouver, BC April 13, 2020** - KORE Mining Ltd. (TSXV: KORE | OTCQX: KOREF) (“KORE” or the “Company” - <https://www.commodity-tv.com/ondemand/companies/profil/kore-mining-ltd/>) is pleased to announce additional positive sampling and mapping program results from Mesquite-Imperial-Picacho District (“District”) exploration on the Imperial Gold project (“Imperial”), located 14 km southeast from Equinox Gold’s (TSX: EQX) Mesquite gold mine (“Mesquite”) and 14 km from the historic Picacho gold mine (“Picacho”). KORE also announces staking of an additional 4,600 acres of claims, bringing KORE’s total to approximately 31,000 acres in the District. The new staking extends KORE’s control of the prolific historic mining district and captures a trend including several dry stream bed gold anomalies associated with a regional fault. Work continues with the systematic exploration programs announced [March 9, 2021](#) with more results expected throughout Q2 2021.

#### Highlights:

- Discovered gold in several dry stream beds between Imperial and Picacho
  - Highlights from sampling include 1.0 g/t and 0.6 g/t gold
- Several additional outcrops discovered with anomalous gold rock chip samples
- Further evidence that the 28-kilometer district from Mesquite-Imperial-Picacho District could host multiple gold discoveries similar in scale to Mesquite and Imperial
- Additional exploration underway including:
  - Satellite multispectral survey to identify alteration associated with gold mineralization
  - Additional ground geophysics surveys to extend structural interpretation
  - Further mapping and geochemical sampling on new targets
- Currently permitting an exploration drill program to start testing targets in H2 2021

KORE’s CEO Scott Trebilcock stated: “With systematic exploration, the immense potential of the Mesquite-Imperial-Picacho District is starting to emerge. KORE controls 100% of the District which was split between major gold companies in the 1990’s. With the Mesquite mine, the last in Imperial County, nearing the end of its life, KORE’s Imperial project and surrounding District may be the last chance to extend the 140-year gold mining history of Imperial County to future generations and provide much needed employment and economic development.”

KORE is committed to operate within the stringent environmental and labour standards of California and plans to concurrently reclaim drill pad locations and ensure measures are taken to mitigate any impacts to biological and cultural resources. KORE has designed the drill programs to maximize the use of existing public road/trail network in the area so as to limit any new disturbances, and the Company will be adjusting our drill pad locations as needed to avoid any sensitive sites should any be encountered.

**Figure 1** shows the dry stream bed and rock chip sampling locations. The sampling generated anomalous gold assays in multiple new targets areas. There are government mapped faults associated with several of the anomalies, increasing the prospectivity of targets. **Figure 2** show the District claim area with location of the Mesquite, Imperial and Picacho deposits along with the newly staked claims.

Future geophysics and other exploration techniques are expected to further define these anomalies. Having the intact Imperial deposit to “tune” or “fingerprint” geophysical signatures, greatly enhances our confidence to target new discoveries under the alluvium along the trend. Details of the work were released [January 7, 2020](#), [April 29, 2020](#) and [December 8, 2020](#).

### Sampling and Mapping Program Details

Discovery of gold in the dry stream beds (also called “**arroyos**” or “**washes**”) on the target areas are several kilometers from Picacho and Imperial and not downstream from either, indicating that gold is likely being generated from another source. KORE intends to explore and discover those sources.

In the course of collecting the District samples and mapping the area, KORE encountered more outcrop than originally anticipated. This is positive as it indicates the alluvial cover is shallow in those areas, making a new oxide gold discovery easier and more attractive. KORE also found evidence of historic small scale mining activities in the District including hand and bulldozer trenches, an exploration shaft and signs of historic placer mining activity.

KORE’s exploration team collected 497 stream bed and 178 rock chip samples over the last three months of prospecting the District. All assays, except 11 rock chip samples, have now been received and are disclosed. Samples collected averaged 4.75 kilogram in size and were taken at an average depth of 0.4 meters below surface. Of the 497 stream samples, 322 assayed over the gold detection limit of 5 parts per billion and 10 assayed over 100 parts per billion (0.1 g/t). Sample locations and assays for the eastern area from Imperial to Picacho are depicted on **Figure 1**.

### Next Steps

As disclosed [March 9 2021](#), the ongoing exploration program for H1 2021 includes further detailed soil sampling grids, detailed geological mapping, additional IP geophysics and a satellite multispectral survey of the entire claim area. Drilling on several of the western targets is planned in H2 2021 with permitting underway.

### About the Imperial Gold Project

KORE owns 100% of the Mesquite-Imperial-Picacho District which consists of 30,900 acres of claims capturing the entire 28-kilometer trend from the operating Mesquite mine (Equinox Gold - TSX:EQX) to the closed Picacho mine and including KORE’s Imperial project as depicted on **Figure 2**. In the District, gold is hosted in local fault structures related to a series of regional faults connecting the known District deposits. Those three District deposits (Mesquite-Imperial-Picacho) were discovered in exposed outcrops and from placer workings. The rest of the District is covered by alluvium and has never been systematically explored.

The Mesquite-Imperial-Picacho District centers on KORE’s Imperial project. Imperial is a structurally controlled intermediate sulfidation epithermal gold deposit. The 100% oxide gold deposit is currently

defined at 2.44 kilometer long and up to 0.75 kilometer wide and is open both along strike and down dip. It is hosted in a shallowly southwest dipping, amphibolite grade metamorphic rock suite along a west-northwest trending low-angle regional thrust fault system which controls the regional geometry of mineralization. East-west striking, post-mineralization normal faults control the property scale geometry of mineralization. Geophysical characterization of the deposit and regional controlling structures is an essential component of exploration for additional resources.

Imperial has a mineral resource estimate and a positive preliminary economic assessment [effective April 6, 2020](#) with the following highlights:

- Robust economics: US\$ 343 million NPV5% post-tax with 44% IRR at US\$ 1,450 per ounce gold
- Low capital intensity project with only US\$ 143 million pre-production capital cost
- Average 146,000 ounces gold per year over 8 years for 1.2 million ounces total production
- Technically simple project: shallow open pit, run-of-mine heap leach with existing infrastructure
- Value enhancement through Mesquite-Imperial-Picacho District exploration and resource expansion

The Company's NI 43-101 compliant resource and preliminary economic assessment is titled "Preliminary Economic Assessment – Technical Report Imperial Gold Project" effective as of April 6, 2020 and issued on May 19, 2020, prepared by Terre Lane and Todd Harvey of Global Resource Engineering and Glen Cole of SRK Consulting (Canada) Inc.

#### **About KORE Mining**

KORE is 100% owner of a portfolio of advanced gold exploration and development assets in California and British Columbia. KORE is supported by strategic investor Eric Sprott who owns 26%. KORE management and Board are aligned with shareholders, owning an additional 38% of the basic shares outstanding. KORE is actively developing its Imperial Gold project and is aggressively exploring across its portfolio of assets.

Further information on Imperial and KORE can be found on the Company's website at [www.koremining.com](http://www.koremining.com) or by contacting us as [info@koremining.com](mailto:info@koremining.com) or by telephone at (888) 407-5450.

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Technical information with respect to the District and Imperial Gold Project contained in this news release has been reviewed and approved by Marc Leduc, P.Eng, who is KORE's COO and is the qualified person under National Instrument 43-101 responsible for the technical matters of this news release.

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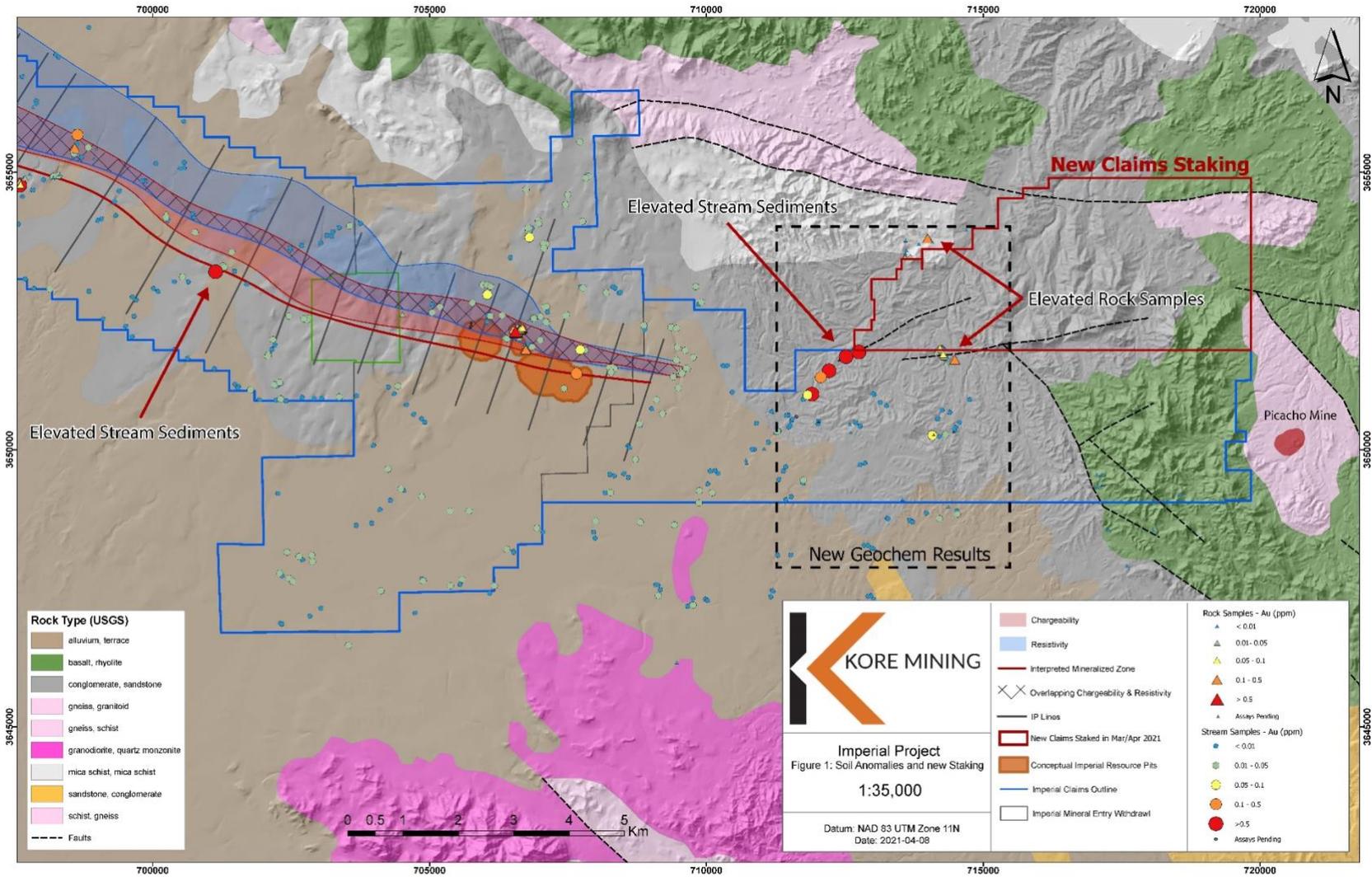
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**FIGURE 1: DRY STREAM / "ARROYO" SAMPLING - GOLD ANOMALY MAP**



**FIGURE 2: IMPERIAL GOLD PROJECT CLAIMS MAP**

