

**PRESS RELEASE**

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## Maple Gold drills 50 metres of 1.77 g/t Au and extends new Nika Zones in the NW Gap Area

May 14, 2018 – Montreal (Quebec): Maple Gold Mines Ltd. (“Maple Gold” or the “Company”) (TSX-V: MGM, OTCQB: MGMLF; Frankfurt: M3G) is pleased to report additional drill results from the Nika Zones located in the “NW Gap Area” between the Douay West, Porphyry and NW resource zones. DO-18-218 returned 50m grading 1.77 g/t Au (uncut) from 297m downhole (estimated 200m true vertical depth).

- The up-dip extension of this mineralized zone remains open to surface
- 50m intercept shows excellent continuity with few internal low-grade samples and more than twice the width and twice the grade expected as per the previous wireframe interpretation
- This wireframe was not included in the Micon 2018 pit-constrained resource estimate due to insufficient drill density, therefore representing potential additions to the existing resource base

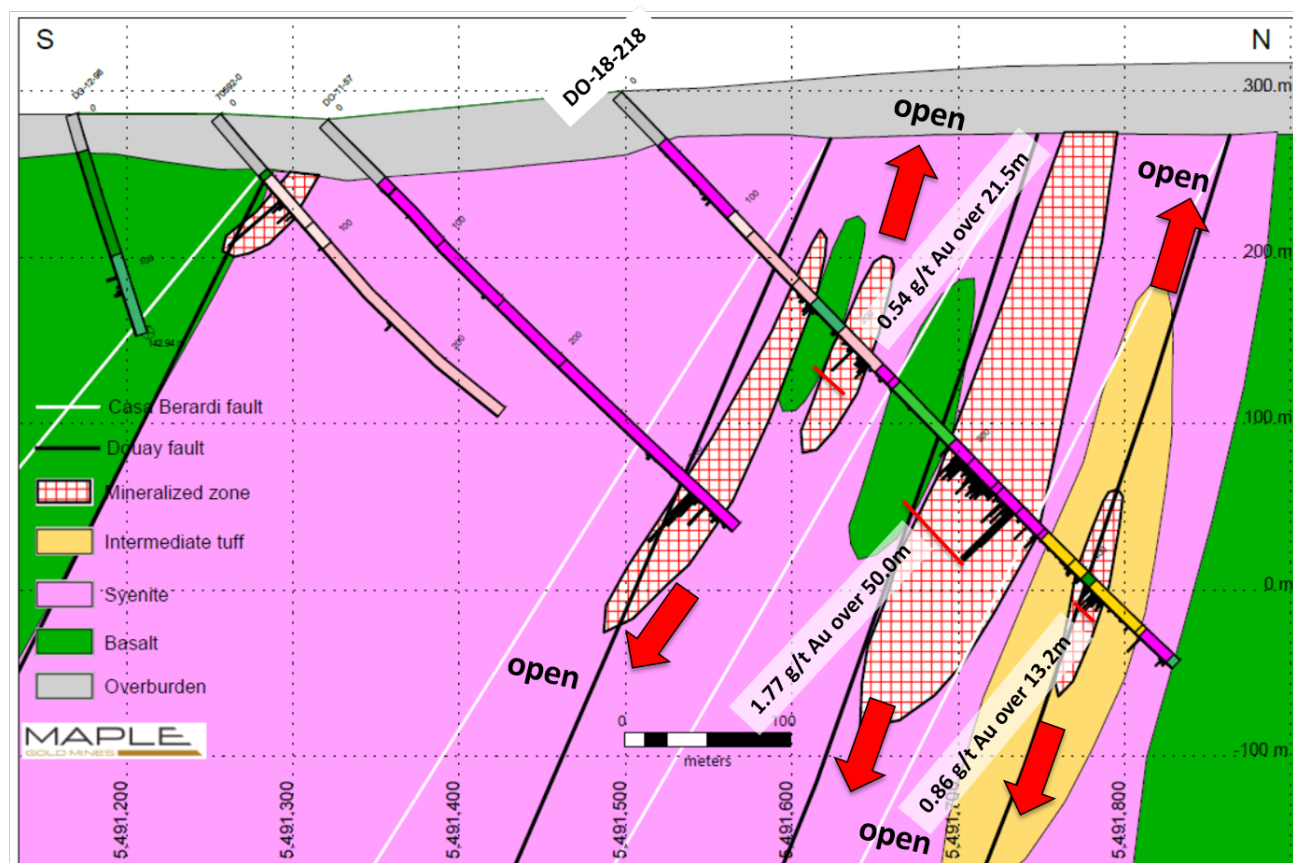
Maple Gold’s President and CEO, Matthew Hornor, stated: “We are very pleased with the early returns from the 2018 drill campaign. Defining the new Nika Zones and the additional success we’ve had in the NW Gap Area has the potential to add significantly to our resource base and brings us a step closer to connecting some of the zones in this large intrusive related gold system.”

*Table 1. Assay Highlights for DO-18-218*

Hole	Easting	Northing	Azimuth	Plunge	From	To	Interval	Au ppm
DO-18-218	705200	5491498	360	-45	162.0	176.0	14.0	0.35
DO-18-218					201.0	222.5	21.5	0.54
DO-18-218					290.1	292.0	1.9	0.80
DO-18-218					297.0	347.0	50.0	1.77
Including					298.0	324.0	26.0	1.40
Including					342.8	347.0	4.2	8.92
DO-18-218					357.3	366.1	8.8	0.44
Including					364.0	366.1	2.1	1.05
DO-18-218					391.0	403.0	12.0	0.31
DO-18-218*					409.8	423.0	13.2	0.86
including					415.0	419.5	4.4	1.24
DO-18-218*					453.0	454.0	1.0	1.67

\*Reported April 23, 2018. Intervals given are all down-the hole lengths, which are estimated to be approximately 90% of true width. Coordinates are NAD83 Zone 17N. All assays were performed by ALS Laboratories by AU-ICP21, i.e. 30 g fire assay with ICP finish with over limits (>10 g/t Au) done by AU-GRA21, i.e. gravimetric analysis of 30g sample weight.

In addition to DO-18-218, Maple Gold received results for DO-18-214, which intersected **9.5m of 1.01 g/t Au** in the NW Zone; this intercept is not part of an existing wireframe and therefore also represents a new zone. A complete table (*Table 2*) summarizing all drill results received to-date from the drilling in the NW Zone, Gap Area and Nika Zones is appended to this press release.

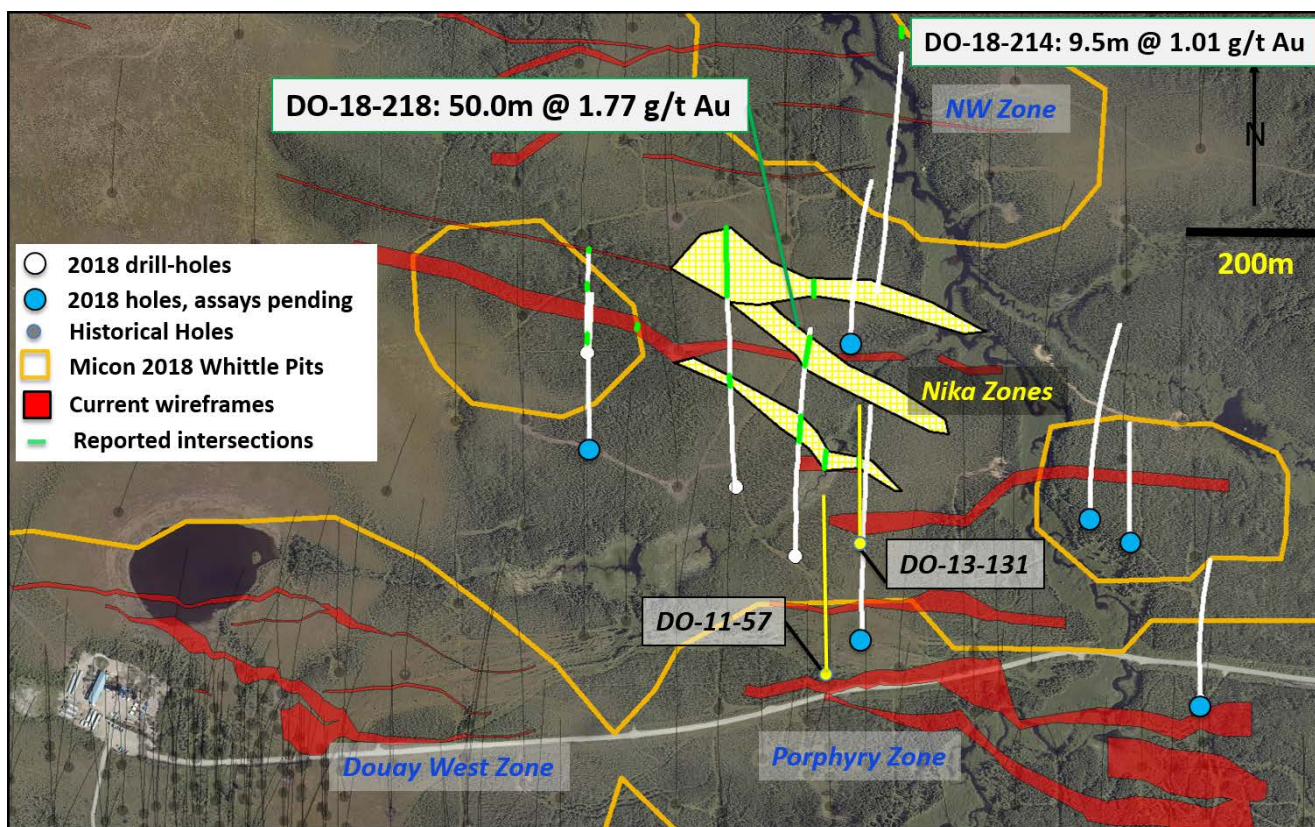


**Figure 1:** DO-18-218 on section 705200E

The configuration of the new DO-18-218 intercepts reported here, as well as those reported previously for holes DO-18-217 and -218 (see press release of April 23, 2018), is consistent with a series of subparallel mineralized zones with an overall NW-SE trend, consistent with our evolving deposit-scale structural model which includes two controlling fault sets within the Resource Area: the East/West Casa Berardi fault set, and the NW/SE Douay fault set.

This mineralized zone is projected from the bottom of historical drill-hole DO-13-131, collared 100m further east; that drill-hole cut 12m of 0.65 g/t Au. The down-dip continuity of DO-13-131 intersection was tested in hole DO-18-241 (assays pending). **Figure 2** below highlights the plan view map of drill-hole locations in the NW Gap Area, with the new Nika Zones highlighted.





**Figure 2:** Drill-hole location map highlighting the new Nika Zones and surrounding NW Gap Area

The significant thickening of the mineralized zone in DO-18-217 (see press release April 23, 2018) appears to have formed at the intersection of East/West and NW/SE structures. The new interpretation also allows integration of other high grade intercepts into more continuous zones. For example, DO-11-57 (**1.18 g/t over 24m, including 3.5 g/t Au over 6m**), which generated high grade blocks (>2.5 g/t Au) outside the existing (Micon 2018) pit-constrained resource, likely forms part of a NW-SW mineralized zone, rather than a discontinuous EW zone as per the previous interpretation. The mineralized zones in the NW Gap Area, including the Nika Zones, are outside the limits of the current (Micon 2018) pit-constrained resource (see **Figure 2**).

The Company continues to be very encouraged with the early returns from the 2018 winter drilling campaign and looks forward to the final drill results from the NW Gap Area. To view drill-core photographs for DO-18-218, see below and visit the Company's website for additional images.







**Drill-core Picture 1:** (DO-18-218) strongly fractured pink to red syenite with abundant fine pyrite stringers and disseminations.

**Drill-core Picture 2:** (DO-18-218) strongly fractured pale pink syenite with network of pyrite and/or fluorite-filled crackles, with sericitic haloes. Core diameters 47mm.



*Table 2. Summary of 2018 Drill Results to-date from Nika Zones and NW Gap Area*

Hole	Easting	Northing	Azimuth	Plunge	From	To	Interval	Au ppm
DO-18-212	704892	5491799	360	-60	28.7	42.0	<b>13.3</b>	0.43
including					33.0	34.3	1.3	<b>1.25</b>
including					37.0	38.0	1.0	<b>1.07</b>
DO-18-212					125.6	129.0	3.5	0.67
including					127.1	127.9	0.9	<b>1.15</b>
DO-18-212					205.0	209.0	4.0	0.48
DO-18-214	705321	5491889	360	-50	181.0	184.0	3.0	0.86
incl					181.0	182.0	1.0	<b>1.71</b>
DO-18-214					424.5	434.0	9.5	<b>1.01</b>
incl					424.5	428.0	3.5	<b>1.88</b>
incl					433.0	434.0	1.0	<b>1.50</b>
incl					441.5	446.4	4.9	0.74
DO-18-214					454.9	457.0	2.1	0.42
DO-18-217	705112	5491600	360	-50	147.7	150.0	2.3	<b>1.83</b>
DO-18-217					165.0	178.0	<b>13.0</b>	0.50
including					166.0	168.0	2.0	0.87
including					175.5	178.0	2.6	<b>1.19</b>
DO-18-217					284.0	388.0	<b>104.0</b>	0.44
including					286.0	287.0	1.0	<b>1.04</b>
including					284.0	293.1	9.1	0.47
including					303.0	333.8	<b>30.8</b>	0.74
including					309.0	326.0	<b>17.0</b>	<b>1.08</b>
including					333.0	333.8	0.8	<b>1.64</b>
including					356.0	388.0	<b>32.0</b>	0.30
DO-18-218	705200	5491498	360	-45	162.0	176.0	<b>14.0</b>	0.35
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DO-18-227	704896	5491654	360	-60			Assays	Pending
DO-18-233	705283	5491808	360	-50			Assays	Pending
DO-18-241	705300	5491370	360	-50			Assays	Pending

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### *Qualified Person*

The scientific and technical data contained in this press release was reviewed and prepared under the supervision of Fred Speidel, M. Sc, P. Geo., Vice-President Exploration, of Maple Gold. Mr. Speidel is a Qualified Person under National Instrument 43-101 Standards of Disclosure for Mineral Projects. Mr. Speidel has verified the data related to the exploration information disclosed in this news release through his direct participation in the work.

### *Quality Assurance (QA) and Quality Control (QC)*

Maple Gold implements strict Quality Assurance (“QA”) and Quality Control (“QC”) protocols at Douay covering the planning and placing of drill holes in the field; drilling and retrieving the NQ-sized drill core; drill-hole surveying; core transport to the Douay Camp; core logging by qualified personnel; sampling and bagging of core for analysis; transport of core from site to the analytical laboratory; sample preparation for assaying; and analysis, recording and final statistical vetting of results. For a complete description of protocols, please visit the Company’s QA/QC page on the website at: <http://maplegoldmines.com/index.php/en/projects/qa-qc-gp-statement>

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Maple Gold is a well-funded gold exploration company focused on advancing a district-scale gold project in one of the world’s premier mining jurisdictions. The Company’s 370 km<sup>2</sup> Douay Gold Project is located along the Casa Berardi Deformation Zone within the prolific Abitibi Greenstone Belt in northern Quebec, Canada. The Project has an established gold resource that remains open in multiple directions, with excellent infrastructure and several large scale operating mines within this prolific mining district. Maple Gold is now completing a significant winter drill campaign to expand on the known Resource Areas and test new discovery targets within the Company’s 55 km of strike along the Casa Berardi Deformation Zone. For more information please visit [www.maplegoldmines.com](http://www.maplegoldmines.com).

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