

# **DONLIN GOLD**

## A Tier-One gold development project(1)

NOVAGOLD offers an unrivaled opportunity for investors seeking leverage to gold. Our 50%-owned federally permitted Donlin Gold project hosts one of the largest and highest-grade undeveloped known open-pit gold endowments in the world.<sup>(2)</sup>



## 2023 Highlights

- Donlin Gold completed comprehensive fieldwork and geotechnical drilling required to complete the Alaska Dam Safety certification applications
- Fieldwork to further characterize groundwater flow at the Donlin Gold site, including 1,279 m of hydrogeologic drilling with instrumentation and pump tests, providing important information for mine planning and design
- Lyman family's historic placer site restoration, with pond habitat creation advanced; anticipated aquatic life access and use planned for the 2024 field season
- Held meetings in Alaska with State officials and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers – in partnership with Calista Corporation and the village of Crooked Creek – to emphasize the project's

- comprehensive environmental review and permitting processes, as well as the close collaboration with Native Alaskan landowners
- Further enhanced NOVAGOLD's ESG disclosure by reporting in alignment with the Carbon Disclosure Project and Task Force on Climate-Related Financial Disclosures frameworks
- Approved a Donlin Gold budget of \$28.5 million (100% basis) for 2024 comprising of resource modelling, mine planning work, metallurgical test work (pilot plant), regional infrastructure support plan, geoscience hydrology and closure planning, advance dam safety certificates, support litigation activities, as well as government affairs, community engagement and sponsorships at the Donlin Gold LLC board level

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## Top institutional shareholders

- 25.4% Electrum Strategic Resources LP & affiliates
- 7.2% Fidelity Management
- 6.7% Paulson & Co. Inc.
- 6.1% Blackrock Inc.
- 5.6% First Eagle Investment
- 4.8% Saudi Public Investment Fund
- 4.7% Lingotto Investment
- 3.6% Kopernik Global Investors LLC
- 2.9% The Vanguard Group
- 2.5% Van Eck Associates Corporation

69.5% TOP 10 SHAREHOLDERS



ALL OTHER SHAREHOLDERS

## 2022 ESG Highlights

### **Environmental**

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- · No instances of non-compliance with any permit requirements or environmental regulations
- · All drill sites and access roads stabilized and reclaimed
- Conducting a multi-year fish study program to address the local rainbow smelt and subsistence harvest
- Ongoing, long-term aquatic monitoring program for Crooked Creek watershed
- · Applied for new Air Quality permit and Alaska Pollutant Discharge Elimination System permit
- · NOVAGOLD VP, Environment, Health, Safety & Sustainability, Ron Rimelman named Advocate of The Year and Donlin Gold Environmental Coordinator, Danny Twitchell recognized for Environmental Stewardship by the Alaska Miners Association

### Governance

**BOARD MEMBERS**  73% 27%

81%

NON-INDEPENDENT

Social

LOCAL

## Community

6,370

Engagements with local community members

Local communities reached through engagement

1,082

Hours of training for employees

In community initiatives, sponsorships and partnerships

74%

Of suppliers were Alaska Natives

Shared Values Statements signed with key local communities

Mike Parkin, National Bank Financial Lucas Pipes, B. Riley Securities Inc. Michael Siperco, RBC Capital Markets

### **Board of Directors**

Dr. Thomas Kaplan

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Scientific and technical information in this fact sheet is supported by the NI 43-101 Technical Report on the Donlin Gold Project. Alaska, USA, effective June 1, 2021 (the "NI 43-101 Technical Report"), and the S-K 1300 Technical Report Summary on the Donlin Gold Project. Alaska, USA, November 30, 2021 (the "S-K 1300 Technical Report Summary"). Both reports can be found on NOVAGOLD's website at <a href="https://www.novagold.com">www.novagold.com</a> or the SEC's website at <a href="https://www.novagold.com">www.novagold.com</a> without limitation, statements relating to Donlin Gold's future operating or financial performance, are forward-looking statements within the meaning of applicable securities laws. These forward-looking statements are set forth in the informatic perfaining to the anticipated production capacity at Donlin Gold. Forward-looking statements involve various risks and uncertainties. See "Cautionary Note Regarding Forward-Looking Statements" at <a href="https://www.novagold.com">www.novagold.com</a>.

### Qualified Persons

Henry Kim, P.Geo., Mike Woloschuk, P.Eng., Kirk Hanson P.E. "NI 43-101 Technical Report on the Donlin Gold Project, Alaska, USA" prepared by Wood CanadaLimited ("Wood"), effective June 1, 2021. Wood Canada Limited "6.x 1800 Technical Report Summary on the Donlin Gold Project, Alaska, USA" prepared by Wood Canada Limited. November 30, 2021.

Paul Chilson, P.E., who is the Manager, Mine Engineering for NOVAGOLD and a "qualified person" under NI 43-101 and S-K 1300, has approved the scientific and technical information contained in this presentation.

- NOVAGOLD defines a Tier-One gold development project as one with a projected production life of at least 10 years, annual projected production of at least 500,000 ounces of gold, and average projected operating costs over the production life that are in the lower half of the industry cost curve.

  Per the NI 43-101 Technical report (as defined above) and the S-K 1300 Technical Report Summary (as defined above) Donlin Gold possesses Measured Resources of approximately 8 Mt grading 2.52 g/t and Indicated Resources of approximately 534 Mt grading 2.24 g/t, each on a 100% bosis and inclusive of Mineral Reserves, of which approximately 4 Mt of Measured Resources and approximately 267 Mt of Indicated Resources inclusive of Reserves is attributable to NOVAGOLD through its 50% ownership interest in Donlin Gold LLC.
- NOVAGOLD sold its 50% ownership of the Galore Creek project to Newmont in 2018. Deferred compensation on the sale of Galore Creek includes a \$25 million note payment received from Newmont Mining Corporation in July 2023. An additional \$75 million is contingent upon Galore Creek construction approval.
- Alaska ranks number 11 globally in the Fraser Institute Annual Survey of Mining Companies 2022 Investment Attractiveness Index.
- Represents average grade of measured and indicated mineral resources, inclusive of mineral reserves. See NI 43-101 Technical Report (as defined above), and the S-K 1300 Technical Report Summary (as defined above).



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