

## ASX Announcement

16 February 2011

### Navaho Gold IPO

The Directors of D'Aguilar Gold Limited (D'Aguilar) are pleased to advise of the finalisation and lodgement, yesterday after the closure of the market, of the Prospectus for the IPO and ASX-listing of **Navaho Gold Limited** (Navaho Gold), currently a subsidiary of D'Aguilar Gold.

As part of the IPO of Navaho Gold, all D'Aguilar shareholders on the register as of yesterday's date will receive a **priority entitlement** on a personalised application form to be mailed to them together with a Navaho Gold Prospectus planned for early March 2011.

#### \$9 Million IPO Raising

The IPO for Navaho Gold will raise \$9 million for the exploration of Navaho Gold's portfolio of gold and gold-silver projects in Nevada, USA and Queensland, Australia. The Directors are very pleased to report that the issue has been fully underwritten by Bizzell Capital Partners. The pooled priority entitlement for eligible D'Aguilar shareholders will be \$1,000,000.

#### Carlin Style Mineralisation

Navaho Gold is clearly focused on the exploration for and ultimate development of "Carlin Style" gold mineralisation. "Carlin" gold mineralisation was recognised near the town of Carlin in Nevada USA in the 1960's. Carlin deposits occur as the result of low temperature solutions precipitating gold, silver and sulphide minerals in limey, magnesian and carbonaceous sediments, which have first been made a porous and receptive host by the effect of acid solutions emanating from nearby intrusions and fragmentation from fault activity. Carlin orebodies are typically both large and high-grade, ranging up to 40Moz gold (eg. Barrick Gold Corporation's Post-Betze deposit)<sup>1</sup>. Nevada has 20 major mining operations producing in excess of 100,000 oz gold per annum<sup>2</sup>.

#### Projects in Nevada (one of the most gold-rich provinces in the World) and Queensland

Navaho Gold has various agreements to earn majority interests in, or acquire, at Navaho Gold's election, seven projects in Nevada, four of which are located on or adjacent to the prolific gold-producing Carlin and Battle Mountain Trends, and holds exploration licences over three potential new "Carlin" style regions in Queensland.

From the period 1981 to 2009, in excess of 156Moz gold has been produced in Nevada, making it one of the most strongly endowed gold provinces in the World<sup>3</sup>. The Carlin Trend alone has produced more gold than any other mining district in the USA<sup>4</sup>.

Importantly, Navaho Gold's Carlin East project in Nevada lies approximately 5km east of Barrick Gold Corporation's 40Moz gold Post-Betze deposit, and the Utah Clipper project in Nevada is located immediately along trend from Barrick's Cortez and Pipeline-Gold Acres deposits which contain more than 30Moz gold<sup>5</sup>.

### **Innovative Approach to Exploration**

Navaho Gold plans to apply refined geophysical techniques, particularly gravity surveying, detailed geochemistry, and drilling to intersect the favourable "lower plate" host rock targets on its projects in Nevada.

### **Early Activity**

Navaho Gold will commence drilling at the Steven's Basin Project, Nevada soon after listing (subject to weather and access) and will target surface gold mineralisation defined by widespread gold in rockchips (up to 2.5g/t) and a >700 metre long, open-ended soil anomaly.

### **Accomplished Management**

Navaho Gold is headed by Mark Dugmore (ex BHP global base metals exploration manager). Each member the Board and Management of Navaho Gold are highly experienced resource industry professionals with a demonstrated track record in the discovery, project development and financing of precious and base metal projects. Navaho Gold plans to establish an operational base in Reno, Nevada.

Further information regarding Navaho Gold, its projects, management team and a copy of its Prospectus are available on the Company's website at [navahogold.com](http://navahogold.com)



On behalf of the Board  
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### **References:**

1. Nevada Bureau of Mines and Geology – Update on Minerals Production & Exploration (2009)
2. Nevada Bureau of Mines and Geology – Minerals Industry Report (2009)
3. Nevada Bureau of Mines and Geology – Minerals Industry Report (2009)
4. Minnelex Pty Ltd – Independent Geologists Report (10 February 2011) for the Navaho Gold Prospectus
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### **Competent Persons Statement**

The information herein that relates to Exploration Results is based on information compiled by Nicholas Mather B.Sc (Hons) Geol., who is a Member of The Australian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy. Mr Mather is employed by Samuel Capital Pty Ltd which provides certain consultancy services including the provision of Mr Mather as the Managing Director of D'Aguilar Gold Ltd (and a director of D'Aguilar Gold Ltd's subsidiaries).

Mr Mather has more than five years experience which is relevant to the style of mineralisation and type of deposit being reported and to the activity which he is undertaking to qualify as a Competent Person as defined in the 2004 Edition of the 'Australasian Code for Reporting of Exploration Results, Minerals Resources and Ore Reserves' (the JORC Code). This public report is issued with the prior written consent of the Competent Person(s) as to the form and context in which it appears.

## About D'Aguilar Gold

D'Aguilar Gold Limited is focused on generating exploration and development companies in a wide array of minerals.

Projects are conceived directly through the skills and experience of D'Aguilar's accomplished team of exploration geoscientists (with an enviable track record), not by the costly purchase of properties. Each project or exploration strategy is held in a separate subsidiary.

Focused and specialist management is then engaged in the subsidiary, with project specific finance raised in the subsidiary – faster and less dilutive to D'Aguilar. As the subsidiary project develops and starts to derisk the subsidiary is separately capitalised (seed raisings followed by an IPO).

Investors can choose to invest specifically in a particular project/commodity, or by investing in D'Aguilar, invest in the resource company generating business which retains a significant carried interest in each project.

D'Aguilar projects tend to be very large, targeting new provinces with the potential to make world-class discoveries. The exploration concepts are often novel. While increased metal prices and advances in technology can turn former sub-economic deposits into viable projects, D'Aguilar subsidiary projects frequently emerge from detailed reassessment and reinterpretation of large databases – looking at things from a new angle and with a different focus using state of the art techniques. The D'Aguilar Directors and Managers have in the past applied new exploration models to extensive tenement areas which have led to identification of new mineral provinces and the discovery of nationally significant resources. Similar efforts are now being dedicated to D'Aguilar.

D'Aguilar Gold currently holds 52 million shares (33%) in **Mt Isa Metals Limited** (ASX: MET) embarking on an exciting gold strategy in Burkina Faso, 35.2 million shares (12.5%) in **Solomon Gold plc** (LSE: SOLG) and 58.5 million shares (53%) in **AusNiCo Limited**.

**Navaho Gold Limited** (gold and silver) has now lodged its Prospectus with ASIC, which may be viewed at [navahogold.com](http://navahogold.com). Further, D'Aguilar has announced the proposed merger of its 86% owned **Ridge Exploration** (iron ore, titanium and aluminium) with Canadian-listed Coltstar Ventures Inc.

In the development pipeline, D'Aguilar is also progressing plans for other subsidiaries – **Archer Resources Limited** (molybdenum, copper and gold) and **Armour Energy Limited**, an energy-focused subsidiary. Several other projects are at earlier stages of development, and will be announced to the market when exploration tenements have been secured.

D'Aguilar has 322,202,760 shares on issue.

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