

## **Snowy River Gold Project**



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## Agenda

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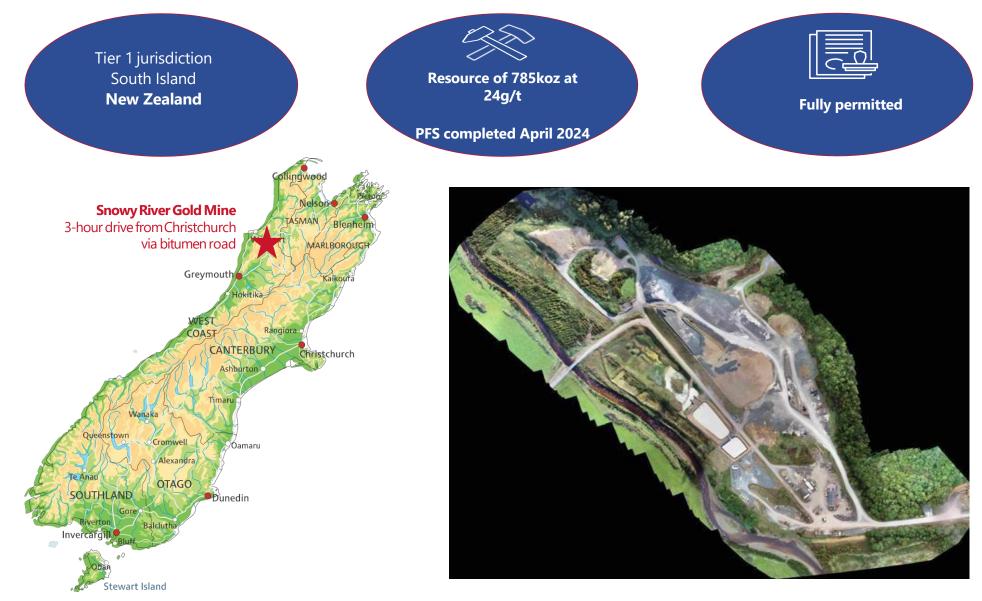


## Section 1

# **Corporate Overview**

## **Snowy River - high-grade gold project**

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# Strong management with supportive key shareholder

Experienced management and board with decades of experience across ASX-listed mining companies.

Ongoing support from AustralianSuper and other investors.

## Management team



**SIMON** BIRD Chief Financial Officer



BRUCE **HIGSON-SMITH** Vice President – **Business Development** 



### Supportive key shareholders

Ordinary shares	Ord. %	Class A %	Total %	
and	49.1	-	33.6	AustralianSuper
Class A (Performance) shares	31.9	31.1	31.6	Jim Askew <sup>1</sup>
	15.9	65.6	31.6	Mark Le Messurier
	3.1	3.3	3.2	Federation Share Plan

Total % assumes Class A shares convert to Ordinary. Table exclude potential dilution from any note conversions.

## **Board of Directors**



JIM ASKEW Non-Executive Chairman





Australia's largest superannuation fund, AustralianSuper have invested ~A\$203.2m (inc convertible notes)



SALLY LANGER Non-Executive Director



**ROMINA** GAUDION Non-Executive



NZ Govt Ioan via Provincial Growth Fund ~NZ\$15m (Fully repaid Dec 2023)



Notes: (1) Shareholding held via International Mining and Finance Corporation.

## **Resource Model Summary**

	Reserve	Indicated Resource	Inferred Resource
Tonnes (t)	368,220	224,000	796,000
Grade (g/t)	10.8	24.6	24.0
Ounces	128,229	177,000	608,000

- 2023 drilling program totalled 72 drill holes for 16,000m, extending 230m below Blackwater Mine historical workings (focussed on Panel A)
  - Panel A 177K oz Indicated Resource, 23K oz Inferred Resource (average drill spacing 50m)
  - Panel B 585K oz Inferred Resource
  - (drilling demonstrates 900m extending additional 530m below Panel A)
  - PFS generated 128koz of JORC Reserves
- 12% increase in Mineral Resource Estimate (MRE) from 2014 OceanaGold PEA Inferred Resource estimate – 940kt @ 23 g/t for 695koz

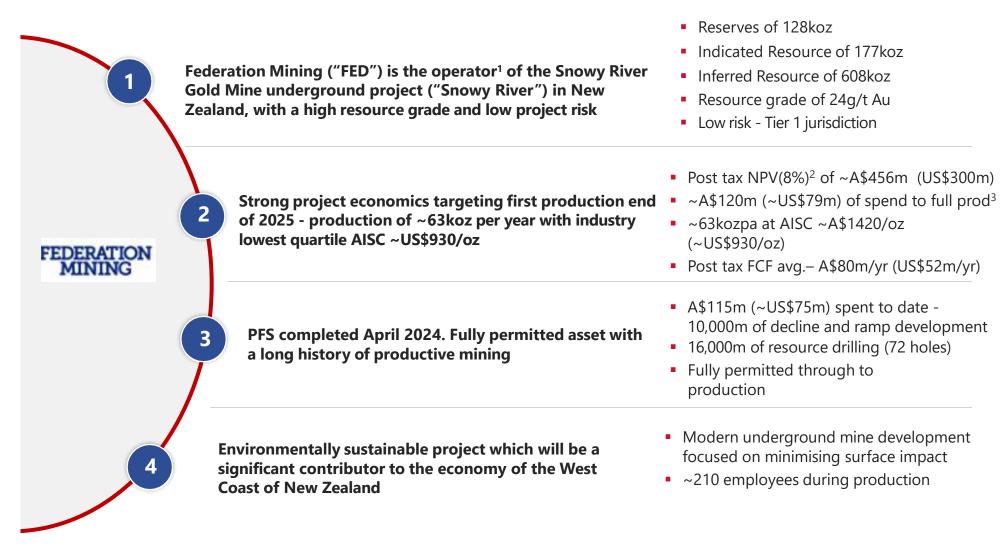
## **Achievements since 2020**

After minimal activity between 1951-2020. Federation has substantially advanced and derisked this project.

Activity	Status	Date	Comment
Build 3.5km twin decline	$\checkmark$	2022/3	Safely completed at low cost
Conduct U/G drilling	$\checkmark$	2023	72 holes 16,000m without incident
Update Resource estimate	$\checkmark$	2024	12% increase in resource
Update project economics	$\checkmark$	2024	12 year mine life
Complete PFS	$\checkmark$	Apr 2024	128koz Reserve with 2 year mine life
Obtain permits	$\checkmark$	Jun 2024	Mining Permits & Resource consents granted
Settle asset acquisition	$\checkmark$	Jun 2024	Acquisition from OceanaGold completed
Establish U/G infrastructure	WIP	2024/5	Well advanced (inc dewatering and staffing)
Conduct further U/G drilling	WIP	2024/5	10 hole programme underway
Complete Bulk Metallurgical Tests	WIP	2024/5	Completed
Progress plant design	WIP	2024/5	40% complete

# **Investment Highlights**

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Notes: (1) In July 2018 FED entered into an option agreement with OceanaGold (New Zealand) Limited to become operator of Snowy River. FED purchases Snowy River in June 2024; (2) Assumes gold price of US\$2,000/oz.; (3) Includes ~A\$12m royalty buy. AUD/USD 0.6560



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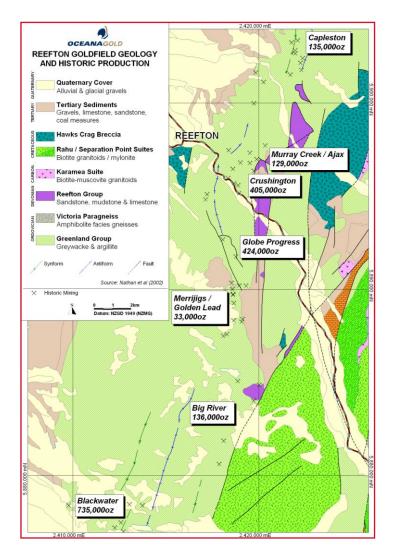
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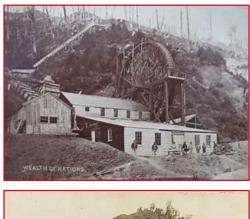
# **Project History**

## **Reefton Goldfield**





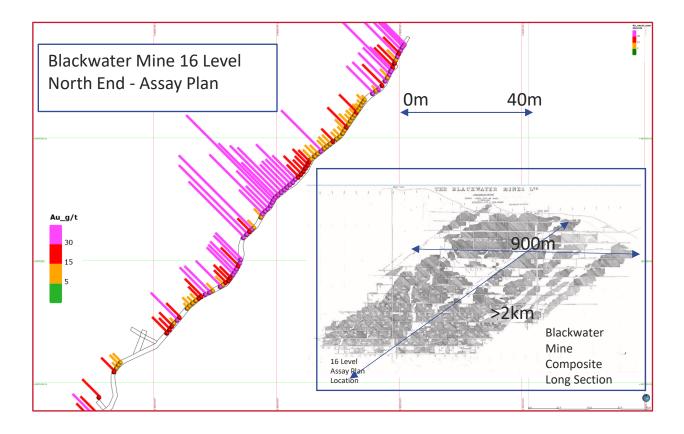


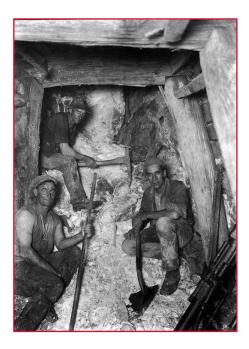


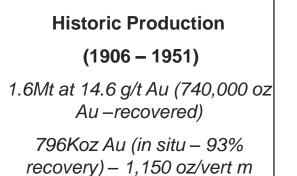




# **Birthday Reef – Grade continuity**

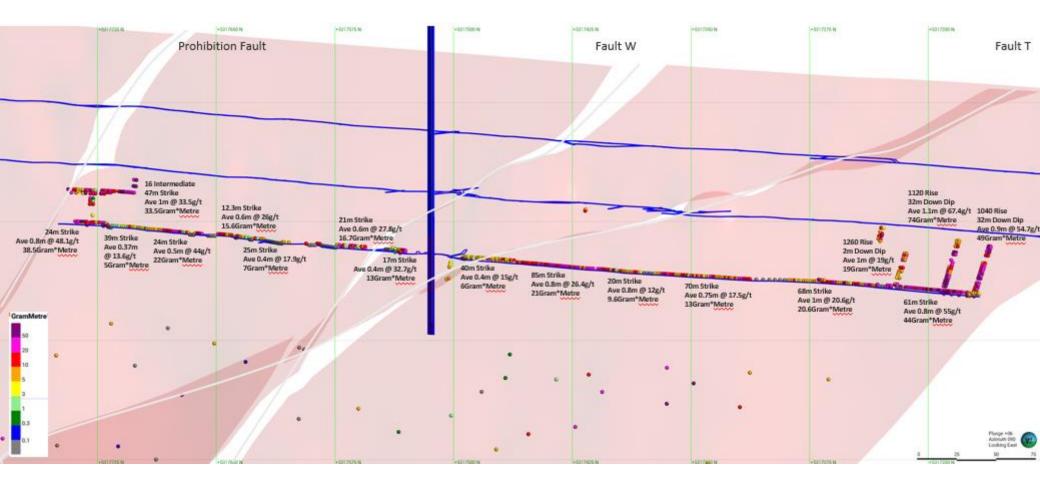




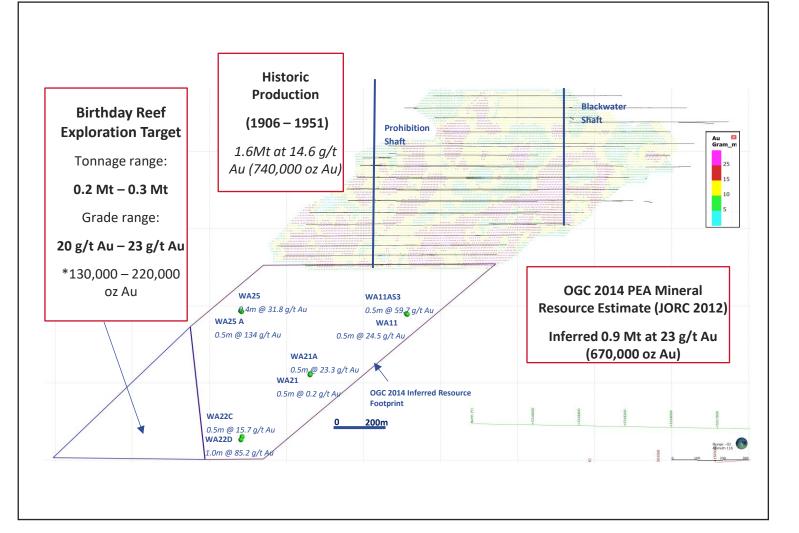




# **16 Level historic channel samples**



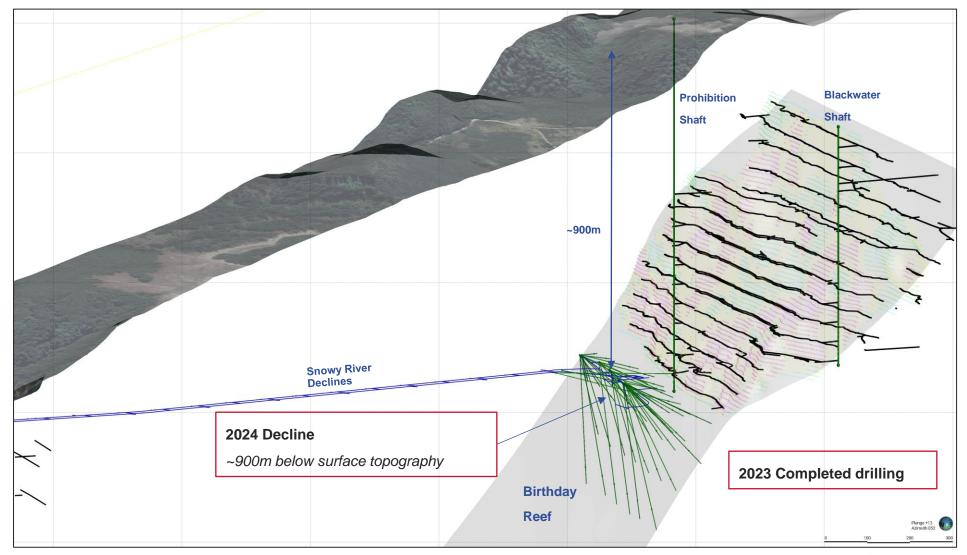
# **Birthday Reef long section – Exploration history**



- Exploration since mine closure in 1951 mostly by OceanaGold/Macraes
- 2 attempts to refurbish Prohibition shaft unsuccessful
- Deep drilling programs in late 1990s and 2012-2013.
- Deep holes (1,000 to 1640m holes) – challenging
- MRE Inferred Resource Estimate
- Drilling from surface too expensive
- Twin decline and UG drill platform option



## **Snowy River Isometric** View looking North



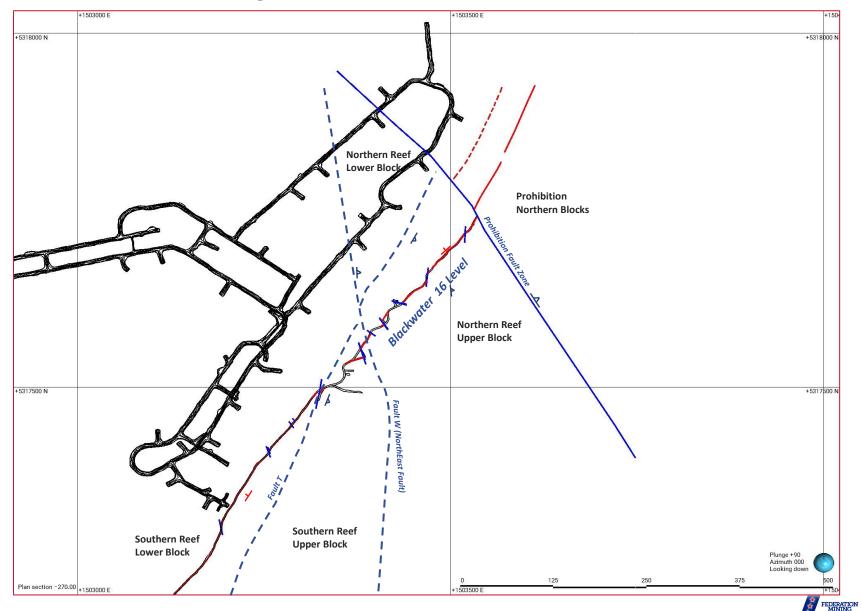


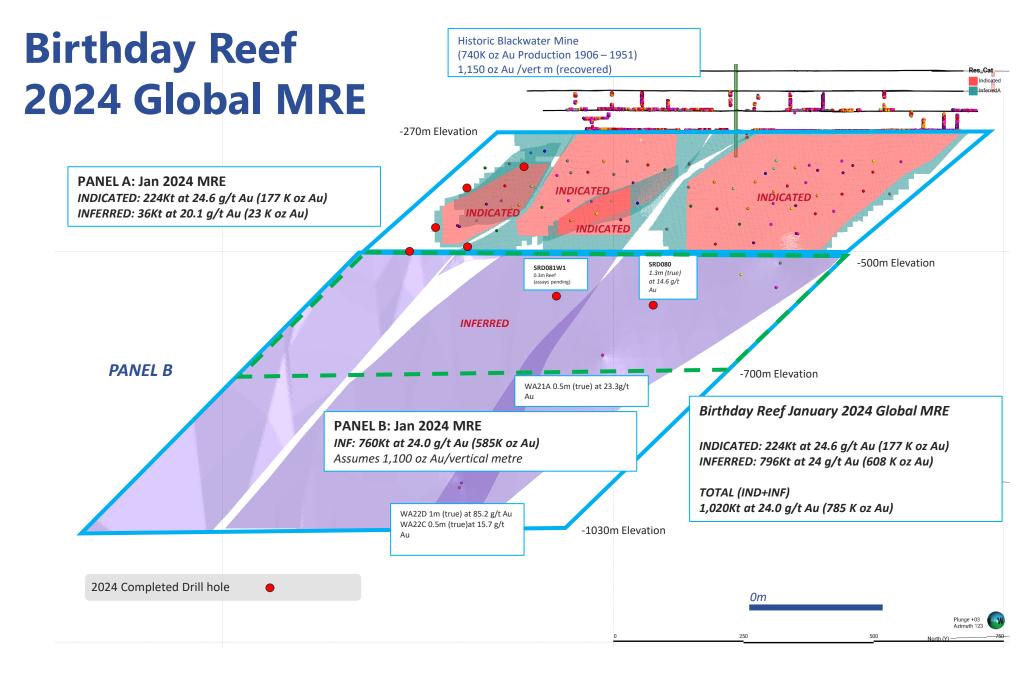


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# **Resource Definition Program**

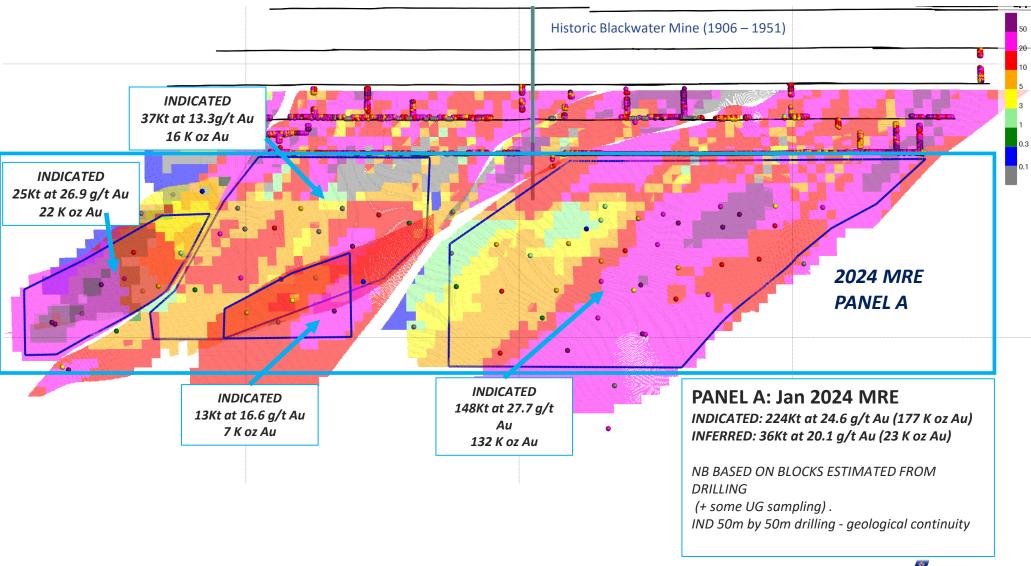
## **16 Level and Major Fault Zones**







## 2024 MRE Block model: Panel A



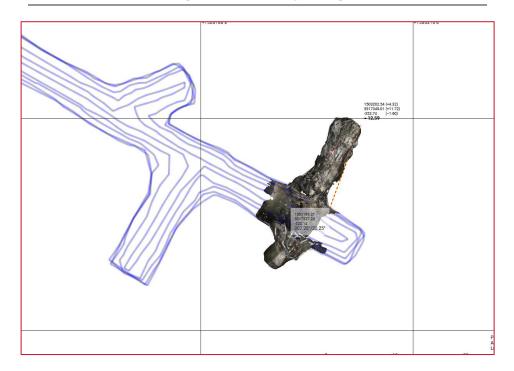
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# **20 Level Ore Development**

#### Vein mapped with every development round



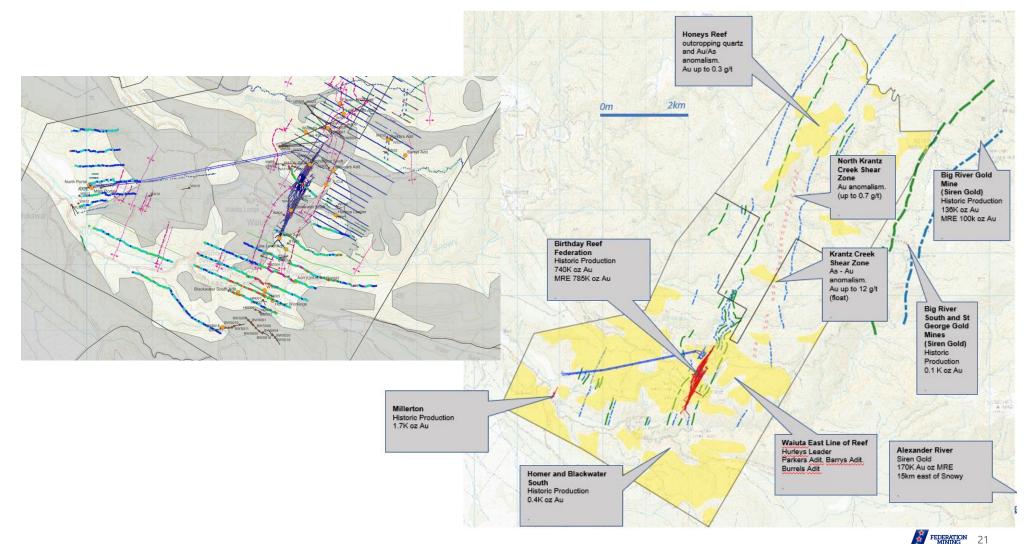
#### Successful trial mining of the ore body along the 20L





# **Exploration Potential & Permits**

Ongoing exploration work being undertaken in the local area leveraging the historic gold production





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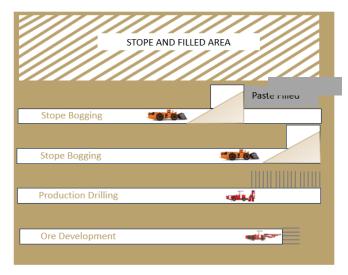
# **Development Plan**

# **Mining Method**

Given the narrow and steeply dipping quartz reef, narrow vein mining through uphole bench stoping is the proposed mining method

#### Mining method overview

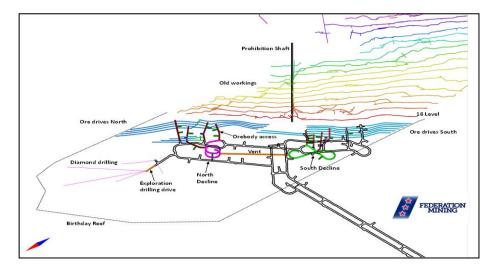
- Top-down mining method with paste fill to minimize ore pillars and dispose of 50% of processing waste tailings
- Measures have been taken to ensure minimum mining fronts to facilitate steady production rates; benchmarking and first principle build ups
- Drill and Blast control a priority given narrow vein and emphasis on managing geotechnical conditions



#### Narrow vein mining

- Given the narrow and steeply dipping quartz reef, the operation will utilise narrow vein mining to maximise productivity
- Focus will be on controlling the size of openings and rock stability to minimise dilution

#### Underground development plan





## **Current site layout**

#### **Snowy River – Current site layout**





# **Planned Processing Plant**

#### **Plant information**

- High recovery 96%
  - Gravity recovery 80%
  - Flotation/CIL 16%
- Plant capex \$65m
- Paste fill plant \$10m
- Engineering well advanced -Stantec Process Engineers
- Power supply engineering underway
- Dry filter cake tailings codisposed on Waste Rock
   Stack
- Sulphide tailings deposited underground





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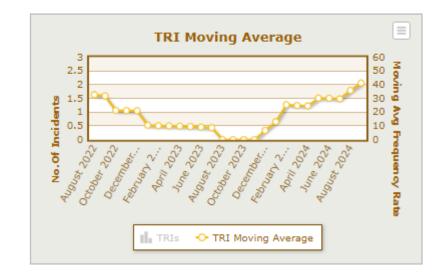
# Sustainability, Governance & Stakeholders

## Safety Performance & Improvement

Improvement in safety performance is driven through a multi-faceted approach including systems, face to face interactions and workplace culture

#### Recent Safety Performance presents an opportunity for improvement

- Safety Improvement plan developed to support enhancing safety & risk management processes.
- External Safety & Health assurance reviews completed annually.
- Sustainability Manager appointed to provide extra support and lead improvements as a member of site leadership
- Strong focus on in the field leadership activities to develop front line leaders.
- Employee Safety surveys completed during 2024.



# **Environmentally Sustainable Project**

## An active and committed team to delivering high quality sustainable outcomes

#### **Process Water and Waste Rock**

- Mine and process water reused and treated
- Planting of over 12,000 native plants
- Waste rock and other dry tailings placed underground as backfill or stored in engineered and stable dump on surface
- Water indirectly discharged to river under strict consent conditions
- Engineered clay liner on waste rock stack

Land Access and removal of Cyanide and Sulphide

 Cyanide is destroyed and all sulphide tailings stored underground as backfill (paste)



 Private land access only and operation 700m below
 Department of Conservation land

#### Land Disturbance

 Minimal land disturbance with closure plan in place



- Low carbon intensity with estimated 0.03 tonnes of GHG emissions per ounce
- 0.56 tCO2e per metre advanced

Seeking to set benchmark in mine environmental stewardship



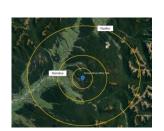


# **Stakeholder Engagement**

Stakeholder engagement is built in as a core function of who we are at Federation Mining

## Continuing to inform our stakeholders

 Stakeholder heat map developed



- Regular community meetings and newsletters
- Social media presence

Community sponsorship and engagement

- \$100,000 invested in community groups, events and local emergency services
- Strong industry participation
- Building collective knowledge on mine water management

See Sustainability Report for ESG disclosures www.federationmining.com.au

Working with regulators and affected parties

- Regulators WCRC & BDC
- Key affected parties Landholder, IWI, DoC, NZTA



 Stakeholder liaison group built into the resource consent





## Section 6

# **Project Next Steps**

## Further Study, Engineering and Follow Up Actions

To build on the work completed project to date & to progress post PFS, several next steps have been identified.

#### **Processing & Metallurgy**

## Permitting & Consents

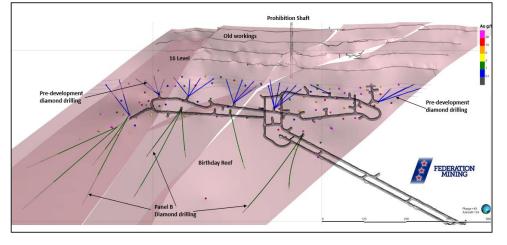
- 500kg sample from the ROM being tested – completion of optimisation test work
- Plant Engineering well advanced
- Ongoing monitoring of water discharge quality
- Highway intersection upgrade
- Power upgrade

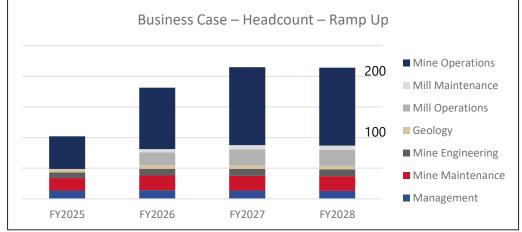
#### De-risk Mining

- Commencing ore development August 2024
- Recruitment and onboarding for technical and operational team members
- Grade Control Drilling
- Dewatering program ongoing
- Continuing ground support investigation & optimisation work

#### Site Infrastructure & Misc.

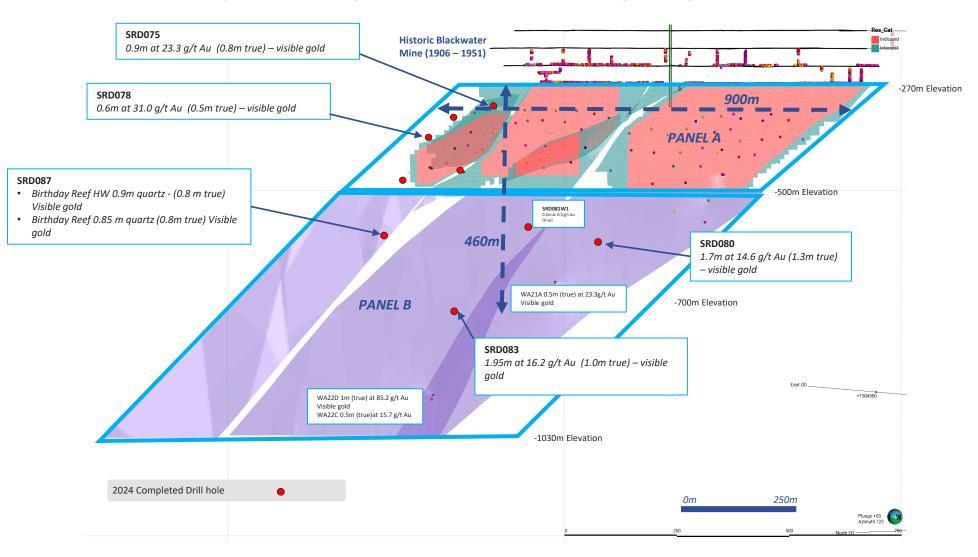
- Infrastructure work including construction camp in Reefton
- Completed Batch Plant install July 2024







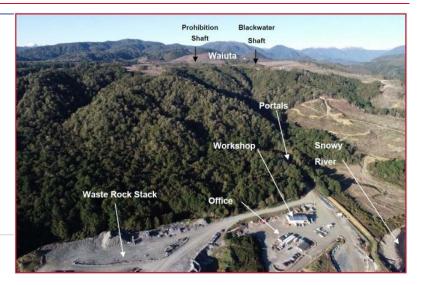
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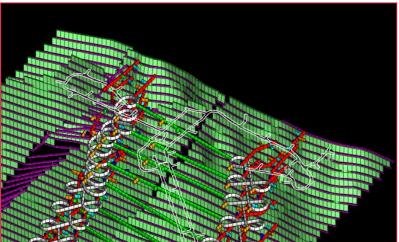


## **Development Plan & Timetable**

## **Targeting first production by end CY2025**

2024	<ul> <li>Updated Mineral Resource Model</li> </ul>			
	<ul> <li>Dewatering of historic workings</li> </ul>			
	Feasibility Study			
	Decision to Mine			
	<ul> <li>Ore Development H2 2024</li> </ul>			
2025	<ul> <li>UG ore development &amp; stoping</li> </ul>			
	<ul> <li>Mill Construction</li> </ul>			
	Pastefill plant and distribution system			
	First gold – end of 2025			
	Production ~60koz – 65koz Au p.a.			
	<ul> <li>~10 – 12 year mine life based on business case</li> </ul>			







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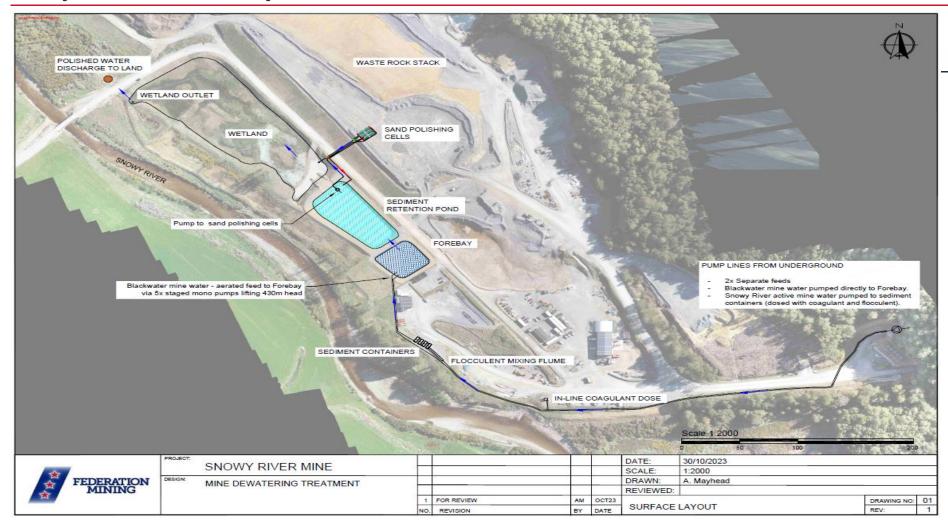




# **Supplementary information**

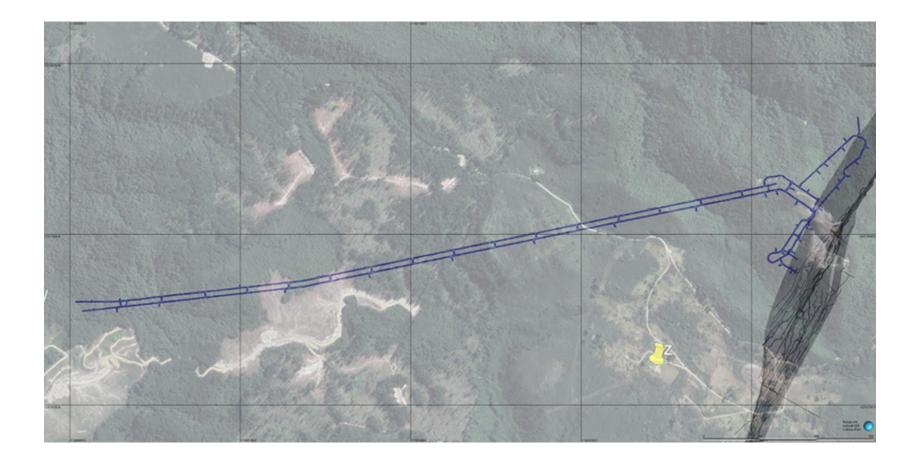
## **Current site layout**

#### **Snowy River – Current site layout**



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## Topography

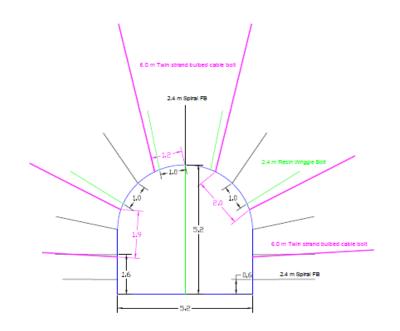


# **Development – Ground Support Standards**

Ground support standards developed for the conditions experienced, optimisation work underway to increase productivity and reduce costs.

## **Current Standards – Capital Development & Orebody Development**

- Current ground support standards call for the use of:
  - Cable bolting in-cycle
  - Shotcrete & mesh
  - Higher capacity bolts
- Management of ground convergence and sub-optimal orientations being managed through the ground support system.
- Trial mining conditions were supportive of less intensive ground support conditions.
- Optimisation targeting 4x key areas



## **Quartz Reef**





