

### **Arizona's Copper Solution Company**

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Additional information about the Gunnison Copper Project can be found in the technical report filed on SEDAR at <a href="https://www.sedar.com">www.sedar.com</a> entitled: "Gunnison Copper Project, NI 43-101 Technical Report, Feasibility Study" dated effective December 17, 2016.

**Qualified Person:** Excelsior's exploration work on the Gunnison Property is supervised by Stephen Twyerould, Fellow of AUSIMM, President and CEO of Excelsior and a Qualified Person as defined by National Instrument 43-101. Mr. Twyerould has reviewed and approved the technical information contained in this presentation.

# **Executive Summary**



### The Next New Copper Producer in the United States

### **Project Highlights**

- FULLY PERMITTED
- Feasibility Study complete
- Industry leading Operating and Capital costs
- Initial SX-EW plant is already in-place and ready to go

### **Location and Infrastructure**

- Located in sparsely populated Southeast Arizona
- Infrastructure on site Rail, HWY, Electricity, Water

### **Seasoned Management**

 Management team with extensive experience of building and operating major mining projects around the world.





## 2016 Feasibility Study Results\*



■ NPV: US\$807 million (After-tax, US\$2.75 Cu price, 7.5% discount rate)

IRR: 40%

All-in costs: \$1.23/lb

Average life-of-mine operating costs: \$0.65/lb

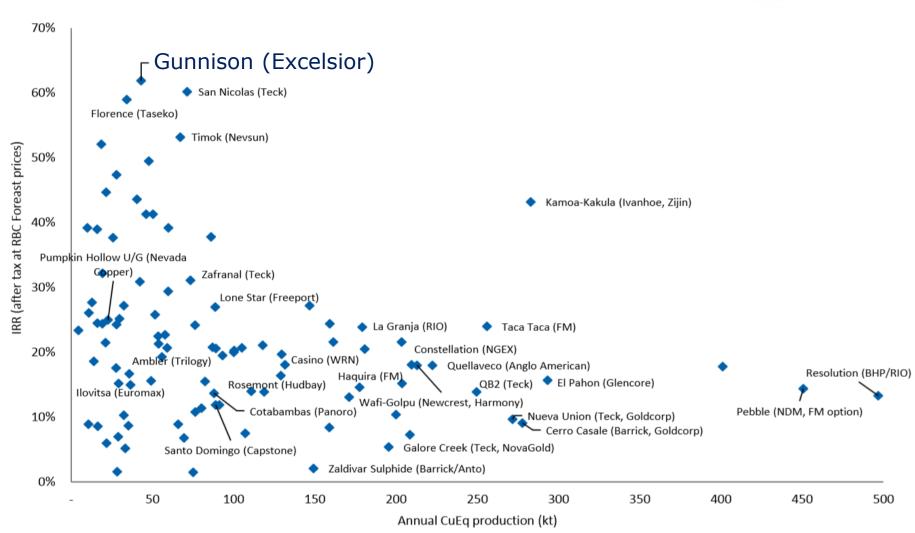
- Production start-up with existing 25 million lbs/yr plant (expanding to 125 million lbs/yr)
- Initial capital \$49 million (payback period 2.8 years)
- 24 years of commercial production

Sensitivity Analysis (US\$ after-tax)					
Cu Price \$/lb (\$/tonne)	<b>\$3.25</b> (\$7,159)	<b>\$2.75</b> (\$6,058)	<b>\$2.25</b> (\$4956)		
IRR	51%	40%	29%		
NPV	\$1,086	\$807	\$522		

<sup>\*</sup>Results of the Feasibility Study are in USD using the "Acid Plant" option. Prepared by M3 Engineering, Tucson, AZ

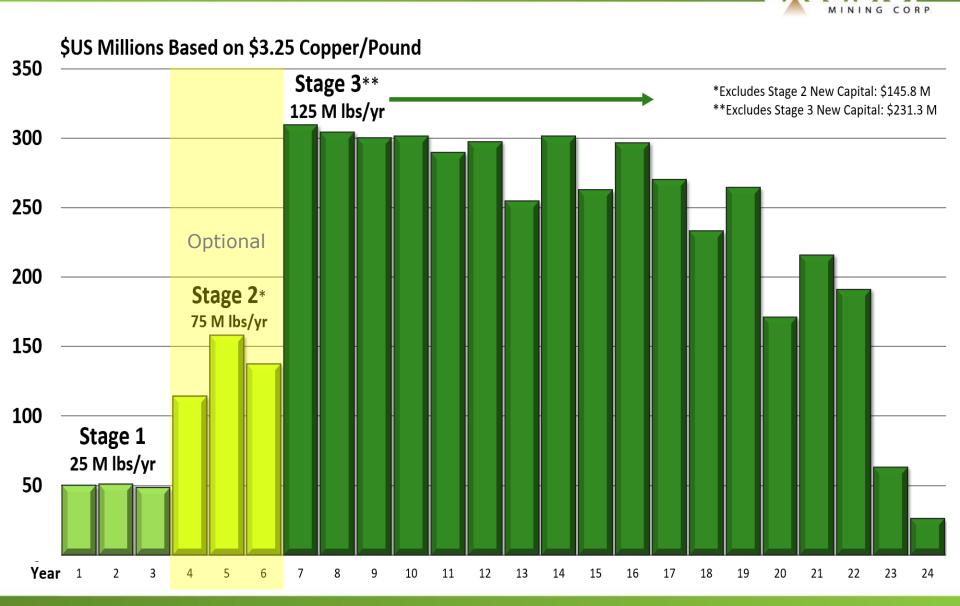
# **Comparative IRR**





RBC copper forecasts: \$3.25/lb for 2018/19, \$3.50/lb in 2020, \$3.75/lb in 2021/22, \$3.00/lb long term Source: RBC Capital Markets estimates, Wood Mackenzie, Company Reports

# Free Cash Flow (EBITDA less Sustaining Capital) Excelsion



### **Unique Requirements for ISR**



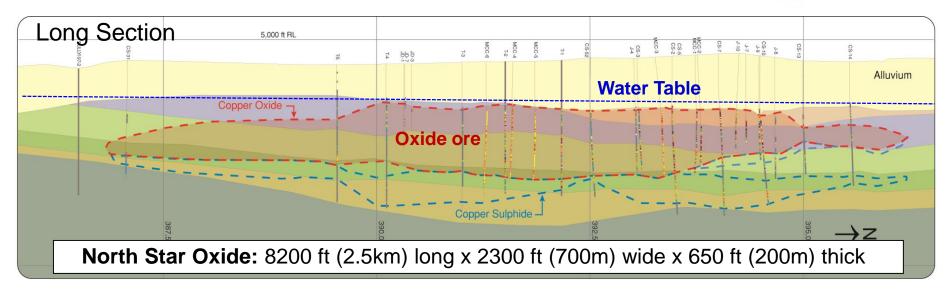
- Orebody is naturally broken, fractured and permeable (no fracking)
- Deposit is below the water table (very unusual for Cu oxides)
- Solutions controlled by differential pumping pressures
- Very established mining method: e.g. Uranium for over 40 years





## **Geology of North Star**







Naturally fractured with copper oxide minerals mostly on the fracture surfaces.

# In-Situ Recovery (ISR) Advantages

ISR is a low-cost, environmentally sound, process of extracting metals from deposits.

# Advantages compared to other mining processes:

- Lower operating costs (no earth moving)
- Lower capital costs (no mining fleet)
- Flexible mine plan
- Environmentally friendly
  - Low water consumption
  - No groundwater contamination
  - Excellent mine closure
- Minimal noise, dust, and emissions
- Fewer permits required





Open pit mines fill with ground water that becomes acidic and contaminated. This outcome is not possible with in-situ mining.

### **ISR** in Arizona



### Arizona has a positive track record for ISR mining.

### San Manuel (BHP/Magma Copper)

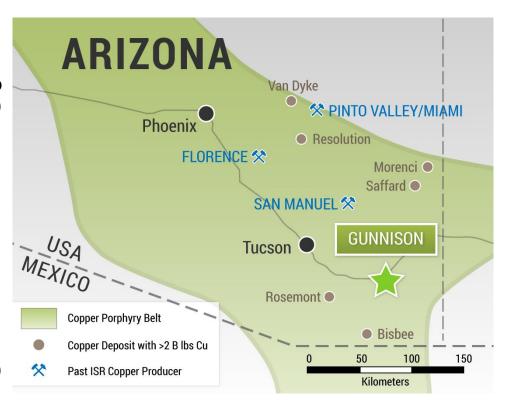
- Historical in-situ mine (+ open pit & U/G)
- 10+ years of production (>1000 wells)
- Produced copper at less than US\$0.40 per lb
- 3.25 billion lbs of Cu (284M tonnes at 0.52%)

### Florence (Taseko, formally Curis Resources)

- Temporary permits have been issued
- 2.84 billion lbs of oxide Cu (429M tons at 0.33% measured & indicated)
- Test facility in operation

### Globe - Miami Unit (BHP/Magma Copper)

- Operations: Miami unit: ISR and SX-EW
- Combined underground and in-situ
- 20+ years of production
- 1.47 billion lbs of Cu (214M tonnes at 0.31%)



Note: Production from, and mineralization on, these properties is not necessarily indicative of the production from, or mineralization on, the Gunnison Project.

# Large Deposit – Excellent Infrastructure Excelsion

- 2.5 hour drive SE of Phoenix; 65 miles SE of Tucson
- Mining district with direct access to major road, rail, power and water infrastructure
- 9,560 acres (3,868 ha)

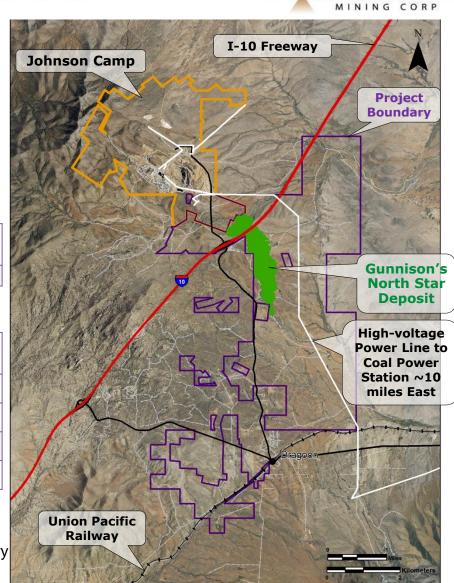
#### **North Star Mineral Reserves**

	Short Tons (millions)	Total Copper %	Pounds of Cu (billions)
Probable	782	0.29	4.5

#### North Star Mineral Resources (as of July 7, 2015)

	Short Tons (millions)	Total Copper %	Pounds of Cu (billions)
Measured	199	0.36	1.43
Indicated	674	0.27	3.57
Measured + Indicated	873	0.29	4.99
Inferred	187	0.17	0.63

The Mineral Resources (0.05% cut-off) are inclusive of Mineral Reserves (0.05% cut-off). The oxide and transition portion of the Mineral Reserve has the potential to be mined using in-situ recovery methods with an estimated total copper recovery of 48%.



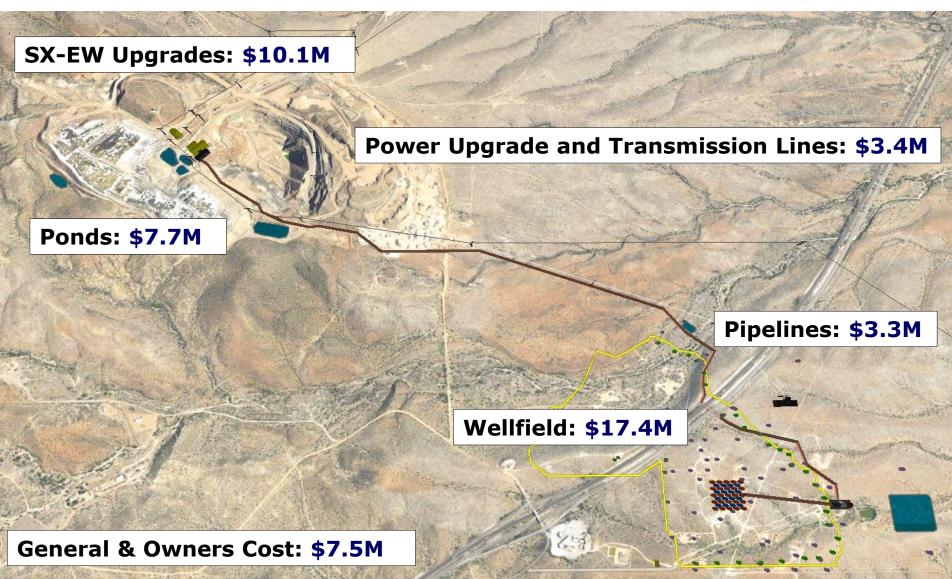
# **Johnson Camp Mine**

- Acquired in December 2015 for US\$8.4 million
- Just 1.5 miles north of the proposed wellfield
- Represents the pre-purchase of our production facility



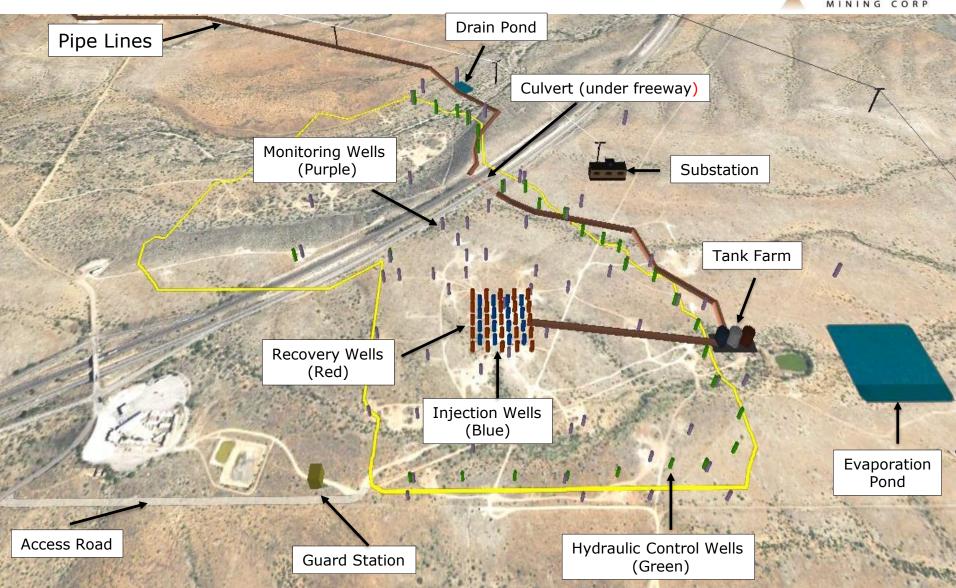
# **Capex: \$49.4M**





### **Execution Plan - Wellfield**





# Off the Shelf Technology

**ORE ZONE** Naturally fractured rock with oxidized copper deposits





#### **FEATURES**

- · proven mining technology
- no blasting, open pit or fracking
- processed solution is recycled
- on-site water recycling
- · permitted & regulated by ADEQ & EPA

# **Fully Permitted**





Initial applications for state and federal permits were filed in January, 2016. The project's remote location, low water use, and the lack of any biodiversity or cultural issues contributed to an efficient permitting process.

State ADEQ APP (Aquifer Protection Permit) – Sept 11, 2017

Federal EPA UIC (Class III Underground Injection & Control Permit) – Oct 16, 2018

# **Excellent Management Team**



Stephen Twyerould, Ph.D. - President & CEO, Director

Over 30 years of industry experience; formally with WMC Resources (now BHP); previous General Manager Geology/Exploration of Gold WMC Resources. Chief Geologist Windarra Nickel & Gold Company.

Roland Goodgame, Ph.D. - Chief Operating Officer

Over 30 years of mining experience with WMC and Anglo-American; extensive knowledge of copper exploration and project evaluation.

Rebecca Sawyer - VP Sustainability

Highly accomplished environmental professional, who has held senior environmental engineering and manager positions with Freeport-McMoRan Inc., Simplot and Newmont Mining. Extensive experience in groundwater remediation, environmental planning, policy development and regulatory compliance.

**Greg Duschek** – *General Manager* 

International mining operations manager – most recently Mine Controller at Fort Knox Mine (Kinross) in Alaska.

Mike Leuders- Wellfield Manager

35+ years of in-situ mining experience, including 10 wellfield startups, 9 wellfield build-outs, and 12 years as a Wellfield Manager.

Ronald Grant - Wellfield Engineer

30+ years of experience constructing and managing ISR wellfields.

Over 60 years of cumulative mining experience.

Extensive environmental and permitting experience.

Over 65 years of cumulative ISR mining operations experience.

### **Board of Directors**



Mark Morabito, J.D - Chairman of the Board

Founder of several exploration companies; over 25 years' experience in public markets with a strong focus on junior mining.

Extensive capital markets expertise.

Stephen Twyerould, Ph.D. - President & CEO, Director

**Colin Kinley** - Over 26 years of experience as an executive for Christensen Company specializing in engineered drilling and development projects. Currently with Kinley Exploration.

**Stephen Axcell** - Over 38 years of experience in mining operations and project management execution, including process plant design and construction management.

Lord Robin Renwick - Vice Chairman, Investment Banking, JP Morgan Europe; former British Ambassador to South Africa and the United States.

Michael Haworth - Co-founder of Greenstone Resources. Former Managing Director at JP Morgan and Head of Mining and Metals and Metals Corporate Finance in London.

**Jim Kolbe** - Eleven-term member of the US House of Representatives for Arizona's 8<sup>th</sup> Congressional District.

**Fred DuVal** - Democratic nominee for Governor of Arizona in 2014 and served as Chairman of the Arizona Board of Regents; former Chief of Protocol of the United States and Assistant to President Clinton, and former Political Director for Vice-President Al Gore.

Valuable industry experience.

Greenstone Nominees.

Prominent Arizona Citizens.

### **Two-Year C\$ Share Performance**



TSX: MIN / OTCQX: EXMGF / FSE: 3XS



SHARES OUTSTANDING:	207 M				
FULLY DILUTED:	224 M				
RECENT PRICE	US\$ \$0.75				
MARKET CAP	US\$ 153 M				
No warrants outstanding					
<b>Greenstone Resources</b>	48.9%				
Capital Group	6.2%				
Management	3.7%				

# **The Case for Copper**



Copper supply shortage looming...



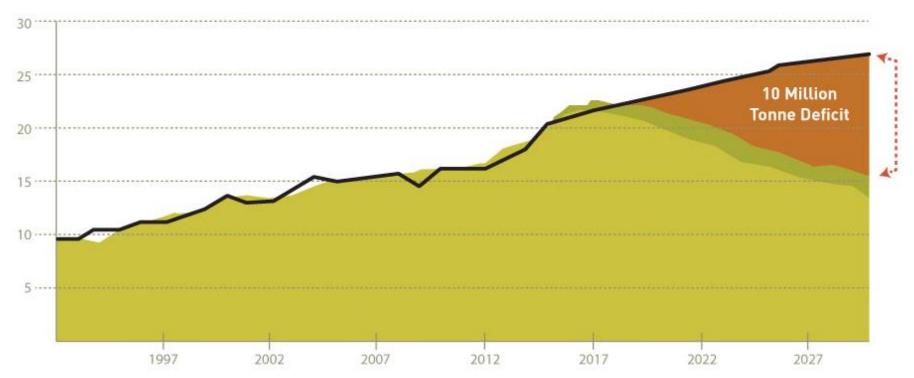


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- Remote location within mining-friendly Arizona
- Seasoned management team

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