

# BMM RECEIVES EXPLORATION PERMIT FOR THE GORGE LITHIUM PROJECT

#### **HIGHLIGHTS**

- Receipt of exploration permit for the Gorge Lithium Project.
- The permit paves the way for the Company's upcoming maiden drill program.
- Granted by the Ontario Ministry of Mines, the permit is effective for a period of three years.

"BMM is excited to continue working in northern Ontario's lithium district. The award of this exploration permit allows us to implement a drill program across the exciting targets that our team have identified over the course of mapping, channelling and soil sampling over the past 12 months. We look forward to continuing to engage and collaborate with local First Nations communities throughout the course of the planned work." – Ross Cotton, Managing Director

**Balkan Mining and Minerals Ltd (ASX: BMM; "BMM" or "the Company")** is pleased to announce receipt of an exploration permit for the Gorge Lithium Project in the Georgia Lake pegmatite district of northern Ontario, approximately 200 km northeast of Thunder Bay. The exploration permit, granted by the Ontario Ministry of Mines, is effective for a period of three years.

The permit paves the way for the Company to begin siteworks for the planned drill program that will focus on the areas of interest identified across the Nelson and Koshman pegmatites<sup>1</sup>. BMM will update the market in the coming days as further progress is made with respect to the program.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Refer to announcements dated 19 July 2023 and 6 July 2023.



## **About Gorge Project**

The Gorge Lithium Project consists of eleven (11) multi-cell and one (1) single mining claim, covering an area of  $43 \, \mathrm{km}^2$ . The Project is located approximately 215 km northeast of Thunder Bay, Ontario, and approximately 60 km southwest of Geraldton, Ontario. The Project site is accessed via Trans Canada Hwy 11 with entry points along well-graded gravel logging roads starting 40 km north of Nipigon/Trans Canada Hwy 14/11 intersection (Gorge Creek Road) and Camp 51 Rd, approximately 33 km west of Geraldton. Access to the Koshman and Nelson mineral occurrence sites are ideal along foot access (path) points 1.4 km and 0.3 km from the Gathering Lake Outfitters wilderness/hunting camp. Access to the Project as indicated above is clear and close to Trans Canada Hwy 11 near the towns of Nipigon and Geraldton.

The Company has the Option to acquire 100% interest in the Gorge Lithium Project via a four staged earn-in acquisition over a period of up to three and a half years. Please refer to the Company's announcement dated 4 July 2022 for full details on the Option Agreement Terms.

#### **Compliance Statement**

This announcement contains information on the Gorge Project extracted from ASX market announcements dated 4 July 2022, 28 September 2022, 6 October 2022, 14 November 2022, 22 November 2022, 16 December 2022, 19 May 2023, 13 June 2023, 6 July 2023 and 19 July 2023 and reported by the 2012 edition of the "Australasian Code for Reporting of Exploration Results, Mineral Resources and Ore Reserves" (2012 JORC Code) and available for viewing at www.balkanmin.com. BMM confirms that it is not aware of any new information or data that materially affects the information included in any original ASX market announcement.

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