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Come in Time (CIT) delivers a high grade core

Santana Minerals Ltd advises that it has received assays from a recent resource drilling program at the CIT deposit, located approximately 1.3km west of our dominant Rise and Shine (RAS) orebody at the Bendigo-Ophir Gold Project in New Zealand.

CIT is a comparatively smaller ore system than RAS which was previously mined from a small open-pit in the Central Otago gold rush of the 1860's. Prior to the recent drilling campaign, CIT reported a Total Inferred Mineral Resource Estimate of 3.2 million tonnes at 0.80 g/t Au, containing 82,000 ounces of gold (based on a 0.25 g/t cut-off). The current drilling program is focused on upgrading this resource to the Indicated category and refining the resource model to facilitate impending mine designs. This effort aims to integrate the CIT deposit as a supplementary ore feed to the project, complementing the large-scale RAS operation.

Recent advancements in the understanding of metal distribution at RAS, informed by structural and alteration analyses, have highlighted the emergence of a significant high-grade core within the broader low-grade mineralised system. This trend is exemplified at CIT by the results of Diamond Hole MDD371, showcasing the potential for enhanced resource quality and grade definition.

- **MDD371** **11.0m @ 9.5g/t Au from 33.0m (true width 7.0m)**

  6.0m @ 1.6g/t Au from 50.0m (true width 3.9m)

  3.2m @ 10.9g/t Au from 65.8m (true width 2.1m)

Whilst not as large as RAS, the results show a hyper-concentrated zone of metal at CIT. The broader spaced drill pattern is still too coarse to track the extents of this high-grade core and more concentrated infill drilling is planned.

Santana CEO Damian Spring said:

> "The subtlety of our structural and alteration types has posed challenges, but our team is making significant strides in this area. Identifying another high-grade core, similar to what we've seen at RAS—albeit on a smaller scale—is an excellent result. This discovery highlights the potential for high-grade shoots within the broader mineralised systems across the entire project area.
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> It's particularly encouraging that these high-grade zones can now be defined by coinciding veining, alteration, and structural indicators. While there are some terrain hurdles to navigate before we can fully pursue the high-grade core with the precision required, we're greatly encouraged that we're onto something that will make a difference at CIT."

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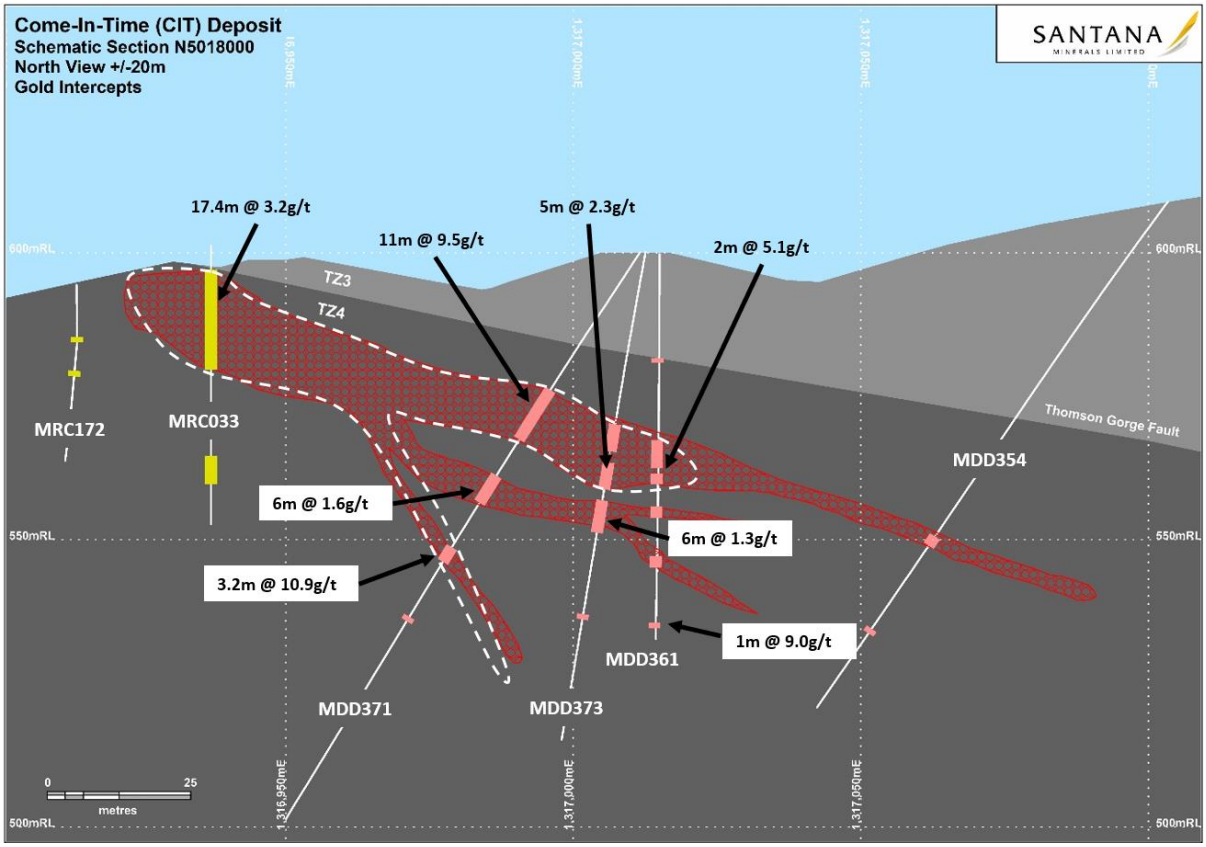

Figure 1. CIT cross section defining the high-grade core of the system

Meanwhile, the broader infill of CIT has also delivered some encouraging results within the overall ore system, noting that terrain and other minor impediments to access the required drill pads limited the drilling to this point in time:

- **MDD355** **9.4m @ 0.7g/t Au from 33.9m (true width 8.9m)**
  10.0m @ 0.8g/t Au from 50.0m (true width 9.5m)
- **MDD361** **2.0m @ 5.1g/t Au from 38.0m (true width 2.0m)**
  2.0m @ 3.7g/t Au from 53.0m (true width 2.0m)
  1.0m @ 9.0g/t Au from 65.0m (true width 1.0m)
- **MDD364R** **13.0m @ 0.5g/t Au from 63.0m (true width 10.0m)**
  3.4m @ 1.3g/t Au from 80.0m (true width 2.6m)
- **MDD366** **13.0m @ 0.5g/t Au from 50.0m (true width 13.0m)**
  11.0m @ 0.6g/t Au from 65.0m (true width 11.0m)
- **MDD373** **5.0m @ 0.5g/t Au from 32.0m (true width 3.8m)**
  5.0m @ 2.3g/t Au from 39.0m (true width 3.8m)
  6.0m @ 1.3g/t Au from 46.0m (true width 4.7m)

As shown in Figure 2 below, the CIT mineralised halo (>20MU) currently extends 500m NNE down plunge from surface and is ~95m wide.

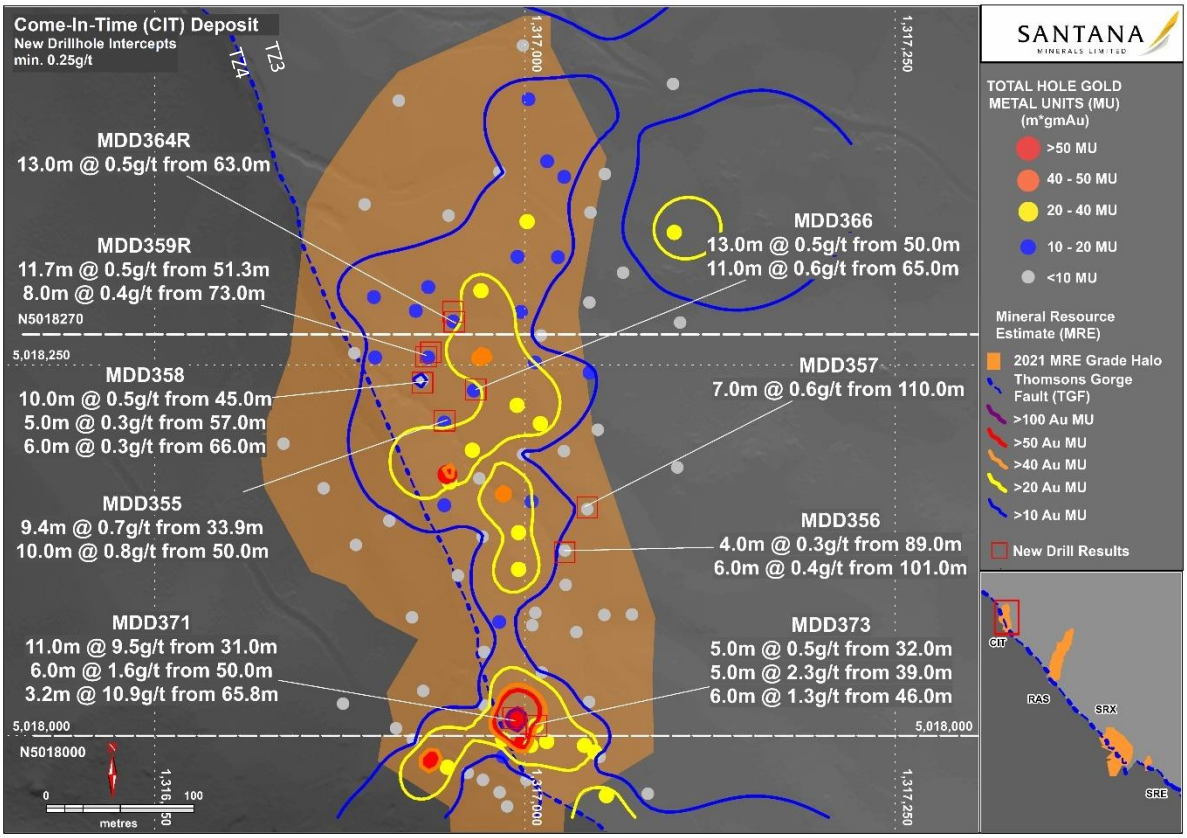

Figure 2. Plan view of CIT showing mineralised halo and location of new intersections.

Santana continues to drill at the project with three diamond drill rigs. A series of holes are currently being planned to infill the high-grade core at CIT in the coming weeks.

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This announcement has been authorised for release by the Board.

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Previous Disclosure - 2012 JORC Code

Information relating to Mineral Resources, Exploration Targets and Exploration Data associated with the Company's projects in this announcement is extracted from the following ASX Announcements relating to the CIT.

- ASX announcement titled "Bendigo-Ophir Gold Resources Increased 155% to 643k Oz" dated 28 September 2021
- ASX announcement titled "Resource drilling enhances mill-feed for ensuing PFS" dated 05 September 2024

A copy of such announcement is available to view on the Santana Minerals Limited website www.santanaminerals.com. The reports were issued in accordance with the 2012 Edition of the JORC Australasian Code for Reporting of Exploration Results, Mineral Resources and Ore Reserves. The Company confirms that it is not aware of any new information or data that materially affects the information included in the original market announcements. The Company confirms that the form and context in which the CompetentPerson's findings are presented have not been materially modified from the original market announcements.

Current Disclosure - Competent Persons Statement

The information in this report that relates to Exploration Results is based on information compiled by Mr Alex Nichol who is a Member of the Australian Institute of Geoscientists. Mr Nichol is a full time employee and has sufficient experience relevant to the style of mineralisation and type of deposit under consideration and to the activity which they are undertaking to qualify as Competent Persons as defined in the 2012 Edition of the 'Australasian Code for Reporting of Exploration Results, Mineral Resources and Ore Reserves.' Mr Nichol consents to the inclusion in this report of the matters based on their information in the form and context in which it appears. The Company confirms that the form and context in which the Competent Person's findings are presented have not been materially modified. Mr Nichol is eligible to participate in STI and LTI schemes in place as performance incentives for key personnel.

The information in this report that relates to the 2021 Mineral Resource Estimates (2021 MRE) for the CIT deposit completed by Ms Michelle Wild (CP) (ASX announcement on 28 September 2021) continues to apply and has not materially changed.

Forward Looking Statements

Forward-looking statements in this announcement include, but are not limited to, statements with respect to Santana's plans, strategy, activities, events or developments the Company believes, expects or anticipates will or may occur. By their very nature, forward-looking statements require Santana to make assumptions that may not materialise or that may not be accurate. Although Santana believes that the expectations reflected in the forward-looking statements in this announcement are reasonable, no assurance can be given that these expectations will prove to have been correct, as actual results and future events could differ materially from those anticipated in the forward-looking statements. Accordingly, viewers are cautioned not to place undue reliance on forward-looking statements. Santana does not undertake to update publicly or to revise any of the included forward-looking statements, except as may be required under applicable securities laws.

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Appendix 1 - New Drill holes – New Mineralised Intercepts (top-cut to 100 g/t and at a 0.25 g/t lower cut-off grade)

Deposit	Drillhole	From (m)	Drill Intercept (m)	Estimated True Width (m)	Average Gold Grade (g/t) (min 0.5g/t Au)	Metal Units (metre x gram/tonne)
CIT	MDD354	73.0	1.0	0.9	0.4	0.4
		93.0	1.0	0.9	0.6	0.6
	MDD355	33.9	9.4	8.9	0.7	6.3
		44.0	2.0	1.9	0.6	1.3
		50.0	10.0	9.5	0.8	8.1
		62.0	2.0	1.9	0.5	1.0
	MDD356	84.0	1.0	0.8	0.4	0.4
		89.0	4.0	3.1	0.3	1.4
		97.0	1.0	0.8	0.3	0.3
		101.0	6.0	4.8	0.4	2.7
		110.0	1.0	0.1	0.6	0.6
	MDD357	94.0	1.0	0.7	1.0	1.0
		104.0	3.0	2.2	0.9	2.8
		110.0	7.0	5.1	0.6	4.3
	MDD358	45.0	10.0	8.1	0.5	4.5
		57.0	5.0	4.0	0.3	1.7
		66.0	6.0	4.8	0.3	1.7
	MDD359	55.7	1.9	1.2	0.4	0.7
		59.0	1.8	1.1	0.5	0.9
		61.3	5.7	3.5	0.3	1.8
		70.0	4.0	2.5	0.6	2.5
		78.0	1.0	0.6	0.3	0.3
		84.0	1.0	0.6	0.3	0.3
	MDD359R	51.3	11.7	7.6	0.5	5.7
		68.0	1.0	0.7	1.3	1.3
		73.0	8.0	5.3	0.4	3.5
		85.0	1.0	0.7	0.3	0.3
		90.0	1.0	0.7	0.3	0.3
	MDD361	17.1	0.9	0.9	0.4	0.3
		32.0	5.0	4.9	0.3	1.4
		38.0	2.0	2.0	5.1	10.3
		44.0	2.0	2.0	1.4	2.8
		53.0	2.0	2.0	3.7	7.4
		65.0	1.0	1.0	9.0	9.0
	MDD364	62.8	13.7	11.3	0.5	6.5
		77.5	3.5	2.9	0.5	1.8
	MDD364R	63.0	13.0	10.0	0.5	6.9

Deposit	Drillhole	From (m)	Drill Intercept (m)	Estimated True Width (m)	Average Gold Grade (g/t) (min 0.5g/t Au)	Metal Units (metre x gram/tonne)
		77.0	1.8	1.5	0.8	1.4
		80.0	3.4	2.6	1.3	4.3
		84.7	1.3	0.9	0.6	0.8
		92.0	1.0	0.8	0.4	0.4
		98.0	1.0	0.8	0.3	0.3
	MDD366	50.0	13.0	13.0	0.5	6.1
		65.0	11.0	11.0	0.6	6.1
	MDD369	33.0	3.0	2.9	0.8	2.3
		42.0	3.0	2.9	0.6	1.9
		48.0	1.0	1.0	0.9	0.9
	MDD371	31.0	11.0	7.0	9.5	105.0
		50.0	6.0	3.9	1.6	9.3
		65.8	3.2	2.1	10.9	35.0
		81.0	1.0	0.7	0.8	0.8
	MDD373	32.0	5.0	3.8	0.5	2.3
		39.0	5.0	3.8	2.3	11.6
		46.0	6.0	4.7	1.3	7.5
		67.0	1.0	0.8	0.4	0.4

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Appendix 2 - New Drillholes Reported (in bold)

Deposit	Hole No	East NZTM	North NZTM	RL	Azimuth (T Avg)	Dip (Avg)	Length	Method	Status	Results
CIT	**MDD354**	**1317103**	**5018008**	**608.9**	**247.0**	**-53**	**110.1**	**OHD**	**Completed**	**Reported**
CIT	**MDD355**	**1316966**	**5018229**	**543.5**	**228.7**	**-51**	**64.8**	**OHD**	**Completed**	**Reported**
CIT	**MDD356**	**1317079**	**5018111**	**595.5**	**284.6**	**-53**	**114.0**	**OHD**	**Completed**	**Reported**
CIT	**MDD357**	**1317079**	**5018113**	**595.4**	**316.6**	**-60**	**121.0**	**OHD**	**Completed**	**Reported**
CIT	**MDD358**	**1316965**	**5018230**	**543.6**	**285.4**	**-50**	**72.0**	**OHD**	**Completed**	**Reported**
CIT	**MDD359**	**1316965**	**5018231**	**543.5**	**308.2**	**-50**	**87.8**	**OHD**	**Re-Drilled**	**Reported**
CIT	**MDD359R**	**1316966**	**5018232**	**543.6**	**307.1**	**-52**	**96.3**	**OHD**	**Completed**	**Reported**
CIT	**MDD361**	**1317015**	**5018005**	**599.8**	**181.7**	**-74**	**70.1**	**OHD**	**Completed**	**Reported**
CIT	**MDD364**	**1316980**	**5018259**	**543.6**	**308.5**	**-61**	**85.3**	**OHD**	**Re-Drilled**	**Reported**
CIT	**MDD364R**	**1316980**	**5018259**	**543.7**	**304.9**	**-62**	**105.0**	**OHD**	**Completed**	**Reported**
CIT	MDD365	1316751	5018615	430.6	193.7	-89	44.3	DD	Completed	No assays
CIT	**MDD366**	**1316979**	**5018258**	**543.7**	**208.8**	**-61**	**80.8**	**OHD**	**Completed**	**Reported**
CIT	**MDD369**	**1317014**	**5017976**	**600.9**	**246.6**	**-70**	**70.5**	**OHD**	**Completed**	**Reported**
CIT	**MDD371**	**1317012**	**5017996**	**600.1**	**306.8**	**-52**	**125.0**	**DD**	**Completed**	**Reported**
CIT	**MDD373**	**1317013**	**5017997**	**600.1**	**331.6**	**-70**	**90.2**	**OHD**	**Completed**	**Reported**

Note: OHD is 'Open Hole to Diamond' drilling, indicating that the hole includes wash drilling through the unmineralised TZ3.

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JORC Code, 2012 Edition – Table 1

Section 1 Sampling Techniques and Data

Criteria	JORC Code explanation	Commentary
Sampling techniques	*Nature and quality of sampling (eg cut channels, random chips, or specific specialised industry standard measurement tools appropriate to the minerals under investigation, such as down hole gamma sondes, or handheld XRF instruments, etc). These examples should not be taken as limiting the broad meaning of sampling.* *Include reference to measures taken to ensure sample representivity and the appropriate calibration of any measurement tools or systems used.* *Aspects of the determination of mineralisation that are Material to the Public Report.* *In cases where 'industry standard' work has been done this would be relatively simple (eg 'reverse circulation drilling was used to obtain 1 m samples from which 3 kg was pulverised to produce a 30 g charge for fire assay'). In other cases more explanation may be required, such as where there is coarse gold that has inherent sampling problems. Unusual commodities or mineralisation types (eg submarine nodules) may warrant disclosure of detailed information.*	This Mineral Resource Estimate (MRE) is estimated from drilling samples collected by reverse circulation and diamond drilling. 'Blasthole', surface trench and underground channel samples were used as an aid for geological interpretation and domaining but not for grade estimation. Diamond drill (DD) core samples for laboratory assay are typically 1 metre samples of diamond saw cut ½ diameter core. In the rare cases where the core was friable or unconsolidated the sample was collected from one side of the core using a scoop. Where distinct mineralisation boundaries are logged, sample lengths are adjusted to the respective geological contact. RC samples were sub-sampled at 1.0 m intervals using a rotary splitter mounted below the cyclone. The splitter produced 2 x 30% splits and 1 x 40% split. The two 30% splits were used as primary sample and field duplicate (if submitted) with the 40% split used for logging and then stored at the MGL core yard. Samples are crushed at the receiving laboratory to minus 2mm (85% passing) and split using a rotary splitter to provide 1kg for pulverising in a ring mill to -75um. Pulps are fire assayed (FAA) using a 50g charge with AAS finish. Prior to 2019 only 200g of the crushed material was pulverised. 877 samples were assayed this way. Certified standards, blanks and field replicates are inserted with the original batches at a frequency of ~5% each for QAQC purposes. All pulps and crush reject (CREJ) are returned from the laboratory to MGL for storage on site. Of these returned samples, a further ~5% are re-submitted as QC check samples which involve pulp FAA re-assays by the original and an umpire laboratory and CREJ re-assayed by 500-gram (+ & -75mu) screen fire assay (SFA), 1kg BLEG (LeachWELL) and 2*500-gram Photon analysis (PHA) for gold. Where multiple assays exist for a single sample interval, larger samples are ranked in the database: PHA > BLEG > SFA > FAA. All returned pulps are analysed for a suite of 31 elements by portable XRF (pXRF). The sampling, sub-sampling and assaying methods are appropriate to the geology and mineralization of the RAS deposit.

Criteria	JORC Code explanation	Commentary
Drilling techniques	*Drill type (eg core, reverse circulation, open-hole hammer, rotary air blast, auger, Bangka, sonic, etc) and details (eg core diameter, triple or standard tube, depth of diamond tails, face-sampling bit or other type, whether core is oriented and if so, by what method, etc).*	Current drilling techniques are diamond coring (DD) PQ3 and HQ3 size triple tube. Where PQ3 core size (83mm diameter) is commenced this is maintained throughout the DD hole until drilling conditions dictate reduction in size to HQ3 core (61mm diameter). DD pre-collars are drilled open hole through un-mineralised TZ3 schist to within about 15 m of the mineralisation hangingwall at which point diamond coring commences. RC drilling is only carried out where the mineralisation target is less than about 150m downhole and used a face sample bit with sample collected in a cyclone mounted over a rotary splitter producing 2 x 30% splits and 1 x 40% split. The two 30% splits were used as primary sample and field duplicate (if submitted) with the 40% split used for logging and then stored at the MGL core yard. Drillholes are oriented to intersect known mineralised features in a nominally perpendicular orientation as much as is practicable. A small number of holes are oriented in other directions to resolve areas of ambiguous geological interpretation. All drill core is oriented to assist with interpretation of mineralisation and structure using a Trucore orientation tool.
Drill sample recovery	*Method of recording and assessing core and chip sample recoveries and results assessed.* *Measures taken to maximise sample recovery and ensure representative nature of the samples.* *Whether a relationship exists between sample recovery and grade and whether sample bias may have occurred due to preferential loss/gain of fine/coarse material.*	DD core sample recoveries are recorded by the drillers at the time of drilling by measuring the actual distance of the drill run against the actual core recovered. The measurements are checked by the site geologist. When poor core recoveries are recorded the site geologist and driller endeavour to immediately rectify any problems to maintain maximum core recoveries. DD core logging to date indicate ~96% recoveries. RC sample recovery is measured as sample weight recovered. RC sample moisture for all RC drilling data was logged as dry (83.7% of RC samples), moist (12.0%) or wet (4.3%). All samples logged as wet were omitted from use in this MRE. The drilling contract used states for any given run, a level of recovery is required otherwise financial penalties are applied to the drill contractor to ensure sample recovery priority along with production performance. Sample grades were plotted against drilling recovery by drilling method and no relationship was established. Wet RC samples do show higher grades than dry RC samples. This may be due to wet RC samples coming from higher grade zones or sampling bias due to the loss of fines in wet samples. Whatever the cause, this bias was the reason that wet RC samples were omitted from use in this MRE.

Criteria	JORC Code explanation	Commentary
Logging	*Whether core and chip samples have been geologically and geotechnically logged to a level of detail to support appropriate Mineral Resource estimation, mining studies and metallurgical studies.* *Whether logging is qualitative or quantitative in nature. Core (or costean, channel, etc) photography.* *The total length and percentage of the relevant intersections logged.*	All DD holes have been logged for their entire sampled length below upper open hole drilling (nominally 0-450 metres below collar). Data is recorded directly into AcQuire database with sufficient detail that supports Mineral Resource estimations (MRE). Logging is mostly qualitative but there are estimations of quartz and sulphide content and quantitative records of geological / structural unit, oxidation state and water table boundaries. Oriented DD core allows alpha / beta measurements to determine structural element detail (dip / dip direction) to supplement routine recording of lithologies / alteration / mineralisation / structure / oxidation / colour and other features for MRE reporting, geotechnical and metallurgical studies. All RC chips were sieved and logged for lithology, colour, oxidation, weathering, vein percentage and sulphide minerals. All core is photographed wet and dry before cutting. Sieved RC chips are also photographed. 100% of all relevant (within the gold grade domains) intersections were logged. The logging is of sufficient quality and detail for resource estimation.
Sub-sampling techniques and sample preparation	*If core, whether cut or sawn and whether quarter, half or all core taken.* *If non-core, whether riffled, tube sampled, rotary split, etc and whether sampled wet or dry.* *For all sample types, the nature, quality and appropriateness of the sample preparation technique.* *Quality control procedures adopted for all sub-sampling stages to maximise representivity of samples.* *Measures taken to ensure that the sampling is representative of the in situ material collected, including for instance results for field duplicate/second-half sampling.* *Whether sample sizes are appropriate to the grain size of the material being sampled.*	Industry standard laboratory sample preparation methods are suitable for the mineralisation style and involve oven drying, crushing and splitting of samples to 1kg for pulverising to -75um. Pulps are fire assayed (FAA) using a 50g charge. 50g charge is considered minimum requirement for the coarse nature of the gold. Larger screen fire assays (SFA), 1kg BLEG (LeachWELL) and 2*500gm Photon Analyses (PHA) are conducted periodically as a QAQC check. Field duplicates of RC samples are sub-sampled by a splitter as described above at the time of sampling. Large diameter (83mm) PQ3 core was maintained (where conditions allow) for DD holes to MDD016 and subsequently HQ3 (61mm) for drillholes MDD017 onwards. DD core drill samples are sawn in ½ along the length of the core on cut lines marked by geologists' perpendicular to structure / foliation or to bisect vein mineralisation for representative samples whilst preserving the orientation line. Intervals required for QAQC checks are nominated by geologists and the crushed sample being split by the laboratory with the two replicated samples then assayed. QA procedures used to maximise the representivity of sub-samples include the use of a cone splitter on the RC rig and cutting DD core perpendicular to the regional foliation. QC procedures to assess the representivity of sub-sampling include field replicates, standards, and blanks at a frequency of ~5% and also cross-lab assay checks at an umpire laboratory. The mass proportion of every 10th sample passing 75um is reported by the laboratory and monitored to

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		ensure sample preparation quality. Calculations based on Pitard (1993) show that sub-sample masses are appropriate to gold particle size and grade, if the size and shape of the gold particles are reduced in the ring mill in a similar way to the gangue particles.
Quality of assay data and laboratory tests	*The nature, quality and appropriateness of the assaying and laboratory procedures used and whether the technique is considered partial or total.* *For geophysical tools, spectrometers, handheld XRF instruments, etc, the parameters used in determining the analysis including instrument make and model, reading times, calibrations factors applied and their derivation, etc.* *Nature of quality control procedures adopted (eg standards, blanks, duplicates, external laboratory checks) and whether acceptable levels of accuracy (ie lack of bias) and precision have been established.*	SFA and PHA are all total gold assays and are appropriate to the RSSZ mineralization. DD core and RC chip samples for gold assays undergo sample preparation by SGS laboratory Westport and 50g fire assay with an AAS finish (SGS method FAA505 DDL 0.01ppm Au or FAD505 DDL 1ppm Au & FAD52V DDL 500ppm Au) by SGS laboratory Waihi. Other SGS laboratories at Macraes and Townsville and the ALS laboratory in Townsville, are used from time to time and follow the same processes. For laboratory QAQC, samples (3*certified standards, blanks and field replicates) are inserted into laboratory batches at a frequency of ~5% respectively. A selection of 5% of retained lab pulps across a range of grades are sent for re-assay and to an umpire laboratory for cross-lab check assays. Portable XRF (pXRF) instrumentation is used onsite (Olympus Innov-X Delta Professional Series model DPO-4000 equipped with a 4 W 40kV X-Ray tube) primarily to identify arsenical samples (arsenic correlates well with gold grade in these orogenic deposits). The pXRF analyses a 31-element suite (Ag, As, Bi, Ca, Cd, Cl, Co, Cr, Cu, Fe, Hg, K, Mn, Mo, Nb, Ni, P, Pb, Rb, S, Sb, Se, Sn, Sr, Th, Ti, V, W, Y, Zn, Zr) utilising 3 beam Soil mode, each beam set for 30 secs (90 secs total). pXRF QAQC checks involve regular calibration (every 20 samples) and QAQC analyses of SiO2 blank, NIST standards (NIST 2710a & NIST 2711a), & OREAS standards. pXRF QAQC checks involve regular calibration (every 20 samples) and QAQC analyses of SiO2 blank, NIST standards (NIST 2710a & NIST 2711a), & OREAS standards. No geophysical tools have been used in this MRE.

Verification of sampling and assaying	*The verification of significant intersections by either independent or alternative company personnel.* *The use of twinned holes.* *Documentation of primary data, data entry procedures, data verification, data storage (physical and electronic) protocols.* *Discuss any adjustment to assay data.*	Significant gold assays and pXRF arsenic analyses are checked by alternative senior company personnel. Original lab assays are initially reported and where replicate assays and other QAQC work require re-assay or screen fire assays, the larger sample results are adopted. To date results are accurate and fit well with the mineralisation model. Twinned data is available where DD core holes have been sited adjacent to previous RC drillholes and where DD redrills have occurred. pXRF multi-element analyses are directly downloaded from the pXRF analyser as csv electronic files. These and laboratory assay csv files are imported into the database, appended and merged with previous data. Since October 2022 all logging has been directly entered into the Acquire database using tablets. All collar surveys, downhole surveys and assay results are provided digitally and directly imported into the database. On import into the database validation checks are made for: interval overlaps, gaps, duplicate holes, duplicate samples and out of range values. The AcQuire database is stored on a cloud server and is regularly backed up, updated and verified by an independent qualified person. The only adjustment made to the data on import to the database is to convert below detection results to negative the detection limit. Samples with multiple Au results are ranked by assay method (SFA > FA > other) and on export only the highest ranked method is exported. Prior to import into Minesight software the data is further validated as above plus checks on the highest and lowest values. Negative below detection results are converted to half the detection limit on import into Minesight.
Location of data points	*Accuracy and quality of surveys used to locate drill holes (collar and down-hole surveys), trenches, mine workings and other locations used in* *Mineral Resource* *estimation.* *Specification of the* *grid system used.* *Quality and adequacy of topographic control.*	All drillhole collar locations are accurate (+/- 50mm) xyz coordinates when captured by an experienced surveyor using RTK-GPS equipment. All drill holes reference the NZGD2000 NZTM map projection and collar RLs the NZVD2016 vertical datum. DD down hole surveys are recorded continuously with a Precision Mining and Drilling “North-seeking” Gyro downhole survey tool. RC holes are surveyed at 12m intervals using a Reflex multi-shot camera. There are very minor historical adits and shafts at RAS. No surveys of these voids exist, although at least one adit is still accessible. Historical production records total 630.5 tons of ore crushed. Such small volumes are not material to this MRE. Topographic control is provided by LiDAR topographic surveys in 2018 and 2021 covering the entire project area. These are very accurate and suitable for resource estimation.

Data spacing and distribution	*Data spacing for reporting of Exploration Results.* *Whether the data spacing and distribution is sufficient to establish the degree of geological and grade continuity appropriate for the Mineral Resource and Ore Reserve estimation procedure(s) and classifications applied.* *Whether sample compositing has been applied.*	Drill collar site locations in steep terrain are dictated by best access allowed by contour tracks with gradients to allow safe working access and drill pad excavations. Drillhole designs take into account this variation to achieve evenly spaced intercepts at the hangingwall of the mineralisation. Drillhole intersection spacing on the hangingwall of the mineralisation is typically 30 m (EW) by 30 m (NS) but varies from 20 m (EW) by 20 m (NS) in closely spaced areas to 120 m (EW) by 100 m (NS) in widely spaced (inferred) areas. This spacing is considered appropriate for determination of geological and grade continuity at the mineral resource categories reported. Exploration step out drill spacings vary but are designed to intersect geological targets and cover deposit scales of volume (400-700m across strike, 500-900m down dip). Some of the RC drilling was sampled as 4m composites and later re-sampled if the composite result exceeded a threshold. There are no composited samples within the gold grade estimation domains and so no composited samples were used in this MRE. Sampling and assaying are in one metre intervals or truncated to logged features.
Orientation of data in relation to geological structure	*Whether the orientation of sampling achieves unbiased sampling of possible structures and the extent to which this is known, considering the deposit type.* *If the relationship between the drilling orientation and the orientation of key mineralised structures is considered to have introduced a sampling bias, this should be assessed and reported if material.*	Drillholes are oriented to intersect known mineralised features in a nominally perpendicular orientation as much as is practicable. True widths are estimated perpendicular to mineralisation boundaries where these limits are known. As the deposits are tabular and lie at low angles, there is not anticipated to be any introduced bias for resource estimates.
Sample security	*The measures taken to ensure sample security.*	Company personnel manage the chain of custody from sampling site to laboratory. DD drill core samples are transported daily from DD rig by the drilling contractor in numbered core boxes to the Company secure storage facility for logging and sample preparation. After core cutting, the core for assay is bagged, securely tied, and weighed before being placed in polyweave bags which are securely tied. Retained core is stored on racks in secure locked containers. RC samples are also place in polyweave bags and secured with zip ties. Polyweave bags with the calico bagged samples for assay are placed in plastic cage pallets, sealed with a wire-tied cover, photographed, and transported to local freight distributer for delivery to the laboratory. On arrival at the laboratory photographs taken of the consignment are checked against despatch condition to ensure no tampering has occurred.

Audits or reviews	*The results of any audits or reviews of sampling techniques and data.*	An independent Competent Person (CP) conducted a site audit in January 2021 and December 2022 of all sampling techniques and data management. No major issues were identified, and recommendations have been followed. In February 2023 Snowdon Optiro completed a desktop review of the assay methods and QC sample results and in its report concluded that the sampling and assaying methods are in line with standard industry procedures and that that the assay data in the supplied database is suitable to be used as the basis for a Mineral Resource.

Section 2 Reporting of Exploration Results

Criteria	JORC Code explanation	Commentary
Mineral tenement and land tenure status	• *Type, reference name/number, location and ownership including agreements or material issues with third parties such as joint ventures, partnerships, overriding royalties, native title interests, historical sites, wilderness or national park and environmental settings.* • *The security of the tenure held at the time of reporting along with any known impediments to obtaining a licence to operate in the area.*	Exploration is being currently conducted within Mineral Exploration Permit (MEP) 60311 (252km^2) registered to Matakanui Gold Ltd (MGL) issued on 13th April 2018 for 5 years. In 2023 the term of this permit was extended for a further 5 years until 12 April 2028. There are no material issues with third parties. MGL was granted Minerals Prospecting Permit (MPP) 60882 (40km^2) on 30 Nov 2023 for a term of 2 years. The tenure of the Permits is secure and there are no known impediments to obtaining a licence to operate. As gold is a Crown mineral, a royalty is payable to the Crown as either the higher of an ad valorem royalty of 2% of the net sales revenue or an accounting profits royalty of 10%. The Project is subject to a 1.5% Net Smelter Royalty (NSR) on all production from MEP 60311 (and successor permits) payable to an incorporated, private company (Rise and Shine Holdings Limited) which is owned by the prior shareholders of MGL (NSRW Agreement) before acquisition of 100% of MGL shares by Santana Minerals Limited. Access arrangements are in place with landowners that provide for current exploration and other activities, and any future decision to mine. As such, compensation is payable, including payments of up to $1.5M on a decision to mine, plus total royalties starting at 1% on the net value of gold produced, increasing to 1.5% and ultimately 2% dependent on location and total gold produced over the life of the mine. The royalties are also subject to pre-payment of up to $3M upon commencement of mining operations.

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Exploration done by other parties	• *Acknowledgment and appraisal of exploration by other parties.*	Early exploration in the late 1800's and early 1900's included small pits, adits and cross-cuts and alluvial mining. Exploration has included soil and rock chip sampling by numerous companies since 1983 with drilling starting in 1986. Exploration in the 1990's commenced with a search for Macraes style gold deposits along the RSSZ. Drilling included 13 RC holes by Homestake NZ Exploration Ltd in 1986, 20 RC holes by BHP Gold Mines NZ Ltd in 1988 (10 of these holes were in the Bendigo Reefs area which is not part of the MRE area), 5 RC holes by Macraes Mining Company Ltd in 1991, 22 shallow (probably blasthole) holes by Aurum Reef Resources (NZ) Ltd in 1996, 30 RC holes by CanAlaska Ventures Ltd from 2005-2007, 35 RC holes by MGL in 2018 and a further 18 RC holes by MGL in 2019.
Geology	• *Deposit type, geological setting and style of mineralisation.*	The RSSZ is a low-angle late-metamorphic shear-zone, presently known to be up to 120m thick. It is sub-parallel to the metamorphic foliation and dips gently to the north- east. It occurs within psammitic, pelitic and meta-volcanic rocks. The hangingwall of the RSSZ is truncated by the post metamorphic and post mineralisation Thomsons Gorge Fault (TGF). The TGF is a regional low-angle fault that separates upper barren chlorite (TZ3) schist from underlying mineralised biotite (TZ4) schists. Gold mineralisation is occurs in the RSSZ at 4 known deposits with Mineral Resource Estimates (MRE) – Come-in-Time (CIT), Rise and Shine (RAS), Shreks (SHR) and Shreks-East (SRE). The gold and associated pyrite/arsenopyrite mineralisation at all deposits occur along micro-shears, and in brecciated / laminar quartz veinlets within the highly- sheared schist. There are several controls on mineralisation with apparent NNW, N and NNE trending structures all influencing gold distribution. Shear dominated mineralisation within the top 20-40m of the shear zone immediately below the Thomsons Gorge Fault (TGF). Stacked stockwork vein swarms (SVS) occur deeper in the RSSZ. Unlike Macraes, the gold mineralisation in the oxide, transition and fresh zones is characterised by coarse free gold.

Drill hole Information	• *A summary of all information material to the understanding of the exploration results including a tabulation of the following information for all Material drill holes:*
	  ○ *easting and northing of the drill hole collar*
	  ○ *elevation or RL (Reduced Level –*
		Refer to the body of text.
		
		No material information has been excluded.

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	elevation above sea level in metres) of the drill hole collar ○ *dip and azimuth of the hole* ○ *down hole length and interception depth* ○ *hole length.* • *If the exclusion of this information is justified on the basis that the information is not Material and this exclusion does not detract from the understanding of the report, the Competent Person should clearly explain why this is the case.*	
Data aggregation methods	• *In reporting Exploration Results, weighting averaging techniques, maximum and/or minimum grade truncations (eg cutting of high grades) and cut-off grades are usually Material and should be stated.* • *Where aggregate intercepts incorporate short lengths of high grade results and longer lengths of low grade results, the procedure used for such aggregation should be stated and some typical examples of such aggregations should be shown in detail.* • *The assumptions used for any reporting of metal equivalent values should be clearly stated.*	Significant gold intercepts are reported on a continuous basis using various gold grade lower grade cut-offs with a maximum of 3m of internal dilution included. Broad zonation is: Exploration Results - 0.10g/t Au cut-off defines the wider low-grade halo of mineralisation, Open Pit Mineral Resource - 0.25g/t Au cut-off represents possible economic open pit mineralisation Underground Mineral Resource - 1.50g/t Au cut-off is possible economically underground exploitable Metal unit (MU) distribution, where shown on maps and in tables are calculated from total drill hole Au * associated drill hole interval metres. pXRF analytical results reported for laboratory pulp returns are considered accurate for the suite of elements analysed and the end use of the data.
Relationship between mineralisation widths and intercept lengths	• *These relationships are particularly important in the reporting of Exploration Results.* • *If the geometry of the mineralisation with respect to the drill hole angle is known, its nature should be reported.* • *If it is not known and only the down hole lengths are reported, there should be a clear statement to this effect (eg 'down hole length, true width not known').*	All intercepts quoted are downhole widths. True widths are estimated perpendicular to mineralisation boundaries where these limits are known. Intercepts are associated with a major 20-120m thick low-angle mineralised shear that is largely perpendicular to the drillhole traces. Aggregate widths of mineralisation reported up until 2nd June 2023 are drillhole intervals >0.50g/t Au occurring in apparent low angle stacked zones. Subsequent reporting is on a continuous basis. There are steeply dipping narrow (1-5m) structures deeper in the footwall and the appropriateness of the current drillhole orientation will become evident and modified as additional drill results dictate.

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Diagrams	• *Appropriate maps and sections (with scales) and tabulations of intercepts should be included for any significant discovery being reported These should include, but not be limited to a plan view of drill hole collar locations and appropriate sectional views.*	All significant intercepts have been reported.
Balanced reporting	• *Where comprehensive reporting of all Exploration Results is not practicable, representative reporting of both low and high grades and/or widths should be practiced to avoid misleading reporting of Exploration Results.*	All significant intercepts have been reported.
Other substantive exploration data	• *Other exploration data, if meaningful and material, should be reported including (but not limited to): geological observations; geophysical survey results; geochemical survey results; bulk samples – size and method of treatment; metallurgical test results; bulk density, groundwater, geotechnical and rock characteristics; potential deleterious or contaminating substances.*	Not applicable; meaningful and material results are reported in the body of the text.

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Further work	• *The nature and scale of planned further work (eg tests for lateral extensions or depth extensions or large-scale step-out drilling).* • *Diagrams clearly highlighting the areas of possible extensions, including the main geological interpretations and future drilling areas, provided this information is not commercially sensitive.*	DD infill drilling of existing inferred resources is continuing at BOGP and deeper sub-vertical structures. Regional exploration and sterilisation drilling (RINA programme) continues. A review of field mapping, soil sampling and geophysical surveys is in progress to determine new targets for drilling in the project area. Concurrent to the planned drilling outlined above, additional metallurgical test work, environmental, geotechnical and hydrological investigations are on-going to support the pre-feasibility studies into a gold mining and processing operation.