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Drilling at Bramaderos Main returns strong results of 1g/t gold and 0.2% copper

Latest intersections show Sunstone is closing in on an outcropping porphyry goldcopper system of attractive grade and scale

Key Points

- Assays received for the 200-400m downhole interval of the second hole drilled at Bramaderos Main by Sunstone (BMDD002)
- These assays contain significant higher-grade gold-copper zones, including:
 - 55.8m at 0.74g/t gold and 0.15% copper from 250.0m (including 18.1m at 1.04g/t gold and 0.19% copper from 266.0m)
- "We are firmly on the path to delivering an outcropping porphyry gold-copper system of attractive grade and scale." – Sunstone MD Malcolm Norris

Sunstone Metals Limited (ASX:STM) is pleased to announce strong assay results from the 200m-400m downhole interval of the second hole (BMDD002) drilled by Sunstone at the Bramaderos Main prospect in Ecuador. The results for the top portion of drillhole BMDD002 (0 to 99.35m) were reported in ASX announcement dated 20th August 2019.

The results confirm zones of higher-grade gold and copper and reinforce the strong discovery potential at Bramaderos Main.

Sunstone Managing Director Malcolm Norris said: "These are very good results and support our optimistic view of Bramaderos Main. We have only drilled 2 holes and yet we are delivering significant grades and widths that have the potential to deliver a sizeable gold-copper system extending from surface outcrop to at least 400m below surface, and with opportunity to have a lateral extent well beyond 500m x 250m. We are firmly on the path to delivering an outcropping porphyry gold-copper system of attractive grade and scale. With results to date from BMDD001 and 002, we can now move forward with confidence at Bramaderos Main, and we have other targets such as Limon, West Zone, and Porotillo to advance as well."

Significant results include:

- 241.6m at 0.42g/t gold and 0.14% copper from 68.7m, including;
 - 72.8m at 0.68g/t gold and 0.16% copper from 234.3m, including;
 - 55.8m at 0.74g/t gold and 0.15% copper from 250.0m, including;
 - 18.1m at 1.04g/t gold and 0.19% copper from 266.0m, and
 - 6.1m at 0.81g/t gold and 0.14% copper from 291.6m



Sunstone believes Bramaderos Main demonstrates very strong potential because:

- Higher-grade zones exist and have now been defined on two cross sections spaced approximately 130m apart containing holes BMDD001 and BMDD002, and in several domains at surface from trenching
- Multiple targets for higher-grade zones can now be defined with confidence and will be drill tested over the coming months
- Improved modelling of magnetics suggests a more sub-vertical system and with considerable vertical
 extent. The higher-grade domains occur within a much larger lower grade gold-copper porphyry
 system which correlates strongly with the geometry of a large magnetic body and so can be targeted
 up and down plunge
- The area to the north-west and below the main Bramaderos Hill, measuring 500m in diameter, is also now emerging as a significant target supported by several datasets (Figure 2)

The higher-grade zones intersected in BMDD002 are within a broad, well mineralised lower-grade porphyry system and appear to be steeply dipping (Figure 1). This is comparable and similar to the higher-grade intervals intersected in BMDD001 located approximately 130m to the northeast (Figure 2). At surface, the higher-grade gold domains are evident in outcrop and trenches and lie within an extensive gold-in-soil anomaly (Figure 3), suggesting significant target scale exists at Bramaderos Main (Figure 4).

Figure 1 below shows a cross section of hole BMDD002 and the geology and distribution of mineralisation, interpreted by comparison with nearby hole BMDD001 and from outcrop mapping and trenching.

Figures 2 and 3 show maps of the distribution of higher-grade targets at Bramaderos Main that will be drill tested over the coming months.

The table below shows mineralised intersections received to date for BMDD002. (Assays for the top 199.35m were originally reported in ASX announcement dated 20th August 2019)

	From (m)	To (m)	Interval (m)	Gold (g/t)	Silver (g/t)	Copper (%)
BMDD002	8.4	68.7	60.3	0.18	0.82	0.10
	68.7	310.3	241.6	0.42	1.82	0.14
incl.	234.3	307.1	72.8	0.68	2.17	0.16
incl.	250.0	305.8	55.8	0.74	2.24	0.15
incl.	266.0	284.1	18.1	1.04	2.91	0.19
incl.	291.6	297.7	6.1	0.81	1.43	0.14
and	320.5	328.8	8.3	0.34	1.29	0.07

^{*}BMDD002 end of hole depth is 834.8m. It has been sampled in its entirety, but assay results have only been returned to a depth of 400m to date. Further assays are expected in September



Next Steps

- Assays for the remaining intervals of BMDD002 (400m to end of hole at 834.8m) are expected in September.
- Drilling is underway at the Limon prospect with an announcement on drill core visual results expected in mid to late September
- At the completion of the current hole at Limon, the rig will likely return to Bramaderos Main to pursue the higher-grade zones defined by BMDD001 and BMDD002
- A second rig has been mobilised to site and will drill the high-grade West Zone breccia target



Plate 1: Quartz veining in BMDD002 at depth 277.1m; within sample interval 275.98 – 278 (2.02m) with assay results of 1.48g/t gold and 0.19% copper





Plate 2: BMDD002 at depth 278.9m showing quartz-magnetite veining; within sample interval 278 - 280 (2.0m) with assay results of 1.15g/t gold and 0.18% copper

Assay results have also been reported in an announcement by Sunstone's JV partner, Cornerstone Capital Resources (TSX-V:CGP) at http://www.cornerstoneresources.com/s/Home.asp



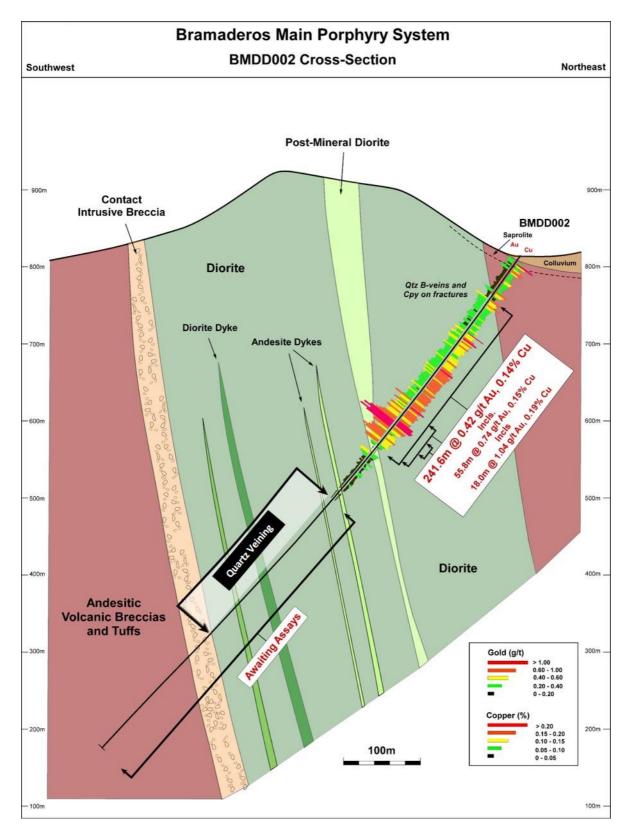


Figure 1: Cross section through BMDD002 showing current interpretation of steep higher-grade zones, within a broad lower grade porphyry system, comparable to BMDD001. This section is located approximately 130m southeast of the section containing BMDD001 (see Figures 2 and 3).

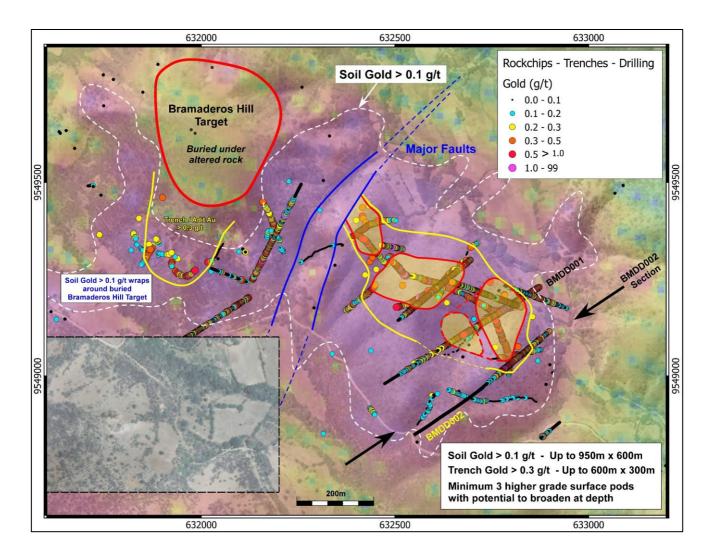


Figure 2: Trenches, drill holes and surface gold anomalies - Plan view showing the location of BMDD001 and the BMDD002 cross section, within the context of the broader Bramaderos Main target. Higher grade gold domains at surface from trenching are shown (outlined in red and yellow) within the broader extensive gold-in-soil anomaly, suggesting significant target scale exists.



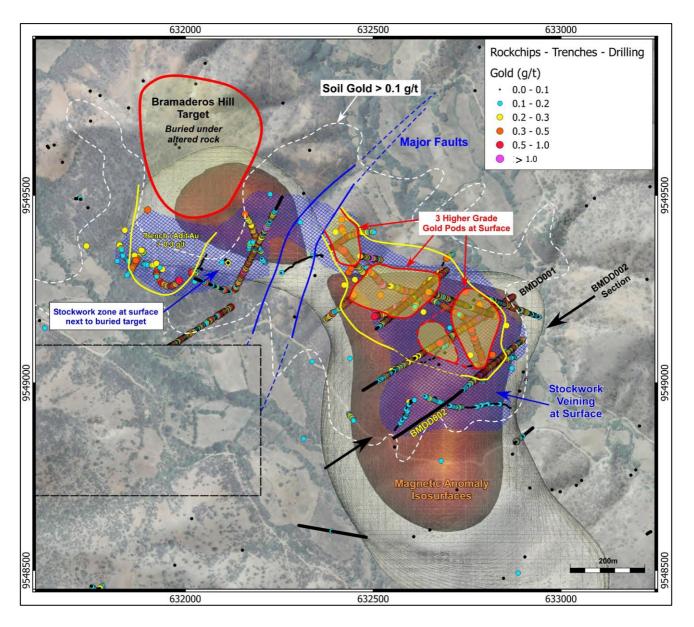


Figure 3: Trenches, drill holes, surface veining and 3-D magnetic body - Plan view showing the location of BMDD001 and the BMDD002 cross section, within the context of the broader Bramaderos Main target and specifically the relationship to a south to southeast-plunging magnetic body and a surface expression of mineralisation-related stockwork veining.



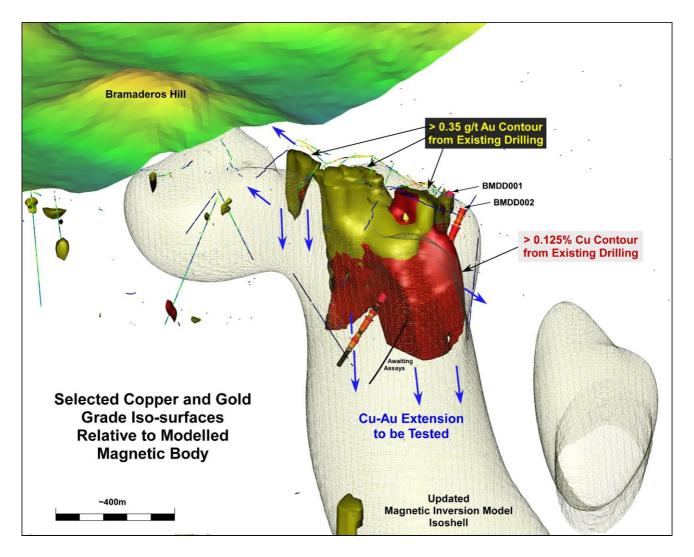


Figure 4: Three-dimensional exploration model for Bramaderos Main showing potential extensions to higher-grade zones with the larger magnetic model. Exploration targets for further drilling are located up and down plunge of holes BMDD001 and 002.



About Sunstone Metals

Sunstone has an advanced portfolio of exploration and development projects in Scandinavia and Ecuador. The portfolio comprises:

- 1. The Bramaderos Gold-Copper Project where Sunstone has signed an earn-in agreement with TSXV listed Cornerstone Capital Resources (see ASX announcement dated 10th April 2017). The Bramaderos gold-copper project is located in Loja province, southern Ecuador, and is considered to be highly prospective for the discovery of large porphyry gold-copper systems, and high-grade epithermal gold systems. Historical exploration results from drilling at Bramaderos together with recent exploration by Sunstone and joint venture partner Cornerstone Capital Resources (TSXV:CGP) indicate multiple fertile mineralised systems with significant discovery potential.
- 2. The Southern Finland Gold Project includes the Satulinmäki gold prospect. Shallow diamond drilling was completed by the Geological Survey of Finland (GTK) during the period 2000-2005 and this was followed by a 7-hole diamond drilling program by Sunstone Metals in 2016. Intersections from GTK include 18m @ 4.1g/t Au from 50m downhole, including 3m @ 9.3g/t Au, and 4m @ 10.3g/t Au in drill hole R391. Intersections by Sunstone include 23.5m at 3.3g/t in SMDD007 and 2m at 10.5g/t in SMDD005. The Satulinmäki gold prospect is part of an earn-in JV with Canadian company Nortec Minerals, where Sunstone holds an ~82% interest, is funding on-going work, and has also acquired a significant land position, in its own right, in the district.
- 3. **The Scandinavian Lithium Project** includes the Kietyönmäki lithium prospect. Drilling by Sunstone has delivered 24.2m at 1.4% Li₂O in a spodumene-bearing pegmatite. Kietyönmäki is also part of the JV with Nortec Minerals
- 4. **Sunstone has a significant equity** interest of ~37.6% in Stockholm listed Copperstone Resources (COPP-B.ST) following the recent sale of the Viscaria Copper project.

Competent Persons Statement

The information in this report that relates to exploration results is based upon information reviewed by Dr Bruce Rohrlach who is a Member of the Australasian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy. Dr Rohrlach is a full-time employee of Sunstone Metals Ltd and has sufficient experience which is relevant to the style of mineralisation and type of deposit under consideration and to the activity which he is undertaking to qualify as a Competent Person as defined in the 2012 Edition of the "Australasian Code for Reporting of Exploration Results, Mineral Resources and Ore Reserves". Dr Rohrlach consents to the inclusion in the report of the matters based on his information in the form and context in which it appears.

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APPENDIX 1

The following Table and Sections are provided to ensure compliance with the JORC Code (2012 Edition)

TABLE 1 – Section 1: Sampling Techniques and Data

Criteria	JORC Code explanation	Commentary
Sampling techniques	 Nature and quality of sampling (e.g. cut channels, random chips, or specific specialised industry standard measurement tools appropriate to the minerals under investigation, such as downhole gamma sondes, or handheld XRF instruments, etc.). These examples should not be taken as limiting the broad meaning of sampling. 	The results announced here are from diamond drill core samples. The sampling was carried out using half core, generally at 2m intervals and where appropriate sampled to 1m intervals.
	• Include reference to measures taken to ensure sample representivity and the appropriate calibration of any measurement tools or systems used.	• Core recovery was good, and core aligned prior to splitting.
	• 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 (e.g. '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 (e.g. submarine nodules) may warrant disclosure of detailed information.	• Diamond drilling was used to obtain samples (see first point above) from which the samples were dried, crushed to 70% passing 2mm, Split 1000g and pulverised to 85% passing 75microns. A 20g portion of this sample was used for multi-element analysis (IMS-230) and a 30g sample for Fire Assay Au (FAS-111).
Drilling techniques	Drill type (eg core, reverse circulation, open-hole hammer, rotary air blast, auger, Bangka, sonic, etc) and details (e.g. 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).	The diamond core was drilled delivering either HTW (70.9mm) or NTW (56mm) core. Drill core is oriented using a Reflex ACT II tool for bottom of hole.
Drill sample recovery	Method of recording and assessing core and chip sample recoveries and results assessed.	Diamond core recovery data for this drilling was measured for each drill run and captured in a digital logging software package. The data has been reviewed and core recovery was approximately 100% throughout.
	Measures taken to maximise sample recovery and ensure representative nature of the samples.	Core recovery was good, no extra measures were taken to maximise sample recovery.
	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.	No relationship between sample recovery and grade has been established.
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.	Drill samples were logged for lithology, weathering, structure, mineralogy, mineralisation, colour, geotechnical attributes, and other features. Logging and sampling were carried out according to Sunstone's internal protocols and QAQC procedures which comply with industry standards.
	Whether logging is qualitative or quantitative in nature. Core (or costean, channel, etc.) photography.	Drill samples are logged for lithology, weathering, structure, mineralogy, mineralisation, colour, geotechnical attributes and other features. Core is photographed both wet and dry.
	The total length and percentage of the relevant intersections logged.	All drill holes are logged in full, from start to finish of the hole.
Sub-sampling techniques and	If core, whether cut or sawn and whether quarter, half or all core taken.	• Half core was used to provide the samples that were assayed and reported here. Quarter core samples were taken ~1 in every 28 samples for duplicate sampling. The remaining core is left in the core trays.



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sample preparation	• If non-core, whether riffled, tube sampled, rotary split, etc. and whether sampled wet or dry.	Core samples collected.
	For all sample types, the nature, quality and appropriateness of the sample preparation technique.	 Samples were sent to the LAC y Asociados Cia. Ltda. Sample Preparation Facility in Cuenca, Ecuador for sample preparation. The standard sample preparation for drill core samples (Code PRP-910) is: Drying the sample, crushing to size fraction 70% <2mm and splitting the sample to a 250g portion by riffle or Boyd rotary splitter. The 250g sample is then pulverised to >85% passing 75 microns and then split into two 50g pulp samples. Then one of the pulp samples was sent to the MS Analytical Laboratory in Vancouver (Unit 1, 20120 102nd Avenue, Langley, BC V1M 4B4, Canada) for gold and base metal analysis. The sample preparation is carried out according to industry standard practices using highly appropriate sample preparation techniques.
	Quality control procedures adopted for all sub-sampling stages to maximise representivity of samples.	 Sunstone used an industry standard QAQC programme involving Certified Reference Materials "standards" and blank samples, which were introduced in the assay batches. Standards (Certified Reference Materials) or analytical blanks were submitted at a rate of 1 in 28 samples. Field duplicates were also taken at a rate of approximately 1 in 28 samples. The check or duplicate assay results are reported along with the sample assay values in the final analysis report.
	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.	 For diamond core, the routine sample procedure is to always take the half/quarter core to the right of the orientation line (looking down hole) or the cut line (in cases where the orientation line was not reliable). Once assay results are received the results from duplicate samples are compared with the corresponding routine sample to ascertain whether the sampling is representative.
	Whether sample sizes are appropriate to the grain size of the material being sampled.	Sample sizes are considered to be appropriate for the style of sampling undertaken and the grainsize of the material, and correctly represent the style and type of mineralisation at the exploration stage.
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.	 Sunstone uses a fire assay gold technique for Au assays (FAS-111) and a four acid multi element technique (IMS-230) for a suite of 48 elements. FAS-111 involves Au by Fire Assay on a 30-gram aliquot, fusion and atomic absorption spectroscopy (AAS) at trace levels. IMS-20 is considered a near total 4 acid technique using a 20g aliquot followed by multi-element analysis by ICP-AES/MS at ultra-trace levels. This analysis technique is considered suitable for this style of mineralisation.
	• 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.	Data from other measurement tools/instruments are not reported here.
	Nature of quality control procedures adopted (e.g. standards, blanks, duplicates, external laboratory checks) and whether acceptable levels of accuracy (i.e.	• Standards, blanks and duplicates are inserted ~1/28 samples. The values of the standards range from low to high grade and are considered appropriate to



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	lack of bias) and precision have been established.	 monitor performance of values near cut-off and near the mean grade of the deposit. The check sampling results are monitored, and performance issues are communicated to the laboratory if necessary. 		
Verification of sampling and assaying	The verification of significant intersections by either independent or alternative company personnel.	Procedure checks have been completed by the Competent Person for exploration results for this announcement.		
ussuyg	• The use of twinned holes.	Twin holes have not been drilled in this area.		
	Documentation of primary data, data entry procedures, data verification, data storage (physical and electronic) protocols.	Sunstone sampling data were imported and validated using Excel.		
	Discuss any adjustment to assay data.	Assay data were not adjusted. Core loss intervals are assigned assay values of zero where present.		
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.	Sample co-ordinates are located by GPS and measured along the length of the trench.		
	Specification of the grid system used.	Southern Ecuador projection parameters:		
		Parameter Value		
		Reference Ellipsoid International 1924		
		Semi Major Axis		
		Inverse Flattening (1/f)		
		Type of Projection UTM Zone -17S (Datum PSAD56)		
		Central Meridian: -81.0000		
		Latitude of Origin 0.0000		
		Scale on Central Meridian 0.9996		
		False Northing 10000000		
		False Easting 500000		
	Quality and adequacy of topographic control.	The topographic control was compared against published maps and satellite imagery and found to be good quality.		
Data spacing and distribution	Data spacing for reporting of Exploration Results.	The samples were collected over the interval 200- 400m for BMDD002 with sample length generally ranging between 1-2m.		
	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.	The data from these samples does not contribute to any resource estimate nor implies any grade continuity.		
	Whether sample compositing has been applied.	No sample compositing was done.		
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.	Drilling orientations were appropriate for the interpreted geology providing representative samples.		
	• 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.	No sampling bias is expected at this stage. Drilling is at an early stage and there has been no historical drilling on this target.		
Sample security	The measures taken to ensure sample security.	 Sunstone sampling procedures indicate individual samples were given due attention. Sample security was managed through sealed 		



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		 individual samples and sealed bags of multiple samples for secure delivery to the laboratory by permanent staff of the joint-venture. MS Analytical is an internationally accredited laboratory that has all its internal procedures heavily scrutinised in order to maintain their accreditation. MS Analytical is accredited to ISO/IEC 17025 2005 Accredited Methods.
Audits or reviews	The results of any audits or reviews of sampling techniques and data.	 Sunstone's and Cornerstone's sampling techniques and data have been audited multiple times by independent mining consultants during various project assessments. These audits have concluded that the sampling techniques and data management are to industry standards. All historical data has been validated to the best degree possible and migrated into a database.

TABLE 1 – Section 2: 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 Bramaderos Exploration Concession is located in the Loja Province of southern Ecuador. The concession was granted to La Plata Minerales S.A. ("PLAMIN") in January 2017. PLAMIN is a subsidiary of Cornerstone Capital Resources Inc ("Cornerstone"). The concession is subject to a Joint Venture between Cornerstone Capital Resources Inc. and Sunstone Metals Ltd. There are no wilderness areas or national parks or areas of environmental significance within or adjoining the concession area. There are no native title interests.
	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.	The Bramaderos Exploration Concession was granted to La Plata Minerales S.A. ("PLAMIN") in January 2017. PLAMIN is a subsidiary of Cornerstone Capital Resources Inc ("Cornerstone"). The Bramaderos Concession is subject to a Joint Venture between Sunstone Metals and Cornerstone.
Exploration done by other parties	Acknowledgment and appraisal of exploration by other parties.	The historic exploration was completed by various groups over the period 1970-1984, 2001-2002 and 2004-2007. Most of the readily available historic data has been acquired and compiled into databases and a GIS project. Exploration by other parties has included stream sediment surveys, geological mapping, rock chip sampling (888 samples) and grid-based soil sampling (1324 samples), trenching and channel sampling (17 trenches), ground magnetic surveys (31 line kilometres), electrical IP surveys and diamond drilling (10426m).
Geology	Deposit type, geological setting and style of mineralisation.	The deposit style being explored for includes intrusion- related and stockwork hosted porphyry Au-Cu systems plus low sulphidation epithermal veins and bulk- tonnage breccia-hosted epithermal gold mineralisation. The setting is a volcanic arc setting of Cretaceous age intrusions.



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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: a. easting and northing of the drill hole collar b. elevation or RL (Reduced Level – elevation above sea level in metres) of the drill hole collar c. dip and azimuth of the hole d. down hole length and interception depth e. hole length. If the exclusion of this information is justified on the	 Details of the samples discussed in this announcement are in the body of the text. Details of historical drill holes are included here and are taken from publicly available NI 43-101 technical reports. BMDD002: Easting: 632902 mE Northing: 9549118 mN Elevation: 806.6m ASL Dip: -55 degrees Azimuth: 230 degrees (PSAD56, Zone UTM 17S). EOH: 834.84m Information included in announcement.
	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 (e.g. cutting of high grades) and cut-off grades are usually Material and should be stated.	 Weighted averages were calculated over reported intervals according to sample length. No grade cut-offs were applied.
	 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. 	Intervals were calculated based on interval length multiplied by the metal grade, and then composited over appropriate intervals and averaged over the length.
	The assumptions used for any reporting of metal equivalent values should be clearly stated.	Metal equivalents are not presented.
Relationship between mineralisation	If the geometry of the mineralisation with respect to the drill-hole angle is known, its nature should be reported.	This is the first phase of drilling at this target and the geometry of mineralisation is poorly understood at this stage. This is the first phase of drilling at this target and the geometry of mineralisation is poorly understood at this stage.
widths and intercept lengths	• If it is not known and only the down hole lengths are reported, there should be a clear statement to this effect (e.g. 'down hole length, true width not known').	The intervals quoted for BMDD002 are down hole lengths.
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.	See Figures for maps showing distribution of samples.
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.	• Figures 1, 2 & 3 above show the current interpretations of geology and the location of drill holes.
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.	• Figures 1, 2, & 3 above show various datasets that are being used to identify target areas and to guide current and future drilling.
Further work	• The nature and scale of planned further work (e.g. tests for lateral extensions or depth extensions or large-scale step-out drilling).	The planned exploration program is outlined in the announcement.



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	Diagrams clearly highlighting the areas of possible extensions, including the main geological interpretations and future drilling areas, provided this information is not commercially sensitive.	• See Figures 1, 2, & 3 which show areas for further exploration.	