



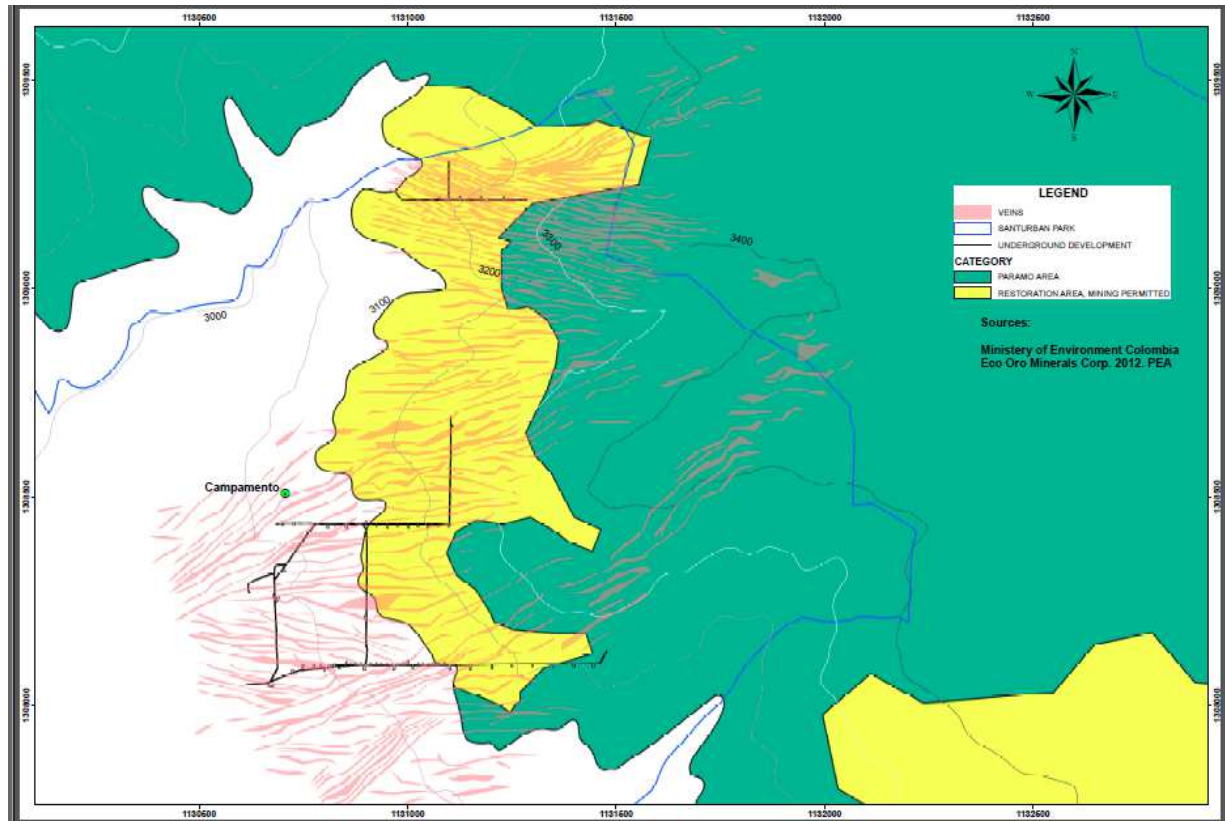
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ECO ORO ANNOUNCES BOUNDARIES OF PÁRAMO OF SANTURBÁN DECLARED

Vancouver, BC, Canada – December 22, 2014 – Eco Oro Minerals Corp. (“Eco Oro” or the “Company”) (TSX: EOM) is pleased to announce that the Ministry of Environment and Sustainable Development (*Ministerio de Ambiente y Desarrollo Sostenible*) has approved Resolution 2090 dated December 19, 2014, (the “Resolution”) wherein the boundaries of the Páramo of Santurbán (the “Santurbán Páramo”) have been officially declared. The Resolution and accompanying map was published on the Ministry’s website today.

The Resolution provides that within the Santurbán Páramo there are certain areas where mining can take place (“Mining Permitted Restoration Areas”), subject to stricter environmental controls. The map below, prepared by the Company, shows the general layout of principal mineralized structures relating to the previously-disclosed resource for the Angostura deposit (preliminary economic assessment completed in 2012) in relation to the Santurbán Páramo, Mining Permitted Restoration Area and previously-declared Santurbán Regional Park (the “Regional Park”) (see news releases dated January 9, 2013 and January 17, 2013). As depicted in this map, the boundaries of the Santurbán Páramo extend beyond the boundaries of the Regional Park.



Although further work will be required in order to fully understand the impact of the Santurbán Páramo on Eco Oro and its assets, the Company's initial assessment indicates that the Santurbán Páramo may affect to some limited extent the development of the Angostura deposit as previously envisioned by the Company. The Company is currently assessing how the Angostura Project will be developed taking into consideration the Santurbán Páramo. This will include assessing various techno-economic parameters such as cut-off grade, production rates, mining and metallurgical approaches, access to adjacent and at depth resources and the overall infrastructure layout.

"We are very pleased that the boundaries of the Santurbán Páramo have finally been declared. With the uncertainty relating to the boundaries now out of the way, the Company will proceed with reassessing how the Angostura Project will be developed." stated Juan Esteban Orduz, Co-Chairman of Eco Oro.

Anna Stylianides, President and CEO, stated "The delineation of the Santurbán Páramo has been the subject of intensive and thorough interaction with the local communities and other stakeholders. We extend our gratitude to all who participated in this process. We intend that Angostura will become an exemplary mining and investment project in the area of Santurban. We are committed to developing the Angostura Project in a socially and environmentally sustainable manner, abiding by all international mining standards and best practices that will be beneficial for all stakeholders, including our investors and the communities in which we operate."

Qualified Person

Callum Grant, P. Eng., a consultant to Eco Oro and a qualified person as that term is defined in National Instrument 43-101, has reviewed and verified the technical information contained in this news release.

Company Profile

Eco Oro Minerals Corp. is a publicly-traded precious metals exploration and development company with a portfolio of projects in Colombia. Eco Oro has been focused on its wholly-owned, multi-million ounce Angostura gold-silver deposit, located in northeastern Colombia. Eco Oro is committed to further advancing the Angostura Project in a socially and environmentally responsible manner that will be beneficial for all stakeholders.

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