

# NOVA PACIFIC METALS EXTENDS THE STRIKE LENGTH OF THE LARA PROJECT TO 17 KM

Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada, April 3, 2025 – Nova Pacific Metals Corp. (CSE: NVPC) (OTC: NVPCF) (FRA: YQ10) (WKN: A40GFH) (the "Company", or "Nova Pacific") is pleased to announce the staking of two additional claims (B&B 4 and 5) totaling 912.38 hectares contiguous with the existing property outline (Figure 1), following the completion of Dr. Tom Setterfield's in-depth analysis of historical exploration results to the west of the Lara deposit.

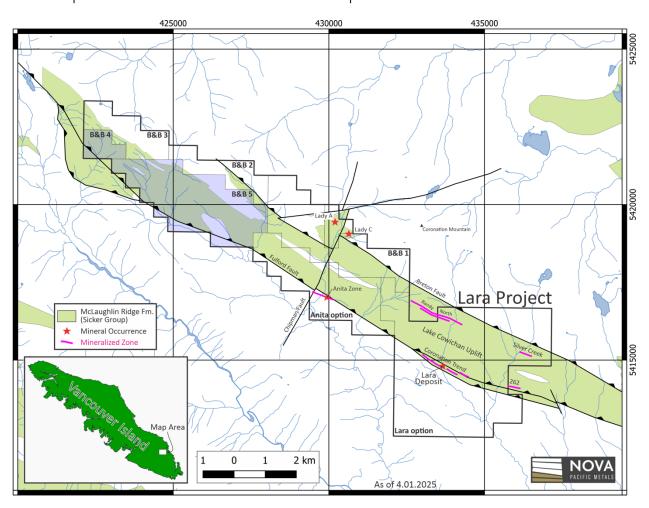


Figure 1. Lara Project Location with the Two New Claims B&B 4 and 5

The northwest part of the property is predominantly underlain by the McLaughlin Ridge Formation, host to the Lara deposit and other volcanogenic massive sulphide (VMS) mineralization along strike.

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Nova Pacific now controls 17 km of this highly prospective stratigraphy. The northwest 7 km of strike length has received much less exploration attention than the southeast 10 km.

The prospectivity of the part of the property is highlighted by the following (Figure 2):

- The northwest-trending McDougall Vein comes to within 500 m of the northwest part of the property; this vein has produced grab samples with up to 182 g/t Au and 86.5 g/t Ag (ARIS 13568). A jasper-rich ± magnetite iron formation, with up to 0.72 g/t Au, 0.51% Cu and 2.9 g/t Ag (different samples) is within 250 m of the property to the west (ARIS 16802).
- In 1983, Canamin Resources explored a property straddling the northwest corner of the
  present Lara property. Canamin Resources collected 65 soil samples 15 of which were on
  the Nova Pacific property. One of the samples ran 309 ppm Cu, the highest value from the
  survey (ARIS 11401).
- A brief property visit in 2001 resulted in the collection and description of five samples. Two
  examples of quartz-sericite-pyrite schist were noted from the McLaughlin Ridge Formation,
  as was an outcrop of "quartz-magnetite-chlorite stockwork" (ARIS PF006208).
- In 2011, Rock-Con Resources collected five rock samples from the present property. One sample ran 2.34 g/t Au, and two other samples ran 2.000% and 1.845% Cu respectively (ARIS 32279). All samples were from the newly staked ground and within the McLaughlin Ridge Formation. Also in 2011, Rock-Con conducted a soil survey covering parts of these western claims. The survey consisted of lines 100 m apart, with a sample spacing of 50 m along the lines. They noted two significant semi-coincident Cu-Zn anomalies and four, single-site gold anomalies; gold in these anomalies varied from 27 to 139 ppb in a background of samples which were mostly below the detection level (5 ppb; ARIS 32850).

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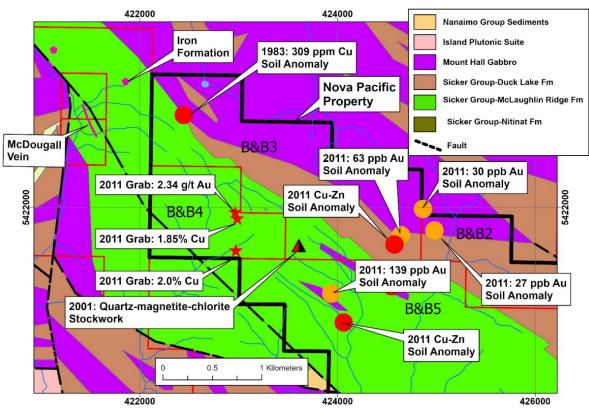


Figure 2. Features of the Northwest Part of the Lara Property

**Drill Permit Application:** In <u>July 2024</u>, the Company announced the submission of a drill permit application for up to <u>10,000 meters</u> in 50 diamond drill holes. The application has progressed favourably, and the Company is optimistic that a permit will be issued in the near future. The Company <u>recently</u> completed a flow-through financing of \$2,640,540, the proceeds of which will fully fund the intended drill program.

J. Malcolm Bell, Nova Pacific's CEO, commented, "Since the acquisition of the initial Lara claims, host to the historic Lara VMS deposit, the Company has continued to expand the project size which today represents a significant, 17 km long, land position within the highly favourable Sicker Group of rocks. While our current focus in the near term is to get underway with drill confirmation of the Lara deposit, we will continue to develop targets for future drill programs. Our drill program is intended to establish an updated Mineral Resource Estimate for presentation by mid summer."

### Qualified Person

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David Nelles, P.Geo., a Qualified Person as defined by National Instrument 43-101 Standards of Disclosure for Mineral Projects, has reviewed and verified the scientific and technical data contained in this news release.

## Rights of Indigenous Communities Statement

Nova Pacific operates on the Traditional, Ancestral and Unceded Territory of the Stz'uminus and Hul'qumi'num Treaty Group, a politically unified group that represents six Hul'qumi'num-speaking First Nations: Cowichan, Penelakut, Lyackson, Halalt, and Lake Cowichan.

The Company's entire team is committed to establishing lasting relationships with local communities by fostering inclusion and contributing to a shared prosperity.

#### **About Nova Pacific**

Nova Pacific is a Canadian exploration and development company focused on the Lara Volcanogenic Massive Sulfide (VMS) Project on Vancouver Island, British Columbia. This brownfields development project boasts a significant historic resource rich in critical and precious metals situated in a prime location with excellent infrastructure. Nova Pacific's forward-looking strategy includes confirmation and infill drilling, completion of an updated mineral resource estimate (MRE) and preparation of a Pre-Feasibility Study if and as required. The Company is committed to creating value for its shareholders while maintaining environmental responsibility and strong community relationships.

For additional information please visit: www.novapacificmetals.com

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