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### **NEWS RELEASE**

## PLANET BEGINS PHASE 2 DRILL PROGRAM AT GOLDEN LOON PROJECT, SOUTHERN BRITISH COLUMBIA

**February 16, 2012 - Vancouver, B.C.** Planet Exploration Inc. ("Planet" or the "Company") (TSX-V: PXI) is pleased to announce the start of Phase 2 diamond drilling at the Golden Loon project near Kamloops, southern British Columbia. **The Phase 2 drill program is expected to continue throughout 2012.** 

The Company will continue to test bedrock mineralization underlying the eight square kilometre gold-in-soil and bedrock target that was discovered in 2011. Drill testing of this target has returned **39.4 metres of 1.05 g/t gold**, **including 3.4 metres of 5.39 g/t gold** in drill hole GL-11-12. Recent results suggest the Golden Loon property hosts an extensive from-surface gold-mineralized system with multiple zones and multi-kilometre strike potential.

Mr. Andrew Wilkins, P.Geo, is Vice President Exploration of Planet and is the Qualified Person as defined by National Instrument 43-101, who supervised the preparation of the above information.

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### PLANET EXPLORATION INC.

On behalf of the Board

"Chris Taylor"
Chris Taylor, President

### **About Planet Exploration**

Planet Exploration is a Canadian mineral exploration company focused on exploration for high development potential gold resources. The Planet/Goldcorp joint venture owns 100% of the Sidace Lake property in the Red Lake gold district of Ontario, 60% Goldcorp and 40% Planet. The Sidace Lake property has an NI 43-101 compliant Indicated and Inferred resource of 360,000 ounces of gold.

Planet has an option to earn up to 100% interest in the Golden Loon property through its option agreement with Tilava Mining Corporation, a private company. The property is located eight kilometres west of the town of Little Fort, south-central British Columbia, and hosts an eight square kilometre gold in soil and bedrock anomaly plus a large Ni-Co-PGE target with over 10 kilometres of strike. Recent drill results include 39.4 metres of 1.05 g/t gold, in a fromsurface gold system with 700 metres of drill-confirmed strike that remains open to extension. Paved highways and rail lines are less than 2 kilometres from the property, which is serviced by a power line and is road-accessible.

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