



**Idaho Champion Announces Historical Drill Results at its Champagne Project, Idaho, including 1.46 g/t Au and 47.66 g/t Ag over 27.5 metres which included 2.82 g/t Au and 27.40 g/t Ag over 9.2 metres**

- Phase 3 of Desktop Study Completed with Focus on the Historic Southern Area of the Past Producing Open Pit
- Multiple shallow holes ended in high-grade mineralization
- Southern Area drilling highlights include:
  - LC8892 including 6.1 metres at 2.22 g/t Au and 1099 g/t Ag
  - LC8879 including 15.2 metres at 4.53 g/t Au and 26.93 g/t Ag
  - LC8893 including 15.2 metres at 2.52 g/t Au and 51.88 g/t Ag

TORONTO, ON / May 21, 2020 / Idaho Champion Gold Mines Canada Inc. ([CSE:ITKO](#)) (OTC PINK:GLDRF)("Champion" or the "Company"), announces historical data (the "Data") including historical drilling for the Company's past producing Champagne Project. Historical drill results included drill hole LC8618 which contained 1.46 grams per ton ("g/t") gold ("Au") and 47.66 g/t silver ("Ag") over 27.5 metres and included 2.82 g/t Au and 27.40 g/t Ag over 9.2 metres.

Table 1: Southern Area Historical Non 43-101 Compliant Drilling Results

Drill Hole	From	To	Length (m)	Avg Au g/t	Avg Ag g/t
LC8616	0	16.8	16.8	1.55	82.73
<b>LC8618</b>	<b>41.1</b>	<b>68.6</b>	<b>27.5</b>	<b>1.46</b>	<b>47.66</b>
<i>Including</i>	<b>41.1</b>	<b>50.3</b>	<b>9.2</b>	<b>2.82</b>	<b>27.40</b>
LC8828	0	12.2	12.2	0.90	14.54
LC8829	13.7	53.3	39.6	0.76	23.28
LC8830	0	16.8	16.8	1.28	25.53
<i>Including</i>	3	9.1	6.1	2.43	35.55
LC8832	0	32	32.0	0.83	19.80
LC8833	0	16.8	16.8	0.43	6.07
LC8836	53.3	82.3	29	0.49	7.42
LC8837	1.5	18.3	16.8	0.60	19.70
LC8838	32	47.2	15.2	0.70	15.17
LC8838	61.0	83.8	22.8	0.68	22.98

LC8843	24.4	30.5	6.10	1.34	48.95
LC8861	0	7.6	7.6	0.96	10.14
LC8865	0	3	3	1.75	12.70
LC8866	0	15.2	15.2	0.68	9.66
LC8867	0	12.2	12.2	1.94	67.38
<i>Including</i>	1.5	9.1	7.6	2.64	7.6
LC8868	0	15.2	15.2	0.38	6.84
LC8870	0	10.7	10.7	0.79	4.94
LC8871	4.6	15.2	10.6	13.96	87.37
<i>Including</i>	7.6	13.7	6.1	23.41	93.88
LC8872	0	15.2	15.2	1.30	12.80
LC8874	0	15.2	15.2	0.45	11.93
<b>LC8879</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>15.2</b>	<b>15.2</b>	<b>4.53</b>	<b>26.93</b>
LC8880	0	15.2	15.2	1.08	17.24
LC8883	0	15.2	15.2	1.14	23.78
LC8885	0	15.2	15.2	1.85	16.76
LC8888	0	15.2	15.2	2.23	16.85
LC8890	0	15.2	15.2	0.91	32.01
<b>LC8892</b>	<b>4.6</b>	<b>10.7</b>	<b>6.1</b>	<b>2.22</b>	<b>1099.64</b>
<b>LC8893</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>15.2</b>	<b>15.2</b>	<b>2.52</b>	<b>51.88</b>
LC8894	0	10.7	10.7	1.85	52.84
LC8895	0	9.1	9.1	1.12	10.92

*The results indicated represent the currently available drill data in the historic record. The intersection lengths are core length intersections. The true width of the intersection has not been determined.*

"The drill data analysed on the Southern Area of the pit showed zones that had mineralization starting right from surface," President and CEO Jonathan Buick stated. "The data package has provided us with the ability to formulate a confirmation and expansion program instead of a discovery program. We will aim our attention on and near the open pit to identify the size and depth of the structure."

The Data has been organized into Northern, Central, and Southern Areas. This Data includes historical drilling, trenching and geological studies.

A historic, non-NI 43-101 compliant resource of 2.3 million tons ("MT") at 1.9 grams gold was determined by Bema Gold Corporation ("Bema") prior to mining. (See Mine Development Associates report dated September 1989). The computational method used to derive the resource is unknown. The resource was mined as an open pit heap leach operation by Bema from 1989 to 1993. The remaining resource is the subject of the upcoming exploration program.

Figure 1: Southern Area Historical Non 43-101 compliant drilling locations

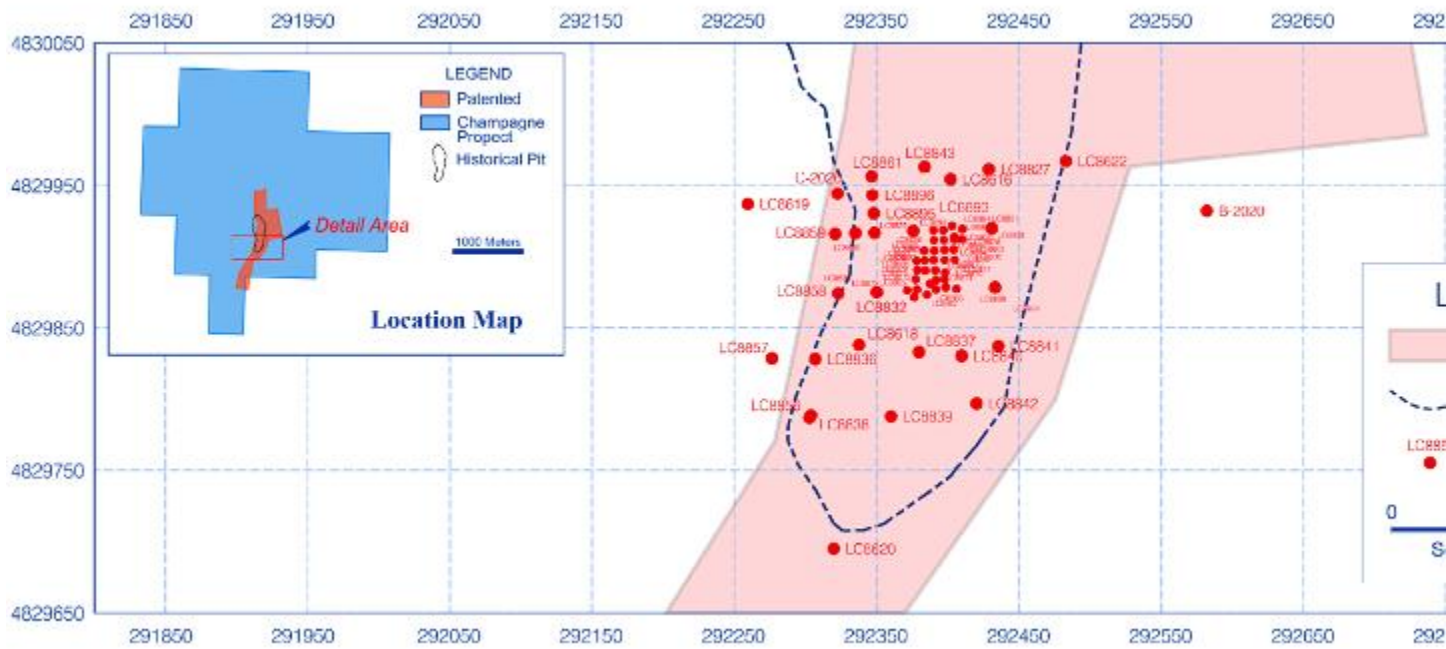
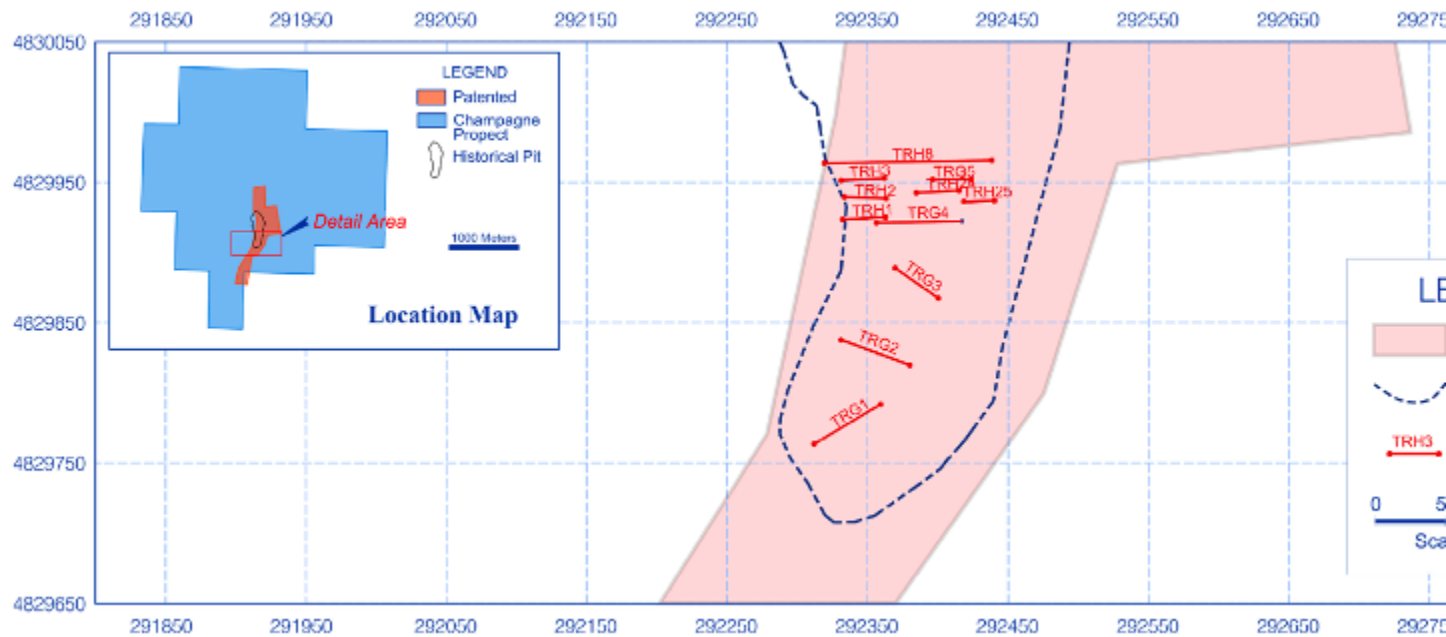


Table 2: Southern Non 43-101 Compliant Trenching Results

Trench	From	To	Length (m)	Avg Au g/t	Avg Ag g/t
TRG5	12.19	27.43	15.2	9.67	51.36
TRH24	1.52	30.48	29.0	3.13	91.58
<i>Including</i>	15.24	25.91	10.7	5.63	134.90
TRH25	3.05	38.1	35.1	2.16	70.54
<i>Including</i>	10.67	19.81	9.1	4.80	127.87
TRH8	19.81	89.92	70.1	1.55	62.21
<i>Including</i>	54.86	74.68	19.8	2.00	68.85

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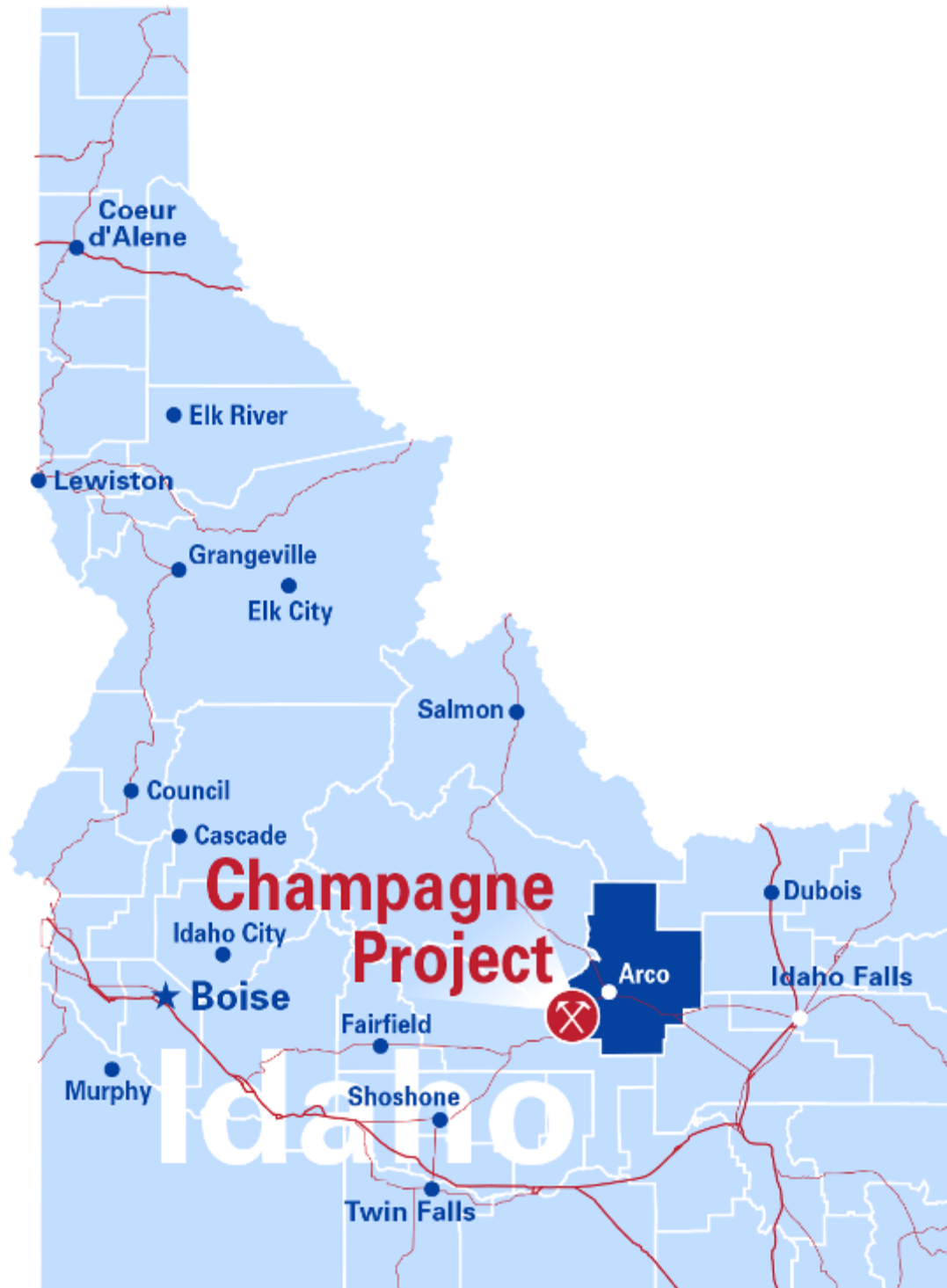
## Geology

The historical data was acquired by Gold Fields Limited, then Bema, in the development of the Champagne Mine. Trench data outlines a gold enriched oxide zone with shallow reverse circulation drill holes located under the trenches that outline a zone of veins and breccia pipes. Field work is being planned for this field season to map and sample the Champagne Mine area in preparation for a reverse circulation drill program.

The geology of the Champagne Mine area is well documented in maps and reports prepared by the State of Idaho and the United States Geological Survey. Surface host rocks are Challis Volcanics underlain by Devonian-Mississippian Milligan formation composed of quartzites, limestones, and calcareous sediments. The Milligan formation was intruded by Idaho Batholith and subsequent igneous events that located the mineralization at Champagne.

Exploration at Champagne will focus on surface delineation of alteration and mineralization and drilling will focus on a deep target (500m) in the Milligan formation

Figure 3: Champagne Project Location Map



### About Champagne Project

The Champagne Mine was operated by Bema as a heap leach operation on a high sulfidation gold system that occurs in volcanic rocks. Bema drilled 72 shallow reverse circulation holes in addition to previous operators drilling and trenching. The property had no deep drilling or modern exploration since the mine's closure in the early 1992.

The Champagne Deposit contains epigenetic style gold and silver mineralization that occurs in strongly altered Tertiary volcanic tuffs and flows of acid to intermediate composition at Lava Creek. Argillic and sericite alteration is widespread at the Champagne Deposit. Silica flooding, alunite and barite are closely associated with the gold and silver mineralized zone.

Champagne has a near surface cap of gold-silver mineralization emplaced by deep-seated, structurally controlled shears that acted as conduits for precious metal rich hydrothermal fluids. High grade zones in the Champagne Deposit appear to be related to such feeder shear zones. Drilling in the future to test for polymetallic, base-precious metal deposits at depth will clarify these relationships.

### **Qualified Person**

The technical information in this press release has been reviewed and approved by Peter Karelse P.Ge., a consultant to the Company, who is a Qualified Person as defined by NI 43-101. Mr. Karelse has more than 30 years of experience in exploration and development.

### **ABOUT IDAHO CHAMPION**

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### **ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD,**

"Jonathan Buick"

Jonathan Buick, President and CEO

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