

Mainstream Minerals Corporation creates a new in-house business development unit

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Mainstream Minerals Corporation (TSX.V: MJO) (“Mainstream”) is pleased to announce that following the appointments of Brad Peters as VP-Exploration and Rory Ritchie as Field Exploration Manager, both effective December 1st, 2011 (see news release of November 15th, 2011), a new business development unit has been created within the company. The new business development unit will immediately begin advancing Mainstream’s current portfolio of properties in order to unlock value and identify other third parties as strategic joint-venture or earn-in option partners for follow-up drill testing. The geological services to be provided internally will include, but will not be limited to prospecting, geochemical surveying (including soil sampling), mapping and technical evaluation of potential drill targets based on the existing data collected with the objective of advancing Mainstream’s projects to drill ready status as rapidly as possible.

This new business development unit will not represent a “Change of Business (COB)” or a change in direction for the company as Mr. Peters and Mr. Ritchie will be working primarily on the exploration and development of the company’s own portfolio of 10 properties. The company’s mandate will continue to be that of a “mineral exploration and development company focused on precious metal mining properties with economic potential, all with the aim of possibly bringing such properties to commercial production”.

Mainstream President and CEO, Michael Romanik, says: “By hiring Brad and Rory, and by executing this strategy within the company, we will be able to accomplish a number of goals at the same time – (i) reducing the costs associated with the hiring of external geological consultants; (ii) have a dedicated in-house geological staff that is focused on Mainstream’s own portfolio of projects and (iii) potentially generating future cash-flows for the company through the management of geological work for other companies. To the benefit of our shareholders, we can limit the amount of dilution going forward as we navigate our way through these difficult capital markets. One of the priorities for our new geological team will be to thoroughly review and then advance our current Birch-Uchi Greenstone Belt projects to the drill-ready stage. With the investments we’ve made to date in these properties, we feel that we are now ready to package the information. Once done, we will then be in a good position to look for or attract joint-venture or earn-in option agreement partners.”

About Mainstream Minerals

Mainstream Minerals Corporation is a mineral exploration and development company focused on precious metal mining properties with economic potential, with the aim of possibly bringing such properties to commercial production. With a portfolio of six projects located in the Birch-Uchi Greenstone Belt, Red Lake Mining District, the company is well positioned to take advantage of the resurgence of exploration and development activities in this prospective belt located 80 kilometres due east of the main Red Lake Greenstone Belt.

These six projects cover an area of approximately 28,600 acres and host several known gold occurrences and past producing mines. Other projects include the Rowan Lake project on the Cameron Lake-Pipestone Fault in the Kenora Mining District, the West Keefer and Price Claims located in the West Timmins area in north-central Ontario and the Casa Berardi Claims in northern Québec.

MJO Shares Outstanding: 54,222,130

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