Northstar Surface Sampling Expands Allied Syenite Gold Zone at Miller Gold Property (Includes 14.79 g/t Au over 7m)

Vancouver, British Columbia--(Newsfile Corp. - January 6, 2022) - **Northstar Gold Corp.** (**CSE: NSG**) (**OTCQB: NSGCF**) ("**Northstar**" or the "**Company**"), is pleased to announce results from the Company's Phase IIB surface exploration program on its 100%-owned Miller Gold Property, situated 18 km southwest of Kirkland Lake, Ontario. A total of 529 channel and 46 grab samples were collected from 8 stripped areas (A, B, C1, C2, D1, D2, D3, E) on the Miller and Searles Properties between July and October 2021 (Figures 1 and 2). The best overall results were obtained in Areas C1 and C2, which extend the Allied Syenite Gold Zone 130 metres to the east and southeast. The Allied Syenite Gold Zone has now been defined by drilling and surface sampling to encompass an area measuring 350 metres X 200 metres and remains open along strike to the northwest and southeast. Previous drilling in the Allied Syenite intersected 6.6 g/t Au over 117.0 metres, 1.4 g/t Au over 118.5 metres, and 1.2 g/t Au over 107.3 metres.

Surface channel sampling highlights are shown below:

Area C1 (Allied Syenite Gold Zone)

- 10.43 g/t Au over 2.5m
- 14.79 g/t Au over 7.0m
- 6.44 g/t Au over 5.0m

Area D1 (Vein 1 Zone)

- 21.1 g/t Au over 1.3m
- 6.79 g/t Au over 1.4m

Area E (E Zone)

- 1.03 g/t Au over 10.0m
- 0.88 g/t Au over 9.0m

Area C2 (Allied Syenite Gold Zone)

- 1.17 g/t Au over 14.0m
- 4.52 g/t Au over 4.0m
- 12.72 g/t Au over 2.0m

Area D3 (Vein 1 Zone)

- 5.55 g/t Au over 2.0m
- 4.04 g/t Au over 6.0m

Phase IIB Diamond Drill Hole Results Pending

Between October 1 and November 27, 2021, Northstar diamond drilled a total of 2,495 metres in 14 holes, with 6 holes testing Allied Syenite Gold Zone extensions, 2 holes testing the recently discovered E Zone and 6 holes designed to upgrade a historic resource estimate on the recently acquired Searles Property. Drilling intersected visible gold, tellurides and chalcopyrite over appreciable widths in drill holes MG21-63, MG21-64 and MG21-65 along a possible 180 metre northwestern extension of the near-surface Allied Syenite Bulk Tonnage Gold Zone (Figure 1*). Check assay work is well under way and results will be reported in the very near term.

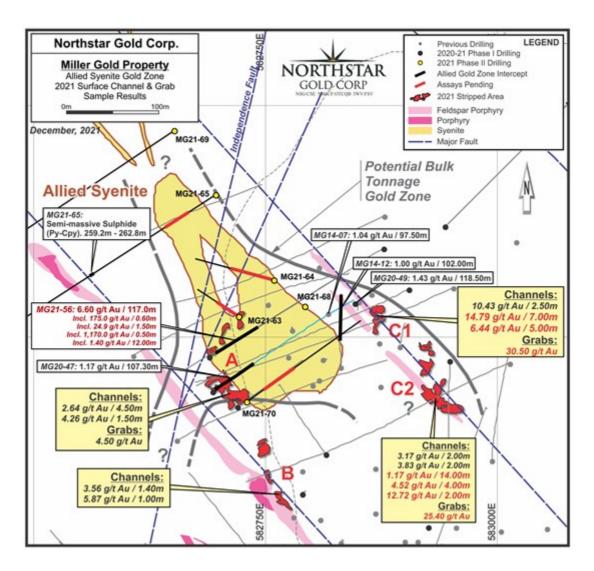


Figure 1. Bulk Tonnage Allied Syenite Gold Zone with Surface Sampling Results

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Allied Syenite Gold Zone Expansion

Surface channel cutting intersected visible gold tellurides and heavy disseminated pyrite mineralization within shallow dipping 2cm to 10cm thick quartz veins and gossan over appreciable widths in stripped Areas C1 and C2 east and southeast of the Allied Syenite (Figures 1 and 2*). The nature of the mineralization observed on surface is almost identical to what was observed in drilling within adjacent drill holes MG14-07 (1.04 g/t Au over 97 metres), MG14-12 (1.00 g/t Au over 102 metres) and MG20-49 (1.43 g/t Au over 118.5 metres) and likely represents a parallel surficial vein system to Veins 1 to 4 within the Allied Syenite Gold Zone, extending a minimum of 130 metres to the southeast of the main body of the Allied Syenite along a zone of feldspar porphyry diking. Anomalous gold values were obtained in channel and grab sampling in the mafic volcanics as much 30 metres away from the porphyry contact suggesting the potential for a broad zone of near surface gold mineralization surrounding the porphyry intrusives. The Phase IIB surface sampling program demonstrates that while the Allied Syenite Gold Zone is primarily associated with the Allied Syenite, it is not limited to the Allied Syenite and can extend into surrounding lithologies. The Allied Syenite Gold Zone remains open along strike and at depth.

*The reader is reminded that the Allied Syenite Gold Zone is conceptual in nature. There has been insufficient evidence to define a mineral resource and it is uncertain if further exploration will result in the exploration target being delineated as a mineral resource.

Confirmation of the Vein 1 Zone on the Searles Property

The Phase IIB surface exploration program successfully exposed the Vein 1 Zone in 3 stripped Areas (D1, D2 and D3) 160 metres east of the Searles Property boundary (Figure 2), where it remains open along strike to the east. Visible gold and gold tellurides were observed in all stripped areas with the best gold values in channel sampling being obtained in D1 and D3. Surface grab samples containing visible gold and gold tellurides assaying **57.3 g/t Au** and **103 g/t Au** from areas D1 and D2 respectively were also collected from the Vein 1 zone during the surface exploration program.

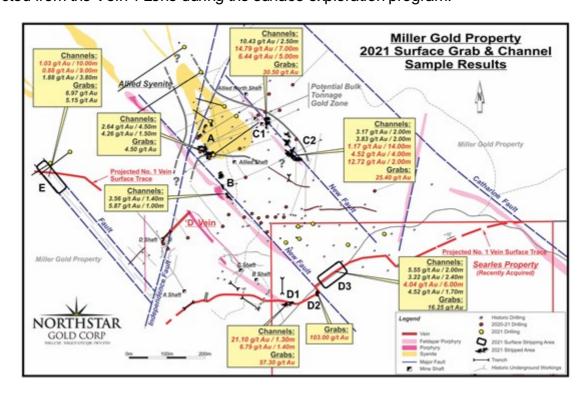


Figure 2. 2021 Miller Surface Sampling Results and Bulk Tonnage Allied Syenite Gold Zone

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The new trenching samples represent a 170 metre step out to the south from the historic intersections on the Searles Property (1987)* that span a 330 metre strike length and include 96 g/t Au over 3 metres and 13.4 g/t Au over 2.3 metres at the west end, and 11.2 g/t Au over 2.4 metres at the east end. These results compliment subsequent 2014 and 2020 Northstar No. 1 Vein drill results on the adjoining Miller Gold Property that include 86.60 g/t Au over 0.5 metres, 18.06 g/t Au over 3.9 metres and 15.45 g/t Au over 2.0 metres to the west.

New Discovery of Vertical Porphyry Zone

Stripping in Area B south of the Allied Syenite uncovered a persistent shear hosted zone of quartz veining and heavy disseminated sulphide mineralization along a vertical feldspar porphyry dike contact. Assay intervals of 3.56 g/t Au over 1.4 metres and 5.87 g/t Au over 1 metre were obtained in channel sampling. These anomalous gold assays indicate that the sheared dike contact is gold bearing and is open along strike, possibly for hundreds of meters as the 30 metre wide porphyry dike spans the length of the Miller Property. The intercept of semi-massive sulphides including chalcopyrite over 3.6 metre between 259.2 metres and 263 metres proximal to the same porphyry dike 330 metres to the northwest in DDH MG21-65 (Figure 1) could represent the on-strike extension of the zone observed on surface in Area B.

Phase IIB Exploration Drilling Program

Phase IIB diamond drilling intersected visible gold, tellurides and chalcopyrite over appreciable widths in

drill holes MG21-63, MG21-64 and MG21-65 along a possible 180 metre northwestern extension of the near-surface Allied Syenite Bulk Tonnage Gold Zone (Figure 1*). Preliminary observations from DDH's MG21-63 and MG21-64 suggest the recently discovered Independence Fault is a broad sub-vertical, brittle deformation zone featuring abundant chlorite-quartz breccias with chalcopyrite mineralization and multiple occurrences of visible gold and tellurides. Drill hole MG21-65, collared near the northeast contact of the Allied Syenite, intercepted syenite over 75 metres with multiple occurrences of tellurides in quartz carbonate veins observed between 63.5 metres and 160 metres depth. In a new discovery, semi-massive pyrite with chalcopyrite was encountered in MG21-65 over 3.6 metres from 259.2 metres to 262.8 metres within a larger halo of magnetite alteration, proximal to a feldspar porphyry dike contact. Hole MG21-69 collared an additional 80 metres northwest of hole MG21-65 encountered quartz veining and quartz-chlorite breccias with anomalous pyrite and some tellurides associated with a swarm of sub vertical syenite and feldspar porphyry dikes within the Allied Deformation Zone.

Drill hole MG21-70, collared 35 metres southeast of hole MG21-47 (1.2 g/t Au over 107.3 metres from 4.7 metres to 112 metres) encountered anomalous pyrite mineralization between 45.5 metres and 124 metres depth with multiple quartz-chlorite breccias and occurrences of visible gold and tellurides. This includes a 9-metre-wide intercept of the Vein 1 zone from 99 metres to 108 metres depth with 4% chalcopyrite in blebs and stringers within a broad quartz-chlorite breccia. Numerous sub vertical fault breccias and quartz veins with visible gold and/or tellurides were intersected in the footwall of Vein 1 to the end of the hole at 385 metres depth.

While assays are pending for these drill holes, drilling indicates the presence of a significant near-surface bulk tonnage gold zone (Figures 1 and 2*) which remains open along strike and at depth.

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About the Miller Gold Property

Northstar's flagship property is the 100% owned Miller Gold Property ("Miller"), situated 18 km southeast of Kirkland Lake and Kirkland Lake Gold's Macassa SMC gold mine. The Miller Gold Property is highly prospective for the discovery of a large-scale, higher grade gold system similar to the deposits of the Kirkland Lake camps that produced over 24 M oz. of gold from 7 mines (Clark 2013). Geologically, Miller is believed to be a close analog to Kirkland Lake Gold's Macassa SMC gold mine, given the numerous geological similarities. Both Miller and the newly discovered lower SMC at Macassa share the similar formation, age and minerization style (gold-telluride vein system with calaverite the main gold mineral). Both deposits are also located next to a First Order fault structure (Catharine Fault Zone at Miller Property and the Larder Break at Kirkland Lake) potentially sharing a gold enriched magmatic hydrothermal reservoir at depth.

The Miller Gold Property also hosts near-surface, lower-grade, syenite intrusive hosted bulk-tonnage mineralization (similar to Sigma/ Lamaque). Drilling to date has already yielded long intercepts (50 metres to 150 metres) of near surface, lower grade (0.5 to 1.5g/t) gold mineralization at two separate known Syenite intrusions (Allied, Planet) with a 100 metre wide stockwork zone in the Meilleur Syenite yielding 2.13 g/t Au over 13.05 metres in one exploration hole to date.

The recently completed Miller surface exploration and drill program was partially designed to confirm and expand a historical Miller-Independence mineral resource (NI:43-101 non-compliant 270k ozs (0.73Mt at 11.5 g/t Au on 37 drill holes)* to facilitate a future compliant resource estimate. This resource straddles the southern part of the Miller Gold Property and includes part of the newly optioned Searles Property.

*Ontario Ministry of Northern Development and Mines Assessment report # OM87-6-L-239: AFRI file 32D04SW0265 "Mining and Geological Report on the 1987 Nortek Exploration Program" by Gordon B. French, President of French & Associates Inc., Highway 112, Tarzwell, Ontario.

A Qualified Person has not done sufficient work to classify this historical estimate as a current mineral resource and the Company is not treating this historical estimate as a current mineral resource. The historical estimate cannot be fully verified. These values cannot and should not be relied upon and are only referred to herein as an indication of previously defined gold mineralization. In order to verify the estimate and to upgrade to NI 43-101 compliant categories, the historical area would need to be re-drilled with updated sampling procedures put in place.

The Kirkland District is being explored by major and junior gold companies with recent and pending consolidation transactions. Northstar spent \$2 million in exploration at Miller in 2020, resulting in the expansion / discovery of four new high-grade vein structures (Vein 1, 2, 3 and 4) and the near-surface bulk-tonnage Allied Gold Zone. Northstar completed a 1,990-metre Phase IIA follow up diamond drill program at Miller in late April, 2021, focused primarily on testing outboard GoldSpot Al gold-in-syenite geophysical targets. The Company is currently awaiting assay results from a recently completed 14 hole, 2,495 metre, 2021 Phase IIB drill program which appears to have significantly expanded the Bulk Tonnage Allied Syenite Gold Zone.

Quality Control

Samples collected in the 2021 surface exploration program and Phase IIB drilling program are being delivered to ALS Global in Timmins, Ontario for preparation and assayed for gold by ALS Global in Vancouver, British Columbia.

Northstar has implemented a quality control program for its Miller Gold Property to ensure best practice in the sampling and analysis of the drill core and surface samples, which includes the insertion of blanks, duplicates, and certified standards into the sample stream. NQ sized drill core is saw cut with half of the drill core sampled at intervals based on geological criteria including lithology, visual mineralization, and alteration. The remaining half of the core is stored on-site at Earlton, Ontario.

Drill core and surface samples were submitted to ALS Global at their Timmins, Ontario facility for sample preparation where the entire sample was crushed to better than 90% passing 2mm, 1kg riffle split and pulverized to 95% passing 106 microns. Pulps are forwarded to ALS Global in Vancouver, British Columbia for analyses. Gold analyses are obtained via industry standard fire assay with ICP finish using 50 g aliquots. For samples returning greater than 10 g/t gold follow-up fire assay analysis with a gravimetric finish is completed. Based on initial fire assay gold indications as well as visual indication of mineralization and alteration, intervals are selected for re-assay by the screen metallic fire assay method. Samples are also analyzed for 48 trace and major elements by ICP-MS following a four-acid digestion. ALS Global are ISO/IEC 17025:2017 accredited (Lab No. 579) for the preparation and analyses performed on the Miller Gold samples.

Qualified Person

Trevor Boyd, PhD, P.Geo., a 'Qualified Person' (Q.P.) as defined under Canadian National Instrument NI 43-101, has reviewed technical aspects of this news release.

About Northstar Gold Corp

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was also completed at Miller this Fall. The Company continues to experience assay delays and complications and will report all results as they come available.

Northstar has 3 additional 100%-owned exploration projects in northern Ontario, including the recently acquired 1,200 ha Rosegrove Property situated 0.5 km from the Miller Gold Property, the 4,500 ha Bryce Property, an intrusive-gold / PME VMS project located along the projected east extension of the Ridout Break, and the recently expanded Temagami-Milestone Cu-Ni-Co Property located in Strathcona Township. Northstar is advancing all 3 properties to the NI 43-101 Technical Report stage to maximize geological understanding, increase investor awareness and optimize monetization opportunities.

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