



FATHOM ANNOUNCES COMPLETION OF SURFACE PROGRAM AT THE RECENTLY ACQUIRED TREMBLAY-OLSON AREA CLAIMS

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Calgary, Alberta – October 31, 2022 – Fathom Nickel Inc. (the "Company" or "Fathom") (CSE:FNI) (FSE: 6Q5), (OTCQB: FNICF) is pleased to announce the completion of soil geochemistry, mapping and prospecting programs at the Tremblay–Olson area within the Company’s flagship Albert Lake Property (the “Fall Program”). The Tremblay–Olson claims, which are on-trend to the south-southwest of the historic Rottenstone Mine, have been essentially locked within the Saskatchewan Mineral Disposition system since 1987. Fathom recently acquired 100% of the Tremblay–Olson Showing claims (see Press Release July 5, 2022). The Fall Program is the first exploration performed within this area since 1987.

Ian Fraser, CEO and VP Exploration of Fathom commented, “Within the Tremblay–Olson area exist two known mineralized ultramafic occurrences - the “Tremblay–Olson” and the “NIC-5”. Both areas were mapped and sampled as well as extensively covered with B-horizon soil geochemistry sampling during our Fall Program. Both occurrences have MAG/EM geophysical signatures analogous to our mineralized ultramafic Bay–Island Trend discovery. Furthermore, the necessary stratigraphy that is host to the Rottenstone Mine and the Bay–Island Trend is recognized at both the NIC-5 and Tremblay–Olson occurrence areas. We anxiously await the soil geochemistry results as we now recognize a positive soil geochemistry signature is also associated with the Bay–Island Trend. We are very confident that the Fall Program results, in combination with ongoing interpretation by the Fathom team, will result in numerous drill targets which we will aggressively test in Q1-2023.”

The Tremblay–Olson Showing refers to an ultramafic hosted Ni–Cu+PGE showing 2.4 km southwest of the historic Rottenstone Mine:

- At Tremblay–Olson, historic trenches exposed a lens of mineralized pyroxenite containing up to 40% sulphides. Historic grab samples assayed up to 3.11% Ni, 0.91% Cu, 1.01 g/t Pd and 0.46 g/t Pt (Saskatchewan Mineral Deposit Index (SMDI) #0959).

The NIC-5 is immediately on-trend with and 1.4km southwest of the Rottenstone Mine:

- The NIC-5 is referenced by a historic drillhole (60-11) which intersected mineralized pyroxenite over 2.1m (nickel, copper). However, assays of this intersection are not available within the Saskatchewan Mineral Assessment Database nor the Saskatchewan Mineral Deposit Index.
- Also, within the NIC-5 area, two drillholes (Placer Dome, 1987) intersected anomalous Ni–Cu+Pd–Pt mineralization (up to 630 ppm Ni, 1320 ppm Cu, 115 ppb Pd and 90 ppb Pt) over widths up to 27m within what was logged as mineralized metapelite. We interpret this style of mineralization as possibly originating and remobilizing from a nearby ultramafic source.

The Fall Program consisted of the following:

- Mapping and prospecting focused at the Tremblay–Olson and NIC-5 areas. Seventeen (17) rock samples were collected and have been submitted for assay;
- Soil traverse lines were designed across stratigraphy resulting in 977 B-horizon soil samples collected;

- All samples will be assayed using a standard aqua regia digestion. Of the 977 samples collected, 128 samples will also be analyzed using a total digestion method and 123 samples will also be analyzed using an ionic leach method. Fathom recognizes key pathfinder elements associated with potential buried ultramafic bodies. To further delineate and highlight these pathfinder elements, the Company has chosen some additional methodologies for comparison purpose.

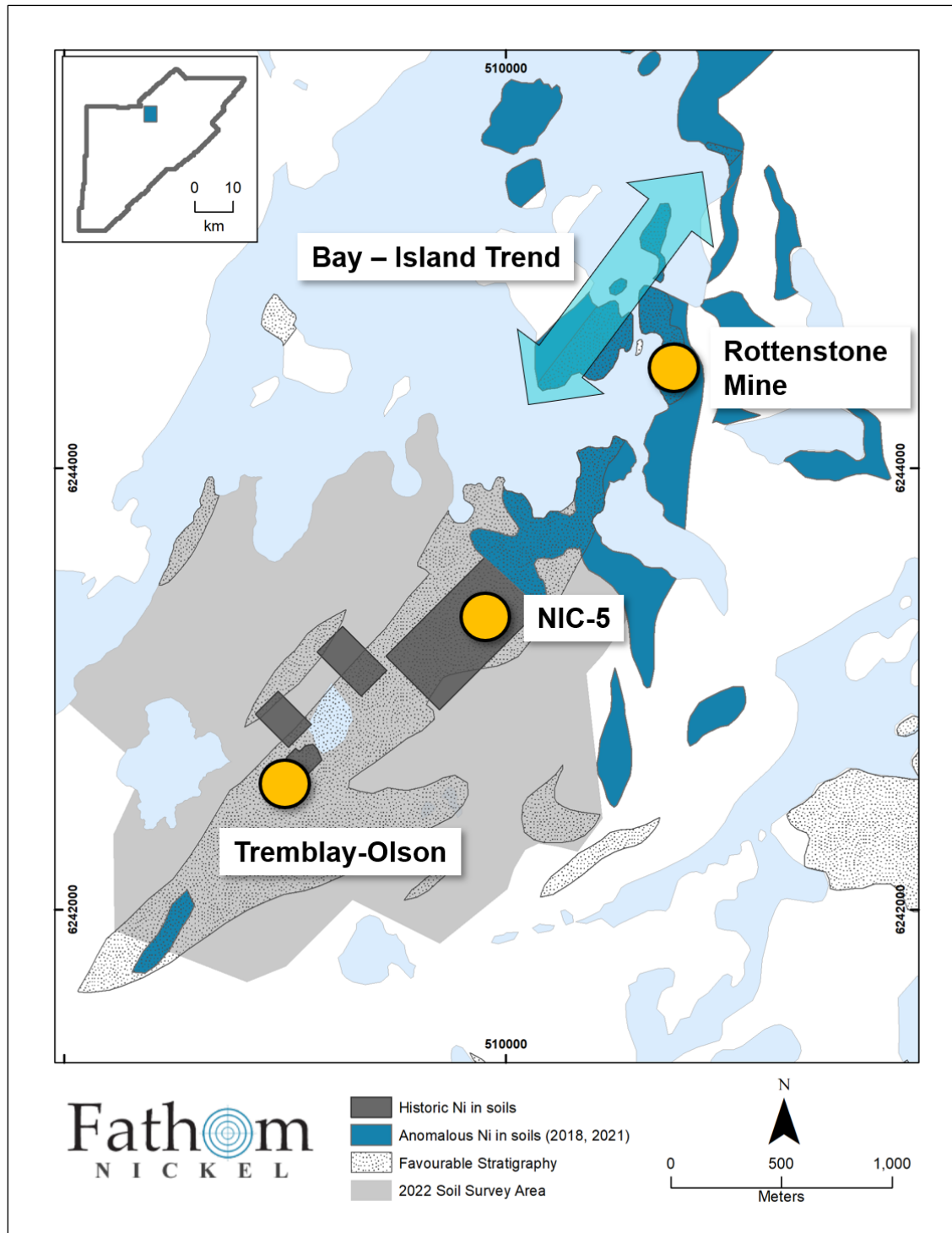


Figure 1 is an illustration of the area covered in the Fall Program (grey shade) by soil geochemistry relative to historic geochemistry survey results. The dark blue shade defines zones in which anomalous Ni in-soils occur as determined through Fathom’s soil geochemistry surveys performed in 2018 and 2021. Anomalous was defined as samples containing ≥ 14 ppm Ni (ranging from 14ppm to 1850ppm Ni).

Favourable stratigraphy refers to areas where the same rock types that host the historic Rottenstone deposit and the new mineralized zone, the Bay-Island Trend, are recognized. The Company also now recognizes Ni in-soil anomalies occur immediately north and south of the historic Rottenstone deposit and also immediately associated with the Bay-Island Trend.

The Company anticipates soil and rock geochemistry results by mid-November. The Company is also pleased to announce that we are in receipt of an Exploration Permit for the Tremblay-Olson claims which will also allow us to drill anticipated targets in Q1-2023. Fathom will press release results of the Fall Program along with a discussion on its ongoing interpretation and drill target generation exercise once all results have been received and analyzed.

Attendance at The International Precious Metals and Commodities Show in Munich, Germany

Fathom is pleased to also announce that we will be participating in the International Precious Metals and Commodities Show in Munich, Germany on November 4th and 5th. We are excited to once again meet in-person with our existing European investors as well as market our developing story to a broader audience of German resource investors. We look forward to seeing you at Booth 38 at the MVG Museum, Ständlerstraße 20, Munich. More information can be found on the Show's website at <https://www.edelmetallmesse.com/en/index.html>

Qualified Person and Data Verification

Ian Fraser, P.Geo., CEO, VP Exploration and a Director of the Company and the "qualified person" as such term is defined by National Instrument 43-101, has verified the data disclosed in this news release, and has otherwise reviewed and approved the technical information in this news release on behalf of the Company.

About Fathom Nickel Inc.

Fathom is an exploration company that is targeting magmatic nickel sulphide discoveries to support the rapidly growing global electric vehicle market.

The Company now has a portfolio of two high-quality exploration projects located in the prolific Trans Hudson Corridor in Saskatchewan: 1) the Albert Lake Project, a 90,000+ hectare project that was host to the historic and past producing Rottenstone deposit (produced high-grade Ni-Cu+PGE, 1965-1969), and 2) the Gochager Lake Project, a 4696-hectare project that is host to a historic (NI43-101 non-compliant) open pitable resource consisting of 4.3M tons at 0.295% Ni and 0.081% Cu. The Company anticipates Winter 2023 exploration programs at both projects.

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