

# Caprock Announces Option to Acquire Ackley Li-Sn-Mo-REE Property in Newfoundland

Toronto, Ontario--(Newsfile Corp. - February 1, 2023) - Caprock Mining Corp. (CSE: CAPR) ("**Caprock**" or the "**Company**") is pleased to announce that it has entered into a binding option agreement dated January 31<sup>st</sup>, 2023 (the "**Option Agreement**") setting out the terms of an option to acquire a 100% interest in the Ackley Lithium-Tin-Molybdenum-REE property ("**Ackley**", or the "**Property**") located in south-eastern Newfoundland from Dean Fraser (the "**Optionor**"), the arms-length owner of the Property (the "**Transaction**").

Ackley comprises three claim blocks that collectively span an area of 4,550 hectares located less than two hours' drive from St. John's. The claim blocks overlie portions of the contact zone of a large Devonian-aged granite complex with Proterozoic metasediments and volcanics, parts of which are "greisenized", or hydrothermally altered, that is similar in age and lithology to the Mount Pleasant deposit in New Brunswick and the East Kemptville deposit in Nova Scotia. Limited historical exploration work across the eastern claim block (the "**Main claim block**") by companies including Esso Minerals, American Zinc, Inco and others, discovered occurrences and anomalies of lithium, tin, molybdenum, tungsten and REE's.

Recent magnetometer survey work over part of the Main claim block indicates that the altered contact zone may be extensive, covering several square kilometres. Recent limited prospect sampling and historical Esso trenches across the Main claim block returned assays of up to 0.91% lithium dioxide, 5.0% molybdenum, 0.67% tin and 1-5% fluorine on surface. Newfoundland government survey maps of this region report some of the highest lake sediment values for REE's on the entire island.

President & CEO of Caprock, Vishal Gupta states, "High-grade lithium, molybdenum and tin mineralization on surface, a large prospective alteration halo spanning several square kilometres, and its location in a mining-friendly jurisdiction, are some of the characteristics that attracted us to Ackley. The opportunity to add this lithium-focused Property to our existing portfolio of precious metals properties in Ontario provides Caprock's shareholders an incredible optionality in today's turbulent commodity markets."

## Terms of the Transaction

Pursuant to the Option Agreement, Caprock has an option to acquire a 100% interest in the Property by incurring the following obligations over the course of three years (which may be accelerated at Caprock's option) from the date of the signing of the Option Agreement:

- Issuance of 5,200,000 common shares of the Company (1,300,000 immediately and 1,300,000 on each of the 12, 24 and 36 month anniversaries of execution of the Option Agreement);
- Payment of \$125,000 in cash (\$20,000 immediately, \$25,000 on the 12 month anniversary of execution of the Option Agreement, \$30,000 on the 24 month anniversary of execution of the Option Agreement and \$50,000 on the 36 month anniversary of execution of the Option Agreement); and
- Incurring qualified expenditures on the Property totaling \$750,000 (\$150,000 within the first 12 months of execution of the Option Agreement, an additional \$250,000 within 24 months of execution of the Option Agreement and an additional \$350,000 within 36 months of execution of the Option Agreement).

Upon the completion of the above obligations by Caprock, the Optionor will retain a 2% NSR on the Property, of which half would be buyable by Caprock for \$1,000,000 at any time.

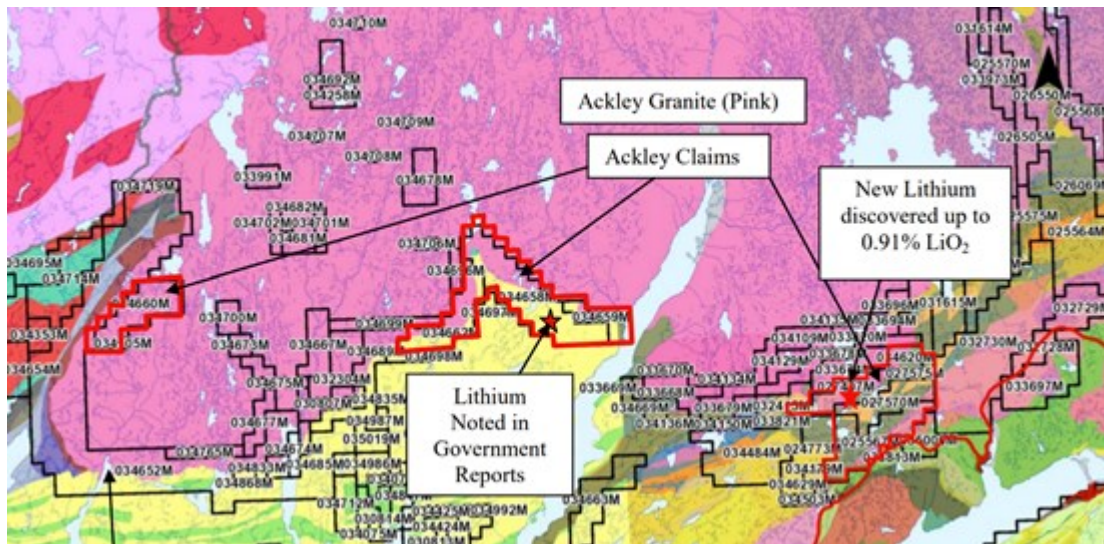


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## About Caprock Mining Corp.

Caprock Mining Corp. is a Canadian mineral exploration company focused on opportunities in the historical Beardmore-Geraldton Gold Belt ("BGB") of Ontario. The company's 100% interest in six gold exploration properties gives it a substantial landholding in the BGB - a belt that has produced over four million ounces of gold historically, and contains the world-class Greenstone gold project (formerly known as the Hardrock gold project) which is being brought to production by a joint venture partnership between Equinox Gold and Orion Mine Finance. With an experienced management team that has a strong exploration pedigree, Caprock is poised to advance its portfolio of gold exploration properties in the BGB to generate incremental shareholder value.

*The scientific and technical information disclosed in this release has been reviewed and approved by Mr. Vishal Gupta, the Company's President & CEO. Mr. Gupta is a P.Geo. registered with the Professional Geoscientists of Ontario (PGO), and a "qualified person" as defined under National Instrument 43-101, Standards of Disclosure for Mineral Projects.*

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