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Preliminary Economic Assessment of a Disseminated Cu-Au-Ag Deposit, Dean River, British Columbia

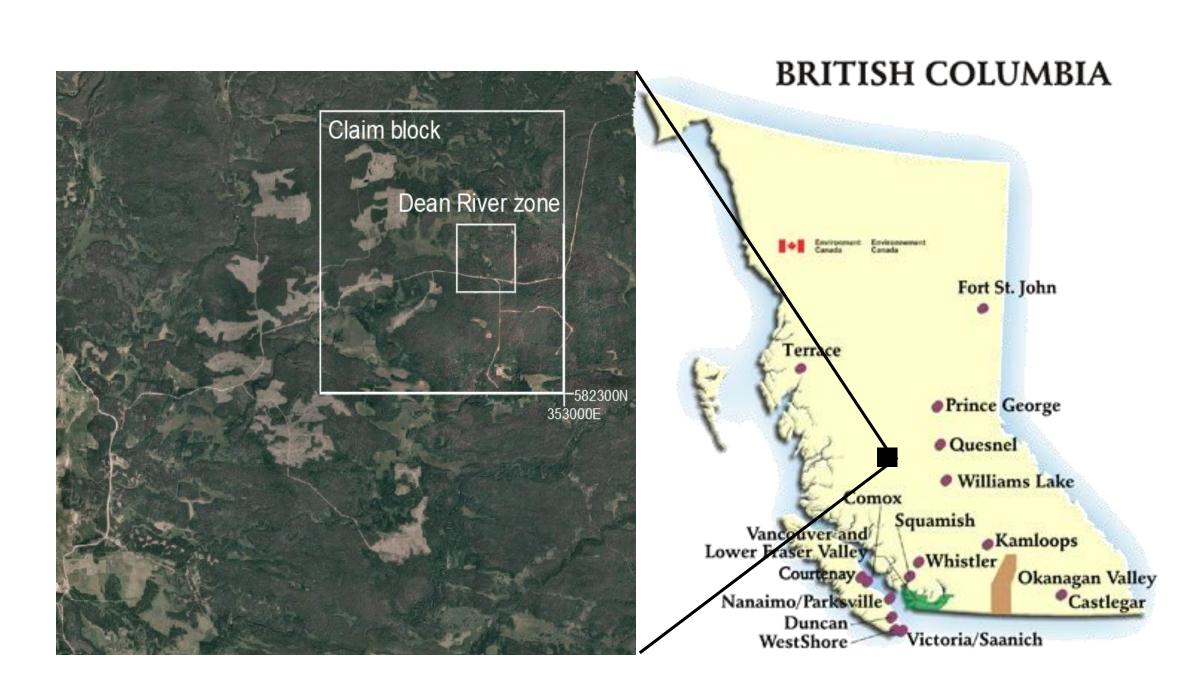
Scope of Work

Tasked with assessing the economic potential and technical feasibility for a mining operation comprised of a copper-gold-silver deposit in Dean River, British Columbia.

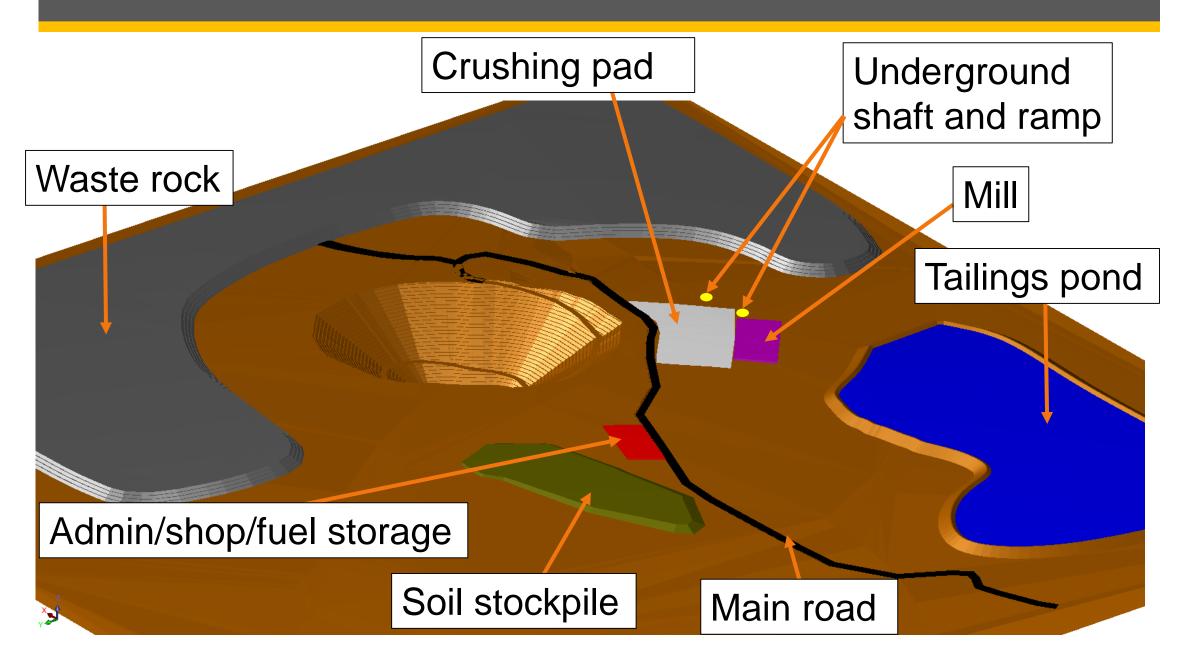
Exploration Data

- 37 diamond drill holes in the Dean River zone.
- 180 metre surface trench.
- 28,845 metres of drill core recovered with assay data.
- Equivalent ore grade of 10.64 g/t Au.
- 5 km x 5 km mineral claim.
- 18 different geological units.

Location

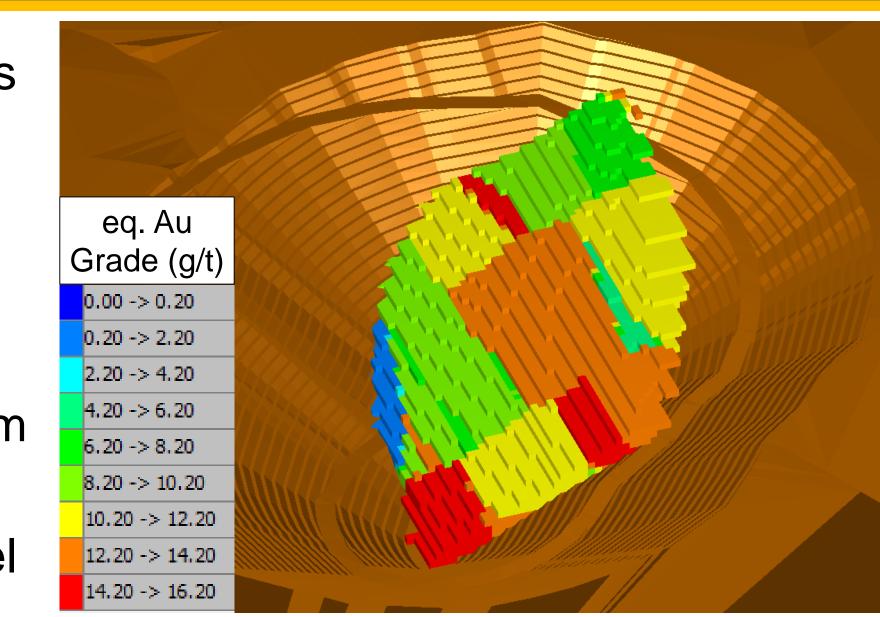


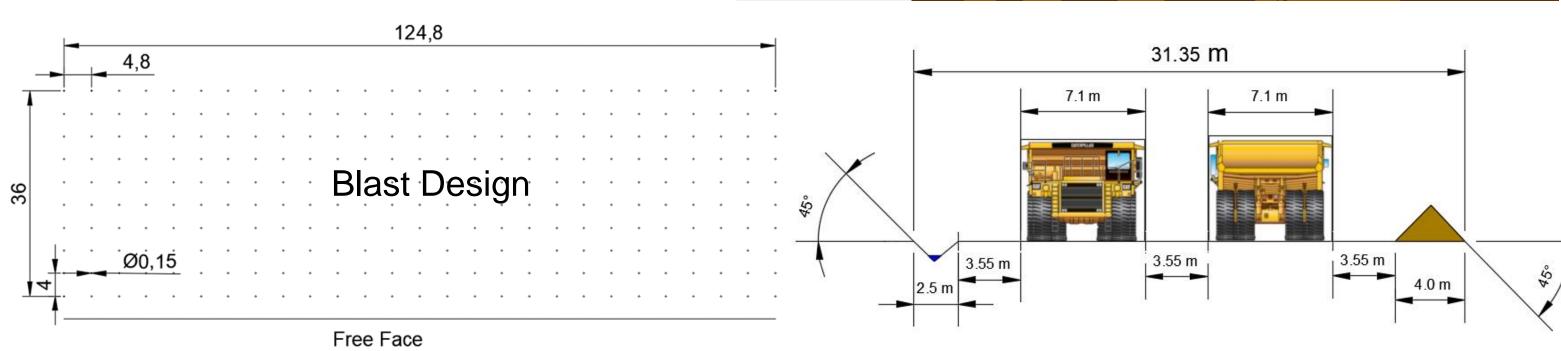
Surface Infrastructure



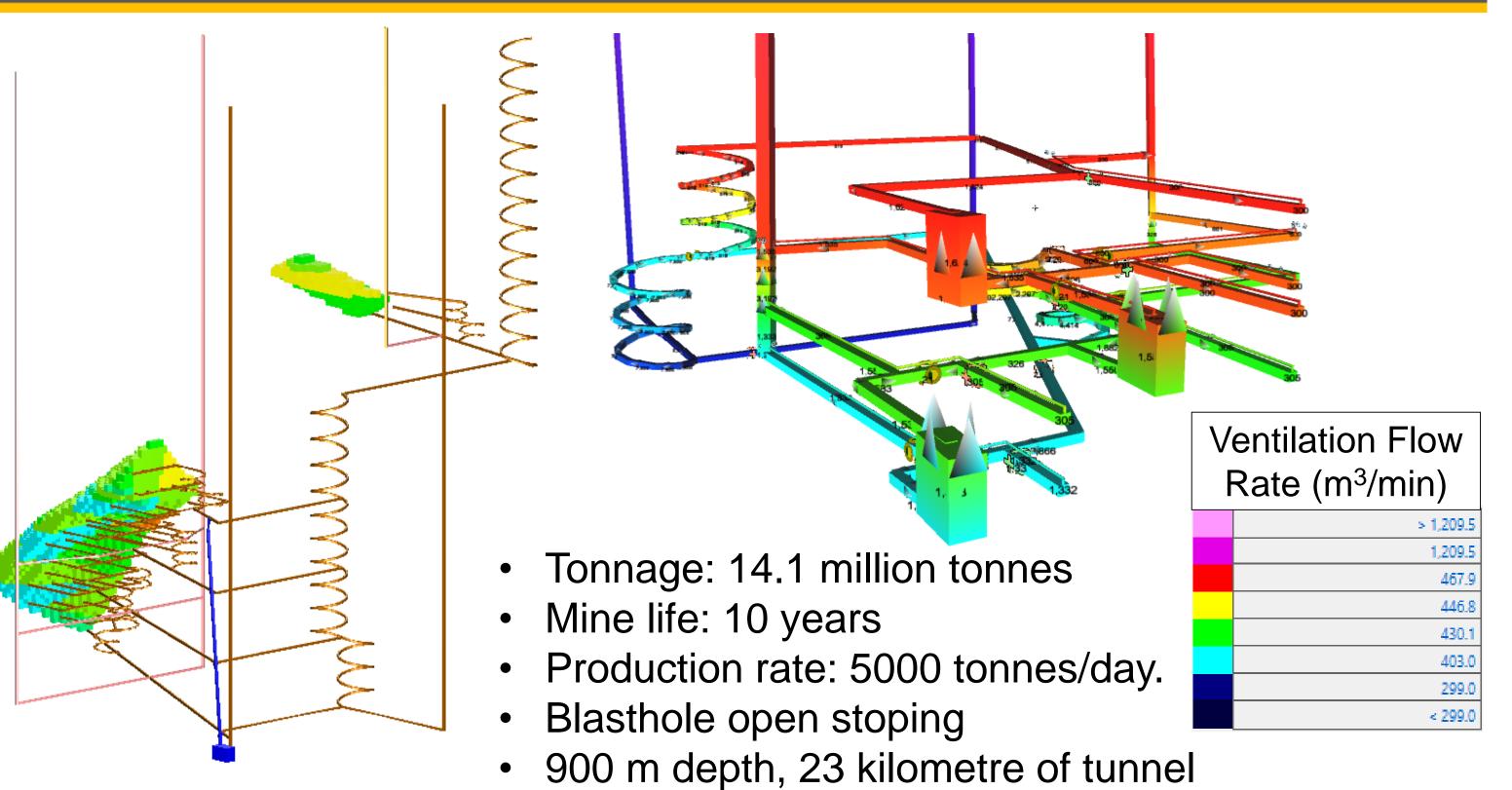
Surface Mine Design

- Tonnage: 24.4 million tonnes
- Mine life: 14 years
- Production rate: 5000 tonnes/day
- Stripping ratio: 13:1
- Dimensions: 950 m x 1300 m
 x 280 m
- Operations: truck and shovel

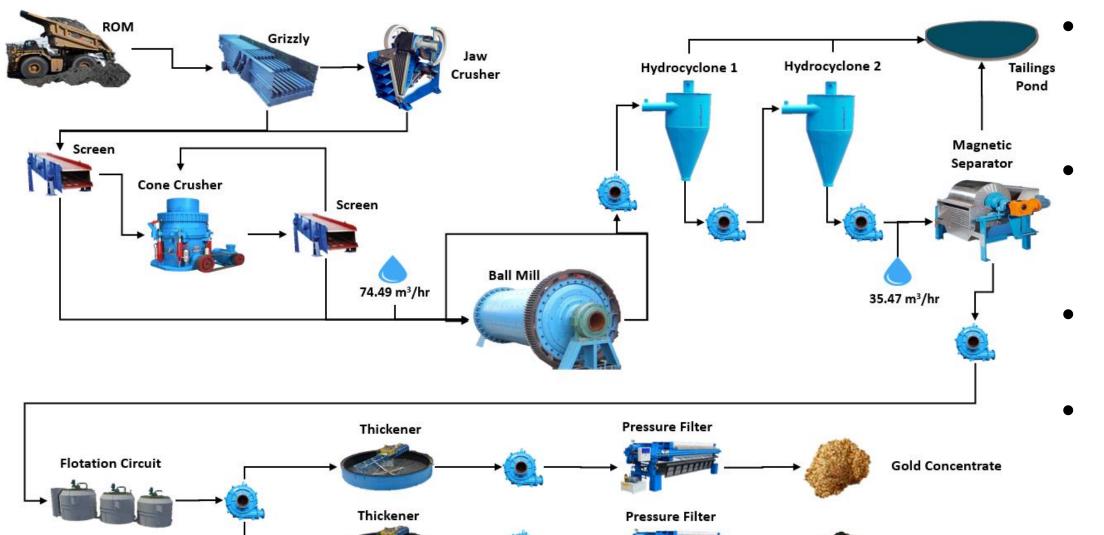




Underground Mine Design



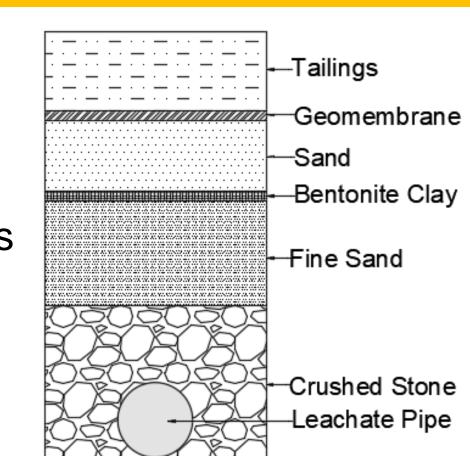
Mill Design



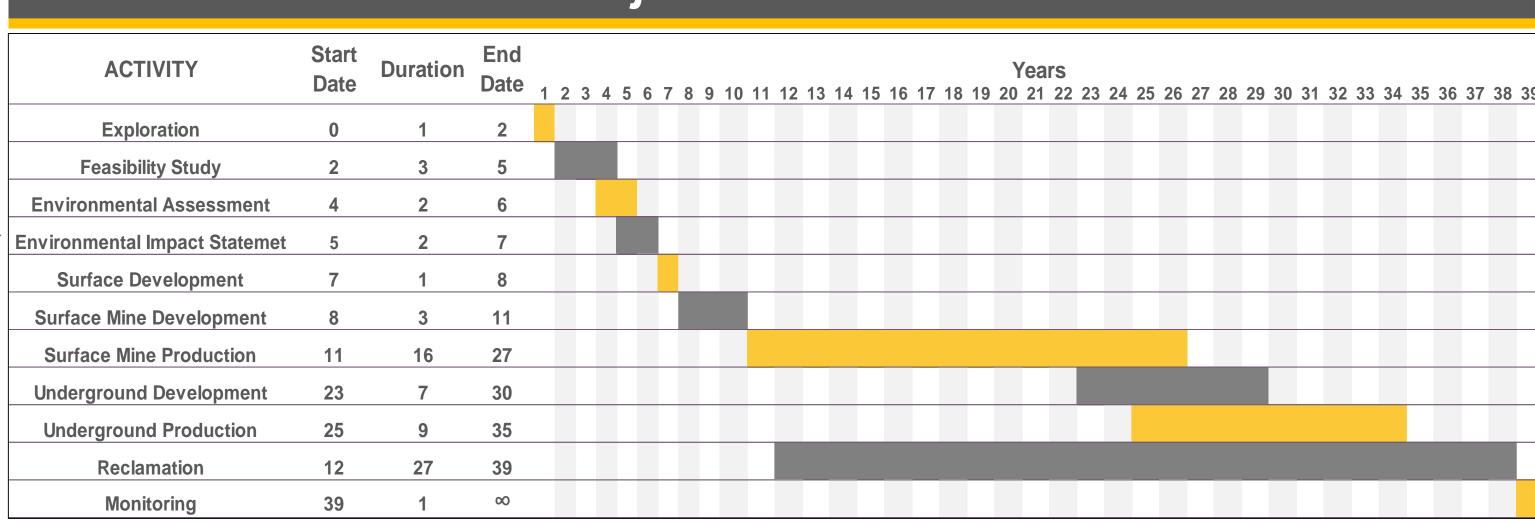
- Designed to bring ore to a size of 30 microns.
- Separates Au-Ag and Cu concentrates from gauge material.
- Recovers 70.1 g/t Au and 33 wt% Cu.
- 4191 solid tonnes of tailing material released per day.

Reclamation

- Initial \$60 million set aside for reclamation purposes.
- Progressive reclamation will begin with surface mine production.
- Engineered impermeable liner optimized for tailings impoundment.
- Water treatment plant designed for removal of arsenic and mercury from water.
- Potential acid generating rock will be neutralized with abundant CaCO₃ and engineered cover.

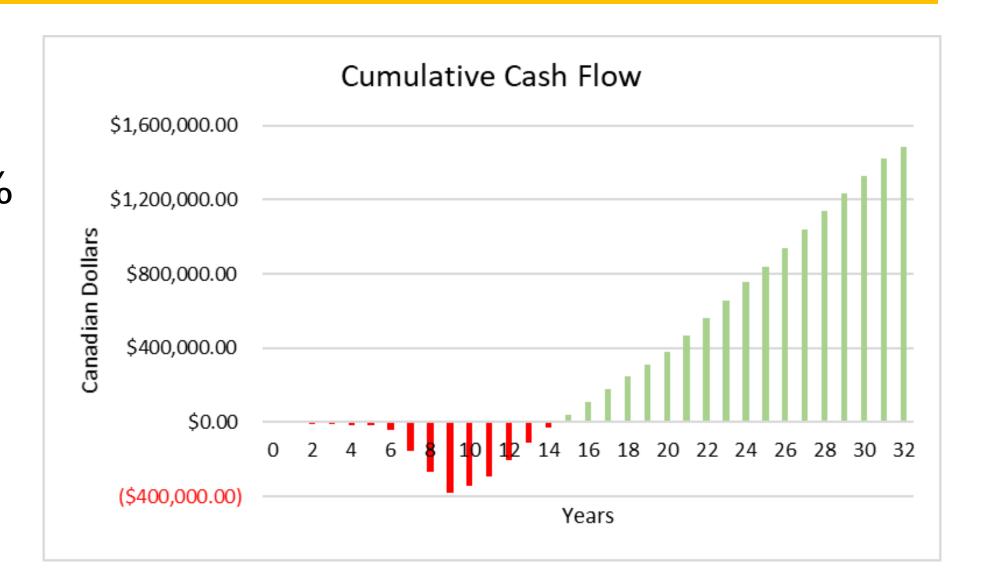


Project Schedule



Economics

- Provides \$236 million in federal and \$173 million in provincial taxes.
- NPV of \$282 million at 10% discount rate.
- Internal rate of return of 18%.
- Payback period of 8 years into production.
- \$1.5 billion in positive cumulative cash flow.



Socio-Economic Benefits

- Creation of 382 direct jobs.
- Bring prosperity to Anaheim Lake area.
- Committed to having at least 50% of staff have a First Nations heritage.
- Sponsors local community programs.
- Bring new training and education programs to ensure employable skills after mine closure.

Conclusions & Recommendations

- Expand drill hole program to better understand the size, grade and characteristics of the potential deposit.
- Continue effective consultation with local communities.
- Further studies on surrounding environment to minimize impact.
- Move forward with a more detailed feasibility study.