## Spanish Mountain GOLD



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### robust project + expanding resource



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The Company's measured and indicated resources estimates were prepared in accordance with NI 43-101 by Marc Jutras, P. Eng.; MA Sc. with an effective date of February 3, 2021. Mr. Jutras is a Qualified Person under NI 43-101 and is a consultant who is independent of the Company.

Judy Stoeterau, P.Geo., an Officer and Vice-President of Geology of the Company, is a qualified person as defined under National Instrument 43-101. Ms. Stoeterau has reviewed and approved the project's written technical information presented herein.



# Highlights



### Excellent access & infrastructure in a top-tier mining jurisdiction (British Columbia, Canada)

- > Modest initial capital cost & low operating cost
- Advancing <u>multi-million oz. gold Reserve</u> through critical milestones towards production
  - > Main Zone Mineral Reserve : higher-grade/ near-surface portion of Mineral Resource
  - > Underway: project optimization and environmental assessment
- Robust economics shown in Pre-Feasibility Study (2021)
- Advanced stage project
  - > >\$85m expenditures & >900 drill holes over 180,000 metres
- <u>Large & growing</u> resource with ongoing drilling campaign
  - > 2.3 Moz Mineral Reserve within 4.7 Moz in M&I Mineral Resource
  - Allows development flexibility & expansion potential

### **Reserve/ Resource**



## Environmental, Social & Governance

### Project Attributes

### **Renewable Power**

 Connectivity to hydroelectric power means significantly lowered greenhouse gas emissions

### Efficiency

 Low power requirements for energy efficient milling process

### **Communities Empowerment**

- Long-term thinking and commitments on ESG issues commensurate with a long mine life
- Abundance of local labor and suppliers / enhanced local socioeconomic development

### Management Approach

### Employment Practice

 Decades-long practice of hiring employees from Indigenous Nations and local communities

### Indigenous Nations & Communities

- Cooperation agreements signed a decade ago with all three Nations whose traditional territories include the project area
- Community open houses commenced a decade ago

### **Prioritize ESG**

- Direct and hands-on involvement of senior management in social engagement including Indigenous Nations & community consultations
- Appointment of a senior executive to exclusively focus on sustainability and indigenous affairs



## Advancing Dual Project Objectives

1. Fast-track Main Zone Reserve

2. Aggressively Expand Resource

- Deliver project milestones within compressed timeline
  - Completed Pre-Feasibility Study in Q2 2021
  - Resumed Environmental Assessment activities in Q1 2021
  - > **Deliverables**: project optimization, feasibility study, EA & permitting

### Target significant <u>resource expansion</u>

- > Resumed resource drilling campaign in Q4 2020
- Deliverables: additional drilling programs, resource estimate update



## Objective 1 : Prioritize Main Zone Reserve

### Mining Near-surface / Higher-grade Resources as Standalone Operations (Main Zone Reserve)

Optimal Mix of Capex, Production & Opex

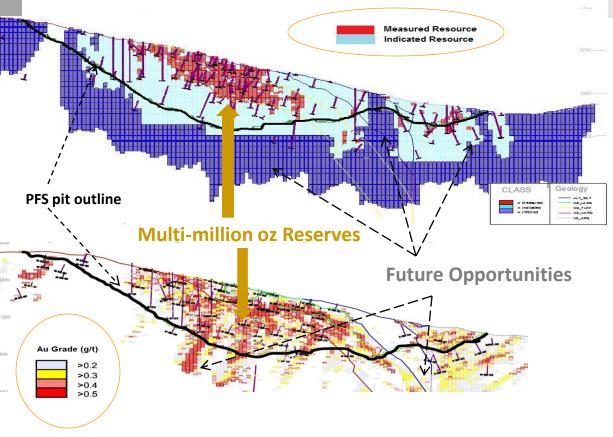
Shorten Development Timeline

> Future Value/ Opportunities

- "Right-size" mill throughput to lower initial capex while maintaining robust production
- Enhance financing options and shorten payback of initial capex
- Focused on advancing Main Zone reserve under PFS mine plan/ upgrading of Inferred resource not required
- Compressed timelines for PFS, Environmental Assessment & Feasibility Study
- Large resource can potentially justify future mill expansion to increase annual production and extend mine life
- Gold ounces not currently captured by pit



## **Compelling Rationale for Current Strategy**



#### Reserve

• **Higher grade/ near-surface** portion of the large and growing Resource

### **Mill Feed Profile**

- Total feed: 96m tonnes
- Avg. Au grade: 0.76 g/t (0.88 g/t first 6-yrs)
- Total contained gold: 2.34 Moz

### **Proposed Mine Profile**

- Throughput: 20ktpd
- Initial Capex: C\$607m/ US\$461m
- Mine Life: 14 Years
- Avg. Annual Prod'n: >183Koz (1<sup>st</sup> 6yrs) >150Koz (LOM)
- LOM Prod'n: 2.1 Moz



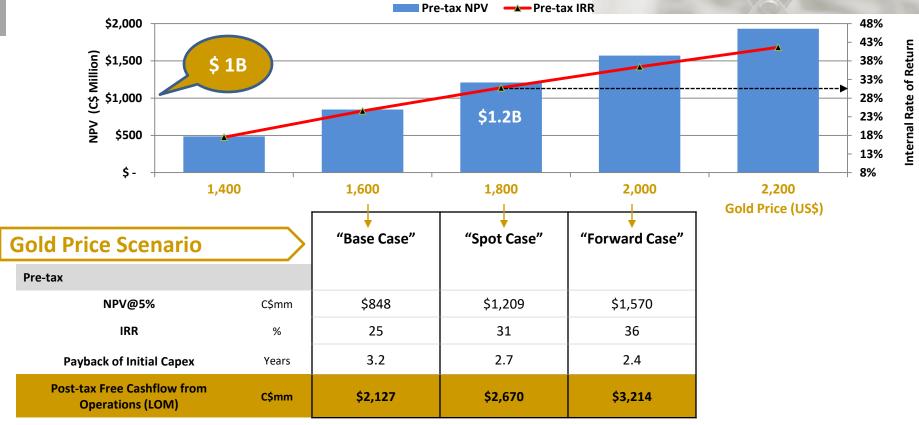
### Multi-million Ounce Gold Reserve\*

	Tonnage (Mt)	Au Grade (g/t)	Gold (Moz)	Ag Grade (g/t)	Silver (Moz)
Proven	40.8	0.79	1.03	0.67	0.88
Probable	55.1	0.74	131	0.74	1.30
Total P&P Reserve	95.9	0.76	2.34	0.71	2.18

\* See cautionary statements



## **PFS Economics**





### Key Profitability Driver: low input costs



### Access & Infrastructure

- < 100k highway access to Williams Lake (major mining supply centre & labour pool)
- Abundance of grid power and BC Hydro substation connectivity
- Supplies & labour available from many surrounding communities (low overhead costs)
- Year-round access/ accommodating climate/ abundance of water source

### Low Milling Cost & Simple Flowsheet

- Coarse primary grind of **180 microns**
- Moderate power consumption—13.8 kwh/t
- Cheap hydro power—6.5¢/kwh
- Low reagent consumption including 0.1kg/t NaCN



### High Margin/ Low Cost Operations

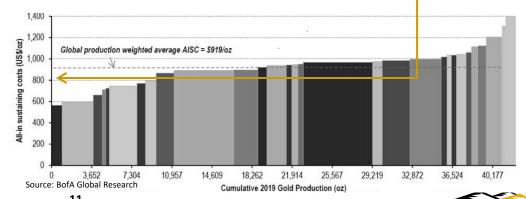
### Lower-than-average unit cost

\$1,200 AISC per oz (US\$) \$1,000 \$1,006 \$1,009 \$800 \$906 Producer Producer \$600 Producer VS. 6-yrs \$400 LOM Small Medium Large Firist \$200 \$0

Source: CIBC World Markets/ 2020 actual AISC per Au ounce

#### **Spanish Mountain**

Low on global cost curve

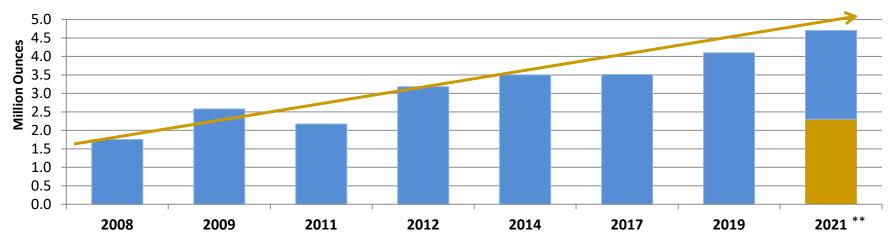


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## Objective 2 : Large & Growing Gold Resource

# Drilling campaign in place to continue track record of resource expansion

Reserve M&I Resource\*



Year of Resource Estimate

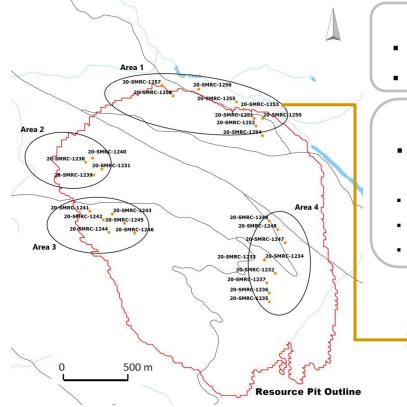
at economic cut-off grade

\*\* 2021 assay results not yet included

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## Latest Resource Drilling Program



### Strategy/ Approach

- Tested 4 broad areas in resource with limited historic drilling
- Potential to expand resource along strike & at depth

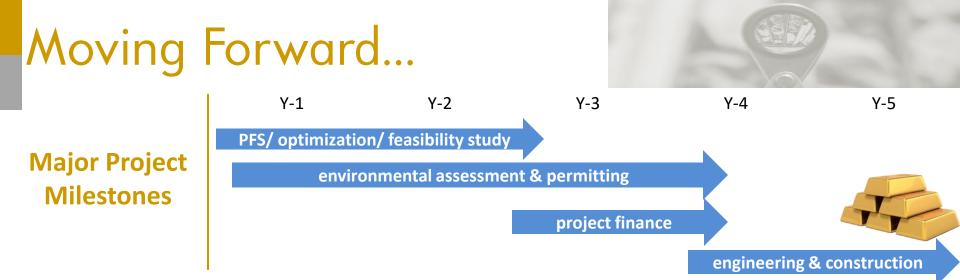
### **Key Findings**

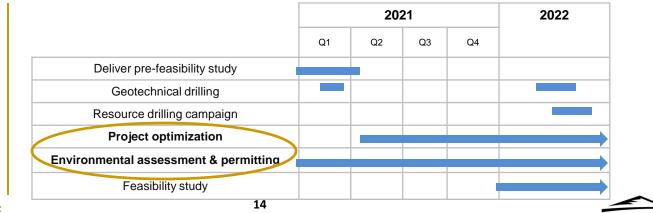
- Long intercepts (up to 69m) reported in all 4 tested areas at above economic cut-off grade
- 13.72m grading 1.04 g/t, including 3.05m grading 2.10 g/t in hole 20SMRC-1256
- 21.34m grading 0.54 g/t, including 10.67m grading 0.82 g/t in hole 20SMRC-1253
- 50.29m grading 0.41 g/t, including 1.52m grading 3.68g/t in hole 20SMRC-1233

### Significant Potential: Area 1

- 8 of a total of 9 drill holes return intercepts longer than 10m (up to 32m)
- Entire northern resource pit boundary (with strike length > 1 km) shows potential both along strike & at depth







### Near-term Deliverables

### **Project Optimization: Tangible Benefits**

Capex

Opex

Permitting Risks

- Pilot test for Direct Flotation Reactor (Woodgrove)
- Further simplify flowsheet by removing scavenger gravity circuit
- Improve gold recovery with finer primary grind

### Water Management/ Treatment

**Metallurgical** 

Optimize water management strategy to reduce costs

Investigate alternate route along existing rightof-way / traversing more accommodating terrains over shorter distance

### **Power line**

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## Summary—"ticking all the boxes"

- ✓ Jurisdiction/ Location
- ✓ Large Reserve/Resource
- ✓ Accelerated Timeline
- ✓ Modest Initial Capex\*
- ✓ Simple Metallurgy\*
- ✓ Low OpCost\*
- ✓ Long Mine Life\*
- ✓ Robust Production\*
- ✓ Strong Economics\*
  - \* as demonstrated in 2021 PFS

- Mining friendly/ excellent access & infrastructure
- 2.3 Moz P&P Reserves / 4.6 Moz M&I Resource & growing + Inferred
- **Building on detailed work performed over a decade** (environmental baseline; metallurgical; archaeological clearance)
- Prioritize Main Zone reserve for development/ optimal balance of cost & benefits
- Conventional flowsheet & low cost milling / 90% Au Recovery to Doré
- AISC \$801 per oz : excellent Infrastructure & access + hydro grid-power & more
- 14 years (Main Zone Reserve alone)
- > Avg **150Koz** per year (>180Koz first 6-yrs/ peak production 210Koz)
- NPV \$848M & IRR 25% @ \$1600 Au/ <u>NPV \$1.2B & IRR 31% @</u> \$1800 Au



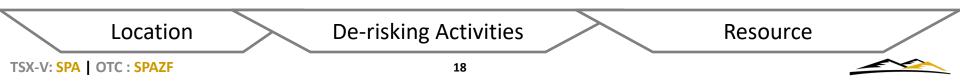


Invest in SPA = Value	
Marketcap/Net Asset Value*(5% disc.)	Production cost*: AISC per oz (LOM avg) US\$801
Marketcap per Reserve* oz	Marketcap per Resource oz
Post-tax Free cashflow from Operations* >\$120M/Yr or	Production per year* (First 6-yr avg) >180K OZ (first 6-yrs)
\$1.7 B LOM * @ US\$1600 gold price; only includes PFS valuation for	>150 K OZ (LOM) Reserves





# Project Details...



#### **British Columbia : Favourable Mining Jurisdiction** Cheap grid power - 6.5¢/kWh Among lowest corporate tax rates in Canada Low Cost Refundable Mineral Exploration Tax Credit (made permanent in 2019) Barkerville Gold Mines by Osisko G&R for C\$ 338 M 70% of Red Chris Mine by Newcrest Mining for **US\$806 M Attracting Major Investment** 46% of New Afton by Ontario Teachers' for US\$300 M (since 2019) Blackwater by Artemis Gold for >C\$200 M GT Gold by Newmont C\$456 M . New Afton - 2007 Mount Milligan - 2009 **Copper Mountain** - 2010 **Successful Permitting of New Red Chris** - 2012 Mines - 2013 Quintette Silvertip - 2015 - 2015 Brucejack **De-risking Activities** Resource Location



## **Project Location**





### **Top-tier Pro-mining Jurisdiction**

- Low political risks/ strong resource sector
- Attracted major in-bound investments in recent years
- Solid track record of new mine permitting

### **Excellent Mining Infrastructure & Access**

- Close to producing mines Gibraltar, QR Mine & Mount Polley
- Paved highway access directly from supply hubs
- Cheap hydroelectric power grid
- Year-round support centre in Williams Lake (97km on highway)
  - labour, CAT Dealership, maintenance & supplies

De-risking Activities





Location

## Advanced Stage Project

**Extensive Project Work Completed in Multiple Areas** 



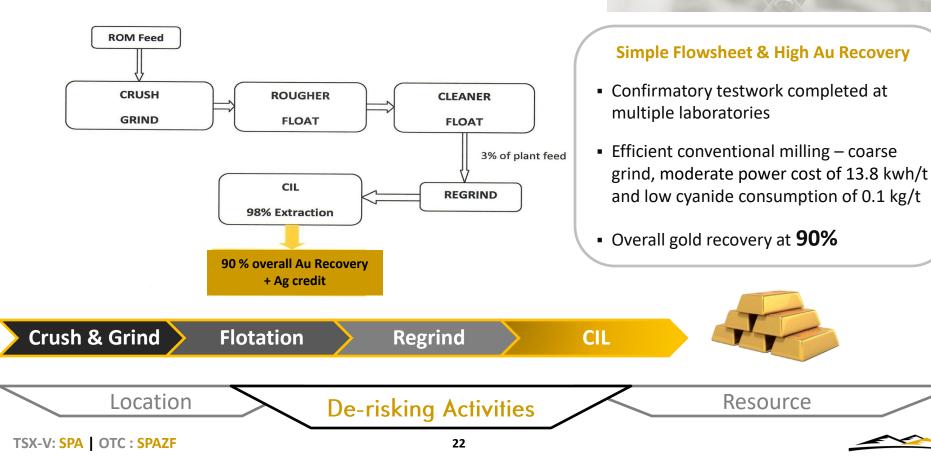
- Over \$85m in total project expenditures
- 900+ drill holes over 180,000 metres
- PFS completed in Q2 2021 delineating a 2.3 Moz reserve
- Ongoing project optimization and resource expansion
- Significant work performed over a decade & ongoing EA activities & First Nations/ communities consultations
- Large and growing mineral resource defined in successive resource estimates

Location De-risking Activities Resource





## **Conventional Milling Process**



## Environmental & Permitting

**Community Engagement** 

### **Environmental**

Permitting

Location

- Protocol Agreements signed with all three Indigenous Nations providing a framework towards Benefits Agreements
- Long-standing practice of sourcing employees from Indigenous Nations and local communities

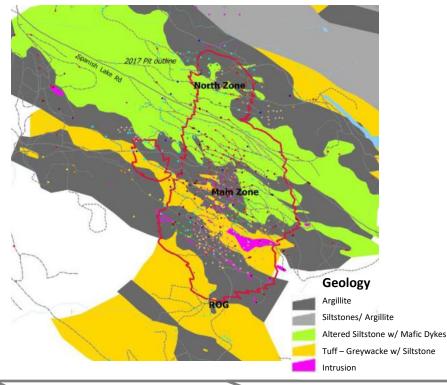
- Archaeological clearance obtained for critical project areas
- Continuing work on environmental baseline studies (initiated in 2009)
- Environmental assessment process resumed in 2021
- Expected permitting timeline: < 2 years after completion of Feasibility Study

Resource

\_\_\_\_\_ De-risking Activities



## Geology





Resource

### **Sediment-Hosted Gold Deposits**

- One of the first recognized sediment-hosted bulk tonnage gold systems in British Columbia
- Gold is finely disseminated within black argillites and siltstones, as well as well local high-grade, gold-bearing quartz veins within siltstones, greywackes and tuff
- Sediment-hosted gold deposits are among the largest gold dominant systems in the world. These giants include Muruntau (>100 M oz), Sukhoi Log (>50M oz), Natalka (>48 M oz) and Paracatu (>10M oz).
- They tend to be low grade but because of their large size are low cost producers
- They form along major tectonic breaks and there are usually multiple deposits

De-risking Activities

Location





### PFS delineates Proven & Probable Mineral Reserves totaling

### 96 million tonnes @ 0.76 g/t = 2,339,000 ounces Au (<50% of M&I resource)

Deseumos Coto com	Tonnes	Gold grade	Gold	Silver grade	Silver
Resource Category	(Million)	(g/t)	(Million oz)	(g/t)	(Million oz)
Measured	69	0.59	1.3	0.67	1.5
Indicated	226	0.47	3.4	0.73	5.3
M&I Total	294	0.50	4.7	0.72	6.8
Inferred	18	0.63	0.4	0.76	0.4

\* See cautionary statements



## **Mineral Resource**

Large and Growing

**Development Flexibility** 

Ensure long-life operations to ride out price cycles

- Continue **resource expansion** with ongoing drilling program
- Completed various scoping studies supporting potential viability at different throughput:

Resource

- ✓ 40,000 tpd
- ✓ 20,000 tpd
- ✓ 10,000 tpd

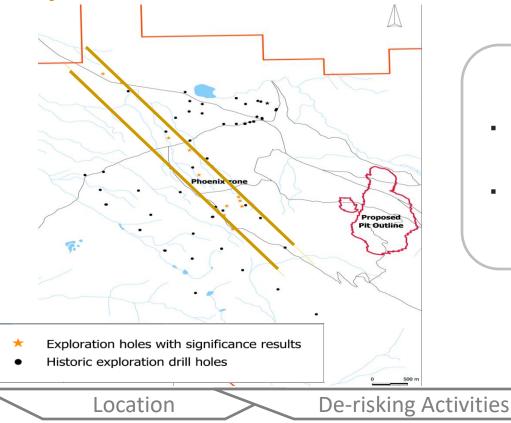
**Additional Opportunities** 

Location

- < 50% of M&I ounces are captured by the PFS mine plan</li>
- Satellite deposit Phoenix Zone

De-risking Activities

## Exploration Potential—Satellite Mineralization



### **Phoenix Zone**

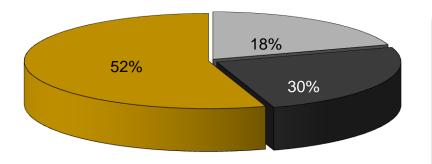
- Strike length over 3.5km in length & less than 2km from the Main Zone
- Preliminary metallurgical testing suggests material is amenable to same processing flowsheet as Main Zone

Resource

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## Capital Structure





#### Retail

Institutional (Eric Sprott 16%; Others 14%)

Management

### **Cash & Capital Structure**

Net cash	\$7m
Share issued & outstanding	328m
Warrants	68m
Options	9m
Market capitalization	\$80m



### Experienced Management & High Calibre Board

Management	Expertise	Industry & Business Experience	
Larry Yau, CEO	M&A, finance	>30 yrs	
Sharon Ng, CFO	finance, accounting	>20 yrs	
Judy Stoeterau, VP-Geology	exploration, geology	>30 yrs	
Ray Mah, Project Director	engineering, project management, mine construction	>30 yrs	
<b>Doug Ramsey</b> , Director, Sustainability & Indigenous Affairs	environmental assessment, permitting	> 30 yrs	Full biography at: www.spanishmountaingold.com
Board of Directors			
W. Terry Maclean	mine construction, operations	>40 yrs	
Sara Heston	investment, finance	>15 yrs	
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# Appendices



## **PFS**—**Project Economics**

				Go	d Price (U	SD)		
re-tax Economics		\$1,200	\$1,400	\$1,600	\$1,800	\$2,000	\$2,200	\$2,400
NPV(5%)	\$M	\$125	\$487	\$848	\$1,209	\$1,570	\$1,932	\$2,293
IRR	%	9%	18%	25%	31%	36%	42%	47%
Payback	Yrs	5.4	4.0	3.2	2.7	2.4	2.1	1.9
Cumulative Free Cashflow from Operations	\$M	\$1,040	\$1,583	\$2,127	\$2,670	\$3,214	\$3,758	\$4,301
ost-tax Economics								
NPV(5%)	\$M	\$129	\$415	\$655	\$888	\$1,119	\$1,350	\$1,580
IRR	%	9%	16%	22%	27%	31%	36%	39%
	Yrs	5.5	4.0	3.3	2.8	2.5	2.2	2.0
Payback	115	5.5	4.0	5.5	2.0	2.5	2.2	2.0

\* PFS base case assumption



## **PFS**—OpCost Profile

#### **Unit Cost of Production**

	Unit	CAD	USD
Mining	\$/t mined	\$2.22	\$1.69
Mining	\$/t milled	\$10.80	\$8.21
Processing	\$/t milled	\$6.58	\$5.00
G&A	\$/t milled	\$1.36	\$1.04
TSF	\$/t milled	\$0.17	\$0.13
Water treatment	\$/t milled	\$0.47	\$0.36
Total	\$/t milled	\$19.38	\$14.73

#### **Select Operational and Cost Metrics**

		Yrs 1-6	LOM	
	Unit	Avg.	Avg.	
Gold Grade	g/t	0.88	0.76	
Annual Gold Production	Koz	183	150	(peak production 211Koz)
Annual Silver Production	Koz	68	63	
Cash Cost /oz	US\$	\$602	\$696	
All-in-sustainable Cost/oz	US\$	\$707	\$801	
Total Cost/ oz	US\$	\$974	\$1,068	





## PFS—Initial Capex

	C\$M	US\$M
Overall Site	\$26	\$19
Open Pit Mining	\$73	\$56
Ore Handling	\$34	\$26
Process	\$125	\$95
Tailings and Water Management	\$40	\$30
Environmental Monitoring	\$2	\$2
On-site Infrastructures	\$42	\$32
Off-site Infrastructures	\$64	\$49
Water treatment Plant	\$10	\$7
TOTAL DIRECT COSTS	\$416	\$316
Project Indirects	\$102	\$77
Owner's Costs	\$14	\$10
Contingencies	\$75	\$57
TOTAL	\$607	\$461

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