

## Northern Superior Resources Inc.

### **Annual Financial Statements**

(Expressed in Canadian dollars)

For the years ended December 31, 2020 and 2019



### Independent auditor's report

To the Shareholders of Northern Superior Resources Inc.

#### **Our opinion**

In our opinion, the accompanying financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Northern Superior Resources Inc. (the Company) as at December 31, 2020 and 2019, and its financial performance and its cash flows for the years then ended in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board (IFRS).

#### What we have audited

The Company's financial statements comprise:

- the statements of financial position as at December 31, 2020 and 2019;
- the statements of loss and comprehensive loss for the years then ended;
- the statements of changes in equity for the years then ended;
- · the statements of cash flows for the years then ended; and
- the notes to the financial statements, which include significant accounting policies and other explanatory information.

### **Basis for opinion**

We conducted our audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements* section of our report.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

#### Independence

We are independent of the Company in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in Canada. We have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements.

#### Other information

Management is responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the Management's Discussion and Analysis.

Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

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In connection with our audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information identified above and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit, or otherwise appears to be materially misstated.

If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact. We have nothing to report in this regard.

## Responsibilities of management and those charged with governance for the financial statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in accordance with IFRS, and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, management is responsible for assessing the Company's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless management either intends to liquidate the Company or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative but to do so.

Those charged with governance are responsible for overseeing the Company's financial reporting process.

#### Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

As part of an audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards, we exercise professional judgment and maintain professional skepticism throughout the audit. We also:

Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to
fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit
evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting
a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may
involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.



- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures
  that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the
  effectiveness of the Company's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by management.
- Conclude on the appropriateness of management's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Company's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial statements or, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Company to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial statements, including the disclosures, and whether the financial statements represent the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

We communicate with those charged with governance regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

We also provide those charged with governance with a statement that we have complied with relevant ethical requirements regarding independence, and to communicate with them all relationships and other matters that may reasonably be thought to bear on our independence, and where applicable, related safeguards.

The engagement partner on the audit resulting in this independent auditor's report is Mark Platt.

#### /s/PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP

**Chartered Professional Accountants** 

Vancouver, British Columbia April 14, 2021

### Northern Superior Resources Inc. Financial Statements (Expressed in Canadian dollars) Statements of Financial Position

As at	Notes	December 31, 2020 (\$)	December 31, 2019 (\$)
Assets			
Current assets			
Cash and cash equivalents	4	9,730,459	429,159
Prepaids and receivables		146,447	125,587
Marketable securities	5	5,400	2,000
		9,882,306	556,746
Non-current assets			
Exploration and evaluation assets	6	9,255,254	8,059,349
		19,137,560	8,616,095
Liabilities			
Current liabilities			
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities	7	394,845	138,827
Deferred flow-through share premium liability	9	1,716,479	=
		2,111,324	138,827
Shareholders' Equity			
Share Capital	9	73,088,625	64,525,038
Reserve - Stock options	9	6,112,663	5,797,049
Reserve - Warrants	9	5,671,856	5,005,493
Accumulated other comprehensive loss		(4,850)	(8,250)
Deficit		(67,842,058)	(66,842,062)
		17,026,236	8,477,268
		19,137,560	8,616,095

Commitments and contingencies – Notes 14 Subsequent events – Note 15

APPROVED AND AUTHORIZED FOR ISSUE BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS ON APRIL 14, 2021

"François Perron" "Andrew Farncomb"

Director Director

### Northern Superior Resources Inc. Financial Statements (Expressed in Canadian dollars) Statements of Loss and Comprehensive Loss

		Years ended	d December 31,
	Notes	2020	2019
		(\$)	(\$)
Expenses			
Consulting fees	10	86,316	86,465
Legal and accounting		197,248	66,478
Office expenses and salaries	10	526,999	500,478
Share-based payments	10	484,024	255,233
Shareholder information		178,156	149,045
Travel		-	1,469
Foreign exchange		566	337
Taxes		10,082	_
Loss before the undernoted		(1,483,391)	(1,059,505)
Interest income		20,820	16,100
Other income	8	10,000	-
Flow-through share premium recovery	9	452,575	242,424
Net loss for the year		(999,996)	(800,981)
Other comprehensive loss			
Items that will not be reclassified subsequently to loss			
Change in value of marketable securities		3,400	(1,000)
Total comprehensive loss		(996,596)	(801,981)
Basic and diluted loss per share		(0.02)	(0.02)
		(#)	(#)
Weighted-average number of common shares		\.'' <i>\</i>	()
outstanding		53,249,564	35,126,689

# Northern Superior Resources Inc. Financial Statements (Expressed in Canadian dollars) Statements of Changes in Equity

	Share Cap	oital		Reserves			
					Accumulated		
					other		
	Number of		Stock		comprehensive		
	Shares	Amount	options	Warrants	loss	Deficit	Equity
	(#)	(\$)	(\$)	(\$)	(\$)	(\$)	(\$)
Balance, December 31, 2018	35,126,689	64,542,840	5,541,816	5,005,493	(7,250)	(66,041,081)	9,041,818
Share issuance costs - cash	-	(17,802)	-	-	-		(17,802)
Share based payments	-	-	255,233	-	-	-	255,233
Unrealized loss on marketable							
securities	-	-	-	-	(1,000)	_	(1,000)
Net loss	-	-	-	-	-	(800,981)	(800,981)
Balance, December 31, 2019	35,126,689	64,525,038	5,797,049	5,005,493	(8,250)	(66,842,062)	8,477,268
Shares issued for cash	27,256,216	10,498,611	-	612,389	-	-	11,111,000
Share issuance costs - cash	-	(157,271)	-	-	-	-	(157,271)
Share issuance costs - warrants	-	(53,974)	=	53,974	-	-	-
Flow-through share premium liability	-	(2,169,054)	-	-	-	-	(2,169,054)
Share based payments	-	-	484,024	-	-	-	484,024
Shares issued for debt	389,365	81,766	-	-	-	-	81,766
Shares issued on exercise of stock							
options	530,000	363,509	(168,410)	-	-	-	195,099
Unrealized loss on marketable							
securities	-	-	-	-	3,400	_	3,400
Net loss	-	-	-	-	-	(999,996)	(999,996)
Balance, December 31, 2020	63,302,270	73,088,625	6,112,663	5,671,856	(4,850)	(67,842,058)	17,026,236

### Northern Superior Resources Inc. Financial Statements (Expressed in Canadian dollars) Statements of Cash Flows

	Years ended Dec	ember 31,
	2020	2019
	(\$)	(\$)
Operating Activities		
Net loss for the year	(999,996)	(800,981)
Items not involving cash:		
Flow-through shares premium recovery	(452,575)	(242,424)
Share based payments	484,024	255,233
Change in non-cash operating working capital items:		
Prepaids and receivables	(20,860)	(37,717)
Accounts payables and accrued liabilities	260,081	(16,778)
Cash used in operating activities	(729,326)	(842,667)
Investing Activities		
Exploration and evaluation expenditures (net)	(1,118,203)	(979,380)
Option payment received	-	498
Cash used in investing activities	(1,118,203)	(978,882)
Financing Activities		
Proceeds from private placements	11,111,000	-
Share issuance costs	(157,271)	(17,802)
Proceeds from exercise of stock options	195,100	- · · · · ·
Cash provided by (used in) financing activities	11,148,829	(17,802)
Increase (decrease) in cash during the year	9,301,300	(1,839,351)
Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of year	429,159	2,268,508
Cash and cash equivalents, end of year	9,730,459	429,157

#### 1. NATURE OF OPERATIONS

Northern Superior Resources Inc. ("Northern Superior" or the "Company") is an exploration stage junior mining company engaged in the identification, acquisition, evaluation and exploration of gold properties in Ontario and Québec. The head office, principal address and registered and records office of the Company is 1351C Kelly Lake Road, Unit 7, Sudbury, Ontario, Canada, P3E 5P5.

The Company presently has no proven or probable reserves and on the basis of information to date, it has not yet determined whether its properties contain economically recoverable ore reserves. The Company has not generated any revenues from its operations to date and consequently is considered to be in the exploration stage. The amounts shown as exploration and evaluation assets represent deferred acquisition costs incurred to date, less amounts written off or written down, and do not necessarily represent present or future values. The recoverability of the carrying amounts for exploration and evaluation assets is dependent upon the Company raising capital, the sale or entering into a joint venture of the Company's exploration and evaluation assets, and/or the attainment of profitable operations.

Since March 2020, several governmental measures have been implemented in Canada and the rest of the world in response to the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic. While the impact of COVID-19 and these measures are expected to be temporary, the current circumstances are dynamic and the impacts of COVID-19 on the Company's business operations cannot be reasonably estimated at this time. The Company anticipates this could have an adverse impact on its business, results of operations, financial position and cash flows in the future. The Company continues to operate its business and adheres to Canadian Federal and Provincial emergency measures as those are developed.

#### 2. BASIS OF PREPARATION

#### a) Statement of Compliance

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board ("IFRS"). They have been prepared on a historical cost basis, except for financial instruments classified as financial instruments at fair value through other comprehensive income. The significant accounting policies, as disclosed, have been applied consistently to all periods presented in these financial statements. The financial statements are presented in Canadian dollars, except where otherwise noted.

These consolidated financial statements were reviewed by the Audit Committee, and the Board of Directors approved and authorized them for issuance on April 14, 2021.

#### b) Critical accounting estimates and judgments

The preparation of these financial statements in conformity with IFRS requires management to make certain estimates, judgments and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported expenses during the period. Actual results could differ from these estimates.

Significant assumptions about the future and other sources of estimation uncertainty that management has made at the end of the reporting period, that could result in a material adjustment

to the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities in the event that actual results differ from assumptions made, relate to, but are not limited to, the following:

#### Judgments

(i) The assessment by management of the Company's liquidity position and whether going concern disclosure is required in the financial statements.

As part of this process, management prepares cash flow budgets detailing expected expenditures for at least the next twelve months. The assessment of the Company's liquidity position takes into account the Company's working capital position, the timing of discretionary and non-discretionary expenditures and also the status of any potential equity financings.

(ii) The carrying amount of the Company's exploration and evaluation assets does not necessarily represent present or future values, and these assets have been accounted for under the assumption that the carrying value will be recoverable. Recoverability is dependent on various factors, including the discovery of economically recoverable reserves, the ability of the Company to obtain the necessary financing to complete the development and future profitable production or proceeds from the disposition of the exploration and evaluation assets themselves.

Additionally, there are numerous geological, economic, environmental and regulatory factors and uncertainties that could impact management's assessment as to the overall viability of its properties or to the ability to generate future cash flows necessary to cover or exceed the carrying value of the Company's exploration and evaluation assets. Management reviewed exploration and evaluation assets for the year ended December 31, 2020 and did not identify any impairment indicators.

#### 3. SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

#### a) Cash and Cash Equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents include cash on hand and deposits held at call with financial institutions with original terms of three months or less. Interest income is recorded as earned on the accrual basis at the stated rate of interest over the term of the investment.

#### b) Financial instruments

Classification

The Company classifies its financial assets in the following measurement categories:

- (i) those to be measured subsequently at fair value (either through other comprehensive income ("OCI") or through profit or loss), and
- (ii) those to be measured at amortized cost.

The classification depends on the entity's business model for managing the financial assets and the contractual terms of the cash flows. For assets measured at fair value, gains and losses will either be recorded in profit or loss or OCI. For marketable securities that are not held for trading, the Company has made an irrevocable election to account for the equity investment at fair value through other comprehensive income ("FVOCI").

#### Recognition and derecognition

Regular way purchases and sales of financial assets are recognized on trade-date, the date on which the Company commits to purchase or sell the asset. Financial assets are derecognized when the rights to receive cash flows from the financial assets have expired or have been transferred and the Company has transferred substantially all the risks and rewards of ownership.

#### Measurement

At initial recognition, the Company measures a financial asset at its fair value plus, in the case of a financial asset not at fair value through profit or loss ("FVPL"), transaction costs that are directly attributable to the acquisition of the financial asset. Transaction costs of financial assets carried at FVPL are expensed in profit or loss.

#### Equity instruments

The Company subsequently measures all equity investments at fair value. The Company has elected to present fair value gains and losses on equity investments in OCI, and there is no subsequent reclassification of fair value gains and losses to profit or loss following the derecognition of the investment.

#### c) Share-based payments

The Company grants stock options to acquire common shares of the Company to directors, officers, employees and consultants. An individual is classified as an employee when the individual is an employee for legal or tax purposes or provides services similar to those performed by an employee. The fair value of stock options is measured on the date of grant, using the Black-Scholes option pricing model, and is recognized over the vesting period. A corresponding increase in contributed surplus is recorded when stock options are expensed. When stock options are exercised, capital stock is credited by the sum of the consideration paid and the related portion of stock-based compensation previously recorded in contributed surplus. Consideration paid for the shares on the exercise of stock options is credited to capital stock.

Share-based compensation arrangements in which the Company receives goods or services as consideration for its own equity instruments or stock options granted to non-employees are accounted for as equity settled share based payment transactions and measured at the fair value of goods and services received. If the fair value of the goods or services received cannot be estimated reliably, the share based compensation transaction is measured at the fair value of the equity instruments granted at the date the Company receives the goods or services.

#### d) Exploration and evaluation assets

Exploration and evaluation expenditures are recorded at cost on a property by property basis once the Company has the legal right to explore the related property. The Company defers all exploration and evaluation costs, including acquisition costs, field exploration and field supervisory costs relating to specific properties, until those properties are brought into production, at which time, they will be amortized on a unit of production basis, or until the properties are abandoned, sold or considered to be impaired in value, at which time, an appropriate charge will be made. Costs incurred for general exploration, including expenditures of a general reconnaissance nature, that are not project specific or do not result in the acquisition of exploration and evaluation properties are charged to net loss.

At the end of each reporting period, the Company's exploration and evaluation assets are reviewed to determine whether there is any indication that those assets may be impaired. If such indication

exists, the recoverable amount of the asset is estimated in order to determine the extent of the impairment, if any. The recoverable amount is the higher of fair value less costs to sell and value in use. Fair value is determined as the amount that would be obtained from the sale of the asset in an arm's length transaction between knowledgeable and willing parties. In assessing value in use, the estimated future pre-tax cash flows are discounted to their present value using a pre-tax discount rate that reflects current market assessments of the time value of money and the risks specific to the asset. If the recoverable amount of an asset is estimated to be less than its carrying amount, the carrying amount of the asset is reduced to its recoverable amount and the impairment loss is recognized in profit or loss for the period. For an asset that does not generate largely independent cash inflows, the recoverable amount is determined for the cash-generating unit to which the asset belongs.

Where an impairment loss subsequently reverses, the carrying amount of the asset (or cash-generating unit) is increased to the revised estimate of its recoverable amount, but to an amount that does not exceed the carrying amount that would have been determined had no impairment loss been recognized for the asset (or cash-generating unit) in prior years. A reversal of an impairment loss is recognized immediately in profit or loss.

Ownership of exploration and evaluation assets involves certain inherent risks due to the difficulties of determining and obtaining clear title to the claims as well as the potential for problems arising from the frequently ambiguous conveyancing history characteristic of many exploration and evaluation assets.

#### e) Income taxes

Income tax on the profit or loss for the years presented comprises current and deferred tax. Income tax is recognized in profit or loss except to the extent that it relates to items recognized directly in equity, in which case it is recognized in equity. Current tax expense is the expected tax payable on the taxable income for the year, using tax rates enacted or substantively enacted at period end, adjusted for amendments to tax payable with regards to previous years.

Deferred tax is recorded using the statement of financial position liability method, providing for temporary differences between the carrying amounts of assets and liabilities for financial reporting purposes and the amounts used for taxation purposes. The following temporary differences are not provided for: goodwill not deductible for tax purposes; the initial recognition of assets or liabilities that affect neither accounting nor taxable loss; and differences relating to investments in subsidiaries to the extent that they will probably not reverse in the foreseeable future.

The amount of deferred tax provided is based on the expected manner of realization or settlement of the carrying amount of assets and liabilities, using tax rates enacted or substantively enacted at the reporting date. A deferred tax asset is recognized only to the extent that it is probable that future taxable profits will be available against which the asset can be utilized. Deferred tax assets and liabilities are offset when there is a legally enforceable right to set off current tax assets against current tax liabilities and when they relate to income taxes levied by the same taxation authority and the Company intends to settle its current tax assets and liabilities on a net basis.

#### f) Share Capital

Common shares issued by the Company are classified as equity. Incremental costs directly attributable to the issue of new common shares are recognized in equity, net of tax, as a deduction from the share proceeds (share issue costs).

#### g) Loss per share

Basic loss per share is calculated by dividing the loss attributable to common shareholders by the weighted average number of common shares outstanding in the period.

#### h) Flow-through shares

Canadian Income Tax Legislation permits an enterprise to issue securities referred to as flow-through shares, whereby the investor can claim the tax deductions arising from the renunciation of the related resource expenditures by the Company. Proceeds from the issuance of flow-through shares need to be allocated between the offering of the flow-through share and the premium paid for the implied tax benefit received by the investors as a result of acquiring the flow-through shares. The calculated tax benefit is recognized as a liability until the Company renounces the expenditures, at which point the liability is reversed and recorded as other income on the statement of loss.

#### i) Provision for environmental rehabilitation

The Company recognizes liabilities for statutory, contractual, constructive or legal obligations associated with the retirement of exploration and evaluation assets and equipment, when those obligations result from the acquisition, construction, development or normal operation of the assets. The net present value of future rehabilitation cost estimates arising from the decommissioning of plant and other site preparation work is capitalized to the assets along with a corresponding increase in the rehabilitation provision in the period incurred. Discount rates using a pre-tax rate that reflect the time value of money are used to calculate the net present value. The rehabilitation asset is amortized on the same basis as mining assets. As at December 31, 2020 and 2019, the Company had no provisions for environmental rehabilitation.

#### 4. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

During the year ended December 31, 2020, the Company issued flow-through shares for total gross proceeds of \$8,219,000 (2019: Nil flow-through shares issued). As at December 31, 2020, the Company has \$7,100,780 (2019: \$Nil) included in cash and cash equivalents remaining to be spent on qualifying Canadian exploration expenditures under the terms of the flow-through share agreements.

#### 5. MARKETABLE SECURITIES

At December 31, 2020 and 2019, the Company held the following marketable securities:

_		December	r 31, 2020		Decemb	er 31, 2019
	Shares	Cost F	air Value	Shares	Cost	Fair Value
	(#)	(\$)	(\$)	 (#)	(\$)	(\$)
Bold Ventures Inc. (1)	40,000	10,250	5,400	200,000	10,250	2,000

<sup>(1)</sup> Effective February 4, 2020, Bold Ventures Inc. ("Bold") consolidated its shares, as to 1 new share of Bold for 5 old shares of Bold.

During the year ended 2020, the Company recorded an unrealized gain of \$3,400 (2019: unrecorded loss of \$1,000) related to the change in fair value of the marketable securities in other comprehensive loss.

#### 6. EXPLORATION AND EVALUATION ASSETS

	Ontario		Quebec		
	Ti-pa-haa- kaa-ning (\$)	Croteau Est (\$)	Lac Surprise (\$)	Wapistan (\$)	Total (\$)
Balance, December 31, 2019	1,937,506	4,062,717	1,826,147	232,978	8,059,349
Acquisition, assessment and maintenance	41,233	2,671	20,724	123	64,751
Analytical	-	-	178,771	-	178,771
Geophysics	7,675	-	1,250	-	8,925
Geology	74,160	19,710	131,217	=	225,087
Drilling	-	-	750,614	-	750,614
Project administration	9,568	-	3,827	582	13,977
Refundable tax credits and adjustments	-	(27,731)	(9,244)	(9,244)	(46,219)
Net change	132,636	(5,350)	1,077,159	(8,539)	1,195,905
Balance, December 31, 2020	2,070,142	4,057,367	2,903,306	224,439	9,255,254

	Ontario	Quebec Quebec			
	Ti-pa-haa-				
	kaa-ning	Croteau Est	Lac Surprise	Wapistan	Total
	(\$)	(\$)	(\$)	(\$)	(\$)
Balance, December 31, 2018	2,014,207	4,097,221	784,651	230,030	7,126,110
Acquisition, assessment and maintenance	99,218	3,077	7,978	2,844	113,117
Analytical	116,435	620	180,799	104	297,958
Geophysics	-	-	252,113	=	252,113
Geology	84,893	15,560	58,252	=	158,705
Drilling	1,621,613	(21,156)	539,953	-	2,140,410
Project administration	1,638	-	2,401	-	4,039
Refundable tax credits and adjustments	-	(32,605)	-	-	(32,605)
Recovery from option agreement	(498)	-	-	-	(498)
Recovery from JV partner	(2,000,000)	-	-	-	(2,000,000)
Net change	(76,701)	(34,504)	1,041,496	2,948	933,239
Balance, December 31, 2019	1,937,506	4,062,717	1,826,147	232,978	8,059,349

#### a) Ti-pa-haa-kaa-ning ("TPK") property

The Company owns a 100% interest in the TPK Property. Although claims associated with the Annex area of the property are free of any Net Smelter Royalties ("NSR"), some claims associated with the New Growth and Big Dam area of the property are subject to a 2% NSR, of which the Company has the right to purchase back 0.5% for \$1.0 million. Additionally, certain claims within the Big Dam area are subject to a 2% NSR on diamonds only in favour of Vale S.A.

On November 26, 2018, the Company entered into agreement with Yamana Gold Inc. ("Yamana"), pursuant to which Yamana had the option to earn up to a 75% interest in the TPK property (the "Yamana Agreement"). Yamana had the option to earn an initial interest of 70% in consideration for making staged payments totalling \$1,000,000 (\$150,000 received prior to December 31, 2019) and incurring minimum exploration expenditures totalling \$10,000,000 in stages (\$2,000,000 incurred prior to December 31, 2019). On November 25, 2019, Yamana advised the Company it was terminating the Yamana Agreement.

#### b) Croteau Est property

The Croteau Est property is comprised of claims blocks governed by two separate agreements. As the claims blocks under the agreements are contiguous, they have been aggregated, for geological and exploration reporting purposes, into the Croteau Est property.

<u>Pursuant to agreement #1</u>: The Company holds a 100% interest in this claim block, subject to a 1.0% NSR on any commercial production, of which Company has the right to buy back 0.5% for \$1.5 million.

<u>Pursuant to agreement #2</u>: The Company owns a 100% interest in this claim block, subject to a 1% NSR royalty on a majority of the claims. The 1% NSR royalty covers all except 7 claims (comprising approximately 287 hectares) which were already subject to a prior 2% NSR royalty in favor of the prospector who originally staked the claims. The Company has the right to repurchase one half of the 1% NSR royalty (reducing it to a 0.5% NSR royalty) at any time for \$1.0 million. Similarly, the Company has the right to repurchase half of the 2% NSR royalty (reducing it to a 1% NSR royalty) at any time, for \$1.0 million. In either case, should the Company exercise its buy-back right, it will then have a right of first refusal with respect to the remaining NSR royalty.

#### c) Lac Surprise property

The Company owns a 100% interest in the Lac Surprise property.

#### d) Wapistan property

The Company owns a 100% interest in the Wapistan property.

#### e) Metson Lake, Rapson Bay and Thorne Lake properties (collectively, the "Properties")

The Properties are owned 100% by the Company.

#### 7. ACCOUNTS PAYABLE AND ACCRUED LIABILITIES

	December 31, 2020	December 31, 2019
	(\$)	(\$)
Trade payables	246,491	32,620
Amounts due to related parties	105,019	81,821
Accrued liabilitites - general	43,335	24,386
	394,845	138,827

The fair value of accounts payable and accrued liabilities approximate their carrying amount. Trade payables relate mainly to the acquisition of materials, supplies and services. These payables do not accrue interest.

#### 8. LOAN

In April 2020, the Company received \$40,000 in respect of the Canada Emergency Business Account ("CEBA") loan (the "Loan"). CEBA was implemented by banks and credit unions in collaboration with Export Development Canada to provide assistance and support to enterprises impacted by the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic. The Loan has an early payment incentive trigger amount (the "Early Repayment Option"), such that if the Company repays 75% of the amount of the Loan on or before December 31, 2022, the repayment of the remaining 25% of the Loan will be forgiven (the "Forgiven Amount"). If 75% of the Loan is not repaid on or before December 31, 2022, the remaining balance of the Loan may be extended from January 1, 2023 to December 31, 2025 (the "Extension Period"). During the term of the Extension Period, the Loan will bear interest of 5% per annum. On

November 29, 2020, the Company elected to exercise the Early Repayment Option and repaid \$30,000 of the Loan. The Forgiven Amount of \$10,000 was recognized as other income in the Statements of Loss and Comprehensive Loss prior to December 31, 2020.

#### 9. SHARE CAPITAL

#### a) Authorized

At December 31, 2020, the authorized capital stock of the Company is comprised of an unlimited number of common shares without par value.

#### b) Common shares

Year Ended December 31, 2020

- The Company closed various private placements ("Private Placements") as follows:
  - a. On January 20, 2020, the Company closed a non-brokered private placement ("Offering #1") for gross proceeds of \$437,000, pursuant to which the Company issued 6,242,858 units ("Unit") at \$0.07 per Unit, to a Director of the Company. Each Unit consisted of one common share of the Company and one non-transferable share purchase warrant ("Warrant"), with each Warrant allowing for the purchase of one additional common share of the Company at \$0.10 per share until January 21, 2023. The value allocated to the warrants based on the residual value method was \$Nil.
  - b. On April 3, 2020, the Company closed a non-brokered private placement ("Offering #2") for total gross proceeds of \$3,924,000. The Offering #2 comprised charity flow-through common shares of the Company ("Ontario Charity FT Shares") at \$0.3625 per Ontario Charity FT Share, and common shares of the Company ("Shares") priced at \$0.25 per Share. Pursuant to the closing of the Offering #2, the Company issued 8,880,000 Ontario Charity FT Shares for gross proceeds of \$3,219,000 and 2,820,000 Shares for gross proceeds of \$705,000. The issuance of the Ontario Charity FT Shares resulted in a flow-through premium liability of \$1,176,600. Attendant with expenditures during the year, \$26,891 of the flow-through premium liability was extinguished through the Statement of Loss and Comprehensive Loss during the year ended December 31, 2020.
  - c. On June 2, 2020, the Company closed a non-brokered private placement (the "Offering #3") for total gross proceeds of \$2,500,000. The Offering #3 comprised charity flow-through common shares of the Company ("Ontario Charity #2 FT Shares") at \$0.4350 per Ontario Charity #2 FT Share, and charity flow-through shares (the "Québec Charity FT Shares") priced at \$0.54 per Québec Charity FT Share. Pursuant to the closing of the Offering #3, the Company issued 1,149,426 Ontario Charity FT #2 Shares for gross proceeds of \$500,000 and 3,703,704 Québec Charity FT Shares for gross proceeds of \$2,000,000. The issuance of the Ontario Charity #2 FT Shares and Québec Charity FT Shares resulted in a flow-through premium liability of \$946,999. Attendant with expenditures during the year, \$425,684 of the flow-through premium liability was extinguished through the Statement of Loss and Comprehensive Loss during the year ended December 31, 2020
  - d. On December 14, 2020, the Company closed a non-brokered private placement ("Offering #4") for total gross proceeds of \$4,250,000. The Offering #4 comprised flow-through common shares of the Company ("Québec #2 FT Shares") at \$1.10 per Québec #2 FT Share, and units ("Units") of the Company priced at \$0.80 per Unit. Each Unit is comprised of one common share of the Company ("Share") and a half warrant ("Warrant), with each whole warrant allowing for the acquisition of one additional Share at \$1.20 per Share until

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June 14, 2022. Pursuant to the closing of the Offering #4, the Company issued 2,272,728 Québec #2 FT Shares for gross proceeds of \$2,500,000 and 2,187,500 Shares for gross proceeds of \$1,750,000. The issuance of the Québec #2 FT Shares resulted in a flow-through premium liability of \$45,455. In connection with the Offering #4, the Company paid finders' fees ("Finders' Fees") of \$157,287 and issued 96,400 finders' warrants ("Finders' Warrants") under the same terms as the Warrants.

The Private Placements are summarized as follows:

	Offering #1	Offering #2	Offering #3	Offering #4	
Announcement Date	December 30, 2019	March 12, 2020	May 11, 2020	November 9, 2020	
Closing Date	January 20, 2020	April 3, 2020	June 2, 2020	December 14, 2020	Total
Gross Proceeds	\$437,000	\$3,924,000	\$2,500,000	\$4,250,000	\$11,111,000
FT Shares Issued <sup>(1)</sup>	=	8,880,000	4,853,130	2,272,728	16,005,858
NFT Shares Issued <sup>(2)</sup>	6,242,858	2,820,000	-	2,187,500	11,250,358
NFT Warrants Issued (2)	6,242,858	-	=	1,093,750	7,336,608
NFT Warrant Exercise Price (2)	\$0.100	-	-	\$1.200	
NFT Warrant Expiry Date (2)	January 21, 2023	-	-	June 14, 2022	
Finders' Fees					
Cash	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$157,271	\$157,271
Finders' Warrants	-	-	-	96,400	96,400
Exercise Prices	=	-	-	\$1,200	
Expiry Date	-	-	-	June 14, 2022	

<sup>(1)</sup> FT denotes flow-through

- On March 23, 2020, the Company issued a total of 389,365 common shares (valued in the aggregate at \$81,766) to certain current and former Directors in satisfaction of unpaid Directors' fees for the year ended December 31, 2019.
- During the year ended December 31, 2020, the Company issued a total of 530,000 common shares on the exercise of stock options, for total gross proceeds of \$195,100.

#### Year Ended December 31, 2019

The Company issued no common shares.

#### c) Stock Options

The Company has a stock option plan (the "Plan") administered by the Board of Directors, which has the discretion to grant options for up to a maximum of 10% of the issued and outstanding share capital amount at the time of grant. The terms of all options cannot exceed ten years and the minimum exercise price cannot be less than the closing price of the Company's common shares on the TSX-V on the last trading day preceding the grant of the option. All of the outstanding options of the Company were issued with an expiry date of 5 years from the date of issue. Except as may be prescribed by the Exchange, the Board of Directors determines the vesting terms of the options. Share-based payments reserve is included in shareholders' equity and consists of the estimated fair value of stock options.

#### Year Ended December 31, 2020

During the year ended December 31, 2020, the Company granted incentive stock options allowing for the acquisition of up to, in the aggregate, 1,450,000 common shares at \$0.34 per share until

<sup>(2)</sup> NFT denotes non-flow-through

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June 16, 2025. The total amount of share-based payments expense of \$484,024 was recognized during the year ended December 31, 2020. The fair value for stock options granted during the period was determined using the Black-Scholes Option Pricing Model and the following assumptions:

Risk-free interest rate (%)	1.75
Expected stock price volatility (%)	210
Expected dividend yield (%)	0
Expected life (years)	5

At December 31, 2020, the Company had stock options, with a total weighted average remaining contractual life of 3.25 years (December 31, 2019: 3.17 years) outstanding as follows:

Grant date	Expiry date	Number (#)	Exercise price (\$)	Average Life (years)
August 1, 2016	August 1, 2021	50,000	1.000	0.59
November 21, 2016	November 21, 2021	105,000	0.500	0.89
April 23, 2017	April 23, 2022	510,000	0.650	1.31
November 30, 2017	November 30, 2022	285,000	0.500	1.92
March 29, 2019	March 29, 2024	600,000	0.220	3.25
June 16, 2020	June 16, 2025	1,450,000	0.340	4.46
		3,000,000		3.25

A summary of the changes in the Company's stock options follows:

	Number of options	Weighted average exercise price (\$)
Outstanding, December 31, 2018	1,545,000	0.595
Granted	1,130,000	0.220
Expired	(130,000)	0.500
Outstanding, December 31, 2019	2,545,000	0.433
Granted	1,450,000	0.340
Exercised	(530,000)	0.368
Expired	(465,000)	0.428
Outstanding, December 31, 2020	3,000,000	0.401

#### Year Ended December 31, 2019

- (i) On March 29, 2019, the Company granted incentive stock options allowing for the acquisition of up to, in the aggregate, 1,130,000 shares at \$0.22 per share until March 29, 2024. The total amount of share-based payments expense of \$244,287 was recognized during the year ended December 31, 2019.
- (ii) During the year ended December 31, 2019 the Company recorded \$10,946 in respect of the vesting of options granted in prior years.

The fair value for stock options issued during the year was determined using the Black-Scholes Option Pricing Model and the following assumptions:

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Risk-free interest rate (%) 1.75
Expected stock price volatility (%) 211
Expected dividend yield (%) 0
Expected life (years) 5

#### d) Share Based Payments

Share based payments recognized in the period are expensed as consulting, directors or management and office expense, as appropriate. The following table summarizes the share based payments expense on the vesting of stock option for the years ended December 31, 2020 and 2019:

	December 31, 2020	December 31, 2019
	(\$)	(\$)
Directors	325,464	108,091
Management and office	158,560	147,142
	484,024	255,233

#### e) Warrants

#### Year ended December 31, 2020

Pursuant to the Private Placements, the Company issued warrants allowing for the purchase of up to, in the aggregate, 7,433,008 common shares in the capital of the Company. The warrants were valued in aggregate at \$666,363 using the Black-Scholes Option Pricing Model and the following assumptions:

Risk-free interest rate (%) 1.6
Expected stock price volatility (%) 120
Expected dividend yield (%) 0
Expected life (years) 1.5 to 2.0

At December 31, 2020, the Company had 7,433,008 warrants (2019: Nil), with a total weighted average remaining contractual life of 1.96 years (2019: Nil) outstanding as follows:

Issue date	Expiry date	Number (#)	Exercise price (\$)	Weighted Average Life (years)
January 20, 2020	January 21, 2023	6,242,858	0.100	2.06
December 14, 2020	June 14, 2022	1,093,750	1.200	1.45
December 14, 2020	June 14, 2022	96,400	1.200	1.45
		7,433,008		1.96

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A summary of the changes in the Company's warrants follows:

	Number of Weighted average warrants exercise price	
	(#)	(\$)
December 31, 2018	9,558,574	0.686
Expired	(9,558,574)	0.686
December 31, 2019		-
Issued	7,433,008	0.276
December 31, 2020	7,433,008	0.276

#### Year ended December 31, 2019

Warrants allowing for the acquisition of up to, in the aggregate, 9,558,574 shares expired, as to 5,820,000 shares at \$0.75 per share on March 2, 2019, 1,981,000 shares at \$0.75 per share on March 6, 2019 and 1,757,574 shares at \$0.40 per share on December 28, 2019.

#### 10. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

The Company has arrangements pursuant to which parties related to the Company by way of directorship or officership provide certain services, either directly or through companies owned or controlled by the officers and directors. Transactions were in the normal course of operations and all of the costs recorded are based on fair value. The Company's related party expenses for the years ended December 31, 2020 and 2019 are as follows:

	December 31,		
	2020 (\$)	2019 (\$)	
Management fees	84,000	84,000	
Directors' fees	96,250 <sup>(1)</sup>	95,571 <sup>(2)</sup>	
Salaries and wages	225,000	225,000	
Share based payments	484,024	255,233	
	889,274	659,804	

At December 31, 2020, a total of \$96,250 was owed to Directors in respect of Directors' fees incurred in the year ended December 31, 2020.

#### 11. FINANCIAL INSTRUMENTS AND CAPITAL MANAGEMENT

#### Management of Capital risk

The Company manages its capital structure and makes adjustments to it to effectively support the acquisition, exploration and development of mineral properties. In the definition of capital, the Company includes, as disclosed on its statement of financial position: share capital, deficit, equity reserves.

The Company's capital at December 31, 2020 and 2019 follows:

	December 31, 2020	December 31, 2019
	(\$)	(\$)
Share Capital	73,088,625	64,525,038
Reserves	11,779,669	10,794,292
Deficit	(67,842,058)	(66,842,062)
	17,026,236	8,477,268

<sup>(2)</sup> At December 31, 2019, a total of \$81,821 was owed to Directors in respect of Directors' fees incurred during the year ended December 31, 2019.

The properties in which the Company currently has an interest are in the exploration stage; as such the Company is dependent on external financing to fund its activities. In order to carry out the planned exploration and pay for general administrative costs, the Company will be using its existing working capital and will need to raise additional amounts. The Company will continue to assess new properties and seek to acquire an interest in additional properties if it feels there is sufficient geologic or economic potential and if it has adequate financial resources to do so.

Management reviews its capital management approach on an ongoing basis and believes that this approach, given the relative size of the Company, is reasonable. There were no changes in the Company's approach to capital management during the year ended December 31, 2020. The Company is not subject to externally imposed capital requirements and does not have exposure to asset-backed commercial paper or similar products.

#### Management of Financial Risks

The Company thoroughly examines the various financial instrument risks to which it is exposed and assesses the impact and likelihood of those risks. These risks may include credit risk, liquidity risk, market risk and other price risks. Where material, these risks are reviewed and monitored by the Board of Directors.

#### i. Credit Risk

Credit risk is the risk of an unexpected loss if a party to a financial instrument fails to meet its contractual obligations. The Company's credit risk is primarily attributable to cash and cash equivalents and receivables. The Company has no significant concentration of credit risk arising from operations. The Company's surplus cash at December 31, 2020, is invested in liquid low risk accounts in A rated Canadian Banks. The Company is not exposed to significant credit risk and overall the Company's credit risk has not changed significantly from the prior year.

#### ii. Liquidity Risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that the Company will not be able to meet its financial obligations as they fall due. The Company's approach to managing liquidity risk is to ensure that it will have sufficient liquidity to meet liabilities when due. As at December 31, 2020, the Company had cash and cash equivalents of \$2,629,679 (December 31, 2019: cash and cash equivalents of \$429,159) to settle trade payables and accrued liabilities totaling \$394,845 (December 31, 2019: \$138,827).

#### iii. Interest Rate Risk

Interest rate risk is the risk that the fair value or future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in market interest rates. The Company is exposed to short term interest rates through the interest earned on cash balances. A 1% change in short term rates would change the interest income and net loss of the Company, assuming that all other variables remained constant, by approximately \$97,305 at December 31, 2020.

Unless otherwise noted, it is management's opinion that the Company is not exposed to significant currency or commodity risk arising from financial instruments.

#### 12. SEGMENTED INFORMATION

The Company conducts its business as a single operating segment being the mineral exploration business in Canada. All exploration properties and equipment are situated in Canada.

#### 13. INCOME TAXES

The provision for income taxes in the statement of loss and deficit represents an effective rate different than would be computed by applying the combined Canadian statutory federal and provincial income tax rates to the loss before income taxes due to the following:

As at December 31,	2020 (\$)	2019 (\$)
Net loss for the year	999,996	800,981
Canadian federal and provincial income tax rates	26.50%	26.50%
Expected income tax recovery	264,999	212,260
Flow through premium recognised in statement of loss	119,932	64,242
Permanent differences	(161,583)	(93,007)
Tax benefits not recognized	(223,348)	(183,495)
Total income tax recovery	-	-
As at December 31,	2020 (\$)	2019 (\$)
Unrecognized deferred tax assets	(.)	(.)
Non-capital loss carryforwards	5,553,347	5,165,235
Net capital loss	1,092,786	1,092,786
Exploration and evaluation assets	5,265,663	6,054,421
Share issue costs and other	77,683	56,714
	11,989,479	12,369,156

At December 31, 2020, the Company had capital losses for tax purposes in Canada totaling \$8,247,440 that may be carried forward indefinitely, cumulative exploration and development expenses of \$29,125,681, and a non-capital loss carry forward of \$20,953,027 available for tax purposes in Canada which expire as follows:

Tax losses	Year of expiry
(\$)	
479,151	2026
872,751	2027
1,263,477	2028
1,518,538	2029
1,512,554	2030
2,457,492	2031
2,277,147	2032
1,670,556	2033
1,605,921	2034
2,009,617	2035
1,512,367	2036
1,229,632	2037
878,278	2038
825,723	2039
842,823	2040
20,956,027	

#### 14. COMMITMENTS AND CONTINGENCIES

At December 31, 2020, the Company has the following commitments in respect of its office lease:

	< 1 year	2-5 years	> 5 years	Total
	(\$)	(\$)	(\$)	(\$)
Lease	45,633	26,619	-	72,252

#### **15. SUBSEQUENT EVENTS**

Subsequent to December 31, 2020, the Company issued a total of 170,000 shares on the exercise of stock options, for total gross proceeds of \$49,400.