

CEO ESG Statement

2020 and 2021 are years unlike any we have experienced. This is one time in history, where everyone has been somewhat impacted by Covid. The global pandemic created fears for our health, social challenges, and economic swings. The way in which we are currently living, and working, is unprecedented. We have seen environmental changes throughout the world influenced by global warming. The mining industry has demonstrated resilience through these challenging times, and needs to acknowledge, and recognize our contributions to improvements in environmental, social and governance will and can make a collective positive outcome to our world.

At Red Pine we see ESG as a strategic principle we are embarking on. We have long recognized the importance of leading on First Nation issues and the environment and we continue to seek opportunities to improve on our relationships with First Nations and minimize our impact on the environment.

It is appropriate that our inaugural ESG report will demonstrate Red Pine Explorations' commitment to instituting considerable improvements across our environmental, social and governance platform. Our Leadership team, Board of Directors, and employees will set the bar for ESG amongst junior exploration organizations by leading by example:

- An ESG supported software for reporting
- Our commitment to strong Corporate Governance and supporting policies and practices
- Expanding our Board of Directors demonstrating diversity
- Transparency and action as we establish metrics for Environmental stewardship
- Focus on enhancing our community involvement and Indigenous Affairs
- Increasing our focus on Health & Safety and the development of our people

The last two years have demonstrated that we are all interconnected throughout the world. As a junior exploration company, we recognize we can make a difference and contribute to society and the planet in a positive way.

ESG management includes exploring responsibly to safeguard the environment and create shared value for society. Our efforts include but are not limited to management of ground water, protecting all ecosystems, and including community feedback as we advance the Wawa Gold Project.

We contribute to the wellbeing of the communities in which we work by creating jobs, volunteering in community events, and utilizing local suppliers and service providers as much as possible.

During 2021 we saw a focus on social movements to promote race and gender equality. We continue to enhance our diversity both at the Company level as well as on the Board of Directors.



This inaugural ESG report and the future reports, will demonstrate our commitment in making a difference to support a sustainable future to our environment, for the communities we work in, and the teams we work with.

Exhibiting ESG leadership also means gaining and maintaining people's trust. The Company takes pride in its leading engagement with all stakeholders and choses to be accessible, open and transparent about our exploration practices. We benefit from our engagements and always choose to be good neighbours and partners.

Indigenous Peoples are disproportionately affected by resource extraction because of their large territorial bases and social, economic, and cultural ties to land. Red Pine is aware of the overlap between our activities and Indigenous ties to the land on which we are exploring. It is important to the Company that the relationship(s) with the affected first nations communities remains strong, resilient, and flexible.

Red Pine has entered into agreements with certain First Nations which articulate a mutually agreed upon process for consultation for exploration phase activities conducted within the exploration area. Red Pine has entered into separate agreements with the Batchewana First Nation, the Garden River First Nation, and the Michipicoten First Nation. The stated purpose of these agreements is to articulate a clear and mutually agreed upon consultation process to identify adverse impacts to Aboriginal and treaty rights and engage with respect to accommodation, and to establish a mutually beneficial, positive, and productive relationship. In addition to supporting consultation, Red Pine has agreed to support the promotion of employment opportunities for First Nation members.

While these agreements apply to exploration phase activities, the agreements contemplate the negotiation of future agreements pertaining to advanced exploration and, potentially, development.

I am proud of our team efforts and commitments to deliver our inaugural ESG report and our continuance to strive for a sustainable future for all.

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