

### **BIG RIDGE GOLD CORP.**

(An Exploration Stage Company)

### CONDENSED INTERIM CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the three and six months ended December 31, 2022, and 2021

### **Notice to Reader**

Under National Instrument 51-102, Part 4, subsection 4.3(3)(a), if an auditor has not performed a review of the unaudited interim financial statements, they must be accompanied by a notice indicating that the financial statements have not been reviewed by an auditor.

The accompanying unaudited condensed interim consolidated financial statements have been prepared by and are the responsibility of the Corporation's management.

The Corporation's independent auditor has not performed a review of these financial statements in accordance with standards established by the Canadian Institute of Chartered Accountants for a review of unaudited interim financial statements by an entity's auditor.

#### RESPONSIBILITY FOR CONDENSED INTERIM FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The accompanying condensed interim consolidated financial statements of Big Ridge Gold Corp. are the responsibility of the Board of Directors and Management. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRS") as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board ("IASB") and, where appropriate, include management's best estimates and judgments.

Management maintains a system of internal control designed to provide reasonable assurance that assets are safeguarded from loss or unauthorized use, and that financial information is timely and reliable. However, any system of internal control over financial reporting, no matter how well designed and implemented, has inherent limitations and may not prevent or detect all misstatements.

The Board of Directors is responsible for ensuring that management fulfills its responsibilities for financial reporting and is ultimately responsible for reviewing and approving the financial statements.

The Board of Directors carries out this responsibility principally through its Audit Committee. The Board of Directors appoints the Audit Committee, the majority of whose members are independent directors. The Audit Committee meets periodically with Management to review the financial reporting process and financial statements, together with other financial information of the Company. The Audit Committee reports its findings to the Board of Directors for its consideration in approving the consolidated financial statements together with other financial information of the Company for issuance to the shareholders. The Board of Directors approves the financial statements on recommendation from the Audit Committee.

Michael Bandrowski

President and Chief Executive Officer

Jim Kirke

Chief Financial Officer

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### BIG RIDGE GOLD CORP. CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL POSITION

Unaudited - Expressed in Canadian dollars

		December 31	June 30
	Note	2022 \$	2022 \$
ASSETS	14016	Ψ	Ψ
Current assets			
Cash and cash equivalents		409,581	1,973,824
Amounts receivable		294,608	385,057
Marketable securities	4	129,443	94,015
Prepaids and deposits		19,242	41,947
Total Current Assets		852,874	2,494,843
Investment in Caprock Mining Corp.	5	411,103	500,000
Property, plant and equipment	6	480,362	509,422
Exploration and evaluation assets	7	4,674,131	2,724,131
Total Assets		6,418,470	6,228,396
LIABILITIES AND EQUITY			
Current liabilities			
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities		371,748	1,772,034
Due to related party	15	18,645	13,958
Restricted Share Unit liability	10	155,133	96,408
		545,526	1,882,400
Deferred Share Unit liability	10	131,568	350,846
Total Liabilities		677,094	2,233,246
SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY			
Share capital	8	40,377,519	36,438,017
Contributed surplus - warrants	9	1,692,944	1,299,520
Contributed surplus - options	10	2,191,292	2,109,015
Deficit		(38,520,379)	(35,851,402)
Total Shareholders' Equity		5,741,376	3,995,150
Total Liabilities and Shareholders' Equity		6,418,470	6,228,396

Going concern and Nature of operations (Note 1)

Approved and authorized by the Board of Directors on February 24, 2023.

"Nick Tintor", Director

"Michael Bandrowski", Director

### BIG RIDGE GOLD CORP. CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF OPERATIONS AND COMPREHENSIVE LOSS For the three and six months ended December 31

Unaudited - Expressed in Canadian dollars

		Three r	Three months ended December 31		nonths ended December 31
	Note	2022 \$	2021 \$	2022 \$	2021 \$
EXPENSES					
Exploration expense	7	209,694	2,641,504	2,162,287	3,294,526
General and administrative expense	11	369,611	499,416	464,824	934,890
Finance expense (income), net	13	(44,588)	42,073	(36,031)	353,390
Other income	15	(11,000)	-	(11,000)	-
Equity loss impact of equity accounted	d				
investment	5	41,752	-	88,897	-
Loss and comprehensive loss		565,469	3,182,993	2,668,977	4,582,806
Loss and comprehensive loss per					
share					
Basic and diluted		0.00	0.03	0.02	0.04
Weighted average number of common shares outstanding in the period					
Basic and diluted		136,610,835	107,178,633	121,930,808	105,476,040

### BIG RIDGE GOLD CORP. CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CASH FLOWS

### For the six months ended December 31

Unaudited - Expressed in Canadian dollars

	2022	2021
	\$	\$
Operating activities:		_
Loss for the period	(2,668,977)	(4,582,806)
Items not affecting cash:		
Amortization	43,601	15,622
Other income (note 15)	(11,000)	-
Share-based compensation (note 10)	(10,464)	409,027
Equity loss on equity accounted investments (note 5)	88,897	-
Unrealized (gain) loss on marketable securities (note 4)	(26,979)	363,852
<del></del>	(2,584,922)	(3,794,305)
Changes in non-cash working capital items (note 14)	(1,282,445)	(514,918)
Cash used in operating activities	(3,867,367)	(4,309,223)
Investing activities:		
Purchase of capital assets	(14,541)	(443,535)
Cash used in investing activities	(14,541)	(443,535)
Financing activities:		
Cash proceeds from sale of marketable securities	2,551	-
Common shares issued for cash (note 8)	2,525,000	3,586,694
Share issuance costs paid in cash	(209,886)	(87,960)
Cash provided by financing activities	2,317,665	3,498,734
Net (decrease) increase in cash	(1,564,243)	(1,254,024)
Cash - Beginning of period	1,973,824	8,295,125
Cash - End of period	409,581	7,041,101
Supplementary Disclosure		
Interest paid in cash	-	-
Income taxes paid in cash	-	-
Fair value of broker warrants issued	93,621.00	-
Shares issued to First Mining Gold Corp.	1,950,000.00	-
Fair value of shares issued in settlement of vested RSUs	67,812.00	-
Fair value of shares of Forum Energy Metals Corp. received as		
consideration upon the sale of the Fisher property	11,000	-
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### BIG RIDGE GOLD CORP. CONSOLIDATED STATEMENTS OF CHANGES IN SHAREHOLDERS' EQUITY

Unaudited - Expressed in Canadian dollars

	Share Capital		<b>Contributed Surplus</b>			
_	Number	Amount	Options	Warrants	Deficit	Total
	#	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Balance - July 1, 2021	90,051,118	32,759,316	1,832,879	1,303,426	(23,126,770)	12,768,851
Loss for the period	-	-	-	-	(4,582,806)	(4,582,806)
Stock option expense	-	-	90,683	-	-	90,683
Issuance of common shares pursuant						
to the exercise of warrants	18,139,967	3,586,694	-	-	-	3,586,694
Share issue costs	-	(500)				(500)
Balance - December 31, 2021	108,191,085	36,345,510	1,923,562	1,303,426	(27,709,576)	11,862,922
Balance - July 1, 2022	108,504,585	36,438,017	2,109,015	1,299,520	(35,851,402)	3,995,150
Loss for the period	-	-	-	-	(2,668,977)	(2,668,977)
Stock option expense	-	-	82,277	-	-	82,277
Issuance of common shares to First						
Mining Gold Corp. (note 7)	15,000,000	1,950,000	-	-	-	1,950,000
Issuance of flow-through units						
pursuant to private placement	12,625,000	2,209,375	-	315,625	-	2,525,000
Issued in settlement of vested RSUs	481,250	67,812	-	-	-	67,812
Share issuance costs	-	(287,685)	-	77,799	-	(209,886)
Balance - December 31, 2022	136,610,835	40,377,519	2,191,292	1,692,944	(38,520,379)	5,741,376

### 1. GOING CONCERN AND NATURE OF OPERATIONS

Big Ridge Gold Corp. ("the Company") is engaged in the acquisition, exploration and evaluation of Canadian gold projects. The Company's head office is located at Suite 1400, 18 King Street East, Toronto, Ontario, M5C 1C4, and the Company's registered and records office is located at Suite 1500, 1055 West Georgia Street, Vancouver, British Columbia, V6E 4N7.

The Company presently has no proven or probable reserves and has not yet determined whether its properties contain economically recoverable ore reserves. The Company has not generated any revenues from operations to date and consequently is considered to be in the exploration stage. The amounts shown as exploration and evaluation assets represent acquisition costs incurred to date, less amounts written down or written off, and do not necessarily represent present or future values. The recoverability of the carrying amounts for exploration and evaluation assets is dependent upon a number of factors, including raising equity, debt or other forms of financing on acceptable commercial terms to finance the ongoing administration of the Company and the exploration and evaluative work necessary to underpin an assessment of the viability of each of the Company's mineral projects; the successful completion of environmental assessments by federal and provincial regulatory agencies; the acquisition of the federal and provincial permits required to enable construction of mining facilities; raising equity, debt and other financing to finance construction; and attaining profitable operations. These material uncertainties lend significant doubt over the applicability of the going concern assumption and ultimately the use of accounting principles pertinent to a going concern. These consolidated financial statements do not reflect the adjustments to the carrying values of assets and liabilities, the reported expenses and balance sheet classifications that would be necessary if the going concern assumption were inappropriate. These adjustments could be material.

Big Ridge funded its operations in the period ended December 31, 2022, from the use of existing cash and the proceeds of a private placement of flow-through share units which raised gross proceeds of \$2,525,000. In addition, the Company continues to seek additional financing, both through additional offerings of equity and other, non-dilutive transactions. However, there is no assurance that the Company will be successful in these efforts.

In March 2020 the World Health Organization declared coronavirus COVID-19 a global pandemic. This contagious disease outbreak, which has continued to spread, and any related adverse public health developments, has adversely affected workforces, economies, and financial markets globally, potentially leading to an economic downturn. It is not possible for the Company to predict the duration or magnitude of the adverse results of the outbreak and its effects on the Company's business or ability to raise funds.

#### 2. BASIS OF PREPARATION

The Company's condensed interim consolidated financial statements report the Company's financial position, results of operations, cash flows, and changes in shareholders' equity during a fiscal year that ends on June 30.

### Basis of presentation

These condensed interim consolidated financial statements include the accounts of the Company and its wholly owned subsidiary, Empress Resources Corp. The financial statements of Empress are prepared for the same period as those of the Company using consistent accounting policies for all periods presented. All intercompany balances and transactions have been eliminated.

#### Statement of Compliance

These condensed interim consolidated financial statements have been prepared in accordance with International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRS"), as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board ("IASB"), including International Accounting Standard ("IASB") 34 – Interim

Financial Reporting. These condensed interim consolidated financial statements should be read in conjunction with the Company's annual consolidated financial statements for the year ended June 30, 2022, which have been prepared in accordance with IFRS. The accounting policies and methods of application adopted are consistent with those disclosed in Note 3 of the Company's financial statements for the year ended June 30, 2022.

These condensed interim consolidated financial statements were approved by the Board of Directors of the Company on February 24, 2023.

The consolidated financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis, which contemplates the realization of assets and discharge of all liabilities in the normal course of business. In addition, the condensed interim consolidated financial statements have been prepared on a historical cost basis, except for certain financial instruments which are measured at fair value through profit or loss, as disclosed in Note 3 of the Company's annual financial statements for the year ended June 30, 2022.

### Critical Accounting Estimates and Judgments

The preparation of these consolidated financial statements requires management to make certain estimates, judgments and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets and liabilities at the date of the consolidated financial statements and the reported expenses during the year. 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, which 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:

- a) The assessment by management of the reasonableness of the going concern assumption.
- b) The carrying value and the recoverability of exploration and evaluation assets, which are included in the consolidated statements of financial position based on the planned exploration budgets and drill results of exploration programs to assess economic recoverability and probability of future economic benefits.
- c) The assessment by management of the recoverability of the Company's investment in Caprock and the extent to which decreases in the fair value of this investment may be considered as non-temporary in nature.
- d) The inputs used in accounting for share-based compensation expense included in profit or loss calculated using the Black-Scholes option pricing model.
- e) The valuations of shares issued in non-cash transactions.
- f) The recognition of deferred tax assets based on the change in unrecognized deductible temporary tax differences.

### 3. SUMMARY OF ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The accounting policies followed in these condensed interim consolidated financial statements are consistent with those disclosed in Note 3 of the Company's annual financial statements for the year ended June 30, 2022.

#### **New Accounting Standards**

There were no new accounting standards effective July 1, 2022, that were applicable to the Company.

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#### 4. MARKETABLE SECURITIES

The tables below set out the cost and fair value of the Company's marketable securities at December 31, 2022, and June 30, 2022.

#### December 31, 2022:

		Shares	Cost	Fair Value
Company	Note	#	\$	\$
Forum Energy Metals Corp.		100,000	11,000	9,500
Clarity Gold Corp. (CLAR: CSE)		685,391	1,000,000	119,943
			1,011,000	129,443

### June 30, 2022:

		Shares	Cost	Fair Value
Company	Note	#	\$	\$
Empress Royalty Corp. (EMPR: TSX-V)		7,434	371	1,487
Clarity Gold Corp. (CLAR: CSE)	6	685,391	1,000,000	92,528
			1,000,371	94,015

During the three and six month periods ended December 31, 2022 and 2021, the Company incurred losses related to its portfoliios of marketable securities as set out below.

	Three months ended		Six months ende	
	December 31		Decembe	
	2022 2021		2022	2021
Description	\$	\$	\$	\$
Unrealized mark to market (gains) losses	(40,464)	363,852	(26,979)	316,023
	(40,464)	363,852	(26,979)	316,023

#### 5. INVESTMENT IN CAPROCK MINING CORP.

On February 28, 2022, the Company closed the sale of five Ontario-based mining properties to Caprock Mining Corp ("Caprock"), pursuant to the terms of a sales agreement dated March 11, 2021 (note 7). As consideration for the sale of these properties, Caprock issued 10,000,000 common shares (the "Caprock Shares"), which were valued at an estimated fair value of \$0.10 per share or \$1,000,000.

Immediately following the sale of the Ontario properties and the issuance of the Caprock Shares referred to above, the Company held approximately 24.8% of the outstanding equity of Caprock. Taken together with the fact that a representative of the Company's management serves on the board of Caprock, the Company has concluded that it holds significant influence over Caprock, and consequently this investment is accounted for using the equity method.

Summarized financial information for Caprock is set out below.

### Summarized financial position as at December 31, 2022:

	\$
Current assets	586,153
Exploration and evaluation assets	1,000,000
Total assets	1,586,153
Current liabilities	(140,425)
Net assets as at December 31, 2022	1,445,728
Attributable to Big Ridge	358,541
Attributable to investee's shareholders other than Big Ridge	1,087,187
Summarized P&L information for the period from July 1, 2022 to December 31, 2	2022:
	\$
Exploration expenses	116,485
General and administrative expenses	242,376
Finance income (net)	(404)
Loss and comprehensive loss for the period	358,457
Attributable to Big Ridge	88,897
Attributable to investee's shareholders other than Big Ridge	269,560

At December 31, 2022, the Caprock Shares had an estimated fair value of \$150,000, based on the last trading price of Caprock's common shares on the Canadian Securities Exchange prior to December 31, 2022.

The movement in the Company's investment in Caprock is set out below.

	\$
Balance - July 1, 2021	-
Fair value of shares received as consideration pursuant to the sale of the Company's Ontario exploration and evaluation	
properties	1,000,000
Equity loss	(109,872)
Impairment loss	(390,128)
Balance - June 30, 2022	500,000
Equity loss	(88,897)
Balance - December 31, 2022	411,103

The Caprock Shares were issued to the Company under a prospectus exemption and are subject to the terms of an escrow agreement. At December 31, 2022 a total of 2,500,000 shares were free-trading, and the remainder of the Caprock Shares become free-trading according to the following schedule:

	Number of free-trading shares released from
Date	escrow
January 26, 2023	1,500,000
July 26, 2023	1,500,000
January 26, 2024	1,500,000
July 26, 2024	1,500,000
January 26, 2025	1,500,000
	7,500,000

### 6. PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

The balance at December 31, 2022, is comprised as follows:

		Accumulated	Net Book	
	Cost	<b>Amortization</b>	Value	
	\$	\$	\$	
Buildings	379,971	35,970	344,001	
Equipment	182,770	58,660	124,110	
Vehicles	21,000	8,749	12,251	
	583,741	103,379	480,362	

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### 7. EXPLORATION AND EVALUATION ASSETS

The movement in capitaized acquisition costs with respect to the Company's mineral exploration and evaluation assets is set out below.

	Newfound-								
	land	Quebec			Ontario			Manitoba	
						Brook-	Golden		
	Hope Brook	Destiny	Greenoaks	Miner Lake	Mud Lake	bank East	Heart	Oxford	Total
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Capitalized acquisition costs									
Balance - July 1, 2021	2,724,131	-	450,000	9,568	40,163	3,810	-	843,520	4,071,192
Proceeds received pursuant to property sale									
agreement with Caprock Mining Corp.	-	-	(946,459)	(9,568)	(40,163)	(3,810)	-	-	(1,000,000)
Impairment writedown	-	-	· - ´	` -	` <b>-</b>	` -	-	(843,520)	(843,520)
Recovery of exploration and evaluation assets	-	-	496,459	-	-	-	-	-	496,459
Balance - June 30, 2022	2,724,131	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2,724,131
Issuance of common shares to First Mining Gold									
Corp. pursuant to first earn-in under Hoipe Brook									
option agreement	1,950,000	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,950,000
Balance - December 31, 2022	4,674,131	-	-	-	-	-	-		4,674,131

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The tables below show the breakdown of exploration expenses in the periods ended December 31, 2022, and 2021 with respect to the Company's exploration and evaluation assets.

	Newfound- land	Quebec			Ontario			Manitoba		
			Green-			Brook-	Golden			
	Hope Brook	Destiny	oaks	Miner Lake	Mud Lake	bank East	Heart	Oxford	General	Total
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Period ended December 31, 2022:										
Project management	179,569	5,610	_	-	_	_	_	_	_	185,179
Assessment reporting	-	5,313								5,313
Camp labour	333,385	-	_	-	-	_	_	-	_	333,385
Camp costs	114,008	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	114,008
Claim renewal costs	-	4,813								4,813
Geophysics	28,730	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	28,730
Assaying and core storage	144,946	22,393	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	167,339
Core Handling	4,332	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4,332
Drilling	1,163,340	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,163,340
Vehicles - Fuel and repairs	6,792	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6,792
Mapping, GIS and related activities	6,120	15,196	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	21,316
Metallurgy	7,340	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7,340
Prospecting	3,549									3,549
Resource modelling	49,968	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	49,968
										-
Shipping and site travel	64,706	2,177	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	66,883
Exploration expense for the period	2 106 785	55 502	_	_	_	_	-			2 162 287

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Newfound- land	Quebec			Ontario			Manitoba		
		Green-			Brook-	Golden			
Hope Brook	Destiny	oaks	Miner Lake	Mud Lake	bank East	Heart	Oxford	General	Total
\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$

Project management	155,919	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	155,9
Camp labour	276,386	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	276,
Camp costs	224,047	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	224,
Geophysics	366,067	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	366,
Assaying	8,245	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8,
Core handling	87,977	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	87,
Drilling	1,715,144	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,715
Vehicles - Fuel and repairs	29,895	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	29
Software	9,635									9,
Geochemistry	13,698	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	13,
Mapping, GIS and related activities	121,077	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	121,
Metallurgy	19,770	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	19,
Prospecting	22,055	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	22
Resource modelling	3,328	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3,
Shipping and site travel	239,620	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	239,
Project-specific general and administrative										
expenses	1,663	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
ploration expense for the period	3,294,526	-	-	_	-	_	-	-	_	3,294,

The mining claims which underly each of these projects are subject to net smelter returns royalties at rates which range from 1.0% to 3.75%. A portion of the claims associated with the Oxford project are also subject to an overlapping 7.5% net profits interest.

### **Hope Brook**

On April 6, 2021, the Company entered into an earn-in agreement with First Mining Gold Corp. ("First Mining"), pursuant to which the Company may earn an interest of up to 80% in the Hope Brook Gold Project, located in Newfoundland and Labrador.

The Company incurred the following initial acquisition costs, at which point it became the operator of the Hope Brook Gold Project:

	\$
Cash	500,000
11,500,000 common shares with a fair value of \$0.19 per share	2,185,000
Transaction costs	39,131
	2,724,131

The earn-in is comprised of two stages, as described below:

- In order to exercise its first earn-in right to acquire a 51% interest in the Hope Brook Gold Project, the Company was required to incur and fund expenditures on the Hope Brook Gold Project of no less than \$10 million by June 8, 2024, and to issue an additional 15 million common shares to First Mining.
  - On September 13, 2022, the Company met the expenditure requirements necessary to satisfy the first earn-in threshold set out in the Hope Brook option agreement and issued a total of 15,000,000 common shares to First Mining with an aggregate fair value of \$1,950,000, completing the first earn-in related to the Hope Brook project, gaining an initial 51% interest in the project, and becoming party to a joint venture agreement for the Hope Brook Gold Project with First Mining (49% interest). Concurrently with the creation of the joint venture, the joint venture entity granted to First Mining a 1.5% net smelter returns royalty on the Hope Brook Gold Project, subject to a right of the Company to buy back 0.5% for \$2 million.
- To earn an additional 29% interest in the Hope Brook Gold Project, the Company must incur and fund an additional \$10 million in expenditures on the project by June 8, 2026. Upon achieving this final expenditure threshold and issuing an additional 10 million common shares ("Stage 2 Shares") to First Mining, subject to the approval of the TSX Venture Exchange, the Company will become the holder of an 80% interest in the Hope Brook Gold Project. The Company will solely fund all expenditures on the project up to and including the date on which the Company announces the results of a feasibility study on the project, at which time First Mining's free-carry period will terminate. If the issuance of the Stage 2 Shares would result in First Mining owning more that 19.9% of the total number of the Company's common shares issued and outstanding following such share issuance, the number of Stage 2 Shares shall be reduced such that First Mining will own no more than 19.9% of the total number of the Company's common shares issued and outstanding following following the issuance of the Stage 2 Shares.

In addition, upon the commencement of commercial production at the project, the Company will pay \$2 million to First Mining.

On closing, the Company granted First Mining several rights that will continue so long as it holds at least 10% of the Company's issued and outstanding common shares, including the right to nominate one director to the Company's board, and a right to participate in financings by the Company to maintain its percentage ownership in the Company's shares. The Earn-In Agreement also includes various restrictions on the parties from transferring their respective interests in the Hope Brook Project and on First Mining's ability to resell its Big Ridge shares.

### **Destiny Gold Project**

On November 27, 2020, the Company entered into an option agreement with Clarity Gold Corp. ("Clarity") pursuant to which Clarity had the right to earn up to a 100% interest in the Company's wholly owned Destiny gold project:

Initially, Clarity may earn a 49% interest in the project by making a series of cash payments and share issuances to the Company as described below:

- A deposit of \$50,000;
- A cash payment of \$450,000 and the equivalent of \$1,000,000 in common shares of Clarity on or before January 26, 2021;
- A cash payment of \$750,000 and the equivalent of \$1,000,000 in common shares of Clarity on or before January 11, 2022; and
- A cash payment of \$750,000 and the equivalent of \$1,500,000 in common shares of Clarity on or before January 11, 2023.

In the year ended June 30, 2021, the \$1,500,000 in cash and securities received from Clarity were applied first to reduce the carrying value of the Destiny project to \$Nil, with the remaining \$690,900 in proceeds credited to the consolidated statement of operations and comprehensive loss as a recovery of exploration and evaluation assets.

During the year ended June 30, 2022, Clarity defaulted on its payment obligations due January 11, 2022, and provided the Company with a notice of cancellation, thereby terminating the option agreement.

### **Oxford Gold Project**

The Company owns a 100% interest in the Oxford Lake property, subject to certain underlying royalties on some of the claims.

On October 5, 2020, the Company entered into an Exploration Agreement with the Bunibonibee Cree Nation ("BCN") that authorizes the recommencement of exploration activities at Oxford upon completion of a Heritage Resource Impact Assessment ("HRIA") in a form satisfactory to the Historic Resource Branch of Manitoba Sport, Culture and Heritage. At December 31, 2022 work on the HRIA was suspended as a result of difficulties in accessing the property to complete the HRIA, a direct result of COVID-19.

### 8. SHARE CAPITAL

#### 1. Authorized:

Unlimited Common shares without par value

#### 2. Issued and outstanding:

The following table shows the movement in issued and outstanding share capital.

	Number of	
	shares	\$
Balance - July 1, 2021	90,051,118	32,759,316
Common shares issued pursuant to the exercise of warrants	18,328,467	3,621,450
Common shares issued pursuant to the exercise of stock		
options	125,000	57,751
Share issue costs	-	(500)
Balance - June 30, 2022	108,504,585	36,438,017
Common shares issued pursuant to private placement of flow-		
through units (a)	12,625,000	2,209,375
Common shares issued to First Mining Gold Corp. (b)	15,000,000	1,950,000
Common shares issued in settlement of Restricted Share Units		
(note 10)	481,250	67,812
Share issue costs	-	(287,685)
Balance - December 31, 2022	136,610,835	40,377,519

a) On July 25, 2022, the Company closed a non-brokered private placement of 12,625,000 units at a price of \$0.20 per unit, for aggregate gross proceeds of \$2,525,000. Each unit consisted of one flow-through common share and one-half of one share purchase warrant, with each whole warrant exercisable into one common share at an exercise price of \$0.27 and expiring on July 25, 2024. The Company accounted for this equity transaction using the residual method, which resulted in a value of \$2,209,375 being allocated to the common shares and \$315,625 being allocated to the unit warrants.

In connection with this financing, the Company paid a total of \$176,750 in finder's fees and issued a total of 883,750 compensation warrants exercisable into common shares at a price of \$0.20 per share and expiring on July 25, 2024.

b) As mentioned in note 7, on September 13, 2022, the Company issued 15,000,000 common shares with a fair value of \$1,950,000 to First Mining to complete the Company's first stage earn-in with respect to the Hope Brook Gold Project.

### 9. WARRANTS

The following table shows the movement in warrants.

		Number of shares	
	Number of	issuable upon	
	warrants	exercise of	\$
Balance - July 1, 2021	51,588,590	51,636,695	1,303,426
Exercised	(18,328,467)	(18,328,467)	(3,906)
Expired	(8,419,160)	(8,461,255)	
Balance - June 30, 2022	24,840,963	24,846,973	1,299,520
Issued pursuant to private placement of flow-			
through units (a)	6,312,500	6,312,500	315,625
Finder's compensation warrants issued pursuant to	)		
private placement (b)	883,750	883,750	77,799
Expired	(1,202,000)	(1,208,010)	
Balance - December 31, 2022	30,835,213	30,835,213	1,692,944

- a) As described in note 8(2)(a), the gross proceeds of the private placement of flow-through units that closed on July 25, 2022, was apportioned between Share capital and Warrants using the residual method, which resulted in the warrants issued to subscribers being valued at \$315,625.
- b) In addition, the Company issued a total of 883,750 finder's warrants in connection with this financing. Each warrant is exercisable at a price of \$0.20 per share and expires on July 25, 2024. The fair value of these warrants was estimated using the Black-Scholes option pricing model using the following assumptions:

Dividend yield	Nil
Expected future volatility	100%
Expected life	2 years
which yielded an estimated fair value of	\$ 0.088

The details of the warrants outstanding at December 31, 2022, are set out below.

		Number of warrants	Exercise price
Issue date	Expiry date	#	\$
Unit warrants:			
June 30, 2021	June 30, 2023	22,175,533	\$ 0.180
July 25, 2022	July 25, 2024	6,312,500	\$ 0.270
Broker and finder compensation	n warrants:		
June 30, 2021	June 30, 2023	1,463,430	\$ 0.205
July 25, 2022	July 25, 2024	883,750	\$ 0.200
		30,835,213	

#### 10. SHARE-BASED COMPENSATION

Share-based compensation expenses recognized in General and administrative expenses in the consolidated statements of operations and comprehensive loss for the periods ended December 31, 2022, and 2021 are as follows:

	Three mon			ths ended	
	De	cember 31	De	cember 31	
	2022	2022 2021		2021	
	\$	\$	\$	\$	
Stock options	40,920	44,198	82,277	90,683	
Cash-based deferred share units	(60,723)	168,944	(219,279)	318,344	
Equity-based deferred share units	-	-	-	-	
Restricted share units	147,040	-	126,538		
	127,237	213,142	(10,464)	409,027	

### **Stock Option Plan**

The Company's amended and restated Share Option Plan (the "Plan") was approved by the Company's shareholders at its annual meeting held December 22, 2022. The purpose of the Plan is to attract, retain and motivate directors, officers, employees and external service providers by providing them with the opportunity to acquire a proprietary interest in the Company and to benefit from its growth.

Under the Plan, the Board of Directors may grant options to directors, officers, employees or consultants, with the number of common shares reserved for issuance fixed at 15,839,712 shares. Options carry a term of no more than five years, and the exercise price of any option is no less than the closing price on the TSX Venture Exchange on the last trading day preceding the grant date. The vesting periods for individual awards of options are determined at the discretion of the Corporate Governance, Compensation and Nominating Committee.

Share-based compensation is recognized and charged to operations based upon the relative fair values and vesting conditions of the options granted.

No options were issued in the three- or six-month periods ended December 31, 2022. The assumptions underlying the valuation of options awarded in the three and six months ended December 31, 2021 are set out below.

	Three months ende					Six months ended		
		December 31			December 3			ember 31
		2022		2021		2022		2021
Expected volatility		-		100%		-		100%
Risk-free interest rate		-		0.89%		-		0.89%
Expected dividend yield		-		Nil		-		Nil
Expected life		-		3 years		-		3 years
Expected forfeiture rate		-		Nil		-		Nil
Estimated fair value per option	\$	-	\$	0.18	\$	-	\$	0.18

During the period ended December 31, 2022, the Company recognized stock option expense amounting to \$82,277 (2021 - \$90,683), of which \$82,277 (2021 - \$79,470) related to options awarded with graduated vesting in prior periods. As at December 31, 2022, there was \$93,389 of share-based compensation expense (June 30, 2022 – \$175,666) relating to the Company's unvested stock options to be recognized in future periods.

The number of options outstanding at December 31, 2022, by issue date is shown in the following table.

	Options Ou	ıtstanding			Options Exercisable
Date of Grant	Expiry Date	Number outstanding	Exercise R Price	life	Number outstanding
		#	\$	(Years)	#
September 19, 2018	September 19, 2023	130,000	0.25	0.72	130,000
July 1, 2020	July 1, 2025	52,500	0.11	2.50	52,500
August 31, 2020	August 31, 2023	1,425,000	0.20	0.67	1,425,000
October 28, 2020	October 28, 2023	200,000	0.20	0.83	200,000
January 21, 2021	January 21, 2024	200,000	0.20	1.31	200,000
June 30, 2021	June 30, 2026	1,625,000	0.305	3.50	1,083,333
December 14, 2021	December 14, 2026	187,500	0.290	3.96	125,000
January 14, 2022	January 14, 2027	172,000	0.345	4.04	57,333
February 3, 2022	February 3, 2027	375,000	0.250	4.10	125,000
June 30, 2022	June 30, 2027	1,472,712	0.250	4.50	817,173
		5,839,712	0.25	2.89	4,215,339

### **Cash-based Deferred Share Unit Plan**

The Company's cash-based Deferred Share Unit ("DSU") Plan was adopted on June 7, 2021. Pursuant to the DSU Plan, the Company may, from time to time, grant DSUs to officers and directors of the Company. The DSUs issued under the DSU Plan in the year ended June 30, 2021 vested on December 31, 2021, while all DSUs issued in the year ended June 30, 2022 vested immediately upon grant. The number of DSUs that may be awarded is unlimited.

DSUs are settled in cash upon the officer or director's termination of service. The price per share which prevails upon any settlement of DSUs is defined as the twenty-day volume weighted average trading price of the Company's common shares prior to the date of redemption.

The movement in outstanding DSU's is set out below.

	Number of
	DSUs
Balance - July 1, 2021	1,061,737
DSUs awarded during the year	768,500
DSUs settled upon the resignation of a director	(143,478)
Balance - June 30, 2022 and December 31, 2022	1,686,759

The Company recognized a negative expense in the period ended December 31, 2022, amounting to \$219,279 (2021 – expense of \$318,344) and related to revaluation of the Company's liability with respect to vested DSUs.

#### **Equity-based Deferred Share Unit Plan**

The Company's equity-based Deferred Share Unit Plan was approved by the Company's shareholders at its annual meeting held December 22, 2022. Pursuant to the equity-based DSU Plan, the Company

may, from time to time, grant DSUs to officers and directors of the Company. The number of share units issuable in aggregate under the terms of the Company's equity-based DSU Plan and Restricted Share Unit Plan, described below, is limited to a total of 4,385,000 units.

No DSUs were issued under the equity-settled DSU Plan in the period ended December 31, 2022 or 2021.

#### **Restricted Share Unit Plan**

The Company's amended and restated Restricted Share Unit ("RSU") Plan was approved by the Company's shareholders at its annual meeting held December 22, 2022. Pursuant to the RSU Plan, the Company may, from time to time, grant RSUs to officers and directors of the Company. The number of share units issuable in aggregate under the terms of the Company's equity-based DSU Plan, described above, and Restricted Share Unit Plan is limited to a total of 4,385,000 units.

The Company has awarded RSUs pursuant to its short-term and long-term incentive plans, which deal with management compensation. RSUs awarded in the year ended June 30, 2022 pursuant to the Company's short-term incentive plan vested immediately upon grant, and RSUs awarded pursuant to the Company's long-term incentive plan vest in equal parts on the award date and the first and second anniversaries of the award date.

The movement in outstanding RSU's is set out below.

	Number of RSUs
Balance - July 1, 2021	-
RSUs awarded	866,250
Balance - June 30, 2022	866,250
RSUs settled	(481,250)
Balance - September 30, 2022	385,000

The RSUs outstanding at December 31, 2022, vest according to the following schedule:

	Number
	of RSUs
Date	vesting
June 30, 2023	192,500
June 30, 2024	192,500
	385,000

### 11.GENERAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES

		Three months ended December 31			nths ended cember 31
		2022	2021	2022	2021
	Note	\$	\$	\$	\$
Management fees		-	5,000	-	15,000
Salaries, wages and benefits	12	115,157	147,257	230,696	250,960
Share-based compensation	10	127,237	213,142	(10,464)	409,027
Professional fees		29,549	19,349	44,062	48,497
Investor and shareholder relations		17,969	45,760	37,136	86,897
Travel and promotion		2,049	3,303	2,049	3,303
Office expenses		43,231	28,973	68,515	42,505
Transfer agent and filing fees		12,376	22,640	49,229	63,079
Amortization		22,043	13,992	43,601	15,622
		369,611	499,416	464,824	934,890

### 12.SALARIES, WAGES AND BENEFITS

		Three months ended December 31		Six months ended December 31	
		2022	2021	2022	2021
	Note	\$	\$	\$	\$
Salaries and wages	15	117,445	368,934	478,120	633,720
Director fees	15	30,500	20,833	61,000	40,833
Social security benefits		6,375	23,188	31,751	43,927
		154,320	412,955	570,871	718,480
Charged to General and administrative					
expense		115,157	147,257	230,696	250,960
Charged to Exploration expense		39,163	186,614	340,175	357,385
Charged to Property, plant and equipment		-	79,084	-	110,135
		154,320	412,955	570,871	718,480

### 13.FINANCE EXPENSE (INCOME), NET

	Three months ended December 31			
	2022	2021	2022	2021
	\$	\$	\$	\$
Interest income	(4,163)	(5,756)	(7,268)	(9,510)
Foreign exchange	39	-	(1,784)	(952)
(Gains) Losses on marketable securities	(40,464)	47,829	(26,979)	363,852
	(44,588)	42,073	(36,031)	353,390

### 14.CHANGES IN NON-CASH WORKING CAPITAL

	OIX IIIOIILIIS CIIGCG		
	December 31		
	2022	2021	
	\$	\$	
(Increase) Decrease in amounts			
receivable	90,449	(431,904)	
Decrease (Increase) in prepaids and			
deposits	22,705	(226,597)	
(Decrease) Increase in accounts payable			
and accrued liabilities	(1,400,286)	143,583	
(Decrease Increase in amounts due to			
related parties	4,687		
	(1,282,445)	(514,918)	

### 15. RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS

During the periods ended December 31, 2022, and 2021, the Company recognized the following costs in respect of services provided by related parties:

Three months ended December 31		Six months ended December 31	
2022	2021	2022	2021
\$	\$	\$	\$
80,000	80,000	160,000	160,000
30,500	20,833	61,000	40,833
110,500	100,833	221,000	200,833
37,622	29,621	75,717	58,980
(60,723)	168,944	(219,279)	318,344
147,040	-	126,538	-
123,939	198,565	(17,024)	377,324
-	5,000	-	15,000
-	5,000	-	15,000
	80,000 30,500 110,500 37,622 (60,723) 147,040	December 31         2022       2021         \$       \$         80,000       80,000         30,500       20,833         110,500       100,833         37,622       29,621         (60,723)       168,944         147,040       -         123,939       198,565	December 31         December 31           2022         2021           \$         \$           80,000         80,000           30,500         20,833           61,000           110,500         100,833           221,000           37,622         29,621           (60,723)         168,944           (219,279)           147,040         -           123,939         198,565           (17,024)

During the period ended December 31, 2022, the Company sold its 100% interest in the Fisher gold property in Saskatchewan to Forum Energy Metals Corp. ("Forum"), a Canadian public company whose President and Chief Executive Officer is a director of the Company, in exchange for 100,000 common shares of Forum with a fair value of \$11,000. The fair value of the proceeds was charged to operations as Other income.

Six months ended

At December 31, 2022, the Company had a liability to a company controlled by an officer of the Company amounting to \$18,645 (June 30, 2022: \$13,958). This liability was discharged subsequent to December 31, 2022.

#### 16. CAPITAL RISK MANAGEMENT

The Company's objectives when managing capital are to safeguard the Company's ability to continue as a going concern in order to pursue the development of its mineral properties and to maintain a flexible capital structure for its projects for the benefit of its stakeholders. As the Company is in the exploration stage, its principal source of funds is from the issuance of common shares.

Management monitors the Company's capital structure and makes adjustments in light of changes in economic conditions and the risk characteristics of the underlying assets. To maintain or adjust its capital structure, the Company may attempt to issue new shares, enter into joint venture property arrangements, acquire or dispose of assets or adjust the amount of cash and investments. In order to facilitate the management of its capital requirements, the Company prepares annual expenditure budgets that are updated as necessary depending on various factors, including successful capital deployment and general industry conditions. The annual and updated budgets are approved by the Board of Directors.