



1 Rye Patch Gold Corp. [RPM-TSXV] is exploring over 78 square kilometres in key mineral districts of Nevada. Its primary asset is the 100%-owned advanced-stage Wilco Project in central Nevada, where drilling continues to upgrade an expanding gold/silver inventory which hosts resources of 625,500 oz. gold measured and indicated and 1,124,700 oz. inferred. Rye Patch recently, subject to completion of a definitive agreement, acquired Centerra Gold (U.S.) Inc.'s 64% interest in the Ren Project on the northern Carlin Gold Trend, a J/V with Barrick Gold. The Ren Project has a measured/indicated resource of 1.22 million oz. gold and inferred resources of 432,000 oz. Rye Patch recently drilled 15.2 grams gold/tonne and 308 grams silver/tonne over 3 metres at the 100%-owned Lincoln Hill Project 110 miles northeast of Reno.



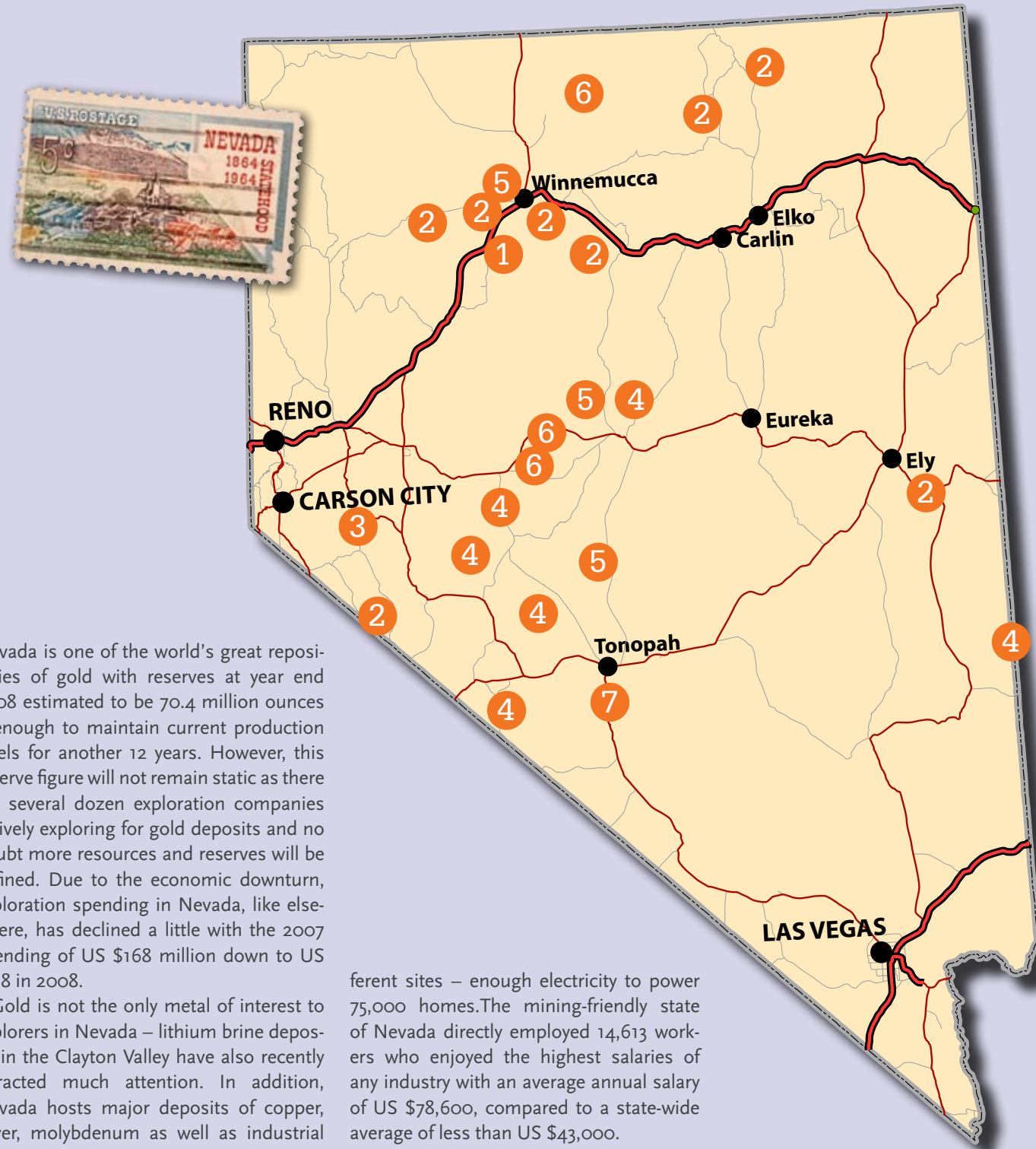
2 Golden Predator Royalty & Development Corp. [GPD-TSXV] is drilling a number of its Nevada properties with bonanza-style gold mineralization, including Angel's Camp, Adelaide and Golden Ridge to identify one or more properties for near-term production of small-tonnage high-grade ores. The company intends, through its use of modular mills at its Taylor and Humboldt mill sites, to become a mid-tier precious metals producer. The company's royalty division partially self-finances exploration activities through passive royalty streams. Golden Predator owns royalties on 29 properties including a portion of Barrick's Bald Mountain Mine, Midway Gold's Pan Deposit, significant portions of US Gold's Tonkin Springs Deposit and Evolving Gold's Rattlesnake Project. Golden Predator recently drilled 40 feet of 0.65 oz. gold/ton at the Adelaide Project in Humboldt County.



3 Nevada Copper Corp. [NCU-TSX] has a 100% interest in the Pumpkin Hollow Copper Project in the Walker Lane Belt, western Nevada. Pumpkin Hollow is an advanced development-stage project. In all categories, the deposit contains 9.3 billion lbs. copper, 1.45 million oz. gold, 55 million oz. silver and 130 million tons of contained iron in 361 million tons of ore averaging 36% iron at a 20% iron cut-off. Within the resource is a high-grade component of 77 million tons of 1.7% copper at a 1% cut-off containing 2.6 billion lbs. copper. Ongoing drilling has yet to define limits of mineralization. The company has updated an earlier preliminary economic assessment. New figures envisage a 7,500 TPD mine for 14 years at a total cash cost of US \$1.06/lb copper.



4 Gold Summit Corp. [GSM-TSXV] has seven exploration projects in Nevada: Monte Cristo, Blue Sphinx, Gold Basin, Gold Springs, San Francisco, Sugarloaf Peak and the Lithium Brine Project. The most advanced project is the Monte Cristo property, 50 kilometres west-northwest of Tonopah, where a NI 43-101 compliant resource of 331,000 tonnes averaging 6.5 grams gold/tonnes has been outlined by drilling and high potential for increasing the resource remains. An updated resource evaluation and NI 43-101 report is underway. The company has filed a NI 43-101 compliant technical report on its Sugarloaf Peak gold prospect in Esmeralda County, western Nevada. At a 1 gram gold/tonne cut-off, indicated and inferred resources at Sugarloaf Peak's Tip Top Mine total 646,234 tonnes grading 2.9 grams gold/tonne – a total of 60,270 ounces.



Nevada is one of the world's great repositories of gold with reserves at year end 2008 estimated to be 70.4 million ounces – enough to maintain current production levels for another 12 years. However, this reserve figure will not remain static as there are several dozen exploration companies actively exploring for gold deposits and no doubt more resources and reserves will be defined. Due to the economic downturn, exploration spending in Nevada, like elsewhere, has declined a little with the 2007 spending of US \$168 million down to US \$158 in 2008.

Gold is not the only metal of interest to explorers in Nevada – lithium brine deposits in the Clayton Valley have also recently attracted much attention. In addition, Nevada hosts major deposits of copper, silver, molybdenum as well as industrial minerals such as barite, diatomite, dolomite, gypsum, limestone, perlite, salt, silica sand and specialty clays. The 2008 value of copper production of 175.5 million pounds totaled US \$555 million while the silver production of 7.96 million ounces was valued at US \$119 million.

It is noteworthy that Nevada is also home to extensive geothermal resources. In fact, in 2008, geothermal electric production came from 15 plants at 12 dif-

ferent sites – enough electricity to power 75,000 homes. The mining-friendly state of Nevada directly employed 14,613 workers who enjoyed the highest salaries of any industry with an average annual salary of US \$78,600, compared to a state-wide average of less than US \$43,000.

The Nevada mining industry plus its related service and supply industries accounted for over 51,850 jobs in 2008. Gold Mining in Nevada is dominated by senior companies **Barrick Gold Corp.**, [ABX-TSX, NYSE], **Newmont Mining Corp.** [NMC-TSX, NEM-NYSE] and **Goldcorp Inc.** [G-TSX, GG-NYSE]; however, the major gold trends – Carlin, Cortez, Battle Mountain, Eureka, Getchell and Walker Lane – remain very geologically attractive and are the scene

of many exploration programs by junior explorers. With Nevada accounting for over 79% of total U.S. gold production, and about 7.3% of world gold production, this extremely prolific state offers the resource stock investor numerous opportunities for profitable investments. For more information and an informative video on Nevada gold mining, go to www.nevadamin.org

5 MAX Resource Corp. [MXR-TSXV; MXROF-OTCBB; M1D-Frankfurt] has four mineral projects in Nevada: the Ravin (moly/tungsten), Table Top, East Manhattan Wash and Diamond Peak. MAX recently received assays from soil sampling at the East Manhattan Wash Project. Sampling was designed to further define geometry of the native gold mineralization in the two main areas of interest, the Gold Pit and the Old Drill Hole Grid, which sampling now indicates are joined. A total of 138 samples were taken, with values ranging up to 1.5 ppm gold. The total mineralized zone now encompasses an area 5,500 by 1,500 feet while remaining open to the north, east, and west. MAX plans a 16-hole drill program on its recently acquired Table Top Gold Project, Humboldt County.



6 Christopher James Gold Corp. [CJG-TSXV] is earning a 70% interest in the past-producing Highland Project and the nearby Buz Project, both in the Walker Lane Trend, and the Zebra Project in north-central Nevada. Zebra is a 50/50 J/V with Fortune River Resource, about 20 kilometres west of Newmont's Midas Mine and directly north of Yamana/Atna's recent Clover discovery. At the Highland Project, high-grade surface mineralization has been traced to 200 metres deep. Bonanza-grade mineralization of 20.26 grams gold/tonne and 24.1 grams silver/tonne over 1.2 metres and 66.9 grams gold/tonne and 397.7 grams silver/tonne over 1.5 metres within 12.2 metres of 9.5 grams gold/tonne and 109.4 grams silver/tonne has been intercepted at depths to 135 metres down plunge.



7 Lomiko Metals Inc. [LMR-TSXV; LMRMF-Pink Sheets] recently expanded its search for lithium projects to include North America as well as South America. To this end, the company has created a U.S. subsidiary, Lomiko Metals USA LLC, which has staked 552 lode claims comprising 4,615.4 hectares (11,405 acres) located 30 miles from Tonopah, in Esmeralda County, southwest Nevada. The mineral land position encompasses a large part of Alkali Flat in the Montezuma Valley which is prospective for economic grades of evaporite, or playa, deposits of lithium and other minerals.

The claims are strategically situated adjacent to the east of America's only producing lithium facility, the Chemetall Foote Corporation Silver Peak Lithium Brine Mine. In addition to lithium carbonate, Silver Peak is one of the world's leading producers of lithium hydroxide. The U.S. government recently awarded Chemetall US \$28.4 million to upgrade and expand the Silver Peak lithium brine mine as part of a program to supply sufficient lithium for the next generation of electric vehicle batteries that will be needed in the near future. The market for lithium-ion batteries is expected to grow at 25% per year. Lomiko is currently formulating plans to conduct an exploration program on its Alkali Flat lithium prospect.

Lomiko has another lithium project in Chile: the Salar de Aguas Calientes lithium property which surrounds the lithium mining concession of Sociedad Quimica y Minera de Chile S.A. which is located 70 kilometres from the SQM lithium production plant at Salar de Atacama.

