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Dirt Dozen List

	Rating	Target
Amaroq Minerals Ltd. (AMRQ)	NR	NR
Banyan Gold Corp. (BYN)	NR	NR
Cabral Gold Inc. (CBR)	Spec Buy	\$0.70
G2 Goldfields Inc. (GTWO)	NR	NR
Galway Metals Inc. (GWM)	Spec Buy	\$2.50
Gold Terra Resource Corp. (YGT)	NR	NR
Lavras Gold Corp. (LGC)	NR	NR
Liberty Gold Corp. (LGD)	Spec Buy	\$1.50
Maple Gold Mines Ltd. (MGM)	Spec Buy	\$0.65
Reunion Gold Corp. (RGD)	Spec Buy	\$1.20
Roscan Gold Corp. (ROS)	Spec Buy	\$0.85
Sitka Gold Corp. (SIG)	NR	NR

Adding Sitka to Our Dirt Dozen Favourite Explorers Watch List

Event

We are adding Sitka Gold to our Dirt Dozen Watch List of promising explorers. Sitka is a Yukon explorer adjacent to Victoria Gold and Banyan Gold, part of what we believe is an emerging new gold camp. We were impressed with the Sitka story at Beaver Creek and on September 26 it released the best drill hole yet on its flagship RC property.

Highlights

- ▶ **Investment Considerations** | We believe a major new gold camp is developing in the Victoria-Banyan area of the Yukon, an area labeled the Tombstone Belt, the eastern portion of the Tintina Gold Belt that spans the Yukon and Alaska. Victoria Gold (VGCX-T, \$17.00 TP, Buy) and Banyan Gold (BYN-T, \$0.75, Speculative Buy) were the focus of our Summer Solstice property tour of the Yukon and Alaska in June. The two companies already have 11Moz of measured, indicated and inferred (M+I+I) resources, the vast majority of which have been discovered since 2020, with visibility to 12–13Moz, making it a natural consolidation play longer term (M+I+I: VCGX 4.8Moz @ 0.57 gpT, BYN 6.2Moz @ 0.60 gpT). Sitka's flagship RC gold project is located immediately to the west of Victoria and Banyan, road accessible from the Klondike Highway (Figure 2). Sitka published an initial resource of 1.3Moz @ 0.68 gpT this January but has just scratched the surface of its 1850 claim, 376 km² land package. We see potential for large new discoveries on Sitka's land package and longer-term appeal as a consolidation play for a major gold company (e.g., neighbour Hecla).
 - **Mineralization Found in Both Intrusive and Metasedimentary Rocks:** This feature stood out to us. While gold mineralization in the district is thought to be intrusion-related, Victoria's Eagle project resource is primarily found in intrusive rocks (granodiorites), while Banyan's AurMac resource is all within metasedimentary rocks. BYN has yet to find the intrusive source(s), if they exist. Sitka's resource and recent drilling, including Hole 47 mentioned below, have been found in both types of rock packages, a clue that there could be substantial scale. Time and a lot more drilling will tell.
 - **Early Days for RC Project with 8 Drill-Ready Targets Among 20+ Promising Targets:** Sitka has six drill-ready intrusion-related targets identified in addition to the Blackjack and Eiger deposits with resource plus another 20+ promising exploration targets identified to date (Figure 3). Many of the exploration targets (small gold stars in Figure 3) are thought to be the surface expression of buried intrusions.
 - **RC Project Resource 1.3Moz @ 0.68 gpT published January 2023:** The resource is held within the Blackjack (0.9Moz @ 0.83 gpT) and Eiger deposits (0.4Moz @ 0.50 gpT), as shown in Figure 3. A resource of this grade would assume heap leaching, something that Victoria has demonstrated is possible. Not surprisingly, at this early stage, there has not been sufficient metallurgical work to ensure viable heap-leach recoveries in the mineralized intrusive and sedimentary packages; however, initial bottle roll tests by ALS indicated recovery potential of ~75–95% and no evidence of refractory complication (Figure 6).

- **Sitka Has a Portfolio of Five Properties in Canada and the U.S.:** While the RC project in the Yukon is clearly Sitka's flagship project and our focus, at the moment, it has four other large projects in its portfolio: the Alpha gold project in Nevada (Carlin type); Burro Creek gold project in Arizona (epithermal); OGI project in the Yukon (sedex zinc, silver, lead); and Coppermine River project in Nunavut (copper targets).
- ▶ **Drill Hole 47 Released September 26 Was Best to Date|** Hole DDRCCC-23-047 was the fifth hole released to date for Sitka's summer drill program of 15 holes. It had the best gram meter intersection to date on the RC project and had notably higher grades with 219m @ 1.34 gpT starting 190m down hole, including 125m @ 2.0 gpT starting 233m down hole. This hole is located at the south end of the Blackjack deposit, about 50m southeast of the existing 0.9Moz resource (Figures 4 & 5). In speaking with management on September 27, it was clear that other than the obvious tie in with the existing resource, it is not yet clear what controls the direction of this higher-grade mineralization. Management also was pleased, visually, with the core from two holes drilled on RC's east side, for which assays have yet to be received.
- ▶ **Performance |** Sitka has 221.7M shares outstanding, 330.6M fully diluted (incl. 99.4M warrants C\$0.15–C\$0.36/sh). Trading at C\$0.19/sh, its market cap is US\$31M. Shares have performed well this year: over the past month up 19% (vs. a median of -12% for the roughly 100 explorers we monitor), +73% YTD versus -26%.

Valuation & Conclusion

It is early days, but Sitka's large RC project looks quite promising to us. Located beside Victoria's 5Moz Eagle project and Banyan's 6Moz AurMac property, it shares the same rocks and its mineralization has been found in both the intrusive rock types that make up Eagle's resource and the metasediments that characterize AurMac's resource. Discovered in 2021, with limited drilling Sitka was able to pull together a 1.3Moz resource for RC in January 2023. We feel Sitka is a worthy candidate to add to our Dirt Dozen list of promising exploration plays. We like its exploration potential over the next few years and the potential for it to be an attractive part of a regional consolidation play longer term. While the Dirt Dozen list is made up of more advanced exploration plays, those with a resource already outlined, in most cases these are just snapshots in time and much more remains to be discovered. This is certainly the case for Sitka. Stay tuned. Nine more holes from the 2023 drill program have yet to be released and drilling is expected to resume in late October/November. Sitka's treasury currently has C\$5.5M of hard dollars.

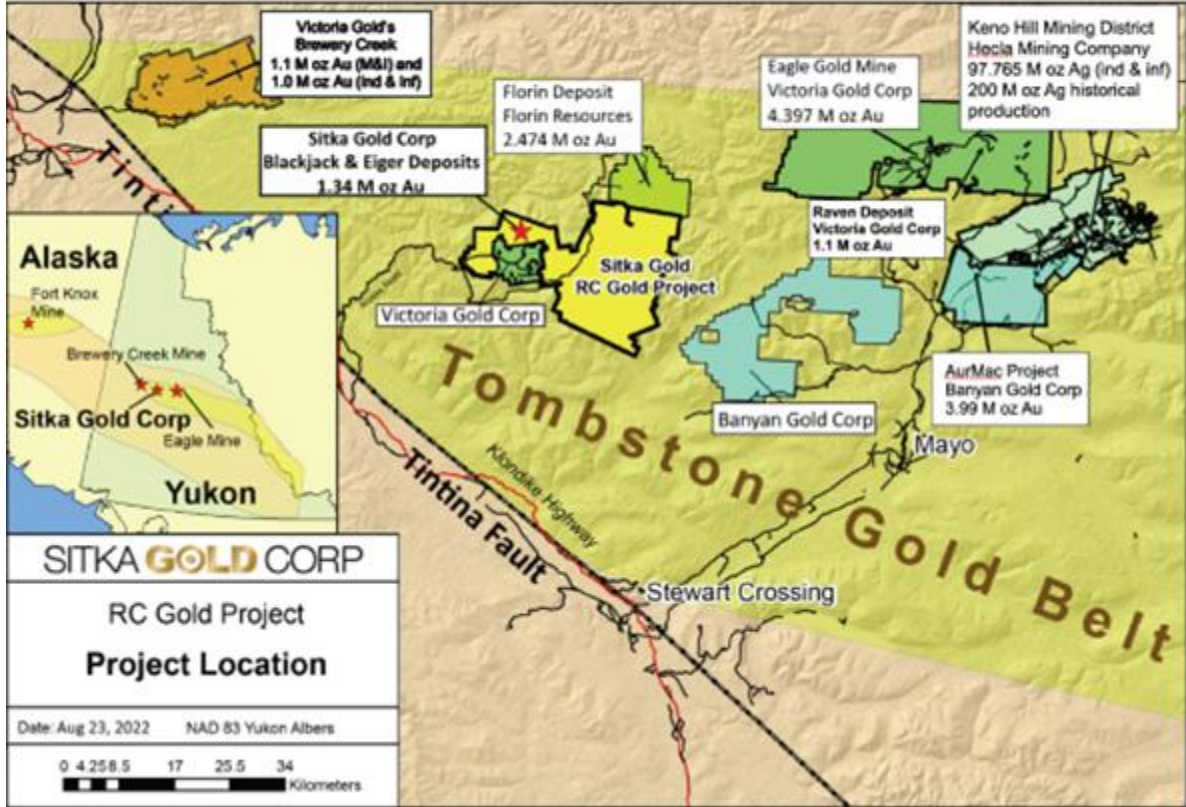
Figure 1: Our Dirt Dozen Explorer Watch List of Promising Explorers

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Gold and Precious Metals Explorers																	
Precious Metal Explorers, with current resource estimate - Paradigm Capital "Dirt Dozen" Index																	
Amaroq Minerals Ltd.	AMRQ-TSX.V	263.7	\$193	CS	0.99	1.12	0.50	-1%	1%	16%	39%	50%	74%	41%	9	0.00%	Canada
Banyan Gold Corp.	BYN-TSX.V	284.9	\$68	CS	0.32	0.51	0.30	-3%	-3%	2%	-15%	-20%	-7%	-19%	103	0.04%	Canada
Cabral Gold Inc.	CBR-TSX.V	186.5	\$16	CS	0.12	0.31	0.10	0%	0%	-18%	0%	5%	-56%	-15%	226	0.12%	Canada
G2 Goldfields Inc.	GTWO-TSX.V	164.7	\$98	CS	0.80	0.96	0.51	0%	0%	5%	-2%	-2%	36%	16%	110	0.07%	Canada
Galway Metals Inc.	GWM-TSX.V	74.9	\$14	CS	0.26	1.02	0.24	6%	-6%	-20%	-35%	-48%	-69%	-62%	65	0.09%	Canada
Gold Terra Resource Corp.	YGT-TSX.V	281.2	\$15	CS	0.07	0.21	0.06	-7%	-18%	-13%	-13%	-46%	-55%	-56%	48	0.02%	Canada
Lavras Gold Corp.	LGC-TSX.V	41.1	\$47	CS	1.55	1.79	0.21	15%	9%	308%	474%	356%	574%	400%	210	0.51%	Canada
Liberty Gold Corp.	LGD-TSX	342.1	\$70	CS	0.28	0.79	0.27	-8%	-4%	-20%	-40%	-51%	-20%	-52%	792	0.23%	Canada
Maple Gold Mines Ltd.	MGM-TSX.V	339.6	\$15	CS	0.06	0.25	0.06	0%	-8%	-25%	-57%	-63%	-67%	237	0.07%	Canada	
Reunion Gold Corp.	RGD-TSX.V	1199.7	\$382	CS	0.43	0.60	0.29	-1%	-3%	-17%	-10%	13%	21%	2%	1,322	0.11%	Canada
Roscan Gold Corp.	ROS-TSX.V	379.1	\$36	CS	0.13	0.25	0.12	-4%	-13%	-7%	-19%	-21%	-13%	-26%	386	0.10%	Canada
Sitka Gold Corp.	SIG-CSE	221.7	\$31	CS	0.19	0.19	0.09	0%	0%	19%	81%	65%	27%	73%	572	0.26%	Canada
"Dirt Dozen" Average		\$82				0%	0%	-4%	-1%	34%	20%	37%	20%	20%	340	0.13%	
"Dirt Dozen" Median		\$42				0%	0%	-4%	-7%	-10%	-2%	-7%	-15%	-15%	226	0.10%	

Source: Paradigm Capital Inc., Bloomberg

Figure 2: Sitka Is Located Adjacent to Victoria Gold & Banyan Gold with M&I Resources 11Moz

Emerging New Gold District



Source: Company filings

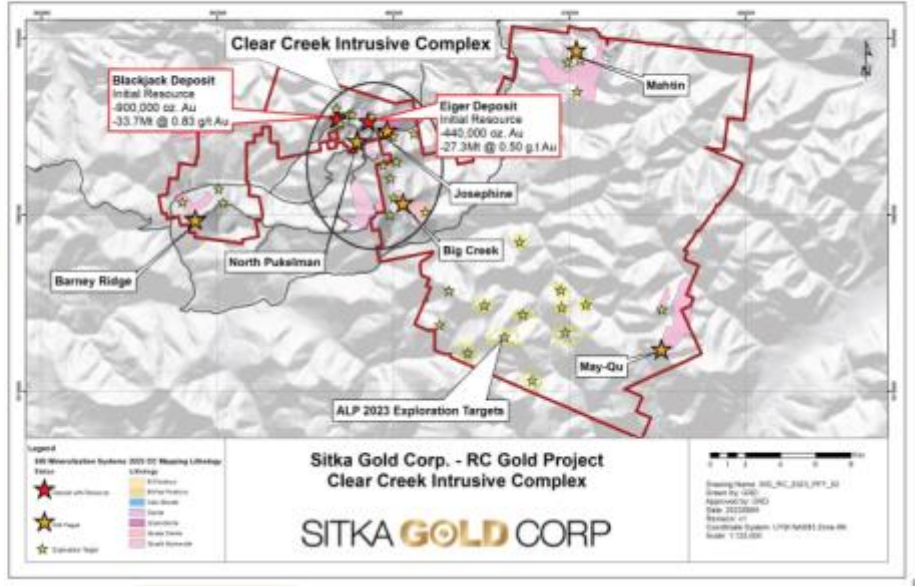
Figure 3: Sitka’s Flagship RC Project – Exploration Targets – Many Targets, Early Days

RC Gold Project

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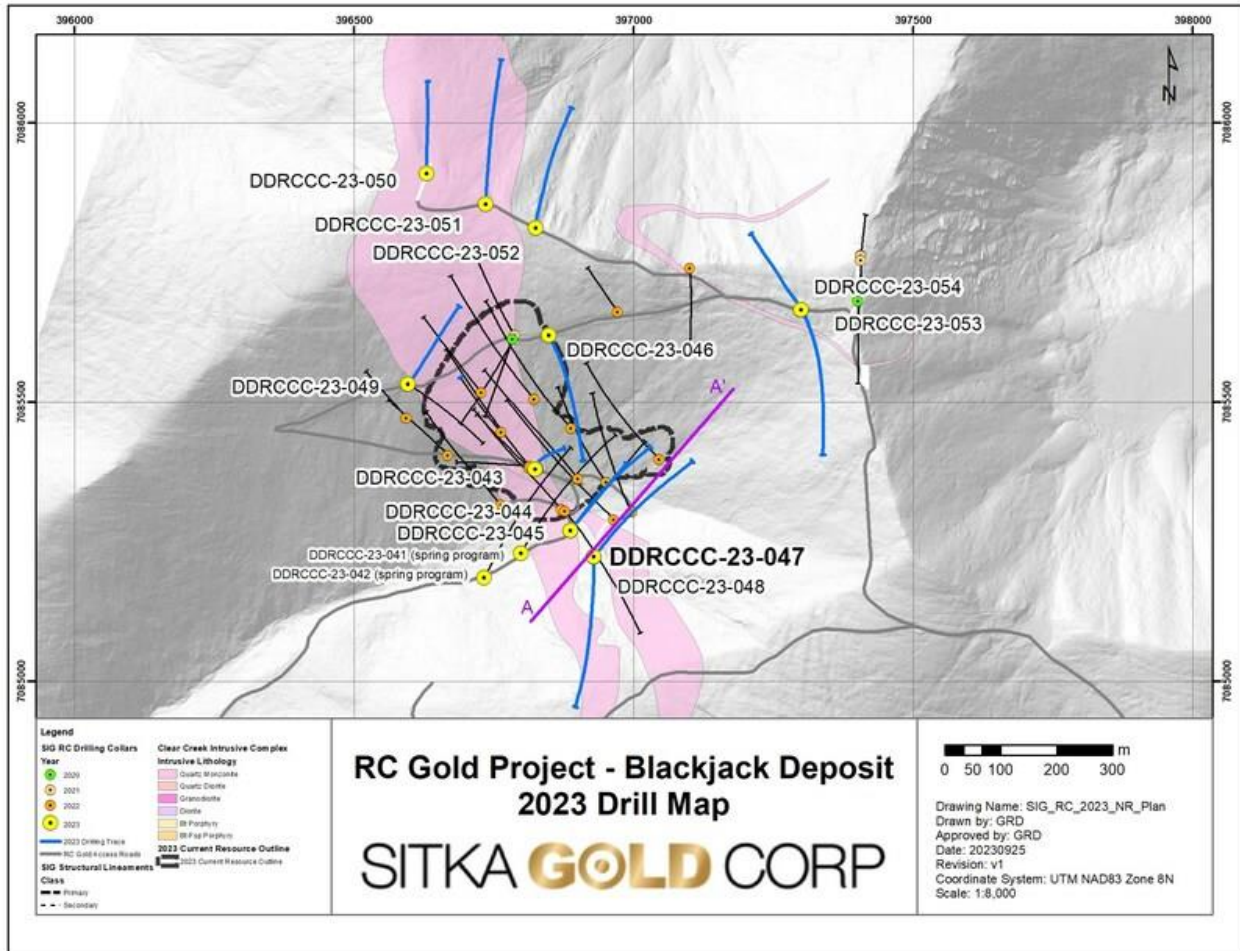
Project Description

- Blackjack and Eiger Deposits discovered in 2021
- Nine under-explored Tombstone-age intrusive bodies exist within the project area. Focused on Northern Clear Creek Intrusive Complex
- Largely underexplored with several **drill ready** intrusion-related gold deposit targets as well as high-grade vein, breccia and stockwork hosted gold targets
- Several producing placer gold mines active within project claims
- Placer mine roads provides access across entire 376 km² land package



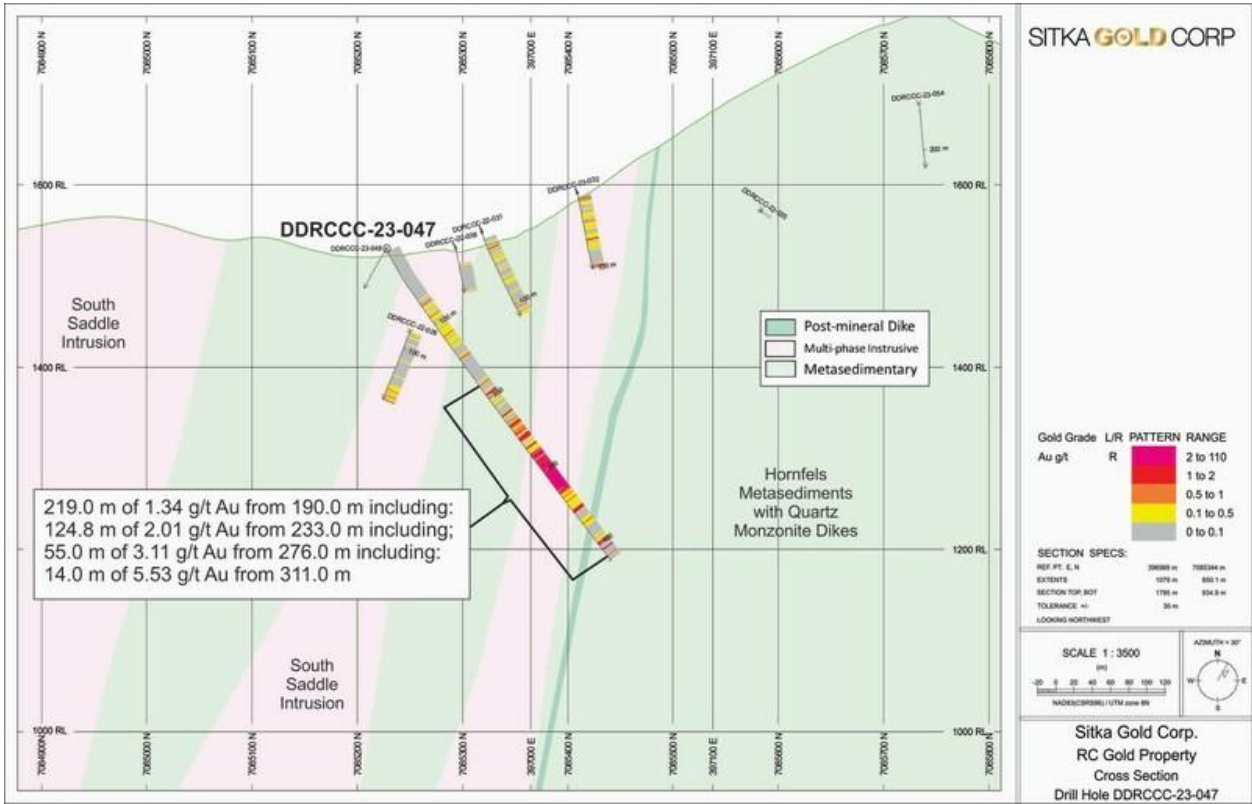
Source: Company filings

Figure 4: Sitka's Blackjack Deposit, Part of the RC Project – Best Hole Yet H47 Released Sept. 26



Source: Company filings

Figure 5: Section Showing Interpreted Geology and Hole 47



Source: Company filings

Figure 6: Initial Metallurgical Results

Table 1 - Summary of Metallurgical Bottle Roll Tests

Hole ID	Zone	Depth Interval (m)		ALS Geochemistry Assay - g/t	Au Extraction - percent	NaCN consumption - kg/t
DDRCCC-21-007	Blackjack	268	270	0.92	74.9	0.3
DDRCCC-21-007	Blackjack	284	286	5.49	82.2	0.4
DDRCCC-21-021	Blackjack	154	156	4.94	83.7	0.3
DDRCCC-22-024	Blackjack	80	82	35.6	94.1	0.4
DDRCCC-21-009	Eiger	118	120	1.04	85.4	0.5
DDRCCC-21-009	Eiger	202	204	6.25	88.5	0.5

Source: Company filings

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Cabral Gold Inc.	CBR-CA	2,3
Galway Metals Inc.	GWM-CA	2,3
Liberty Gold Corp.	LGD-CA	3
Maple Gold Mines Ltd.	MGM-CA	3
Reunion Gold Corp.	RGD-CA	2,3
Roscan Gold Corp.	ROS-CA	3
Victoria Gold Corp.	VCGX-CA	3,5

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