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## NEWS RELEASE

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### **CASINO DEPOSIT: INITIATION OF PRE-FEASIBILITY STUDY and INTENTION TO EXERCISE CASINO OPTION AGREEMENT**

Western Copper Corporation ("Western Copper" or "the Company") has retained M3 Engineering & Technology Corporation of Tucson, Arizona, ("M3") to prepare a Pre-Feasibility Study on the Casino Deposit ("Casino"). This deposit which has had in excess of 90,000 m. of exploration drilling to date will be positioned for a follow-on Feasibility Study upon successful completion of the Pre-Feasibility Study.

Western Copper representatives recently completed a site visit at Casino including a preliminary assessment of potential operational lay-outs as well as helicopter reconnaissance of a potential access road extension through to the deposit. Western Copper will also undertake both power and transportation studies in conjunction with M3's Pre-Feasibility Study.

The Casino porphyry copper - molybdenum - gold deposit is located approximately 120 kilometres northwest of the Company's Carmacks Copper Project in the Yukon Territory.

The current NI 43-101 compliant Measured & Indicated Mineral Resources estimate for the Casino deposit is as follows:

#### **Measured**

<b>Material</b>	<b>Cut off grade</b>	<b>Tonnes (millions)</b>	<b>Au g/t</b>	<b>Cu %</b>	<b>Mo %</b>
Oxide Gold Cap	0.40 g/t Au	31	0.59	0.07	0.02
Supergene Oxide	0.3% Cu Eq	25	0.46	0.35	0.02
Supergene sulphide	0.3% Cu Eq	47	0.41	0.36	0.03
Hypogene	0.3% Cu Eq	174	0.26	0.21	0.03

#### **Indicated**

<b>Material</b>	<b>Cut off grade</b>	<b>Tonnes (millions)</b>	<b>Au g/t</b>	<b>Cu %</b>	<b>Mo %</b>
Oxide Gold Cap	0.40 g/t Au	7	0.48	0.06	0.01
Supergene Oxide	0.3% Cu Eq	18	0.21	0.29	0.01
Supergene sulphide	0.3% Cu Eq	76	0.26	0.30	0.02
Hypogene	0.3% Cu Eq	623	0.21	0.19	0.02



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## Measured and Indicated

Material	Cut off grade	Tonnes (millions)	Au g/t	Cu %	Mo %
Oxide Gold Cap	0.40 g/t Au	38	0.57	0.07	0.02
Supergene Oxide	0.3% Cu Eq	42	0.35	0.33	0.02
Supergene sulphide	0.3% Cu Eq	124	0.32	0.32	0.02
Hypogene	0.3% Cu Eq	798	0.22	0.20	0.02
<b>Total (excl oxide gold)</b>	<b>0.3% Cu Eq</b>	<b>964</b>	<b>0.24</b>	<b>0.22</b>	<b>0.02</b>
Contained Metal			million oz	billion lbs	million lbs
Supergene and Hypogene zones			7.39	4.67	425
Oxide Gold Cap			0.70		

*Cu Equivalent Prices: Cu \$ 0.90/lb, Au \$375/oz., Mo \$4/lb*

Western Copper will be exercising the option and paying C\$ 1 million cash to acquire the Casino Deposit in the Yukon Territory in accordance with its option agreement with Great Basin Gold.

Western Copper has agreed to extend the option completion date from July 15, 2007 to August 17, 2007 latest to allow Great Basin Gold Ltd. to attend to internal corporate administrative matters.

Jonathan Clegg, P.Eng., is the Qualified Person for the technical information in this news release in accordance with NI 43-101.

On behalf of the board,

*"Dale Corman"*

F. Dale Corman  
C.E.O. and Co-Chairman

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