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Casino Mining Corp. Launches Website to Support Proposal to YESAB

WHITEHORSE, YUKON – Casino Mining Corporation (“Casino” or the “Company”) is pleased to announce the submission of its Project Proposal to the Yukon Environmental and Socio-economic Assessment Board (“YESAB”) for its proposed copper and gold mine and the launch of a website to facilitate the dissemination of information about the project.

This submission marks Casino’s first step in the territory’s assessment, permitting and licensing process. YESAB will assess the project to identify potential environmental and socio-economic effects. Following a positive recommendation to proceed from YESAB, Casino will secure a Quartz Mining License and Land Use Permit from the Yukon Government and a Water Use License from the Yukon Water Board to allow for the construction and operation of Casino Mine.

To maintain an ongoing and open dialogue with Yukon residents throughout the permitting process, Casino has launched a project-specific website at www.casinomining.com. The Company will post information about the project as it becomes available throughout the process.

“We are eager to keep Yukoners up-to-date and to be responsive to their inquiries and feedback about the project. Our new website is an effective tool to facilitate this approach and to support our firm commitment to building and operating a mine that meets community expectations for safety, environmental protection and good corporate citizenship,” said Paul West-Sells, President of Casino Mining Corporation. “We will also continue to engage face-to-face, as we have over the past six years, with Yukon First Nation governments, communities and the territorial and federal governments.”

Once approved, Casino will initially produce approximately 400,000 ounces of gold and 200 million pounds of copper each year. The mine will employ up to 1,000 people during its construction and provide 600 full-time jobs during its operation.

The launch of the website and the submission of the Project Proposal to YESAB signify the conclusion of a six-year engineering and baseline collection program to support the Yukon development assessment process. This work included engineering, hydrology, hydrogeology, fisheries research, wildlife surveys and analysis, socio-economic analysis, heritage and archaeology studies and water quality sampling for both the mine site and along the proposed access road (the Freegold Road and Freegold Road Extension, formerly referred to as the Casino Trail).

To learn more about the Casino project, please visit www.casinomining.com.

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About Casino Mining Corporation

Casino Mining Corporation, a wholly-owned subsidiary of Western Copper and Gold Corporation, is focused on advancing its world-class copper and gold project in the Yukon through the environmental and socio-economic effects assessment, permitting and licensing process to production, while operating in an environmentally responsible manner. Casino Mining Corporation takes a careful, considered and balanced approach that employs responsible mining practices and provides socio-economic benefits and opportunities for all Yukon residents. For more information, please visit the website at: www.casinomining.com.

About Western Copper and Gold Corporation

Western Copper and Gold Corporation is a Vancouver-based exploration and development company with significant copper, gold and molybdenum resources and reserves. The Company has 100 per cent ownership of the Casino Project located in the Yukon. The Casino Project is one of the world's largest open-pit gold, copper, silver and molybdenum deposits. For more information, please visit www.westerncopperandgold.com.

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