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## Mary Mioska Joins the Casino Project Team

WHITEHORSE, YUKON – Casino Mining Corporation (“Casino” or the “Company”) is pleased to announce Mary Mioska, Senior Environmental Manager, as the newest member to join the Casino project management team.

Ms. Mioska brings years of expertise in managing the environmental aspects of mining projects, from exploration through to operational mine site monitoring. She has a technical background in water quality protection and permitting, and direct Yukon experience in leading permit applications and compliance of local mining operations with territorial and federal regulations.

Ms. Mioska has an environmental engineering degree from UBC, and her Master’s thesis examined passive bioremediation of contaminated groundwater at a mine in the Yukon, with a focus on selenium and heavy metal removal.

“We welcome Ms. Mioska into our team, as she will be instrumental in ensuring that advancement of the Casino Project occurs in a manner that is environmentally and socially responsible and is in the best interest of the Yukon.” says Casino President Paul West-Sells.

At the beginning of the year, Casino submitted its Project Proposal to the Yukon Environmental and Socio-Economic Assessment Board (YESAB) for review. The submission is a milestone for Casino, marking the completion of rigorous field studies and the beginning of the YESAB process. 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.

To learn more about the Casino project, please visit [www.casinomining.com](http://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](http://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](http://www.westerncopperandgold.com).

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