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A2GOLD COMMENCES RC DRILLING AT TARGET PENTE AT EASTSIDE GOLD-SILVER PROJECT

3,700 METRE PROGRAM TO TEST FOR HIGH-GRADE EPITHERMAL VEIN POTENTIAL

Tonopah, Nevada / September 28, 2026 – A2Gold Corp. (“A2Gold” or the “Company”) (TSX-V: AUAU) (OTCQX: AUXXF) (FRA: RR7) is pleased to announce that reverse-circulation (“RC”) drilling has commenced at Target Pente at the Company’s flagship Eastside Gold-Silver Project (“Eastside” or the “Project”) near Tonopah, Nevada.

Following finalization of drill targeting and hole design, the current program is expected to consist of approximately **8 RC drill holes totaling 3,700 metres**.

The program is designed to test the potential for **high-grade epithermal veins**, consistent with A2Gold’s strategy of targeting high-grade mineralization within the broader Eastside district rather than simply expanding the known bulk-tonnage gold-silver mineralization.

Target Pente Drill Program

Target Pente is one of several high-priority exploration targets identified across the Company’s extensive Eastside land package and represents the next phase of A2Gold’s 2026 exploration program at Eastside.

Previous drilling at Target Pente intersected shallow, low-grade gold mineralization associated with rhyolite flow dome margins and faults (**Figure 1**). Recent geological mapping has identified several outcropping, silicified fault zones with potential to host high-grade gold-silver mineralization at depths below those tested by the previous vertical RC drill program.

The planned 8-hole RC drill program will test a series of priority structural targets interpreted to have the potential to host high-grade gold-silver mineralization associated with epithermal veins.

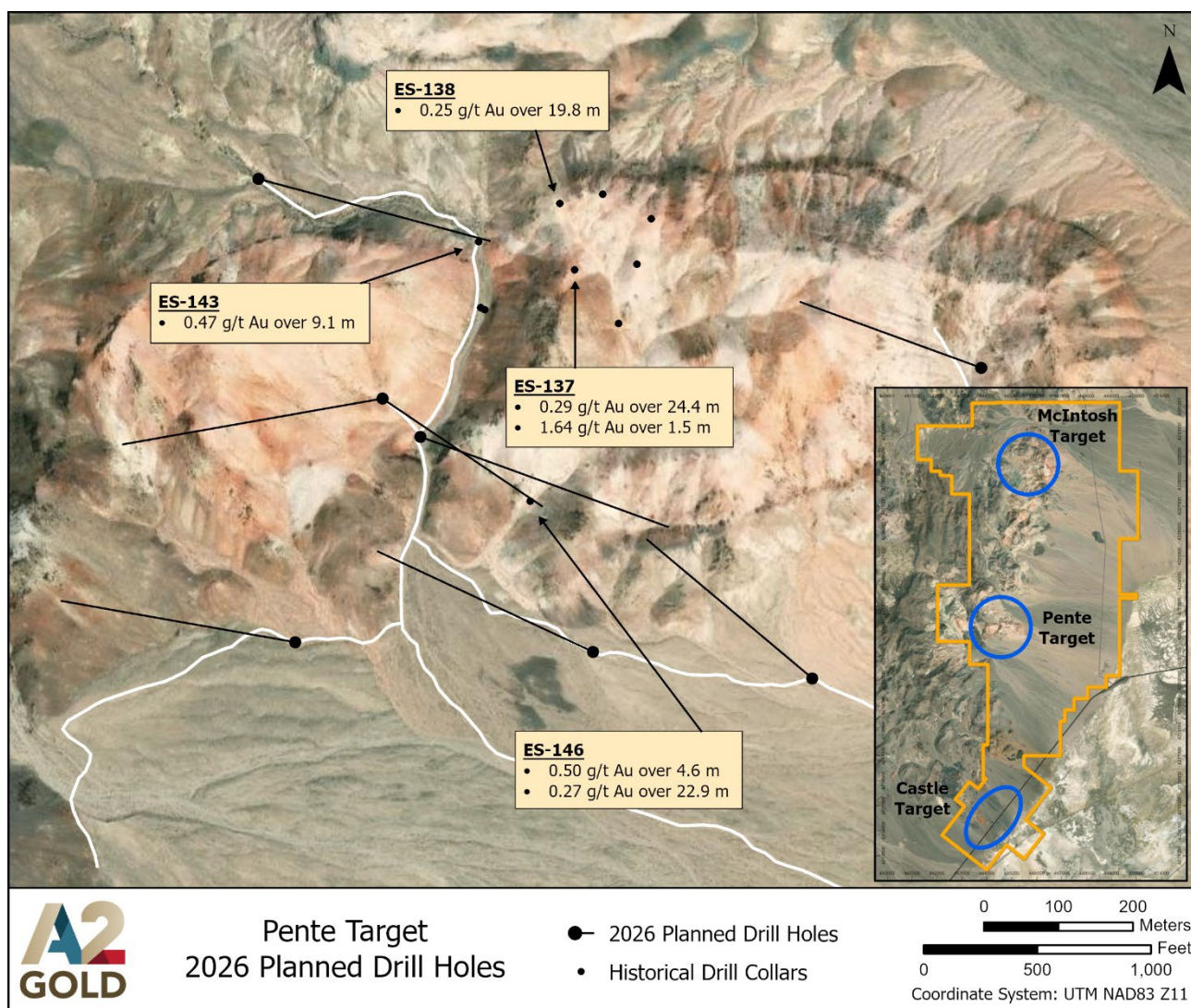


Figure 1: Plan view map that shows the 2026 RC drill program for Target Pente.

A2Gold's exploration strategy at Eastside is increasingly focused on identifying and testing the high-grade components of the broader epithermal system. The Company believes Eastside's large land package, extensive alteration footprint and multiple known centers of mineralization provide significant opportunities for additional discoveries.

Peter Gianulis, CEO, commented:

"With drilling now underway at Pente, we are moving directly into the next phase of our exploration strategy at Eastside. Our focus is increasingly on testing the potential for high-grade veins within this very large epithermal system, rather than simply expanding upon the known bulk-tonnage gold-silver mineralization.

Pente provides us with an opportunity to test a series of priority structural targets that we believe have the potential to host high-grade gold-silver mineralization. Together with our ongoing work at Castle and McIntosh, we are systematically evaluating the broader Eastside district with an increasing emphasis on identifying the high-grade components of this large mineralized system."

Qualified Person

John Marma, CPG, a Certified Professional Geologist with the American Institute of Professional Geologists and a Qualified Person as defined by National Instrument 43-101, has reviewed and approved the scientific and technical information contained in this news release.

About A2Gold Corp

A2Gold Corp. has built a multi-asset gold-silver exploration platform in Nevada, one of the world's premier mining jurisdictions. The Company controls approximately 230 km² of prospective mineral tenure across its Eastside and Taylor projects, both district-scale assets with large precious metals resources with significant exploration and resource growth potential.

Eastside hosts an inferred mineral resource of 1.4 million ounces of gold and 8.8 million ounces of silver*, while Taylor adds a highly prospective exploration district with gold, silver, antimony and porphyry-skarn upside. Backed by a fully funded exploration program and a strong pipeline of catalysts, A2Gold is focused on unlocking value through resource expansion, new discoveries and systematic district-scale exploration.

A2Gold is also supported by a strong shareholder base, including Kinross Gold Corporation, which owns approximately 9.9% of the Company's issued and outstanding shares.

* Updated Resource Estimate and NI 43-101 Technical Report, Eastside and Castle Gold-Silver Project Technical Report, Esmeralda County, Nevada, prepared by Mine Development Associates of Reno, Nevada, with an effective date of July 30, 2021. Pit-constrained Inferred Resources, using a cut-off grade of 0.15 g/t Au, total 61,730,000 tonnes grading 0.55 g/t Au and 4.4 g/t Ag at the Original Pit Zone, representing 1,090,000 ounces of gold and 8,700,000 ounces of silver, and 19,986,000 tonnes grading 0.49 g/t Au at the Castle Area, representing 314,000 ounces of gold, using a gold price of US\$1,725/ounce. Mineral resources are not mineral reserves and do not have demonstrated economic viability. Inferred mineral resources are considered too speculative geologically to have economic considerations applied to them that would enable them to be categorized as mineral reserves.

On Behalf of the Board

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