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# **RPM Gold Project Operational Update**

## **Drilling at RPM North Confirms Continuous Mineralization and Visible Gold**

### **Highlights**

- Ongoing resource drilling at the RPM North Deposit shows wide zones of continuous mineralization up and down dip of hole RPM-005
- Visible Gold observed in current drillholes.
- Selective sampling of mineralized veins in drill core return assays up to 1,330 g/t Au.
- Drilling has now commenced to test the RPM South zone, which exhibits the same geological characteristics and a larger surface sample anomaly footprint than RPM North.
- Infill and Step-out drilling continues off the RPM Pad 1 to prove up and expand the existing 1.5Mozs @ 2.0g/t Inferred resource at the RPM North Deposit.
- Step-out drilling has now commenced at the RPM Pad 2 to expand the existing resource along strike to the west by several hundred meters.
- Diamond drilling shows further encouraging results from the previous wide spaced program.
   Follow up drilling to the west continues following the most western hole being the RPM-005 132m @ 10.1g/t Au intercept (ASX Announcement: 11 September 2021) and the genetic link between RPM-007.
- Continuous flow of drill results from the ongoing Korbel and RPM programs to be reported
   throughout the year, as assay results become available
- To view the latest fly through video of the Estelle Gold Project please click here

**Nova CEO, Mr Christopher Gerteisen commented:** "The RPM deposit continues to deliver, with a similar style of strong gold mineralization now being observed in the core from the new holes RPM-007 and RPM-008, drilled up and down dip respectively of RPM-005 wherein last year we intersected 132m @ 10.1g/t Au. We are very encouraged by initial geological observations and are now anticipating positive assay results to be returned which will show the potential for down dip continuity of the mineralization which starts at surface to a depth of over 300m. Early indications from these first infill holes certainly support our main objective this year of proving up the existing 1.5Mozs @ 2.0g/t Inferred resource to Indicated status. We are also now drilling at Pad 2 to step out from the existing resource area which is aimed at expanding the resource along strike to the west of the existing resource centered around RPM-005. Anomalous magnetics which is picking up the gold

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associated minerals in the ground show a potential strike length at RPM North of 1.4km. We can't cover it all this year, but the current drill programs intend to test some of that near resource strike potential with plenty of further upside remaining moving forward.

Drilling has also commenced at RPM South on Pad 6 which has the potential to open up a new gold zone of similar size and tenor to RPM North. All of this bodes well for proving up and expanding the resource at RPM which will be included in our Phase 2 Scoping Study to be completed later this year. For the time being, drilling continues full steam ahead at RPM with 3 rigs currently operating.

In addition, reconnaissance exploration is now underway across the wider Estelle Gold Trend. In line with our high-grade discoveries at Train and Stoney last year, we expect to report further significant discoveries this year as well."

Nova Minerals Limited (Nova or the Company) (ASX: NVA, OTC: NVAAF, FSE: QM3) is pleased to report on very strong indicators of continuous high-grade mineralization observed over large widths and depths from the initial holes drilled at the RPM Deposit (Figure 2) as the Company progresses the development of its flagship Estelle Gold Project in Alaska.

This release covers these geological observations in the current drilling as well as the remaining drilling results from the current program, and which are considered material information to Nova shareholders. All assay results remain pending.

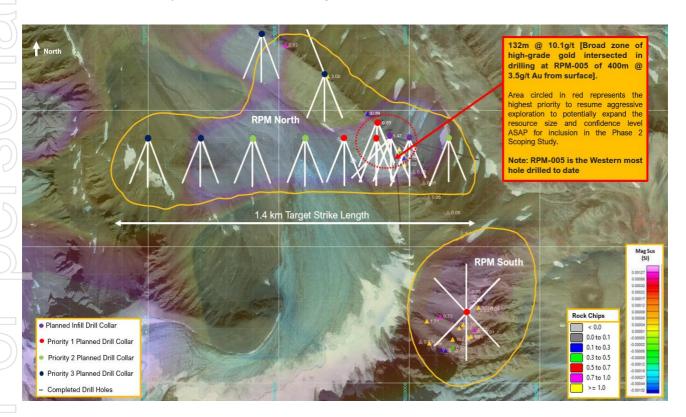


Figure 1. RPM showing gold targets and the current resource drill plan



#### **RPM North Resource Drilling**

Resource drilling at RPM is currently underway with 2 rigs at RPM North and one rig at RPM South. Drillholes RPM-007 and RPM-008 were completed to infill and test the dip continuity around hole RPM-005 with encouraging geological results. Broad zones of strong mineralization genetically linked to RPM-005 were observed in the drill core from both RPM-007 and RPM-008 confirming continuity of the mineralized zone down dip to a depth of over 300m that was tested and remains open at depth (Figure 3). Along with the typical veining and mineralogy associated with high grade gold at RPM (Figures 4 - 11), visible gold was also observed in drill core from RPM-008 (Figure 12).

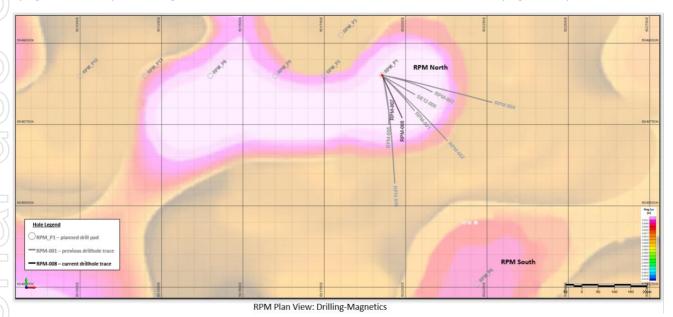
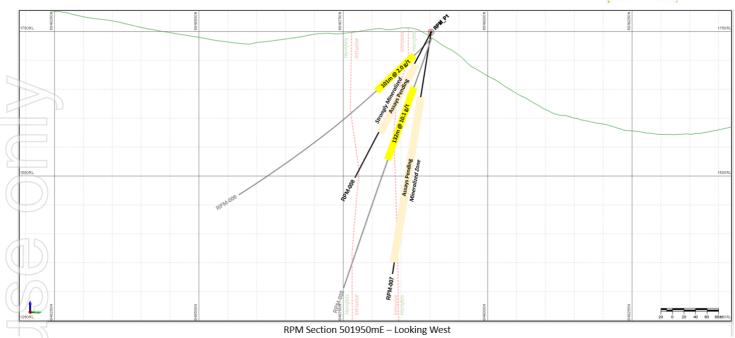


Figure 2. RPM deposit completed drillholes and planned drill pads

Infill and extensional drilling is ongoing on Pad 1 (RPM\_P1) with 2 holes completed to date (RPM-007 and 008). Extensional drilling has also commenced with a 2<sup>nd</sup> rig on Pad 2. Drilling has also now commenced with a 3<sup>rd</sup> rig on Pad 6 targeting for the first time a promising new gold zone at RPM South identified as a large high grade rock chip surface anomaly with similar geological indicators as RPM North.





**Figure 3.** RPM North Section 501950mE showing continuity of mineralization along the dip direction from surface and infilling around hole RPM-005.

Mineralization at RPM North is hosted within a broad hanging wall contact zone between a Grano-Diorite Intrusive and Hornfels country rocks. The mineralized zone is readily observed in drill core and characterized by shear structures and a high density of sheeted quartz+sulfide+/-tourmaline veins with the highest grades typically associated with abundant chunky arsenopyrite. Mineralization is observed across contact zone within both rock types. While still inconclusive, previous drillhole assay results indicate a tendency for the some of the highest grades to concentrate within the contact intrusive rocks. Mineralization decreases towards the lower contact of the Intrusive with footwall Hornfels typically barren.

RPM-007 was drilled down-dip of hole RPM-005 to a total depth of 420m. A ~300m broad zone of weak to strong mineralization was observed from 110m to 410m depth. Summary of Mineralization log provided in Table 1.

RPM-008 was drilled up-dip of hole RPM-005 to total depth of 292m. A ~130m broad zone of strong to moderate mineralization was observed from 60m to 190m depth. Summary of mineralization log provided in Table 1.



### **Table 1. Drillhole Summary of Mineralization**

Hole_ID	From (m)	To (m)	Description	
RPM-007	0.0	1.5	no recovery	
RPM-007	1.5	3.0	heavily oxidized overburden	
RPM-007	3.0	32.3	heavily oxidized interval of hornfels with obscured sulfides, silicification where mottled qtz fluids are present. Wk phyl/chl alt where qtz occurs. Patchy silicification. Patchy sulfides both disseminated and in veinlets.	
RPM-007	32.3	236.4	ss common oxidation (largely on fx surfaces and occasionally within sulfide veinlets). Dissem sulfides in patchy silicification. Po>aspy>cpy>py. Phyl alt also sible within silicification. Tourmaline-sulfides veinlets occur but irregularly. Oxidation ends at 233.8	
RPM-007	236.4	237.0	possibly phyllic altered (weakly pale green hue) leucocratic qtz-eye porphyry. Short interval. Dissem py within few qtz-eyes	
RPM-007	237.0	243.4	dropoff in sulfide mineralization, phl/chl alt patchy. Trace sulfides overall.	
RPM-007	243.4	245.6	trace dissem py within leucocratic qtz-eye porphyry. Pervasive moderate silicification.	
RPM-007	245.6	277.9	phyl alt near qtz veining, mottled qtz occasional with associated albitic halos. Trace sulfides overall, po dominant. Very silicious	
RPM-007	277.9		fg phaneritic GRD or aplite(?) dike. Medium grey in color. Dissem trace py	
RPM-007	278.9		v silicious unit with rare to no disseminated sulfides. Py occasionally on fracture surfaces. Sulfides are contained within qtz mottling and rare QSV. Overall unremarkable. Po=py, v rare [g aspy and cpy. Where chlorite is dominant, less silicious	
RPM-007	333.7		trace dissem py within fg GRD (aplite??) dike. Weak silicification	
RPM-007	335.8		mottled silicification in hornfels, QSV contain mostly po with trace aspy. Fracture surfaces commonly contain po+py. Phyl halos present where QSV and/or qtz-mottling occurs	
RPM-007	349.3		unmineralized GRD, wk sil	
RPM-007	349.7		mottled silicification in hornfels, po dominant mineral overall. All sulfides are trace in general	
RPM-007	365.2		no visible sulfides in GRD unit	
RPM-007	365.9		po dominant sulfide, often occuring with cpy. Qtz mottling and green appearance (unknown alteration?). Occasional tourmaline stringers. Patchy trace sulfides overall.	
RPM-007	384.2		v trace patchy aspy in one QSV vn in GRD interval, wk seri halo	
RPM-007	388.3		trace dissem po. Sulfides largely contained within stringers and wormy mottled qtz-rich zones. Patchy sulfides overall. Trace tourmaline stringers often with sulfides	
RPM-007	392.7		no visible sulfides in GRD unit	
RPM-007	394.4		trace sulfides overall, wk.chl.alt, wk.pervasive silicification. Broad pale green section of unknown alteration, phyl?? Po+py trace dissem. Sulfides found within vehin stringers	
RPM-007	399.9		no visible sulfides in GRD unit	
RPM-007	400.1		po dominant sulfide, often occuring with opy. Less pervasive silicification, now patchy. Still occasional qtz-mottled. V patchy trace sulfides overall. Trace tourmaline. Occasionally po+-cpy+-py on fracture surfaces	
RPM-007	417.6		no visible sulfides in GRD unit	
RPM-007	418.1		short unit until end of hole. Patchy sulfides occuring in v thin stringers. Po dominant	
RPM-008	0.0		No recovery	
RPM-008	3.8		heavily oxidized interval of hornfels with obscured sulfides, clays in fracture zones, tourmaline viens present	
RPM-008	60.1	86.0	wkly silicified HOR, very common QSV (aspy) py>cpy), sulfides commonly associated with tourmaline, from 223.08-230.20 "75-100 sheeted sulfide stringers (py>aspy) cpy), some fracture surfaces contain sulfides, various creamy white clays, oxidation increases towards contact with QFP, trace Moly	
RPM-008	86.0	87.6	Melanocratic feldspar porphyry, a couple QSV on inch scale w/ patchy sulfides (Po>py>aspy), sheeted calcite vnlts, oxidation on some fracture surfaces	
RPM-008	87.6	70.5	GRD wt "2-3 QSV/m, clay alteration, tourmaline occasionally associated wtpatchy sulfides, white clays, QSV contain moly-aspy-trace py-trace cpy. QSV on inch scale.	
RPM-008	70.5	98.6	Large QTZ vn wł very patchy sulfides (mo>aspy>py). Some tourmaline vnlts present. Moderatly fractured	
RPM-008	98.6	131.4	GRD wt "2-3 QSV/m, clay alteration, patchy tourmaline occasionally associated wt sulfides, white clays, QSV contain aspy>py>mo>cpy. QSV on inch scale. VG at 380.48ft & 383.08ft located within QSV, au connected with/within aspy mineralization. Trace po	
RPM-008	131.4	133.2	Large QTZ vn w/ patchy sulfides (py=aspy>cpy). Some tourmaline vnlts present, sulfides usually present within vnlts. Moderatly fractured	
RPM-008	133.2	170.9	GRD w/ "1-2 QSV/m, clay alteration, rare phillic ateration, patchy tourmaline veins occasionally associated w/sulfides, white clays, QSV contain aspy>py>cpy.  QSV on inch scale. Some gouge associated with aspy viens	
RPM-008	170.9	172.6	Large QTZ vn wł rare patchy sulfides (aspy) py). Some tourmaline vnlts present, sulfides asocciated wł vnlts. Large biotite grains. Moderatly fractured	
RPM-008	172.6	190.3	GRD w/ "1QSV/m (locally up to 3vn/m), clay alteration, rare phillic ateration, patchy tourmaline veins occasionally associated w/ sulfides, white clays, QSV contain aspy,py,cpy. QSV on inch scale. Large biotite grians within some QSV (pegmitite).	
RPM-008	190.3	277.8	GRD w/ sheeted QTZ and QSV, very few sulfides in QSV (aspy> py> cpy), one with a tight phillic halo, sheared zones w/ argillic alteration throughout, most QTZ vns contain large biotite grains	
RPM-008	277.8	291.4	wkly silicified HOR, some sheeted QTZ vns, rare QSV (1-2) containing (aspy=py=cpy), stockwork CAL vns	

\*In relation to the disclosure of visual mineralisation, the Company cautions that visual estimates of sulfide mineral abundance should never be considered a proxy or substitute for a laboratory analysis. Assay results are required to determine the widths and grade of the visible mineralisation reported in preliminary geological logging. The Company will update the market when laboratory analytical results become available."





**Figure 4**. RPM-007 381.3 - 385.4m – moderately mineralized sheeted veins and shears near the Hornfels-Intrusive contact. (Note: depth on boxes in feet)



**Figure 5**. RPM-007 218m – Strongly mineralized quartz-sulfide veins containing arsenopyrite within hornfels unit. Strong dark hydrothermal tourmaline alteration halo around mineralized veins. (Note: depth written on boxes in feet)





Figure 6. RPM-007 135.1m Strongly mineralized hornfels with chunky arsenopyrite



Figure 7. RPM-007 130.8m Strongly mineralized bleached hornfels with chunky arsenopyrite





**Figure 8.** RPM-007 132.9m Strongly mineralized bleached hornfels with abundant sulfide veining and disseminated throughout rock.



**Figure 9.** RPM-008 116.2-119.9m Strongly mineralized thick quartz-sulfide veins within grano-diorite intrusive unit. Previous drillhole assay results have shown this material contains some of the highest grade zones at RPM North. (Note: depth written on boxes in feet)





Figure 10. RPM-008 62.3m – Tourmaline-arsenopyrite veins with bleached alteration selvage from strongly mineralized zone in hornfels.





**Figure 11.** RPM-008 106.7m – Strongly mineralized chunky quartz-sulfide veins within grano-diorite intrusive units. Contains arsenopyrite and tourmaline typical positive indicators for high grade gold.



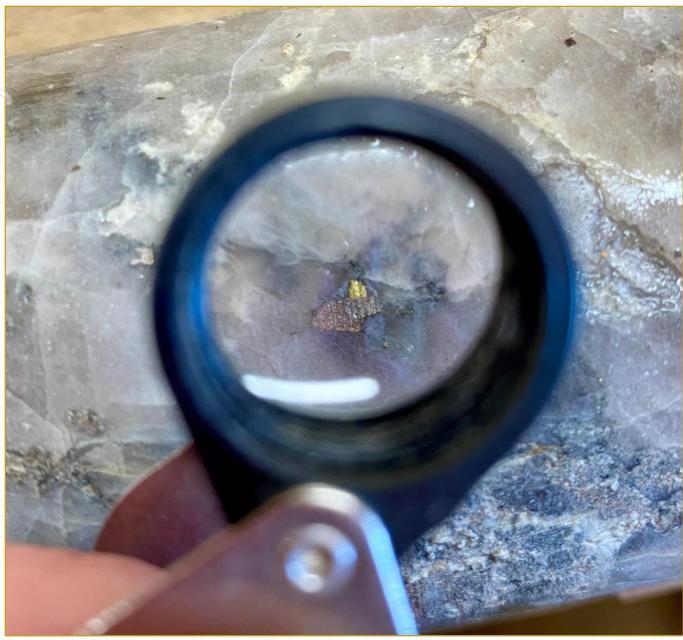


Figure 12. RPM-008 115.8m – Visible Gold in a quartz-sulfide vein within intrusive rocks.



Table 2. Inferred Resource Estimate, RPM deposit, Various Cut Off Grades - 31 g/t Au Cap

	Inferred			
Cut-off Au g/t	Tonnes	Grade Au g/t	Gold Ounces	
0.00	61,871,933	0.801	1,593,397	
0.05	47,922,893	1.029	1,585,463	
0.10	38,560,690	1.262	1,564,595	
0.15	32,002,128	1.495	1,538,218	
0.20	28,738,640	1.646	1,520,876	
0.25	24,993,693	1.859	1,493,852	
0.30	23,077,163	1.991	1,477,241	
0.35	20,927,883	2.162	1,454,718	
0.40	19,034,960	2.340	1,432,074	
0.45	17,466,558	2.512	1,410,668	
0.50	15,461,915	2.775	1,379,507	

#### **RPM Selective Samples – High Grade Gold**

A suite of selective vein samples was taken within mineralized intervals from drill core and submitted for assay to test the potential tenor of high-grade gold zones. The results are very encouraging and further confirms the potential for localized super high-grade gold zones within the RPM deposit. The results are presented in Table 3.

Table 3. Selective Vein Samples Taken from RPM Drill Core

Hole_ID	Depth m	Grade Au g/t	Samp_ID
RPM-005	126.2	16.3	RPM-OSS-11
RPM-005	131.1	62	RPM-OSS-13
RPM-005	132.7	17.1	RPM-OSS-14
RPM-005	135.9	813	RPM-OSS-16
RPM-005	162.6	67	RPM-OSS-21
RPM-005	164.7	16.9	RPM-OSS-22
RPM-005	171.7	1330	RPM-OSS-24
RPM-005	181.4	101	RPM-OSS-26
RPM-005	186.0	49.3	RPM-OSS-27
RPM-005	192.3	144	RPM-OSS-29
RPM-006	58.4	98	RPM-OSS-76
RPM-002	88.0	38.2	RPM-OSS-137



Table 4. RPM Drillhole Details

Hole_ID	UTM_E	UTM_N	ELEV (m)	EOH (m)	AZI	DIP	Zone	Assay Results
SE12-008	501928	6848900	1731	181	120	-50	North	Historic
RPM-001	501929	6848902	1729	380	135	-70	North	ASX : 9 September 2021
RPM-002	501929	6848902	1729	370	135	-45	North	ASX : 9 September 2021
RPM-003	501929	6848902	1729	465	100	-70	North	ASX : 18 October 2021
RPM-004	501929	6848902	1729	463	100	-45	North	ASX : 18 October 2021
RPM-005	501929	6848902	1729	459	170	-70	North	ASX : 11 October 2021
RPM-006	501929	6848902	1729	431	170	-50	North	ASX : 18 October 2021
RPM-007	501929	6848902	1729	420	155	-80	North	Assays Pending
RPM-008	501929	6848902	1729	292	155	-60	North	Assays Pending
RPM-009	501750	6848900	1628	-	135	-70	North	Drilling in Progress
RPM-010	501929	6848902	1729	-	155	-45	North	Drilling in Progress
RPM-011	502219	6848259	1932	-	225	-45	South	Drilling in Progress

Note: UTM = NAD83 Zone 5

#### Changes to CEO Remuneration

Due to the growing commitments, work-load and growth trajectory demonstrated at the Estelle Gold Trend by delivering on all objectives set out, the Board has agreed to adjust Mr Christopher Gerteisen base salary by receiving the same amount of \$252,000 however Mr Gerteisen will be paid in US dollars from Australian Dollars currently received.

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The Company's Estelle Trend development is a 35km long corridor of 21 identified gold prospects bracketed by the Korbel Project in the north and the RPM Project in the south. Currently, these two flagship projects have a combined total estimated JORC gold resource of 9.6 Moz (3 Moz Indicated and 6.6 Moz Inferred) and are host to extensive resource development programs.

Additionally, Nova holds a substantial interest in NASDAQ-listed lithium explorer Snow Lake Resources Ltd (NASDAQ: LITM) and a holding in Asra Minerals Limited (ASX: ASR), a gold exploration company based in Western Australia.



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Mr Dale Schultz P.Geo., Principle of DjS Consulting, who is an independent consulting geologist of a number of mineral exploration and development companies, reviewed and approves the technical information in this release and is a member of the Association of Professional Engineers and Geoscientists of Saskatchewan (APEGS), which is ROPO accepted for the purpose of reporting in accordance with ASX listing rules. Mr Schultz has sufficient experience relevant to the gold deposits under evaluation to qualify as a Competent Person as defined in the 2012 edition of the 'Australian Code for Reporting of Exploration Results, Mineral Resources and Ore Reserves'. Mr. Schultz is also a Qualified Person as defined by S-K 1300 rules for mineral deposit disclosure. Mr Schultz consents to the inclusion in the report of the matters based on information in the form and context in which it appears.



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## Appendix 2: JORC Code, 2012 Edition – Table 1 Estelle Gold Project - Alaska

### **Section 1 Sampling Techniques and Data**

Criteria	JORC Code Explanation	Commentary
Sampling	Nature and quality of sampling (eg cut	Core is systematically logged
techniques	channels, random chips, or specific	from collar to EOH
	specialised industry standard measurement	characterizing rock type,
	tools appropriate to the minerals under	mineralization, and alteration.
	investigation, such as down hole gamma	Oriented core measurements
	sondes, or handheld XRF instruments, etc.).	of structural features are
	These examples should not be taken as	taken where appropriate.
	limiting the broad meaning of sampling.	Geotechnical measurements
	Include reference to measures taken to	such as recoveries and
	ensure sample representivity and the	RQDs are taken at 10-foot
	appropriate calibration of any measurement	(3.05 m) intervals. Samples
	tools or systems used.	are taken each 10 feet
	Aspects of the determination of	(3.05m) unless there is a
	mineralisation that are Material to the Public	change in lithology, whereby
	Report.	< 3.05m selective samples
	In cases where 'industry standard' work has	may be taken. In these cases
	been done this would be relatively simple (e.g.	samples are broken to
	'reverse circulation drilling was used to obtain	lithologic boundaries.
	1 m samples from which 3 kg was pulverised	Samples are then half cut
	to produce a 30 g charge for fire assay'). In	with one of the half cuts
	other cases more explanation may be	being sent to the ALS lab in
	required, such as where there is coarse Au	Fairbanks Alaska for
	that has inherent sampling problems. Unusual	processing. The remaining
	commodities or mineralisation types (e.g.	half core is returned to the
	submarine nodules) may warrant disclosure of	box and safely stored as
	detailed information.	reference material.
Drilling	Drill type (e.g. core, reverse circulation,	<ul> <li>HQ diamond core triple tube,</li> </ul>
techniques	open-hole hammer, rotary air blast, auger,	down hole surveys every 150
	Bangka, sonic, etc.) and details (e.g. core	feet (~50m), using a Reflex
	diameter, triple or standard tube, depth of	ACT-III tool.
	diamond tails, face-sampling bit or other type,	
	whether core is oriented and if so, by what	
	method, etc.).	
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Criteria	JORC Code Explanation	Commentary
Drill sample recovery	Method of recording and assessing core and chip sample recoveries and results assessed.     Measures taken to maximise sample recovery and ensure representative nature of the samples.     Whether a relationship exists between sample recovery and grade and whether sample bias may have occurred due to preferential loss/gain of fine/coarse material	• Core is processed at the onsite certified crush/split preplab with ~250g sample being sent of site to the ALS analytical lab in Reno Nevada. Recoveries were recorded for all holes, into a logging database to 3cm on a laptop computer by a qualified geologist using the drillers recorded depth against the length of core recovered. No significant core loss was observed. • Triple tube HQ to maximise core recovery and enable orientation of core. • No known relationship between sample recovery and grade. As no samples have been taken as yet, no assay results are reported, visual results only.



	Criteria	JORC Code Explanation	Commentary
	Logging	Whether core and chip samples have been	Core logging is carried out by
		geologically and geotechnically logged to a	qualified geologists using a
		level of detail to support appropriate Mineral	project specific logging
		Resource estimation, mining studies and	procedure. Data recorded
		metallurgical studies.	includes, but is not limited to,
		Whether logging is qualitative or quantitative	lithology, structure, RQD,
		in nature. Core (or costean, channel, etc.)	recovery, alteration, sulphide
		photography.	mineralogy and presence of
		The total length and percentage of the	visible gold. This is supervised
		relevant intersections logged.	by senior geologists familiar
			with the mineralisation style
			and nature. Inspection of the
as			drill core by the site Chief
			Geologist is monitored
20			remotely using photographs
			and logs. Rock codes have
			been set up specifically for the
			project. Logging is to a
			sufficient level of detail to
			support appropriate Mineral
			Resource estimation and
			mining studies.
60			Drill logging is both
			qualitative by geological
			features and quantitative by
			geotechnical parameters in
			nature. Photographs are taken
			of all cores trays, (wet) of
$\mathcal{C}(\Omega)$			whole core prior to cutting.
	Sub-	If core, whether cut or sawn and whether	Samples are taken each 10
75	sampling	quarter, half	feet (3.05m) unless there is a
	techniques	or all core taken.	change in lithology. In these
	and sample	• If non-core, whether riffled, tube sampled,	cases samples are broken to
	preparation	rotary split,	lithologic boundaries. Samples
	ргорагастот	etc. and whether sampled wet or dry.	are then half cut with one of
~		For all sample types, the nature, quality and	the half cuts being sent to the
		appropriateness of the sample preparation	ALS lab in Fairbanks Alaska for
		technique.	processing. Three different
		Quality control procedures adopted for all	types of SRM are inserted
		sub-	each 20 samples. Duplicates of
		sampling stages to maximise representivity of	the reject are taken each 20
		samples.	samples. One blank is inserted
		Measures taken to ensure that the sampling	each 40 samples. Data is
		is	plotted and evaluated to see if
		representative of the in situ material collected,	the samples plot within
		including for instance results for field	accepted tolerance. If any "out
		duplicate/second-half sampling.	of control" samples are note,
		Whether sample sizes are appropriate to the	the laboratory is notified.
		grain size of the material being sampled.	



	Criteria	JORC Code Explanation	Commentary
	Quality of assay data and laboratory	The nature, quality and appropriateness of the assaying and laboratory procedures used and whether the technique is considered partial or total.	Samples are tested for gold using ALS Fire Assay Au- ICP21 technique. This technique has a lower
lai use onli	tests	<ul> <li>For geophysical tools, spectrometers, handheld XRF instruments, etc., the parameters used in determining the analysis including instrument make and model, reading times, calibrations factors applied and their derivation, etc.</li> <li>Nature of quality control procedures adopted (eg standards, blanks, duplicates, external laboratory checks) and whether acceptable levels of accuracy (ie lack of bias) and precision have been established.</li> </ul>	detection limit of 0.001 g/t with an upper detection limit of 10 g/t. If samples have grades in excess of 10 g/t then Au-AA25 is used to determine the over detect limit. Au-AA25 has a detection limit of 0.01 g/t and an upper limit of 100 g/t. Three different types of SRM are inserted each 20 samples. Duplicates of the reject are taken each 20 samples. One blank is inserted each 40 samples. Data is plotted and evaluated to see if the samples plot within accepted tolerance. If any "out of control" samples are note, the laboratory is notified.
	Verification of sampling and assaying	<ul> <li>The verification of significant intersections by either independent or alternative company personnel.</li> <li>The use of twinned holes. Documentation of primary data, data entryprocedures, data verification, data storage (physical and electronic) protocols.</li> <li>Discuss any adjustment to assay data.</li> </ul>	Assay data intercepts are compiled and calculated by the CP and then verified by corporate management prior to the release to the public.
	Location of data points	<ul> <li>Accuracy and quality of surveys used to locate drill holes (collar and down-hole surveys), trenches, mine workings and other locations used in Mineral Resource estimation.</li> <li>Specification of the grid system used.</li> <li>Quality and adequacy of topographic control.</li> </ul>	• All maps and locations are in UTM grid (NAD83 Z5N) and have been measured by a digital Trimble GNSS sytem with a lateral accuracy of <30cm and a vertical accuracy of <50cm.
	Data spacing and distribution	<ul> <li>Data spacing for reporting of Exploration Results.</li> <li>Whether the data spacing and distribution is sufficient to establish the degree of geological and grade continuity appropriate for the Mineral Resource and Ore Reserve estimation procedure(s) and classifications applied.</li> <li>Whether sample compositing has been applied.</li> </ul>	Drill holes have been spaced in a radial pattern such that all dimensions of the resource model is tested. Future geostats will be run on the data to determine if addition infill drilling will be required to confirm continuity.



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Orientation	Whether the orientation of sampling	The relationship between the
of data in	achieves unbiased sampling of possible	drilling orientation and the
relation to	structures and the	orientation of key mineralised
geological	extent to which this is known, considering the	structures is confirmed by drill
structure	deposit type.	hole data driven ongoing
	If the relationship between the drilling	detailed structural analysis by
	orientation and the orientation of key	OTS structural consultants.
	mineralised structures is considered to have	
	introduced a sampling bias, this should be	
	assessed and reported if material.	
Sample	The measures taken to ensure sample	A secure chain of custody
security	security	protocol has been established
		with the site geologist locking
		samples in secure shipping
		container at site until loaded
		on to aircraft and shipped to
		the secure restricted access
		area for processing by Nova
		Minerals staff geologists.
		Secure shipping
		container at site until
		loaded and shipped to the
		secure restricted access
		room at TOMRA who
		forwarded to bureau
		veritas Metallurgical
		facility Adelaide.
Audits or	The results of any audits or reviews of	Detailed QA/QC analysis is
Reviews	sampling techniques and data.	undertaken on an ongoing
		basic by Qualitica Consulting.



### **Section 2 Reporting of Exploration Results**

Criteria	JORC Code Explanation	Commentary
Criteria Mineral tenement and land tenure status	• Type, reference name/number, location and ownership including agreements or material issues with third parties such as joint ventures, partnerships, overriding royalties, native title interests, historical sites, wilderness or national park and environmental settings.  • The security of the tenure held at the time of reporting along with any known impediments to obtaining a licence to operate in the area.	<ul> <li>The Estelle project is comprised of 450km2 State of Alaska mining claims</li> <li>The mining claims are wholly owned by AKCM (AUST) Pty Ltd. (an incorporated Joint venture (JV Company between Nova Minerals Ltd and AK Minerals Pty Ltd) via 100% ownership of Alaskan incorporate company AK Custom Mining LLC. AKCM (AUST) Pty Ltd is owned 85% by Nova Minerals Ltd, 15% by AK Minerals Pty Ltd. AK Minerals Pty Ltd holds a 2% NSR (ASX Announcement: 20 November 2017)</li> <li>Nova owns 85% of the project through the joint venture agreement.</li> </ul>
		The Company is not aware of any other impediments that would prevent an exploration or mining activity.
Exploration done by other parties	Acknowledgment and appraisal of exploration by other parties.	Geophysical, Soil testing, and drilling was completed by previous operators in the past. Nova Minerals has no access to this data.
Geology	Deposit type, geological setting and style of mineralisation.	Nova Mineral is primarily exploring for Intrusion Related Gold System (IRGS) type deposit within the Estelle Gold Project



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Drill hole	A summary of all information material to the	See Appendix 1 summary
Information	understanding of the exploration results	table of drill hole results.
	including a tabulation of the following	
	information for all Material drill holes:	
П	- easting and northing of the drill hole collar	
	- elevation or RL (Reduced Level – elevation	
	above sea level in metres) of the drill hole	
	collar	
	- dip and azimuth of the hole	
	- down hole length and interception depth	
	-hole length.	
	If the exclusion of this information is justified	
	on the	
	basis that the information is not Material and	
	this exclusion does not detract from the	
	understanding of the report, the Competent	
	Person should clearly explain why this is the	
Data	Case.	• Widths are report as sere
aggregation	In reporting Exploration Results, weighting averaging techniques, maximum and/or	Widths are report as core length. Future true widths will
methods	minimum grade truncations (eg cutting of high	be calculated by measuring
methods	grades) and cut-off grades are usually	the distance perpendicular to
	Material and should be stated.	the dip of the mineralized zone
	Where aggregate intercepts incorporate	on any given cross section
	short lengths of high grade results and longer	that the intercept appears on.
	lengths of low grade results, the procedure	Two holes per section are
	used for such aggregation should be stated	required to calculate true
	and some typical examples of such	thickness. No "Top Cap" has
	aggregations should be shown in detail.	been applied to calculation of
	The assumptions used for any reporting of	any intercepts. A "Top Cap"
	metal equivalent values should be clearly	analysis will be completed
	stated.	during a future Resources
		Study and applied if
		applicable. Widths of
		intersection are calculated by
		applying a weighted average
		(Sum [G x W] / Sum [W]) to the
		gold values and reported widths within any given
		intercepts. The CP will visually
		select the intercept according
		to natural grouping of higher-
		grade assays. Zones of
		internal dilution my vary
		depending on the CP
		discretion as to what is
		geologically significant. Sub
		intersection of higher grades
		within any given intercepts
		may be broken out if present.



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	Relationship	These relationships are particularly	See above
	between	important in the reporting of Exploration	
	mineralisation	Results.	
	widths and	If the geometry of the mineralisation with	
	intercept	respect to the drill hole angle is known, its	
	lengths	nature should be reported.	
	3 3	If it is not known and only the down hole	
		lengths are reported, there should be a clear	
		statement to this effect (eg 'down hole length,	
		true width not known').	
	Diagrams	Appropriate maps and sections (with scales) and tabulations of intercepts should be included for any significant discovery being reported These should include, but not be limited to a plan view of drill hole collar locations and appropriate sectional views.	<ul> <li>Plan view Map in Figure 1 shows the hole traces of the PAD1 drilling. Holes completed and / or in progress are also marked.</li> <li>Cross Section in Figure 2 showing trace of Hole outlined in this announcement</li> <li>Figure 4-12 showing photos of QTZ-ASP sheeted Veins with grades for assay results pending</li> <li>Figure 1 Regional Map of the RPM Gold Project</li> </ul>
	Balanced Reporting	• Where comprehensive reporting of all Exploration Results is not practicable, representative reporting of both low and high grades and/or widths should be practiced to avoid misleading reporting of Exploration Results.	Does not apply. All Nova results have been disclosed to the ASX via news releases.
)	Other substantive exploration data	Other exploration data, if meaningful and material, should be reported including (but not limited to): geological observations; geophysical survey results; geochemical survey results; bulk samples – size and method of treatment; metallurgical test results; bulk density, groundwater, geotechnical and rock characteristics; potential deleterious or contaminating substances.	No other substantive exploration data has been collected
	Further work	<ul> <li>The nature and scale of planned further work (eg tests for lateral extensions or depth extensions or large-scale step-out drilling).</li> <li>Diagrams clearly highlighting the areas of possible extensions, including the main geological interpretations and future drilling areas, provided this information is not commercially sensitive.</li> </ul>	Diamond drilling is ongoing. Project planned is for up to 30,000 metres in 2022 and ongoing into 2023