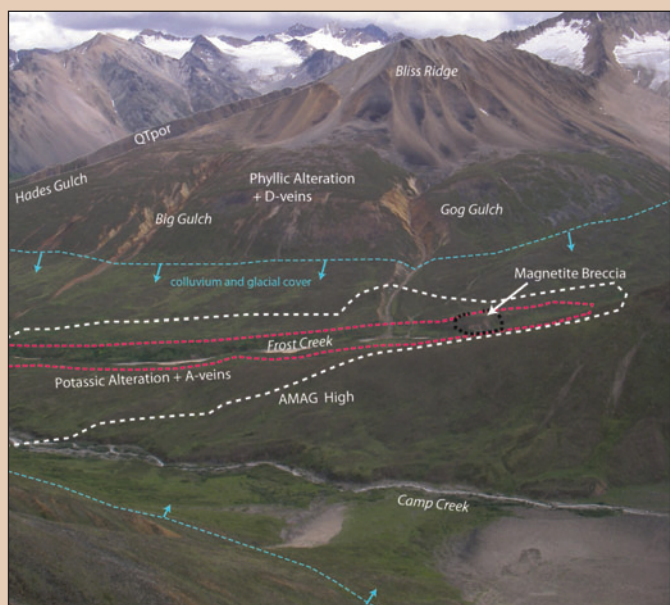




NEWS NUGGETS

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KISKA METALS CORP.

Kiska Metals and First Quantum Minerals have identified two porphyry targets at the Copper Joe project in Alaska – Morning Star and Evening Star. The most advanced of these prospects, Morning Star, lies to the southeast of (beyond) Frost Creek in the picture above.

Kiska, First Quantum to drill porphyry target at Copper Joe

Kiska Metals Corp. July 18 reported that an exploration team and equipment has been mobilized to begin drilling at Copper Joe, a copper-gold-molybdenum porphyry project located in the Alaska Range about 110 miles northwest of Anchorage. First Quantum Minerals has an option to earn up to an 80 percent interest in Copper Joe, and Kiska is currently operating the project. “We are very excited that FM (First Quantum Minerals) has decided to drill the Evening Star porphyry target at Copper Joe. It is a testament to the potential scale of this system,” said Kiska Vice President of Exploration Mike Roberts. Mapping and geophysical work carried out by Kiska and First Quantum in 2015 defined two compelling porphyry targets – Evening Star and Morning Star. The Evening Star prospect encompasses a 2,500-meter-diameter area of intense phyllic alteration with an outer margin of significant D-style quartz-pyrite veining and a 1,000-meter-wide inner zone of significant banded quartz-molybdenite veining. A magnetotelluric geophysical survey shows that this inner zone is coincident with a discrete, 1,400-meter-wide low conductivity anomaly. Kiska and First Quantum drilled two holes in 2014 into what are now recognized as high-level breccia bodies and IP chargeability anomalies located marginal to the present target, and which contain no significant mineralization. Neither hole drilled in 2014 tested the above-mentioned conductivity low anomaly. The newly-appreciated Morning Star prospect occurs 2,200 meters to the southwest of Evening Star in a relatively low-lying area mostly covered by glacial till. The Morning Star is defined by narrow outcrop exposures in creek banks that contain chalcopyrite mineralization over a 400-meter-wide area. Previous grab samples collected from this area returned significant copper and gold values. Yet to be tested by geophysical surveys or drilling, Morning Star will be further investigated by geologists this year.

Ucore sets out to recover tech metals from the tailings of Alberta oil sands

Ucore Rare Metals Inc. July 18 said it has partnered with an undisclosed major Alberta oil sands producer to recover rare earth elements and other technology metals from

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This molten fountain, poured on July 13, contains the seven-millionth-ounce of gold produced at Kinross Gold's Fort Knox Mine, located a few miles north of Fairbanks, Alaska.

PRODUCTION

7 million oz. of gold

In its 20th year of operation, Fort Knox Mine near Fairbanks is still pouring a million ounces of gold every two and a half years; more milestones likely

By SHANE LASLEY
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On July 13, a fountain of molten gold cascades into awaiting molds at the Fort Knox Mine, which is among the largest and lowest-cost gold operations owned by Kinross Gold Corp.

While gold pours such as this one are a regular occurrence at this roughly 1,100-ounce-per-day operation, somewhere in this particular glowing stream was the seven-millionth ounce of gold produced at the iconic mine, located a few miles north of Fairbanks, Alaska.

Fort Knox General Manager Eric Hill would

like to see a second generation of workers at the Interior Alaska mine have the opportunity to witness more of these milestones.

“Fort Knox recently celebrated our 7 millionth ounce pour along with the many employees who have been with us since our very first pour in 1996,” he told Mining News via email. “It is our honor to now have a second generation of employees joining us, and it is our hope to continue employing families for many years to come.”

The seven-millionth-ounce of gold at Fort Knox was recovered during the mine's 20th year of production – both are milestones achieved well

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