



## 15-Mile Consolidated: Mitigation by Design

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#### **Agenda**

- Introduction to 15-Mile Consolidated Project
  - Overview
  - Production
  - Benefits to Nova Scotians
- Mitigation By Design
  - 15-Mile
  - Beaver Dam
  - Cochrane Hill
- Next Steps in Project Development
- Community Involvement
- Touquoy Update



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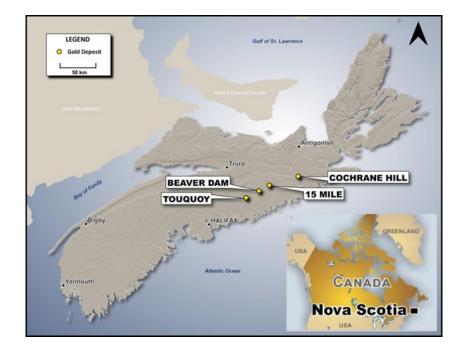
#### **Project Overview**

#### Location

- 15-Mile Consolidated Project consists of 3 gold mining deposits:
  - i. 15-Mile
  - ii. Beaver Dam
  - iii. Cochrane Hill
- All located on the Eastern Shore on Nova Scotia
- Historically contaminated locations
  - i. +3,000,000 m3 of historic tailings.
  - ii. Commitment to clean up any tailings impacted by our project
  - iii. Successfully completed historic tailings clean up work at Touquoy.

#### History

- Components of the 2019 Moose River Consolidated Project Study.
- Touquoy permitting obstacles halted development of the Moose River Consolidated Project
- Opportunity for redesign









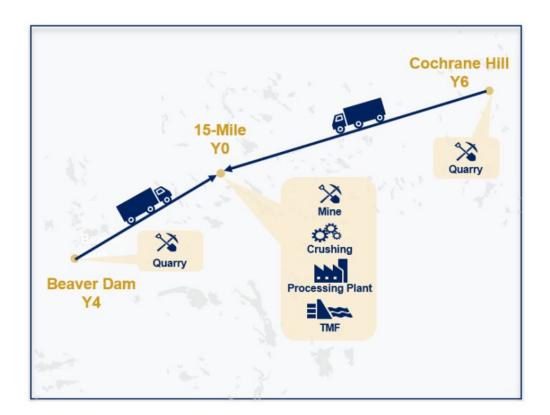
#### **Project Overview**

#### Re-design Approach

- Since 2023 all 3 projects have undergone a complete re-design.
- Leveraged previous information requests from previous permitting efforts
  - i. <u>+1,000</u> Information Requests from Regulators, Communities, First Nations & other organizations etc.
- Applying lessons learned form Touquoy design, operation and closure
- Well-defined scientifically sound resource
- Prioritizing environmental and social constraints while balancing project economics.

#### Final Result

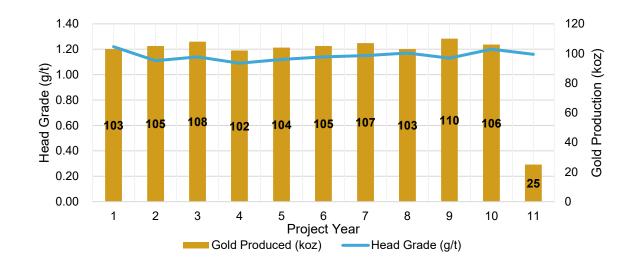
- 15-Mile central processing location with Beaver Dam (Y4) and Cochrane Hill (Y6) quarry-style satellite pits.
- Strong viable gold project with significant reductions in environmental and social impacts
  - i. Jobs = 732
  - ii. Impact to Nova Scotia GDP = \$4,800,000,000
  - iii. Production = 106,000 oz gold per year.





#### **Project Overview**

- Long-term responsible production
- Operational Data
  - 11.2 Year Life-of-Mine
    - Beaver Dam starts in year 4
    - ii. Cochrane Hill starts in year 6
  - 3Mtpa whole-ore leaching processing capacity
  - Initial capital \$251M
  - Low strip ratio of 3.4
  - Average gold production of 106koz per year (peak = 110k oz/ year)
  - AISC C\$1,710/oz
  - Gold Recovery: 96.2% at a P80 of 150um.
  - Pre-tax NPV C\$1.4B\*
  - Pre-tax IRR of 96%\*
- Mitigation by Design
  - Total reduction in surface disturbance of 293 ha
    - i. 15-Mile 86ha (+17%)
    - ii. Beaver Dam 86 ha (+40%)
    - iii. Cochrane Hill 121 ha (+40%)
  - Closure and final landform incorporated into initial design.



Production Summary	Unit	Life of Mine (LOM) Total or Average
Mine Life	years	11.2
Total Waste Mined	Mt	115.0
Average Strip Ratio	W:O	3.4
Total Mill Feed Tonnes	Mt	33.4
Average Mill Feed Grade	g/t	1.1
Total Contained Gold	koz	1,232
Total Recovered Gold	koz	1,185
Average Gold Recovery	%	96.2%
Average Annual Gold Production	koz	106

<sup>\*</sup> Gold Price of \$US2,500/oz and exchange rate of C\$1.00 = \$US0.70

#### **Socio-Economic Benefits - Update**



#### **Economic Benefits** for Nova Scotia

Provincial GDP Impact

\$236.5M

during construction

\$410.3M per year during operations Household Income

\$163.4M

in wages during construction

\$70.8M

per year in wages during operations

\$4.83B

total over operating period

Construction Phase

Operation Phase

1,386

total full-time jobs created in Nova Scotia during construction total full-time job created in Nova Scotia during

723
total full-time jobs
created in Nova
Scotia during
operations

1,627

total full-time jobs across the country during construction 931

total full-time jobs across the country during operations

15-Mile Consolidated Gold Project

#### **Economic Benefits**

ASX: SBM

The 15-Mile Consolidated Gold Project could be Nova Scotia's most advanced and sustainable gold mine, with new energy and remediation initiatives being implemented from day one. Nova Scotians would benefit from job creation, attractive wages, and community growth, especially in local counties. At St. Barbara, we have a proven track record of delivering on safe, environmentally sound, and community-minded projects.

#### **Government Tax Revenue**

Municipal

\$5.9M from construction

\$4.5M annually from operations

**Federal** 

\$30.7M from construction

\$15.3M annually from operations **Provincial** 

\$29.5M from construction

\$21.91 annually from operations

**Totals** 

\$66.1M total tax revenue during construction

\$41.7N total tax revenue per year during operations

Spend in Local (Study) Area

\$115.9M

\$740.3N

during construction

during operations

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Project Details

Life of Mine

1 year → 11 years

construction

operations

**Total Project Spending** 

\$2.0B

over life of mine

#### **Operational Details**

Processing plant to be relocated from Touquoy to 15-Mile

Estimated total production of 1,185,000 ounces of gold



## 15-Mile Project



#### **15-Mile**

Environmental constraints and planning for closure informed initial project design

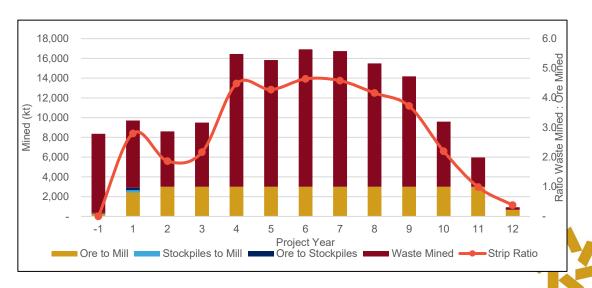
#### Mine Planning

- Relaxed mine plan to reduce the need for surface stockpiles and balance strip ratio
- Complete removal of medium & low-grade stockpiles
- Leverage multiple pits for progressive backfilling with PAG and NAG material for reduced environmental impacts and source term control
  - Backfilling of pits will return final landform decades sooner
- Initial PAG material will be submerged in the tailing's facility.

#### Processing

- 3Mtpa 3CB+Gravity+CIL
- Includes cyanide and arsenic treatment prior to tailings deposition.
- Re-uses the majority of the Touquoy Processing facility
  - i. Minimize lead times, cost inflations and reduced eCO2
  - ii. Quick ramp up





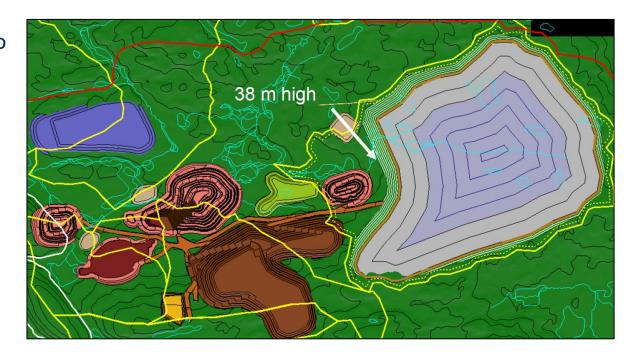
#### **15-Mile**

#### Tailings

- Recently completed a Multiple Accounts Analysis (part of MDMER) to evaluate deposition methodology, required disturbance areas and existing topographical information to minimize environmental impacts
- Reduction in CDA risk rating
- Water storage optimization for source term control of tailings.
- Containment for historic tailings remediation.

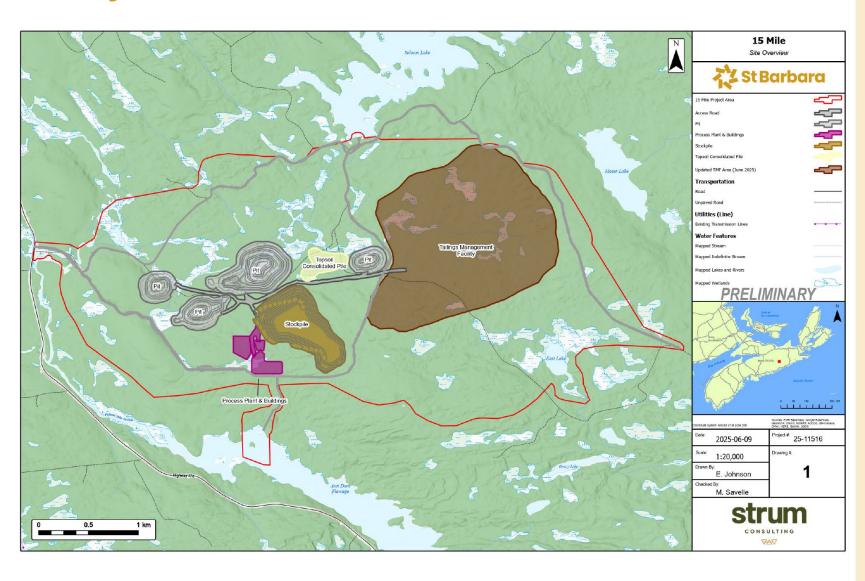
#### Infrastructure & Water Management

- Multiple discharge locations balancing watersheds to reduce flow reductions.
- Water management designed with 1:100 year event + climate change
- Consolidated water management ponds with contingency
  - i. Lesson learned from Touquoy
- Administrative, mining and processing infrastructure consolidated into one area.





#### **Layout 15-Mile**



- Removal of med/low grade stockpiles
- Reduced NAG stockpile
- Progressive PAG backfilling and no exposed PAG material on surface
- Improved CDA risk rating
- Proposed by-pass trails for ATV + public use.
- Renewable Opportunity for long term post closure benefits
  - Closed-loop pumped hydro with NAG stockpile design = +80MW
  - Solar potential = 186MW
- Reduction in disturbance: 86 ha (17%)



## Beaver Dam Project



# UNDISCOUNTED CASHFLOW (MI

#### **Beaver Dam**

- Redesign begins with the fundamentals
- Impacted historical tailings will be remediated and stored at 15-Mile.

#### Pit Optimization

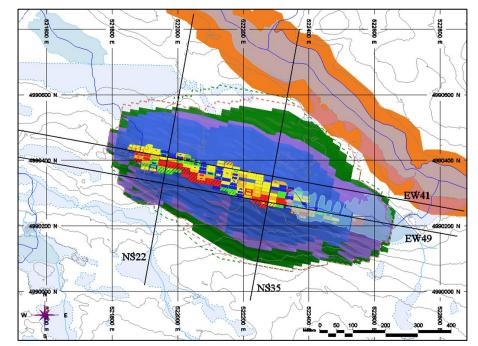
- Optimization opportunity in open pit size to reduce impacts, waste rock while balancing environmental constraints.
  - Reduction of 24 Mt of waste material and surface stockpiles
  - ii. Increased buffer between Killag River (60m to 110m)

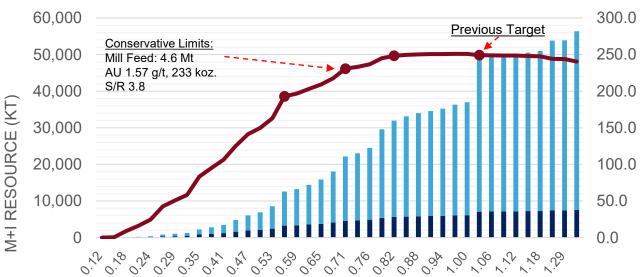
#### Reduced Community Impacts

- No need for new haul roads, leverage existing roads to 15-Mile.
- Removed infrastructure from "Copebrook" watershed and reduced the watersheds by 50%.

#### Water Management

- PAG material re-handled back into pit to avoid oxidation and support final landform
- Smaller infrastructure allows for balancing watersheds to minimize flow losses.
- No requirement for industrial water withdrawals.

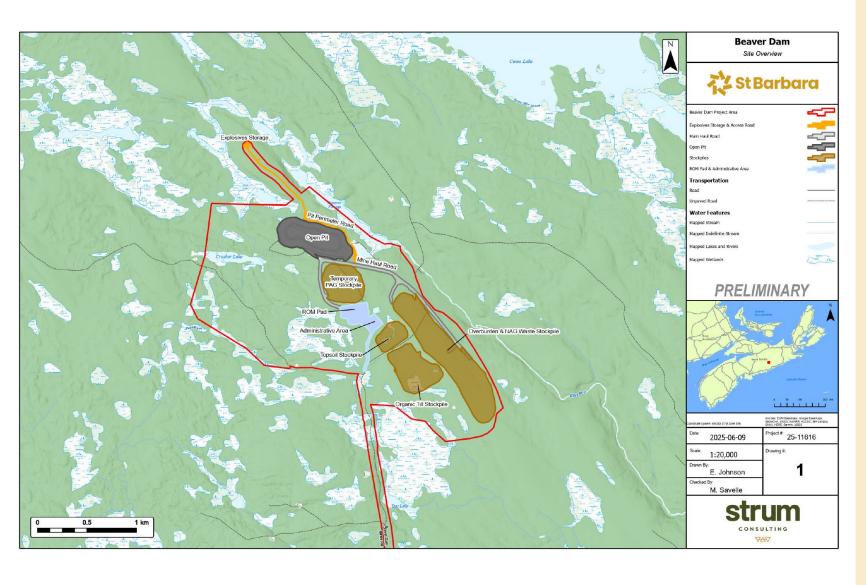




PRICE FACTOR

Mill Feed Waste —UCF No Capex

#### **Layout Beaver Dam**



- Significantly reduced open pit design
- Reduced stockpiles
- Temporary PAG pile which gets rehandled back into open pit.
- No industrial water withdrawals
- Stockpiles located to reduce impacts on watersheds.
- Reduced project area: 159 ha
- Reduction in disturbance: 86 ha (42.4%)



## Cochrane Hill Project



#### **Cochrane Hill**

Assess Alternatives and Optimize

#### Pit Optimization

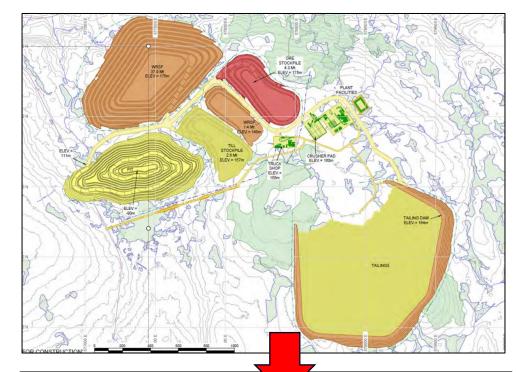
- Reduced open pit size
- Avoids highway 7 realignment
- Reduce waste material.

#### Project Trade-off Studies

- Previous project designs included a process plant and tailings facility with gravity + float concentrate being transported to Touquoy.
- Evaluated various mining and processing options at different throughputs. (1.8mtpa, 2.1mtpa and 3mtpa)
  - i. Concentrate
  - ii. Stand along Whole-Ore leach
  - iii. Quarry-style deposit
- Selected option was quarry-style deposit with haulage to 15-Mile.
  - i. Minimal infrastructure and stockpiles
  - ii. No need for industrial water withdrawals.

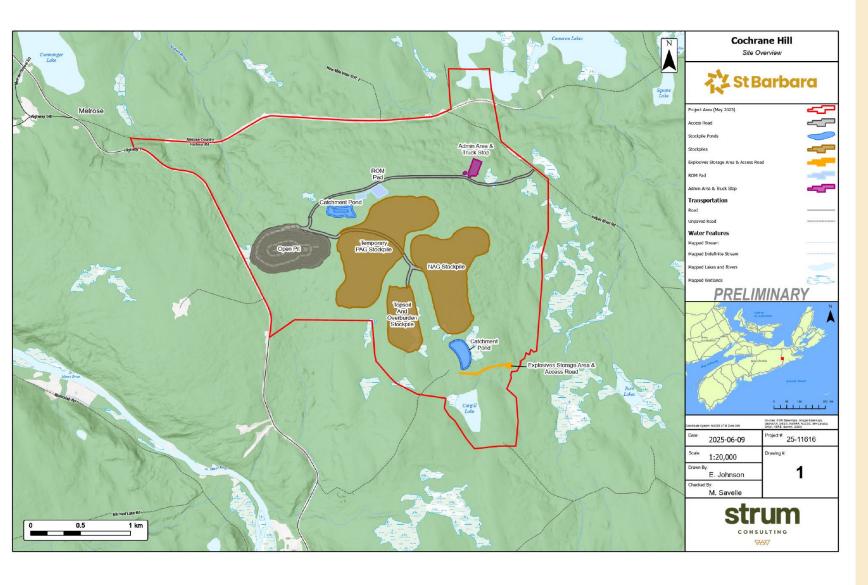
#### Water Management

- Project has moved out of direct watershed to St Mary's River.
- Infrastructure placed strategically to mitigation downstream water flow impacts.
- Re-handling PAG back into vacant pit to manage source terms and accelerate reclamation landforms





#### **Layout Cochrane Hill**



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- No need to realign highway 7
- Reduced surface stockpiles
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- Stockpiles located to reduce impacts on watersheds.
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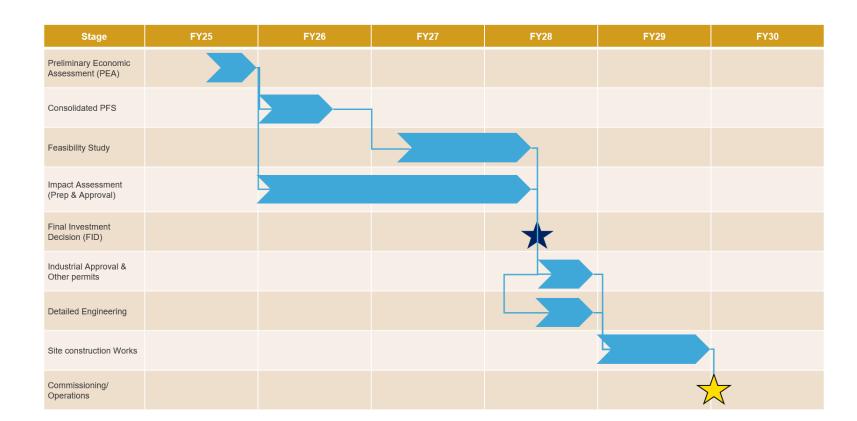


## **Next Steps**



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- Rapid Gap Analysis and Trade off Studies
  - Refined layout analysis
  - Metallurgical test work
  - Ongoing baseline and site characteristics
  - Early indicative GW and SW modelling
- Engagement Ramp Up
- Pre-Feasibility Study Fall 2025
- Preparation of Environmental Impact Assessment
- Renewable Energy Study
- Permitting driving timelines





#### **Community Involvement**

- St Barbara is committed to building Stronger Communities
- Between 2017-2025 St Barbara contributed over \$1,100,000 to local community organizations
- +20 Community Partnership Agreements have been signed with local community groups
- Fed 1,000 families through food bank at during the Holidays.
- Bursary Program- continued support of graduating students from:
  - 1. North Nova Education Centre
  - 2. Northumberland Regional High School
  - 3. Musquodoboit Rural High School
  - 4. Marine Drive Academy
  - 5. St. Mary's Education Centre/Academy
  - 6. Chedabucto Education Centre/Guysborough Academy.
  - 7. Wasoqopa'q First Nation



#### **Community Offices:**

Guysborough, Tuesday and Friday, 10am-2pm Sheet Harbour, Tuesday-Thursday, 10am-2pm Stellarton, Tuesday-Thursday, 10am-2pm



#### **Touquoy Update**

#### **Reclamation Ongoing**

- Actively reclaiming the site
  - Spent +\$9M in FY25 on reclamation activities
  - Forecasted to spend \$7M in FY26 in this coming year
- Pumped Hydro Potential of 80MW

#### The Touquoy Story

- Employed up to 355 people over a 7-year period
- Average annual property taxes: \$370,000
- Royalties Paid: \$8,800,000

#### **Conservation Land**

- Successfully procured and protected 228ha of land
- Exceeded the proposed land costs to be offset.









### **Questions?**

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