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**KOOTENAY SILVER ANNOUNCES, AZTEC – KOOTENAY JV
REPORTS STRONG DRILL RESULTS INTERSECTING 0.53 GPT AU
OVER 138.3M AND 0.88 GPT AU OVER 54.7M FROM AT CERVANTES
PROJECT IN SONORA, MEXICO**

Vancouver, Canada – March 22, 2022 – Kootenay Silver reports its JV with Aztec on the Cervantes Property continues to hit shallow and long intervals of oxide gold mineralization,

California Zone Drill Highlights from mineralized quartz feldspar porphyry and hydrothermal breccias.

CAL22-008

- **0.884 gpt Au over 54.7 m** including **13.7 metres of 1.965 gpt Au** in, located at the southeastern edge of the mineralized zone

CAL22-009

- **0.50 gpt Au over 86.6 m** at the southern edge of the central portion of the mineralized zone

CAL22-010

- **0.53 gpt Au over 138.3 m** including **10.67 m of 1.622 gpt Au** in, located in the central portion of the mineralized zone

View drill sections: [Link to section view hole CAL22-008](#)
[Link to section view hole CAL22-009](#)
[Link to section view hole CAL22-010](#)

Reported lengths are apparent widths, not true widths, and the observed gold mineralization appears to be widely distributed in disseminations, fractures and veinlets within quartz-feldspar porphyry, feldspar porphyry stocks and related hydrothermal breccias.

Kootenay CEO James McDonald says “The Cervantes project continues to deliver wide intervals of oxide gold mineralization that remain open in all directions. The area now covers about 900 meters by 250 to 500 meters to a depth of 265 meters. We are looking forward to the remaining 8 holes of the current program.”

[California 2022 RC Drill Program Plan Map](#)

Drill Hole	From m	To m	Interval m*	Au gpt	Comments
CAL22-001	22.86	111.3	88.41	1.1	230 Az, -60
Including	22.86	77.74	54.88	1.56	
	30.49	45.73	15.24	3.962	
	30.49	36.57	6.08	7.44	
CAL22-002	0	108.2	108.2	0.374	225 Az, -60
CAL22-003	45.7	91.5	45.7	0.451	233 Az, -60
Including	60.9	74.7	13.7	0.868	
CAL22-004	0	167.2	167.2	1.002	236 AZ, -59
Including	131.1	155.5	24.4	4.247	
CAL22-005	0	136.8	136.8	1.486	236 Az, -59
Including	54.88	106.7	51.68	3.424	
CAL22-006	16.77	117.38	100.32	0.75	229 Az, -60
Including	16.77	25.91	9.14	3.087	
	128.05	140.25	12.2	0.925	
CAL22-007	32.01	39.63	7.6	0.684	225 Az, -59
	83.84	147.87	63.84	0.422	
CAL22-008	0	54.72	54.72	0.884	212 Az, -58
Including	36.58	50.3	13.72	1.965	
	187.5	195.1	7.6	0.745	
CAL22-009	0	86.64	86.64	0.5	235 Az, -60
CAL22-010	0	138.32	138.32	0.53	227 Az, -52
Including	50.3	60.98	10.67	1.622	

The primary focus of the Phase 2 RC drill program at Cervantes is to expand the previously drilled California zone by completing two drill hole fences parallel to and on either side of the 2017-18 Phase 1 drill hole fence. To-date, every hole drilled at California has intersected near surface, oxidized gold mineralization with minor copper oxides.

Drill samples cuttings are collected every 5 feet (1.52m) from all drill holes. The samples are analyzed by Bureau Veritas for gold with a 30-gram sample size using the method FA430 followed by MA300. Over limits, when present, are analyzed by AR404 or FA550. All holes contain certified blanks, standards, and duplicates as part of the quality control program. The QA/QC has delivered excellent results to date good data integrity. The samples are shipped to and received by Bureau Veritas Minerals laboratory for the gold and multielement geochemical analysis and additional gold results will be received and reported in the next several weeks. Final multielement ICP results are expected to follow the release of the preliminary gold assays and are expected to be received during the second quarter 2022.

Qualified Persons

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About Kootenay Silver Inc.

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