# Condensed consolidated interim financial statements of Maple Gold Mines Ltd. (An Exploration Stage Company) (unaudited)

March 31, 2022

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# Notice of no auditor review of condensed consolidated interim financial statements

Under National Instrument 51-102, Part 4, subsection 4.3(3)(a), if an auditor has not performed a review of the interim financial statements, they must be accompanied by a notice indicating that the financial statements have not been reviewed by an auditor.

The accompanying unaudited condensed consolidated interim financial statements of the Company have been prepared by and are the responsibility of the Company's management.

The Company's independent auditor has not performed a review of these financial statements in accordance with the standards established by the Chartered Professional Accountants of Canada for a review of interim financial statements by an entity's auditor.

**Condensed consolidated interim statements of financial position** As at March 31, 2022 and December 31, 2021 (Unaudited) (Expressed in Canadian dollars)

	Notes	March 31, 2022 \$	December 31, 2021 \$
Assets			
Current assets			
Cash and cash equivalents	3	19,933,153	21,905,081
Sales taxes receivable		67,687	33,514
Prepaid expenses and deposits		430,834	160,765
		20,431,674	22,099,360
Property and equipment	4	191,906	242,895
		20,623,580	22,342,255
<b>Liabilities</b> Current liabilities			
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities		1,165,209	970,325
Sales taxes payable		29,150	22,980
Flow-through share premium liability	6	2,231,313	2,641,200
Deferred gain	5(a)	433,558	—
Payable to tax authorities	7	207,112	190,870
Share-based payment obligation	10(c)	428,183	252,089
Lease liabilities – current portion	8	150,894	194,985
Loan payable	9	40,000	40,000
		4,685,419	4,312,449
Non-current liabilities			
Share-based payment obligation	10(c)	2,602	79,796
Provision for site reclamation and closure		50,384	50,384
		4,738,405	4,442,629
Equity			
Share capital	10	71,261,089	71,154,922
Reserves	10	14,880,369	14,392,629
Deficit		(70,256,283)	(67,647,925)
		15,885,175	17,899,626
		20,623,580	22,342,255

The accompanying notes are an integral part of the unaudited condensed consolidated interim financial statements.

Approved by the Board

#### /s/ B. Matthew Hornor

B. Matthew Hornor, Director

#### /s/ Michelle Roth

Michelle Roth, Director

**Condensed consolidated interim statements of loss and comprehensive loss** Three months ended March 31, 2022 and 2021

(Unaudited) (Expressed in Canadian dollars)

		2022	2021
	Notes	\$	\$
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Operating expenses (income)			
Exploration and evaluation expenses	5	1,627,054	170,255
General and administrative	11	1,460,902	1,381,718
Finance income	5(a)	(96,473)	(132,932)
Finance expense		26,762	24,832
Amortization of flow-through share premium	6	(409,887)	,
Loss on disposal of property and equipment			18,189
Loss and comprehensive loss for the period		2,608,358	1,462,062
Loss and comprehensive loss for the period		2,000,000	1,102,002
Desis and diluted loss new share		0.01	0.00
Basic and diluted loss per share		0.01	0.00
outstanding (basic and diluted)		335,234,898	321,067,848
Weighted average number of common shares outstanding (basic and diluted)		335,234,898	321,067,848

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**Condensed consolidated interim statements of changes in equity** Three months ended March 31, 2022 and 2021 (Unaudited) (Expressed in Canadian dollars, except share amounts)

#### Equity attributable to shareholders

		Share capital Reserves		Reserves				
	-			Share-based	Warrants	Total		
		Number	Amount	payments reserve	reserve	reserves	Deficit	Total
	Notes		\$	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Balance, December 31, 2021		335,054,172	71,154,922	4,490,642	9,901,987	14,392,629	(67,647,925)	17,899,626
Shares issued for exploration property	10(b)(i)	144,126	50,000				(07,047,525)	50,000
Shares issued on vesting of RSUs	10(b)(ii)	200,001	56,167	(56,167)	_	(56,167)	_	
Share-based payments	10(c)	_	_	555,751	_	555,751	_	555,751
RSU modifications		_	_	(11,844)	_	(11,844)	_	(11,844)
Comprehensive loss		_	-	_	_	_	(2,608,358)	(2,608,358)
Balance, March 31, 2022		335,398,299	71,261,089	4,978,382	9,901,987	14,880,369	(70,256,283)	15,885,175
Balance, December 31, 2020		321,067,848	67,085,588	3,822,248	9,901,987	13,724,235	(61,714,627)	19,095,196
Share-based payments	10(c)	-	-	350,768	-	350,768	_	350,768
Comprehensive loss		_	_	_	_	_	(1,462,062)	(1,462,062)
Balance, March 31, 2021	-	321,067,848	67,085,588	4,173,016	9,901,987	14,075,003	(63,176,689)	17,983,902

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**Condensed consolidated interim statements of cash flows** Three months ended March 31, 2022 and 2021 (Unaudited) (Expressed in Canadian dollars)

	2022 \$	2021 \$
<b>Operating activities</b> Loss for the period	(2,608,358)	(1,462,062)
Adjustments for Depreciation Share-based payments Shares issued for exploration property	50,989 543,907 50,000	101,242 350,768 —
Amortization of flow-through share premium Finance expense Loss on disposal of property and equipment	(409,887) 9,022	 24,231 18,189
Changes in non-cash working capital items Sales taxes receivable Prepaid expenses and deposits	(34,173) (270,069) 104 884	49,418 221,841 (1,003,300)
Accounts payable and accrued liabilities Sales taxes payable Deferred gain Share-based payment obligation	194,884 6,170 433,558 98,900	(1,003,300) — 157,574 160,205
Payable to tax authorities	<u>16,242</u> (1,918,815)	(1,381,894)
Investing activity Acquisition of property and equipment	_	(23,367)
Financing activity Repayment of lease liabilities	(53,113)	(85,684)
Net change in cash and cash equivalents Cash and cash equivalents, beginning of period Cash and cash equivalents, end of period	(1,971,928) 21,905,081 19,933,153	(1,490,945) 20,014,801 18,523,856

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#### Maple Gold Mines Ltd. Notes to the condensed consolidated interim financial statements March 31, 2022 (Unaudited) (Expressed in Canadian dollars, unless otherwise stated)

#### 1. Corporate information

Maple Gold Mines Ltd. (the "Company" or "Maple Gold") is a company domiciled in Canada. Maple Gold was incorporated on June 3, 2010 under the Ontario Business Corporations Act and was continued under the Canada Corporations Act by articles of continuance dated June 22, 2011 and subsequently was continued under the British Columbia Business Corporations Act on January 7, 2021. The address of the Company's registered office is 2200-885 West Georgia Street, Vancouver, BC V6C 3E8. The Company is primarily involved in the exploration of mineral resources.

#### 2. Basis of presentation

#### (a) Statement of compliance

These condensed consolidated interim financial statements have been prepared in accordance with IAS 34, Interim Financial Reporting. These condensed consolidated interim financial statements do not include all of the information and footnotes required by International Financial Reporting Standards ("IFRS") for full annual financial statements and should be read in conjunction with the annual financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2021, which have been prepared in accordance with IFRS, as issued by the International Accounting Standards Board.

The accounting policies used in the preparation of these condensed consolidated interim financial statements are the same as those applied in the Company's most recent annual financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2021 and reflect all the adjustments necessary for fair presentation in accordance with IFRS for the interim periods presented.

These condensed consolidated interim financial statements were approved and authorized for issuance by the Board of Directors of the Company on May 12, 2022.

#### (b) Basis of preparation and consolidation

These condensed consolidated interim financial statements have been prepared on a historical cost basis. The presentation currency is the Canadian dollar; therefore all amounts are presented in Canadian dollars unless otherwise noted.

These condensed consolidated interim financial statements incorporate the financial statements of the Company and entities controlled by the Company (its subsidiaries). Control exists when the Company has power over an investee, exposure or rights, to variable returns from its involvement with the investee and the ability to use its power over the investee to affect the amount of the Company's returns.

On January 11, 2021, the Company incorporated a wholly owned subsidiary, MGM Douay Gold Project Ltd, under the Canada Business Corporations Act. MGM Douay Gold Project Ltd is the Company's only subsidiary.

#### Maple Gold Mines Ltd. Notes to the condensed consolidated interim financial statements March 31, 2022 (Unaudited) (Expressed in Canadian dollars, unless otherwise stated)

# 2. Basis of presentation (continued)

#### (c) Critical accounting judgments and estimates

The preparation of the financial statements in conformity with IFRS requires management to select accounting policies and make estimates and judgments that may have a significant impact on the financial statements. Estimates are continuously evaluated and are based on management's experience and expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances. Actual outcomes may differ from these estimates. The Company's critical accounting judgements and estimates were presented in Note 2(c) of the audited annual financial statements for the year ended December 31, 2021 and have been consistently applied in the preparation of these condensed consolidated interim financial statements. No new judgements and estimates were applied for the period ended March 31, 2022.

#### (d) Accounting policies not yet adopted

#### Amendments to IAS 1 - Classification of Liabilities as Current or Non-current

The amendments to IAS 1 affect only the presentation of liabilities as current or noncurrent in the consolidated statement of financial position and not the amount or timing of recognition of any asset, liability, income or expenses, or the information disclosed about those items. The amendments clarify that the classification of liabilities as current or noncurrent is based on rights that are in existence at the end of the reporting period, specify that classification is unaffected by expectations about whether an entity will exercise its right to defer settlement of a liability, explain that rights are in existence if covenants are complied with at the end of the reporting period, and introduce a definition of 'settlement' to make clear that settlement refers to the transfer to the counterparty of cash, equity instruments, other assets or services. The amendments are applied retrospectively for annual periods beginning on or after January 1, 2023, with early application permitted. The Company is currently evaluating the impact of this adoption and it is expected not to materially impact the consolidated financial statements.

#### Amendments to IAS 12 - Income Taxes

In May 2021, the International Accounting Standards Board issued targeted amendments to IAS 12, Income Taxes. The amendments are effective for annual periods beginning on or after January 1, 2023, although earlier application is permitted. With a view to reducing diversity in reporting, the amendments will clarify that companies are required to recognize deferred taxes on transactions where both assets and liabilities are recognized, such as with leases and asset retirement (decommissioning) obligations. The Company is currently evaluating the impact of this adoption and it is expected not to materially impact the consolidated financial statements.

#### 3. Cash and cash equivalents

	March 31, 2022 \$	December 31, 2021 \$
Components of cash and cash equivalents		
Cash	18,108,752	20,081,854
Cash equivalents	1,824,401	1,823,227
	19,933,153	21,905,081

As at March 31, 2022, the Company had the obligation to spend approximately \$6,444,473 (December 31, 2021 - \$7,030,800) in exploration expenditures related to flow-through share issuances by December 31, 2022.

As at March 31, 2022, cash and cash equivalents includes \$317,947 (December 31, 2021 - \$216,123) of cash contributed by the Company to the Douay Gold-Joutel Joint Venture (Note 5) that has not yet been spent.

#### 4. Property and equipment

	Right of use assets \$	Camp equipment \$	Computer equipment \$	Office furniture \$	Leasehold improvements \$	Total \$
Cost						
Balance, December 31, 2020	987,052	85,875	128,399	23,884	100,040	1,325,250
Additions	-	67,242	9,284	3,070	15,097	94,693
Disposals	(259,876)	(76,559)	-	_	-	(336,435)
Balance, December 31, 2021 and March 31, 2022	727,176	76,558	137,683	26,954	115,137	1,083,508
Accumulated depreciation						
Balance, December 31, 2020	473,709	49,498	124,438	13,886	100,040	761,571
Depreciation	279,143	13,631	4,464	4,512	2,516	304,266
Disposals	(200,475)	(24,749)	-	_	-	(225,224)
Balance, December 31, 2021	552,377	38,380	128,902	18,398	102,556	840,613
Depreciation	43,700	3,828	947	1,256	1,258	50,989
Balance, March 31, 2022	596,077	42,208	129,849	19,654	103,814	891,602
Net book value						
December 31, 2021	174,799	38,178	8,781	8,556	12,581	242,895
March 31, 2022	131,099	34,350	7,834	7,300	11,323	191,906

# 5. Exploration and evaluation expenses

The exploration and evaluation expenses, which have been incurred, are as follows:

	Three months ended March 31,				
	Douay	Eagle	Morris	2022	2021
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
Acquisition costs	-	100,000	-	100,000	_
Airborne survey	29,888	-	-	29,888	-
Camp set up, camp costs and					
field supplies	88,344	121,917	-	210,261	9,870
Depreciation	3,828	-	-	3,828	53,025
Drilling and core assaying	364,964	559,618	-	924,582	-
Equipment rental and fuel	8,052	-	-	8,052	-
Geology	33,538	_	-	33,538	_
Geochemistry	473	_	-	473	_
Geophysics	-	5,500	880	6,380	82,557
Licences and permits	5,436	_	-	5,436	_
Other exploration support costs	-	1,218	-	1,218	-
Salaries and benefits	114,618	90,360	429	205,407	_
Share-based payments	55,364	28,521	-	83,885	24,803
_	704,505	907,134	1,309	1,612,948	170,255
Mineral exploration tax credits	14,106	_	-	14,106	_
_	718,611	907,134	1,309	1,627,054	170,255

During the three-month period ended March 31, 2022 \$Nil exploration and evaluation expenses were incurred at the Joutel Gold Project and during the three-month period ended March 31, 2021 all the exploration and evaluation expenses were incurred at the Douay Gold Project.

#### (a) Douay and Joutel

On February 2, 2021 the Company and Agnico Eagle Mines Limited ("Agnico") entered into the Joint Venture Agreement ("JV Agreement") pursuant to which the parties have agreed to form a 50-50 joint operation which will combine the Company's Douay Gold Project and Agnico's Joutel Project into a consolidated joint property package. The Douay Gold Project and Joutel Project (the latter hosting Agnico's past-producing Telbel mine) are contiguous properties located in the James Bay subregion of Northern Quebec.

The terms and conditions of the JV Agreement, provide (i) Agnico will fund the joint operation \$16,000,000 in exploration expenses, and fund \$2,000,000 directly to the Company over a four-year period; (ii) the Company will fund \$2,000,000 in exploration expenses over the same four-year period and contribute Property and Equipment with an approximate value of \$40,000 located at the Douay Gold Project (iii) Agnico and the Company in year 1 will jointly fund an additional \$500,000 in exploration of VMS targets on the western portion of the Douay Gold Project; and (iv) Agnico and the Company will each be granted a 2% Net Smelter Returns Royalty ("NSR") on the property that they contribute to the joint operation, each with aggregate buyback provisions of \$40 million.

Committed funding to the joint operation from both operators is expected to occur as follows, \$4,000,000 in each of years one and two, \$5,000,000 in year three and \$5,500,000 in year four.

Amounts received by the Company from Agnico are deferred to the extent that the Company has future committed funding performance obligations to the joint operation. The deferred amounts are recognized as other income as the Company fulfills its funding performance obligation by incurring exploration and evaluation expenditures at the joint operation.

# 5. Exploration and evaluation expenses (continued)

#### (a) Douay and Joutel (continued)

During the three months ended March 31, 2022 the Company received \$500,000 from Agnico with regard to Agnico's year 2 contribution to the Company, in accordance with the terms outlined above. As at March 31, 2022 \$433,558 is recorded as a deferred gain on the condensed consolidated interim statement of financial position and \$66,442 has been recognized in finance income on the condensed consolidated interim statements of loss and comprehensive loss.

#### (b) Eagle

On July 19, 2021, the Company announced that it had entered into an option agreement with Globex Mining Enterprises Inc. ("Globex") to acquire a 100% interest in the Eagle Mine Property ("Eagle") in Quebec. The Company can earn a 100% interest in Eagle by completing payments to Globex totaling \$1.2 million in cash and shares over five years and incurring exploration expenditures on Eagle of \$1.2 million over a four-year period as outlined in the table below.

Date	Cash payments \$		Shares \$		Cumulative exploration expenditures \$	
On signing	50,000	Paid	50,000	Issued	_	-
January 16, 2022	50,000	Paid	50,000	Issued	200,000	Incurred
July 16, 2022	50,000		50,000		200,000	
January 16, 2023	62,500		62,500		200,000	
July 16, 2023	62,500		62,500		500,000	
July 16, 2024	75,000		75,000		800,000	
July 16, 2025	100,000		100,000		1,200,000	
July 16, 2026	150,000		150,000		1,200,000	_
	600,000		600,000		1,200,000	

Globex will retain a 2.5% Gross Metal Royalty ("GMR") which is subject to a right of first refusal and can be reduced to a 1.5% GMR in consideration for a cash payment of \$1.5 million.

#### (c) Morris

On July 22, 2021, the Company acquired a 100% interest in 34 mining claims (the "Morris Claims") located in the Morris Township, Quebec by paying \$5,000 and issuing a 1% NSR in respect of the Morris Claims.

#### 6. Flow-through share premium liability

	March 31,		
	<b>2022</b> 2021		
	\$	\$	
Balance, beginning of period	2,641,200	_	
Amortization of flow-through share premium	(409,887)		
Balance, end of period	2,231,313	_	

#### Maple Gold Mines Ltd. Notes to the condensed consolidated interim financial statements March 31, 2022 (Unaudited) (Expressed in Canadian dollars, unless otherwise stated)

# 6. Flow-through share premium liability (continued)

On December 9, 2021, the Company completed a non-brokered private placement for gross proceeds of 7,030,800 through the issuance of 13,020,000 flow-through shares at a price of 0.54 per flow-through share (note 10(b)(v)). The flow-through shares were issued at a premium of 0.20 per flow-through share, with the total flow-through share premium liability related to the 13,020,000 flow-through shares issued being 2,641,200, representing the Company's obligation to spend the 7,030,800 on eligible expenditures, which the Company expects to complete during the year ending December 31,2022. As of March 31,2022, 1,091,107 eligible expenditures has been incurred, of which 586,327 has been paid, and the liability has been amortized accordingly.

#### 7. Payable to tax authorities

Canada Revenue Agency ("CRA") has re-assessed the Company's 2010 Part XII.6 tax filing. Revenu Quebec ("RQ") has conducted audits of the Company's mineral exploration tax credit filings for the 2011 to 2020 tax years and disallowed certain amounts that the Company believes are claimable qualifying expenditures.

The Company intends to defend its filing positions and the Company has filed notice of objections with CRA and RQ for each of the years 2010, 2012, 2013 and 2014, although there is no way of knowing to what extent the Company will be successful in its objections.

#### 8. Lease liabilities

	Three months ended March 31,		
	2022 \$		
Balance, beginning of period Lease payments made Interest expense on lease liabilities	194,985 (53,113) 9,022	504,896 (85,684) 24,231	
Less: current portion Balance, end of period	150,894 (150,894) —	443,443 (292,549) 150,894	

#### 9. Loan payable

During the year ended December 31, 2020, the Company applied for the COVID-19 Relief Line of Credit as part of the Government-sponsored Canada Emergency Business Account (CEBA). The Company received a CEBA loan of \$40,000 which is due on December 25, 2025. The loan is interest free until December 31, 2022 and bears interest at 5% per annum thereafter. If at least 75% of the loan principal is paid before December 31, 2022, the balance of the loan will be forgiven. It is the Company's intention to repay before December 31, 2022 and as such this loan payable is presented as a current liability.

#### 10. Share capital and reserves

(a) Authorized

Unlimited common shares without par value

(b) Share issuances

Three-month period ended March 31, 2022

- (i) On January 14,2022 the Company issued 144,126 common shares with a deemed value of \$50,000 with respect to the Eagle option agreement (Note 5(b)).
- (ii) On March 23, 2022, the Company issued 200,001 common shares on the vesting of 200,001 restricted share units.

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- (iii) On April 30, 2021 and December 28, 2021, the Company issued 284,002 and 20,589 common shares, respectively, on the vesting of 304,591 restricted share units.
- (iv) On July 28, 2021, the Company issued 128,400 common shares with a deemed value of \$50,000 with respect to the Eagle option agreement (Note 5(b)).
- (v) On December 9, 2021, the Company closed a brokered private placement of 13,020,000 flow through common shares at a price of \$0.54 per share for gross proceeds of \$7,030,800. In connection with the flow-through share placement, the Company incurred a total of \$648,819 in cash share issuance costs.

A reconciliation of the impact of the brokered private placement on the common shares is as follows:

	Number of common shares #	Amount \$
Private placement – flow-through shares	13,020,000	7,030,800
Share issuance costs	13,020,000	<u>(648,819)</u> 6,381,981
Flow-through share premium liability (Note 6)		(2,641,200)
	13,020,000	3,740,781

#### (c) Share based compensation plans

On December 17, 2020, the Company adopted a rolling Equity Incentive Plan (the "Plan"), pursuant to which eligible directors, officers, employees, and consultants may be granted stock options, RSUs and DSUs. The aggregate maximum number of common shares available for issuance from treasury underlying RSUs and DSUs under the Plan is 12,000,000 common shares (9,000,000 for RSUs and 3,000,000 for DSUs). The Plan also includes a purchase program for eligible employees to purchase Program Shares.

The aggregate number of Common Shares that may be subject to issuance under the Plan, together with any other securities based compensation arrangements of the Company, shall not exceed 10% of the Company's issued and outstanding common shares at the time of the grant.

(c) Share based compensation plans (continued)

The following table summarizes share based compensation for the period:

	Three months ended March 31,	
	2022	2021
	\$	\$
Equity settled awards		
Stock option expense	363,129	191,644
RSU expense	52,622	78,124
DSU expense	140,000	81,000
Compensation expense - equity settled awards	555,751	350,768
Cash settled awards		
RSU expense	71,640	92,705
DSU expense	155,000	67,500
Compensation expense - cash settled awards	226,640	160,205
Total compensation expense - equity and cash settled award	782,391	510,973
Compensation expense included in:		
General and administrative	698,506	486,170
Exploration and evaluation	83,885	24,803
	782,391	510,973

(i) Stock options

The continuity of the number of stock options issued and outstanding is as follows:

	Number of	Weighted average
	stock options	exercise price
		\$
Outstanding, December 31, 2020	22,730,100	0.23
Granted	1,500,000	0.38
Exercised	(533,333)	0.25
Cancelled/Forfeited	(1,063,334)	0.26
Outstanding, December 31, 2021	22,633,433	0.18
Granted	3,500,000	0.42
Expired	(200,000)	0.40
Outstanding, March 31, 2022	25,933,433	0.21

On April 28, 2022, 200,000 common shares were issued for proceeds of \$20,000 on the exercise of 200,000 stock options.

- (c) Share based compensation plans (continued)
  - (i) Stock options (continued)

As at March 31, 2022, the number of stock options outstanding and exercisable was:

			Outstanding			Exercisable
	Number		remaining	Number		remaining
	of	Exercise	contractual	of	Exercise	contractual
Expiry date	options	price	life (years)	options	price	life (years)
	#	\$		#	\$	
May 22, 2022	3,300,000	0.30	0.09	3,300,000	0.30	0.09
August 28, 2022	600,000	0.30	0.41	600,000	0.30	0.41
October 9, 2022	133,333	0.39	0.53	133,333	0.39	0.53
October 10, 2022	325,000	0.30	0.53	325,000	0.30	0.53
December 20, 2022	250,000	0.24	0.72	250,000	0.24	0.72
January 25, 2023	300,000	0.30	0.82	300,000	0.30	0.82
January 23, 2024	4,908,400	0.16	1.82	4,908,400	0.16	1.82
April 28, 2025	9,841,700	0.10	3.08	6,550,034	0.10	3.08
June 1, 2025	300,000	0.10	3.17	200,000	0.10	3.17
August 25, 2025	175,000	0.24	3.41	116,667	0.24	3.41
September 11, 2025	750,000	0.20	3.45	500,001	0.20	3.45
October 12, 2025	250,000	0.23	3.54	166,667	0.23	3.54
January 4, 2026	400,000	0.39	3.77	266,666	0.39	3.77
March 3, 2026	400,000	0.33	3.93	266,666	0.33	3.93
June 21, 2016	100,000	0.51	4.23	33,333	0.51	4.23
October 18, 2026	400,000	0.38	4.55	133,334	0.38	4.55
March 25, 2027	3,500,000	0.42	4.99	1,166,666	0.42	4.99
	25,933,433	0.21	2.63	19,216,767	0.20	2.20

The Company uses the fair value method of accounting for all share-based payments to directors, officers, employees and others providing similar services. The fair values of the share options granted during the three months ended March 31, 2022 and 2021 were estimated using the Black-Scholes option valuation model with the following weighted average assumptions:

	Three months ended March 31		
	<b>2022</b> 20		2021
	Option grants		Option grants
Risk-free interest rate	1.73%		0.37%
Expected dividend yield	nil		nil
Stock price volatility	90%		96%
Expected life in years	5		5
Weighted average grant date fair value	\$ 0.24	\$	0.24

The expected volatility assumption is based on the historical and implied volatility of the Company's common shares. The risk-free interest rate assumption is based on the Government of Canada benchmark bond yields and treasury bills with a remaining term that approximates the expected life of the stock options.

- (c) Share based compensation plans (continued)
  - (ii) Restricted Share Units

RSU's are granted under the Company's Equity Incentive Plan and are accounted for based on the market value of the underlying shares on the date of grant and vest as determined by the Board of Directors. These units are exercisable into one common share once vested, for no additional consideration. They can be redeemed in cash, at the Company's discretion.

The continuity of the number of cash and equity settled RSUs issued and outstanding is as follows:

	Cash-settled	Equity-settled	Total number of
	RSUs	RSUs	RSUs
Outstanding, December 31, 2020	-	-	-
Granted	1,761,000	1,414,000	3,175,000
Vested	(587,075)	(304,591)	(891,666)
Forfeited	(135,000)	-	(135,000)
Outstanding, December 31, 2021	1,038,925	1,109,409	2,148,334
Granted	2,878,000	652,000	3,530,000
Modification	66,666	(66,666)	-
Vested	(464,166)	(200,001)	(664,167)
Outstanding, March 31, 2022	3,519,425	1,494,742	5,014,167

For cash-settled awards the liability is marked to market using the quoted market price of the underlying common shares at the end of each reporting period. During the three months ended March 31, 2022 the share-based payment related to these cash settled awards was calculated as \$71,640 (three months ended March 31, 2021 -\$92,705).

The fair value of equity settled RSUs was determined based on the Company's share price on the date of grant. The weighted average share price for equity settled RSUs granted during the three months ended March 31, 2022 was \$0.35 (three months ended March 31, 2021 - \$0.27).

On March 25, 2022, the Company granted 3,530,000 RSUs to its directors, officers and employees and subject to vesting provisions of one-third on April 30, 2022, one-third on March 25, 2023 and one-third on March 25, 2024.

On May 12, 2022, 926,664 RSUs vested and were settled through cash payments by the Company of \$250,199.

On March 3, 2021, the Company granted 3,175,000 RSUs to its directors, officers and employees and subject to vesting provisions of one-third on April 30, 2021, one-third on March 3, 2022 and one-third on March 3, 2023.

- (c) Share based compensation plans (continued)
  - (iii) Deferred Share Units

DSUs are granted under the Company's Equity Incentive Plan and are accounted for based on the market value of the underlying shares on the date of grant and vest immediately. These units are exercisable into one common share for no additional consideration. In the event a participant resigns or is otherwise no longer an eligible participant during the period, then any grant of DSUs that are intended to cover such period, the participant will only be entitled to a pro-rated DSU payment. These units can be redeemed in cash, at the Company's discretion. The Company did not issue DSUs prior to 2021.

For cash-settled awards the liability is marked to market using the quoted market price of the underlying common shares at the end of each reporting period. During the three months ended March 31, 2022 the share-based payment related to these cash settled awards was calculated as \$155,000 (three months ended March 31, 2021 - \$67,500).

The fair value of equity settled DSUs was determined based on the Company's share price on the date of grant. The weighted average share price for equity settled DSUs granted during the three months ended March 31, 2022 was \$0.35 (three months ended March 31, 2021 - \$0.27).

On March 25, 2022, the Company granted 900,000 DSUs to its directors and these units vested in full at the grant date.

On March 3, 2021, the Company granted 550,000 DSUs to its directors and these units vested in full at the grant date.

As at March 31, 2022, 1,450,000 DSUs remain outstanding (750,000 cash settled DSU's and 700,000 equity settled DSU's).

#### (d) Share purchase warrants

As at March 31, 2022, the expiration date of the share purchase warrants is as follows:

Expiry date	Number of warrants	Exercise price
		\$
June 27, 2022	31,033,150	0.40
October 13, 2023	25,838,821	0.34
	56,871,971	0.37

No warrants have been issued, exercised or expired during the period from December 31, 2020 to March 31, 2022.

# 11. General and administrative

	Three months ended March 31,	
	2022	2021
	\$	\$
		05.050
Business development	149,397	95,859
Depreciation	47,162	48,217
Directors' fees	25,000	19,000
Office and general	58,212	88,994
Professional fees	57,260	211,518
Regulatory transfer agent and shareholder information	49,110	33,220
Salaries and benefits	224,388	189,776
Share-based payments	698,506	486,170
Travel, marketing and investor relations	151,867	208,964
	1,460,902	1,381,718

# 12. Related party balances and transactions

Compensation of key management personnel

During the period, compensation to key management personnel was as follows:

		Three months ended March 31,	
	202	2021	
		<b>\$</b>	
Salaries and benefits	274,87	<b>5</b> 137,500	
Share-based payments	510,932	2 336,163	
	785,802	473,663	

# **13. Segmented information**

The Company's operations comprise a single reporting operating segment engaged in mineral exploration in Canada. As the operations comprise a single reporting segment, amounts disclosed in the financial statements also represent segment amounts.

#### 14. Financial instruments

The Company's financial instruments consist of cash and cash equivalents, deposits, accounts payable and accrued liabilities and loan payable. The fair values of these financial instruments approximate their carrying values, unless otherwise noted.

Fair value is defined as the price that would be received to sell an asset or paid to transfer a liability in an orderly transaction between market participants at the measurement date. The following summarizes fair value hierarchy under which the Company's financial instruments are valued:

- Level 1 fair values based on unadjusted quoted prices in active markets for identical assets or liabilities;
- Level 2 fair values based on inputs that are observable for the asset or liability, either directly or indirectly; and
- Level 3 fair values based on inputs for the asset or liability that are not based on observable market data.

As at March 31, 2022 and 2021, no financial instruments were measured at fair value.

No transfer occurred between the levels during the period.

The Company's financial instruments are exposed to credit risk, liquidity risk, and market risks, which include currency risk and interest rate risk.

(a) Credit risk

Credit risk is the risk that a third party fails to discharge its obligations under the terms of the financial contract and causes a financial loss for the Company. The Company's credit risk is attributable to its cash and cash equivalents and deposits. The Company limits exposure to credit risk on liquid financial assets through maintaining its cash and cash equivalent balances in highly rated Canadian financial institutions. The Company considers the risk of loss associated with cash and cash equivalents to be low.

(b) Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that the Company will not be able to meet its financial obligations as they fall due. The Company manages liquidity risk through the management of its capital structure.

Accounts payable and accrued liabilities are due within twelve months of the statement of financial position date.

(c) Market risk

This is the risk that the fair value or future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate because of changes in market prices. Significant market risks to which the Company is exposed are as follows:

(i) Foreign currency risk

The Company is exposed to currency risk by having balances and transactions in currencies that are different from its functional currency (the Canadian dollar). As at March 31, 2022 and 2021 and throughout the respective periods, the Company held immaterial balances in foreign currencies. Foreign currency risk is considered to be minimal.

# 14. Financial instruments (continued)

- (c) Market risk (continued)
  - (ii) Interest rate risk

Interest rate risk is the risk arising from the effect of changes in prevailing interest rates on the Company's financial instruments. The Company's exposure to interest rate risks is limited to potential increases or decreases on the interest rate offered on cash and cash equivalents held at chartered Canadian financial institutions, which would result in higher or lower relative interest income. This risk is considered to be minimal.