

# Solitario Commences Drilling on its Golden Crest Gold Project

DENVER, CO – July 15, 2024 - Solitario Resources Corp. ("Solitario") (NYSE American: XPL; TSX: SLR) is pleased to announce core drilling has begun on its 100%-owned Golden Crest gold project in South Dakota. Phase-One of the 2024 drilling program consists of drilling approximately 10-12 holes totaling 5,000 meters. The first area to be drill tested is the high-grade Downpour Zone where trenching and surface rock sampling has revealed high-grade gold at surface (Trench and Surface Sample Assay Maps). Assay highlights of the trenching program are as follows:

## **Downpour Trenching Results (Previously Released)**

Trench Number	Length	Avg. Gold Grade
	(meters)	(grams/tonne)
Tr-1	36	17.60
Tr-2	60	8.55
Tr-3	12	0.56
Tr-4	15	2.18
Tr-5	15.6	17.1

In addition to the high-grade trenching results, surface grab sampling of the area surrounding the trenches revealed significant gold values over a corridor of approximately 800 meters long and up to 500 meters wide. Within this zone, 37 select surface grab samples were collected and displayed the following gold-grade distributions (previously released results):

- 7 samples above 10 gpt gold
- 16 samples above 3 gpt gold
- 25 samples above 1 gpt gold

Chris Herald, President and CEO of Solitario, stated: "With the drill now turning, we are beginning a new phase in the exploration of our Golden Crest project. It is remarkable that such a large well-endowed gold region has never been drill tested, especially one that is situated so close to one of America's largest historic gold districts, the Homestake-Wharf mining complex. We are excited to begin drilling at Golden Crest and look forward to reporting our progress and results."

#### Sampling Methodology, Chain of Custody, Quality Control and Assurance

The collection of all trench and surface rock samples was supervised by project geologists, including chain of custody. Rock samples were reconnaissance select grab samples that display

alteration, usually silicification and hydrothermal brecciation. These samples were derived mainly from residually weathered rock fragments, sub-crop, and less commonly, outcrop. The significance of these samples is limited to determining whether gold, or trace elements usually associated with gold, are present within rocks affected by hydrothermal alteration fluids. Assay results may not be representative of, nor verify economically mineable mineralization. Samples were analyzed by ALS Laboratories in Reno, NV, a laboratory accredited in accordance with the standards of ISO 17025:2017. The samples were crushed and pulverized, and sample pulps were analyzed using industry standard fire assay methods. A certified reference sample or duplicate was inserted at least every 20th sample.

Sandor Ringhoffer, CPG, SME RM, is a geologic consultant of Solitario and a qualified person as defined by NI 43-101, Standards of Disclosure for Mineral Projects, responsible for approving the scientific and technical information contained in this news release.

### **About Solitario**

Solitario is a natural resource exploration company focused on high-quality Tier-1 gold and zinc exploration projects. Solitario's 100%-owned Golden Crest properties in South Dakota constitute strategic land holdings along the western and southwestern extensions of the Homestake-Wharf mining district that has produced approximately 52 million ounces of gold and is reported to contain another 30 million ounces in historical resources (not SK-1300 or NI-4301 compliant). The project area is located in a safe jurisdiction with highly developed infrastructure, an unbroken 150-year record of continuous gold mining, a skilled mining workforce, and a history of high-grade, underground mineable gold deposits.

The Company is traded on the NYSE American ("XPL") and on the Toronto Stock Exchange ("SLR"). In addition to its South Dakota property holdings, Solitario holds a 50% joint venture interest (Teck Resources 50%) in the high-grade Lik zinc deposit in Alaska and a 39% joint venture interest (Nexa Resources 61%) on the high-grade Florida Canyon zinc project in Peru. At Florida Canyon, Solitario is carried to production through its joint venture arrangement with Nexa. Solitario's Management and Directors hold approximately 9.1% (excluding options) of the Company's 81.4 million shares outstanding. Solitario's cash balance and marketable securities stand at approximately US\$9.3 million. Additional information about Solitario is available online at www.solitarioresources.com.

Solitario has a long history of committed Environmental, Social and Responsible Governance ("ESG") of its business. We realize ESG issues are also important to investors, employees, and all stakeholders, including communities in which we work. We are committed to conducting our business in a manner that supports positive environmental and social initiatives and responsible corporate governance. Importantly, we work with joint venture partners that not only value the importance of ESG issues in the conduct of their business on our joint venture projects but are leaders in the industry in this important segment of our business.

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#### **Cautionary Statement Regarding Forward Looking Information**

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