## Coast Copper Congratulates Skeena and Newmont on QuestEx Gold & Copper Transaction

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VANCOUVER, March 31, 2022 - <u>Coast Copper Corp.</u> ("Coast Copper" or the "Company") (TSXV: COCO) would like to congratulate <u>Skeena Resources Ltd.</u> ("Skeena") on its acquisition of QuestEx Gold & Copper Exploration ("QuestEx"), subject to customary closing conditions, which was announced on March 30, 2022. Skeena and QuestEx have signed a binding agreement whereby Skeena will acquire all of the issued and outstanding shares of QuestEx that Skeena does not currently own for approximately \$48.6 million, valuing the acquisition at approximately \$56.5 million. Concurrent with signing of the binding agreement, Newmont Corporation ("Newmont") has entered into an asset purchase agreement with Skeena to acquire the Heart Peaks, Castle/Moat and North ROK/Coyote properties from Skeena, along with related assets, for approximately \$27.0 million.

Skeena will retain QuestEx's large landholdings, including the KSP and Kingpin properties, in the core of British Columbia's ("BC") Golden Triangle district near its Snip and Eskay Creek projects as well as the Sofia project in BC's Toodoggone district.

With the announcement of this transaction, Coast Copper is now the only junior mineral exploration company on the favourable trend of the Red Chris Mine district of the Golden Triangle (see Figure 1). The only other companies with significant positions in this district are Newmont and Newcrest Mining Limited/<u>Imperial Metals Corp.</u>. Coast Copper's Red Chris properties include the Gin and Eldorado properties which are adjacent and on trend on both sides of the Red Chris Mine, as well as some small strategic internal claim blocks (Bonanza).

Adam Travis, Coast Copper CEO comments, "Firstly I would like to congratulate all parties in this transaction. I've been working in the Red Chris Camp for over 30 years now and have acquired, explored and made new discoveries in the region while learning the important geological, geophysical and geochemical signatures to these types of deposits. Over 20 years ago, a partner and I acquired ground on both ends of the Red Chris Mine, recognizing some of these signatures (this was even before Imperial Metals acquired Red Chris). With Newcrest purchasing a 70% ownership in Red Chris in 2019, exploration efforts have been significantly increased with 8 exploration drill rigs, more than 1 kilometre of underground exploration and new discoveries being made, particularly in the east (closer to our Eldorado property). The airborne geophysical surveys we conducted in 2021 at Eldorado and Gin uncovered significant new magnetic anomalies, that, in my 30 years' experience in the district, look similar to other new discoveries both ourselves and others have made in the district. We look forward to continuing to advance these projects which are ideally positioned at either end of the Red Chris Mine."

About Coast Copper Corp.

Coast Copper's exploration focus is the optioned Empire Mine property, located on northern Vancouver Island, BC, which covers three historical open pit mines and two past-producing underground mines that yielded iron, copper, gold and silver. Coast Copper's other properties include its 100% owned Eldorado, Gin and Bonanza properties located in BC's prolific Golden Triangle district which are adjacent to <u>Newcrest</u> <u>Mining Ltd.</u>'s and <u>Imperial Metals Corp.</u>'s Red Chris Mine, its Knob Hill NW Property located on northern Vancouver Island and its 100% owned Sterling and Home Brew properties which are located in central BC. Coast Copper's management team continues to review precious and base metals opportunities in western North America.

On Behalf of the Board of Directors:

"Adam Travis" Adam Travis, Chief Executive Officer and Director Neither the TSX Venture Exchange nor its Regulation Services Provider (as that term is defined in the policies of the TSX Venture Exchange) accepts responsibility for the adequacy or accuracy of this release.

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