## i-80 Gold Releases High-Grade Results from Underground Drilling at Granite Creek

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Including 22.0 g/t Au over 29.0 m, 18.4 g/t Au over 14.4 m & 60.5 g/t Au over 4.1 m

RENO, May 14, 2024 - <u>i-80 Gold Corp.</u> (TSX: IAU) (NYSE: IAUX) ("i-80", or the "Company") is pleased to announce adhigh-grade results from the ongoing drill program to define mineralization in the upper part of the South Pacific Zone at Company's Granite Creek Property ("Granite Creek" or "the Property") located in Humboldt County, Nevada.

The new results are from seven new holes drilled in the underground campaign focused on the delineation of mineraliz the South Pacific Zone ("SPZ"). The SPZ is located immediately north of the current mine workings and is expected to primary zone for mining (see Figure 1). Initial stopes in the SPZ are being planned for H1-2024 once mine workings are to provide access.

The underground drill program is focused on the southern and upper part of the deposit, where initial mining is planned from the underground program continue to demonstrate continuity of high-grade mineralization with some of the best received to-date in the South Pacific Zone.

Highlight results from the most recent seven new underground drill holes testing the South Pacific Zone at Granite Cree

- GCPU23-33: 17.7 g/t Au over 7.0 m
- GCPU23-45A: 27.2 g/t Au over 4.0 m
- GCPU24-01: 18.1 g/t Au over 14.4 m
- GCPU24-02: 22.0 g/t Au over 29.0 m
- GCPU24-04: 11.0 g/t Au over 22.4 m
- GCPU24-04: 60.5 g/t Au over 4.1 m

"The ongoing surface and underground drilling program at Granite Creek continues to confirm impressive high-grade g mineralization, including over substantial widths.", stated Tyler Hill, Chief Geologist of i‑80. "Importantly, the So Zone is expected to become the primarily source of mineralization at Granite Creek and remains open along strike to the at depth, providing considerable upside."

Table 1 - Summary Assay Results from South Pacific Zone Underground Drilling

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Drillhole ID	Zone Type From (m	) To (m)	) Length (m	) Au (g/t)
GCPU23-33	SPZ Core 75.0	75.7	0.7	37.7
And	SPZ Core 158.2	161.2	3.0	8.9
And	SPZ Core 194.8	195.7	0.9	37.3
And	SPZ Core 206.7	213.7	7.0	17.7
GCPU23-44	SPZ Core 92.2	92.8	0.6	10.5
GCPU23-45A	SPZ Core 168.2	172.2	4.0	27.2
GCPU24-01	SPZ Core 34.3	36.0	1.6	14.7
And	SPZ Core 153.7	168.0	14.4	18.1
GCPU24-02	SPZ Core 200.9	229.8	29.0	22.0
GCPU24-03	SPZ Core 8.2	9.0	0.8	18.3
GCPU24-04	SPZ Core 181.2	203.6	22.4	11.0
And	SPZ Core 208.5	210.0	1.5	14.6
And	SPZ Core 214.6	215.8	1.2	23.9
And	SPZ Core 219.9	224.0	4.1	60.5

True widths estimated 10-50%

Table 1a - Collar Coordinates

UTM	Drillhole ID	East m North m	Elevation m	ı Azimuth	Dip
NAD83 Zone 11	GCPU23-33	478223 4554278	1328	046	-40
	GCPU23-44	478223 4554278	1328	052	-47
	GCPU23-45A	478223 4554277	1328	076	-57
	GCPU24-01	478223 4554276	1329	096	-62
	GCPU24-02	478223 4554277	1328	057	-77
	GCPU24-03	478224 4554277	1328	067	-75
	GCPU24-04	478224 4554278	1328	055	-51

With its improved financial position, the Company is in the process of ramping up a large-scale surface drill program to complete further definition and expansion drilling of the SPZ in advance of an updated resource estimate and Feasibility Study for the Granite Creek Property. Four (4) drill rigs will be used to complete this program. Additionally, the main decline is being extended to provide access to the SPZ and initial stoping of this new zone is expected mid-year.

The Granite Creek Property is strategically located proximal to Nevada Gold Mines' Turquoise Ridge and Twin Creeks mines at the north end of the Battle Mountain-Eureka Trend, at its intersection with the Getchell gold belt in Nevada (see Figure 2). High-grade mineralization occurs in a near-identical geological setting as that at the multi-million ounce Turquoise Ridge Mine located immediately to the north; proximal to a major regional fault (the Getchell or Range Front fault) on the eastern edge of the large Osgood Mountains intrusive complex. The Granite Creek deposit remains open at depth and along strike.

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## AGM & Investor Day Presentation

The Company will hold an "Investor Day" presentation immediately following its Annual General Meeting (AGM) today, May 14, 2024, being held at Bennett Jones LLP office - 100 King St W Suite 3400, Toronto in the Canada Boardroom on the 34th floor. The in‑person AGM will begin at 4:00pm EST followed by the webcasted Investor Day presentation commencing at 4:30pm EST. The presentation can also be accessed via a conference call and webcast (details below). Investors are invited to attend the event in‑person where they can meet and discuss details with members of i-80's Board of Directors and Management Team.

Conference Call Participant Details

Webcast URL: https://app.webinar.net/eb85pbLyxrG

Phone Number Information:

North American Toll-free: 1-888-664-6383

Local Toronto: 1-416-764-8650

**QAQC** Procedures

All samples were submitted to ALS Minerals (ALS) of Sparks, NV, which is an ISO 9001 and 17025 certified and accredited laboratory, independent of the Company. Samples submitted through ALS are run through standard prep methods and analysed using Au-AA23 (ALS) (Au; 30g fire assay). ALS also undertakes their own internal coarse and pulp duplicate analysis to ensure proper sample preparation and equipment calibration. <u>i-80 Gold Corp.</u>'s QA/QC program includes regular insertion of CRM standards, duplicates, and blanks into the sample stream with a stringent review of all results.

## **Qualified Person**

Tyler Hill, CPG-12146, Chief Geologist, reviewed the technical and scientific information contained in this press release and is a Qualified Person within the meaning of NI 43-101.

About i-80 Gold Corp.

<u>i-80 Gold Corp.</u> is a Nevada-focused, mining company with a goal of achieving mid-tier gold producer status through the development of multiple deposits within the Company's advanced-stage property portfolio with processing at i-80's centralized milling facilities. <u>i-80 Gold</u>'s common shares are listed on the TSX and the NYSE American under the trading symbol IAU:TSX and IAUX:NYSE. Further information about <u>i-80 Gold</u>'s portfolio of assets and long-term growth strategy is available at www.i80gold.com or by email at info@i80gold.com.

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