New Found Gold Corp. Provides Queensway Gold Project Overview and Plans; Files **Technical Report**

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VANCOUVER, April 15, 2025 - New Found Gold Corp. ("New Found Gold" or the "Company") (TSXV: NFG) (NYSE-A: pleased provide an overview of, and plans for, the Queensway Gold Project ("Queensway" or the "Project") and has file technical report for the initial mineral resource estimate ("MRÉ") for the Project (the "Technical Report").

Queensway Highlights:

- Tier 1 Jurisdiction: Mining-positive government, access to highway, port, airport, low-cost green power and stabilities de, CEO of New Found Gold commented: "New Found Gold has begun a new chapter, with an initial mineral in the control of t Divine and the control of the contro Reproductions contend to the post of the p
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currently underway and scheduled for release in late Q2/25
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Looking Ahead:

- Fully Funded PEA Underway:
 - Planned release late Q2/25
- 2025 Drill Campaign:
 - Planning underway for mid Q2/25 start
 - Primary focus on resource conversion (infill, expansion, extensions)
 - Secondary focus on exploration (discovery of additional major deposits along the 110 km long strike extent
- Bulk Sample:
 - To confirm grade continuity and validate resource model
 - Planning underway to commence H1/26
- Metallurgy:
 - Additional test work is ongoing
- Permitting and Environmental Baseline Studies:
 - Work is ongoing to support future studies and permit applications

Technical Report and Initial MRE:

The Technical Report was prepared by SLR Consulting (Canada) Ltd. ("SLR") in accordance with the 2014 Canadian I Mining, Metallurgy and Petroleum ("CIM") Definition Standards and Canadian National Instrument 43-101 ("NI 43-101") under the Company's profile on SEDAR+ at www.sedarplus.ca. SLR is independent of New Found Gold.

The following is the current Mineral Resource Estimate as at March 15, 2025 (the "Effective Date") as announced in the Found Gold news release dated March 24, 2025.

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¹ Mt = million tonnes

² g/t Au = grams of gold per tonne

³ Moz = million ounces

Table 1: MRE Summary (as at the Effective Date)

Zone	Category Tonnage Grade		Contained Metal
	(Mt)	(g/t Au) (Moz Au)
Open Pit	Indicated 17.3	2.25	1.25
	Inferred 9.0	1.24	0.36
Underground	d Indicated 0.8	5.76	0.14
	Inferred 1.7	4.44	0.25
Total	Indicated 18.0	2.40	1.39

Inferred 10.7

Notes:

1. CIM (2014) definitions were followed for Mineral Resources.

1.77

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- 2. Mineral Resources are estimated using a long-term gold price of US\$2,200 per ounce, and a US\$/C\$ exchange rate of US\$1.00 = C\$1.43.
- 3. Open pit Mineral Resources are estimated at a cut-off grade of 0.3 g/t Au and constrained by a preliminary optimized pit shell with a pit slope angle of 45°, and bench height of 5 m.
- 4. RPEEE (as defined below) for underground Mineral Resources was demonstrated by constraining within reporting panels generated at a cut-off grade of 1.65 g/t Au, with heights (H) of 10 m, lengths (L) of 5 m and minimum widths of 1.8 m.
- 5. The optimized pit shell, underground reporting shapes, and cut-off grades were generated by assuming metallurgical recovery of 90%, standard treatment and refining charges, mining costs of C\$5.0/t moved for open pit and C\$120/t processed for underground, processing costs of C\$20/t processed, and general and administrative costs of C\$7.5/t processed.
- 6. Pierre Landry, P.Geo. of SLR, an independent Qualified Person who prepared the initial MRE is not aware of any environmental, permitting, legal, title, taxation, socio-economic, marketing, political, or other relevant factors that could materially affect the Mineral Resource estimate.
- 7. Bulk density within the vein and halo mineralization domains is 2.7 t/m³.
- 8. Mineral Resources that are not Mineral Reserves do not have demonstrated economic viability.

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Table 2a and 2b show the variation in tonnes and grades at various gold cut-off grades ("COG") within the AFZ Core resource pit shell. At a cut-off grade of 2 g/t Au and within the resource pit shell, the Indicated Mineral Resource blocks total 3,854 thousand tonnes ("kt") at a grade of 7.16 g/t Au for 887 thousand ounces ("koz") and the Inferred Mineral Resource blocks total 993 kt at a grade of 4.16 g/t Au for 133 koz. This represents 73% of the contained ounces in only 24% of the tonnage for the indicated category only.

The opportunity for high-grade starter pits is being investigated as part of the PEA.

Table 2a: AFZ Core Open Pit Indicated Grade-Tonnage Table (as at the Effective Date)

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Indicated

COG (g/t) Tonnage (kt) Au Grade (g/t) Au Metal (koz)

0.3	16,189	2.34	1,219
0.4	14,197	2.62	1,197
0.5	12,584	2.90	1,174
1.0	7,699	4.29	1,061
1.5	5,248	5.72	964
2.0	3,854	7.16	887

Table 2b: AFZ Core Open Pit Inferred Grade-Tonnage Table (as at the Effective Date)

Inferred

COG (g/t) Tonnage (kt) Au Grade (g/t) Au Metal (koz)

0.3	8,280	1.21	323
0.4	7,103	1.36	310
0.5	6,130	1.50	296
1.0	3,068	2.29	226
1.5	1,709	3.14	173
2.0	993	4.16	133

Data Verification

The data used in this Mineral Resource Estimate is supported by Quality Assurance and Quality Control ("QA/QC") procedures, such as the insertion of certified standards and blanks into the sample stream and the utilization of certified independent analytical laboratories for all assays. The QA/QC data and methodology on the project were reviewed and will be summarized in the NI 43-101 technical report.

Pierre Landry, P.Geo. of SLR, an independent Qualified Person in accordance with the requirements of NI 43-101, has reviewed the adequacy of sample preparation, security, and analytical procedures conducted by New Found Gold from the start of the Queensway exploration programs in 2019 through to the Effective Date. This review found no material issues or inconsistencies that could adversely affect the quality or reliability of the data. The QP is of the opinion that:

- NFG's sample preparation procedures are appropriate for the deposit type and mineralization style.
- Analytical methods used, including fire assay, photon assay, and screen fire assay, are suitable for determining g the Project.
- The QA/QC program, which includes CRMs, blanks, and duplicates, is well-structured, meets industry standards, provides confidence in the assay data.
- Sample security measures and chain of custody protocols are sufficient to ensure the integrity of the data.

Overall, Pierre Landry, P.Geo. of SLR, an independent Qualified Person in accordance with the requirements of NI 43-101, is of the opinion that NFG's sampling, analytical methods, and QA/QC program meet industry standards and are suitable for use in the Mineral Resource estimate.

Data verification for the drill hole database included comparing gold assay values used to support the Mineral Resource estimate against the original analytical certificates from ALS and MSALABS, the primary laboratories used by NFG between 2019 and 2024. The review covered a variety of assay methods including: fire assay with AAS or gravimetric finish, photon assay, and screen fire assay.

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SLR found no material discrepancies identified that would impact the validity of the Mineral Resource estimate. SLR's QP is of the opinion that the verification process confirms the reliability of the assay database, ensuring its suitability for use for Mineral Resource estimation.

In accordance with NI 43-101, Pierre Landry, P.Geo., of SLR, conducted a site visit to the Project and related facilities on October 24 and 25, 2024. During this visit, he inspected the Keats and Iceberg trenches, the core shack, and reviewed the logging environment and procedures for data collection and sampling. He also examined core samples from the AFZ Core, AFZ Peripheral, and JBP deposits. In addition, he interviewed NFG's personnel and gathered information necessary for completing the Mineral Resource estimate and accompanying Technical Report.

Mr. Landry also inspected drill collars and drill hole cores relevant to the Mineral Resource estimation, verifying collar locations using a handheld GPS and visually comparing mineralization with interpreted drilling sections. NFG provided full access to all facilities and personnel during the visit. Mr. Landry was accompanied by Melissa Render, President of NFG.

Qualified Person

The initial MRE for Queensway was prepared by Pierre Landry, P.Geo. of SLR, an independent Qualified Person in accordance with the requirements of NI 43-101, who has reviewed and approved the contents of this news release.

The scientific and technical information disclosed in this press release was reviewed and approved by Melissa Render, P.Geo., President, and a Qualified Person as defined under NI 43-101. Ms. Render consents to the publication of this press release dated March 24, 2025, by New Found Gold. Ms. Render certifies that this press release fairly and accurately represents the scientific and technical information that forms the basis for this press release.

About New Found Gold

New Found Gold holds a 100% interest in Queensway, located in Newfoundland and Labrador, a Tier 1 jurisdiction with excellent infrastructure and a skilled local workforce.

The Company has completed an initial mineral resource estimate at Queensway (see New Found Gold news release dated March 24, 2025). A fully funded preliminary economic assessment is underway, with completion scheduled for late Q2/25.

Recent drilling continues to yield new discoveries along strike and down dip of known gold zones, pointing to the district-scale potential of the 175,600 hectare project that covers a 110 km strike extent along two prospective fault zones.

New Found Gold has a new management team in place, a solid shareholder base, which includes an 19% holding by Eric Sprott, and is focused on growth and value creation at Queensway.

Please see the Company's website at www.newfoundgold.ca and the Company's SEDAR+ profile at www.sedarplus.ca.

Keith Boyle Chief Executive Officer New Found Gold Corp.

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