

*This property of Merit, near the village of Fort Steele, is located on the Wildhorse River which was the site of BC's third-largest gold rush in the latter part of the 1800's. Placer gravels have yielded more than 1,000,000 ounces of gold, and placer operations are still active on historic sites. The property covers three occurrences in the area; mineralization styles include gold associated with quartz veining and sediment hosted copper / silver mineralization. The 2011 program will focus on developing drill targets for both types.*



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## WILDHORSE Au – Cu PROPERTY

### **Project Highlights** (See map for details)

The property is located within a major placer production area; it overlies three mineralized occurrences including:

- Dardenelles (Gold bearing quartz vein):
  - 95t bulk sample returned 0.463 oz/t (14.4 g/t) Au average grade;
  - 2008 - 2010 drilling extended known Au mineralization 50m to the east;
- Tit-For-Tat (Gold bearing quartz vein similar to Dardenelles):
  - 0.5m @ 1.334 oz/t (41.5 g/t) Au, 11.47 oz/t (356.7 g/t) Ag and 20% Pb.
- Copper Creek (Sediment hosted Cu mineralization discovered in 1996)
  - Grab – 0.52% Cu and 40 g/t Ag

### **Geology**

The Wildhorse placer area is characterized by a dense structural framework within the Rocky Mountain Foreland Fold and Thrust Belt. The Wildhorse River is bound to the west by overturned Lower to Middle Aldridge metasediments, the latter occupying the east-facing slopes of the Hughes Range. Stratigraphic offset is considerable within the valley with as much as 7000m of displacement west side up, reflected within a N-NE steep fault occupied in part by the Wildhorse River.

### **Project History**

- 1892: Gold mineralization on the property was first located in the Shepherds Gulch area
- 1896: An arrastra was constructed on Victoria Creek to crush ore from the Dardenelles vein system; two inclined tunnels were driven on the vein
- 1975: 96t bulk sample from Dardenelles sent to smelter in Trail, BC
- 1986: Justice Mining completed 10 hole drill program on Dardenelles
- 1992: EPL completed overall property evaluation
- 1996: EPL completed geochemical survey and prospecting in Copper Creek
- 2004: EPL completed airborne EM survey of entire property
- 2008: EPL completed 9 hole drill program on Dardenelles
- 2010: EPL completed 9 hole drill program on Copper Creek / Dardenelles

### **Eagle Plains Future Plans**

2011 program will focus on continued structural interpretation of Dardenelles and Tit-For-Tat gold mineralization as well as drill target development at the Copper Creek showing.

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