

gravity gold prior to flotation (recovering 29% of contained gold),
copper-lead with most of the remaining gold and silver,
zinc,

waste pyrite, to be returned underground as ARD mitigation.

Mill tailings will contain less than 1% sulphide but as a further precaution will be mixed with crushed limestone from an on-site quarry. ARD waste rock will be disposed underground. Power supply will be six 1.6 MW generators. Concentrate will be hauled 517 km to Skagway for shipment. Approximately 160 km of new and up-graded road is required from the minesite to Atlin. Once the mine is built, estimated direct employment is 259, including trucking of concentrate to the deep sea terminal at Skagway.

*Manalta estimates the capital cost to develop a 1.0-1.5 million tonne per year open pit mine at **Telkwa Coal** to be \$70-90 million. Mineable reserves are 46 million metric tonnes. The first 20 years of a 25 year mine life would be based on the Tenas, Pit 3 and Pit 3 satellite deposits on the south side of the Telkwa River. Project application report is anticipated by about February.

*Canarc (Golden Angus) is considering a wide variety of development options for **Polaris Taku** ranging from on-site processing linked to Tulsequah Chief's Atlin road to off-site processing at Premier Gold (Canarc is considering purchase of the facility) or Greens Creek utilizing road/barge transport down the Taku River. They will have to narrow the range before making its Project application report, or face an overwhelming array of base line studies.

*Large claim block staked near Portland Canal north of Maple Bay (20 four-post claims).

*Hera Resources has enlarged their **Loring** property near Smithers to 200 units.

***Quartzrock (Taurus)** gold resource announced by International Taurus Resources,

Inferred	13.7 million tonnes at 1.01 g/t Au	(445,743 oz)
<u>Indicated</u>	<u>25.1 million tonnes at 0.67 g/t Au</u>	<u>(539,733 oz)</u>
TOTAL	38.8 million tonnes at 0.79 g/t Au	(985,476 oz)

*Snip concentrate is being shipped with Eskay ore to DOWA 's smelter in Japan.

Eskay Creek reserves expanded by summer drilling:

21B zone	107,000 tons at 3.81 oz/t Au eq
109 zone	136,000 tons at 0.67 oz/t Au eq
NEX zone	123,000 tons at 1.35 oz/t Au eq

These are diluted geological resources.

*Acquisition of **Sulphurets** (Brucejack gold-silver deposit) by Canamera not completed. Apparently the company wants to ensure that Granduc Mines does not have a backin right.

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