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## **NEWS RELEASE**

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### WILLIAM'S GOLD WORK PROGRAM COMMENCES

VANCOUVER, CANADA: David Caulfield, P.Geo., President and CEO of Rimfire Minerals Corporation (RFM:TSXVEN) reports that field crews have commenced work at the William's Gold Project (formerly the Bill Project) under option to Stikine Gold Corp., a private company. Crews will be conducting a program consisting of IP geophysical surveys, mapping, and prospecting to refine targets for drilling in 2003. Stikine can earn a 70% interest in the project by funding \$1.5 million in exploration expenditures over four years and by making staged cash and share payments totalling \$175,000 and 150,000 shares. Upon vesting its interest, Stikine must fund annual exploration/engineering programs (minimum \$500,000 per year) until completion of a positive feasibility study.

William's Gold, located 290 km north of Smithers, covers two distinct gold-bearing prospects in north-central B.C. Previous work on the property includes 15 drill holes in 1983 and 1984 (totalling 3022 metres) on the T-Bill Prospect yielding multiple vein intersections within altered metavolcanic rocks. Examples of higher-grade mineralization include 2.0 metres of 35.0 g/t gold (Hole 83-2), 4.0 metres of 11.0 g/t gold (Hole 83-6), 1.5 metres of 24.7 g/t gold (Hole 84-5), and 2.0 metres of 24.8 g/t gold (Hole 84-8). Gold mineralization is hosted in quartz-carbonate-sulphide veins, brecciated quartz veins and quartz-muscovite-carbonate-sulphide alteration. Encompassing the high grade intercepts are long intersections (148.7 m of 1.17 g/t gold in Hole 83-2) of disseminated and fracture-controlled mineralization which point to the bulk tonnage potential of the property. Drilling targeted the core of a northeasterly trending structural dome where alteration and veining is controlled both by foliation and steep crosscutting structures. The area of drilling, measuring 500 by 900 metres, lies within a 2100 by 3000 metre gold (>100 ppb) and arsenic (>200 ppm) soil geochemical anomaly. Soil sampling in 2001 expanded the anomaly by 200 metres to the north and 450 metres to the west.

In related news, the TSX Venture Exchange Bulletin dated August 30, 2002 incorrectly reported the details of its acceptance of a purchase agreement dated June 25, 2002, pertaining to the William's Gold property. The correct details are as follows: Rimfire has purchased of one of the two underlying vendor's interest in the William's Gold Property for 75,000 common shares. The shares issued pertaining to this purchase are subject to a four-month hold period, expiring December 31, 2002. Rimfire can now earn the remaining 50% interest in the property from the underlying vendor by completing staged cash and share payments totalling \$32,500 and 75,000 common shares by December 31, 2004. Rimfire's interest will be subject to a 1.25% net smelter royalty of which 0.75% can be purchased for \$1 million. Rimfire must also issue 50,000 common shares upon commencement of commercial production.

Rimfire Minerals is a well-financed junior explorer with a strong portfolio of gold exploration projects in northern Canada and Alaska. Rimfire leverages exploration and maximizes exposure to discovery opportunities by having partners fund exploration. Since January of this year, Rimfire has signed five property agreements with companies including Barrick Gold Corporation, AngloGold (U.S.A.) and junior companies Stikine Gold Corp. and First Au Strategies Inc. Management expects to see exploration conducted on six projects by year-end, five of which will be funded by partners. For information regarding any of Rimfire's projects, please call David Caulfield or Jason Weber at (604) 669-6660 or send an email to info@rimfire.bc.ca.

On behalf of Rimfire Minerals Corporation

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May 27, 2003

## Dear Investor;

As Stikine Gold Corporation will soon go public with its shares trading on the TSX Venture Exchange we would like to highlight a few elements of what we think is a great investment opportunity, complete with the potential for a new gold discovery in July 2003. This will take place in what we believe will be a rising market for junior gold stocks.

The attached initial public offering (IPO) prospectus contains all of the technical and corporate details of our William's Gold Property and the Company. We trust that after your review of the prospectus you will conclude the following;

- Stikine's IPO is well priced (C\$0.25/common share and C\$0.35/flow through share) for a brand-new, gold-focused junior exploration company. After completing the maximum offering, Stikine will have a market capitalization of only C\$2.9 million, with no debt and C\$1.35 million in the bank;
- A large component of the offering is available as a 'super flow-through' investment, enabling investors to minimize the after-tax risk of their investment.
   For example, the typical net costs of investing \$1000 is less than \$400 for BC residents in the highest marginal tax group;
- Based on our geological and geophysical engineering work last summer we have defined a large (1800m x 800m @50m depth) and untested bulk-tonnage gold target at our William's Gold Project in BC. Called the Dome/T-Bill Target, it is located immediately adjacent to an area that was haphazardly drilled and sampled in 1983/84 despite its shortcomings, that program returned compelling gold intersections (up to 35.0 g/t over 2.0m) and long intervals of gold mineralization (1.17g/t over 147m); and,
- Stikine will commence diamond drilling immediately after closing the IPO, currently planned for July 2003. The new drill program is anticipated to deliver targeted results in the large IP anomaly identified in 2002. Also, the previous drill results may have significantly under-reported actual grades because of the previous methods of sampling and assaying used.

With few 'brand-new' comparable companies and the potential to deliver a new gold discovery in short order, we believe the Stikine IPO provides a rare opportunity for investors interested in **near-term**, **new gold results** in British Columbia.

As a demonstration of our corporate and management success to date the Stikine Prospectus was filed and approved by regulators in **recording-setting time**. Our Preliminary Prospectus was filed April 29, 2003 and a Final Receipt was obtained May 15, 2003.

The following project testimonials are also provided for your review;

Rimfire's VP Exploration, Mark Baknes, P.Geo., summarizes Stikine's 2002 program results: "The Williams Gold project displays the features of a substantial gold mineralizing system and as past results demonstrate, a system that can produce ore grades. The new geological and geophysical data provides real direction for Stikine Gold's planned 2003 drill program. That program is expected to give the first real assessment of the potential of the (Dome) T-Bill zone and expand the zone northward into areas never before tested."

Dr. N.C. Carter, P.Eng., P.Geo., highlights in his summary report on the property: "Of immediate interest are the areas of higher resistivity (2002 geophysical anomaly) immediately north of the area of previous drilling which may be indicative of a greater degree of silicification. Only one of the previous holes (83-5) was drilled into the south margin of this anomaly."

If you have any questions regarding the prospectus or opportunities to invest in Stikine Gold Corporation please contact any of us at the following telephone numbers;

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Yours truly, **STIKINE GOLD CORPORATION** 

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## **News Release**

# Diamond Drilling Underway at William's Gold Project

PR03-06

July 30, 2003, Vancouver, Canada: Rimfire Minerals Corporation announces that partner Stikine Gold Corporation ("Stikine Gold") has completed its initial public offering (IPO) and has commenced diamond drilling at the William's Gold Project.

The William's Gold Project is located approximately 100 km north of the Kemess Mine in the northern Toodoggone region of British Columbia. The primary focus of the drilling is to test gold mineralization at the "Dome Target"; a gold zone defined by coincident 3,000 m x 2,000 m gold-in-soil geochemistry and 1,800m x 800 m induced polarization (IP) anomalies.

The current program is slated for 3,000 metres of drilling on the Dome Target. Crews will also investigate the "Northern Target" areas, located approximately 4 km north of the Dome Target, where prospecting and reconnaissance work will be conducted in conjunction with the drilling program.

Stikine Gold is earning a 70% interest in the William's Gold from Rimfire by funding \$1.5 million in exploration by December 31, 2005, and by making staged cash and share payments amounting to \$175,000 and 150,000 shares to Rimfire. Upon vesting, Stikine must continue to fund annual exploration and engineering programs totalling no less than \$500,000 per year until the completion of a feasibility study. Rimfire may elect to have Stikine Gold arrange financing of Rimfire's share of development costs for an additional 5% interest in the project.

Rimfire is an aggressive, well-financed mineral exploration company with a portfolio of highly prospective gold properties in British Columbia and Alaska. Partners funding exploration in 2003 include AngloGold (U.S.A.), Barrick, Cangold Limited, Stikine Gold Corporation, and Plutonic Capital Corp.

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Dear Investor

Rimfire is pleased to announce that field programs have commenced in northern British Columbia where partner Stikine Gold Corporation is drilling at the William's Gold Project. Stikine is planning to complete 3000 metres of drilling to test coincident gold-in-soil geochemical and geophysical targets at the "Dome Target".

To view the attached release, you will need Adobe Acrobat Reader installed. A free copy can be downloaded from: https://www.adobe.com/products/acrobat/readstep2.html

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Thank-you for your interest in Rimfire Minerals Corporation.



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### **News Release**

## Drill Program Completed at William's Gold Project, BC

### PR03-07

August 25, 2003, Vancouver, Canada: Rimfire Minerals Corporation announces that partner Stikine Gold Corporation ("Stikine Gold") has completed an initial 2,855 metres of diamond drilling at the "Dome Target" on the William's Gold Project. The property is located approximately 100 kilometres north of Northgate Exploration Ltd.'s 50,000 tonne per day Kemess Mine, in the northern Toodoggone region of British Columbia.

The initial program consisted of ten diamond drill holes (WG03-01 through WG03-10) over an area of approximately 800 m x 450 m testing coincident gold-in-soil and induced polarization (IP) resistivity and chargeabiltiy anomalies. An additional hole, WG03-11 was drilled to test the "Hidden Dome" target located immediately north of the Dome Target. ACME Analytical Laboratories in Vancouver has now received 1,530 core samples for analysis and has been instructed to withhold results until all fire assays and certain metallic assays have been completed. Rimfire and Stikine Gold will release a summary of results for the entire drill program when all assays have been received, expected in approximately four weeks. Stikine, as project operator, is responsible for program design and execution, including Quality Control/Quality Assurance measures.

Stikine Gold is in the second year of a four year option agreement to earn a 70% interest in the William's Gold Project from Rimfire by funding \$1.5 million in exploration, and by making staged cash and share payments amounting to \$175,000 and 150,000 shares to Rimfire. Upon vesting, Stikine must continue to fund annual exploration and engineering programs totalling no less than \$500,000 per year until the completion of a feasibility study. Rimfire may elect to have Stikine Gold arrange financing of Rimfire's share of development costs for an additional 5% interest in the project.

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