

BELO SUN RELEASES RESULTS FROM 65 DRILL HOLES FURTHER EXTENDING THE OURO VERDE DEPOSIT ALONG STRIKE NORTHWEST AND DOWN DIP

TORONTO, March 20th, 2012 – **Belo Sun Mining Corp.** (TSX:BSX) (the "Company" or "Belo Sun") is pleased to announce assay results from 65 additional drill holes from the diamond drilling program at its Volta Grande Gold Project located in Para State, Brazil. The complete results and selected cross sections are presented below. The results being released include 28 drill holes from the Ouro Verde deposit and 37 drill holes from the Grota Seca deposit. The majority of these holes will be incorporated into an updated resource estimate expected to be released in Q2 2012 and will be the basis of the prefeasibility study scheduled to be completed in Q3 2012. Some of the highlights of this round of results are:

- ✓ Hole VVGD-297 (located at Ouro Verde Cross Section 1050 NW) has intersected multiple mineralized zones with widths ranging from 5.45 m to 14.50 meters. A high grade 10.00 meter thick zone grading 4.01 g/t Au has been intersected near surface (from 10.00 m depth). It is important to emphasize that this hole extends the Ouro Verde deposit 250 meters from the previously modeled zones.
- ✓ Significant down dip intercepts in that region also includes VVGD-292 (Ouro Verde Cross Section 950 NW) with 12.00 meters grading 3.91 g/t Au (from 130.00 m depth) including 7.60 meters grading 5.86 g/t Au.
- ✓ Several other holes listed below as resource expansion holes show significant multiple mineralized zones with thickness of up to 40.45 meters such as in VVGD 291 (OV Cross Section 1000 NW).
- At the Ouro Verde deposit, hole VVGD-267 (Cross Section 300 NW) which is part of the infill drilling for upgrading the mineral resource categories intersected multiple high grade shallow mineralized zones and improve the grade in that area of the deposit. Hole VVGD-300 (Cross Section 750 NW) intersected multiple high grade mineralized intervals extending down dip approximately 500 meters below surface. This hole intersected 9 mineralized zones with widths ranging from 3.65 m to 24.00 meters and the best interval being 9.65 meters grading 5.03 g/t Au.
- At the Grota Seca deposit all holes being released are part of the infill drilling program to upgrade the resources and several significant high grade intercepts such as the one in hole VVGD-249 (Cross Section 900 W) which intersected multiple mineralized zones such as **22.00 meters grading 8.32 g/t Au** (from 567.00 m depth).



Since April 2010 Belo Sun has completed 103,132 meters of drilling and expects to release a new mineral resources update later this quarter followed by a full report to be issued and filed on SEDAR in due course. Most drill hole results being released today will be included in that update.

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Helio Diniz, the Vice President, Exploration for Belo Sun, stated, "We are very excited with the expansion of mineral resources that we are seeing at the Ouro Verde deposit. In addition it is very encouraging to see some of the deep holes showing the continuity of the mineralization down dip. We believe that after a significant milestone of more than 100,000 meters of drilling in the Volta Grande area completed to date, the fact that the deposits remain open demonstrates the tremendous potential and confirms this as one of the largest gold deposits ever discovered in this part of the Brazilian Amazon Craton. We are optimistic that the next phase of drilling will continue with significant expansion of estimated mineral resources at Volta Grande in 2012".

A complete summary of assays are listed below. To date, Belo Sun has completed **350 drill holes** at the Volta Grande Gold Project, of which assays remain pending for 24 holes. The current drilling program is designed to upgrade and expand the existing mineral resource estimate and further results will be released as they become available.

The geological map of the Volta Grande Gold Project, with diagrams setting out the main deposit locations, is included below.



TABLE 1 – DIAMOND DRILLING ASSAY RESULTS

The widths reported below represent the core width of the intercepts; true widths are expected to range between 85-95% of the core width.

Ι				Οι	uro Verde De	eposit (Expa	nsion)				
	Hole #	From (m)	To (m)	Width (m)	Au g/t		Hole #	From (m)	To (m)	Width (m)	Au g/t
900 N W	VVGD-275	102.00	105.20	3.20	1.19	1050 NW	VVGD-297	10.00	20.00	10.00	4.01
	and	236.50	253.00	16.50	1.24		and	174.00	183.00	9.00	0.58
	and	259.00	275.00	16.00	1.84		and	192.85	198.30	5.45	0.79
	including	265.00	271.60	6.60	3.95		and	211.00	225.50	14.50	0.82
	and	282.32	286.80	4.48	0.67	900 NW	VVGD-299		N	SR	
	and	296.80	314.00	17.20	2.07	1250 NW	VVGD-303		N	SR	
	including	296.80	305.35	8.55	3.47	1200 NW	VVGD-306		N	SR	
	and	363.00	367.00	4.00	0.59	1250 NW	VVGD-307	238.70	245.21	6.51	0.94
	and	379.65	385.60	5.95	1.28	925 NW	VVGD-310	36.72	40.67	3.95	1.28
	and	396.00	399.60	3.60	0.79		and	57.45	65.90	8.45	0.84
	and	430.10	433.10	3.00	2.09		and	152.00	165.60	13.60	0.68
950 N W	VVGD-278	44.00	54.00	10.00	2.57		and	171.67	181.80	10.13	1.34
	and	162.70	175.30	12.60	1.85	925 NW	VVGD-313	98.00	101.00	3.00	1.39
	including	162.70	170.30	7.60	2.62	975 NW	VVGD-314	68.75	72.35	3.60	1.32
	and	185.00	202.00	17.00	0.64		and	108.50	116.00	7.50	0.56
	and	211.42	234.00	22.58	0.94		and	119.80	123.40	3.60	0.87
	including	215.50	221.20	5.70	1.59		and	130.10	135.00		0.71
	and	238.00	241.00	3.00	2.43		and	139.00	142.75	3.75	0.78
	and	252.00	263.00	11.00	0.80		and	190.35	197.20		1.03
	and	287.00	292.30	5.30	0.70		and	204.60	229.00		1.09
	and	346.00	349.00	3.00	2.82		and	276.60	281.35		1.54
1000 NW	VVGD-290	146.11	149.20	3.09	2.12	1100 NW	VVGD-315	189.00	196.00	7.00	0.50
1000 N W	VVGD-291	33.00	42.00	9.00	1.83		and	257.85	262.85		0.63
	and	103.25	108.55	5.30	0.61		and		334.70		1.88
	and	116.00	126.00	10.00	1.09	875 NW	VVGD-316	5.00	8.00		0.56
	and	169.55	210.00	40.45	0.92		and	58.00	64.50		0.74
	including	188.40	197.20	8.80	1.76		and	163.00	166.85	3.85	0.50
	and	228.00	238.30	10.30	0.58						
	and	250.30	254.00	3.70	0.99						
950 NW	VVGD-292	50.78	56.00		2.45						
	and	62.32	65.00		3.31						
	and	123.00	125.30	2.30	5.25						
	and	130.00	142.00		3.91						
	including	130.00	137.60	7.60	5.86						



				Ouro V	erde Deposit				
Hole #	From (m)	To (m)	Width (m)	Au g/t	Hole #	From (m)	To (m)	Width (m)	Au g/t
VVGD-213	57.00	66.00	9.00	0.81	VVGD-267	43.60	47.50	3.90	0.51
and	91.00	111.70	20.70	0.67	and	90.90	93.00	2.10	9.06
and	135.00	145.00	10.00	1.83	and	97.00	101.00	4.00	0.65
and	150.00	161.70	11.70	1.01	and	106.00	111.00	5.00	1.09
and	277.00	284.60	7.60	1.41	and	166.07	183.00	16.93	3.82
VVGD-244	84.75	89.00	4.25	2.37	including	166.07	172.00	5.93	8.01
and	118.80	126.00	7.20	2.16	and	187.30	192.30	5.00	10.90
and	134.00	137.00	3.00	1.02	and	257.35	265.20	7.85	0.60
and	199.00	207.50	8.50	1.77	VVGD-282	22.30	26.75	4.45	0.61
and	235.80	243.00	7.20	1.20	and	80.00	87.00	7.00	1.13
and	254.60	259.00	4.40	0.80	and	144.05	149.00	4.95	1.68
and	277.20	284.20	7.00	3.82	VVGD-288	311.80	327.80	16.00	0.76
VVGD-251	50.00	59.00	9.00	0.50	and	339.90	344.65	4.75	1.94
and	63.00	66.00	3.00	0.72	and	367.00	371.00	4.00	0.81
and	182.00	189.10	7.10	1.06	VVGD-289	250.00	258.44	8.44	0.94
and	215.00	221.00	6.00	0.88	and	268.59	273.00	4.41	1.58
and	246.00	270.65	24.65	0.81	and	296.82	308.40	11.58	1.30
and	275.30	285.00	9.70	3.11	and	314.00	320.00	6.00	1.04
including	276.10	281.00	4.90	4.86	and	324.00	346.00	22.00	1.38
and	302.00	307.00	5.00	1.20	and	354.63	359.00	4.37	2.08
and	322.00	327.00	5.00	3.14	VVGD-300	290.60	301.40	10.80	2.16
VVGD-256	4.00	8.05	4.05	0.62	including	291.55	297.05	5.50	3.52
and	26.05	31.05	5.00	0.93	and	319.60	333.65	14.05	1.33
and	77.75	90.00	12.25	4.08	and	338.00	347.00	9.00	1.24
and	142.43	149.00	6.57	0.79	and	364.05	371.60	7.55	1.12
and	224.00	230.57	6.57	1.97	and	384.00	395.00	11.00	1.04
and	238.15	249.10	10.95	1.32	and	402.00	412.70	10.70	2.99
VVGD-258	36.00	44.85	8.85	1.19	and	463.00	487.00	24.00	1.68
and	102.00	106.40	4.40	4.01	including	467.00	476.00	9.00	3.41
and	112.45	117.50	5.05	0.89	and	540.35	550.00	9.65	5.03
and	127.20	131.22	4.02	1.45	and	554.70	558.30	3.60	4.15
and	160.36	164.69	4.33	0.71	VVGD-304	19.00	31.00	12.00	0.50
and	170.00	186.78	16.78	1.65	and	108.83	112.00	3.17	1.29
including	176.00	181.28	5.28	3.72	and	157.70	161.85	4.15	0.89
and	197.44	200.10	2.66	1.94	VVGD-308	0.00	14.00	14.00	6.27
and	213.25	227.00	13.75	1.00	and	34.90	45.00	10.10	0.82
and	241.60	249.26	7.66	0.63					
and	268.45	272.60	4.15	3.18					
and	321.00	326.80	5.80	1.19					
and	339.00	342.54	3.54	2.92					
VVGD-265	94.40	103.70	9.30	2.95					
and	140.70	152.00	11.30	0.69					
and	210.30	234.25	23.95	2.13					
including	229.10	234.25	5.15	6.08					
and	295.65	314.00	18.35	1.47					
including	307.52	314.00	6.48	2.95					
and	337.10	341.00	3.90	1.14					

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Hole #	From (m)	To (m)	Width (m)	Au g/t	Hole #	From (m)	To (m)	Width (m)	Au g/t	
VVGD-216	70.20	74.30	4.10	3.12	VVGD-281	0.00	5.70	5.70	3.42	
and	190.25	193.60	3.35	0.77	and	263.78	268.67	4.89	0.87	
VVGD-239	357.00	364.00	7.00	0.80	and	295.15	298.95	3.80	0.55	
VVGD-242	90.35	94.70	4.35	0.85	and	310.45	342.80	32.35	0.52	
and	101.05	107.80	6.75	0.95	and	412.55	425.08	12.53	0.54	
and	118.55	124.10	5.55	0.61	and	429.25	432.50	3.25	1.53	
and	138.50	146.70	8.20	0.58	and	448.70	453.35	4.65	5.55	
and	233.00	247.00	14.00	0.68	and	480.77	484.12	3.35	0.53	
and	278.85	282.00	3.15	1.11	VVGD-283	85.60	89.30	3.70	0.75	
VVGD-247	0.00	16.35	16.35	1.39	VVGD-285	15.45	39.65	24.20	1.45	
including	0.00	10.30	10.30	2.02	including	27.80	37.65	9.85	2.48	
and	23.35	37.45	14.10	1.16	and	108.90	122.54	13.64	1.34	
and	41.45	48.45	7.00	1.63 0.52	and	176.30 257.60	181.00 272.00	4.70	2.48 0.60	
and	69.00	61.35 73.00	4.80	1.01	and	237.60 283.67	272.00 291.50	14.40 7.83	2.58	
and and	120.50	126.50	6.00	0.56	and VVGD-286	205.07		7.65 SR	2.30	
VVGD-248	120.30	128.30	12.00	0.50	VVGD-288 VVGD-287	94.31	97.31	3.00	0.72	
and	208.00	211.00	3.00	0.33	and	102.18	107.08	4.90	0.72	
and	261.80	265.00	3.20	2.70	and	176.50	181.20	4.70	0.90	
and	280.00	303.00	23.00	1.22	VVGD-293	28.00	32.00	4.00	0.82	
and	324.00	333.00	9.00	0.65	and	92.65	103.10	10.45	0.71	
and	389.00	393.00	4.00	1.64	VVGD-294	77.00	84.85	7.85	1.07	
VVGD-249	192.00	200.00	8.00	0.58	and	91.65	95.18	3.53	0.60	
and	237.00	244.00	7.00	0.85	and	102.15	113.90	11.75	0.74	
and	254.26	273.25	18.99	0.95	and	119.55	122.72	3.17	3.04	
and	312.18	316.00	3.82	0.63	and	148.59	156.29	7.70	0.61	
and	329.00	332.00	3.00	0.54	and	176.80	180.00	3.20	2.17	
and	336.00	342.00	6.00	0.53	and	187.83	195.55	7.72	1.73	
and	407.35	411.20	3.85	1.74	and	263.90	267.00	3.10	1.41	
and	419.00	424.00	5.00	0.66	and	298.00	311.08	13.08	1.54	
and	506.60	519.65	13.05	1.35	VVGD-296	223.00	228.40	5.40	2.06	
including	506.60	509.60	3.00	3.84	and	236.00	262.00	26.00	1.14	
and	524.10	539.00	14.90	0.62	and	267.05	273.50	6.45	1.14	
and	552.00	560.25	8.25	1.24	VVGD-298	0.00	12.90	12.90	0.59	
and	567.00	589.00	22.00	8.32	and	19.40	29.25	9.85	0.86	
VVGD-255	309.90	313.90	4.00	0.77	and	111.13	117.40	6.27	4.55	
and	355.25	361.65	6.40	0.76	and	146.60	154.75	8.15	1.63	
and	366.60	389.20	22.60	0.85	and	245.50	250.25	4.75	0.53	
VVGD-257	135.30	139.80	4.50	3.45	and	271.70	283.90	12.20	0.71	
and	149.33	152.40	3.07	12.97	VVGD-301	106.80	112.48		2.55	
and	178.85	183.85		0.50	VVGD-302	52.45	58.60	6.15	1.17	
and	197.85	204.35	6.50	1.69	and	86.00	98.00	12.00	1.20	
and	216.37	221.17	4.80	1.01	and	102.40	113.20	10.80	0.62	
and	233.83	242.90	9.07	2.49	and	122.50	138.95	16.45	0.94	
and	301.50	304.70	3.20	1.92	and	150.73	159.78 168.00	9.05	1.15	
and VVGD-263	328.09 78.89	334.00 88.00	5.91 9.11	1.19 1.04	and	163.80 208.50	218.00	4.20 9.50	0.65 3.92	
and	107.60	112.12	4.52	0.50	and	208.50	218.00	3.00	0.96	
and	107.60	112.12	4.52 5.64	0.50	and	237.00	240.00	6.80	0.96	
and	121.00	120.04 134.75	3.35	6.28	and	243.20	298.40	5.00	1.05	
and	140.73	143.91	3.18	0.73		1991.10	100.10	5.50	2.00	
and	182.26	188.60	6.34	0.62						
and	274.60		3.04	1.11						
	291.00	207.00	2.00	0.95						

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	Grota Seca Deposit										
	From (m)	To (m)	Width (m)	Au g/t	Hole #	From (m)	To (m)	Width (m)	Au g/t		
1	3.60	15.80	12.20	1.13	VVGD-305	0.00	9.00	9.00	0.83		
ł	30.90	75.10	44.20	1.42	and	74.00	77.00	3.00	0.75		
3	30.90	37.00	6.10	3.62	and	132.00	135.00	3.00	0.76		
ł	81.05	90.75	9.70	0.54	and	141.00	148.00	7.00	0.71		
ł	191.00	197.30	6.30	4.35	and	161.00	167.15	6.15	3.66		
ł	204.75	210.00	5.25	2.03	VVGD-309	103.00	107.00	4.00	2.66		
ł	270.00	276.00	6.00	0.65	and	194.70	209.60	14.90	1.29		
ł	295.00	305.00	10.00	2.03	and	269.70	273.65	3.95	1.37		
ł	310.80	314.50	3.70	1.16	and	283.40	287.00	3.60	1.21		
5	168.70	173.45	4.75	4.28	and	292.40	299.30	6.90	1.19		
ł	210.30	215.00	4.70	1.87	and	308.20	311.25	3.05	0.91		
k	237.45	254.00	16.55	0.95	VVGD-311	0.00	30.00	30.00	0.93		
3	18.15	23.38	5.23	1.35	and	219.21	224.45	5.24	0.56		
ł	32.86	39.20	6.34	1.06	and	338.90	342.80	3.90	2.95		
ł	93.58	98.58	5.00	1.96	VVGD-317	100.00	109.00	9.00	0.83		
L	13.00	16.00	3.00	0.71	and	128.00	135.50	7.50	6.34		
ł	48.70	53.50	4.80	4.62	and	140.00	153.00	13.00	0.54		
ł	73.20	76.00	2.80	0.95	and	166.00	188.00	22.00	1.72		
ł	82.00	90.50	8.50	2.30	and	282.60	290.90	8.30	1.39		
ł	95.00	108.40	13.40	2.54	and	302.50	309.00	6.50	0.92		
3	98.50	105.31	6.81	3.41	and	322.00	331.00	9.00	2.46		
ł	162.65	165.65	3.00	1.65	VVGD-320	0.00	4.27	4.27	2.42		
2	469.80	474.00	4.20	2.27	and	133.85	138.00	4.15	1.45		
3	17.62	20.62	3.00	0.94	VVGD-322	96.37	99.38	3.01	0.57		
ł	35.62	49.18	13.56	1.51	and	109.00	117.43	8.43	0.70		
ł	81.60	86.05	4.45	0.50	and	134.53	143.63	9.10	0.66		
5	45.68	55.65	9.97	0.73	and	153.38	157.18	3.80	0.84		
ł	93.40	103.00	9.60	1.82	and	163.00	188.80	25.80	0.79		
ł	107.00	111.00	4.00	0.61	including	179.75	183.90	4.15	2.47		
ł	137.00	146.00	9.00	1.76	and	206.90	249.00	42.10	1.23		
3	141.03	146.00	4.97	2.87	including	221.56	229.25	7.69	2.10		
ł.	168.00	171.00	3.00	1.35	and	265.55	270.65	5.10	1.54		
1	320.00	325.71	5.71	9.29	and	295.14	299.45	4.31	0.51		
1	329.86	341.80	11.94	1.15	and	307.13	315.00	7.87	0.90		
1	367.71	369.71	2.00	10.32	and	333.59	341.75	8.16	2.11		
t	401.40	405.05	3.65	1.19	VVGD-325	0.00	8.00	8.00	0.70		
/	0.00	10.00	10.00	1.05	and	149.15	155.20	6.05	1.27		
k	38.80	45.00	6.20	3.03	and	199.48	202.55	3.07	1.19		
•	50.85	56.90	6.05	0.54	and	216.00	219.25	3.25	1.91		
1	66.60	70.60	4.00	2.90	VVGD-326		N	SR			
1	94.80	101.23	6.43	0.75							
1	113.40	120.70	7.30	0.77							
4	164.40	168.00	3.60	0.59							
1	175.69	189.55	13.86	0.86							

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The scientific and technical information in this press release has been reviewed and approved by David Gower, P. Geo., an advisor to Belo Sun and a Qualified Person as defined by National Instrument 43-101. The exploration program is directly supervised by Mr. Carlos Cravo, P. Geo., Belo Sun's exploration manager. Belo Sun's procedures for handling drill core comprise initial description and logging into a Microsoft Access database. Mineralized, suspected mineralized or not intervals in the drill holes are described in detail and marked for sampling. Core is then cut in half with the right-hand portion of the core put into plastic sample bags and sealed. The left-hand portion is returned to the core box and is stored for future reference or study. Assay standard and "Blank" samples are inserted every 20th sample. These samples are then delivered to ACME Labs sample preparation facility at the Project site. The assay samples are then fine-crushed to better than 80% passing 10 mesh screens, with an assay pulp split of up to 1000 grams pulverized to better than 85% passing 200 mesh screen. Samples are assayed at ACME Labs in Santiago, Chile, using a 50 gram fire assay with AAS finish. These QA/QC procedures provide several measures of data quality and assure the Company that the assay data is representative of the original sample.

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About the Company

Belo Sun Mining Corp. is a Canadian-based mineral exploration company with a portfolio of properties focused on gold in Brazil. Belo Sun's primary focus is on advancing and expanding its 100% owned Volta Grande Gold Project, located in Para State. Belo Sun trades on the TSX under the symbol "BSX". For more information about Belo Sun please visit <u>www.belosun.com</u>.

Cautionary Statement on Forward Looking Information

This press release contains "forward-looking information" within the meaning of applicable Canadian securities legislation. Forward-looking information includes, without limitation, statements regarding the impact of these drill results on the Company and its understanding of the project; statements with respect to the development potential and timetable of the project; the estimation of mineral resources; realization of mineral resource estimates; the timing and amount of estimated future exploration; costs of future activities; capital and operating expenditures; success of exploration activities; currency exchange rates; government regulation of mining operations; and environmental risks. Generally, forward-looking information can be identified by the use of forward-looking terminology such as "plans", "expects" or "does not expect", "is expected", "budget", "scheduled", "estimates", "forecasts", "intends", "anticipates" or "does not anticipate", or "believes", or variations of such words and phrases or state that certain actions, events or results "may", "could", "would", "might" or "will be taken", "occur" or "be achieved". Forward-looking information is subject to known and unknown risks, uncertainties and other factors that may cause the actual results, level of activity,



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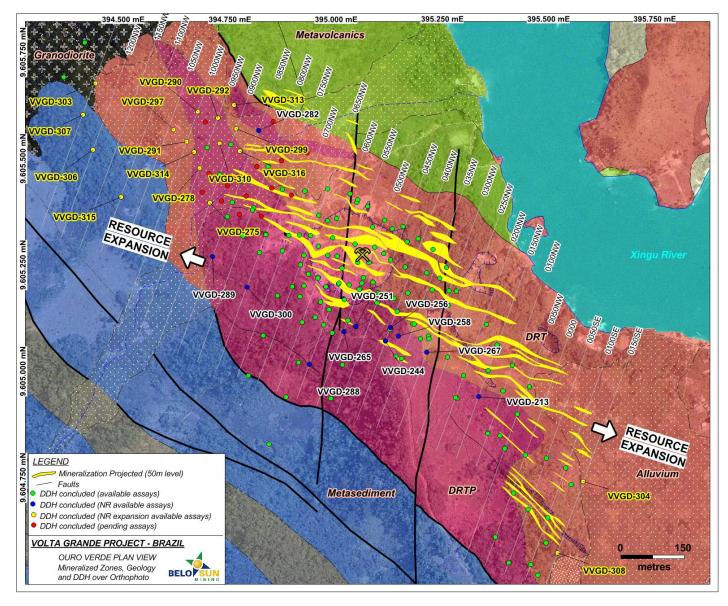
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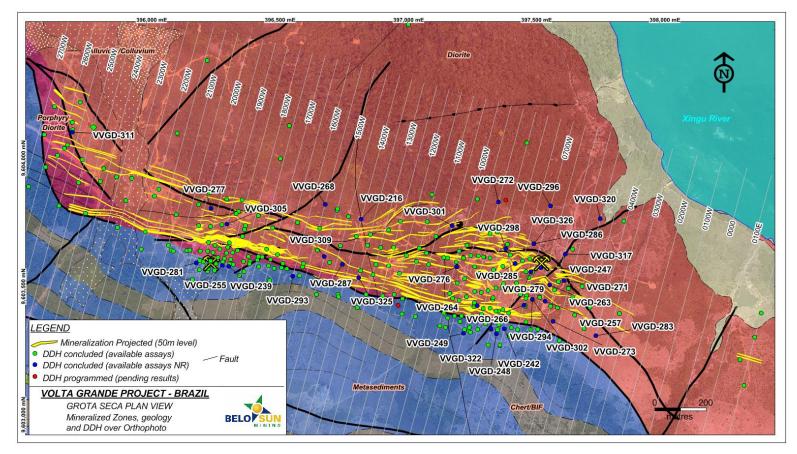
Figure 1 – Ouro Verde Geological Map



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Figure 2 – Grota Seca Geological Map

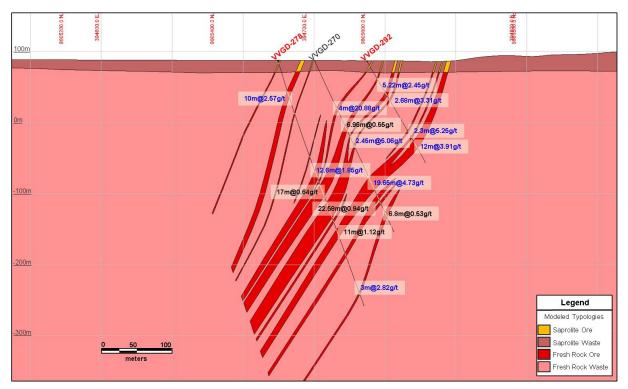


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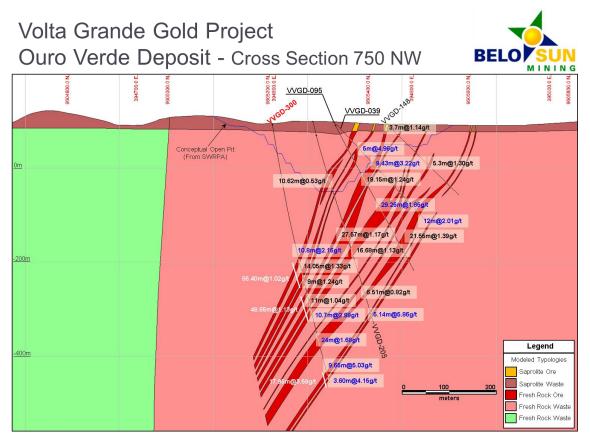


Volta Grande Gold Project Ouro Verde Deposit - Cross Section 950 NW











Volta Grande Gold Project Ouro Verde Deposit - Cross Section 300 NW



