# NOVAGOLD

# 2024 THIRD QUARTER FINANCIAL RESULTS

DONLIN

October 3, 2024

# 2024 THIRD QUARTER WEBCAST & CONFERENCE CALL AGENDA

### Introduction

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### Third Quarter Update

Greg Lang President & Chief Executive Officer

### **Third Quarter Financials**

**Peter Adamek** Vice President & Chief Financial Officer

## **CAUTIONARY STATEMENTS**

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These forward-looking statements include statements regarding the anticipated timing of certain judicial and/or administrative decisions; becoming one of the highest annual gold producers in the Americas; the 2024 forecast spending; the timing and potential for a new feasibility study on the Donlin Gold project; our goals, planned activities and planned expenditures for 2024; ongoing support provided to key stakeholders including Alaska Native Corporation partners; Donlin Gold's continued support for the state and federal permitting process; sufficiency of working capital; the potential development and construction of the Donlin Gold project; the sufficiency of funds to continue to advance development of Donlin Gold, including to a construction decision; perceived merit of properties; mineral reserve and mineral resource estimates; Donlin Gold's ability to secure the permits needed to construct and operate the Donlin Gold project in a timely manner, if at all; legal challenges to Donlin Gold's existing permits and the timing of decisions in those challenges; whether the Donlin Gold LLC board will continue to advance the Donlin Gold project safely, socially, responsibly and to generate value for our stakeholders; the success of the strategic mine plan for the Donlin Gold project; the success of the Donlin Gold community relations plan; uncertainties related to fluctuations in gold prices and demand, and other risks and uncertainties; the completion of the metalluraical test work, resource modelling and remaining planned 2024 activities and the timing therof. 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Important factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from expectations include the need to obtain additional permits and governmental approvals; the timing and likelihood of obtaining and maintaining permits necessary to construct and operate: whether or when a positive construction decision will be made regarding the Donlin Gold project; the need for additional financing to explore and develop properties and availability of financing in the debt and capital markets; uncertainties involved in the interpretation of drill results and geological tests and the estimation of reserves and resources; changes in mineral production performance, exploitation and exploration successes; changes in national and local government legislation, taxation, controls or regulations and/or changes in the administration of laws, policies and practices, expropriation or nationalization of property and political or economic developments in the United States or Canada; the need for continued cooperation between Barrick and NOVAGOLD, the need for additional capital if NOVAGOLD determines to proceed with an updated feasibility study on its own; development and eventual construction of the Donlin Gold property: the need for cooperation of government agencies and Native groups in the development and operation of properties; risks related to construction of mining projects such as accidents, equipment breakdowns, bad weather, disease pandemics, non-compliance with environmental and permit requirements, unanticipated variation in geological structures, ore grades or recovery rates; unexpected cost increases, which could include significant increases in estimated capital and operating costs; fluctuations in metal prices and currency exchange rates; and other risks and uncertainties disclosed in NOVAGOLD's most recent reports on Forms 10-K and 10-Q, particularly the "Risk Factors'' sections of those reports and other documents filed by NOVAGOLD with applicable securities regulatory authorities from time to time. Copies of these filings may be obtained by visiting NOVAGOLD's website at www.novagold.com, or the SEC's website at www.sec.gov, or at www.sedarplus.ca. The forward-looking statements contained herein reflect the beliefs, opinions and projections of NOVAGOLD on the date the statements are made. NOVAGOLD assumes no obligation to update the forward-looking statements of beliefs, opinions, projections, or other factors, should they change, except as required by law.

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Forward-looking statements contained in this presentation are based on a number of material assumptions, including but not limited to the following, which could prove to be significantly incorrect: our ability to achieve production at any of our mineral exploration and development properties; estimated capital costs, operating costs, production and economic returns; estimated metal pricing, metallurgy, mineability, marketability and operating and capital costs, together with other assumptions underlying our resource and reserve estimates; our expected ability to develop adequate infrastructure and that the cost of doing so will be reasonable; assumptions that all necessary permits and governmental approvals will be obtained and the timing of such approvals; assumptions made in the interpretation of drill results, the geology, grade and continuity of our mineral deposits; our expectations regarding demand for equipment, skilled labor and services needed for exploration and development of mineral properties; and that our activities will not be adversely disrupted or impeded by development, operating or regulatory riks.

#### CAUTIONARY NOTE CONCERNING RESERVE & RESOURCE ESTIMATES

This presentation uses the terms "mineral resources", "measured mineral resources", "indicated mineral resources" and "inferred mineral resources". Nineral resources that are not mineral reserves do not have demonstrated economic viability. You should not assume that all or any part of measured or indicated mineral resources was a great amount of uncertainty as to their existence and as to whether they can be mined legally or economically. On October 31, 2018, the SEC adopted new mining disclosure rules ("5-K 1300") that are more closely adigned with current industry and global regulatory practices and standards, including National Instrument 43-101 – Standards of Disclosure for Mineral Projects ("NI 43-101"). NOVAGOLD has elected to comply with 5-K 1300 beginning with its fiscal year ended November 30, 2021.

While S-K 1300 is more closely aligned with NI 43-101 than the prior SEC mining disclosure rules, there are some differences. Notably, unlike NI 43-101, S-K 1300 requires that resources be disclosed exclusive of mineral reserves, and that mineral resources and reserves be disclosed on the basis of our interest in them. NI 43-101 is a rule developed by the Canadian Securities Administrators, which established standards for all public disclosure an issuer makes of scientific and technical information concerning mineral projects. Unless otherwise indicated, all resource estimates contained in this presentation have been prepared in accordance with NI 43-101 and the CIM Definition Standards, as well as S-K 1300.

Project	Qualified Person(s)	Most Recent Disclosure
Donlin Gold	Kirk Hanson, MBA, P.E. Michael Woloschuk, P.Eng.	"NI 43-101 Technical Report on the Donlin Gold Project, Alaska, USA" ("2021 Technical Report") prepared by Wood Canada
	Henry Kim, P.Geo.	Limited ("Wood"), effective June 1, 2021.
	Wood Canada Limited	"S-K 1300 Technical Report Summary on the Donlin Gold project, Alaska, USA" ("S-K 1300 Technical Report Summary") prepared by Wood, dated November 30, 2021.

Paul Chilson, P.E., who is the Manager, Mine Engineering for NOVAGOLD and a "qualified person" under NI 43-101 and S-K 1300, has approved the scientific and technical information contained in this presentation.

# WHY NOVAGOLD?

**Greg Lang** President & Chief Executive Officer



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### DONLIN GOLD IS ONE OF THE MOST ATTRACTIVE TIER 1 GOLD DEVELOPMENT ASSETS IN THE WORLD TODAY<sup>1</sup>...

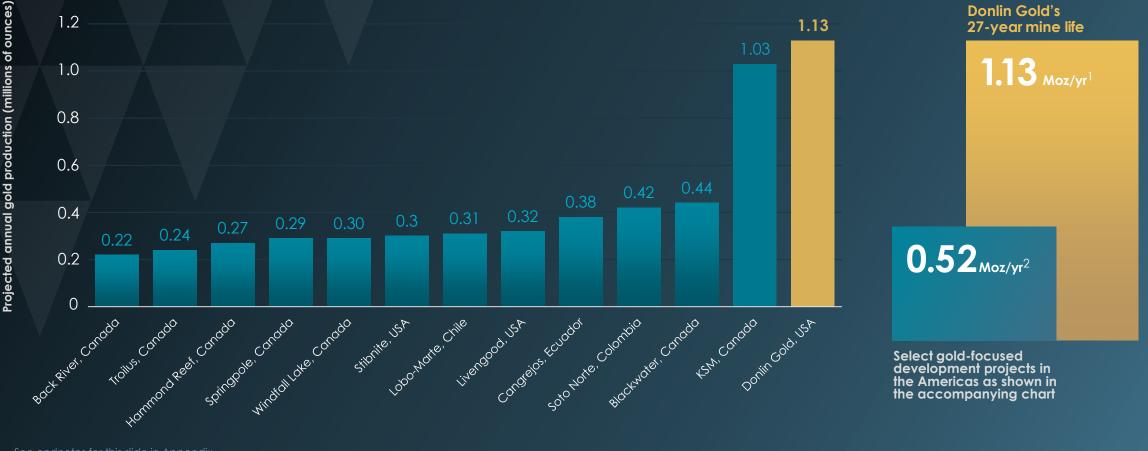
### And is simply unique in the North American gold space in its rare combination of key attributes:

1) Production Profile	Potential to produce 1.1Moz ounces per annum at second quartile cash cost over a 27-year life <sup>2</sup>
2) High-Grade at Scale	<b>39Moz</b> gold contained in measured and indicated mineral resources <sup>3</sup> at <b>2.24 g/t</b> Au <sup>4</sup>
3 Jurisdictional Safety	Alaska is a world-leading mining jurisdiction <sup>5</sup> with a well-established tradition of responsible mining
4 Partnerships	Social license with a project located on private land owned by two Native Corporation partners
5 Permitting	Federal permits are in hand and State permitting on-track
6 Experienced Team	Management team with excellent mine building expertise in the Americas
7) Exploration Potential	Excellent <b>exploration upside</b> on strike, at depth, and within the district

<u>See endnotes for this slide in Appendix</u> <u>See Mineral Reserves & Mineral Resources table in Appendix</u>

## DONLIN GOLD IS POSITIONED TO BECOME A MILLION-OUNCE GOLD PRODUCER

Anticipated to be one of the highest annual gold producers in the Americas



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## DONLIN GOLD HAS MORE THAN DOUBLE THE GLOBAL AVERAGE GOLD GRADE

Among the world's highest-grade known open-pit gold deposits



While global average gold grades are declining, Donlin Gold's grade provides resilience through commodity price cycles

See endnotes for this slide in Appendix

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# ALASKA: WORLD-LEADING MINING JURISDICTION

- 2<sup>nd</sup> largest gold-producing state in the U.S.<sup>1</sup>
- \$4.5B value of annual non-fuel mineral production in Alaska (6th highest in U.S.)<sup>2</sup>
- \$1.1B spend on goods and services with 450+ Alaska businesses<sup>3</sup>
- 11,800 total direct and indirect jobs attributed to Alaska mining industry<sup>3</sup>
- \$1.1B in wages for careers in mining<sup>3</sup>
- Alaska ranks 3<sup>rd</sup> out of 120 mining jurisdictions on the Global Investment Risk Index<sup>4</sup>
- One of only 12 mining jurisdictions to receive a AA rating in 2023, all of which are in the U.S. and Canada (No AAA ratings awarded)<sup>4</sup>



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### ALASKA NATIVE CORPORATION PARTNERSHIPS ELEVATE THE DONLIN GOLD PROJECT

Donlin Gold is located on private land owned by Native Corporations, which was designated by law for mining activities five decades ago

### Calista Corporation:

- Calista board selected the land for resource development through the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act of 1971
- Generate employment opportunities and economic benefits for Calista shareholders
- Invited Donlin Gold to develop property for benefit of shareholders
- Exploration and mining lease
- Hiring preference: shareholders, spouses, and descendants
- Bidder's preference for subsidiaries
- Contributions to scholarship program





ANDREW GUY, PRESIDENT & CEO

### The Kuskokwim Corporation:

- Surface Use Agreement
- Contributions to Kuskokwim Educational Foundation scholarship
- Hiring preference: shareholders, spouses, and descendants
- Bidder's preference for subsidiaries
- Agreement on construction and operation of Jungjuk port
- Oversight during mine closure and reclamation





cutting a path to a better future

ANDREA GUSTY, PRESIDENT & CEO



### DONLIN GOLD PERMITTING IS LARGELY COMPLETE

### Federal Permitting Completed

- ✓ Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS)<sup>1</sup>
  - Joint Record of Decision (ROD) by the U.S. Army
- ✓ Corps of Engineers and Bureau of Land Management (BLM)<sup>1</sup>
- Section 10/404 (wetlands) permit and BLM Offer to Lease for pipeline<sup>1</sup>
- Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration

### State Permitting on-track

Dam safety (multi-year commitment)

Submitted preliminary design packages as next step in State approval process

Key Federal permits for the Donlin Gold project are in hand, State permitting is on-track

### **State Permitting Completed** Air Quality $\checkmark$ Alaska Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Clean Water Act Section 401 Certification<sup>1</sup> $\checkmark$ **Reclamation Plan** $\checkmark$ Title 16 Fish Habitat Waste Management $\checkmark$ Pipeline Right-of-Way<sup>1</sup> $\checkmark$ Land leases, easements, and use agreements (non-pipeline) $\checkmark$ Water Rights<sup>1</sup> $\checkmark$ Public Right-of-Way re-locations in mine area and along access road $\checkmark$

 Permitting is a thorough, extensive and inclusive undertaking with the Federal and State agencies, Native Corporation partners and the local communities, and that includes broad outreach in Alaska and Washington, D.C.

See endnote for this slide in Appendix

## INDUSTRY VETERANS AND EXPERTS WITH A TRACK RECORD OF SUCCESS

### Over 135 Years of Combined Mining Sector Experience

- Experienced management team, most of whom joined NOVAGOLD from major mining companies
- Comprehensive knowledge in building and operating large open-pit and underground mines
  - Goldstrike, Pueblo Viejo, Turquoise Ridge, Cortez, Mercur and Bald Mountain
- In-depth experience in autoclave technology
- Expertise in permitting, sustainability, environmental compliance, indigenous relations and capital markets





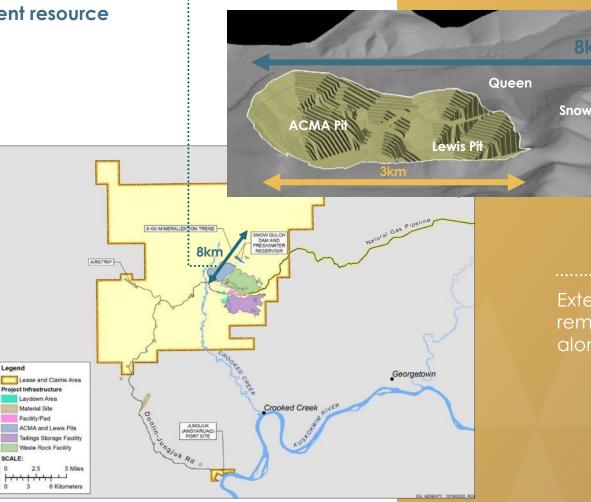
## THE NEXT BIG GOLD DISCOVERY COULD BE AT DONLIN GOLD

Significant potential to expand current resource at depth and along strike

- A total of 39Moz<sup>1</sup> (100% basis) have been defined in the ACMA and Lewis pits with approximately 1,400 drillholes totaling more than 339,000 meters
- Mineral Reserves and Mineral Resources are contained in the ACMA and Lewis pits occupying only 3km of an 8km mineralized belt, which itself is located on less than 5% of Donlin Gold's total mineral land package

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\* See Mineral Reserves & Mineral Resources table in Appendix



Extensive exploration potential remains at depth in the pits and along strike from Queen to Ophir

Quartz

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**Far Side** 

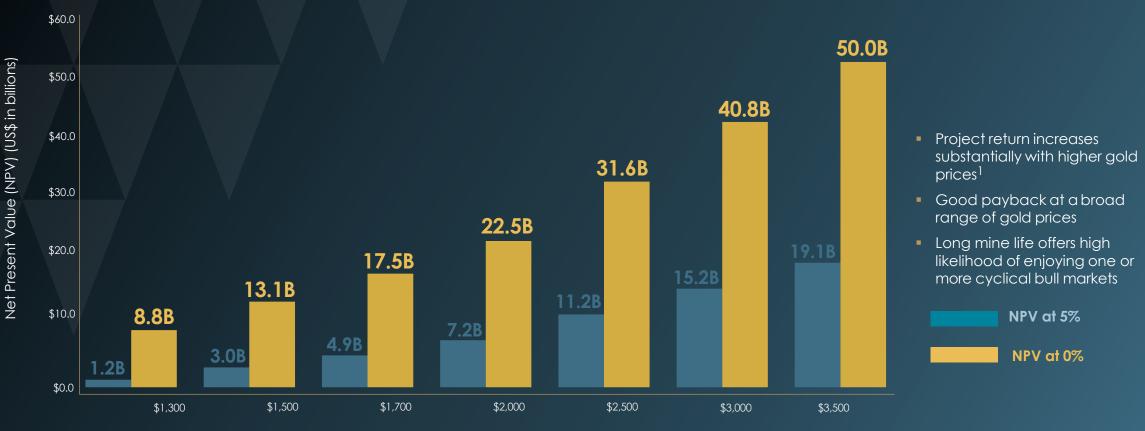
Dome

Ophir

### EXTRAORDINARY LEVERAGE TO GOLD IN A PLACE WHERE ONE CAN KEEP IT

"In an environment where gold is hitting new highs, yet gold equities remain deeply undervalued, astute investors should take note. The current opportunity is as compelling as any we've seen in the history of the gold market"

- "What Is The Cost Of Being Early?"
 Goehring & Rozencwajg (August 2024)



Operating and capital costs per 2021 Technical Report and S-K 1300 Technical Report Summary not adjusted for inflation See endnote for this slide in Appendix



# **2024 THIRD QUARTER HIGHLIGHTS**

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# 2024 THIRD QUARTER ACTIVITIES

- Metallurgical test work (pilot plant) to confirm flowsheet optimizations advanced with completion expected by year-end
- Majority of Dam Safety Certification preliminary design packages submitted to the ADNR on June 17, 2024, with final documents expected to be submitted by year-end. Comments from ADNR are anticipated in 2025
- Updated resource modelling by Donlin Gold team and a third-party consultant nearing completion
- Incorporation of field and geochemical data to update groundwater and surface water models for operational and closure planning

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## **2024 THIRD QUARTER ACTIVITIES**

Extensive outreach and engagement activities throughout the Yukon-Kuskokwim region

### **Community Investments and Engagement**

- Hosted Crooked Creek and Georgetown residents on a tour of the Donlin Gold project
- Provided Alaskans an opportunity to learn more about the project and engage in open and transparent discussions during an Open House in Anchorage
- Sponsored the RurAL CAP Elder Mentor Program, connecting youth with Elders in Alaska and fostering the sharing of values and knowledge between generations
- Collaborated with the Alaska School Activities Association a nonprofit organization dedicated to high school-level athletic, academic, and fine arts programs across the State
- Launched a smolt monitoring program on the George River, a Kuskokwim River tributary, in collaboration with the Village of Napaimute to assess smolt health and migration patterns
- For the seventh consecutive year, supported the "In It For The Long Haul" backhaul program. This year ~140,000 pounds of hazardous material has been removed from the Y-K region for a total to date of ~803,000 pounds





# **2024 THIRD QUARTER ACTIVITIES**

#### State permitting and litigation

- The majority of the Alaska Dam Safety Certification preliminary design packages were submitted to the ADNR on June 17, 2024, with completion expected by year-end and ADNR comments anticipated in 2025
- Alaska Pollutant Discharge Elimination System and Waste Management Permits and Reclamation Plan Approval were extended pending reissuance – expected in 2025
- Oral argument was held in the 401 Certification case in August and will be held for both the water rights permits and the State pipeline ROW cases on November 12, 2024

Providing support in permitting process and efficient issuance of remaining State permits and defending existing permits in litigation

#### Federal litigation and bipartisan outreach campaign

- In the Federal lawsuit challenging the 404 permit and BLM ROW, the Court issued a decision on September 30, 2024, upholding the federal agencies' analysis on two of the three issues raised
- The Court agreed with the plaintiffs that the federal agencies took too narrow a view in analyzing the impact of a theoretical release from the tailings storage facility. The Court did not vacate the permits and ordered supplemental briefing on the appropriate remedy, which is scheduled to be completed in early November

• All State cases have been fully briefed



# **2024 THIRD QUARTER FINANCIAL RESULTS**

Peter Adamek

Vice President & Chief Financial Officer



## **Q3 2024 OPERATING PERFORMANCE**

	Three months e	nded August 31,	Nine months ended August 31,	
(US\$ millions)	2024	2023	2024	2023
General and administrative <sup>1</sup>	\$5.1	\$5.2	\$19.0	\$16.4
Equity loss – Donlin Gold	2.8	4.0	9.7	16.0
Operating loss	7.9	9.2	28.7	32.4
Interest expense on promissory note	3.8	3.4	11.1	9.6
Interest and dividend income	(1.2)	(1.4)	(4.2)	(4.2)
Other (income) expense, net <sup>2</sup>	0.2	(0.1)	(0.8)	(1.4)
Net loss	\$10.7	\$11.1	\$34.8	\$36.4

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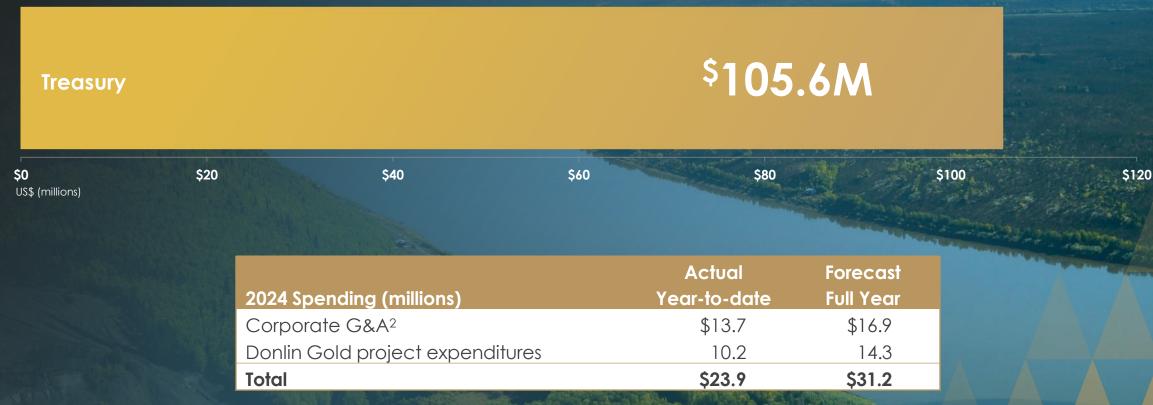
### Q3 2024 CASH FLOW

Three months ended August 31,		Nine months ended August 31,	
2024	2023	2024	2023
\$(4.6)	\$(3.0)	\$(13.7)	\$(9.9)
(2.9)	(2.5)	(10.2)	(15.2)
_	25.0	_	25.0
0.5	1.6	3.7	4.3
(7.0)	21.1	(20.2)	4.2
112.6	109.0	125.8	125.9
\$105.6	\$130.1	\$105.6	\$130.1
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# MAINTAINING A STRONG TREASURY

Cash and term deposits balance on August 31, 2024<sup>1</sup>



# 2024 ACTIVITIES & UPCOMING CATALYSTS

Taking the Donlin Gold project up the value chain

- NOVAGOLD and Barrick held a Donlin Gold workshop in Alaska in September to review work completed to date, plan for 2025 activities, and discuss next steps
- NOVAGOLD remains committed to commencing a full bankable Feasibility Study to optimally position the Donlin Gold project for the benefit of all stakeholders and shareholders
- Donlin Gold expenditures for 2024 include:
  - Mine planning work
  - Metallurgical test work (pilot plant)
  - Regional infrastructure support planning
  - Resource modelling
  - Geoscience hydrology and closure planning
  - Advancement of Dam Safety certificates and support litigation activities
  - Government affairs, community engagement and sponsorships

## **STRONG INSTITUTIONAL SHAREHOLDER SUPPORT**

The 10 largest shareholders hold almost 70% of shares issued and outstanding<sup>1</sup>

31.7% ALL OTHER SHAREHOLDERS Common shares issued & outstanding<sup>3</sup>: 334,567,187 Options<sup>3</sup>: 9,039,437

**PSUs<sup>3</sup>:** 1,633,500

**DSUs<sup>3</sup>:** 314,714

Warrants<sup>3</sup>: None



68.3%

### **TOP 10 SHAREHOLDERS**

25.4% Electrum Strategic Resources LP & affiliates
8.1% Paulson & Co. Inc.
6.4% First Eagle Investment Management, LLC
5.8% Lingotto Investment Management
5.1% Fidelity Management & Research
5.1% Kopernik Global Investors
4.7% BlackRock Institutional Trust
3.0% The Vanguard Group, Inc.
2.4% Pictet & Cie (Europe)
2.3% Van Eck Associates Corporation

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# APPENDIX

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# MINERAL RESERVES

Donlin Gold	Tonnage	Grade	Metal content	Attributable to NOVAGOLD
GOLD	kt	g/t Au	koz Au	koz Au
Reserves <sup>1</sup>				
Proven	7,683	2.32	573	287
Probable	497,128	2.08	33,276	16,638
P&P	504,811	2.09	33,849	16,925

- a) These Mineral Reserve estimates have been prepared in accordance with NI 43-101 and the 2014 CIM Definition Standard and S-K 1300.
- b) Rounding as required by reporting guidelines may result in apparent summation differences between tonnes, grade, and contained metal content.
- c) Tonnage and grade measurements are in metric units. Contained gold is reported as troy ounces.

\*Mineral reserves and mineral resources are reported on a 100% basis and on a 50% basis. NOVAGOLD and Barrick each own 50% of the Donlin Gold project.

Donlin Gold approximate cut-off grades (see Mineral Reserves and Resources Endnotes): **Reserves**<sup>1</sup>: 0.57 g/t gold **Resources**<sup>2</sup>: 0.47 g/t gold

t = metric tonne g/t = grams/tonne oz = troy ounce k = thousand



# MINERAL RESOURCES

Donlin Gold	Tonnage	Grade	Metal content	Attributable to NOVAGOLD
GOLD	kt	g/t Au	koz Au	koz Au
Resources <sup>2</sup> , exclusive of Reserves				
Measured	869	2.23	62	31
Indicated	69,402	2.44	5,435	2,718
M&I	70,271	2.43	5,497	2,749
Inferred	92,216	2.02	5,993	2,997
Resources <sup>2</sup> , inclusive of Reserves				
Measured	7,731	2.52	626	313
Indicated	533,607	2.24	38,380	19,190
M&I	541,337	2.24	39,007	19,503
Inferred	92,216	2.02	5,993	2,997

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# **DONLIN GOLD**

Key financial economic & production data	
Initial capital costs	\$7.4B
Sustaining capital costs over LOM (27 years)	\$1.7B
Average annual gold production	
LOM	1.1Moz
First 5 years	1.5Moz
Economic outcomes at \$1,500/oz gold	
After tax cash flow	\$13.1B
After tax NPV (5%)	\$3.0B
After tax IRR	9.2%
After tax payback	7.3 years

Source: 2021 Technical Report and S-K 1300 Technical Report Summary (100% basis)



LOM operating costs			
Area	\$/t Processed	\$/t Mined	\$/oz Au
Mine operations	16.70	2.59	278
Processing operations	13.70	2.12	228
Administration	3.49	0.54	58
Land & royalty payments	4.32	0.67	72
Total (differences due to rounding)	38.21	5.90	635

Full technical reports available on NOVAGOLD's website here: https://www.novagold.com/properties/donlin\_gold/technical\_report/



# MANAGEMENT

F	<b>Greg Lang</b> President & CEO	<ul> <li>Former President of Barrick Gold North America</li> <li>40+ years of experience building &amp; operating major open-pit and underground mines (Goldstrike, Cortez, Turquoise Ridge, Bald Mountain)</li> <li>Diverse experience in mine operations, project development and evaluations</li> </ul>	<b>Mélanie Hennessey</b> VP, Corporate Communications	<ul> <li>20 years of experience in financial markets, corporate governance, indigenous relations, sustainability, M&amp;A, compensation, risk management, crisis preparedness and response</li> <li>Previously held executive, senior IR &amp; corporate communications positions with Goldcorp, New Gold, and Hecla Mining Company</li> </ul>
	<b>Richard Williams</b> VP & Chief Operating Officer	<ul> <li>Led the design and construction of the Pueblo Viejo project in the Dominican Republic</li> <li>40+ years of experience developing and operating major mines (Goldstrike and Mercur)</li> <li>Experienced leader in autoclave technology</li> <li>Member of the American Institute of Mining, Metallurgical, and Petroleum Engineers; CIM</li> </ul>	<b>Ben Machlis</b> VP & General Counsel	<ul> <li>Former Dorsey &amp; Whitney LLP Partner</li> <li>Over 15 years of experience advising clients in mining transactions, permitting, environmental compliance and closure</li> <li>Previously served as Chair of Regulatory Affairs Practice Group and Co-chair of Mining Industry Group at Dorsey &amp; Whitney LLP</li> </ul>
	<b>Peter Adamek</b> VP & Chief Financial Officer	<ul> <li>Former VP, Finance of Hudbay Minerals Inc.</li> <li>20+ years of expertise in corporate finance, capital markets, financial reporting, tax, and information technology in the mining sector</li> </ul>		

## **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Dr. Thomas Kaplan Chairman	<ul> <li>Chairman and CEO of The Electrum Group LLC, a privately held natural resources investment management company that controls a diversified portfolio of precious and base metals assets</li> </ul>	Hume Kyle	<ul> <li>Former Executive VP and CFO of Dundee Precious Metals</li> </ul>
Dr. Elaine Dorward-King	<ul> <li>Former Executive VP of Sustainability and External Relations at Newmont Corporation</li> <li>Serves as a director of Sibanye-Stillwater, Kenmare Resources plc, and Nevada Copper</li> </ul>	Kalidas Madhavpeddi	<ul> <li>President of Azteca Consulting LLC, and director of Glencore plc and Dundee Precious Metals</li> <li>Former CEO of China Moly Corp and former Executive with Phelps Dodge</li> </ul>
Daniel Muñiz Quintanilla	<ul> <li>Founding partner of Whetsone Resources</li> <li>Serves as director of Brookfield Infrastructure Partners LP, Hudbay Minerals Inc., and Gatos Silver Inc.</li> </ul>	Kevin McArthur	<ul> <li>Former CEO of Goldcorp, Glamis Gold, and Tahoe Resources</li> <li>Serves as non-executive director of Royal Gold and First Quantum Minerals</li> </ul>
Dr. Diane Garrett	<ul> <li>President, CEO and director of Hycroft Mining Holding Corporation</li> <li>Former President and CEO of Nickel Creek Platinum and Romarco Minerals; and former director of OceanaGold and Revival Gold</li> </ul>	Dawn Whittaker	<ul> <li>Board Chair of Triple Flag Precious Metals Corp</li> <li>Former director of Sierra Metals, Detour Gold, and Kirkland Lake Gold</li> </ul>
Greg Lang President & CEO	<ul> <li>Former President of Barrick Gold North America</li> <li>Serves as director of Trilogy Metals</li> </ul>	Ethan Schutt	<ul> <li>Executive VP and General Counsel of Bristol Bay Native Corporation; and a Board Trustee of the Alaska Permanent Fund Corporation</li> <li>Former CEO of Alaska Native Resource Development LLC, an Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium company (ANTHC), former Chief of Staff to ANTHC, and former Senior Vice President, Land and Energy Development for Cook Inlet Region Inc. (CIRI)</li> </ul>



#### **APPENDIX**

### **ENDNOTES**

#### SLIDE 5 - Donlin Gold is one of the most attractive tier 1 gold development story in the world today...

- 1. NOVAGOLD defines a Tier One gold development project as one with a projected production life of at least 10 years, annual projected production of at least 500,000 ounces of gold, and average projected cash costs over the production life that are in the lower half of the industry cost curve.
- 2. Anticipated annual gold production during full life of mine if put into production as contemplated in the 2021 Technical Report and the S-K 1300 Technical Report Summary. See "Cautionary note concerning Reserve & Resource Estimates" and "Mineral Reserves & Mineral Resources" tables on slides 3, 25 & 26.
- Represents 100% of measured and indicated resources, inclusive of mineral reserves, of which 50% is attributable to NOVAGOLD. Donlin Gold is not in production and a construction decision has not been made. For more information see "Cautionary Note Concerning Reserve and Resource Estimates" and "Mineral Reserves & Mineral Resources" tables on slides 3, 25 & 26.
- 4. Represents average grade of measured and indicated mineral resources, inclusive of mineral reserves. See "Cautionary Note Concerning Reserve and Resource Estimates" and "Mineral Reserves & Mineral Resources" tables on slides 3, 25 & 26.
- 5. Alaska ranks number 11 globally in the Fraser Institute Annual Survey of Mining Companies 2023, Investment Attractiveness Index.

#### SLIDE 6 - Donlin Gold is positioned to become a million-ounce producer

- 1. Anticipated annual gold production during full life of mine if put into production as contemplated in the 2021 Technical Report and the S-K 1300 Technical Report Summary. See "Cautionary note concerning Reserve & Resource Estimates" and "Mineral Reserves & Mineral Resources" tables on slides 3, 25 & 26.
- 2. Average of comparison group data of 11 projects shown on slide 5 based on large (3Moz proven and probable mineral reserves cut off), North/South American gold-focused development projects with >75% projected revenues from gold, as per latest company public filings and websites as of September 2024

#### SLIDE 7 – Donlin Gold has double the global average gold grade

- 1. September 2024 average grade of open pit and underground deposits with gold as primary commodity and over 1Moz in measured and indicated mineral resources, inclusive of mineral reserves, sourced from S&P Global Market Intelligence.
- 2. Represents average grade of measured and indicated mineral resources, inclusive of mineral reserves. See "Cautionary Note Concerning Reserve and Resource Estimates" and "Mineral Reserves and Mineral Resources" tables on slides 3, 25, & 26.

#### SLIDE 8 – Alaska: World-leading mining jurisdiction

- 1. Per the Bureau of Land Management-<u>https://www.blm.gov/sites/default/files/docs/2021-06/BLM-AK-Minerals-Critical-Renewable-Future-Infographic.pdf</u>.
- 2. Per the USGS Mineral Commodity Summaries report Table 3- Value of Nonfuel Mineral Production in the United States and Principal Nonfuel Mineral Commodities Produced in 2022.
- 3. Per Alaska Miners Association August 2024 report titled "Alaska's Mining Industry".
- 4. Per Mining Journal intelligence World Risk Report 2023 Alaska received an AA rating, ranks number 3 globally on the Investment Risk index and is in the top quartile for Iow-risk in each category (Legal, Governance, Social, Fiscal and Infrastructure).

#### SLIDE 10 – Donlin Gold permitting is largely complete

1. Under appeal. Appeals challenging permits in State courts have been unsuccessful to date and Biden Administration is fully defending the Federal permitting decisions. In the Federal litigation challenging the Donlin Gold Joint Record of Decision, including the 404 permit and ROW for portions of the pipeline crossing federal lands, the Court issued a decision on September 30, 2024. The decision upheld the federal agencies' analysis on two of the three issues raised in the litigation, but agreed with plaintiffs that the federal agencies took too narrow a view in analyzing the impact of a theoretical release from the tailings storage facility. The Court requested supplemental briefing on the appropriate remedy for addressing this issue, which is due October 21, 2024, and response briefing is due November 4, 2024. Donlin Gold is committed to working with the federal agencies and all stakeholders on an appropriate remedy to address the Court's decision.

#### SLIDE 12 - The next big gold discovery could be at Donlin Gold

 Represents 100% of Measured and Indicated resources, inclusive of mineral reserves, of which 50% is attributable to NOVAGOLD. Donlin Gold is not in production and a construction decision has not been made. For more information see "Cautionary Note Concerning Reserve and Resource Estimates" and "Mineral Reserves & Mineral Resources" tables on slides 3, 25 & 26.

#### SLIDE 13 - Extraordinary leverage to gold in a place where one can keep it

1. Donlin Gold estimates as per the 2021 Technical Report and the S-K 1300 Technical Report Summary, except as noted below. All dollar figures are in USD, represent 100% of the project of which NOVAGOLD's share is 50%, and reflect after-tax net present value (at 0% and 5% discount rates) of the Donlin Gold project using the reference date of start of Year -06 as the first year of discounting. Estimated owner's initial capital project development costs of approximately \$348M to be spent prior to the reference date are treated as sunk costs. At a 5% discount rate, the net present value is: (\$1,832M) @ \$1,000 gold; \$202M @ \$1,200 gold; \$1,161M @ \$1,300 gold; \$3,040M @ \$1,500 gold; \$4,887M @ \$1,700 gold; \$7,229M @ \$2,000 gold; and \$11,199M @ \$2,500 gold. Gold price sensitivity was evaluated to a maximum of \$2,500 per troy ounce as part of the 2021 Technical Report and the S-K 1300 Technical Report Summary. Additional sensitivity analysis at higher gold prices was performed by the Company, calculated on the same basis as the 2021 Technical Report and the SK-1300 Technical Report Summary. The project requires a gold price of approximately \$930 per ounce to break even on an undiscounted cash flow basis and a gold price of approximately \$1,180 per ounce to break even on a 5% discounted basis.

#### SLIDE 19 - Q3 2024 operating performance

- 1. Includes share-based compensation expense of \$515 and \$2,225 in the third quarter of 2024 and 2023, respectively; and \$5,319 and \$6,526 in the first nine months of 2024 and 2023, respectively.
- 2. Includes gain on sale of mineral property, change in fair market value of marketable securities, foreign exchange gains and losses, accretion, and income taxes.

#### SLIDE 20 - Q3 2024 cash flow

1. Excludes non-cash share-based compensation expense of \$0.5 million and \$2.2 million in the third quarter of 2024 and 2023, respectively; and \$5.3 million and \$6.5 million in the first nine months of 2024 and 2023, respectively.



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#### SLIDE 21 – Maintaining a strong treasury

- 1. NOVAGOLD cash and cash equivalents of \$45.6, primarily held at three large Canadian chartered banks with investment grade credit ratings. Term deposits of \$60 million and held at two large Canadian chartered banks with high credit ratings and maturities of less than one year.
- 2. Excludes non-cash share-based compensation expense.

#### SLIDE 23 - Strong institutional shareholder and management support

- 1. Shareholder positions are based on the latest 13-D, 13-F or 13-G filings as of June 30, 2024.
- 2. Market Capitalization based on 334.4 million shares issued and outstanding as of September 25, 2024. NOVAGOLD share price of \$4.10 as of September 30, 2024.
- 3. Common shares issued and outstanding, options, PSUs, and DSUs effective September 25, 2024. See SEC Form 10-Q filing dated October 2, 2024 for additional information.

#### SLIDES 25 & 26 Mineral Reserves and Mineral Resources

- 1. Mineral Reserves are reported within the pre-feasibility pit designs, and supported by a mine schedule, featuring variable throughput rates, stockpiling and cut-off optimization. The pit designs are contained within an optimized pit shell based on the following economic and technical parameters: Metal price for gold of \$1,200/oz; reference mining cost of \$2.16/t incremented \$0.0033/t/m with depth from the 220 m elevation (equates to an average mining cost of \$2.64/t), fixed processing cost \$13.78/t processed; sustaining capital of \$1.54/t processed; general and administrative cost of \$3.66/t processed; stockpile rehandle costs of \$0.24/t processed assuming that 45% of mill feed is rehandled; variable metalluraical recoveries by rock type, ranging from 86.7% in shale to 94.2% in intrusive rocks in the Akivik domain; refining and freight charges of \$1.21/oz gold; royalty considerations of 4.5% NSR and \$0.50/t processed; and variable pit slope anales, ranging from 23° to 43°. Mineral Reserves are reported using an optimized block value (BV) based on the following equation: BV = Au grade \* Recovery \* \$1,200/oz - royalties & refining costs - process operating costs - G&A cost reported in \$/t. Assuming an average gold recovery of 89.5% the marginal gold cut-off grade would be approximately 0.57 g/t, or the gold grade that would equate to a \$0.001 BV cut-off at these same values. The life-of-mine (LOM) strip ratio is 5.48:1. The assumed LOM throughput rate is 53,500 t/d. The technical parameters referenced herein are based on the specifications utilized in the Donlin Creek Gold Project Alaska, USA, NI 43-101 Technical Report on Second Updated Feasibility, effective November 18, 2011 (as amended January 20, 2012). The economic parameters are derived from the NI 43-101 Technical Report on the Donlin Gold Project, Alaska, USA, effective June 1, 2021, and the S-K 1300 Technical Report Summary on the Donlin Gold Project, Alaska, USA, November 30, 2021.
- 2. Except as noted, Mineral Resources are inclusive of Mineral Reserves. Mineral Resources that are not Mineral Reserves do not have demonstrated economic viability. Inferred Resources are in addition to Measured and Indicated Resources. Inferred Resources have great uncertainty as to their existence and whether they can be mined legally or economically. The cut-off date for the sample database used in the Mineral Resource estimate is 1 November 2009. However, more recent drilling data were used to validate

the resource model as remaining current. Mineral Resources are constrained within a conceptual Measured, Indicated and Inferred optimized pit shell using the following assumptions: gold price of \$1,200/oz; variable process cost based on 2.1874\* (sulphur grade) + 10.6485; administration cost of \$2.29/t; refining, freight & marketing (selling costs) of \$1.85/oz recovered; stockpile rehandle costs of \$0.20/t processed assuming that 45% of mill feed is rehandled; variable royalty rate, based on royalty of 4.5%\* (Au price – selling cost); and a variable metallurgical recovery depending on the host rock type ranging from 86 to 94%. Assuming an average recovery of 89.5% and average S% grade of 1.07, the marginal gold cut-off grade is 0.47 g/t. These technical and economic parameters are those that were used in the Donlin Creek Gold Project Alaska, USA, NI 43-101 Technical Report on Second Updated Feasibility Study, effective November 18, 2011 (as amended January 20, 2012) to establish reasonable prospects of eventual economic extraction. Based on the QP's review of the estimate, there would be no material change to the Mineral Resources if the gold price were updated to \$1,500/oz and other economic parameters were updated to the 2020 parameters used in the Mineral Resource estimate. As a result, the Mineral Reserve and Mineral Resource estimates shown above remain unchanged from the 2011 estimates contained in the prior technical report. See "Cautionary Note Concerning Reserve & Resource Estimates" on slide 3.

#### **Technical Reports and Qualified Persons**

The documents referenced below provide supporting technical information for the Donlin Gold project.

Project	Qualified Person(s)	Most Recent Disclosure
Donlin Gold	Kirk Hanson, MBA, P.E.	"NI 43-101 Technical Report on the Donlin Gold Project,
	Michael Woloschuk, P.Eng.	Alaska, USA" prepared by Wood Canada Limited,
	Henry Kim, P.Geo.	effective June 1, 2021.
	Wood Canada Limited	"S-K 1300 Technical Report Summary on the Donlin Gold
		project, Alaska, USA" dated November 30, 2021.

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