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PUBLIC NOTICE

MINING RESPONSIBLY: ADDRESSING CITY OF ROSSLAND'S MISLEADING INFORMATION ON RECORD RIDGE

West High Yield (W.H.Y.) Resources Ltd. (TSXV:WHY) is committed to responsible mining, environmental stewardship, and open engagement with local communities and Indigenous partners.

For over six years, the Record Ridge Industrial Minerals Mine (RRIMM) has been subject to a rigorous permitting process under the BC Mines Act, overseen by the Mine Development Review Committee (MDRC) and independent qualified professionals (QPs). This ensures compliance with the highest environmental, technical, and regulatory standards.

Despite this, Rossland City Council has publicly opposed the project based on misleading claims and misinformation. By doing so, they undermine the integrity of BC's permitting process and disregard the expertise of both government regulators and independent environmental specialists who have validated this project.

It's time to separate fact from fiction.

THE FACTS:

- **RRIMM is Fully Regulated Under BC's Mines Act**
The project has passed extensive environmental and technical reviews. Independent qualified professionals (QPs) and the Mine Development Review Committee (MDRC) have confirmed its compliance with BC's strict mining regulations.
- **Strong Indigenous Support & Economic Reconciliation**
The Osoyoos Indian Band (OIB) and the Okanagan Nation Alliance (ONA) formally support RRIMM. Agreements ensure Indigenous participation in oversight and economic benefits for their communities.

Rossland City Council and local NGO's failed to consult with the First Nations who rightfully hold the land title before taking a public stance against the project.

- **Environmental Responsibility & Transparency**

RRIMM meets and exceeds all environmental regulatory standards. Concerns about water usage, air quality, and safety have been fully addressed by independent experts and validated by the MDRC.

- **No Impact on Tourism & Trails**

RRIMM is over 10 km from Rossland and more than 15 km from Red Mountain Ski Resort—it poses no threat to local tourism. The company has worked with the Kootenay Columbia Trails Society (KCTS) to adjust a short section of the Seven Summits Trail, ensuring uninterrupted public access.

- **Truck Route Will Not Affect Rossland**

Claims that the project will bring heavy traffic into Rossland's downtown are false and misleading. All materials will be hauled directly to the U.S. via Highway 22, bypassing Rossland completely.

- **Rossland City Council Refused to Engage**

W.H.Y. Resources reached out multiple times to meet with Rossland's leadership. The City of Rossland refused to engage in constructive dialogue.

MOVING FORWARD: LET'S HAVE A FACT-BASED DISCUSSION

West High Yield (W.H.Y.) Resources Ltd. remains committed to responsible development, sustainability, and open communication.

We invite Rossland residents, regulators, and all stakeholders to rely on facts, expert analysis, and regulatory approvals rather than fear-based opposition tactics.

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