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Bathurst Metals Announces High Grade Copper Assay Results From Summer Sampling Program on 100% owned Gela Lake Project Area, Nunavut.

Vancouver, British Columbia (December 16, 2021) – Bathurst Metal Corp. (TSXV: BMV, OTC: BMVVF) (“Bathurst” or the “Company”) is pleased to announce assay results from 10 rock, grab samples collected where a Monzogabbro, Proterozoic Age, body intruded the regional Bathurst Fault, Nunavut, Canada, Figure # 1. The Gela Lake Project area covers 3,116.39 Hectares and overlies known copper, cobalt and gold mineralization. Fieldwork during August 2021 focused on only the south-central portion of the project area along both the eastern and western flanks of the monzogabbro intrusive in contact with Archean Metasediments and Volcanics.

Of most interest is the consistent higher grade copper, bismuth and molybdenum values along the western contact of the intrusive where the Bathurst Fault is projected to occur, Figure # 2. Mineralization observed consists mainly of structural controlled chalcopyrite within quartz and quartz-carbonate veins hosted within sheared monzodiorite and or Archean metavolcanics/sediments. All copper, bismuth and molybdenum assay results are listed in Table # 1. Table # 2 provides the samples locations and brief comments on the geology and mineralization.

Table #1

Eastern Side of Monzogabbro Intrusive

Sample Number	Copper (%)	Bismuth (ppm)	Molybdenum (ppm)
D365422	9.4	0.7	0.41
D365423	0.01	0.27	0.77
D365424	3.26	5.25	3.05
D365425	0.05	0.96	0.87

Western Side of Monzogabbro Intrusive along Bathurst Fault

Sample Number	Copper (%)	Bismuth (ppm)	Molybdenum (ppm)
D365451	1.14	301	0.97
D365452	4.47	632	489
D365453	5.96	1720	12.2
D365454	6.51	623	8.25
D365455	0.78	4.15	1.07
D365456	0.01	1.38	0.68

Table # 2

Sample Number	UTM East	UTM North	Comments
D365422	580952	7477489	1.3 metre wide quartz vein with 25% cpy, 7% bornite
D365423	580804	7477524	Monzogabbro no visible mineralization
D365424	580610	7477648	Quartz +/- carbonate, malachite, 1-3% chalcopyrite/bornite
D365425	580702	7477599	Fractured monzogabbro, no visible mineralization
D365451	581170	7476035	Qtz vn in argillite, 10 cm wide, 30% pyrite, chalcopyrite
D365452	581079	7476142	Qtz vn in argillite, 50 cm wide, 30% pyrite, chalcopyrite
D365453	580589	7476740	Qtz vn, vuggy, 20% pyrite, chalcopyrite
D365454	580560	7476795	Qtz vn with veinlets, 20% sulfides, pyrite, chalcopyrite
D365455	580510	7477205	Qtz vn, 20cm, trace malachite, 1% chalcopyrite
D365456	580810	7477049	Monzogabbro, no visible sulfides

Figure # 1

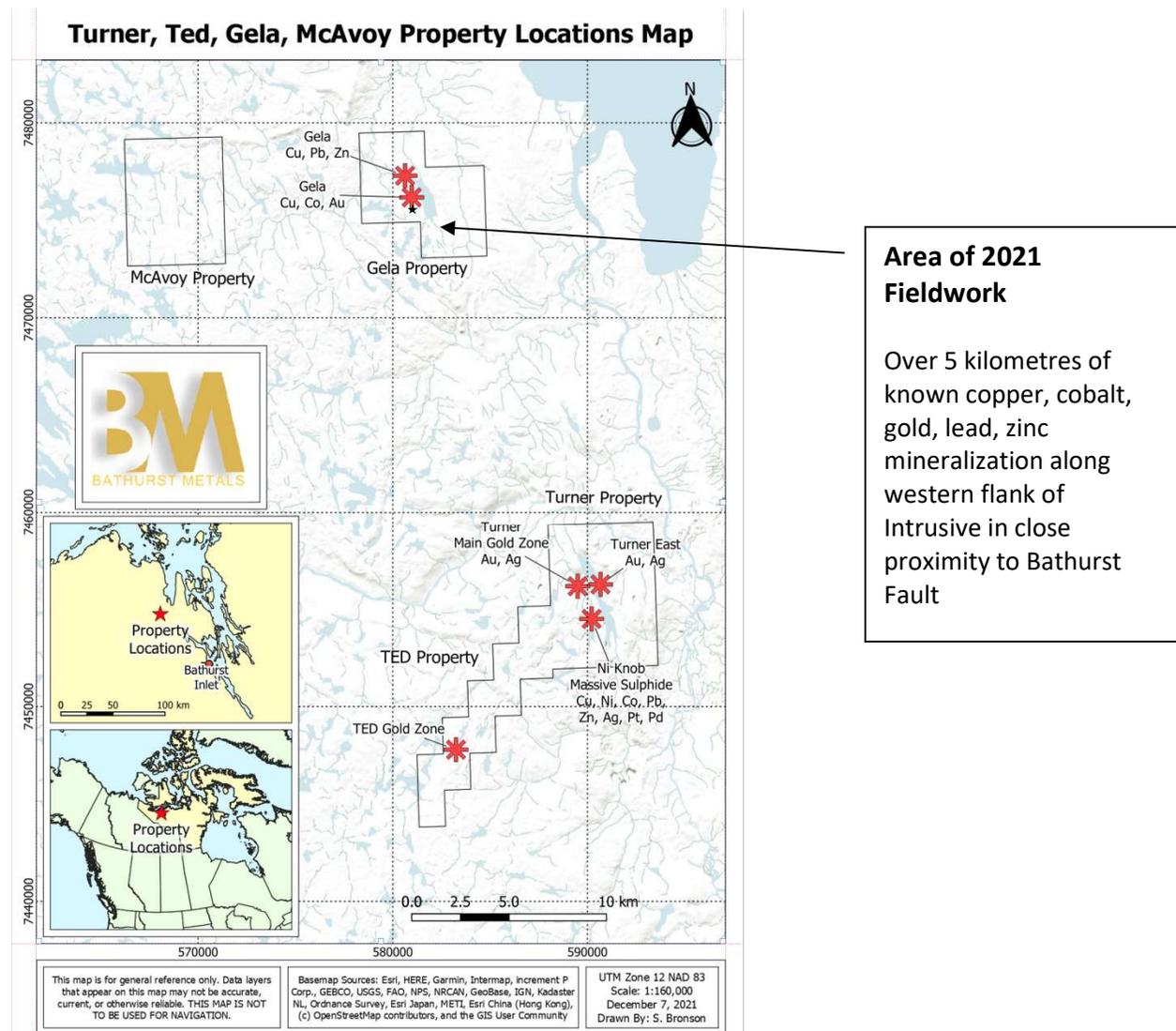
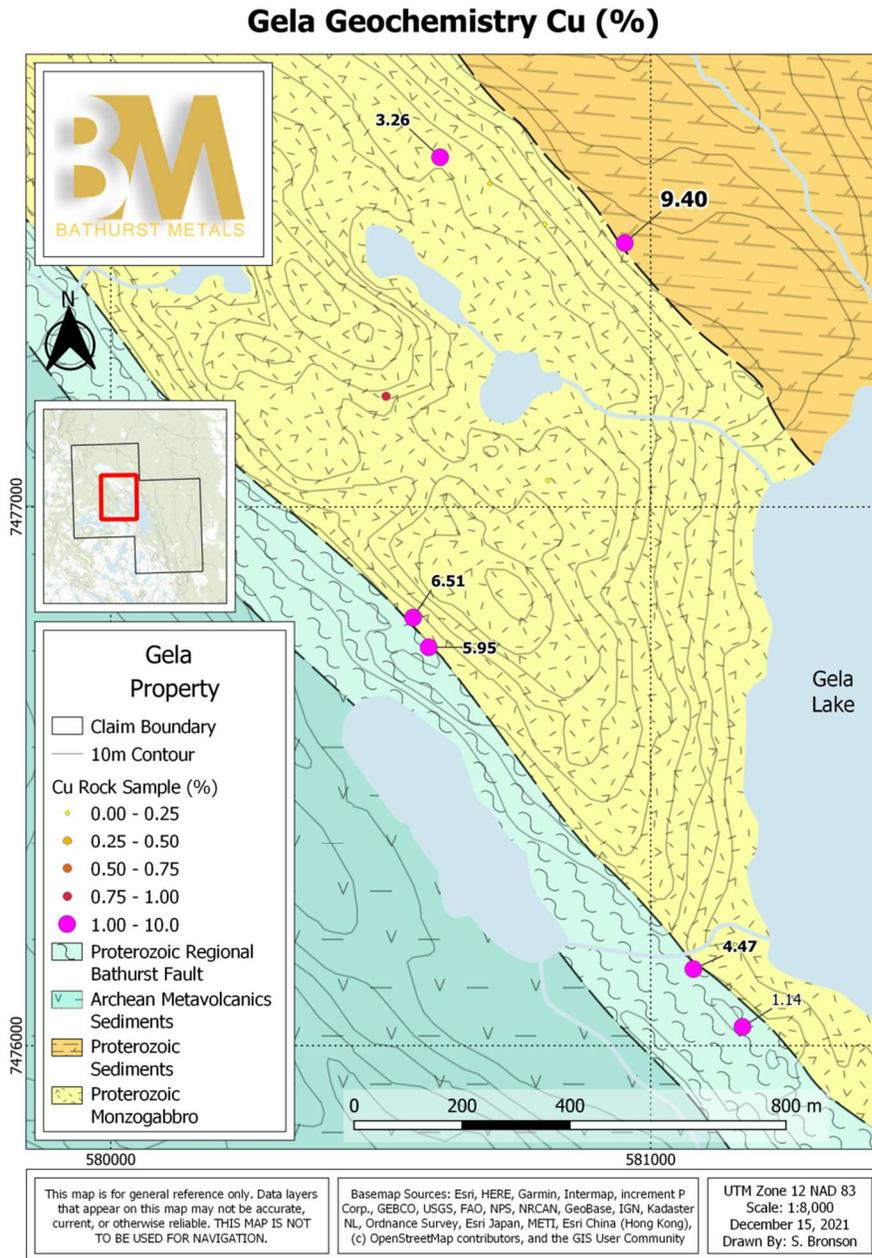


Figure # 2



Greg Bronson, VP Exploration and director of Bathurst Metals commented “Our time on the Gela property was limited however we did collect samples that returned significant results from our inaugural site visit. Sampling work focused on the southern portion of the contact between the Bathurst fault and a monzogabbro intrusion. Along with some high copper values we are seeing high bismuth values that suggest the presence a very strong hydrothermal system, likely related to the regional scale Bathurst fault that dissects the property. Additionally, we are seeing elevated molybdenum assays that likely indicate the presence of local heat engine associated with the monzogabbro intrusion sitting directly adjacent to the Bathurst fault. This package of structures presents a very prospective exploration target that has not yet seen modern systematic exploration nor has ever been drill tested. More work needs to be done on the Gela property to further understand the environment of mineralization and to further explore known showings of Copper and Cobalt on the northern portion of the property. Bathurst Metals has a very strong portfolio of 100% owned properties in Nunavut with experienced staff familiar with working in these areas.”

Quality Assurance/Quality Control – Rock Samples

All rock samples were collected by professional geoscientists. Samples were placed in plastic sample bags with samples tags placed in each bag before being sealed. Samples were transported to the field camp site and later to the ALS sample preparation facility in Yellowknife under the supervision of a professional geoscientist. The Yellowknife sample preparation laboratory crushed and pulverized samples and using a riffle splitter to obtain up to 85 percent of a 250 gram sample passing through 75um screen. The pulverized samples were then securely transported to their laboratory in Vancouver and analyzed using procedure ME MS41 (ultra trace Aqua Regia ICP-MS) followed by an Au-OG44, ore grade gold 50gram sample analysis.

Lorne Warner, P. Geo, President of the company is a qualified person as defined by National Instrument 43-101 and has reviewed and approved the scientific and technical content of this news release.

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