

# ESSEX MINERALS INC.

Vancouver, British Columbia

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## **COMPLETION OF 2017 EXPLORATION PROGRAM ON THE MELBA PROPERTY**

**Vancouver, British Columbia, November 14, 2017** – Essex Minerals Inc. (the “**Company**” or “**Essex**”) (TSXV:ESX) is pleased to report that it has successfully completed its 2017 field program on the Melba Property in south-central British Columbia. The property is located approximately 25.0 km. south of Kamloops, B.C. in the Kamloops Mining Division. The field program, as recommended by John R. Kerr, P. Eng., in his report entitled “Technical Report on the Melba Property, Kamloops Mining Division, British Columbia”, dated July 25, 2014, was completed at a cost of approximately \$220,000.

The property was explored in the 1980s and 1990s for porphyry copper/gold deposits, similar in nature to the Afton deposit, 20.0 km. to the north. The host rock was believed to be a small basis/ultrabasic intrusive stock approximately 1.0 square kilometer in size. Several drill holes tested the intrusion yielding only anomalous results. An airborne geophysical survey completed in 2014 indicated the stock may be over 7.0 square kilometers in size. The 2017 program explored for porphyry copper (gold) deposits in this expanded area.

In the early 2000s, the property was explored for epithermal gold deposits. Two mineral showings were discovered on the property in the late 1990s, both indicating the presence of low-sulphidation epithermal gold in a prominent north-south brecciated silicified (chalcedony) structure, cutting the contact area of the main intermediate/basic intrusive body. This structure, is identified by a prominent north-south magnetic lineament and to a lesser extent by a VLF-EM lineament, both detected from airborne geophysics.

The 2017 program consisted of a 30.0 km. reconnaissance grid over the two historic mineral showings and surrounding areas indicated by a 2013 airborne geophysical survey. The grid lines were spaced at 200 meters and occupied an area 2.8 km. x 2.0 km. A three-dimensional induced polarization survey was completed and 600 soil samples were collected over the entire grid area. In addition, rock-chip samples, geological mapping and prospecting were completed on the grid and in other areas of the 3966 hectare property. In addition to the 3D induced polarization, a ground magnetometer survey was also conducted on the property. A total of 32.0 km. of 3 DIP data and 37.3 km. ground magnetic data were acquired.

Results of the 2017 program indicate a coincidental magnetic, resistivity and modest chargeability anomaly within the confines of the expanded area of the basic intrusion indicated from the airborne magnetic survey. The area is 800 meters long by 450 meters wide and detected to a depth of 300 meters. The area is entirely covered by overburden interpreted to be 10 – 30 meters deep. It is within this area that continued exploration is

warranted exploring for porphyry copper (gold) deposits similar to Afton. Geochemical results indicate moderate copper (ranging to 146 ppm) and gold (ranging to 58 ppb) responses within this area. Continued exploration would consist of limited drilling through the overburden to test the presence of porphyry-style mineralization in bedrock in areas of geochemical signature.

## **ABOUT ESSEX MINERALS INC.**

Essex Minerals Inc. is a Tier 2 mining issuer on the TSX Venture Exchange, trading under the symbol ESX, with 10,375,007 shares issued to date. The Company's main emphasis is on its Melba Property located in south-central British Columbia, 25.0 kilometers south of the town of Kamloops. The Melba Property consists of 8 contiguous claims, comprising approximately 3966.0 hectares and is located in the Kamloops Mining Division. John Ostler, P. Eng. and Chris Dyakowski, P. Geo. are QPs responsible for the content of technical data described in this News Release.

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