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We would like to acknowledge that we are located on the Stk'emlúpsenc te Secwépemc territory, situated within the unceded traditional lands of the Secwépemc Nation. New Afton appreciates the partnership that we have with the Stk'emlúpsenc te Secwépemc Nation and respect the territory and land on which we work, gather and play.



A NOTE FROM THE MAINTENANCE MANAGER



We here at the Maintenance team have started 2022 with the same positive momentum we were building at the end of 2021. By emphasizing Life Saving Behaviours, simplifying our morning meetings, and engaging with our employees we have improved our safety performance and sent everyone home safe and healthy. I would like to thank everyone at New Afton for looking after your colleagues and yourself.

The Maintenance team is fully committed to assisting operations on site by performing the right work, at the right time, for the right reasons. We have prioritized support activities for the B3 and C-Zone projects while also dedicating resources towards beginning Phase 1 of the Thickened and Amended Tailings (TAT) project.

Other developments have come through training our Maintenance technicians on using new technology. This includes our conversion to Tier 4 engines, which has reduced the amount of emissions and diesel particulate produced by our mobile equipment.

Meanwhile, our team has grown through the creation of the Innovation & Technology team and the transfer of the Information Technologies (IT) team from Finance. These organizational changes help position our site to utilize future technologies and help us work towards automating and electrifying production in C-Zone. This represents a great step towards achieving both our production and energy targets.

The Maintenance team has plenty to be excited about for the remainder of 2022. We intend on increasing our focus on reliable operation for our TAT facility, underground sizer operation, and C-Zone Mobile Fleet Selection. Additionally, we have supported the professional growth of our workers by awarding five new apprenticeships to existing New Gold employees in 2022.

I am extremely proud to lead the Maintenance team and look forward to reconnecting with employees and their families at our 10-Year Production Celebration in September.

Shane Kozoriz
Maintenance Manager

CUSTOM MILLING BEGINS AT NEW AFTON

NEW AGREEMENT LEADS TO SUSTAINABLE OPPORTUNITIES

In February 2022, New Afton Mine began processing ore from Gold Mountain Mining Corp.'s ("Gold Mountain") Elk Gold Project—a 21,000-hectare project located 57 kilometres outside of Merritt, BC. New Afton's permit enables the mine to process 70,000 tonnes of ore from the Elk Gold Project annually. The agreement benefits both mines by helping New Afton increase the value of its concentrate while Gold Mountain can mine without the need to build its own mill and tailings infrastructure.



TRU's Megan Low (left) and Amber Cachelin (right)



INVESTING IN OUR NEIGHBOURS

New Afton is committed to meaningful engagement with organizations and people in our region. Some highlights from 2022 include providing the Sun Peaks Volunteer Firefighters Society with \$7,000 to help purchase new

wildfire equipment (top) and donating used personal protective equipment to Thompson Rivers University's School of Trades and Technology (left).

PERFORMANCE BY THE NUMBERS

PRODUCTION

| OUTPUTS (3 months ended March 31) | Q1 2022 | Q1 2021 |
|-------------------------------------|---------|---------|
| Ore Processed (thousand tonnes) | 927 | 1,221 |
| Tailings Produced (thousand tonnes) | 909 | 1,196 |
| Average gold grade of ore (g/tonne) | 0.38 | 0.39 |
| Average copper grade of ore (%) | 0.49 | 0.64 |
| Copper Produced (million pounds) | 8.16 | 13.8 |
| Gold Produced (ounces) | 9,268 | 11,994 |

ENVIRONMENTAL SCORECARD

| INCIDENTS (3 months ended March 31) | Q1 2022 | Q1 2021 |
|-------------------------------------|---------|---------|
| Environmental Non-Compliances | 0 | 0 |
| Externally reported spills | 1 | 1 |
| Number of fines incurred | 0 | 0 |

HUMAN RESOURCES

COMMUNITY SUPPORT PIT STOP FOOD DONATION

In January 2022, New Afton Mine donated unclaimed holiday food items including turkeys, hams, and charcuterie to the PIT Stop Outreach Program. PIT Stop is a non-profit in Kamloops, BC dedicated to serving marginalized people of all ages with free, quality meals every Sunday. The donation provided 600 meals to community members in need.

“All of this meat came to us at a time when the Kamloops Food Bank was very low in supplies because of the flooding events,” said Lynne Borle from PIT Stop. “It truly carried us through a rough spot and we’re so thankful to your employees and New Afton. Please accept our most sincere thanks.”

New Afton is proud to support PIT Stop and its mission.

EMPLOYEE COMPOSITION (3 months ended March 31)

| | Q1 2022 | |
|--|---------|------|
| Total # of Employees on Payroll | 663 | 100% |
| Employees from BC | 595 | 90% |
| Employees hired from Kamloops region | 521 | 79% |
| Employees hired from BC, outside Kamloops | 74 | 11% |
| Employees from outside BC | 68 | 10% |
| Indigenous Employees | 143 | 22% |
| Indigenous Employees from Tk'emlúps te Secwépemc and Skeetchestn | 36 | 5% |
| Female Employees | 105 | 16% |
| Male Employees | 558 | 84% |
| Average Age | 40.0 | |

NEW AFTON EMPLOYEES ARE GOING ELECTRIC

HELPING TO CREATE A LOW CARBON FUTURE

New Afton employees are going electric. In late 2020, New Afton installed six Level 2 battery electric vehicle (BEV) charging stations for employee BEVs, with partial funding from BC Hydro. At the time, there was only one employee with a BEV. To date, there are 35 registered users and an additional charging station has been installed to meet demand. It was very much a “build it and they will come” approach.

Requests for vehicle charging access steadily increased as employees purchased BEVs and took advantage of the opportunity for free charging. In 2021, there were an average of 67 charging transactions per month. This increased to 105 per month for the first five months of 2022.

BEV owners are constantly talking about the efficiency and low operating costs of their new vehicles. According to BEV owners, with rising fuel costs and purchasing incentives available, there has never been a better time to buy a BEV. You can save some money and help to reduce greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions at the same time.

Since going live in October 2020, there have been 1,382 charging transactions. This initiative has helped to reduce GHG emissions by 18,237 kgCO₂e, which is the amount produced by 7,665 litres of gasoline. Since the average Canadian gasoline vehicle burns about 2,000 litres per year, this is equivalent to about 3.8 years of emissions. New Afton employees are stepping up and showing that Energy Matters!

Charging Transactions per Month



WE WELCOME YOUR FEEDBACK

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1. Was the report clear and understandable?
2. Did the report provide enough detail?
3. What issues related to our operation or mining are you most interested in? Did the report address them to your satisfaction? If not, what could have improved the report?
4. Are there any communities, interest groups or stakeholders, including those whose interests may be issues-based or indirect, you think should be included in our communications?
5. Are there more effective methods of communicating with the general public that you would prefer to this newsletter?

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

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