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### **Aurelius Minerals Intersects Near Surface Gold Mineralization at Aureus West – 32.2 Metres grading 2.85 g/t Gold and 20.3 Metres of 3.93 g/t Gold**

Toronto, ON - Aurelius Minerals Inc. (TSX.V:AUL) (OTCQB:AURQF) (the “Company” or “Aurelius”) is pleased to announce assay results from three additional holes at its Aureus West Gold Project located in Nova Scotia, Canada. The Aureus West project contains an inferred mineral resource of 269,000 tonnes (“t”) grading 6.1 grams per tonne (“g/t”) for a total of 53,200 oz of gold (see Table 1). Holes AW-20-004, AW-20-005 and AW-20-006 are from pad 2, which is approximately 45 metres (“m”) east of pad 1 (See January 28, 2021 press release) along the gold trend. All holes intersected significant gold mineralization near surface and new gold horizons were identified to a depth of 504m below surface. The drilling identified mineralization both above, and well below, the existing inferred mineral resource which extends to a depth of approximately 150m. The Aureus West Gold Project is located approximately one kilometre (“km”) south of the Aureus East Gold Project. Ten holes were completed, totaling approximately 4,600m, in the 2020 drilling program. Assays for holes AW-20-004 and AW-20-005, and partial assays for hole AW-20-006, are reported here.

#### Highlights:

- Intersected broad intervals of near surface gold mineralization with strong mineral tenors;
  - AW-20-005: 32.2 m grading 2.85 g/t gold; and
  - AW-20-006: 20.3m grading 3.93 g/t gold;
- Established mineralization outside of the current inferred mineral resource along strike and at depth;
  - gold mineralization intersected above and below the current inferred mineral resource;
  - the gold system is open in both directions along approximately 6km of strike, from the Harrigan-Cove fault in the east, to historical trenching evidencing visible gold, located 5.4km to the west from the 2020 drill program; and
  - the system has been proven to a depth of over 500m, where it remains open.

Mark N.J. Ashcroft, P.Eng, President and Chief Executive Officer of Aurelius said, “We are very pleased with these new results from our Phase 1 drilling program at the Aureus West Gold Project. We continue to see extensive mineralization outside of the existing inferred mineral resource. A robust gold system, both long and deep, is emerging and we see substantial opportunity to grow and update the inferred mineral resource going forward. The mineralized horizons demonstrate a combination of both high-

grade mineralization and sediment hosted mineralization providing a clear path to resource growth along a near 6 km gold trend.”

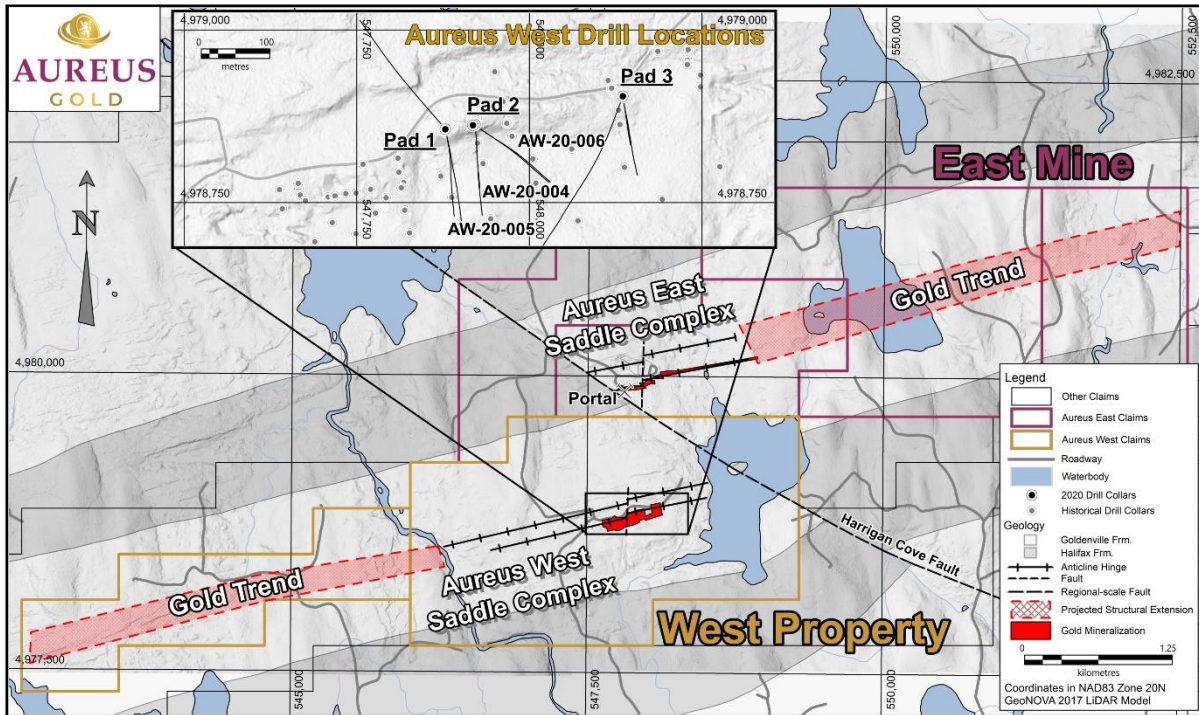


Figure1: Plan view of Aureus West and Aureus East properties

## Aureus West Long Section Looking North

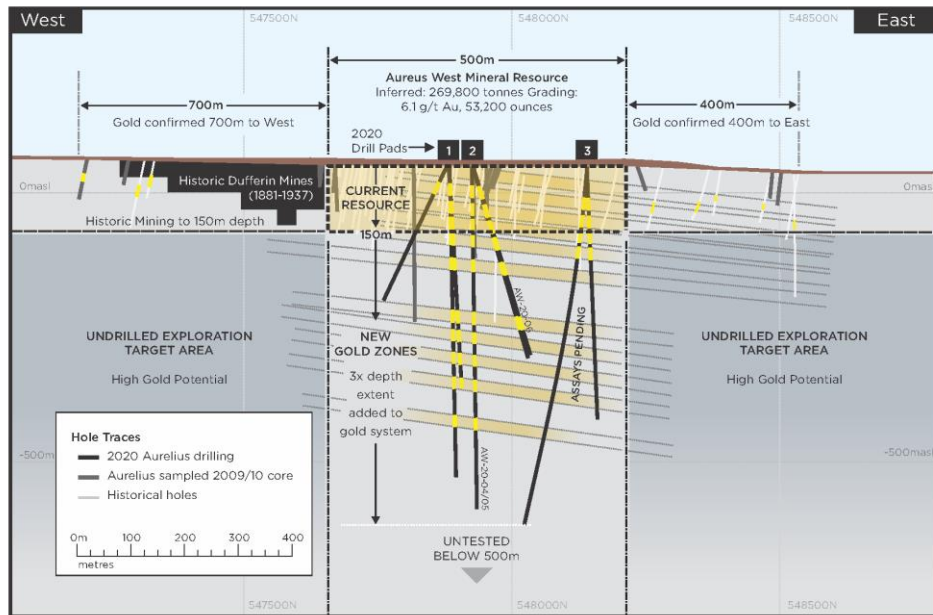


Figure 2: Aureus West Long Section, looking north. Mineral Resources are not Mineral Reserves and do not have demonstrated economic viability. There is no certainty that all or any part of the Mineral Resources estimated will be converted into Mineral Reserves. Inferred Mineral Resources are based on limited drilling which suggests the greatest uncertainty for a resource estimate and geological continuity is only implied.

**Aureus West**  
Pad 2 Cross Section, Looking West

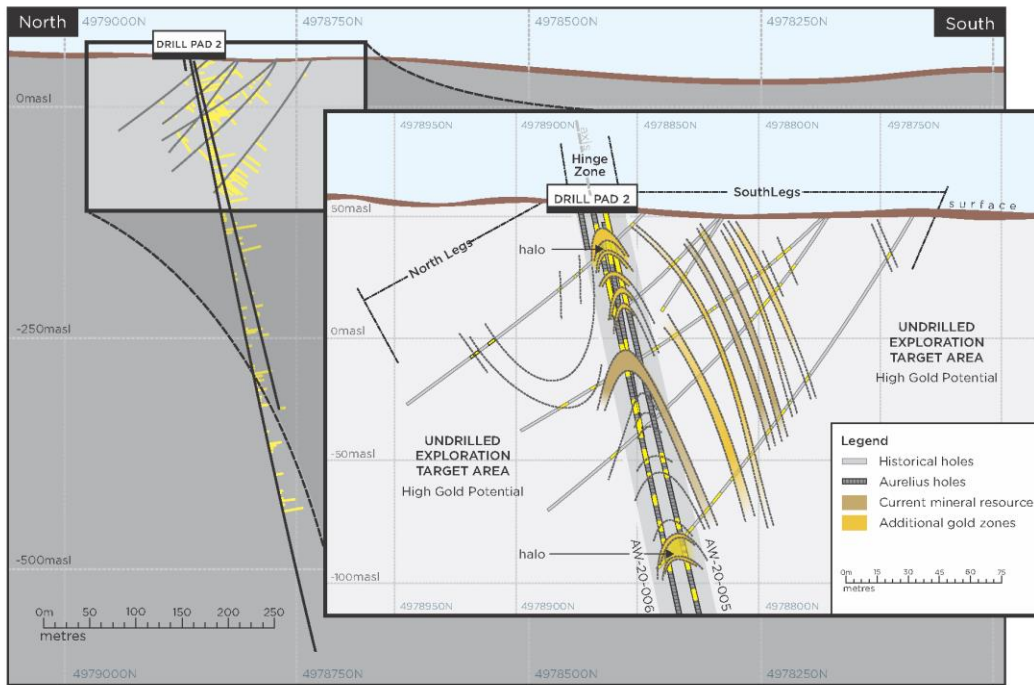


Figure 3: Cross Section of Pad 2, looking west

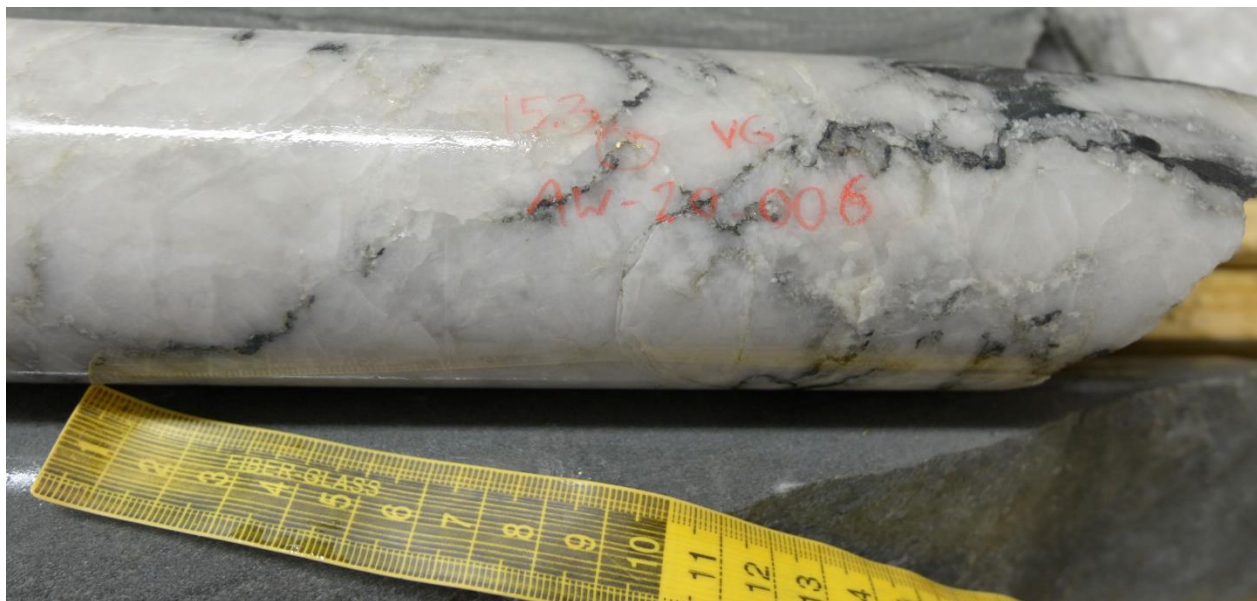


Figure 4: A representative sample of core showing visible gold in Hole AW-20-006 from 15.3m which intersected 0.9m @ 55.3 g/t gold

The Aureus West gold exploration program is focused on growing the inferred mineral resource reported in the “Technical Report on the Aureus West Gold Property” dated November 4, 2020, prepared by Greg Mosher, P.Geo., M.Sc. Applied, of Global Mineral Resource Services and filed under the Company’s profile at [www.sedar.com](http://www.sedar.com). The Aureus West technical report is also available on the Company’s website at [www.aureliusminerals.com](http://www.aureliusminerals.com).

Table 1. Aureus West Inferred Mineral Resources

Aureus West Resource Summary Cut-off 2 g/t Au			
Classification	Au Capped g/t	Tonnes	Troy Ounces
Inferred	6.1	269,800	53,200

- a. Planned dilution, at a 0.5m minimum mining width, was included. Neither unplanned dilution nor mining losses were incorporated.
- b. Block cut-off = 2 g/t.
- c. SG = 2.65.
- d. Capping grade: 100 g/t.
- e. Mineral Resources are not Mineral Reserves and do not have demonstrated economic viability.
- f. There is no certainty that all or any part of the Mineral Resources estimated will be converted into Mineral Reserves.
- g. Mineral Resource tonnage and contained metal have been rounded to reflect the accuracy of the estimate, and numbers may not add due to rounding.
- h. The effective date of this resource estimate is November 4, 2020.

The Company retained Global Mineral Resource Services in 2020 to prepare and address the technical report to Aurelius, based on historical work and the technical report previously filed by a prior owner of the Property. Other than updates to reflect Aurelius’ acquisition of the Property and non-material clerical changes, the content of the technical report is consistent with the technical report filed by a prior owner on SEDAR.

The inferred mineral resource occurs in stacked quartz veins which follow the geometry of the folded host rocks. The gold mineralization tends to exhibit thicker intersections along the fold axis of the anticlines. The system extends approximately 6 km in an east-west direction and is replicated in a series of horizons to depth. To date the Company has confirmed that these horizons continue to a depth of at least 500m where the system remains open. Historical drilling indicates that the Aureus West gold mineralization continues for over 1.9 km toward the west, and historical surface trenches evidence visible gold approximately 5.8 km along strike to the south-west of the 2020 drilling program. The eastern margin of the gold mineralization is constrained by the Harrigan-Cove fault, a significant regional structure. From the Aureus West gold trend, the Harrigan-Cove fault extends to the northwest and separates the Aureus West and East gold systems, which are offset by an approximate 1 km displacement.

Table 2. Gold intersections from Aureus West Pad 2

Drillhole	From	To	Length (m)	Au g/t	Notes
AW-20-004	8.0	659.0	651.0	0.22	Entire Hole
AW-20-004	12.0	198.3	186.3	0.45	
AW-20-004	14.7	15.2	0.5	2.69	
AW-20-004	37.5	39.4	1.9	4.86	
including	38.1	38.7	0.6	13.5	
AW-20-004	58.0	59.0	1.0	1.07	
AW-20-004	69.1	70.3	1.2	15.5	
AW-20-004	84.6	86.7	2.1	1.32	
AW-20-004	89.8	91.0	1.2	2.01	
AW-20-004	110.0	111.0	1.0	0.82	
AW-20-004	114.0	115.0	1.0	0.63	
AW-20-004	123.6	125.0	1.4	1.62	
AW-20-004	134.0	136.7	2.7	1.24	
AW-20-004	142.7	144.6	2.0	0.58	
AW-20-004	150.6	151.4	0.9	2.34	
AW-20-004	173.0	175.6	2.6	1.96	
AW-20-004	193.7	198.3	4.6	3.99	
including	193.7	196.0	2.3	7.65	
including	195.5	196.0	0.5	30.7	
AW-20-004	278.8	505.5	226.7	0.23	
AW-20-004	279.4	280.7	1.3	0.71	
AW-20-004	301.0	307.0	6.0	1.19	
including	306.0	307.0	1.0	4.55	
AW-20-004	351.2	351.8	0.6	3.55	
AW-20-004	354.5	360.4	5.9	0.61	
AW-20-004	368.5	371.0	2.5	0.92	
AW-20-004	386.4	387.0	0.6	1.35	
AW-20-004	428.7	429.3	0.6	2.58	
AW-20-004	431.7	432.2	0.6	1.03	
AW-20-004	462.7	463.9	1.2	1.19	
AW-20-004	480.9	503.7	22.8	0.61	
including	489.0	503.7	14.7	0.83	
including	503.0	503.7	0.7	7.04	
AW-20-005	3.8	395.0	391.3	0.4	Entire Hole
AW-20-005	11.8	43.9	32.2	2.85	
including	12.8	14.2	1.4	3.82	
including	28.8	31.6	2.8	27.1	
including	29.4	30.3	0.9	82	

Drillhole	From	To	Length (m)	Au g/t	Notes
including	41.8	43.0	1.2	4.15	
including	41.8	42.3	0.5	9.22	
AW-20-005	69.3	71.0	1.7	0.51	
AW-20-005	72.0	73.0	1.0	6.44	
AW-20-005	106.0	107.0	1.0	0.68	
AW-20-005	113.9	114.5	0.7	6.08	
AW-20-005	140.6	141.5	0.9	3.82	
AW-20-005	148.0	149.0	1.0	1.47	
AW-20-005	164.0	165.0	1.0	7.46	
AW-20-005	188.3	227.0	38.7	0.42	
including	195.0	196.0	1.0	1.41	
including	217.6	219.7	2.1	3.42	
including	218.2	219.0	0.9	7.45	
AW-20-005	280.6	281.3	0.7	1.64	
AW-20-005	289.5	291.0	1.6	0.66	
AW-20-005	311.9	312.5	0.6	1.39	
AW-20-005	394.2	395.0	0.9	0.89	
AW-20-006	14.6	15.5	0.9	55.1	
AW-20-006	30.5	50.8	20.3	3.93	
including	30.5	31.7	1.2	64.6	
including	30.5	31.1	0.6	123	
AW-20-006	73.5	77.5	4.0	0.94	
<b>AW-20-006</b>	<b>79.3</b>	<b>207.5</b>	<b>assays pending</b>		
AW-20-006	207.5	208.5	1.0	1.16	
AW-20-006	218.0	218.6	0.6	1.18	
AW-20-006	228.8	242.6	13.8	0.51	
including	229.4	231.0	1.6	1.59	
including	242.0	242.6	0.6	2.46	
AW-20-006	256.0	257.0	1.0	0.58	
AW-20-006	310.0	319.5	9.5	0.56	
including	317.2	318.5	1.4	1.52	

Gold grades in the table above are not capped and intervals may not represent true widths.

Table 3. Hole location, final depth and orientation for reported holes

Drillhole ID	Easting	Northing	Length (m)	Azimuth	Dip	Notes
AW-20-004	547,921	4,978,865	659	175	-80.5	Aureus West Pad 2
AW-20-005	547,921	4,978,864	395	175	-77	Aureus West Pad 2
AW-20-006	547,918	4,978,863	389	120	-70	Aureus West Pad 2

## **Covid-19 Precautions**

Aurelius has developed and implemented compliant precautions and procedures that are in line with guidelines for the Provinces of Nova Scotia and Ontario. Protocols were put in place to ensure the safety of our employees and contractors, thereby reducing the potential for community contact and spreading of the virus.

## **Qualified Person and Analytical Procedures**

Mr. Jeremy Niemi, P.Geol. and Vice President, Exploration of Aurelius and the Company's Qualified Person as defined by Ni 43-101, has reviewed and approved the technical information in this release.

Individual drill core samples are labeled, placed in plastic sample bags and sealed. Groups of samples are then placed into durable rice bags and then shipped by courier for analyses to ALS Geochemistry, Moncton, New Brunswick. Sample preparation occurs at ALS in Moncton where samples are weighed, dried, crushing one kilogram to 70 percent less than two millimeters and then pulverized to create a one-kilogram sample with 85 percent less than seventy-five microns. Potential high-grade gold samples are sent for metallic screen fire assay and remaining material is assayed for 50-gram fire assay and samples grading more than 100 parts per million have a gravimetric finish performed. When visible gold is encountered the company samples both halves of the core. The remaining coarse reject portions of the samples remain in storage if further work or verification is needed. The Company inserted control samples (accredited gold standards, blanks and duplicates) at least every 20 samples and monitors the control samples inserted by ALS.

## **Corporate Update**

Aurelius is pleased to announce that it has retained the services of Renmark Financial Communications Inc. to handle its investor relations activities.

"We are pleased to announce that we have selected Renmark to reinforce Aurelius' profile in the financial community and enhance the visibility of our company. We chose Renmark because its standards and methodologies fit best with the message that we wish to communicate to the investing public," noted Mark N.J. Ashcroft.

In consideration of the services to be provided, the monthly fees incurred by Aurelius will be a cash consideration of up to \$8,000, starting April 1, 2021 for a period of six months ending on September 30, 2021 and monthly thereafter.

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## **About Aurelius**

Aurelius is a well-positioned gold exploration company focused on advancing its Aureus Gold Properties, including Aureus East and West, the Tangier Gold Project and the Forest Hill Gold Project located in Nova Scotia.

Aurelius is also focused on advancing two district-scale gold projects in the Abitibi Greenstone Belt in Ontario, Canada, one of the world's most prolific mining districts: the 968-hectare Mikwam Property, in



the Burntbush area on the Casa Berardi trend and the 12,425-hectare Lipton Property, on the Lower Detour Trend.

The Company has a management team experienced in all facets of the mineral exploration and mining industry who will be considering additional acquisitions of advanced staged opportunities in proven mining districts.

**On Behalf of the Board  
AURELIUS MINERALS INC.**

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