

NEWS RELEASE

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**WEST RED LAKE GOLD MINES DRILLING INTERSECTS HIGH-GRADE GOLD
AT ROWAN LAKE MINE PROPERTY**

95.9 g/t Au Over 2 Metres Including 152.0 g/t Over 1 Metre. 92.6 g/t and 75.3 g/t Au Over 1 Metre Intervals

WEST RED LAKE GOLD MINES INC (CNSX: RLG) (the “Company”) is pleased to announce that it has received gold assays from its winter drilling program at its 60%-owned Rowan Lake Mine property held in a Joint Venture with Red Lake Gold Mines, an affiliate of Goldcorp Inc.

The Company recently completed an 8 hole, 3,283 metre drilling program at the Rowan Lake Mine Main Zone structure (see news release dated April 2, 2013). Drilling focused on the Rowan Main Breccias and the Rowan Main Zones.

Highlights of the 2013 winter drilling

- Extended, to the east, the Rowan Main Zones of the former producing Rowan Lake Mine
- Extended, to the east, the Breccia Corridor adjacent to the Rowan Mine Main Zone structure
- Hole RLG-13-02 returned gold values of 152.0, 75.3, 39.7 and 7.5 g/t Au over 1 metre intervals within the east extension of the Rowan Lake Mine vein systems
- Hole RLG-13-03 returned 92.6, 12.7, 6.4 g/t Au over 1 metre intervals within the east extension of the Rowan Lake Mine vein systems
- In total, more than 60 assays from 1 to 10 g/t Au, over 1 metre intervals, were returned from the 8 drill hole program

The assay results are shown in Table 1 (only assays greater than 0.5 g/t reported). A plan view with the highlights of the drilling results can be seen in Maps 1 & 2 at the end of this news release.

Table 1: Significant Results

Hole ID		From(m)	To(m)	Width(m)	Au g/t
Assays greater than 10 g/t Au					
RLG-13-02	<i>composite</i>	308	310	2	95.9
RLG-13-02	including	308	309	1	39.7
RLG-13-02	and including	309	310	1	152.0
RLG-13-02		486	487	1	75.3
RLG-13-03		97	98	1	12.7
RLG-13-03		185	186	1	92.6
Assays 5-10 g/t Au					
RLG-13-02		438	439	1	7.5
RLG-13-03	<i>composite</i>	196	202	6	3.1
RLG-13-03	including	196	197	1	4.5

RLG-13-03	and including	198	199	1	3.8
RLG-13-03	and including	200	201	1	6.4
RLG-13-04	<i>composite</i>	356	358	2	5.7
RLG-13-04	including	356	357	1	4.6
RLG-13-04	and including	357	358	1	6.8
RLG-13-04		469	470	1	5.5
RLG-13-06		233	234	1	9.3
RLG-13-07		18	19	1	5.8
Assays 2-5 g/t Au					
RLG-13-01		197	198	1	3.2
RLG-13-01		256	257	1	5.0
RLG-13-01		265	266	1	2.3
RLG-13-02		418	419	1	3.4
RLG-13-02		452	453	1	3.9
RLG-13-02		489	490	1	2.8
RLG-13-02		561	562	1	2.5
RLG-13-03		76	77	1	3.4
RLG-13-03		193	194	1	3.3
RLG-13-03		196	197	1	4.5
RLG-13-03		198	199	1	3.8
RLG-13-03		201	202	1	2.3
RLG-13-04		128	129	1	2.6
RLG-13-04		356	357	1	4.6
RLG-13-04		417	418	1	3.0
RLG-13-04		545	546	1	3.9
RLG-13-06		212.9	214	1.1	3.9
RLG-13-07		17	18	1	4.0
RLG-13-08		23	24	1	4.5
RLG-13-08		25	26	1	3.4
RLG-13-08		291	292	1	2.1
Assays 1-2 g/t Au					
RLG-13-01		31	32	1	1.2
RLG-13-01		32	33	1	1.0
RLG-13-01		202	203	1	1.9
RLG-13-01		214	215	1	1.4
RLG-13-01		215	216	1	1.3
RLG-13-01		244	245	1	1.4
RLG-13-01		257	258	1	1.3
RLG-13-02		29	30	1	1.3
RLG-13-02		33	34	1	1.1
RLG-13-02		283	284	1	1.1
RLG-13-02		305	306	1	1.5

RLG-13-02		399	400	1	1.1
RLG-13-02		461	462	1	1.5
RLG-13-02		562	563	1	1.0
RLG-13-03		191	192	1	1.0
RLG-13-03		197	198	1	1.0
RLG-13-03		335	336	1	1.4
RLG-13-03		377	378	1	1.4
RLG-13-03		425	426	1	1.5
RLG-13-04		484	485	1	1.5
RLG-13-04		514	515	1	1.2
RLG-13-04		560	561	1	1.7
RLG-13-04		561	562	1	1.5
RLG-13-05		128	129	1	1.1
RLG-13-05		164	164.8	0.8	1.2
RLG-13-05		247	248	1	1.6
RLG-13-05		248	249	1	1.2
RLG-13-07		19	20	1	1.5
RLG-13-08		16	17	1	1.0
RLG-13-08		19	20	1	1.0
RLG-13-08		22	23	1	1.8
RLG-13-08		47	48	1	1.4
RLG-13-08		48	49	1	1.0
Assays 0.5-0.9 g/t Au					
RLG-13-01		195	196	1	0.7
RLG-13-01		199	200	1	0.6
RLG-13-01		247	248	1	0.8
RLG-13-01		259	260	1	0.5
RLG-13-01		266	267	1	0.5
RLG-13-02		50	51	1	0.9
RLG-13-02		322	323	1	0.8
RLG-13-02		466	467	1	0.8
RLG-13-02		467	468	1	0.6
RLG-13-02		482	483	1	0.6
RLG-13-02		483	484	1	0.5
RLG-13-02		484	485	1	0.8
RLG-13-04		74	75	1	0.8
RLG-13-04		161	162	1	0.7
RLG-13-04		432	433	1	0.7
RLG-13-05		103	104.3	1.3	0.7
RLG-13-07		76	77	1	0.6
RLG-13-08		21	22	1	0.6

- Width is calculated as core length and does not imply width of zone

Discussion of the Results

Gold is usually associated with relatively narrow quartz veins, which can be located inside or outside of the breccias in the metavolcanics and/or iron formation.

The highest assay of gold, 152.0 g/t Au, was encountered in the intermediate/mafic volcanics between two of the known historical Rowan Main Zone Gold Veins. The second highest assay of 92.6 g/t gold was intercepted in the quartz-carbonate breccia.

A detailed geological interpretation of the results, in light of the Company's current exploration concept, is underway and will be released in the near future. The upcoming interpretation will be incorporating historical drilling as well as the results of 2010 and 2011 exploration and drilling programs. This interpretation will set a foundation for the next phase of the drilling at the Rowan Lake Mine Main Zone structure.

Robert Seitz, President and CEO of West Red Lake Gold Mines, states "These latest results, which include very high-grade intervals, further support our geological interpretations and show significant continuity to the gold mineralization. This drilling demonstrates the structural controls are complex, with each new hole providing information for the optimization of follow up drilling to the east where there is an expected fold nose in the breccia corridor that is close to the interpreted strike projection of the Rowan Mine Vein Systems. Results from drilling at the Rowan Lake Mine, Mount Jamie Mine and Red Summit Mine properties continue to support management's opinion that the Company's properties have the potential to evolve into a significant gold deposit in the Red Lake District."

Vadim Galkine, P.Geo and Matt Long, P.Geo (42.2K Geological Consulting Inc, Red Lake, ON) managed the drilling program, logged the core and supervised the core sampling for gold assays.

Drilling operations at the Rowan Lake Mine property were carried out by Chibougamau Diamond Drilling Ltd. of Chibougamau, Quebec.

Core samples from the Rowan program were cut in half using a diamond cutting saw and sent to ActLabs, an accredited mineral analysis laboratory in Red Lake, Ontario, for preparation and analysis utilizing both fire assay and screen metallic methods. Certified gold reference standards, blanks and field duplicates were routinely inserted into the sample stream as part of WR quality control/quality assurance program.

Vadim Galkin, PhD, P.Geo, who is a qualified person under the definition of National Instrument 43-101, has reviewed and approved the technical information contained in this press release.

About West Red Lake Gold Mines Inc

West Red Lake Gold Mines is a Toronto-based mineral exploration company focused on the gold exploration and development business in the prolific Red Lake Mining District of Northwestern Ontario, Canada. The Company has assembled a significant property position totalling approximately 3,500 hectares in west Red Lake. The Mount Jamie Mine and Red Summit Mine properties are 100% owned by West Red Lake Gold Mines and the Rowan Lake Mine property is held in a 60%-owned joint venture with Red Lake Gold Mines, a partnership of Goldcorp Inc. and Goldcorp Canada Ltd. The properties cover a 12 kilometre distance along the West Red Lake Trend, containing 3 former producing gold mines, and the Company continues to explore these properties both along strike and at depth. To find out more about West Red Lake Gold Mines Inc (CNSX: RLG), please visit our website at <http://www.westredlakegold.com>.

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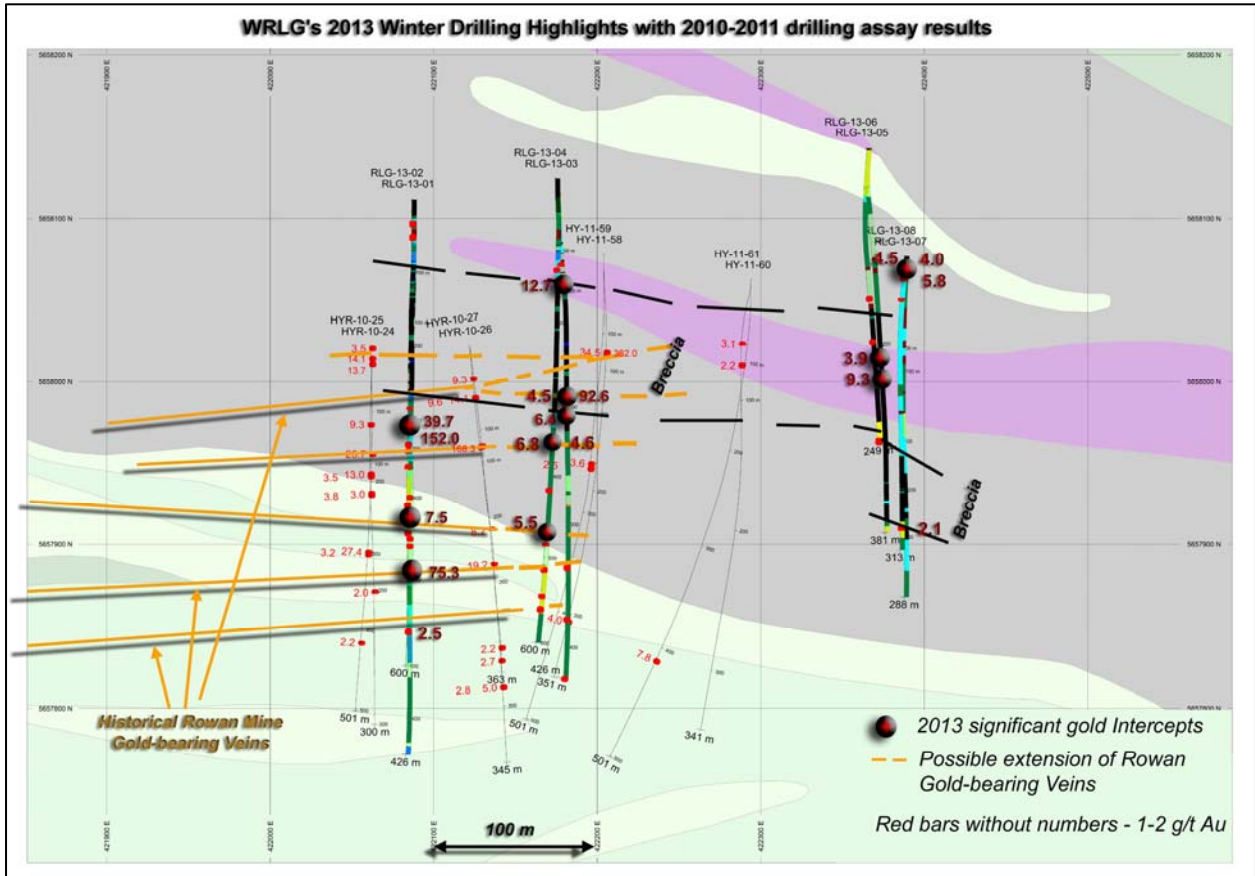
Forward-Looking Statements

This release contains forward-looking statements, including predictions, projections and forecasts. Forward-looking statements include, but are not limited to, statements with respect to exploration activities and results (including the timing of results), the timing and success of exploration activities generally, permitting timelines, government regulation of exploration and mining operations, environmental risks, title disputes or claims, limitations on insurance coverage, timing and possible outcomes of any pending litigation and timing and results of future resource estimates or future economic studies, and in particular include statements with respect to the timing of the reporting of drilling results at the Mount Jamie Mine, Rowan Lake Mine, Red Summit Mine and the Company's other properties. Often, but not always, forward-looking statements can be identified by the use of words such as "plans", "planning", "planned", "expects", or "looking forward", "does not expect", "continues", "scheduled", "estimates", "forecasts", "intends", "potential", "anticipate", "does not anticipate", or "belief", or describes a "goal" or variation of such phrases or state that certain actions, events or results "may", "could", "would", or "will" be taken, occur or be achieved.

Forward-looking statements are based on a number of material factors and assumptions, including the result of drilling and exploration activities, the expected geological conditions or formations are not located, that contracted parties provide goods and/or services on the agreed timeframes, that the equipment necessary for the exploration is available as scheduled and does not incur unforeseen break downs, that no labour shortages or delays are incurred, that plant and equipment function as specified, that no unusual geological or technical problems occur, and that laboratory and other related services are available and perform as contracted.

Forward-looking statements involve known and unknown risks, future events, conditions, uncertainties and other factors which may cause the actual results, performance or achievements to be materially different from any future results, prediction, projection, forecast, performance or achievements expressed or implied by the forward-looking statements. Such factors include, among others, the interpretation and actual results of current exploration activities; changes in project parameters as plans continue to be refined; future prices of gold; possible variations in grade or recovery rates; failure of equipment or processes to operate as anticipated; the failure of contracted parties to perform; labour disputes and other risks of the mining industry; delays in obtaining governmental approvals or financing or in the completion of exploration. Although West Red Lake Gold has attempted to identify important factors that could cause actual actions, events or results to differ materially from those described in forward-looking statements, there may be other factors that cause actions, events or results not to be as anticipated, estimated or intended. There can be no assurances that forward-looking statements will prove to be accurate, as actual results and future events could differ materially from those anticipated in such statements. Accordingly, readers should not place undue reliance on forward-looking statements.

Map 1



Map 2: Locations of 2013 Winter Drilling and Planned Summer Drilling

