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Timberline Resources Announces High-Grade Gold Assay Results from the Windfall Project at its Eureka Property, Nevada

Coeur d'Alene, Idaho – August 8, 2018 – **Timberline Resources Corporation (OTCQB: TLRS; TSX-V: TBR)** ("Timberline" or the "Company") announced today that recently completed rock chip sampling (Table 1) confirms high-grade gold mineralization within the historic Windfall Mine area of the 23 square-mile Eureka property in Nevada (Figure 1). The Windfall Mine open pit is centrally located on the Windfall trend, a zone which extends 1.7 miles (2.7 km) from north to south (Figure 2). Timberline plans to conduct additional drilling in support of an initial open-pit oxide resource study.

ASSAY RESULTS

Timberline recently collected 40 rock chip samples within and immediately south of the Windfall pit; assays are summarized in Table 1 and on Figure 3 below. Highlights include 10 samples with greater than 1 g/t (0.029 opt) gold and 6 greater than 3 g/t (0.088 opt), up to a maximum of 13.1 g/t (0.382 opt). In total, 17 samples assayed greater than 0.250 g/t (0.007 opt), documenting the extensive zone of gold mineralization.

Steve Osterberg, Timberline's President and CEO, commented, "The rock chip sampling along 760 m (2,500 feet) of the Windfall trend, combined with previously reported historic drill results (*Press release dated July 10, 2018 at http://timberlineresources.co/press-releases), show the high discovery potential at Windfall. A substantial zone of oxide gold mineralization remains exposed at the surface and is open at depth and in both directions along strike (Figure 3)."*

In addition, "grade – thickness" (gram-meter)(ounce-feet) calcualtions for drill hole intercepts (Figure 3 and Table 2) (see press release dated July 10, 2018 at http://timberlineresources.co/press-releases), and a review of cross-sections (Figure 4) indicate that gold mineralization remains unmined in the Windfall pit-area.

CONTROLS ON GOLD AND SILVER MINERALIZATION

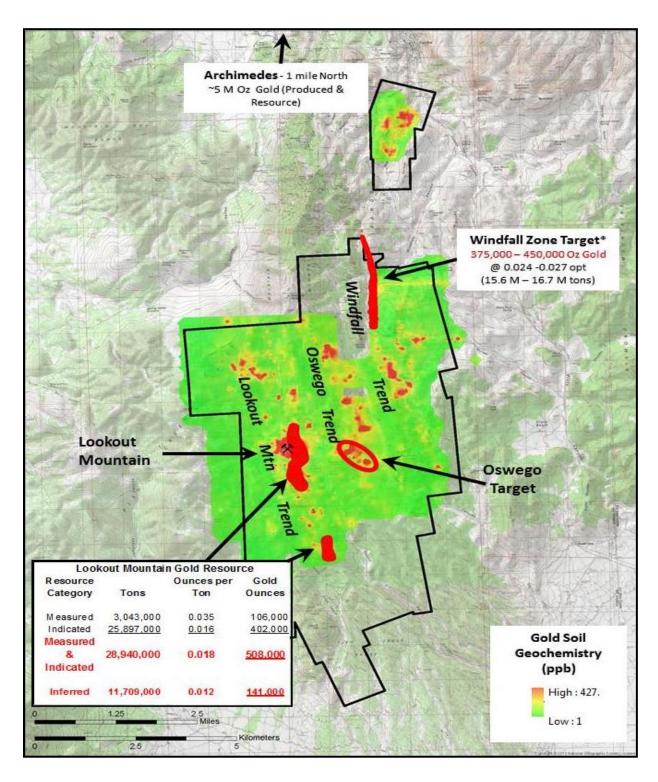
The gold mineralized zone at Windfall occurs along a north-south structural trend (Figure 3) typically separating steeply-dipping Hamburg Dolomite Formation to the west, from moderate east-dipping Dunderberg Shale Formation to the east. Gold appears to be dominantly associated with brecciated dolomite adjacent to and between northeasterly and northwesterly trending cross-faults. Gold grade-thickness anomalies from historic drill hole intercept assays suggest similar structural control on higher-grade gold mineralization. The structures appear to focus gold mineralization within intensely bleached and "sanded", variably brecciated Hamburg Dolomite Formation. Very limited silicificiation is evident in the rocks which likely relates to the reported historic excellent leachability of gold in the Windfall mine.

Table 1. Assay results from Windfall Trend Rock Chip Sampling

| SAMPLE | Au (g/t) | Au (oz/ton) | SAMPLE | Au (g/t) | Au (oz/ton) |
|----------|-------------|----------------|-----------|-------------|----------------|
| 18WF-009 | 1.720 | 0.050 | 18WF-044 | 0.047 | 0.001 |
| 18WF-010 | 0.086 | 0.003 | 18WF-045 | 0.035 | 0.001 |
| 18WF-011 | 1.050 | 0.031 | 18WF-046A | 0.077 | 0.002 |
| 18WF-012 | 0.042 | 0.001 | 18WF-046B | 0.080 | 0.002 |
| 18WF-013 | 1.250 | 0.036 | 18WF-047 | 7.710 | 0.225 |
| 18WF-029 | 0.045 | 0.001 | 18WF-048 | 0.074 | 0.002 |
| 18WF-030 | 0.061 | 0.002 | 18WF-049 | 0.275 | 0.008 |
| 18WF-031 | 0.058 | 0.002 | 18WF-050 | 0.197 | 0.006 |
| 18WF-032 | 0.086 | 0.003 | 18WF-051 | 0.386 | 0.011 |
| 18WF-033 | 0.088 | 0.003 | 18WF-052 | 0.094 | 0.003 |
| 18WF-034 | 0.303 | 0.009 | 18WF-053 | 0.610 | 0.018 |
| 18WF-035 | 3.000 | 0.088 | 18WF-054 | 3.060 | 0.089 |
| 18WF-036 | 13.100 | 0.382 | 18WF-055 | 3.220 | 0.094 |
| 18WF-037 | 0.711 | 0.021 | 18WF-056 | 2.520 | 0.074 |
| 18WF-038 | 0.010 | 0.000 | 18WF-057 | 0.114 | 0.003 |
| 18WF-039 | 0.408 | 0.012 | 18WF-058 | 0.243 | 0.007 |
| 18WF-040 | 0.047 | 0.001 | 18WF-060 | 0.141 | 0.004 |
| 18WF-041 | 0.927 | 0.027 | 18WF-061 | 0.079 | 0.002 |
| 18WF-042 | 0.143 | 0.004 | 18WF-062 | 4.080 | 0.119 |
| 18WF-043 | 0.124 | 0.004 | 18WF-063 | 0.066 | 0.002 |

*Assays were determined by ALS USA Inc. from grab samples. The samples were crushed and pulverized and a fraction was selected for analyses. Gold was determined by 30 g Fire Assay with an Atomic Adsorption finish. Samples assaying over 10 ppm gold were re-assayed and completed with a gravimetric finish.

Figure 1. Eureka Property - Lookout Mountain, Oswego, and Windfall Trends



*Cautionary Statement: The potential quantity and grade of the Windfall Zone Target are conceptual in nature and there has been insufficient exploration to define a mineral resource. It is uncertain if further exploration will result in the target being delineated as a mineral resource.

Figure 2. Drill-indicated Mineralization Along the Windfall Zone

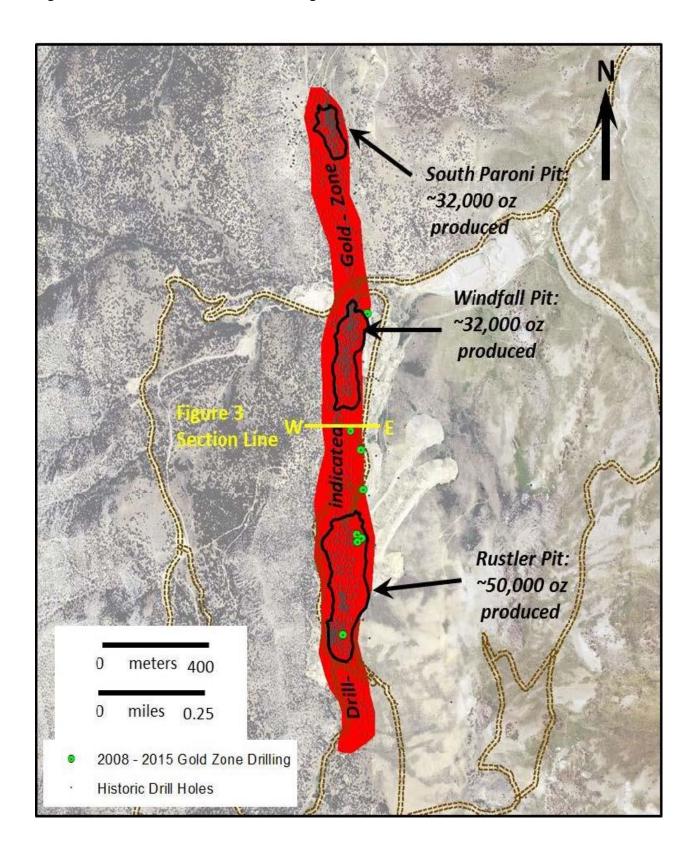


Figure 3. Distribution of Gold and Silver in Rock Samples at Windfall Pit Target Area Qal Dump 18WF-056 2.52 gpt 18WF-062 18WF-047 4.08 gpt 7.71 gpt 18WF-054 18WF-055 3.06 gpt 3.22 gpt 18WF-053 18WF-041 0.61 gpt 0.927 gpt 18WF-036 13.1 gpt 18WF-037 0.711 gpt 18WF-035 3 gpt Op 18WF-011 1.05 gpt Figure 3 cross-section line E BHWF-037 Trend 18WF-013 1.25 gpt 18WF-009 BHWF-040 1.72 gpt BHWF-0 0 50 100 Meters 500 Feet 250 0 Au (g/t) Rocks Au Grade-thickness: (g - m*) Quaternary Colluvium (Qc) < 10 < 0.25 Tertiary Intrusive (Ti) 0.25 - 0.5 10-50 Tertiary Volcanics - undiff (Tv) 0.5 - 150-100 Pogonip Group (Op) 1-3 > 100 Windfall Formation - undiff (Cw) Timberline Patented Claims >3 Dunderburg Shale (Cd) **FORMATION** Hamburg Dolomite (Ch) Dump BHWF-XXX (2008-2015) drill collars Secret Canyon Clark Springs Member (Csc) Quaternary Alluvium (Qal) Breccia Zone

* Gold assay grade (grams) multiplied by assay interval (meters)

Open Pit

Table 2. Gold Assay and Grade – Thickness from 2008-2015 Drilling within Windfall Mineralized Zone

| Drill Hole | From (meters) | Length (meters ⁾⁽¹⁾ | Gold (g/t) | GT: (gram -meters) | From (feet) | Length (feet) ⁽¹⁾ | Gold (opt) | GT: (opt -foot) |
|------------|----------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------|-----------------------|--------------------|---------------------------------|---------------|--------------------|
| BHWF-001 | 36.6 | 9.1 | 1.44 | 13.1 | 120 | 30 | 0.042 | 1.3 |
| BHWF-002 | 57.9 | 13.7 | 0.82 | 11.2 | 190 | 45 | 0.024 | 1.1 |
| BHWF-003 | 41.2 | 13.7 | 0.69 | 9.5 | 135 | 45 | 0.020 | 0.9 |
| BHWF-004 | 76.2 | 15.2 | 7.58 | 115.2 | 250 | 50 | 0.221 | 11.1 |
| including | 80.8 | 7.6 | 13.58 | 103.2 | 265 | 25 | 0.396 | 9.9 |
| BHWF-012 | 44.2 | 3.1 | 0.85 | 2.6 | 145 | 10 | 0.025 | 0.3 |
| BHWF-036 | 88.4 | 12.2 | 1.26 | 15.4 | 290 | 40 | 0.040 | 1.6 |
| BHWF-037 | 56.4 | 27.4 | 2.20 | 60.3 | 185 | 90 | 0.060 | 5.4 |
| including | 56.4 | 13.7 | 3.68 | 50.4 | 185 | 45 | 0.110 | 5.0 |
| BHWF-038 | 128 | 24.4 | 0.32 | 7.8 | 420 | 80 | 0.010 | 0.8 |
| including | 150.9 ⁽²⁾ | 15.5 | 1.45 | 22.5 | 495 ⁽²⁾ | 51 | 0.045 | 2.3 |
| BHWF-039 | 115.8 | 10.7 | 0.46 | 4.9 | 380 | 35 | 0.010 | 0.4 |
| BHWF-040 | 88.4 | 24.4 | 3.04 | 74.2 | 290 | 80 | 0.090 | 7.2 |
| including | 93 | 6.1 | 8.79 | 53.6 | 305 | 20 | 0.260 | 5.2 |
| BHWF-041 | 70.1 | 18.3 | 1.24 | 22.7 | 230 | 60 | 0.040 | 2.4 |

⁽¹⁾ Drill thickness - True widths of drill intercepts have not been determined (2) Intercept at end of hole

Cautionary Statement: Historic drill data have been compiled and reviewed including drill logs, laboratory assay certificates, and location maps with regard to their location relative to recent (2008-2015) drill data. Drill sites have been identified and confirmed through field review. A Qualified Person has not done sufficient work to classify the historical information as a current mineral resource, and the Company is not treating the historical information as a current mineral resource. Additional drilling and analysis will be required to verify the historical information or create a current mineral resource.

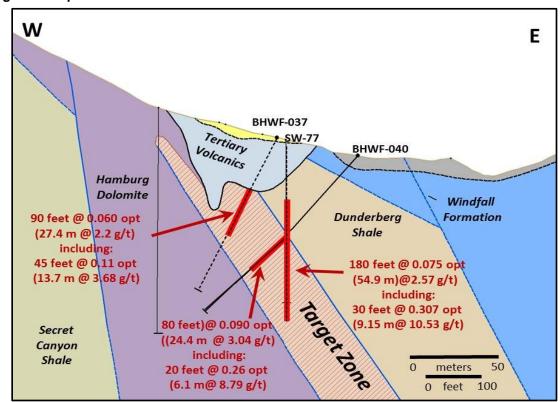


Figure 4. Representative Cross-section across the Windfall Zone

EXPLORATION PLANNING

With completion of surface grab sampling results now available, along with compilation of recent and historic geologic and drill hole data at Windfall, the Company is finalizing initial drill targets designed to extend gold mineralization beyond the historic mining at Windfall. The anticipated target areas are located on patented claims owned by Timberline and are fully permitted for drilling.

Further technical details of the Company's Eureka project project may be viewed at: http://timberlineresources.co/projects/Eureka-nevada/.

Steven Osterberg, Ph.D., P.G., Timberline's President and Chief Executive Officer, is a Qualified Person as defined by National Instrument 43-101 and has reviewed and approved the technical contents of this release. Mr. Osterberg is not considered independent of the Company as defined in Section 1.5 of NI 43-101.

About Timberline Resources

Timberline Resources Corporation is focused on advancing district-scale gold exploration and development projects in northern Nevada. These include: the 23 square mile Eureka property, comprised of the Lookout Mountain, Windfall, and Oswego areas, which lie along three parallel, north-south gold-mineralized structural stratigraphic trends defined by distinct geochemical gold anomalies; and as the expected operator of two joint venture projects - the Paiute project joint venture with a subsidiary of Barrick Gold, and the Elder Creek project joint venture with McEwen Mining. These properties all lie on the prolific Battle Mountain-Eureka gold trend. Timberline also owns the Seven

Troughs property, which is one of Nevada's highest-grade former gold producers. Timberline has increased its controlled mineral rights in Nevada to over 43 square miles (24,500 acres). Detailed maps and NI 43-101 compliant estimated resource information for the Eureka property may be viewed at http://timberline-resources.co/.

Timberline is listed on the OTCQB where it trades under the symbol "TLRS" and on the TSX Venture Exchange where it trades under the symbol "TBR".

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