



## **Dynasty Receives Environmental Authorization for Dynasty Goldfield Project in Southern Ecuador**

**Vancouver, B.C., February 25, 2016** – Dynasty Metals & Mining Inc. ("Dynasty" or the "Company") (TSX: DMM, OTCQX: DMMIF) is pleased to announce that it has received the Environmental Authorization for the Dynasty Goldfield Project located approximately 160km southwest of Dynasty's Zaruma gold mine and mill.

"We are extremely pleased to receive the Environmental Authorization for the Dynasty Goldfield Project," commented Dynasty CEO, Robert Washer. "We would also like to thank the Ecuador Ministers of Mines and Environment and their staff, as well as the Government of Ecuador, for the support and cooperation we have received in consideration of this Environmental Authorization. This is a significant milestone for Dynasty, one which establishes a permitting framework for us to build and grow our gold production in the future in respect of this project, subject to obtaining adequate financing and finalizing a development plan and budget. We are now proceeding with registration of this Authorization and look forward to implementing a plan for the development of several shallow open pits along this system when economic conditions are appropriate and capital is available for this project. In addition, significant underground design work has been undertaken in the past and may also be carried out on this project in the future. It is anticipated that any production from the Dynasty Goldfield Project would be processed at the Company's Zaruma plant, and will assist in filling the spare capacity."

Under the Mining Act, three main permits are required to begin a mining operation, the most significant of which is the Environmental Authorization, permitting the Company to continue to a mining licence following the formal registration of the number of mining hectares to be exploited - an administrative detail. The other two permits have already been obtained by Dynasty for this project. This Environmental Authorization is in consideration of three main concessions within the Dynasty Goldfield project.

The Dynasty Goldfield Project is qualified under Ecuador's small scale mining regime and subject to a fixed 3% royalty and no windfall tax, with no need to sign a mining contract with the Government. The small scale mining regime allows open pit activities with an exploitation volume of up to 1,000 tonnes a day per concession, a total of 3,000 tonnes per day for the three concessions under consideration.

With over one million ounces of gold (and 8.5 million ounces of silver) in the Measured and Indicated mineral resource categories and another 1.1 million ounces of gold in the inferred category (with 9.9 million ounces of silver), the Dynasty Goldfield Project has the potential to significantly augment Zaruma's production and reduce overall milling costs. The open pit opportunity for this project suggests a lower level of capital required for development and the potential for commencing production in a shorter time frame than a traditional underground operation.

Mineral resource estimate for the Dynasty Goldfield Project is as follows:

Category	Tonnes (t)	Gold grade (g/t)	Contained Gold (ozs)	Silver grade (g/t)	Contained Silver (ozs)
Measured	2,909,000	4.7	437,000	38.1	3,567,000
Indicated	3,958,000	4.6	585,000	38.8	4,936,000
<b>Total M&amp;I</b>	<b>6,867,000</b>	<b>4.6</b>	<b>1,022,000</b>	<b>38.5</b>	<b>8,504,000</b>
Inferred	7,825,000	4.4	1,118,000	39.4	9,901,000

Note: A cut-off grade of 2.0 g/t was used to derive the mineral resource estimate.

The Dynasty Copper-Gold Belt is a historically unexplored mineralized corridor, approximately 90 km long and 20 km wide, which runs along a north east trend that begins in Peru and extends to Dynasty's Zaruma project. The property is located in Loja Province, south western Ecuador, covers 969.16 km<sup>2</sup>, and consists of fifty-two concessions at altitudes ranging from 600m to 1800m above sea level. These concessions are 100% owned by Dynasty with five of the project concessions subject to a 1% net smelter return (NSR) royalty payable to a related party.

The Dynasty Goldfield Project covers an area of approximately 21,909 hectares within the Dynasty Copper-Gold Belt. The Dynasty Goldfield Project includes the Papayal Project and Cerro Verde quartz vein swarms and stockworks, where drilling has confirmed the presence to depth of high-grade gold and silver mineralization.

From the time that Dynasty acquired the Dynasty Goldfield Project in 2003 until 2007, when the Ecuadorian Government introduced an exploration moratorium, the Company carried out geological mapping, sampling, geophysical surveys and diamond drilling. These works resulted in the identification of high grade gold and silver vein systems in the Cerro Verde, Papayal and Trapichillo areas and also have identified exploration targets in disseminated gold and gold – copper ore bodies. To date, 26,700 metres of drilling have been completed on the Dynasty Goldfield concessions, to depths of approximately 200 metres. In addition, a further 2,033 rock channel samples have been taken from 1,161 surface trenches at Cerro Verde, Iguana Este, Trapichillo and Papayal.

The most recent Dynasty Goldfield 43-101 technical report can be found on both the Dynasty website ([www.dynastymining.com](http://www.dynastymining.com)) and at [www.sedar.com](http://www.sedar.com).

Brian Speechly, a Fellow of AusIMM (Australian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy), a director of the Company and a “qualified person” within the definition of that term in the National Instrument 43-101, has reviewed and approved the technical information contained in this news release.

### **About Dynasty Metals & Mining**

Dynasty Metals & Mining Inc. is a Canadian based mining company involved in the mining, exploration and development of mineral properties in Ecuador. The Company is currently focused on gold production and continued development at its Zaruma Gold Project. The Company also owns the Dynasty Goldfield Project and the Jerusalem Project, both exploration properties in southern Ecuador.

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