

DEFIANCE SILVER RECEIVES UPDATED DRILL PERMIT FOR VICTORIA COPPER PROJECT, SONORA, MEXICO

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February 26th, 2026 – Vancouver, British Columbia – Defiance Silver Corp. (“Defiance” or the “Company”) (TSXV: DEF; FSE: D4E; WKN: A1JQW5) reports that the Secretariat of Environment and Natural Resources of Mexico (SEMARNAT) has approved the Company’s Informe Preventivo, the environmental authorization required to conduct exploration drilling, for the Victoria target at its Green Earth Project, located in Sonora, Mexico.

The Informe Preventivo was prepared and submitted in accordance with Mexican environmental regulations and reflects Defiance’s commitment to responsible exploration practices and environmental stewardship. The approval authorizes a drilling permit valid for 36 months and includes permission for up to 89 drill pads and the construction of new access roads, subject to compliance with the approved environmental terms and conditions. The Company would like to acknowledge the SEMARNAT offices and the collaborative efforts of the technical and environmental consultants for the efficient review process.

“The Victoria copper project represents a rare opportunity to drill a large-scale copper-molybdenum target with coincidental surface mineralization, widespread surface hydrothermal alteration and prospective geophysics. This updated drill permit allows Defiance to move forward at the Victoria project.”

– Chris Wright, Executive Chairman & CEO, Defiance Silver

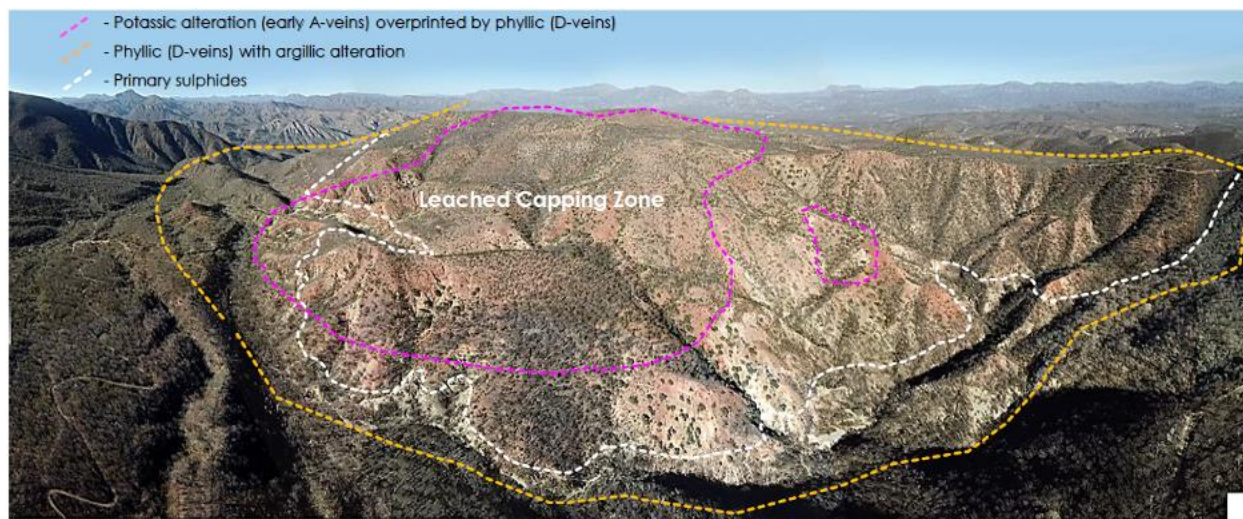


Figure 1: Photo of surface alteration at Victoria



About Defiance Silver Corp.

Defiance Silver Corp. (DEF | TSX Venture Exchange; DNCVF | OTCQX; D4E | Frankfurt) is an exploration company advancing the district-scale Zacatecas project, located in the historic Zacatecas Silver District, the 100% owned Tepal Gold/Copper Project in Michoacán state, Mexico and the newly acquired Green Earth Metals property portfolio in Sonora State. Defiance is managed by a team of proven mine developers with a track record of exploring, advancing, and developing several operating mines and advanced resource projects. Defiance Silver's corporate mandate is to advance its projects through capital-efficient exploration focused on resource growth and new mineral discoveries.

On behalf of Defiance Silver Corp.

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