

# CORNISH METALS MAKES NEW DISCOVERY AND REPORTS OTHER HIGH-GRADE TIN INTERCEPTS FROM THE SOUTH CROFTY PROJECT

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**Cornish Metals Inc.** (TSX-V/AIM: CUSN) ("Cornish Metals" or the "Company") is pleased to report drill results from eight drill holes drilled in the Carn Brea South exploration area, located along the southern boundary of the South Crofty underground permission area (Figure 1). The drill holes confirmed up-dip, near-surface, extensions of the historic Great Flat Lode and discovered tin mineralisation in a new target called the "Wide Formation", inferred to lie parallel to, north of, and beneath the Great Flat Lode.

## **Highlights**

- Drilling was conducted along the southern boundary of South Crofty an area easily accessible from existing mine infrastructure;
- New discovery of high-grade tin mineralisation in the Wide Formation (Figure 2);
  - CB21\_002 2.77 metres ("m") grading 0.99% tin (Figure 2) within a 12.14m wide zone of strong alteration and disseminated tin mineralisation;
- All eight drill holes intersected tin mineralization;
- Multiple high-grade tin intersects from the Great Flat Lode (Figures 2, 3 and 4) and related mineralised structures, including:

0	CB21_003	2.00m grading 1.44% tin
0	CB21_004	2.91m grading 1.66% tin
0	And	5.00m grading 0.97% tin
0	CB21_005	3.04m grading 1.08% tin
0	And	2.24m grading 3.93% tin
0	And	3.80m grading 1.64% tin

Table 1 (below) presents all significant intersects.

Richard Williams, CEO of Cornish Metals, stated: "The Wide Formation has been interpreted to exist from exploration drilling conducted in the 1960s but has never been followed up until now. Discovering a new high-grade zone of tin mineralisation in the middle of a historic mining district is a tremendous outcome, and again demonstrates the exploration potential of the region. The Great Flat Lode, which lies above the Wide Formation, was mined historically over a five kilometre ("km") strike length, so we believe we have a very compelling target to explore within and immediately adjacent to the South Crofty Underground Permission area. We look forward to the next phase of drilling to determine the extent of this discovery.

"The shallow, high-grade, tin intersects from the Great Flat Lode, represent an opportunity to define nearby and near surface Mineral Resources to complement those we have already identified at South Crofty."

Hole	Hole	From	To (m)	Recovered	Tin (%)	Comment
CD24 004	Length (m)	(m)		Length (m)		Creat Flat Lada
CB21_001	212.40	160.29	161.75	1.46	0.60	Great Flat Lode
CD21 002	725.73	154 20	156.26	1.98	0.63	Great Flat Lode
CB21_002	725.73	154.28	+			Great Flat Lode
Including		154.92	155.4	0.48	1.79	Pavellal to Wide Formation
AND		622.64	624.01	1.37	0.45	Parallel to Wide Formation
Including		623.56	624.01	0.45	0.83	Wide Formation
AND		649.43	652.2	2.77	0.99	wide Formation
Including		651.26	652.2	0.94	2.86	
CD21 002	200.60	127.07	138.51	0.64	1.18	Great Flat Lode splay
CB21_003	200.60	137.87				Great Flat Lode
AND		160.6	162.6	2.00	1.44	Great Flat Loue
CB21_004	281.10	112.98	115.89	2.91	1.66	Great Flat Lode splay
Including	281.10	114.18	113.69	0.51	8.27	Great Hat Lode splay
AND		201.97	206.97	5.00	0.97	Great Flat Lode
Including		201.97	206.97	2.00	1.44	Great riat Loue
including		204.97	200.97	2.00	1.44	
CB21_005	260.10	64.94	68.34	3.40	1.08	Unknown
Including		66.56	67.64	1.08	1.79	
AND		188.3	188.85	0.55	0.93	Unknown
AND		221.55	223.66	2.11	0.53	Great Flat Lode splay
Including		222.26	222.89	0.63	0.93	
AND		229.25	232.63	3.38	0.88	Great Flat Lode
Including		230.32	232.2	1.88	1.16	
AND		241.38	243.62	2.24	3.93	Great Flat Lode splay
Including		241.7	241.87	0.17	51.30	
AND		245.54	249.34	3.80	1.64	Great Flat Lode splay
Including		247.04	248.66	1.62	3.46	
CB21_006	273.97	223.13	224.7	1.57	0.44	Great Flat Lode
Including		224.3	224.7	0.40	0.86	
CB21_007	284.20	87.9	88.56	0.66	0.84	Unknown
AND		230.69	230.99	0.30	0.80	Great Flat Lode
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CB21_008	263.57	207.31	207.61	0.30	0.61	Great Flat Lode

<sup>\*</sup> Reported widths are estimated to be 80-90% of the true width.

# **GEOLOGY AND MINERALISATION**

The geology in the Carn Brea South exploration area is identical to that at South Crofty, comprising metasediments (locally termed "killas") which overlie an intrusive granite body. The mineralised structures of interest encountered are the Great Flat Lode and the Wide Formation, descriptions of which are as follows:

The Great Flat Lode mineralisation occurs as a blue tourmaline-rich lode with quartz (occasionally brecciated) hosting disseminated cassiterite mineralisation throughout. The mineralised structure, which appears to lie along the metasedimentary/granite boundary, has a strong alteration halo extending many metres above and below the structure. Downhole widths of the mineralised lodes vary between >4m to <15m. The blue tourmaline host to the mineralisation is similar to the predominant mineralised structures at South Crofty mine, namely No. 8 and Roskear A lodes. The Great Flat Lode was extensively mined for tin in the 1800s in several mines over a five kilometre strike length and from depths ranging from surface to 680 metres below the surface.

The mineralisation of the 'Wide Formation' structure is also predominantly blue tourmaline with disseminated cassiterite, hosted within a siliceous tourmaline altered granite. The cassiterite is mostly hosted within chlorite-rich, quartz-chlorite veins which overprint the interpreted earlier blue tourmaline lode structure. No mining has ever been carried out on the Wide Formation.

## **TECHNICAL INFORMATION**

Drilling at Carn Brea South was performed by Priority Drilling Company Ltd using an Atlas Copco CS14 Diamond Drill Rig. The shallower Great Flat Lode mineralised zones were drilled in HQ (96.1 millimetre ('mm') diameter) to recover 72.8mm diameter drill core. The deeper Wide Formation intersection was drilled in NQ (76 mm diameter) to recover a 48mm diameter drill core. Core recovery was greater than 95%. The core was logged, split via core saw, and sampled by Cornish Metals personnel. The samples, comprising half core, were sent for assay at ALS Minerals, Loughrea, Ireland. Sample preparation involved crushing to 70% less than 2mm, riffle split and pulverised to 85% less than 75 microns. The analytical method used for copper, tin, tungsten, zinc and arsenic was X-ray florescence (XRF) following a lithium borate fusion. A multi-element 4 Acid Digestion ICP-AES analysis was also carried out to further characterise the mineralisation and alteration assemblages. Overlimit assays on silver were carried out using a 3-acid digest and a HCl leach ICP AES analysis. Comprehensive Quality Assurance / Quality Control programme using standards, duplicates and blanks was included within the sampling programme.

The technical information in this news release has been compiled by Mr. Owen Mihalop who has reviewed and takes responsibility for the data and geological interpretation. Mr. Mihalop (MCSM, BSc (Hons), MSc, FGS, MIMMM, CEng) is Chief Operating Officer for Cornish Metals Inc. and has sufficient experience relevant to the style of mineralisation and type of deposit under consideration and to the activity which he is undertaking to qualify as a Competent Person as defined under the JORC Code (2012) and as a Qualified Person under NI 43-101. Mr. Mihalop consents to the inclusion in this announcement of the matters based on his information in the form and context in which it appears.

#### **ABOUT CORNISH METALS**

Cornish Metals is a dual-listed company (AIM and TSX-V: CUSN) focused on advancing the South Crofty high-grade, underground tin project through to delivery of a Feasibility Study, as well as exploring its additional mineral rights, all located in Cornwall, South West England. The former producing South Crofty tin mine is located beneath the towns of Pool and Camborne, and closed in 1998 following over 400 years

of continuous production. Since acquiring the project in 2016, Cornish Metals has completed and published maiden NI 43-101 Mineral Resources for South Crofty using the vast archive of historical production data and more recent drilling completed between 2007 and 2013. Additionally, Cornish Metals has undertaken extensive pilot-scale water treatment trials and successfully applied for and received the necessary environmental permits to abstract, treat and discharge mine water in order to dewater the mine. Planning permissions for the operation of the mine and re-development of the surface facilities have been secured and construction of the water treatment plant is currently well underway. The dewatering pumps, variable speed drives and new high-voltage power supply have been delivered to the site and dewatering of the mine is expected to commence at the end of Q2 this year.

An updated Mineral Resource was completed in June 2021 as summarised below:

South Crofty Summary (JORC 2012) Mineral Resource Estimate									
Area	Classification	Mass ('000 tonnes)	Grade	Contained Tin / Tin Equivalent ('000 tonnes)	Increase in contained Tin / Tin equivalent from 2016 MRE				
Lower	Indicated	2,084	1.59% Sn	33	10.2%				
Mine	Inferred	1,937	1.67% Sn	32	129.8%				
Upper	Indicated	277	1.01% SnEq	3	9.5%				
Mine	Inferred	493	0.93% SnEq	5	8.0%				

The Mineral Resource Estimate for South Crofty (see news release dated June 9, 2021), is available in a report titled the "South Crofty Tin Project Mineral Resource Update", dated June 7, 2021, authored by Mr. N. Szebor, CGeol (London), EuroGeol, FGS, of AMC Consultants (UK) Ltd, can be accessed on the Company's SEDAR page.

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Although Cornish Metals has attempted to identify important factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from those contained in forward-looking statements, there may be other factors that cause results not to be as anticipated, estimated or intended. There can be no assurance that such 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. Cornish Metals undertakes no obligation or responsibility to update forward-looking statements, except as required by law.

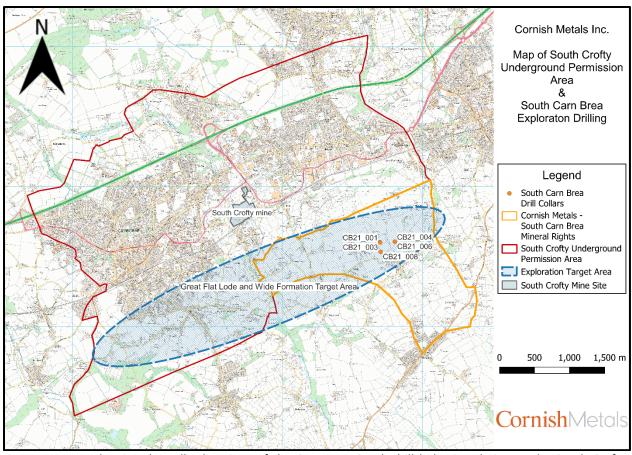


Figure 1 – Map showing the collar locations of the Carn Brea South drill holes in relation to the South Crofty underground permission area.

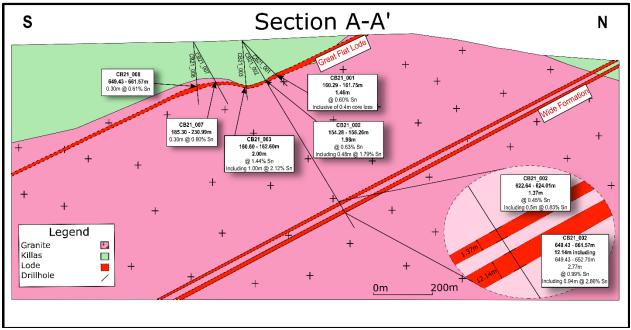


Figure 2. Section (looking west) of drillholes CB21\_001, CB21\_002 and CB21\_003

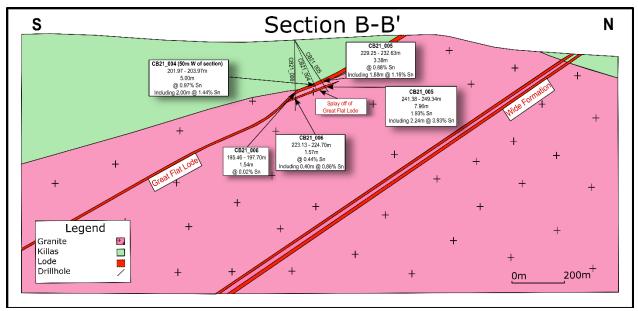


Figure 3. Section (looking west) of drillholes CB21\_004, CB21\_005 and CB21\_006

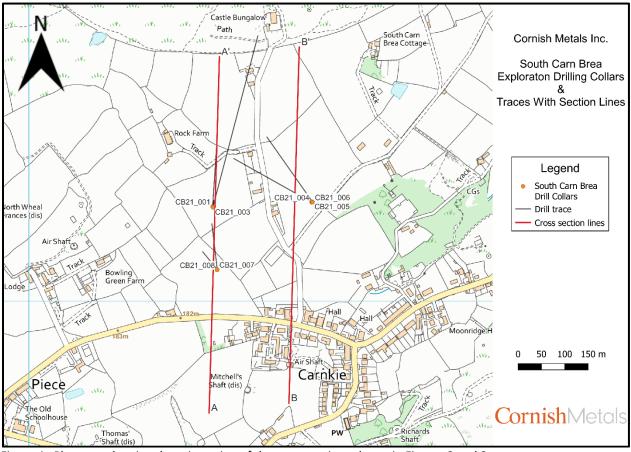


Figure 4. Plan map showing the orientation of the cross sections shown in Figures 2 and 3.

#### **Appendix**

"alteration halo" means a border of minerals produced by hydrothermal alteration in the rock surrounding a vein

"cassiterite" means a tin oxide mineral which is the principal source for tin metal

"Cu" means Copper

"grade(s)" means the quantity of ore or metal in a specified quantity of rock

"Indicated Mineral Resource" is that part of a Mineral Resource for which quantity, grade or quality, densities, shape and physical characteristics are estimated with sufficient confidence to allow the application of mining, processing, metallurgical, infrastructure, economic, marketing, legal, environmental, social and governmental factors to support mine planning and evaluation of the economic viability of the deposit. Geological evidence is derived from adequately detailed and reliable exploration, sampling and testing and is sufficient to assume geological and grade or quality continuity between points of observation. An Indicated Mineral Resource has a lower level of confidence than that applying to a Measured Mineral Resource and may only be converted to a probable mineral reserve.

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"JORC Code" means the 2012 edition of the Australasian Code for Reporting of Exploration Results, Mineral Resources and Ore Reserves prepared by the Joint Ore Reserves Committee of the Australasian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy, Australian Institute of Geoscientists and Minerals Council of Australia. The JORC Code is an acceptable foreign code for purposes of NI 43-101.

"Lodes" means a vein of metal ore in the earth

"MRE" means Mineral Resource Estimate

"Mt" means million tonnes

"NI 43-101" means National Instrument 43-101 – Standards of Disclosure for Mineral Projects issued by the Canadian Securities Administrators, which provides standards of disclosure of scientific and technical information regarding mineral projects

"Sn" means Tin

"tourmaline" means the crystalline silicate mineral group that occurs as prismatic crystals in granitic and other rocks