Balmoral Commences Summer-Fall 2018 Drill Program

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VANCOUVER, Aug. 20, 2018 - <u>Balmoral Resources Ltd.</u> (“Balmoral” or the “Company”) (TSX: BAR; OTCQX: BALMF) announces that the summer-fall 2018 drill program on its Detour Gold Trend project in Quebec has commenced. The minimum 7,500 metre program will include:

Grasset nickel-copper-cobalt-PGE deposit – Long Section

LAM gold zone and Niquet intrusion

- Expansion drilling of the 3.45 million tonne Grasset nickel-copper-cobalt-PGE deposit
- Follow-up drilling of nickel discoveries and new target testing in the Grasset Ultramafic Complex
- First-pass drilling of a number of nickel, gold, and copper-zinc targets throughout the Detour Trend project, including the LAM, Niquet, Detour East, and Harri areas

GRASSET

Drilling on the Grasset Ultramafic Complex will be the largest component of the upcoming program and is slated to commence in mid-September. The goal of the drilling program is threefold: to continue to expand the Grasset nickel-copper-cobalt-PGE deposit, to follow-up drill numerous nearby nickel sulphide discoveries in the host Grasset Ultramafic Complex, and to complete first-pass drilling of new nickel targets within the Grasset Ultramafic Complex. All of these activities were suspended in late 2015 due to low metal prices, which have now recovered to - or above - 2015/16 levels.

The first-priority target for expansion drilling at the Grasset deposit is the high-grade, massive to semi-massive, 7.5 metre wide intercept of nickel sulphide breccia zone grading 10.5% nickel discovered in the deposit's footwall in one of the last and deepest holes drilled into the deposit in late 2015 (see NR 15-17, Nov. 16, 2015). This new discovery and the Grasset nickel-copper-cobalt-PGE deposit remain open for expansion (see Figure 1).

Balmoral published an initial Indicated Resource Estimate for the high-grade core of the Grasset deposit of 3.45 million tonnes grading 1.56% nickel, 0.17% copper, 0.03% cobalt, 0.34 g/t platinum and 0.84 g/t palladium in March 2016 (see NR16-04, Mar 7, 2016). This high grade core lies within a much larger nickel sulphide body totaling over 15 million tonnes.

OTHER TARGETS

Drill testing on the Martiniere Property is currently underway. Drilling will target the LAM gold zone, located 4 kilometres NW of the Bug gold deposit where geological mapping has outlined a gold mineralized system flanking the margins of a NNW-trending quartz porphyry dyke, or series of dykes - a geological setting strongly analogous to the Bug gold deposit (see Figure 2).

Drill testing at Martiniere will also include the first ever drill testing of the Niquet ultramafic intrusion for nickel-copper-cobalt PGE mineralization. Results from the recently completed I.P. survey over the Niquet

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intrusion indicate the presence of a greater than 2 kilometre-long chargeability anomaly associated with the marginal and central phases of the intrusion, suggesting the potential for sulphide mineralization along the entire length of the intrusion. The Niquet intrusion also shows geochemical affinities to the Grasset Ultramafic Complex.

Drill testing of exploration targets on the Detour East and Harri Properties is also planned during the summer-fall 2018 drill program.

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Mr. Darin Wagner (P.Geo.), President and CEO of the Company, is the non-independent qualified person for the technical disclosure contained in this news release. Mr. Wagner has supervised the work programs on the Company's properties since inception, visited the properties on multiple occasions, examined the drill core from the holes summarized in this release, discussed, reviewed the results with senior on-site geological staff and reviewed the available analytical and quality control results.

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Balmoral is a well-funded, multi-award winning Canadian-focused exploration company actively exploring a portfolio of gold and base metal properties located within the prolific Abitibi greenstone belt. The Company's flagship, 1,000 km ² Detour Gold Trend Project hosts the resource stage Bug and Martiniere West gold deposits and the Grasset nickel-copper-cobalt-PGE deposit. Employing an aggressive, drill focused exploration style in one of the world’s preeminent mining jurisdictions, Balmoral is following an established formula with a goal of maximizing shareholder value through the discovery and definition of high-grade, Canadian gold and base metal assets.

On behalf of the board of directors of BALMORAL RESOURCES LTD.

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