

New Found Gold Expands Queensway Gold Project:

Enters into Property Purchase Agreement to Acquire Additional Mineral Claims

Vancouver, BC, September 8, 2025 – New Found Gold Corp. ("New Found Gold" or the "Company") (TSX-V: NFG, NYSE-A: NFGC) is pleased to announce that it has entered into a property purchase agreement (the "Agreement") with Exploits Discovery Corp. ("Exploits") (CSE: NFLD, OTCQB: NFLDF) providing for the purchase by New Found Gold (the "Transaction") of a 100% interest in certain mineral claims in Newfoundland and Labrador held by Exploits (the "Claims"). The Claims adjoin New Found's Queensway Gold Project ("Queensway" or the "Project") and would increase the size of the Project by up to 33%, to a total of 234,050 hectares ("ha"; Figure 1).

Keith Boyle, CEO of New Found Gold commented "The acquisition of these additional highly prospective landholdings in and around Queensway is the next step in building a district-scale land package in central Newfoundland. With this acquisition, New Found Gold will control a key claim block immediately adjacent to the AFZ Core, where we recently announced the results of a positive preliminary economic assessment. In addition, we will add a further 20 km of strike extent along the main structures that control gold mineralization at Queensway. With a recently completed preliminary economic assessment, an exploration team with a proven track record of discovery and a strong treasury, the Company is well-positioned to continue to advance Queensway."

Claims Overview

- **Group 1**: 1,984 issued mineral claims (49,600 ha),
- **Group 2**: 360 mineral claims under review (9,000 ha),
- The Claims total 58,600 ha: a 33% increase in the size of New Found Gold's landholdings in central Newfoundland.

As consideration for the Claims, New Found Gold will (i) issue 2,821,556 common shares of the Company (the "**Shares**") to Exploits; (ii) grant to Exploits a 1% NSR Royalty (as defined below); (iii) within 10 business days following a final determination by the Supreme Court of Newfoundland and Labrador with respect to certain disputed mineral claims, issue 725,543 Shares to Exploits.

Acquisition Advantages

- The Claims represent an important land position both from a development and exploration perspective,
- The acquisition of the Claims provide access to an area immediately adjacent to and along strike of the AFZ Core, where the Company recently announced the results of a preliminary economic assessment ("PEA")¹,

¹ See the New Found Gold news release dated July 21, 2025.

- The combined land packages enhance the district-scale discovery potential of the Project, with the additional 20 km of strike along the Appleton Fault Zone,
- New Found Gold is well-positioned to advance the expanded land position having an experienced exploration team with a proven track record for discovery in the district, existing exploration infrastructure, and the required capital.

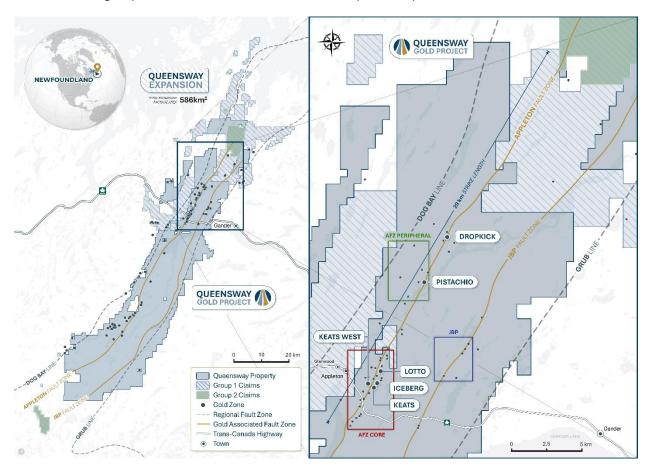


Figure 1: Location of Queensway, Group 1 and Group 2 mineral claims.

Transaction Details

The Transaction requires the approval of 66.67% of the votes cast by holders of common shares of Exploits at a shareholder meeting to be called by Exploits. In addition, the Transaction is subject to customary closing conditions, including the approval of the TSX Venture Exchange ("TSXV"), the NYSE American (the "NYSE-A") and the Canadian Securities Exchange (the "CSE"). It is anticipated that the closing of the Transaction will occur in the fourth guarter of 2025.

The Agreement includes deal-protection provisions, including customary non-solicitation provisions, a right for New Found Gold to match any superior proposal, and a termination fee of CDN\$250,000, payable by Exploits, in customary circumstances. Directors, officers and certain shareholders of Exploits, owning approximately 15% of Exploits' common shares have entered into voting support agreements pursuant to which they have agreed to vote all the Exploits shares they own, or control, in favour of the Transaction.

Royalty Agreement

As partial consideration for the Claims, New Found Gold will also grant to Exploits a 1.0% net smelter returns royalty on certain of the mineral claims (the "**NSR Royalty**") on the products derived from certain of the mineral licenses forming part of the Claims pursuant to a royalty agreement (the "**Royalty Agreement**"). For three years from the date of the Royalty Agreement, New Found Gold retains the right and option to purchase 0.5% of the Royalty for a price equal to CDN\$750,000.

About New Found Gold

New Found Gold is a well-financed advanced-stage exploration company that holds a 100% interest in Queensway, located in Newfoundland and Labrador, a Tier 1 jurisdiction with excellent infrastructure and a skilled local workforce.

The Company has completed an initial mineral resource estimate and PEA at Queensway (see New Found Gold news releases dated March 24, 2025 and July 21, 2025).

Recent drilling continues to yield new discoveries along strike and down dip of known gold zones, pointing to the district-scale potential of the 175,450 ha Project that covers a 110 km strike extent along two prospective fault zones.

New Found Gold has a new management team in place, a solid shareholder base, which includes an approximately 23.1% holding by Eric Sprott, and is focused on growth and value creation at Queensway.

Keith Boyle, P.Eng. Chief Executive Officer New Found Gold Corp.

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Forward-Looking Statement Cautions:

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