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## Liberty Gold Confirms Robust Gold Leach Recoveries at Black Pine

85.2% weighted average gold extraction in Rangefront Zone (7 columns)

80.5% weighted average gold extraction in Discovery Zone (15 columns)

VANCOUVER, B.C. – Liberty Gold Corp. (TSX: LGD; OTCQX: LGDTF) ("Liberty Gold" or the "Company") is pleased to report results from its Phase 5B metallurgical program at the Company's Black Pine Oxide Gold Project ("Black Pine") in southeast Idaho. The new results confirm consistent, predictable gold recoveries across the primary ore bodies at Black Pine, further supporting a low cost, run-of-mine ("ROM") heap leach processing flowsheet.

### Highlights

- Consistent Gold Extractions and Leach Performance: Weighted average column leach gold extraction of 81.9% at an average head grade of 0.65 parts per million ("ppm") gold ("Au"), with individual composites ranging from 52% to 94.5%. Phase 5B composites exhibit the typical Black Pine leach result of greater than 80% of the eventual gold extraction achieved in under 10 days.
  - The feasibility recovery model has been updated with these new results and shows gold recoveries in line or slightly better than previous results across Rangefront and Discovery Zones.
- Corroborated Bottle Roll Data: Gold extractions from direct leach coarse crush bottle rolls ( $P_{80}$  of 1.68 millimeters ("mm")) are aligned with column leach results ( $P_{80}$  of 16.9mm) at 78.4% vs 81.9%, respectively.
  - This relationship further validates that gold leaching at Back Pine is highly insensitive to crush size.
- Confirmation of Recovery in Primary Mining Phases: Phase 5B testing focused on infill sampling within the primary mining phases of Rangefront and Discovery Zones.
  - Feasibility level metallurgical work will be completed in H1, 2026. It is anticipated that with resource growth at Rangefront, additional test work may be required to achieve variability coverage.

See <a href="https://vrify.com/decks/20140">https://vrify.com/decks/20140</a> for a dynamic 3D view of the composite sample locations from the comprehensive metallurgical program across the Black Pine Oxide Gold Project.

Jon Gilligan, President and CEO, Liberty Gold, commented, "We are nearing completion of our comprehensive metallurgical program at Black Pine. Column gold extractions of 80 to 90 percent with rapid leach kinetics underscore the significant potential of this oxide gold asset. These results also confirm Rangefront as the premier leaching ore at Black Pine with up to a 10 percent recovery improvement over the Discovery zone. We look forward to further results from the bulk sample, large diameter columns and the ongoing work at Rangefront as it grows to potentially become the most significant gold mineralized zone at Black Pine."

### **Phase 5B Metallurgical Test Summary**

The Phase 5B program was designed to improve sample coverage in the main deposit areas and confirm consistency of gold extraction within the main rock types. Figure 1 below illustrates drill locations for the Phase 5B variability composite metallurgical core holes. Metallurgical composites were made up from PQ sized core drilled in 2023. A total of 22 column leach tests were completed in Phase 5B, under standard test conditions for Black Pine oxide gold material, with results summarized below in Table 1.

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Figure 1 - Summary Map of Black Pine Metallurgical Program Sample Locations

Table 1 - Weighted Average Gold Extraction Results by Zone - Coarse Bottle Roll and Column Leach Tests

	Coarse Bottle Roll		Column Leach Tests	
	Feed Target P <sub>80</sub> (1.7 mm)		Average P <sub>80</sub> (16.9 mm)	
Zone	Average Calculated Head Grade Au (ppm)	Weighted Average Direct Leach Bottle Roll Au Extraction (%)	Average Calculated Head Grade Au (ppm)	Average Column Leach Au Extraction (%)
Rangefront	0.61	85.0%	0.58	85.2%
Discovery	0.71	75.7%	0.68	80.5%
All Zones	0.68	78.4%	0.65	81.9%

Notes: Average Calculated Head Grade is the average of the composite bottle roll or column head grades tested within each zone. Detailed sample-level results are provided in Table 2 below.

#### Silver

Column leach tests showed silver ("Ag") extractions up to 68.1%, with an average of 19%. These silver grades and extractions are in line with previous results.

#### Interpretation

 Phase 5B gold extractions are in line with or slightly better than previous metallurgical testing results from both Discovery and Rangefront Zones, verifying strong recovery in the two largest mining phases at Black Pine (Figure 2).

Black Pine Oxide Column Test Results Au Head Grade vs ROM (P80=150mm) Au Extraction % 100 y = 7.955ln(x) + 79.422 90 80 6.6683ln(x) + 73.389 70 Au Extraction (%) 60 50 40 30 20 Libertygold 10 0 0.10 1.00 10.00 Head Grade - Au (g/t) (logarithmic scale) • Noranda & Liberty Phase 1-4 Noranda & Liberty Bulk Samples Liberty Phase 5A and 5B

Figure 2 - Grade vs. extraction for Phase 5A and 5B results

The consistent correlation between bottle roll and column leach data continues to reinforce that gold extraction is insensitive to particle size. This insensitivity supports the feasibility of low-cost, ROM leach processing for Black Pine oxide ores.

### **Ongoing Metallurgical Programs**

Liberty Gold has an ongoing feasibility-level metallurgical program for Black Pine:

- Phase 6: Seven (Six in-pit and one surface) 20 tonne ROM surface bulk samples sourced from the main mineralized lithology types, are being tested in Pilot-Scale columns (4 feet diameter x 20 feet high) at Kappes, Cassiday & Associates ("KCA") in Reno.
  - Three bulk samples are currently under leach and the remaining four are in preparation.
     Results are expected in H1 2026.
- Phase 7: Nine cut-off grade variability composites currently under column leach. These tests
  are to verify gold extraction at the lowest end of the grade/recovery curve in the current
  recovery model.
  - Leaching of these columns will be completed in September and reported in Q4, 2025.
- Phase 8: 24 sonic drill holes (~1,400 meters) have been completed in the legacy heap leach pad, with initial gold assays received. This material will be tested for the potential to act as over-liner material and also as direct leach feed.
  - Metallurgical composites have been shipped to Newfields and Forte Dynamics and test work will begin late in Q3 2025.

These programs are designed to finalize predicted gold leach recoveries and optimize process design criteria as inputs to the Feasibility Study targeted for completion in Q4 2026. Additional phases of metallurgical work are being evaluated for improved recovery model precision going into detailed mine/process design and eventual production.

Table 2 - Phase 5B Gold Extraction Results

	Coarse Bottle Roll		Column Leach Tests	
	Feed Target P <sub>80</sub> (1.7mm)		Average P <sub>80</sub> (16.9mm)	
Zone	Average Calculated Head Grade Au (ppm)	Weighted Average Direct Leach Bottle Roll Au Extraction (%)	Average Calculated Head Grade Au (ppm)	Average Column Leach Au Extraction (%)
Rangefront	0.814	93.4	0.685	94.5
Rangefront	0.573	83.2	0.570	85.8
Rangefront	0.217	66.3	0.252	52.0
Rangefront	0.219	75.9	0.204	77.9
Rangefront	0.498	81.2	0.472	80.7
Rangefront	1.439	85.5	1.318	87.0
Rangefront	0.540	87.2	0.567	90.7
Discovery	0.250	75.3	0.237	77.6
Discovery	1.212	88.9	1.201	91.6
Discovery	0.395	73.4	0.443	82.6
Discovery	0.483	83.9	0.450	86.0
Discovery	0.387	72.6	0.335	79.7
Discovery	0.371	57.1	0.355	61.7
Discovery	1.090	47.4	1.031	55.5
Discovery	0.377	72.1	0.355	74.7
Discovery	1.402	66.2	1.354	72.2
Discovery	0.634	79.1	0.587	83.3
Discovery	0.348	82.6	0.355	88.2
Discovery	0.371	54.7	0.331	64.4
Discovery	1.908	90.3	1.779	93.5
Discovery	1.150	84.2	1.079	87.5
Discovery	0.264	77.7	0.259	83.4
Averages	0.679 ppm Au	78.4%	0.646 ppm Au	81.9%

Footnote: ppm = parts per million or grams per tonne (g/t)

#### **Quality Assurance - Quality Control**

All metallurgical work at Black Pine was conducted at KCA Labs in Reno and is supervised by Gary Simmons, MMSA, formerly Director of Metallurgy and Technology for Newmont Mining Corp. Mr. Simmons has managed metallurgical programs on multiple Carlin-style oxide deposits in the Great Basin.

Richard Zaggle, SME-RM, Senior Director, Mining and Metallurgy for Liberty Gold, is the Qualified Person responsible for reviewing and approving the technical content of this release.

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Liberty Gold is focused on developing open pit oxide deposits in the Great Basin of the United States, home to large-scale gold projects that are ideal for open-pit mining. This region is one of the most prolific gold-producing regions in the world and stretches across Nevada and into Idaho and Utah. The Company is advancing the Black Pine Project in southeastern Idaho, a past-producing, Carlin-style gold system with a large, growing resource and strong economic potential. We know the Great Basin and are driven to advance big gold deposits that can be mined profitably in open-pit scenarios and in an environmentally responsible manner.

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