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Discovering High-Grade Copper and Gold in North America

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About Aston Bay Holdings





Drilling at Buckingham Gold Project, Virginia, April 2019

Aston Bay Holdings is an exploration company **discovering high**grade copper and gold assets in North America.

Canada: Copper and Zinc in Nunavut

- 100% interest in the high-grade Storm Copper Project and the Seal Zinc Deposit in Nunavut (Canada), which have been optioned to ASX-listed American West Metals
 - Recent drilling high-grade copper at surface (41m* @ 4.2% copper); beneficiation tests yield 53.9% copper for a direct shipping product; excellent ESG qualities; actively advancing toward production; drilling underway
 - Discovery of "Congo-style" sediment hosted copper mineralization – significant upside

US: Gold, Copper and Zinc in Virginia

- Underexplored gold/copper/zinc mineralized belt
- Aston Bay has two new discoveries in the belt:
 - High-grade mesothermal gold vein (24.73 g/t Au over 3.57m* including 62.51 g/t Au over 1.39m*) – significant down-dip and along strike potential
 - **SEDEX style copper-zinc mineralization:** size and grade discovery potential

Industry-Recognized Technical Team and Partner

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Team

Advisors



Thomas Ullrich CEO, Director

Former Chief Geologist North America for Antofagasta Minerals Former Sr Geologist for Almaden Minerals; on the Ixtaca Ag-Au deposit discovery team; Director Aurania Resources

Sofia Harquail IR & B.Dev.

Experience in both the private and public sectors of the mining industry; Board member, Young Mining Professionals Toronto; CSC and CPIR Certified

Donald Taylor Advisor

Founder, Jack's Fork Exploration, vendor of the Virginia exploration assets 2018 Thayer Lindsley Award winner for his discovery of the Taylor Pb-Zn-Ag Deposit CEO Titan Mining, Director Solaris Resources

Lamont Leatherman Advisor

Former Senior Geologist, Jack's Fork Exploration Over 30 years of experience in the district, including several discoveries, two currently in development

Partner



Storm Copper Project Exploration Partner

American West Metals Limited (ASX: AW1) is a new Australian company focused on growth through the discovery and development of major base metal mineral deposits in Tier 1 jurisdictions of North America (operator at Storm Copper Project, Nunavut).

Why Aston Bay Holdings?

Tier 1 Mining Jurisdictions

Strong Technical

Feams

- **Canada**: large targets with underexplored potential; ability to finance with flow-through; well understood permitting regime
- US: underexplored SEDEX belt; excellent access to infrastructure: road, power and rail; private land - no additional drill permitting required; ability to drill year-round; attractive cost of drilling (approx. C\$250/metre (all-in))
- **Canada:** Led by exploration partner, American West Metals: highly experienced exploration and development team
- US: Leverage Don Taylor's technical experience and relationships
 - Lead discovery team of the Taylor Pb-Zn-Ag Deposit in Arizona; US\$1.6 billion sale
- Capitalize on Tom Ullrich's previous experience at Antofagasta and Almaden Minerals; North American base metals experience and **part of the discovery team on the Ixtaca Ag-Au deposit**

- **High-grade near-surface copper and hidden sediment-hosted copper discovery** at the Storm Project in Nunavut; now drilling for resource definition and new discovery
 - Actively advancing toward production, upside potential from >500,000 acre land package
- New high-grade mesothermal/orogenic gold vein and new SEDEX zinc-copper belt and in Virginia
 - Two recent discoveries, highly prospective for more, >4000 acres of private lands under agreement
- New project potential: precious and base metals in Virginia and New Mexico

Storm Copper Project

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High Grade Copper Discovery with Two Emerging Growth Stories:

- 1. High-grade, near-surface copper advancing toward production
 - Historical intersections in four large near- or at-surface zones, including:

110m* @ 2.45% Cu from surface; 56.3m* @ 3.07% Cu from 12.2m; and

- 2022 drill program intersections including:
 41m* @ 4.18% Cu from 38m (ST22-05); and
 48m* @ 2.92% Cu from 8m (ST22-02)
- Advancing toward maiden resource, ore sorting operation

2. Further significant discovery potential: sediment hosted copper

- 68.8m of chalcopyrite, pyrite and sphalerite mineralization intersected from 277m downhole in drill hole (ST22-10) at margin of EM anomaly
- Geologic model confirmed: analogous to Central African copper style mineralization
- Several large EM anomalies remain untested

Storm is under an option agreement with American West Metals Limited to earn an 80% interest. Aston Bay is carried to production decision with no required expenditures.

Storm Copper Project

Nunavut

Storm Copper Project, Nunavut Growth Story #1: Development of near-surface copper

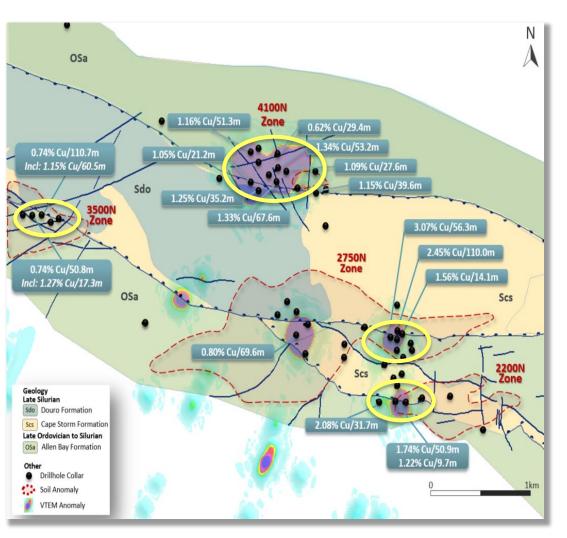


High Grade, at Surface

- Multiple thick, high-grade copper zones identified across 15km² with historical intersections that include:
 - **110m* @ 2.45% Cu from surface** (ST97-08)
 - 56.3m* @ 3.07% Cu from 12.2m (ST99-19)
 - 41m* @ 4.18% Cu from 38m (ST22-05);

Four high-grade zones discovered in historic and recent drilling: 2200N, 2750N, 3500N and 4100N Zones, all at or near surface;

- RC delineation drilling 4100N Zone underway:
 - **24.4m of strong visual copper sulfides** from 48.8m in SR23-01
 - **27.4m of strong visual copper sulfides** from 56.4m in SR23-02
 - **48.7m of strong visual copper sulfides** from 54.9m in SR23-03
 - **30.6m of strong visual copper sulfides** from 50.3m in SR23-04
- Other at-surface showings still to be tested at 2,192 km² (541,793 acres) property

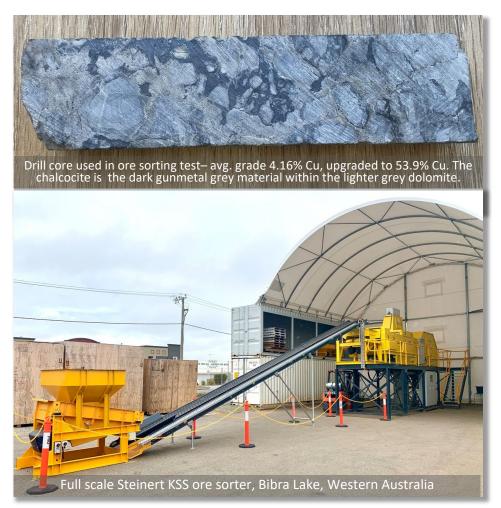




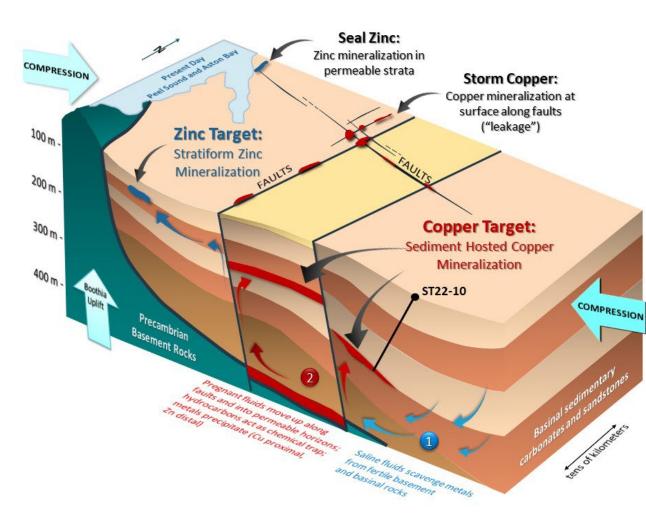
Moving Toward Development: High-Grade Direct Shipping Product

- Recent test work using a full-scale ore sorter has successfully shown the potential for a direct shipping product with a grade of 53.9% copper
- Potential product has excellent ESG outcomes with a low footprint, environmentally friendly processing and simple, low-cost development
- Beneficiation and metallurgical test work underway: aim to create a definitive flow sheet for a direct shipping product operation
- **10,000m delineation drill program underway**: expansion of known zones and defining new zones of mineralization through testing of new high-priority anomalies

Advancing toward development



Potential for Further Discovery: Sediment Hosted ("Congo-Style") Copper



- ✓ Large sedimentary basin
- ✓ Saline fluids to scavenge metals
- ✓ Efficient plumbing system (faults)
- ✓ Permeable horizons (traps)
- ✓ Effective chemical trap (bitumen)
- ✓ Metal at surface (Storm and Seal)
- ✓ Large mineralized zones at depth confirmed in 2022
- Exploration target: significant copper mineralization at depth

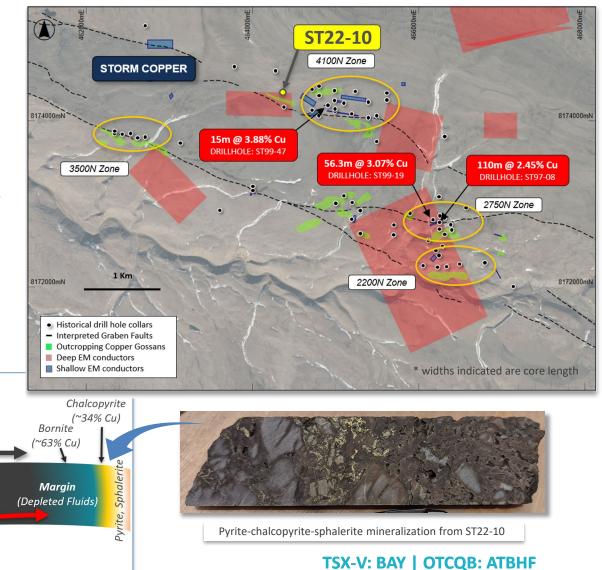
Schematic exploration concept of the Storm/Seal Projects.

Drill hole ST22-10 has intersected mineralization interpreted to be associated with area labelled as "Copper Target: Sediment Hosted Copper Mineralization"

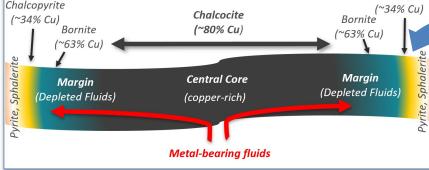
Storm Copper Project, Nunavut Growth Story #2: Discovery of more copper at depth

Discovery: Sediment Hosted Copper at Depth

- Over 68m of sediment hosted sulfide mineralization intersected in ST22-10 from 277m downhole on margin of 800m x 300m EM plate
- The pyrite-chalcopyrite-sphalerite mineralization intersected is typical distal style of mineralization: possible vector to higher grade core
- Six other similar large EM plates yet to be tested, additional MLEM and gravity geophysics underway
- Evidence of a major copper system at depth with significant copper endowment upside



Schematic Typical Mineral Zonation at Storm:



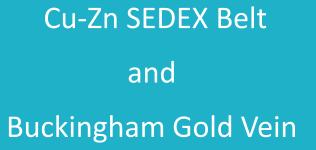
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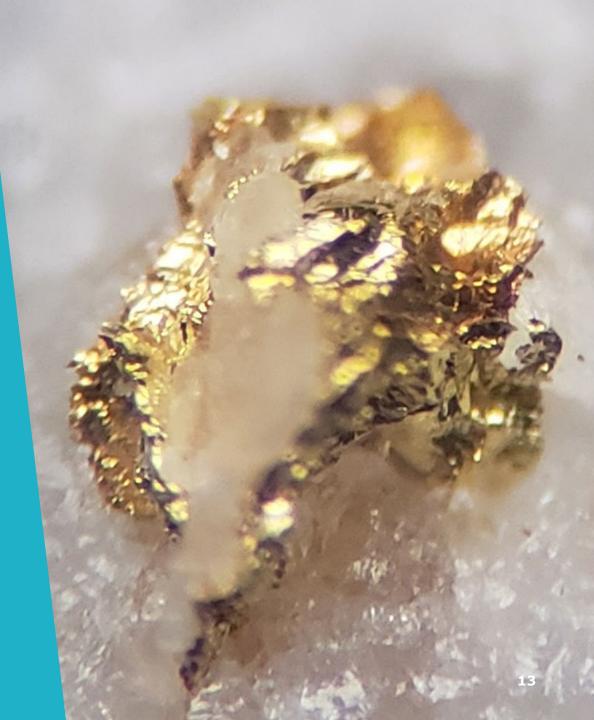
Summary – Storm Project

- High-grade, near-surface copper
- Delineation drilling for resource underway!
- Discovery potential for additional near-surface resources
- Near-term production and revenue
 potential
- Discovery potential for gamechanging "Congo-style" copper deposits, in Canada
- No required expenditures excellent optionality
- Excellent news flow Q2 through Q4 and into 2024





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Virginia **Projects**



Buckingham Gold Project (New Gold Vein Discovery)

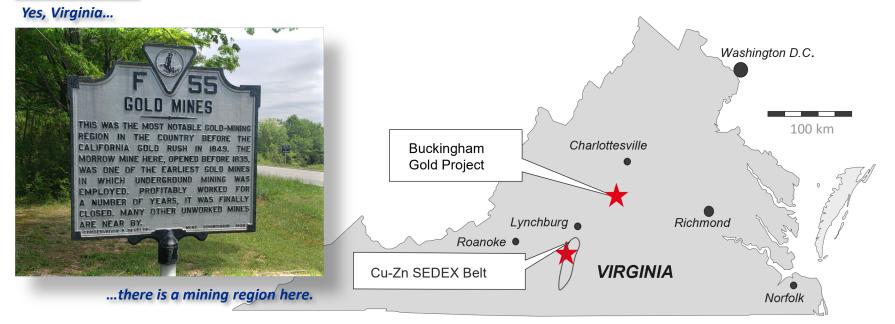
High grade, steeply dipping orogenic-style gold vein (*e.g.* Kirkland Lake, etc.) 35.61 g/t Au over 2.03m*

24.73 g/t over 3.57m incl. 62.51 g/t over 1.39m*

- Soil sampling underway, 2023 drilling planned
- VMS, SEDEX and BHT type prospects over a 100km long trend:

Cu-Zn SEDEX Belt

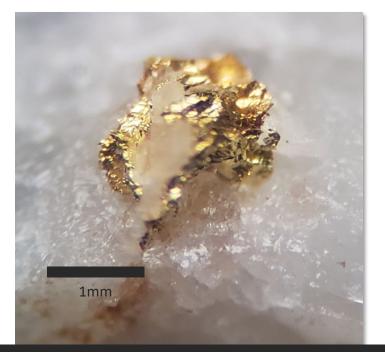
- (Virginia)
- 2.77% Cu, 0.94% Zn over 5m, and 0 1.17% Cu, 5.23% Zn over 2.25m*
- New discovery: Cu-Zn SEDEX confirmed at Mountain Project, large size
- Negotiations near complete for additional prospective SEDEX properties



* widths indicated are core length

Buckingham Gold Vein – New Discovery





Visible gold from outcrop, Buckingham Gold Vein

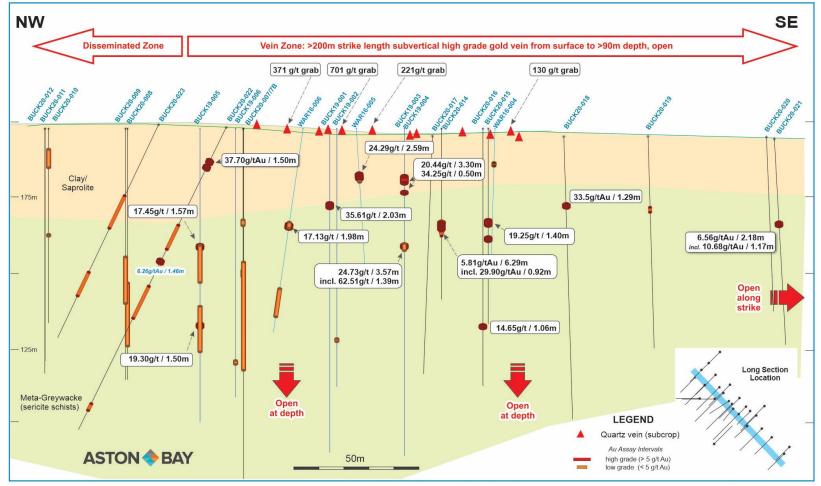
Why is mesothermal gold significant?

- High grade potential in ore shoots
- Low impact underground mining methods
 - Excellent ESG outcomes
- Significant potential down-dip and along-strike extent
 - Examples: Kirkland Lake, ON, lode gold deposits

- New discovery, high-grade gold at surface
 - up to **701 g/t Au** in surface grab samples: white quartz with visible gold
- 23 holes drilled in 2019-2020 programs
 - Gold in quartz veins (mesothermal/orogenic) 35.61 g/t Au over 2.03m* 20.44 g/t over 3.30m and 34.25 g/t over 0.5m* 24.73 g/t over 3.57m incl. 62.51 g/t over 1.39m*
- Open along strike only 200m of 1.6km drilled
 Open at depth only drilled to 90m depth
- Additional 532 prospective acres recently added along strike to southeast
 - Timber recently harvested
 - Soil sampling, panning and prospecting underway
- 2023 drilling planned: down dip and SE extensions

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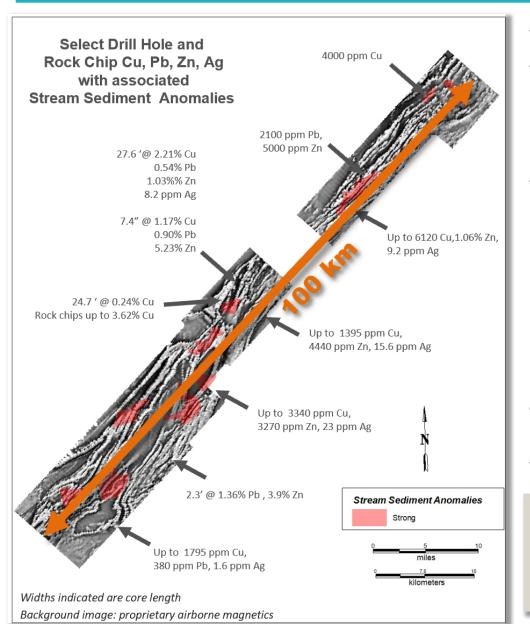




Buckingham Long-Section (View NE) with Select Au Assay Intervals

An Underexplored Base Metals Belt

SEDEX, Significant Grade, Drill-Ready Targets



100km mineralized trend in south-central Virginia

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- Proprietary data on base metals belt:
 - 1.2M acre airborne EM/Mag survey
 - Regional stream sediment survey
 - Regional rock chip sampling
 - Drill data from sparse exploratory holes
- New SEDEX discovery in unrecognized SEDEX belt: Mountain Zinc-Copper Project
 - 3,746m drilled in 10 drill holes (6 holes reported; 4 holes pending)
 - Zn-Cu-Pb mineralization in all holes over a 1.0 x 0.5-mile area
 - Stacked zones of disseminated and semimassive sphalerite and minor chalcopyrite, with pyrite and pyrrhotite, hosted within metamorphosed carbonate rocks: SEDEX style
- Significant intercepts in <u>limited historical drilling</u> with no follow-up
- Drill-ready targets on property with >2% Cu over 8.4m in historic hole

Why SEDEX deposits are significant

- Important source of base metals
- Size/grade potential and consistency
- Camp potential, multiple occurrences
- Examples: Sullivan, BC, and Red Dog, Alaska



Summary – Virginia Gold and Base Metals

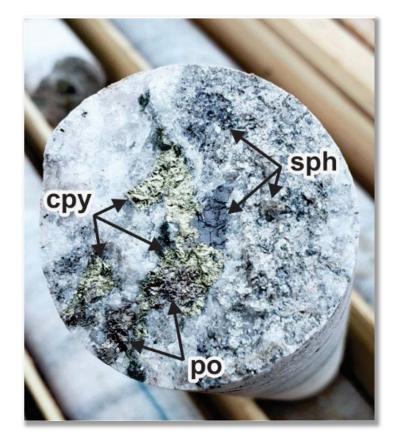
Gold at the Buckingham Vein

- High-grade gold discovery at the surface
- "Lode gold" vein with down-dip and along-strike extension
- Underground mining method, simple extraction expected (no open pit, no cyanide – excellent ESG)

Base Metals Belt

- Critical minerals: copper and zinc, in America
- Proven SEDEX discovery with size the hunt is on for grade

Year-round news flow, Made In America story





- Storm Copper Project development and discovery, high-grade copper; drilling underway
 - Development: high-grade copper at surface, high-value direct ship product, moving toward operation
 - Discovery: Central African-style copper mineralization, potential for significant size and grade
- Base Metals Belt SEDEX discovery, high-grade copper and zinc potential
 - Drilling competed, SEDEX discovery confirmed, size confirmed hunt is on for grade
 - Negotiations for other prospective, more copper-rich SEDEX properties near completion
- Buckingham Gold Property new discovery high-grade gold orogenic/mesothermal vein
 - Proposed follow-up drilling on down-dip and along-strike extensions in 2023

Spring 2023	Summer 2023	Fall 2023	Winter 2023, 2024
Storm	Storm	Storm	Storm
Resource delineation drilling: RC rig	RC drilling continued and initial results	Drill results: delineation drilling and discovery drilling	Maiden copper resource, continued mine planning, exploration targeting
Ground geophysics (EM and gravity)	Deep core drilling for "Congo-style" discovery	Virginia	Virginia
Target generation: near- surface and deep	Virginia Drilling along-strike and	Drill results: gold Continued drilling on gold	Resource definition on gold property
Process flowsheet	down-dip for high-grade gold extension	property, base metal targeting	Exploration for base metals in Virginia and New Mexico

Catalysts to move the share price



- ✓ Proven team
- ✓ First class jurisdictions
- ✓ Proven high-grade discoveries
- Significant discovery potential

- ✓ *Excellent ESG properties*
- ✓ Near-term revenue potential
- ✓ Excellent ongoing news flow
- ✓ Improved share structure and cash position

		Millions
	Basic Shares Outstanding	178.4*
Share	Options (Avg. price \$0.11)	13.0*
Structure*	Warrants (Avg. price \$0.12)	14.9*
As of May 1, 2023	Fully Diluted Shares Outstanding	207.2*
	Market Capitalization	C\$7.1M

*On May 17, 2023, the Company announced a non-brokered private placement for proceeds of \$2million and a 4:1 consolidation of the Company's outstanding shares. Post-consolidation share count will be 44.6 million shares outstanding, prior to shares issued in the offering. Proceeds to be used for gold and base metals exploration in Virginia and elsewhere in the United States, and general working capital.

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