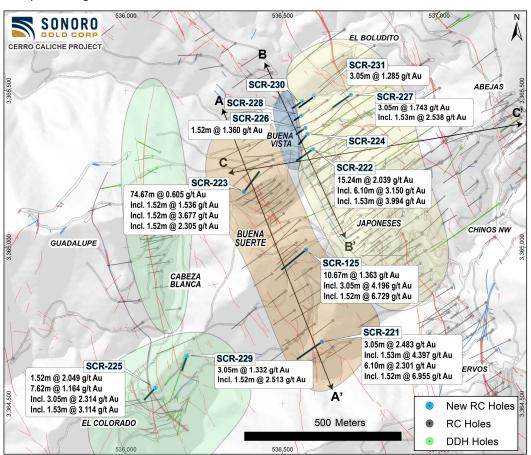


# SONORO DRILLS 74.67 METERS OF 0.605 GRAMS PER TONNE AT CERRO CALICHE

# LATEST DRILL RESULTS INCREASE THE POTENTIAL FOR A SINGLE PIT FOR THREE LARGE ZONES OF SHALLOW OXIDE GOLD MINERALIZATION

**VANCOUVER, Canada, April 5, 2021 – Sonoro Gold Corp.** (TSXV: SGO | OTCQB: SMOFF | FRA: 23SP) ("Sonoro" or the "Company") is pleased to report assay results from an additional 12 RC drill holes completed at its Cerro Caliche gold project in Sonora, Mexico. Results reflect strategic drilling recently concluded at the Buena Suerte gold mineralized zone as well as at the adjacent Buena Vista extension of the Japoneses zone. One additional drill hole was completed at the northern extension of the Japoneses zone, and another two drill holes were completed at the El Colorado gold mineralized zone.

The map below shows the location of the 12 RC drill holes as well as the proximity between the Buena Suerte and Japoneses gold mineralized zones.



This very successful drilling program will be temporarily concluded this month, following the completion of the current phase of approximately 34,000 meters of drilling. The program was expanded and extended for the purpose of increasing the potential resource in the new NI 43-101 Technical Report and Preliminary Economic Assessment (PEA) to conceptually support a materially larger Heap leach Mining Operation

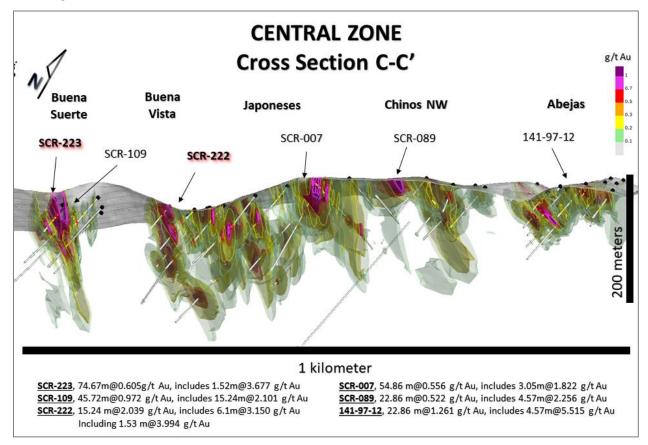
(HLMO) than originally intended. Drilling is scheduled to resume following receipt of the 43-101 Technical Report and the PEA, in conjunction with receipt of project financing.

# Highlights are as follows:

- Drill hole SCR-223 in the north western extension of Buena Suerte intercepted 74.67 meters averaging 0.605 g/t Au including three intervals of 1.52 meters averaging up to 3.677 g/t Au.
- Drill hole SCR-222 in the Buena Vista northwest extension of Japoneses intercepted 15.24 meters averaging 2.039 g/t Au including 6.1 meters averaging 3.150 g/t Au.
- Drill hole SCR-227 in the northern extension of Japoneses intercepted 3.05 meters averaging 1.743 g/t Au including 1.53 meters averaging 2.538 g/t Au.
- Drill hole SCR-225 at El Colorado intercepted 7.62 meters averaging 1.164 g/t Au including 3.05 meters averaging 2.314 g/t Au.

Drilling results continue to demonstrate the potential coalescence of the Japoneses and Buena Suerte zones with results from the Buena Vista extension suggesting the potential of all three zones combining into a single body of shallow, oxide gold mineralization. If confirmed, a single larger gold mineralized zone of approximately 650 meters in width by approximately 700 meters in length may prove to have significant and positive economic implications for the Company's proposed Heap Leach Mining Operation (HLMO).

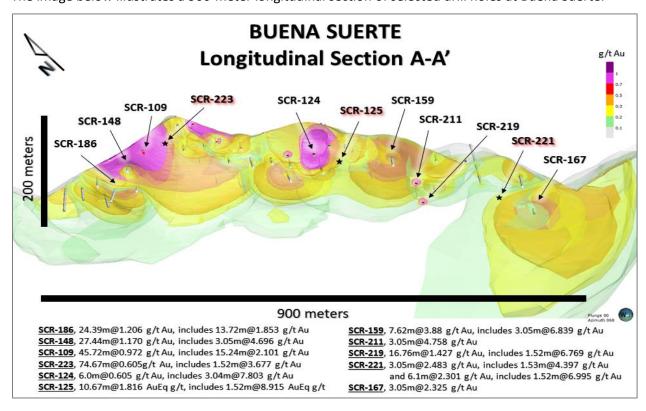
The image below illustrates a 1-kilometer cross section of the concession's Central Zone.



#### **Buena Suerte Zone Enhanced**

Buena Suerte has developed into a significant zone of gold mineralization with 50 drill holes confirming a length of 900 meters and the presence of numerous vein splays. High-grade intercepts demonstrate wider zones of stockwork to disseminated forms of mineralization with interval widths ranging from 10 meters to 74 meters.

The image below illustrates a 900-meter longitudinal section of selected drill holes at Buena Suerte.



In the southernmost extension of the zone, and approximately 50 meters southeast of the previously reported drill hole SCR-219, drill hole SCR-221 intercepted 6.1 meters averaging 2.301 g/t Au including 1.52 meters averaging 6.955 g/t Au. Both drill holes tested the same vein system within close proximity to where the vein intersects a northwest-oriented splay.

In the northwestern extension, and 50 meters south of previously reported drill hole SCR-109, new drill hole SCR-223 intercepted multiple mineralized intervals including 4.57 meters averaging 0.851 g/t Au from surface and 74.67 meters averaging 0.605 g/t Au which included three high-grade intervals of 1.52 meters each averaging 3.677 g/t, 2.305 g/t and 1.536 g/t Au respectively.

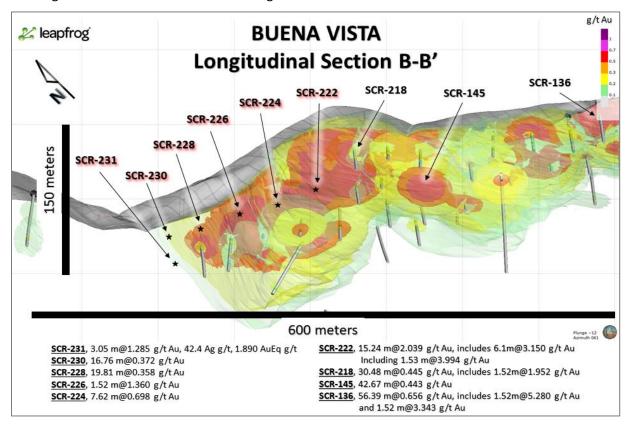
In central Buena Suerte, drill hole SCR-125 was re-entered and deepened where it intercepted 10.67 meters averaging 1.363 g/t Au, including two high-grade intercepts of 3.05 meters averaging 4.196 g/t Au and 1.52 meters averaging 6.729 g/t Au.

Drill hole SCR-125 is located in between the previously reported drill hole SCR-142 to the north, and drill hole SCR 143 to its south, with approximate spacings of 35 meters. Both SCR-142 and SCR-143 also intercepted multiple mineralized intervals, with SCR-142 intercepting 12.19 meters averaging 1.24 g/t Au and SCR-143 intercepting 12.19 meters averaging 0.72 g/t Au.

#### **Buena Vista Vein Zone Extended**

The Buena Vista mineralized zone is now confirmed as the northwest extension of the Japoneses zone where the western boundary is structurally controlled by a large fault and vein structure, known as the Buena Vista Vein Zone. The extension was defined with five drill holes spaced 30 to 50 meters apart spanning approximately 150 meters along the western flank of the Buena Vista fault.

The image below illustrates a 600-meter longitudinal section of drill holes at Buena Vista.



## Highlights include:

- SCR-222 intercepted 15.24 m averaging 2.039 g/t Au; including 6.1 m averaging 3.150 g/t Au
- SCR-224 intercepted 7.62 m averaging 0.698 g/t Au; and 3.05 m averaging 0.676 g/t Au.
- SRC-226 intercepted 1.52 m averaging 1.36 g/t Au from surface.

Pending additional assay results are expected to further define the northwest extension of the Buena Vista mineralization zone.

To the immediate west of the Buena Vista vein zone, the presence of outcropping quartz veins and stockwork demonstrate conduits for the transportation of gold containing mineralizing fluids and likely confirm a western expansion of approximately 150 meters to the Buena Suerte gold mineralized zone.

Five additional drill holes planned for this week on the west flank of Buena Vista will investigate the zones potential coalescence with the east flank of Buena Suerte. As noted above, the possible economic implications of the combined zones may prove advantageous for the proposed HLMO. A larger single body of shallow, oxide gold mineralization suggests the potential for a large single pit which may reduce stripping ratios and increase transformation of waste rock into gold mineralization.

#### **Japoneses Zone**

Approximately 150 meters east of Buena Vista, within the northern extension of the Japoneses gold mineralized zone, infill drill hole SCR-227 intercepted 3.05 meters averaging 1.743 g/t Au including 1.53 meters averaging 2.538 g/t Au.

#### **El Colorado Zone Definition**

Two targeted drill holes were completed in the El Colorado mineralized zone to increase understanding of the structural geometry concept for El Colorado and extend its mineralized zones. SCR-225 intercepted 10.66 meters averaging 0.468 g/t Au and 3.05 meters averaging 0.466 g/t Au as well as 1.52 meters averaging 2.049 g/t Au. Further downhole, the same drill hole intercepted 7.62 meters averaging 1.164 g/t Au including 3.05 meters averaging 2.314 g/t Au.

Drill hole SCR-229 targeted a new El Colorado vein structure where it intercepted 3.05 meters averaging 1.332 g/t Au including 1.52 meters averaging 2.513 g/t Au. Pending drilling results are expected to further define the gold mineralization in and around El Colorado.

Mel Herdrick, Sonoro's VP, Exploration stated. "These latest drill results, together with the planned drilling over the next week will help to further define the gold zones discussed, as the mineralized bodies are being outlined and quantified. I am pleased all drill holes cut gold mineralization in the four zones. I also note that stockwork style mineralization with good gold grades was intercepted at El Colorado above the vein zones in areas we had previously modelled to be sterile".

Sonoro's Chairman John Darch added, "I am extremely pleased with our continued very positive developments on all fronts. The Buena Suerte drilling results are a strong indication of not only establishing that zone as a major area of gold mineralization but also, when those results are combined with the drill results from Buena Vista, we may be able to demonstrate the viability of a single very large pit for all three zones with the attendant economic advantages. It was for these reasons that management elected to intensify and extend the drilling campaign which has boosted our confidence that the upcoming Preliminary Economic Assessment (PEA) will support our longstanding conceptual plans for the development of an HLMO having an operating capacity of 15,000 to 20,000 tons per day. The recently announced current \$2 million equity raise will cover the additional direct and associated costs of this highly productive program expansion and extension and should fund Sonoro through to the PEA and securing project debt financing."

#### **Assay Results**

Cerro Caliche Project, Holes Composites with Cut-off 0.15 g/t Au									
11-1-	Towart		From	То	Interval	Au	Ag	AuEq	
Hole	Target			Meters		g/t	g/t	g/t	
	BUENA SUERTE		4.57	7.62	3.05	0.366	9.0	0.497	
		and	83.82	86.87	3.05	0.249	0.5	0.256	
		and	91.44	102.11	10.67	1.363	31.7	1.816	
SCR-125		includes	91.44	94.49	3.05	4.196	96.8	5.579	
3CR-125		including	91.44	92.96	1.52	6.729	153.0	8.915	
		and	112.78	120.40	7.62	0.571	4.0	0.629	
		and	124.97	128.02	3.05	0.610	1.1	0.625	
		and	135.64	138.68	3.04	0.224	7.4	0.330	

Cerro Caliche Project, Holes Composites with Cut-off 0.15 g/t Au								
Hala	Towart		From	То	Interval	Au	Ag	AuEq
Hole	Target		Meters			g/t	g/t	g/t
		and	9.14	10.19	3.05	0.280	1.4	0.300
		and	36.58	39.62	3.04	0.179	0.5	0.185
		and	42.67	45.72	3.05	2.483	3.3	2.529
SCR-221	BUENA SUERTE	includes	42.67	44.20	1.53	4.397	4.5	4.461
3CR-221	BOENA SOERTE	and	53.34	56.39	3.05	0.318	1.1	0.334
		and	100.58	103.63	3.05	0.923	6.7	1.018
		and	111.25	117.35	6.10	2.301	0.7	2.312
		includes	112.78	114.30	1.52	6.955	1.0	6.969
			3.05	6.10	3.05	0.569	0.9	0.582
SCR-222	DIJENJA VJETA	and	39.62	54.86	15.24	2.039	1.7	2.063
SCR-222	BUENA VISTA	includes	45.72	51.82	6.10	3.150	2.8	3.189
		including	47.24	48.77	1.53	3.994	3.3	4.041
	BUENA SUERTE		0.00	4.57	4.57	0.851	3.7	0.903
		includes	0.00	1.52	1.52	1.533	7.0	1.633
		and	10.67	13.72	3.05	0.252	1.0	0.266
CCD 222		and	27.43	35.05	7.62	0.260	1.9	0.288
SCR-223		and	41.15	115.82	74.67	0.605	3.1	0.654
		includes	79.25	80.77	1.52	1.536	12.5	1.715
		includes	82.30	83.82	1.52	3.677	12.2	3.851
		includes	94.49	96.01	1.52	2.305	9.8	2.445
CCD 224	BUENA VISTA	and	32.00	39.62	7.62	0.698	1.2	0.715
SCR-224		and	56.39	59.44	3.05	0.676	0.2	0.679
			13.72	24.38	10.66	0.468	5.3	0.544
	EL COLORADO	and	35.05	38.10	3.05	0.466	3.1	0.510
		and	45.72	47.24	1.52	2.049	9.5	2.185
		and	67.06	71.63	4.57	0.241	5.8	0.325
SCR-225		and	89.92	92.96	3.04	0.275	6.8	0.371
		and	131.06	138.68	7.62	1.164	0.7	1.174
		includes	132.59	135.64	3.05	2.314	0.8	2.324
		including	134.11	135.64	1.53	3.114	0.9	3.127
	BUENA VISTA		0.00	1.52	1.52	1.360	3.2	1.406
SCR-226		and	24.38	28.96	4.58	0.293	2.3	0.326
		and	38.10	44.20	6.10	0.299	0.5	0.306
	JAPONESES		0.00	3.05	3.05	0.229	1.5	0.250
		and	16.76	19.81	3.05	1.743	16.3	1.977
SCR-227		includes	16.76	18.29	1.53	2.538	28.2	2.941
		and	25.91	36.58	10.67	0.369	0.9	0.383
		and	67.06	71.63	4.57	0.154	0.2	0.157
SCR-228	BUENA VISTA		0.00	19.81	19.81	0.358	1.5	0.380

Cerro Caliche Project, Holes Composites with Cut-off 0.15 g/t Au									
			From	То	Interval	Au	Ag	AuEq	
				Meters		g/t	g/t	g/t	
	EL COLORADO	and	25.91	28.96	3.05	1.332	1.5	1.353	
		includes	25.91	27.43	1.52	2.513	2.5	2.549	
SCR-229		and	76.20	79.25	3.05	0.286	1.1	0.301	
		and	82.30	86.87	4.57	0.342	1.1	0.358	
		and	155.45	161.54	6.09	0.219	1.3	0.238	
SCR-230	BUENA VISTA		0.00	3.05	3.05	0.217			
3CR-23U		and	18.29	35.05	16.76	0.372			
SCR-231	BUENA VISTA		19.81	22.86	3.05	0.500	20.4	0.790	
		and	27.43	30.48	3.05	1.285	42.4	1.890	
		and	68.58	74.68	6.10	0.217	2.6	0.254	

Drill collar locations, azimuths and dips for the drill holes included are provided in the table below.

Drill Collar Locations (NAD 1927 UTM Zone 12N)										
Drill Hole	Zone	Easting	Northing	Elevation	Depth (m)	Dip	Azimuth			
SCR-125	Buena Suerte	536575	3364992	1364	146.3	-45	231			
SCR-221	Buena Suerte	536627	3364699	1309	140.21	-45	235			
SCR-222	Buena Vista	536597	3365313	1307	91.44	-45	235			
SCR-223	Buena Suerte	536377	3365177	1382	115.82	-45	37			
SCR-224	Buena Vista	536580	3365362	1299	64.01	-45	220			
SCR-225	El Colorado	536094	3364551	1316	170.69	-72	223			
SCR-226	Buena Vista	536573	3365381	1277	51.82	-45	235			
SCR-227	Japoneses	536718	3365487	1268	100.58	-45	235			
SCR-228	Buena Vista	536560	3365421	1261	39.62	-45	235			
SCR-229	El Colorado	536195	3364653	1313	173.14	-73	199			
SCR-230	Buena Vista	536563	3365466	1249	54.86	-45	235			
SCR-231	Buena Vista	536601	3365483	1253	94.49	-45	235			

# Quality Assurance/Quality Control ("QA/QC") Measures and Analytical Procedures

Drill samples are collected with an airstream cyclone and passed into a splitter that divides each sample into quarters. The quartered samples are then bagged and sealed with identification. The sample group has blanks, standards and duplicates inserted into the sample stream.

Bureau Veritas (BV) collects from the drill site the samples and transports them directly to the preparation laboratory in Hermosillo, Sonora. At the prep. laboratory, a split part of each sample (about 500 grams) is reduced through crushing, splitting and pulverization. Thirty grams of each pulverized sample is split apart in the Hermosillo laboratory and undergoes a "Fire Assay" for gold content by reducing the fire assay to a concentrated button of material that is dissolved in acids and the gold content determined by atomic absorption. About another 200 grams of each sample are sent by BV to their Vancouver, Canada laboratory and dissolved there in aqua regia for multi-element ICP analysis, including silver. No QA/QC issues were noted with the results received from the laboratory.

### **Geologic Description**

Cerro Caliche is located 45 kilometers east southeast of Magdalena de Kino in the Cucurpe-Sonora Megadistrict of Sonora, Mexico. Multiple historic underground mines were developed in the concession

including Cabeza Blanca, Los Cuervos, Japoneses, Las Abejas, Boluditos, El Colorado, Veta de Oro and Espanola. Mineralization types of the Cucurpe-Sonora Mega-district include variants of epithermal low sulfidation veins and related mineralized dikes and associated volcanic domes. Local altered and mineralized felsic dikes cut the mineralized meta-sedimentary rock units and may be associated with mineralization both in the dikes and meta-sedimentary rocks.

#### **Qualified Person Statement**

Stephen Kenwood, P.Geo., a Director of Sonoro, is a Qualified Person within the context of National Instrument 43-101 (NI 43-101) and has read and approved this news release. Readers are cautioned that the presence of mineralization on historic mines adjacent to or on Cerro Caliche is not necessarily indicative of economic gold mineralization in the concessions held by the Company.

# **About Sonoro Gold Corp.**

Sonoro Gold Corp. is a publicly listed exploration and development company with a portfolio of exploration-stage precious metal properties in Sonora State, Mexico. The Company has highly experienced operational and management teams with proven track records for the discovery and development of natural resource deposits.

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