

Canada Nickel Announces New Discovery at Mann Northwest Property, Provides Update on Regional Drilling at Midlothian and Sothman

Highlights

- First four holes at Mann Northwest intersected multi-hundred metre intervals of mineralized peridotite and dunite
- Long, shallow mineralized intervals reported at both Sothman and Midlothian
 - Midlothian returned 343 metres of 0.28% nickel starting at 2 metres
 - Sothman returned 319 metres of 0.29% nickel starting at 15 metres in East Zone
- High-grade mineralization confirmed at Sothman within larger mineralized intervals
 - 1.28% nickel over core length of 5.3 metres from 58.7 metres, within 192 metres of 0.31% nickel in West Zone

TORONTO, May 24, 2023 – Canada Nickel Company Inc. ("Canada Nickel" or the **"Company")** (TSXV: CNC) (OTCQX: CNIKF) today released assay results from its 100% owned Sothman Property located 70 kilometres south of Timmins, Ontario, its optioned Midlothian Property and initial drilling results from the first 4 holes at its optioned Mann Northwest property.

Mark Selby, CEO of Canada Nickel commented "Our regional exploration program successfully continues to deliver positive results, as we add Mann Northwest to the string of successes at Reid, Deloro, Sothman, Texmont and Midlothian. We are very encouraged by the first assay results from Midlothian, which delivered above average nickel grades of 0.28% across the entire core length and our drilling at Sothman has confirmed the historical higher-grade results within a much larger mineralized envelope in Sothman West and a large bulk tonnage target at Sothman East. We look forward to releasing our latest results from our Texmont property shortly."

Mann Northwest Property

The Mann property is located 22 kilometres east of Crawford and 45 kilometres northeast of Timmins. The property consists of at least three main ultramafic targets like that at Crawford –Mann Northwest with a target footprint of 6.0 km², Mann Central with a target footprint of 3.1 km², and Mann Southeast with a target footprint of 4.1 km² - compared to Crawford target footprint of 1.6 km² (see Figure 1).

Drilling started in the Northwest zone, with the first four drillholes intersecting very strongly serpentinized peridotite and minor dunite. These first four holes delineated mineralization along 800 metres of strike length and a width of at least 500 metres within a total target length of 10.4 kilometres. Mann Northwest remains open in all directions. Mineralogy and assays are pending. All four holes collared in dunite/peridotite with lesser intersections of pyroxenite and some minor dykes (Figure 1). All holes show strong serpentinization, and fine-grained mineralization throughout.

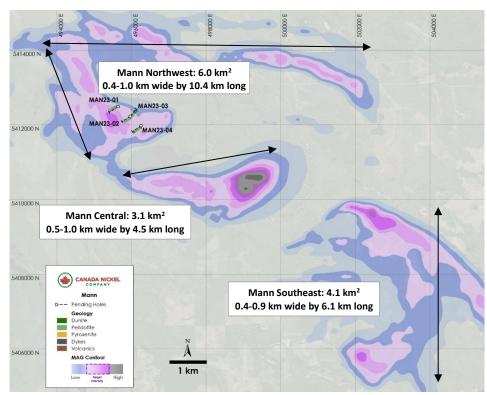


Figure 1. Plan View of Mann zones with ongoing drilling in Northwest area.

Midlothian Property

Canada Nickel has an option to acquire the Midlothian property from Canadian Gold Miner. The property is located 70 kilometres south-southeast of Timmins, 25 kilometres west of Matachewan and is directly accessible by road.

Four drillholes were completed during the winter of 2023. Hole MID23-01, which entered mineralized dunite after 2 metres of overburden, intersected 0.28% nickel over 343 metres with the hole ending in mineralized dunite (see Table 1 and Figure 2). The first two holes (MID23-01 and MID23-02) were sent for QEMSCAN that showed awaruite to be the dominant nickel-bearing mineral (April 13, 2023, release). Assays for the remaining holes are pending.

Hole ID	From	То	Length	Ni	Со	Pd	Pt	Cr	Fe	S
	(m)	(m)	(m)	(%)	(%)	(g/t)	(g/t)	(%)	(%)	(%)
MID23-01	1.5	345.0	343.5	0.28	0.01	0.003	0.003	0.16	4.55	0.02

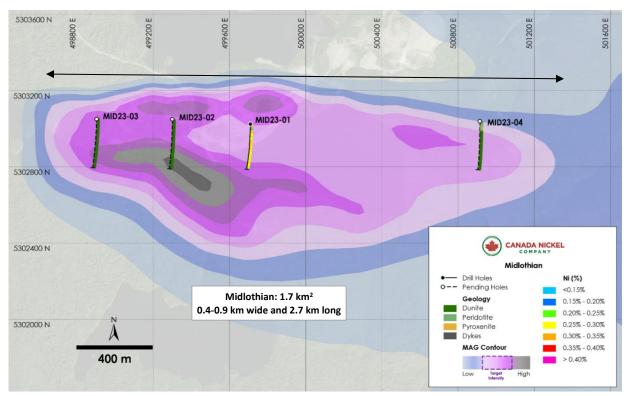


Figure 2. Plan View of Midlothian drilling with assay results for MID23-01.

Sothman Property

The Sothman property consists of 50 mining leases acquired from Glencore Canada Corporation ("Glencore") in 2021 and totaling 1,000 hectares. Canada Nickel has a 100% interest in the patents subject to certain royalty and offtake provisions with Glencore. The property has a high-grade West Zone and a large tonnage, low-grade East Zone, both road-accessible by an all-year road (Figure 3). A power line corridor is located less than 6 kilometres east of the property.

Sothman West Zone

Drilling in the West Zone targeted high-grade nickel with ten of eleven holes intersecting mineralization. The best intersections (Table 2) occurred in SOT22-09 which encountered 1.28% nickel over 5.3 metres within 192.3 metres of 0.31% nickel and SOT22-08 which encountered 0.99% nickel over 10.5 metres within 77.7 metres of 0.37% nickel.

The West Zone is mineralized along a strike length of approximately 300 metres, a width of 100-120 metres and remains open at depth. There is a shallow historical resource of approximately 190,000 tons of 1.24% nickel¹).

¹ The Sothman historical resource estimate is unclassified and does not comply with CIM Definition Standards on Mineral Resources and Mineral Reserves as required by NI 43-101. The historical resource was reported by D. R. Bell for Sothman Mines Limited on Oct. 1, 1969, as 189,753 tons of 1.24% nickel using a 1.00% nickel cut-off. The reliability of these historical resources is considered reasonable, but a qualified person has not done sufficient work to classify the historical resource estimate as a current mineral resource and the Company is not treating the historical resource estimate as a current resource.

Fig 3. Sothman 2022 drilling with assays

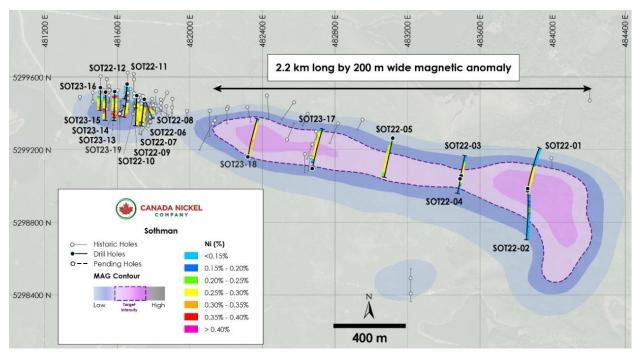
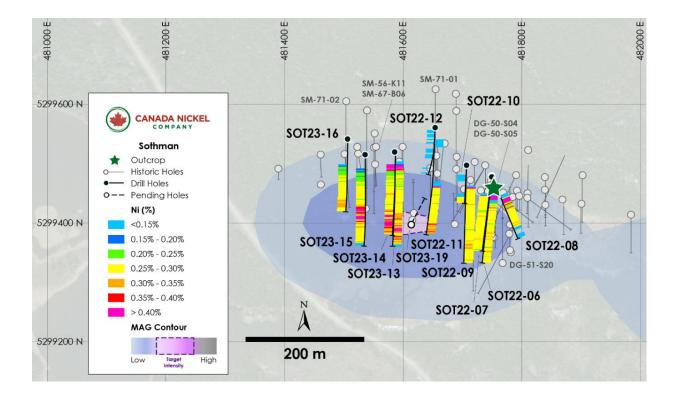


Fig 4. Sothman 2022 West zone, drilling with assays



Sothman East Zone

Seven drillholes were drilled within the East Zone, a large, highly serpentinized, ultramafic sill composed mostly of peridotite and dunite and delineated mineralization across 1.6 kilometres length and ranging in width between 160 and 300 metres open at depth. The magnetic anomaly measures 2.2 kilometres along strike.

All seven holes intersected mineralized peridotite and dunite (see Table 3). SOT23-18 intersected 319.3 metres of mineralized peridotite at 0.29% nickel starting at 15 metres downhole. Six of the seven holes had mineralized intervals over 140 metres. SOT22-02 intersected 31.5 metres of 0.62 g/t Pt+Pd hosted in a Pyroxenite-Peridotite transitional contact.

Hole ID	From	То	Length	Ni	Pt+Pd	Pd	Pt	Со	S	
	(m)	(m)	(m)	(%)	(g/t)	(g/t)	(g/t)	(%)	(%)	
	West Zone									
SOT22-06	42.5	53.5	11.0	0.55	0.149	0.102	0.047	0.02	1.37	
SOT22-08	57.5	68.0	10.5	0.99	0.225	0.154	0.070	0.03	2.64	
SOT22-09	58.7	64.0	5.3	1.28	0.406	0.297	0.109	0.03	3.11	
SOT22-11	139.4	141.9	2.5	0.71	0.177	0.125	0.052	0.02	0.68	
SOT23-13	30.5	41.0	10.5	0.87	0.243	0.173	0.070	0.02	2.73	
SOT23-14	43.7	59.0	15.3	0.69	0.176	0.128	0.048	0.02	1.68	
SOT23-15	141.5	183.5	42.0	0.42	0.084	0.054	0.030	0.01	0.15	
SOT23-19	98.0	107.0	9.0	0.60	0.352	0.204	0.148	0.01	0.26	
	East Zone									
SOT22-02	107.0	138.5	31.5	0.15	0.626	0.368	0.258	0.01	0.04	

Table 2: Sothman drilling, Higher Grade Nickel and PGM intersects of assays.

Table 3: Sothman drilling downhole composites

Hole ID	From	То	Length	Ni	Со	Pd	Pt	Cr	Fe	S
	(m)	(m)	(m)	(%)	(%)	(g/t)	(g/t)	(%)	(%)	(%)
WEST ZONE										
SOT22-06	39.5	200.0	160.5	0.29	0.01	0.010	0.009	0.17	5.46	0.15
SOT22-07	64.1	251.0	186.9	0.27	0.01	0.005	0.006	0.15	5.04	0.06
SOT22-08	51.7	129.4	77.7	0.37	0.01	0.031	0.020	0.21	6.55	0.50
SOT22-09	58.7	251.0	192.3	0.31	0.01	0.011	0.011	0.16	5.44	0.14
SOT22-10	151.0	179.0	28.0	0.27	0.01	0.004	0.009	0.18	6.02	0.03
SOT22-11	139.4	251.0	111.6	0.29	0.01	0.012	0.013	0.14	5.43	0.05
SOT23-13	26.5	219.5	193.0	0.33	0.01	0.023	0.015	0.15	5.50	0.29
SOT23-14	43.7	266.0	222.3	0.33	0.01	0.030	0.016	0.15	5.75	0.21
SOT23-15	37.5	243.9	206.4	0.30	0.01	0.016	0.013	0.15	5.39	0.09
SOT23-16	89.0	239.0	150.0	0.27	0.01	0.005	0.008	0.14	5.56	0.06
SOT23-19	26.0	245.0	219.0	0.28	0.01	0.014	0.013	0.17	5.44	0.08

EAST ZONE										
SOT22-01	39.7	234.7	195.0	0.26	0.01	0.003	0.003	0.22	5.43	0.03
SOT22-02	43.7	260.0	216.3	0.17	0.01	0.073	0.067	0.42	7.72	0.07
SOT22-03	39.5	184.9	145.4	0.25	0.01	0.003	0.005	0.16	5.62	0.02
SOT22-04	39.7	89.8	50.1	0.23	0.01	0.006	0.006	0.48	6.30	0.02
SOT22-05	38.0	353.0	315.0	0.26	0.01	0.003	0.004	0.20	5.42	0.01
SOT23-17	67.4	344.9	277.5	0.26	0.01	0.003	0.006	0.19	5.46	0.04
SOT23-18	14.7	334.0	319.3	0.29	0.01	0.003	0.005	0.16	5.17	0.04

Table 4: Drillhole Orientation

Hole ID	Zone	Easting (mE)	Northing (mN)	Azimuth (°)	Dip (°)	Length (m)
SOT22-01	Sothman East	483862	5298973	10	-50	377
SOT22-02	Sothman East	483863	5298985	195	-50	431
SOT22-03	Sothman East	483490	5299040	10	-50	281
SOT22-04	Sothman East	483495	5299055	190	-50	245
SOT22-05	Sothman East	483119	5299264	190	-50	353
SOT22-06	Sothman West	481748	5299478	183	-45	200
SOT22-07	Sothman West	481748	5299479	183	-60	251
SOT22-08	Sothman West	481748	5299478	150	-45	170
SOT22-09	Sothman West	481706	5299498	180	-50	251
SOT22-10	Sothman West	481706	5299498	180	-70	179
SOT22-11	Sothman West	481653	5299561	180	-45	251
SOT22-12	Sothman West	481653	5299561	180	-80	455
SOT23-13	Sothman West	481585	5299520	180	-45	281
SOT23-14	Sothman West	481585	5299520	180	-62	266
SOT23-15	Sothman West	481535	5299516	180	-50	287
SOT23-16	Sothman West	481506	5299542	180	-60	239
SOT23-17	Sothman East	482675	5299095	10	-50	381
SOT23-18	Sothman East	482320	5299160	10	-50	345
SOT23-19	Sothman West	481613	5299398	25	-78	245
MID23-01	Midlothian	499710	5303026	180	-50	345
MID23-02	Midlothian	499299	5303052	180	-50	401
MID23-03	Midlothian	498902	5303053	180	-50	401
MID23-04	Midlothian	500915	5303042	180	-50	401
MAN23-01	Mann NW	495641	5412486	235	-50	432
MAN23-02	Mann NW	495967	5412226	235	-50	402
MAN23-03	Mann NW	495967	5412226	35	-50	402
MAN23-04	Mann NW	496257	5411972	235	-50	402

Assays, Quality Assurance/Quality Control and Drilling and Assay

Edwin Escarraga, MSc, P.Geo., a "qualified person" as defined by National Instrument 43-101, is responsible for the on-going drilling and sampling program, including quality assurance (QA) and quality control (QC). The core is collected from the drill in sealed core trays and transported to the core logging facility. The core is marked and sampled at 1.5 metre lengths and cut with a diamond blade saw. One set of samples is transported in secured bags directly from the Canada Nickel core shack to Actlabs Timmins, while a second set of samples is securely shipped to SGS Lakefield for preparation, with analysis performed at SGS Burnaby or SGS Callao (Peru). All are ISO/IEC 17025 accredited labs. Analysis for precious metals (gold, platinum and palladium) are completed by Fire Assay while analysis for nickel, cobalt, sulphur and other elements are performed using a peroxide fusion and ICP-OES analysis. Certified standards and blanks are inserted at a rate of 3 QA/QC samples per 20 core samples making a batch of 60 samples that are submitted for analysis.

Qualified Person and Data Verification

Stephen J. Balch P.Geo. (ON), VP Exploration of Canada Nickel and a "qualified person" as is defined by National Instrument 43-101, has verified the data disclosed in this news release, and has otherwise reviewed and approved the technical information in this news release on behalf of Canada Nickel Company Inc.

The magnetic images shown in this press release were created from Canada Nickel's interpretation of datasets provided by the Ontario Geological Survey.

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