

# Skeena Intersects 10.56 g/t AuEq over 27.50 m at Eskay Creek

**Vancouver, BC (September 25, 2019) Skeena Resources Limited** (TSX.V: **SKE**, OTCQX: **SKREF**) ("Skeena" or the "Company") is pleased to announce additional Au-Ag drill results from the recently initiated Phase I surface drilling program at the Eskay Creek Project ("Eskay Creek") located in the Golden Triangle of British Columbia. Two surface drill rigs are being used for the 2019 Phase I program in the 21A, 21E and 22 Zones to infill and upgrade areas of Inferred resources to the Indicated classification. Drillhole results reported in this release are from the 21A Zone. Reference images are presented at the end of this release as well as on the Company's <u>website</u>.

### Phase I Eskay Creek 21A Zone Drilling Highlights

- 27.37 g/t Au, 18 g/t Ag (27.61 g/t AuEq) over 9.40 m (SK-19-053)
- 9.86 g/t Au, 157 g/t Ag (10.26 g/t AuEq) over 28.50 m (SK-19-060)
- 6.75 g/t Au, 285 g/t Ag (10.56 g/t AuEq) over 27.50 m (SK-19-061)

Gold Equivalent (AuEQ) calculated via the formula: Au (g/t) + [Ag (g/t) / 75]. Reported core lengths represent 80-100% of true widths and are supported by well-defined mineralization geometries derived from historical drilling. Grade capping of individual assays has not been applied to the Au and Ag assays informing the length weighted AuEQ composites. Processing recoveries have not been applied to the AuEQ calculation and are disclosed at 100%. Samples below detection limit were nulled to a value of zero

## **21A Zone Drilling Expands Mineralization**

The ongoing 2019 Phase I infill and expansion drilling program at Eskay Creek continues to increase and upgrade the Inferred mineralization hosted in the 21A Zone. Phase I drillholes SK-19-059, 060 and 061 have all extended the known mineralization towards surface having intersected:

- 2.18 g/t Au, 36 g/t Ag (2.67 g/t AuEq) over 28.00 m (SK-19-059)
- 9.86 g/t Au, 157 g/t Ag (10.26 g/t AuEq) over 28.50 m (SK-19-060)
- 6.75 g/t Au, 285 g/t Ag (10.56 g/t AuEq) over 27.50 m (SK-19-061)

Existing drillhole spacings in this portion of the 21A Zone exceed 30 m and were classified as Inferred resources in the Company's 2019 Mineral Resource Estimate. The 2019 infill drilling program in the 21A Zone is designed to infill the Inferred resources to 15 m drill spacings for the purpose of upgrading to the Indicated category. The newly extended 21A Zone mineralization correlates extremely well with the predicted geometries as well as the Au-Ag tenor of the adjacent drillholes.

#### About Skeena

Skeena Resources Limited is a junior Canadian mining exploration company focused on developing prospective precious and base metal properties in the Golden Triangle of northwest British Columbia, Canada. The Company's primary activities are the exploration and development of the past-producing Snip mine and the Eskay Creek mine, both acquired from Barrick. In addition, the Company has completed a Preliminary Economic Assessment on the GJ copper-gold porphyry project.

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On behalf of the Board of Directors of Skeena Resources Limited,

Walter Coles Jr. President & CEO

#### **Qualified Persons**

Exploration activities at the Eskay Creek Project are administered on site by the Company's Exploration Managers, Colin Russell, P.Geo. and Adrian Newton, P.Geo. In accordance with National Instrument 43-101 Standards of Disclosure for Mineral Projects, Paul Geddes, P.Geo. Vice President Exploration and Resource Development, is the Qualified Person for the Company and has prepared, validated and approved the technical and scientific content of this news release. The Company strictly adheres to CIM Best Practices Guidelines in conducting, documenting, and reporting its exploration activities on its exploration projects.

#### Quality Assurance – Quality Control

Once received from the drill and processed, all drill core samples are sawn in half, labelled and bagged. The remaining drill core is subsequently securely stored on site. Numbered security tags are applied to lab shipments for chain of custody requirements. The Company inserts quality control (QC) samples at regular intervals in the sample stream, including blanks and reference materials with all sample shipments to monitor laboratory performance. The QAQC program was designed and approved by Lynda Bloom, P.Geo. of Analytical Solutions Ltd., and is overseen by the Company's Qualified Person, Paul Geddes, P.Geo, Vice President Exploration and Resource Development.

Drill core samples are submitted to ALS Geochemistry's analytical facility in North Vancouver, British Columbia for preparation and analysis. The ALS facility is accredited to the ISO/IEC 17025 standard for gold assays and all analytical methods include quality control materials at set frequencies with established data acceptance criteria. The entire sample is crushed and 1kg is pulverized. Analysis for gold is by 50g fire assay fusion with atomic absorption (AAS) finish with a lower limit of 0.01 ppm and upper limit of 100 ppm. Samples with gold assays greater than 100ppm are re-analyzed using a 50g fire assay fusion with gravimetric finish. Analysis for silver is by 50g fire assay fusion with gravimetric finish. Analysis for silver is by 50g fire assay fusion with gravimetric finish of 10,000ppm. Samples with silver assays greater than 10,000ppm are re-analyzed using a gravimetric silver concentrate method. A selected number of samples are also analyzed using a 48 multi-elemental geochemical package by a 4-acid digestion, followed by Inductively Coupled Plasma Atomic Emission Spectroscopy (ICP-AES) and Inductively Coupled Plasma Atomic Emission Spectroscopy (ICP-AES) finish. Samples with sulfur reporting greater than 10% from the multi-element analysis are re-analyzed for total sulfur by Leco furnace and infrared spectroscopy.

#### Cautionary note regarding forward-looking statements

Certain statements made and information contained herein may constitute "forward looking information" and "forward looking statements" within the meaning of applicable Canadian and United States securities legislation. These statements and information are based on facts currently available to the Company and there is no assurance that actual results will meet management's expectations. Forward-looking statements and information may be identified by such terms as "anticipates", "believes", "targets", "estimates", "plans", "expects", "may", "will", "could" or "would". Forward-looking statements and information contained herein are based on certain factors and assumptions regarding, among other things,

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HOLE-ID	FROM (M)	TO (M)	CORE LENGTH (M)	AU (G/T)	AG (G/T)	AUEQ (G/T)	AREA	
SK-19-053	55.10	64.50	9.40	27.37	18	27.61	21A MS	
INCLUDING	56.50	57.62	1.12	21.20	<5	21.20	21A MS	
AND	57.62	58.32	0.70	67.80	52	68.49	21A MS	
AND	58.32	58.90	0.58	20.30	46	20.91	21A MS	
AND	58.90	59.50	0.60	55.00	46	55.61	21A MS	
AND	59.50	60.35	0.85	67.20	16	67.41	21A MS	
AND	60.35	61.10	0.75	44.90	41	45.45	21A MS	
AND	61.10	62.00	0.90	26.10	29	26.49	21A MS	
AND	62.00	63.00	1.00	22.10	6	22.18	21A MS	
SK-19-059	80.00	108.00	28.00	2.18	36	2.67	21A RHY	
SK-19-060	74.00	102.50	28.50	9.86	157	10.26	21A MS/RHY	
INCLUDING	77.00	77.80	0.80	31.60	553	38.97	21A MS/RHY	
AND	77.80	78.40	0.60	48.60	1,695	71.20	21A MS/RHY	
AND	78.40	79.00	0.60	54.10	2,210	83.57	21A MS/RHY	
AND	79.00	80.00	1.00	39.80	706	49.21	21A MS/RHY	
AND	80.00	80.94	0.94	53.30	94	54.55	21A MS/RHY	
AND	80.94	81.50	0.56	8.42	32	8.85	21A MS/RHY	
AND	81.50	82.15	0.65	4.51	602	12.54	21A MS/RHY	
SK-19-061	70.00	97.50	27.50	6.75	285	10.56	21A MS/RHY	
INCLUDING	72.50	73.50	1.00	25.90	80	26.97	21A MS/RHY	
AND	73.50	74.00	0.50	66.70	892	78.59	21A MS/RHY	
AND	74.00	75.00	1.00	33.20	1,475	52.87	21A MS/RHY	
AND	75.00	75.75	0.75	35.20	907	47.29	21A MS/RHY	
AND	75.75	77.00	1.25	16.00	928	28.37	21A MS/RHY	
AND	77.00	78.50	1.50	3.69	1,265	20.56	21A MS/RHY	
AND	78.50	79.50	1.00	2.02	1,220	18.29	21A MS/RHY	
SK-19-061	101.00	102.50	1.50	2.64	183	5.08	21A MS/RHY	
SK-19-061	115.00	116.50	1.50	2.83	118	4.40	21A MS/RHY	
SK-19-062	ASSAYS PENDING							
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SK-19-064	40.00	70.35	30.35	2.44	55	3.17	21A MS/RHY	
INCLUDING	45.00	45.80	0.80	43.60	228	46.64	21A MS/RHY	

# Table 1: Eskay Creek Project Phase I 21A Zone length weighted drill hole gold and silver composites:

Gold Equivalent (AuEQ) calculated via the formula: Au (g/t) + [Ag (g/t) / 75]. Reported core lengths represent 80-100% of true widths and are supported by well-defined mineralization geometries derived from historical drilling. Length weighted AuEQ composites were constrained by geological considerations. Grade capping of individual assays has not been applied to the Au and Ag assays informing the length weighted AuEQ composites. Processing recoveries have not been applied to the AuEQ calculation and are disclosed at 100%. Samples below detection limit were nulled to a value of zero. MS – Mudstone, RHY – Rhyolite.

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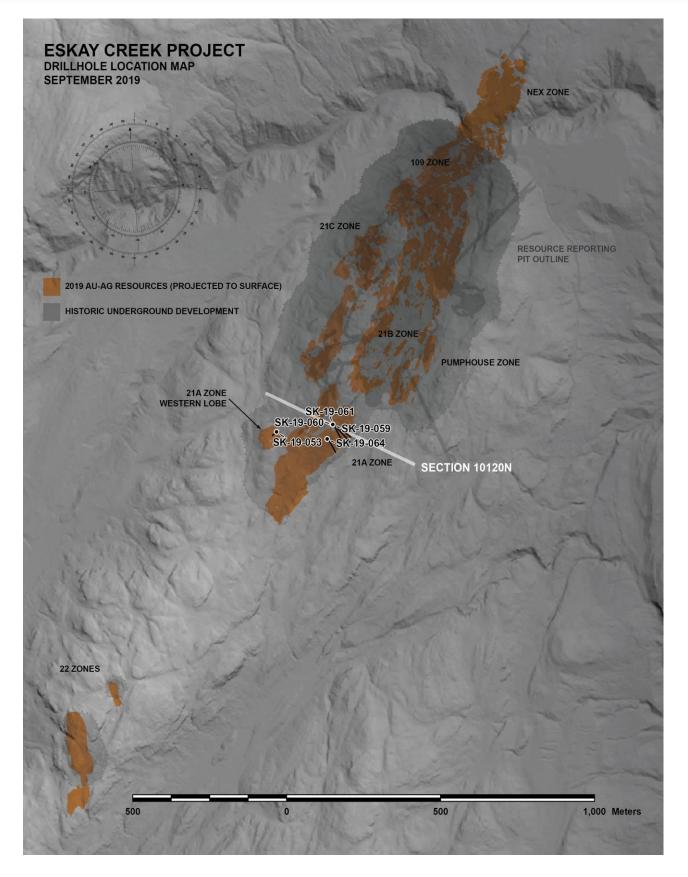


Table 2: Mine grid Phase I c	drill hole locations and orientations:
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HOLE-ID	EASTING	NORTHING	ELEVATION	LENGTH (M)	AZIMUTH	DIP
SK-19-053	9739.9	10042.2	1027.4	88.0	204.8	-76.4
SK-19-059	9897.0	10138.0	1036.4	126.0	112.9	-50.8
SK-19-060	9897.0	10138.0	1036.2	106.0	129.2	-49.6
SK-19-061	9897.0	10138.0	1036.8	125.0	101.5	-56.0
SK-19-064	9898.9	10089.5	1025.7	90.0	125.5	-56.2

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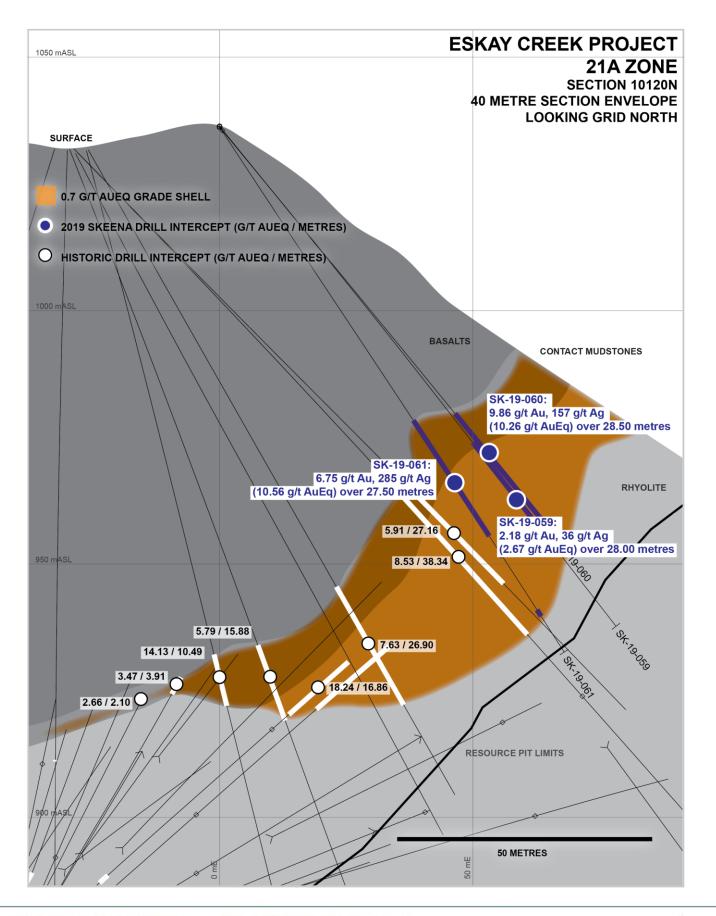




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