

Kinross to acquire Great Bear Resources

Flagship Dixie project, a top tier strategic asset in Northern Ontario

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#### Other information

The technical information about the Company's mineral properties contained in this presentation has been prepared under the supervision of Mr. John Sims, who is a "qualified person" within the meaning of National Instrument 43-101. Mr. Sims was an officer of Kinross until December 31, 2020. Mr. Sims remains the Company's qualified person as an external consultant.

Mr. R. Bob Singh, P.Geo, VP Exploration, and Ms. Andrea Diakow P.Geo, VP Projects for Great Bear are Qualified Persons as defined by National Instrument 43-101 and have reviewed and approved of the scientific and technical disclosure in this presentation.

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## **Acquisition of Great Bear Resources**

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Significant Exploration Upside

**Top Mining Jurisdiction** 

**Exceptional Outlook** 

**Ideal Portfolio Fit** 

### **Transaction Overview**

#### **Proposed** Kinross to acquire 100% of Great Bear common shares Plan of Arrangement **Transaction** • \$1.4 billion upfront: C\$29.00 per Great Bear share payable at the election of Great Bear shareholders in cash or common shares of Kinross<sup>1</sup>: Maximum of 75% in cash (\$1,066 million) Kinross shares not to exceed 95.8 million shares (40%) • Contingent: C\$1.00<sup>4</sup> per Great Bear share (\$46 million<sup>2,3</sup>, consisting of 0.1330 of a Kinross Consideration share per Great Bear share<sup>1</sup>), triggered on public announcement of commercial production at the Dixie Project o Provided at least 8.5 million gold ounces of M&I resources have been announced by Kinross – 10-year expiry Issued by way of a contingent value right Unanimously approved by Boards of both Kinross and Great Bear Approvals & Voting support agreements signed by officers, directors and certain shareholders of Great Bear **Conditions** Shareholder approval required for Great Bear: 66\%3\% of shareholder votes cast Subject to customary court and regulatory approvals and other customary closing conditions **Termination Fee** Termination fee of \$67 million payable to Kinross **Timing** Shareholder meetings and closing expected in Q1 2022





- Based on fully diluted Great Bear share count of 62.1Msh.
- 2. Based on the closing price for a Kinross share on the TSX on December 7, 2021
- 3. Assumes foreign exchange rate of 1.27 Canadian dollars to U.S. dollar
- Calculated based on a partially diluted GBR share count, excluding Options, of 58.2M

### **Strong Strategic Rationale**

### Top Tier Deposit

### Potential to support a large, long-life mine complex and bolster Kinross' long-term production outlook

- Kinross envisions a mine complex with an initial quality, high-grade, open pit mine
- Potential upside for a longer-term, sizeable, underground operation

# Significant Exploration Upside

#### Mineralized zones at Dixie are open along strike and at depth

- Highly-prospective, with multiple avenues to unlock potential:
  - LP Fault, Hinge and Limb primary zones
- Exciting drill results: wide mineralized intercepts defining large continuous zones with predictable high-grade components

# **Top Mining Jurisdiction**

#### Situated in the renowned Canadian Red Lake mining district in Northern Ontario

- Well-established mining camp close to infrastructure and skilled labour
- Low-carbon energy grid, supporting Kinross' GHG emissions reduction strategy

# **Exceptional** Outlook

#### Kinross has been actively involved in the diligence of Dixie since 2018

• Extensive technical reviews, including site visits, support exceptional outlook for the project and confirms it is a scarce, high-quality asset

#### Ideal Portfolio Fit

#### Will become a centerpiece in Kinross' global development portfolio

 Synergies include Canadian tax pools and our technical expertise in developing and operating top tier open pit and underground mines

### **Excellent Opportunity for Great Bear Stakeholders**

### **Acquisition enhances the future for Dixie**

- Kinross will be an exceptional steward for Dixie
- Kinross has technical expertise, development capability and financial strength to advance Dixie
- Dixie exploration expected to be a significant focus
- The project fits strategically into Kinross' development portfolio
- Confident Kinross will unlock potential and maximize Dixie's value
- Transaction received unanimous support from Great Bear's Board of Directors

# **Great Bear Shareholders Benefit From:**

- ✓ Compelling premium
- ✓ Participation in future potential of Dixie
- Exposure to Kinross' diverse portfolio, strong trading liquidity and attractive dividend





### **Advancing Dixie**

### **Pursuing three objectives in parallel**







Extensive exploration program at LP Fault zone, including 200,000 m of planned drilling in 2022

Drilling to support permitting and development of initial open pit mine

Exploration beyond the upper portion of Central area of LP Fault zone by stepping out along strike extents and following mineralization at depth

Opportunistically exploring high-grade, Red Lake-style satellite deposits

Exploring high-potential new discoveries such as Midwest



### Liquidity and Financial Flexibility

### Investment grade balance sheet supports the transaction

### **Liquidity Position**



- Ability to finance the cash portion with existing liquidity
  - Cash of \$586 million and \$1.5
    billion revolving credit facility as of September 30, 2021
- Expect to generate significant free cash flow in the coming years
- Excellent position to repay debt while continuing to pay dividend and repurchase shares
- Capacity to enhance share buyback program from existing levels

### **Committed to Responsible Mining**

# Do No Harm strategy minimizes effects on the environment and brings positive and sustainable benefits to the community

- Project located in low-carbon energy grid to support GHG reduction strategy
- Electric/hydrogen fleets will be included in the project study evaluation
- Continuing to build on established strong relationships with the First Nations and local stakeholders
- Leverage existing strong mining culture and community of Red Lake to continue delivering benefits to the broader community



Left to right: Chris Taylor (President & CEO, Great Bear); Chief Clifford Bull, Lac Seul First Nation; Paul Rollinson (President & CEO, Kinross); Chief Bill Petiquan, Wabauskang First Nation; Paul Tomory (Chief Technical Officer, Kinross).

The Chiefs presented Paul Rollinson with a gift of a print of a young girl with a feather, titled "Work with Me," during a constructive first meeting. Kinross looks forward to building positive and strong relationships with their communities through meaningful dialogue and consultation.





### **Dixie Project Location**

### World-renowned Red Lake mining district in Ontario, Canada

- Located 25 kilometres southeast of the town of Red Lake, Ontario
- Comprises 91 square kilometres of contiguous claims
- A paved highway and provincial power line runs parallel to the project
- Property hosts a network of wellmaintained logging roads which facilitate access

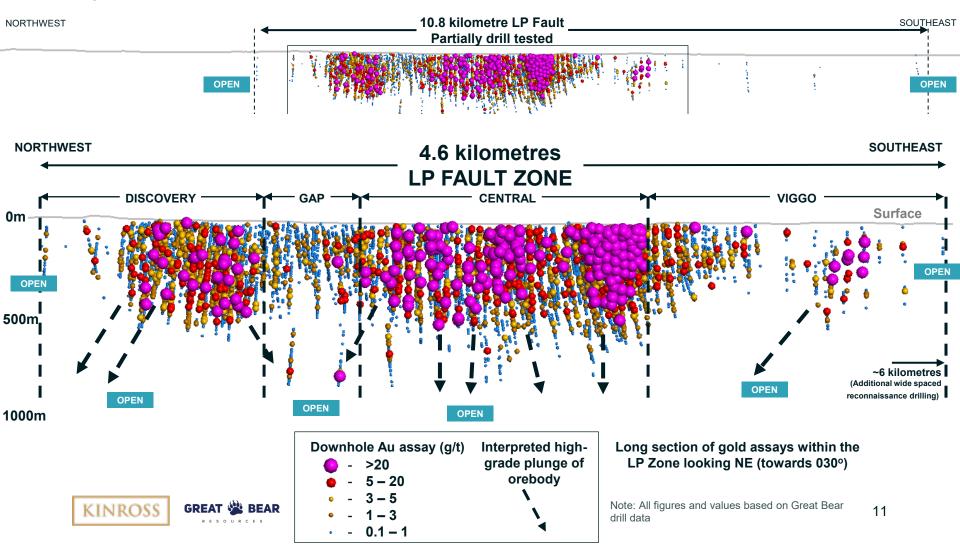






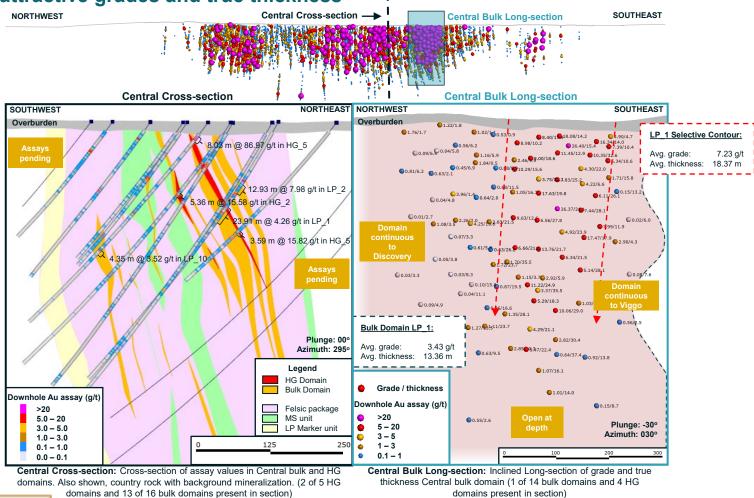
### **Principal Deposit Overview**

LP fault has been confirmed through drill testing along 10.8 km of strike length and remains open beyond this. Drill results also indicate the presence of robust mineralization at depths below 750 m.



### **Grade Thickness Sections**

LP is comprised of 16 highly continuous bulk and 5 high-grade mineralized domains with attractive grades and true thickness



### **Similarities to Hemlo**

#### LP Fault is comprised of stacked moderate to high-grade lenses analogous to Hemlo

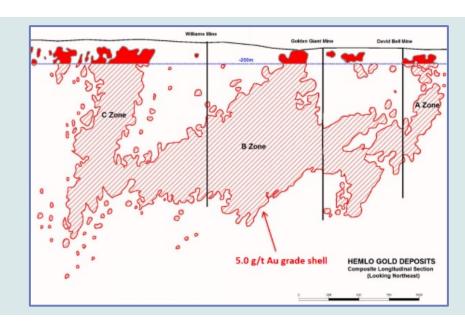
#### **Hemlo – History & Description**

- Starting in 1985, three mines were independently developed at Hemlo with them consolidating under one ownership by 2010
- To date, Hemlo has produced more than 20Moz. with over 90% mined underground, at depths exceeding 500 m

#### **LP Fault & Hemlo – Common Geological Features**

#### **Both deposits:**

- Are hosted in meta-felsic volcanics
- Share the same metamorphic grade
- Occur at flexures along major regional scale structures
- ✓ Show evidence of deep seeded fluid flow
- Manifest as a series of stacked lenses

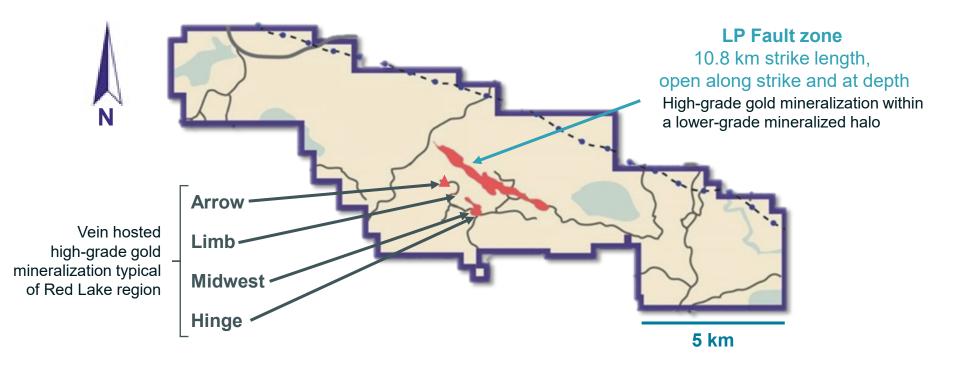




### **Upside Potential through Exploration**

Attractive nearby drill tested targets with the potential to add value beyond the initial LP Fault open pit.

Stacked moderate and high-grade gold mineralized lenses within broad envelope







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### Located in a Tier I Mining Jurisdiction

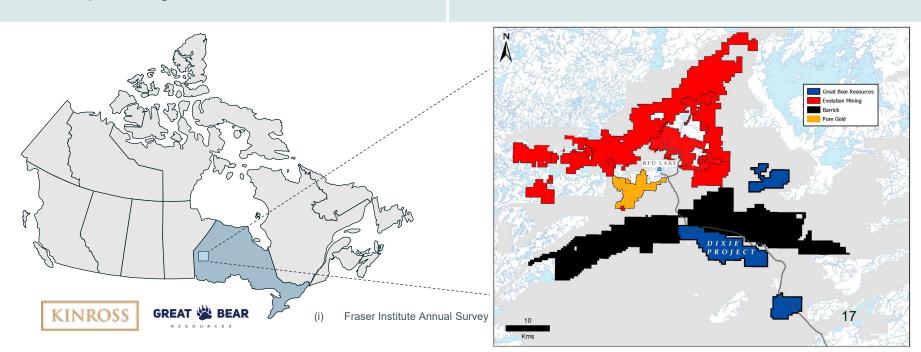
### A premier mining jurisdiction that enhances Kinross' geopolitical footprint

#### **Ontario**, Canada

- Canada ranks as the second most attractive region in the world for mining investments<sup>(i)</sup>
- Ontario is a world-leader in the mining industry
- Low geopolitical risk and stable government
- Favourable tax regime
- Positive permitting environment

### **Red Lake Mining Camp**

- >100 years of gold production
- Produced over 30Moz. of gold
- Excellent regional infrastructure, including:
  - Paved highway infrastructure
  - Provincial electric power and natural gas
  - Skilled workforce



## **Key Transaction Metrics**

		Maximum Share Consideration	Maximum Cash Consideration
Cash Consideration Share Consideration		60% <b>40%</b>	<b>75%</b> 25%
Total Consideration to Great Bear <sup>1</sup>	C\$/ GBR sh	\$29.00	\$29.00
Total Consideration to Great Bear <sup>2,3</sup>	US\$M	\$1,422	\$1,422
Total Cash Paid	US\$M	\$853	\$1,066
Total Kinross Equity Issued <sup>4</sup>	US\$M	\$569	\$355
Total Kinross Equity Issued <sup>4</sup>	Msh	95.8	59.8
PRO FORMA OWNERSHIP <sup>1</sup>			
Existing Kinross Shareholders		93%	95%
Existing Great Bear Shareholders		7%	5%

#### Notes

- 1. Excludes 7.7M Kinross shares which could be issued in connection with the Contingent Value Right
- 2. Based on Kinross share price at Dec 7, 2021 of C\$7.52, and USD:CAD of 1.27x
- Based on fully diluted Great Bear share count of 62.1Msh consisting of 57.8M Great Bear Common Shares, 0.3M RSU & DSU, and 3.9M Options.





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