



Banyan Welcomes Federal Funding Announcement On Yukon Grid Connectivity and Issues Incentive Options

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VANCOUVER, B.C., September 25, 2024 – **Banyan Gold Corp.** (the "**Company**" or "**Banyan**") (**TSX-V: BYN**) (**OTCQB: BYAGF**) welcomes the announcement of federal Government Funding to study the connection of the British Columbia and Yukon Electrical Grids and also announces issuing incentive stock options.

Yukon Grid Connect Funding

On September 20, 2024, Natural Resources Canada announced conditional approval for \$40 million in federal funding to undertake pre-feasibility activities to advance a high-voltage transmission line network connecting the Yukon electrical grid to the North American grid in British Columbia. The announcement was made by the Honourable Jonathan Wilkinson, Minister of Energy and Natural Resources, with the Honourable Josie Osborne, British Columbia's Minister of Energy, Mines and Low Carbon Innovation, and the Honourable Ranj Pillai, Premier of the Yukon.

The funding is being provided through the Critical Minerals Infrastructure Fund, which will advance the Yukon in expanding its green energy capacity to support future development for the exploration and mining sectors. A three-phased 138 Kilovolt-amps ("KV_a") powerline (energized to 69KV_a) currently transects the AurMac project positioning Banyan to directly benefit from a potential Yukon to British Columbia grid connection.

"The allocation of funding to plan for a potential connection between the Yukon and British Columbia electrical grids is important as it could bring additional green energy to benefit all Yukoners and potentially support Banyan's AurMac Project," Tara Christie, President & CEO, stated.

Stock Options Grant

The Board of Directors of the Company have granted 400,000 stock options to purchase 400,000 shares at an exercise price of \$0.22 per share with a vesting period of up to 18 months. The options are being granted with a five-year term.

The stock options are being issued to directors, officers, consultants, advisors and exploration staff of the Company. The options were granted under and are subject to the terms and conditions of the Company's stock option plan.

Upcoming Events

- Yukon Geoscience Forum – November 17 to 20
- New Orleans Investment Conference – November 20 to 23
 - Corporate Update and Breakfast - November 21, 7:15 AM CST

Qualified Persons

Paul D. Gray, P.Geo., is a “**Qualified Person**” as defined under NI 43-101, and has reviewed and approved the content of this news release. Mr. Gray is a consultant to Banyan and has verified the data disclosed in this news release, including the sampling, analytical and test data underlying the information.

About Banyan

Banyan's primary asset, the **AurMac Project** is located in Canada's Yukon Territory. The current inferred Mineral Resource Estimate (“**MRE**”) for the AurMac Project of 7.0 million ounces has an effective date of February 6, 2024.

The 173 square kilometres (“**sq km**”) AurMac Project lies 40 km from Mayo, Yukon. The AurMac Project is transected by the main Yukon highway and benefits from a 3-phase powerline, existing power station and cell phone coverage. Banyan has the right to earn up to a 100% interest, in both the Aurex and McQuesten Properties respectively, subject to certain royalties.

The inferred MRE for the AurMac Project was prepared on February 6, 2024, and consisted of **7,003,000** ounces of gold (see Table 1) hosted within near surface, road accessible pit constrained Mineral Resources contained in two near/on-surface deposits: the Airstrip and Powerline Deposits.

Table 1: Pit-Constrained Inferred Mineral Resources – AurMac Project⁽¹⁾⁽²⁾⁽³⁾⁽⁴⁾⁽⁵⁾

Deposit	Gold Cut-Off g/t	Tonnage Tonnes	Average Gold Grade g/t	Gold Content oz.
Inferred				
Airstrip	0.30	35,243,000	0.75	845,000
Powerline	0.30	312,243,000	0.61	6,158,000
Combined Inferred	0.30	347,486,000	0.63	7,003,000

Notes to Table 1:

1. The effective date for the MRE is February 6, 2024 and was prepared by Marc Jutras, P.Eng., M.A.Sc., Principal, Ginto Consulting Inc., an independent Qualified Person in accordance with the requirements of NI 43-101. The technical report supporting the Resource Estimate entitled “AurMac Property, Mayo Mining District, Yukon Territory, Canada” (the “Technical Report”) has been filed on SEDAR at www.sedarplus.ca on March 18, 2024.

2. Mineral Resources which are not Mineral Reserves do not have demonstrated economic viability. The estimate of Mineral Resources may be materially affected by environmental, permitting, legal, title, taxation, sociopolitical, marketing, changes in global gold markets or other relevant issues.
3. The CIM Definition Standards were followed for classification of Mineral Resources. The quantity and grade of reported Inferred Mineral Resources in this estimation are uncertain in nature and there has been insufficient exploration to define these Inferred Mineral Resources as an Indicated Mineral Resource and it is uncertain if further exploration will result in upgrading them to an Indicated or Measured Mineral Resource category.
4. Mineral Resources are reported at a cut-off grade of 0.30 g/t gold for all deposits, using a US\$/CAN\$ exchange rate of 0.75 and constrained within an open pit shell optimized with the Lerchs-Grossman algorithm to constrain the Mineral Resources with the following estimated parameters: gold price of US\$1,800/ounce, US\$2.50/t mining cost, US\$5.50/t processing cost, US\$2.00/t G+A, 80% gold recoveries, and 45° pit slopes.
5. The number of tonnes and ounces was rounded to the nearest thousand. Any discrepancies in the totals are due to rounding effects; rounding followed the recommendations as per NI 43-101.

Detailed images of the Mineral Resource model, including an interactive 3D model and additional information can be found at: <https://www.banyangold.com/projects/aurmac/>

In addition to the AurMac Project, the Company holds the Hyland Gold Project, located 70 km Northeast of Watson Lake, Yukon, along the Southeast end of the Tintina Gold Belt (the “**Hyland Project**”). The Hyland Project represents a sediment hosted, structurally controlled, intrusion related gold deposit, within a large land package (over 125 sq km), accessible by a network of existing gravel access roads.

Banyan trades on the TSX-Venture Exchange under the symbol “**BYN**” and is quoted on the OTCQB Venture Market under the symbol “**BYAGF**”. For more information, please visit the corporate website at www.BanyanGold.com or contact the Company.

ON BEHALF OF BANYAN GOLD CORPORATION

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