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**ASX Announcement** 

# KAT GAP TAILINGS FACILITY CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

# Highlights:

- o Tailings Storage Facility (TSF) and bulk earth works at 80% complete.
- Representatives from Resource Engineering Consultants Pty Ltd (REC) onsite regulating, managing and testing TSF construction.
- o Dam lining and monitoring bores remaining.
- o TSF scheduled to be ready for use in early May 2023.

Figure 1: Kat Gap Processing Facility showing TSF progress.







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WA-focused gold exploration and development company Classic Minerals Limited (ASX: CLZ) ("Classic", or "the Company") is pleased to report that construction activities are continuing at the Kat Gap processing facility.

Classic has achieved an estimated 80% completion of the construction of the Kat Gap Tailings Storage Facility (TSF).

Site construction is currently focused on surface earthworks including workshop and processing plant installation and TSF.

The stage 1 TSF is approved to hold up to 70,000 tonnes of tailings with capacity to increase holdings up to approximately 130,000 tonnes through a series of wall lifts.

At the current rate of progress, Classic estimates that all earthworks and supporting infrastructure of the TSF should be completed and ready for use in early May 2023 with commercial production expected immediately thereafter.

The Company looks forward to providing regular updates to investors as the construction and commissioning program progresses.



Figure 2: REC Consultants managing construction of TSF.



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Figure 3 & 4: Machines working on TSF & Aerial view of Kat Gap Processing Facility.







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#### **About Classic Minerals Ltd**

Expanding its focus from exploration to mining, West Australian-based, minerals house Classic Minerals Ltd holds a pipeline of projects and continues to examine new opportunities both cyclic and counter-cyclic. Currently, ASX-listed Classic holds approximately 578 km² of tenements across two major regional exploration areas in minerals-rich West Australia. Classic's ground is in areas with identified high grade gold and base metal targets. Classic's flagship Kat Gap Gold Project has been the recent focus of its exploration, mining and processing efforts and is strategically located some 170 km south of Southern Cross and some 50 km south of the Company's Forrestania Gold Project. With strong grades and near-surface mineralisation Kat Gap is soon to attain full scale production.

This announcement has been approved by the Board.

**ENDS:** 

#### ABOUT THE FORRESTANIA GOLD PROJECT

The FGP Tenements (excluding Kat Gap) are registered in the name of Reed Exploration Pty Ltd, a wholly owned subsidiary of ASX listed Hannans Ltd (ASX: HNR). Classic has acquired 80% of the gold rights on the FGP Tenements from a third party, whilst Hannans has maintained its 20% interest in the gold rights. For the avoidance of doubt Classic Ltd owns a 100% interest in the gold rights on the Kat Gap Tenements and also non-gold rights including but not limited to nickel, lithium and other metals.

Classic has inferred and indicated mineral resources of **8.24 Mt at 1.52 g/t for 403,906 ounces of gold**, classified and reported in accordance with the JORC Code (2012), with a recent Scoping Study (see ASX Announcement released 2nd May 2017) suggesting both the technical and financial viability of the project. The current post- mining Mineral Resource for Lady Ada, Lady Magdalene and Kat Gap is tabulated below. Additional technical detail on the Mineral Resource estimation is provided, further in the text below and in the JORC Table 1 as attached to ASX announcements dated 18 December 2019, 21 January 2020, and 20 April 2020.

	Indicated			Inferred			Total		
Prospect	Tonnes	Grade (Au g/t)	Ounces Au	Tonnes	Grade (Au g/t)	Ounces Au	Tonnes	Grade (au)	Ounces
Lady Ada	257,300	2.01	16,600	1,090,800	1.23	43,100	1,348,100	1.38	59,700
Lady Magdalene				5,922,700	1.32	251,350	5,922,700	1.32	251,350
Kat Gap				975,722	2.96	92,856	975,722	2.96	92,856
Total	257,300	2.01	16,600	7,989,222	1.50	387,306	8,246,522	1.52	403,906



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Notes:

- The Mineral Resource is classified in accordance with JORC, 2012 edition
  - 2. The effective date of the mineral resource estimate is 20 April 2020.
  - The mineral resource is contained within FGP tenements
  - 4. Estimates are rounded to reflect the level of confidence in these resources at the present time.
  - 5. The mineral resource is reported at 0.5 g/t Au cut-off grade
  - 6. Depletion of the resource from historic open pit mining has been considered

The Company confirms that it is not aware of any new information or data that materially affects the information included in this market announcement and, that all material assumptions and technical parameters underpinning the estimates in the relevant market announcement continue to apply and have not materially changed.

#### Forward Looking Statements

This announcement may contain certain "forward-looking statements" which may not have been based solely on historical facts, but rather may be based on the Company's current expectations about future events and results. Where the Company expresses or implies an expectation or belief as to future events or results, such expectation or belief is expressed in good faith and believed to have reasonable basis. However, forward looking statements are subjected to risks, uncertainties, assumptions and other factors, which could cause actual results to differ materially from future results expressed, projected or implied by such forward-looking statements. Such risks include, but are not limited to Resource risk, metals price volatility, currency fluctuations, increased production costs and variances in ore grade or recovery rates from those assumed in mining plans, as well as political and operational risks in the Countries and States in which we operate or sell product to, and governmental regulation and judicial outcomes. For a more detailed discussion of such risks and other factors, see the Company's annual reports, as well as the Company's other filings. Readers should not place undue reliance on forward looking information. The Company does not undertake any obligation to release publicly any revisions to any "forward-looking statements" to reflect events or circumstances after the date of this announcement, or to reflect the occurrence of unanticipated events, except as may be required under applicable securities laws.