

# Highvista Gold Inc. Commences Phase 3 Drilling at Its Republicana Gold/Silver Discovery in Sonora State, Mexico

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TORONTO, Feb. 14, 2013 - [Highvista Gold Inc.](#) ("Highvista" or the "Company") (TSX VENTURE:HVV) is pleased to report that it has commenced its third drill program ("Phase 3") at its Republicana gold/silver discovery on the Company's 100% owned Canasta Dorada Project located in the Sonoran Gold Belt, in Sonora State, Mexico.

## Republicana Gold/Silver Discovery

The Republicana discovery, located approximately 40 km south east of [Fresnillo's](#) Noche Buena Mine and 30 kilometres north west of Aurico Gold's El Chanate Mine, was initially identified through a surface mapping and sampling program conducted during 2011. Anomalous gold and silver was identified over a surface area measuring approximately 2,000 metres by 1,000 metres.

In two previous campaigns, Highvista drilled twelve reverse circulation drill holes totaling 1,256 metres at Republicana. Significant assay results from the first two drill programs are presented in Table 1.

Table 1: Significant Drill Intercepts at the Republicana Discovery, as previously released on February 15, 2012 and August 22, 2012

Hole Number	From (metres)	To (metres)	Interval (metres)	Gold Grade (g/t)	Silver Grade (g/t)	Gold Equivalent Grade (g/t)	Comments
CD-11-71		0.0		1.0		1.0	0.56
	28.0		64.0		36.0		0.21
Including		42.0		53.0		11.0	0.54
CD-11-74		19.0		40.0		21.0	0.39
Including		30.0		40.0		10.0	0.78
CD-12-79		22.6		45.5		22.9	0.363
	63.8		76.0		12.2		0.272
CD-12-80		0.0		71.4		71.4	0.249
Including		8.9		62.3		53.4	0.313
CD-12-81		2.8		104.9		102.1	0.216
mineralization							
Including		57.7		104.9		47.2	0.380
CD-12-82		48.5		50.1		1.6	0.428
mineralization							

Note: Intervals shown are hole length (true width of mineralization is unknown at present). Silver/Gold ratio of 50:1 used for gold equivalent grade (metallurgical recoveries are assumed to be 100%).

Mineralization at Republicana consists of a quartz stockwork zone within a rhyolite/metarhyolite. Drilling and rock chip sampling to date indicates that the mineralized structure is approximately 1,000 metres long (southeast to northwest), 300 to 400 metres wide (northeast to southwest), with thickness ranging from 20 metres to 100 metres. The mineralized structure dips gently to the southwest (30 to 40 degrees), outcrops to the northeast and remains open to the northwest, southeast and down-dip.

"The mineralization, footprint and gold grades at Republicana are very similar to Fresnillo's producing Noche Buena Mine," said Rick Adams, President and CEO of Highvista. "Republicana represents a shallow, attractively sized target for a bulk-tonnage gold deposit. This Phase 3 drill program, if successful, should enable us to establish a maiden gold resource at Republicana, with which we could continue to expand."

Phase 3 drilling will consist of up to 20 reverse circulation drill holes totaling approximately 2,000 meters.

Results are expected to be released early in the second quarter of 2013.

### **Qualified Person**

This press release was reviewed and prepared by Rick Adams, P. Eng., the President, CEO and a Director of the Company, who is recognized as a Qualified Person under the guidelines of National Instrument 43-101.

### **About Highvista**

[Highvista](#) owns 100% of a Mexican subsidiary that controls the 24,215 hectare Canasta Dorada Gold Project. This project is located in the Sonoran Gold Belt immediately adjacent to AuRico Gold's El Chanate Mine.

Details of Highvista's Canasta Dorada Project can be viewed at the Company's website at [www.highvistagold.com](http://www.highvistagold.com).

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