Western Atlas Resources - Initial Diamond Drill Program at its Meadowbank Gold Project Proceeds Ahead of Schedule

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VANCOUVER, Aug. 6, 2020 - Western Atlas Resources Inc. ("Western Atlas" or the "Company") (TSXV: WA), is pleased to announce that the Company's drilling program at its 100% owned Meadowbank Gold Project located in Nunavut, Canada is proceeding ahead of schedule. As of today, Western Atlas has completed 8 of the 13 holes initially planned for 2,120 metres of the proposed up to 4,000 metre program.

The Company may drill additional holes subject to available logistics, manpower and weather conditions.

Fabio Capponi, CEO stated: "We are very pleased with the execution of this first part of the drill program by our team and contractors especially when considering the limitations and restrictions related to the COVID-19 situation. Once again this is an important step forward for Western Atlas, with more to follow to unlock long term value for our shareholders".

The Drill Program:

The diamond drill program is primarily discovery focused and targets previously identified geological features such as banded iron formation (BIF) and shear zones with interpreted total strike lengths of 15 km and 6 km, respectively.

Paul Chamois, P.Geo, is the Qualified Person as defined by National Instrument 43-101 and is responsible for reviewing and supervising the preparation of the scientific and technical disclosure in this news release.

COVID-19

Western Atlas has received clearance from the Chief Public Health Officer of Nunavut ("CPHO") and all personnel have completed a 14 days quarantine before entering Nunavut.

At the present time there are no confirmed cases of COVID-19 in Nunavut or among the Western Atlas team members. The Company is working together with its stakeholders to ensure the continued health of local residents in the community in which it operates and will reassess the situation on an ongoing basis.

About Western Atlas

The Company's common shares are listed on the TSX Venture Exchange under the symbol WA. Western Atlas is focused on the acquisition and development of scalable precious metals projects in premier mining jurisdictions. Western Atlas's wholly-owned subsidiary, 5530 Nunavut Inc., holds its interests in the Meadowbank project located in Nunavut, Canada.

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