

# Southern Empire Resources Corp. Announces MAS Gold Corp. Shareholder Meeting Results

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VANCOUVER, Oct. 21, 2020 - [Southern Empire Resources Corp.](#) (Southern Empire) (TSXV: SMP) (Frankfurt: 5RE) announces that MAS Gold Corp. (MAS Gold) (TSXV: MAS ) has informed Southern Empire that the special resolution to approve the plan of arrangement between MAS Gold and Southern Empire was not approved by the shareholders of MAS Gold at the special meeting of MAS Gold held on October 20, 2020 (the "Meeting"). A total of 65.67% of the MAS Gold shareholders present at the meeting (in person or by proxy), voted in favour of the special resolution, however, a vote of 66.66 % was required. Given the shareholders of MAS Gold did not approve the plan of arrangement, Southern Empire will not be proceeding with its proposed acquisition of all of the issued and outstanding shares of MAS Gold.

Dale Wallster, CEO of Southern Empire stated: "We are very disappointed given that we came within 1 percent of achieving our objective. 78.77% of the issued MAS Gold share capital was voted at the Meeting and the majority of those MAS Gold shareholders that voted were in favour of Southern Empire's proposed acquisition transaction, but the minority ruled the day. We would like to especially thank the many MAS Gold shareholders who supported our efforts and believed in our vision." Continuing, he said: "Southern Empire currently has working capital of about \$7 ½ million. We will use our strong balance sheet to focus on lower-risk, higher-grade gold assets, such as our Oro Cruz Gold Project."

Southern Empire also announces that Bryan Slusarchuk has resigned as a director. Southern Empire wishes to thank Bryan for all of his considerable efforts in Southern Empire's development to date and his service as a member of the Board of Directors.

Work programs during the COVID-19 pandemic

Southern Empire is well-financed to fund further exploration and development programs, having recently completed two oversubscribed, non-brokered private placement financings (see Southern Empire's news releases dated March 18 and June 12, 2020 for details).

Timing of Southern Empire's exploration programs will be contingent on governmental regulations regarding the COVID-19 pandemic and also the availability of exploration-related personnel, drill contractors, equipment, lodging, et cetera. Southern Empire will adhere to COVID-19 directives regarding safe working practices putting worker, community and national safety first and will proceed with exploration and development work programs only if potential COVID-19 risks can be effectively managed.

Qualified Person

The scientific and technical information contained in this news release has been prepared, reviewed, verified and approved by David Tupper, P.Geo. (British Columbia), Southern Empire's VP Exploration and a Qualified Person (QP) within the context of Canadian Securities Administrators' National Instrument 43-101; Standards of Disclosure for Mineral Projects.

About Southern Empire Resources Corp.

Southern Empire is focused on the acquisition, exploration and development of gold deposits in North America.

In the Cargo Muchacho mountains of Imperial County, California, Southern Empire owns 100% of the historical gold producing American Girl Mine property and also holds options to acquire a 100% interest in

the adjacent 2,160 hectare (5,338 acre) Oro Cruz Property located approximately 22.5 kilometres (km; 14 miles) southeast of the operating Mesquite gold mine of Equinox Gold Corp.

With a history that includes extensive drilling and large-scale open pit and underground mining by the American Girl Mining Joint Venture (53 per cent owned by MK Gold Company, then a subsidiary of Morrison Knudsen Corporation, and 47 per cent owned by [Hecla Mining Company](#)), which was suspended during the gold market downturn in 1996, the Oro Cruz Gold Project hosts many exploration targets in addition to a high-grade oxide gold zone that, based on the historical mine operation records, is amenable to conventional heap leach extractive methods.

On behalf of the Board of Directors of [Southern Empire Resources Corp.](#),  
Dale Wallster, CEO and Director

For further information on Southern Empire please visit both [www.smp.gold](http://www.smp.gold) and SEDAR.

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