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# ASCOT PUBLISHES INAUGURAL SUSTAINABILITY REPORT

**Vancouver, B.C. March 21, 2022** — **Ascot Resources Ltd. (TSX: AOT; OTCQX: AOTVF)** ("**Ascot**" or the "**Company**") is pleased to announce the publication of the Company's inaugural Sustainability Report. This report will be updated annually and will evolve as Ascot progresses from development into production next year. The 2021 Sustainability Report can be accessed and downloaded at the address below.

https://ascotgold.com/sustainability/sustainability-reports/

Derek White, President and CEO, commented, "Since this management team started in 2017, we have prioritized working with local communities and stewarding the environment. As Ascot progresses from exploration to construction and ultimately production, we have designed the Premier Gold Project with best-in-class environmental standards and it is in fact one of the lowest impact gold projects in Canada in terms of surface disturbance, water quality management, and greenhouse gas emissions.

With this inaugural Sustainability Report we have begun to track our performance in these areas, highlighting various initiatives which make us stand out, with goals so that we can continue to make a positive impact into the future. We look forward to expanding on this report as we progress into production and are eager to bring much prosperity to the local communities through employment, training, and contract opportunities."

# Figure 1 – 2021 Sustainability Report Dashboard



## Nisga'a artist creates design for Ascot

As a feature of the 2021 Sustainability Report, Ascot is pleased to announce that Nisga'a artist Ian Morven has created an original design for the Company (see Figure 2). Mr. Morven's design is intended to show Ascot's collaborative relationship with Nisga'a Nation and our ongoing commitment to working together, particularly with regard to caring for the environment.

In Mr. Morven's design, the human figure has his hand inviting you to come and join Ascot and Nisga'a, and he will help you on your way. He has a talking stick to tell you the story of the adventures that have passed and those yet to come. He wears war paint to symbolize the obstacles overcome. The dragonfly symbolizes the environment, and the eagle represents the clan that was originally from the lands around Stewart and the Premier Gold Project.

Derek White, President and CEO, commented, "It is important to Ascot that we celebrate Nisga'a culture in all its forms from land stewardship to language and art. Ascot is proud to partner with lan Morven to showcase his original design."

## Figure 2 – Ian Morven's original design for Ascot



**On behalf of the Board of Directors of Ascot Resources Ltd.** *"Derek C. White"* President & CEO

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#### About Ascot Resources Ltd.

Ascot is a Canadian junior exploration and development company focused on re-starting the past producing Premier gold mine, located on Nisga'a Nation Treaty Lands, in British Columbia's prolific Golden Triangle. Ascot shares trade on the TSX under the ticker AOT. Concurrent with progressing the development of Premier, the Company continues to successfully explore its properties for additional high-grade underground resources. Ascot is committed to the safe and responsible development of Premier in collaboration with Nisga'a Nation as outlined in the Benefits Agreement.

For more information about the Company, please refer to the Company's profile on SEDAR at <u>www.sedar.com</u> or visit the Company's web site at <u>www.ascotgold.com</u>, or for a virtual tour visit <u>www.vrify.com</u> under Ascot Resources.

The TSX has not reviewed and does not accept responsibility for the adequacy or accuracy of this release.

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