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High Desert Gold Corporation Expands Area of Gold Mineralization at the Canasta Dorada Property in Sonora, Mexico

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High Desert Gold Corporation (“HDG” or the “Company”) is pleased to announce that it has completed 21 diamond drill holes on the Canasta Dorada project and is reporting the gold results from an additional eight diamond drill holes. A total of 16 diamond drill holes have now been reported from Canasta Dorada and the Company is now drilling hole number 22.

Drilling has now delineated an open ended block of approximately 350 by 150 metres in the “Big Pit” area. The average of the grade and thickness of the holes in this block reported to date is:

	Average Width (metres)	Average Gold (g/t)
Big Pit Mineralization	15.7	0.614
Includes Drill Holes	CD-07-001,2,6,7,8,10,11,12,13,14 The average width in these holes varies from 8-31 m and the average grade from 0.2 to 2.1 gpt gold	

The mineralization is thickening to the southwest as seen in holes 8 and 10, shown below:

	Length (metres)	Gold (g/t)
DDH CD-07-010	31	0.399
including	14	0.656
DDH CD-07-008**	27	0.552
including	8	1.057

**previously reported

Ralph Fitch, President of the Company stated “These results are very positive for the project. All drill holes within the system have included encouraging gold intercepts and we now have evidence, through the soil anomaly and diamond drilling, that gold related to the flat structural zone occurs over an area of at least one square kilometre.”

Future drilling will continue to expand this zone of mineralization related to the flat-lying structural zone, particularly to the south and southwest.

Approximately one kilometre to the southeast of the “Big Pit” area, drill hole CD-07-016, located in the “Placer Area” target has intersected the same flat-lying structural zone and exhibits stronger alteration over greater thicknesses. This hole is located on the eastern edge of the very strong 800 metre by 800 metre gold anomaly in the soil that was previously reported (see HDG PR 08-01, January 18, 2008). The Company has only received results from the first 35 metres of the hole which includes 24 metres of 0.22 gpt gold including one metre that assays 1.4 gpt gold. The remainder of this intercept will be reported when received.

The Company plans to complete this round of diamond drilling at approximately hole 30 and then switch to reverse circulation (“RC”) drilling in early May dependent on the availability of RC drill rigs.

Canasta Dorada Drill Results:

	From (m)	To (m)	Length (m)	Average Gold g/t
CD007-001*	0	17	17	0.473
including	0	14	14	0.541
CD007-002*	0	13	13	0.213
including	0	3	3	0.298
and	7	12	5	0.318
CD007-003*	8	19	11	0.152
including	8	14	6	0.224
CD007-004*	18	41	23	0.035
CD007-005	0	9	9	0.181
CD007-006*	6	14	8	2.128
including	10	11	1	13.750
CD007-007	6	22	16	0.237
CD007-008*	11	38	27	0.552
including				

	21	37	16	0.765
	including			
	21	29	8	1.057
CD007-009	45	50	5	0.128
CD007-010	12	43	31	0.399
	including			
	18	39	21	0.542
	including			
	18	32	14	0.656
CD007-011	0	9	9	0.813
	including			
	6	8	2	2.725
CD007-012*	0	8	8	0.652
	including			
	0	2	2	1.570
CD007-013	2.3	20	17.7	0.449
	including			
	14	19	5	0.737
CD007-014*	0	10	10	1.686
	including			
	1.5	8	6.5	2.399
CD007-015	<20ppb in first 24 metres			
CD007-016	10	34	24	0.222
	including			
	10	17	7	0.318
	and			
	32	34	2	1.001

*previously reported

The Company is a mineral exploration company that acquires and explores mineral properties, primarily gold, copper and silver, in North America. The three major properties held by HDG are the flagship Canasta Dorada gold property in Sonora, Mexico, the Gold Lake porphyry copper-gold-molybdenum property in New Mexico and the Monitor copper-silver property in Arizona.

Assays at Canasta Dorada were performed by International Plasma Laboratories, an ISO 9001:2000 Certified laboratory. Gold is being analyzed by the G313 method that includes fire assay of a 30 g sample with an AA finish.

The Qualified Person on the Canasta Dorada project is George Klemmick, Exploration Manager and a certified professional geologist. He has reviewed the content of this press release.

Please see High Desert Gold Corporation's website, www.highdesertgoldcorp.com, for maps and drill hole locations.

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