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High Desert Gold Reports Drilling Results at San Antonio Gold Project, Sonora, Mexico

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High Desert Gold Corporation ("HDG" or the "Company") announces the drilling results from the Company's gold-silver San Antonio Project in Sonora State, Mexico. An 11 hole RC (reverse circulation) drill program was completed in March of this year. The purpose of the program was to evaluate mineralization in an historic "cut" (trench) on the property and to complete reconnaissance holes in other parts of the large, 4,230 hectare property from which geochemically anomalous surface gold-silver and base metal samples have been collected.

The best drill hole, SA 11-04, intersected the down-dip projection of the strong mineralization previously sampled in the historic cut (see HDG PR 10-10, May 19, 2010). The intersection which is approximately 30 metres down-dip from the trench included:

From m	To m	cum m	Gold g/t	Silver g/t	Cu ppm	Pb ppm	Zn ppm
0.0	25.8	25.8	1.394	11.1	313	1,468	1,370
including							
13.7	24.3	10.6	3.029	22.3	667	3,200	2,613
Which includes							
19.8	24.3	4.6	5.722	24.4	1,146	1,783	1,896

These intercepts represent approximate true thicknesses for the mineralized horizon

This mineralization is very consistent with the average grade obtained from the un-leached pile of mineralization that had been excavated from the cut (previously reported, HDG PR11-03, February 10, 2011) which averaged 3.1 g/t gold. The mineralization is hosted within a carbonate rich, heavily pyritized, partially silicified sandstone. The top of the higher grade mineralization is cut off by a low angle, approximately bedding parallel fault and the base of the mineralization bottoms at the interface with the underlying coarser sandstone-conglomerate unit. There appears to be good potential to follow this skarn-replacement mineralization to depth down-dip and along strike on the down-dip side of the trench. In this round of drilling, no other drill holes were placed on this potential down-dip extension, because all outcrop is covered with later volcanics.

Ralph Fitch, President and CEO, stated, "This intercept significantly helps us in understanding the distribution of the higher grade mineralization at San Antonio, and with gold selling at over US$40 a gram, a 3 g/t gold intercept becomes a very interesting target."

The up-dip mineralization in the cut within the same rock unit as seen in drill hole SA 11-04 included values such as these shown in the table below:

Sample	Length in m	Gold g/t	Silver g/t	Cu ppm	Pb ppm	Zn ppm
43369	1.5	62.39	271.6	2,293	>10,000	2,569
73954*	1.2	100	70.5	1,085	7,440	4,280
73955*	0.91	8.3	491	809	45,800	2,270
73956*	Grab sample	14.05	81.1	131	4,840	307
43372	1.5	0.87	8.3	599	1,055	1,864
42032	1.1	12.1	41.4	682	17,600	1,306
122454*	2.4	23.7	25.2	156	15,600	461

* Previously reported in HDG PR10-10, May 19, 2010

Holes placed on the up-dip side of the trench intersected different rocks (stratigraphy) due to a high angle fault parallel to the length of the trench, which offsets the carbonate rich sandstone that hosts the mineralization described above in hole SA 11-04.

Drill hole SA 11-03 was drilled from the other side (North East) of the trench and intersected interesting mineralization in the breccia and fault system that extends the length of the trench, but did not intersect the mineralized carbonate unit seen in SA 11-04. Results included:

From m	To m	cum m	Gold g/t	Silver g/t	Cu ppm	Pb ppm	Zn ppm
19.8	50.2	30.4	0.463	4.2	73	562	1,190
Including							
36.5	45.6	9.1	1.121	6.6	124	895	1,826

The true width of this mineralization is not known

The mineralization intersected in this 11 hole drill program is interpreted as gold-silver plus base metal mineralization of the skarn-replacement type related to a large intrusion that is interpreted to occur at depth below the property. For example, drill hole SA 11-08, located approximately 700 metres to the NE of SA 11-04, intersected anomalous gold mineralization (0.22 g/t) over 16.7 metres within partially brecciated and silicified limestone and sandstone. Base metal values included 220 ppm copper, 984 ppm lead (high value 0.5%) and 526 ppm zinc (high value 0.3%). Most of the other holes include short intervals of precious and base metal mineralization, such as SA 11-6 which ended in 3 metres of 39.5 g/t silver with anomalous base metals. In addition, drill hole SA 11-04 bottomed in elevated tungsten values, with the final 1.5 meters of the hole (191.5-193 metres) returning a value of 0.124% tungsten. These values may be a reflection of a deeper skarn system that drill hole SA 11-04 was starting to penetrate.

The plan going forward will be to interpret these multi-element results, to locate both the centres of precious metal mineralization on the property and the "potentially mineralized" intrusion that is interpreted to underlie parts of the property.

The Qualified Person on the San Antonio property is Randall Moore, Executive Vice President of Exploration of High Desert Gold Corporation and he has reviewed and approved the content of this press release. Assays were performed by ALS Chemex (“ALS”) which is an ISO 9001:2000 certified laboratory. Gold was analyzed by the Au-AA23 method, with values >10 gpt re-assayed using Au-

GRA21 All other elements were analyzed by the ME-MS41 method, and by Inspectorate Laboratories, an ISO 9001:2000 Certified laboratory. Gold was analyzed by fire assay of a 30 g sample with an AA finish.

There has been insufficient exploration to define a mineral resource at San Antonio and it is uncertain if further exploration will result in the targets at the project being delineated as a mineral resource.

Gold Springs Update:

The Company also provides the following update regarding its flagship Gold Springs gold property that is located along the Utah-Nevada border.

- The ZTEM airborne geophysical survey (see HDG PR11-05, April 12, 2011) has been completed and results are expected within a month.
- Two orientated diamond drill holes have been completed, one on the Jumbo Zone on the Utah side of the property and one on the Silica Hill target on the Nevada side. Results are expected in approximately one month.
- A 30 hole RC drill program is expected to start in late May and will focus on targets on the Nevada side of the property position.

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ABOUT HIGH DESERT GOLD

The Company is a mineral exploration company that acquires and explores mineral properties, primarily gold, copper and silver, in North America. The major properties held by HDG are the Gold Springs gold project situated along the border between Utah and Nevada and the San Antonio project in Sonora, Mexico.

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