



New Found Announces Grant of Stock Options

Vancouver, BC, May 17, 2021: New Found Gold Corp. ("New Found" or the "Company") (TSXV: NFG, OTC: NFGFF) announces it has granted incentive stock options to a director of the Company to acquire 200,000 common shares in the capital of the Company at an exercise price of \$8.62 (the "Options") in accordance with the Company's 10% rolling incentive stock option plan. The Options are exercisable for a five-year term expiring May 17, 2026. The grant of the Options is subject to disinterested shareholder approval and approval of the TSX Venture Exchange. The Company intends to seek such shareholder approval at its next annual meeting of shareholders.

About New Found Gold Corp.

New Found holds a 100% interest in the Queensway Project, located 15 km west of Gander, Newfoundland, and just 18 km from Gander International Airport. The project is intersected by the Trans-Canada Highway and has logging roads crosscutting the project, high voltage electric power lines running through the project area, and easy access to a highly skilled workforce. The Company is currently undertaking a 200,000m drill program at Queensway. Seven rigs are currently in operation at Queensway with the drill count planned to increase to ten rigs by the end of Q2, 2021. With a current working capital balance of approximately \$74 million, New Found is well funded for this program.

Please see the Company's website at www.newfoundgold.ca and the Company's SEDAR profile at www.sedar.com.

Contact

To contact the Company, please visit the Company's website, www.newfoundgold.ca and make your request through our investor inquiry form. Our management has a pledge to be in touch with any investor inquiries within 24 hours.

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