



Aurwest Weaver Lake Rock Sample Returns 0.78 Ounces per Ton Gold

Calgary, Alberta, October 6, 2026 – Aurwest Resources Corp. (CSE: AWR) (“Aurwest” or the “Company”) reports assay results from the Phase 1 exploration program completed at the Weaver Lake Gold Property (“Weaver Lake” or the “Property”) in southwestern British Columbia. Aurwest holds an option to earn a 50% interest in the Property over three years from Pacific Bay Minerals Ltd. (TSXV: PBM) (“Pacific Bay”). Highlights include a grab sample of a quartz vein that returned 26.7 parts per million (ppm) gold (0.78 ounces per ton (opt) Au) and 1,350 ppm silver (39.4 opt Ag). The sample was taken approximately 130 metres east of the interpreted main vein system that was the target of past drilling and underground workings. Numerous other rock, soil and silt samples returned anomalous values that are still being evaluated.

“With these encouraging Phase 1 results, we look forward to advancing our Weaver Lake exploration program to Phase 2, which contemplates expanded work including geophysical surveys,” said Cameron MacDonald, Interim Chief Executive Officer of Aurwest. “Weaver Lake’s location in southwestern BC is favourable for year-round exploration.”

Rock sampling (76 samples) returned high-grade precious-metal mineralization consistent with historically documented quartz-carbonate $\pm$ sulphide veins. The highest-grade result was sample 82133, which assayed 26.7 ppm gold and 1,350 ppm silver together with 955 ppm lead and 604 ppm zinc. Additional mineralized samples include 82138 (0.29 ppm Au, 135 ppm Ag), 82119 (0.45 ppm Au, 18.15 ppm Ag), 82734 (0.32 ppm Au, 37.9 ppm Ag and 10.35 ppm Sb), 82737 (0.32 ppm Au, 80.3 ppm Ag, 711 ppm Pb, 1,080 ppm Zn) and 82124 (0.31 ppm Au, 19.65 ppm Ag). These higher-grade samples are mostly associated with comb- and void-fill-textured quartz veins up to 1 m thick (generally 2–10 cm) with trace to 1% pyrite as stockwork veinlets, vein selvages or disseminations. Vein mineralization was observed to be structurally controlled. The multi-element signature, including pathfinder elements, and the strong gold-silver correlation are interpreted as characteristic of an intermediate-sulfidation epithermal Ag-Au ($\pm$ Pb-Zn) system.

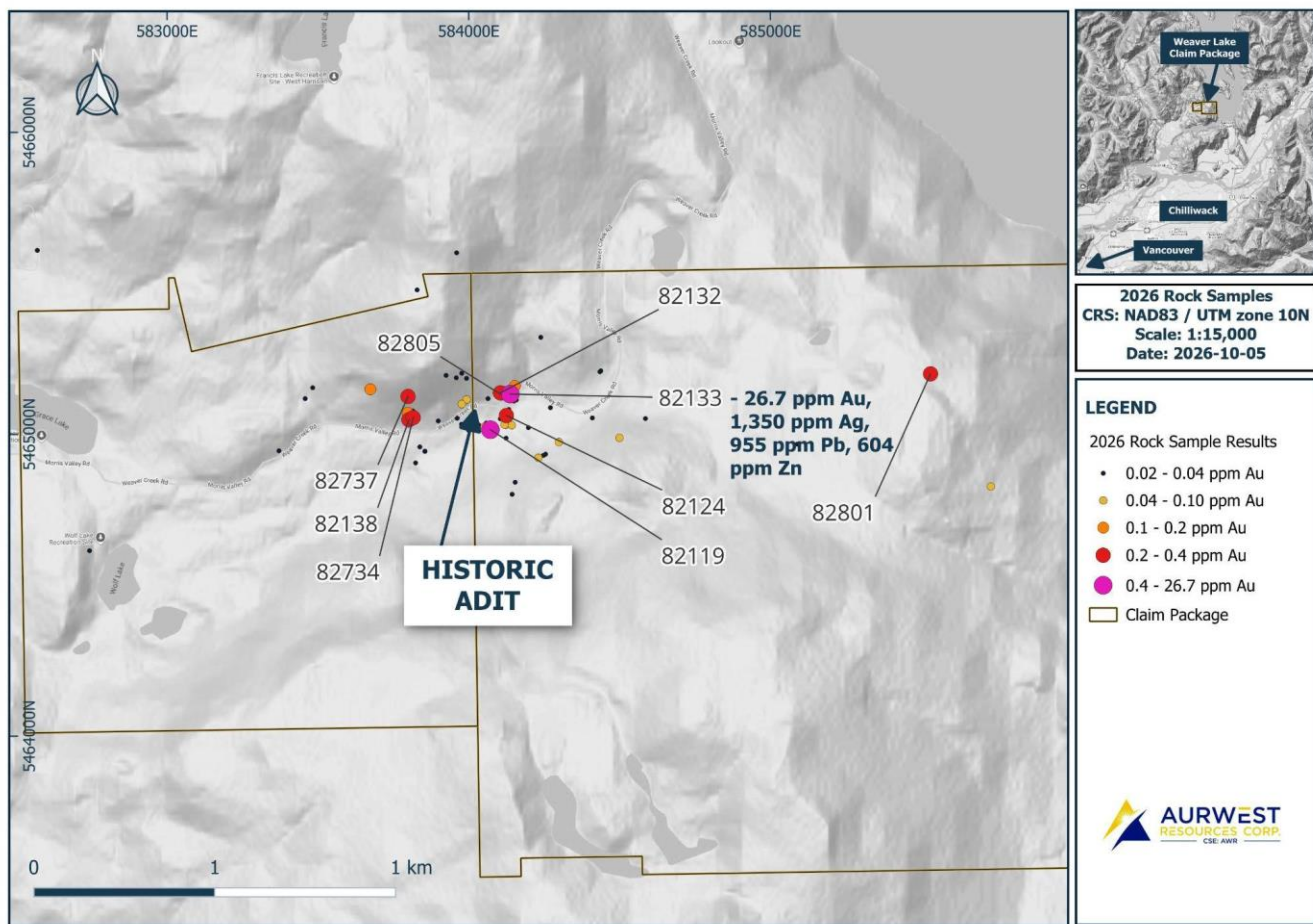


Figure 1: 2026 rock sample results, Weaver Lake Gold Property

Soil sampling (approximately 247 samples) was designed to confirm and expand 1990s gold-in-soil anomalies using modern multi-element analysis (aqua regia digestion of a 0.5 g sample with ICP-AES finish).

The top two gold anomalies are sample 2376357 (0.36 ppm Au, 7.28 ppm Ag, 145.5 ppm Pb, 29.8 ppm As) and sample 2376191 (0.23 ppm Au, 25.20 ppm Ag, 186.5 ppm Pb). Although absolute gold values are lower than some 1990s results (which reached multi-gram-per-tonne levels in a handful of samples analyzed for gold only), the 2026 data provide a consistent, georeferenced multi-element dataset for further targeting and understanding of the mineralized zone.

Nine stream-sediment (silt) samples collected from the principal drainages returned supporting anomalies. Sample 2376442 assayed 6.1 ppm Ag, 77.1 ppm Pb, 306 ppm Zn and 40 ppb Au; sample 2376447 defined a second pathfinder-rich catchment with 3.4 ppm Ag, 70.5 ppm Pb, 276 ppm Zn, 3.5 ppm Sb and elevated arsenic. These results align with regional British Columbia Geological Survey drainage anomalies and help vector toward source areas on the Property.

Taken together, the 2026 rock, soil and silt results show that high-grade gold-silver mineralization is present at surface in a geological setting most consistent with an intermediate-sulfidation epithermal system. The new multi-element coverage will be integrated with historic drilling, underground workings and mapping to prioritize follow-up targets for Phase 2.

Sampling Methodology and Quality Control

Soil, rock and stream sediment samples were collected by Company field personnel using GPS-located, digitally logged procedures, and were sealed, labelled and kept under the control of Company personnel until delivery to ALS North Vancouver for preparation and multi-element analysis. Rock samples comprise composite, grab, chip and selective high-grade samples of bedrock, subcrop, colluvium and float. Certified blanks were inserted into the rock sample stream at a rate of approximately one in 24 samples. If analyzed samples exceed the overlimit amount of 25 ppm for gold, samples will be further analyzed using Au-GRA21. Quality-control samples (blanks, certified standards and duplicates) were inserted into the sample sequence. Readers are cautioned that rock grab samples are selective by nature and may not represent average grades, and that soil and silt values are reconnaissance in nature.

Cautionary Note Regarding Historical Information

The historical exploration data and analytical results in this news release are drawn from publicly filed assessment reports and other historical records. Neither Aurwest nor a Qualified Person has verified that data. The historical results predate National Instrument 43-101 and were obtained using sampling, analytical and quality control procedures that cannot now be confirmed. Reported drill intervals are core lengths; true widths are not known. Trench, chip, grab and selective high-grade samples are selected samples and are not, by their nature, representative of mineralization on the Property. The Property does not host a mineral resource or mineral reserve, and the historical results should not be relied upon as an indication of the presence, grade, width or continuity of mineralization. The Company considers this information relevant as an exploration guide only.

Qualified Person

The technical disclosures in this news release were reviewed and approved by independent geological consultant David Bridge, P.Geo., a Qualified Person as defined by National Instrument 43-101 – *Standards of Disclosure for Mineral Projects*. Mr. Bridge is not an officer, director or employee of the Company.

About Aurwest Resources Corp.

Aurwest is a Canadian junior resource company focused on the acquisition and exploration of gold and uranium properties in Canada. The Company holds the Porter Lake uranium property in northern Saskatchewan and an option to earn a 50% interest in the Weaver Lake Gold Property in southwestern British Columbia from Pacific Bay Minerals Ltd.

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