ELEMENT ONE INVITED TO HELP SHAPE BRITISH COLUMBIA'S HYDROGEN STRATEGY

Company submits policy recommendations to support investment and responsible development of British Columbia's emerging natural hydrogen sector

Vancouver, British Columbia – (June 30, 2026) – **Element One Hydrogen & Critical Minerals Corp. (CSE: EONE) ("Element One")** today announced that it has submitted a comprehensive set of policy recommendations to the Government of British Columbia in support of the Province's strategic review of the B.C. Hydrogen Strategy. At the invitation of the Clean Energy and Major Projects Office, the Company provided recommendations designed to help position British Columbia as a leader in the emerging natural hydrogen industry through a modern, competitive and investment-friendly policy framework

Key recommendations from Element One include ensuring that natural, or 'white' hydrogen, is included in policy and regulation development, creating a supportive regulatory environment for low-cost, low carbon intensity natural hydrogen, and supporting early-stage geological research to de-risk natural hydrogen exploration.

"*By asking for feedback at this early stage, the Government of British Columbia has created an opportunity to take the lead globally on natural hydrogen*," said Element One Chief Operating Officer Tim Johnson.

He added: "*Natural hydrogen is a new industry for British Columbia, with exciting potential. Element One believes that B.C. has significant geological potential for low-cost and low carbon intensity hydrogen to be either extracted from or generated in the sub-surface, often close to sites with high energy demand such as critical minerals mines. Element One hopes the specific needs of natural hydrogen are captured in a refreshed B.C. Hydrogen Strategy*."

In B.C., Element One is focussing on potential for hydrogen to accumulate in the subsurface through geological processes, and the potential to stimulate hydrogen generation in the subsurface through chemical reactions. These are known as 'accumulated' and 'stimulated' natural hydrogen.

Element One is developing an integrated natural hydrogen strategy built on exclusive rights to a proprietary subsurface hydrogen stimulation technology and a growing portfolio of exploration assets in British Columbia and Alaska. Complementing its technical leadership, the Company is forging strategic partnerships with academic institutions, industry leaders, Indigenous communities and government to advance responsible exploration and unlock the commercial potential of naturally occurring hydrogen resources.

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