

# Ridgeline Minerals Commences Drill Program at the Selena Project, Nevada

Vancouver, Canada, October 18, 2022 – Ridgeline Minerals Corp. ("Ridgeline" or the "Company") (TSX-V: RDG | OTCQB: RDGMF | FRA: 0GC0) is pleased to announce the commencement of the Company's diamond core drill program at the Selena project ("Selena") on October 18, 2022. Selena is a silver ("Ag") - gold ("Au") - lead ("Pb") - zinc ("Zn") carbonate replacement ("CRD") style discovery located in White Pine County, Nevada (Figure 1). The drill program will complete up to ten (10) shallow core holes (~1,800m) across the Chinchilla, Juniper and Broken Egg targets (Figure 2) with objectives at each target highlighted below.

Mike Harp, Ridgeline's Vice President, Exploration commented, "Our team has a high degree of confidence in the geologic model, and we are excited to kick-off the fall drill campaign at Selena. This program was designed to de-risk multiple shallow-oxide targets and is a critical step in the exploration process as Selena transitions to a resource delineation focus in 2023."

## Chinchilla

- Objective Complete one core twin of reverse circulation ("RC") drillhole SE21-025 which returned 44.2 meters ("m") grading 123.2 grams per tonne ("g/t") Ag, 0.1 g/t Au, 1.5% Pb, and 0.6% Zn
- Rationale Historic core holes acquired on June 8, 2022 (see press release <u>HERE</u>) support the Company's interpretation that silver-bearing Cerargyrite (silver oxide commonly associated with high-grade silver at Selena) zones are not optimally recovered using percussive RC drilling methods. This may have led to incomplete sample recovery and subsequent under-reporting of silver grades

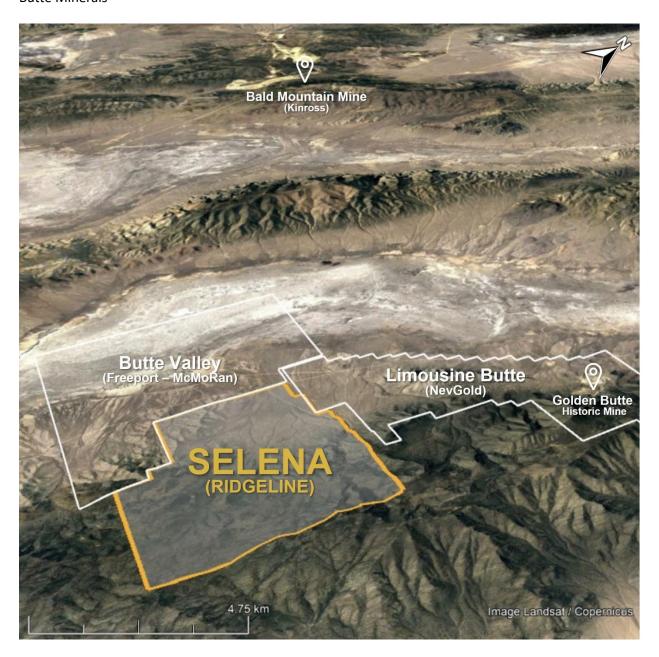
# Juniper

- Objective Complete two core holes testing the down-dip extension of historical high-grade Ag-Au mineralization
- Rationale Historical core holes at Juniper returned highlight intercepts of 0.3 m grading 6,667 g/t (0.67%) Ag, 7.7 g/t Au, 1.6% Pb, 0.2% Zn and 1.0 m grading 2,467.2 g/t (0.25%) Ag, 5.1 g/t Au, 1.1% Pb, 1.4% Zn within 7.7 m 725.2 g/t Ag, 1.5 g/t Au, 1.3% Pb, 0.9% Zn starting at 15.5 m in LB-072

# **Broken Egg**

- Objective Complete 6 to 7 wide-spaced core holes to define oxide gold potential within a prospective but historically untested target
- Rationale Broken Egg falls within the oxide Au halo of the greater porphyry zonation pattern at Selena (<u>Figure 2</u>). Target exhibits 3+ km long oxide gold footprint supported by soil geochemistry, rock chips, and a backpack drill hole that returned a highlight intercept of **0.9 m grading 2.4 g/t** Au in SEBP-002 starting from surface

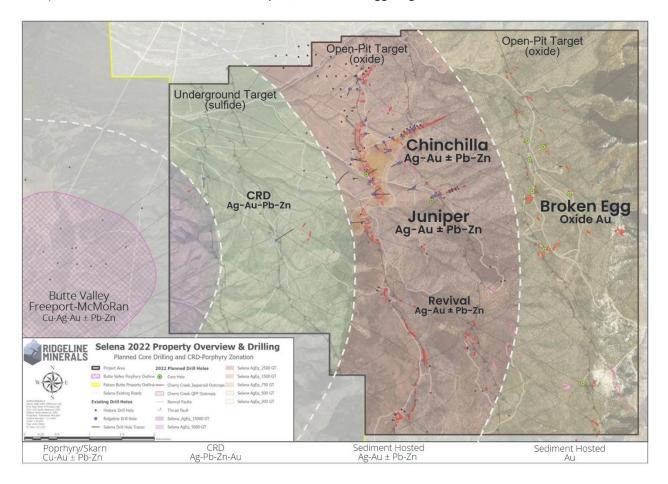
<u>Figure 1:</u> Plan view map showing location of the Selena project which sits directly adjacent to the Butte Valley Porphyry, a US \$33M earn-in exploration agreement between Freeport-McMoRan and Falcon Butte Minerals



## Selena Project

Selena is located in White Pine County, Nevada, approximately 64 kilometers ("km") north of the town of Ely, NV. The project shares a property boundary with the Butte Valley project, a US \$33M earn-in agreement between Freeport-McMoRan and Falcon Butte Minerals. The 100% owned project is comprised of 39 square kms of highly prospective exploration ground including Ridgeline's shallow-oxide 2020 Ag-Au ± Pb-Zn Chinchilla discovery. Subsequent drilling has continued to highlight the potential for high-grade CRD type mineralization (Ag-Au-Pb-Zn ±Cu) between Chinchilla and the Butte Valley Cu-Au-Ag porphyry located directly west of the property. (View the Selena VRIFY Deck Here)

<u>Figure 2</u>: Plan view porphyry zonation map of the Selena project showing proposed drill collars (green dots) at the shallow-oxide Chinchilla, Juniper, and Broken Egg targets



## **QAQC Procedures**

Samples are submitted to American Assay Laboratories (AAL) of Sparks, Nevada, which is a certified and accredited laboratory, independent of the Company. Samples are prepared using industry-standard prep methods and analysed using FA-PB30-ICP (Au; 30 g fire assay) and ICP-5AM48 (48 element Suite; 0.5 g 5-acid digestion/ICP-MS) methods. AAL also undertakes its own internal coarse and pulp duplicate analysis to ensure proper sample preparation and equipment calibration. Ridgeline's QA/QC program includes regular insertion of CRM standards, duplicates, and blanks into the sample stream with a stringent review of all results completed by the Company's Qualified Person, Michael T. Harp, Vice President, Exploration.

Technical information contained in this news release has been reviewed and approved by Michael T. Harp, CPG. the Company's Vice President, Exploration, who is Ridgeline's Qualified Person under National Instrument 43-101 and responsible for technical matters of this release.

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The Company granted an aggregate of 450,000 stock options to directors, officers, employees and consultants of the Company in accordance with the Company's incentive stock option plan, subject to regulatory acceptance. These incentive stock options are exercisable at \$0.22 per share for a period of five years. The Company also announces that it has granted an aggregate of 300,000 deferred share units, ("DSUs") to the directors of the Company and 75,000 restricted share units ("RSUs") to employees of the Company. The DSUs and RSUs are governed by the Company's RSU/DSU Plan and will be subject to applicable securities law hold periods.

# **About Ridgeline Minerals Corp.**

Ridgeline is a discovery focused gold-silver explorer with a proven management team and a 163 km<sup>2</sup> exploration portfolio across five projects in Nevada and Idaho, USA. More information about Ridgeline can be found at www.RidgelineMinerals.com

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