



**Avidian Gold Intersects 107 m grading 4.76 g/t Au down plunge  
at the Breccia Pipe Deposit**

**Intersects 17.7 m grading 2.12 g/t Au on the Mayflower Extension  
at the Golden Zone Property, Alaska**

**Toronto, Ontario – October 1, 2018: Avidian Gold Corp. (TSXV:AVG)** (the “Corporation” or “Avidian”) is pleased to report results from the first four drill holes at the Breccia Pipe Deposit and Mayflower Extension Zone from its ongoing drill program at the 100% owned Golden Zone project in Alaska.

Highlights include:

**Breccia Pipe Deposit**

- Hole GZ18-04 intersected 107.31 metres (m) grading 4.76 grams/tonne (g/t) Au down plunge and 21.59 m grading 1.66 g/t Au including 3.60 m grading 5.53 g/t Au

**Mayflower Extension Zone**

- Hole GZ18-02 intersected 5.74 m grading 3.72 g/t Au and 17.7 m grading 2.12 g/t Au
- Hole GZ18-02 also intersected at the end of the hole 17.7 m grading 1.03 g/t Au, including 3.0 m grading 2.6 g/t Au.

Avidian drilled hole GZ18-04 down the plunge of the Breccia Pipe Deposit to test for mineralization within the monzodiorite hosting the Breccia Pipe Deposit that is not included in the current resource estimate and to infill the southwestern margin of the pipe. This hole also tested for the continuation of mineralization below the conceptual pit outline and possible root mineralization to the pipe.

Avidian also drilled three core holes within the Mayflower Extension Zone that marks a potential resource expansion area peripheral to the Breccia Pipe Deposit. This drilling was designed to follow up on the discovery of a previously unknown mineralized conglomeratic unit intersected late in 2017 by drill hole GZ17-10 and located approximately 300 m northeast of the Breccia Pipe Deposit, which returned **21.6 m grading 1.46 g/t Au**.

Nick Tintor, President & CEO stated: “We are pleased with the initial results obtained from the Mayflower Extension Zone drilling as it suggests excellent potential for defining peripheral mineralization which could be added to the resource at the Breccia Pipe Deposit. Hole GZ18-04 also indicates potential for additional resources in the surrounding monzodiorite that hosts the Breccia Pipe Deposit.”.

The following table outlines highlight assays from the four core holes.

Hole	From (m)	To (m)	Length (m)	Grade (Au g/t)	Target
<b>GZ18-01</b>	93.75	95.10	1.35	1.12	Mayflower Zone
Az 142; Dip -48°	110.34	112.0	1.66	1.91	
	156.57	158.07	1.5	0.96	
	215.15	217.03	1.88	0.80	
	234.70	235.48	0.78	2.7	
	347.57	350.07	2.50	1.20	
	404.0	405.0	1.0	1.23	
	407.78	409.0	1.22	5.69	
<b>GZ18-02</b>	103.91	109.65	5.74	3.72	Mayflower Zone
Az 135; Dip -50°	incl: 107.3	108.45	1.15	14.25	
	125.2	142.9	17.7	2.12	
	280.35	282.35	2.0	2.21	
	340.3	358.0 (EOH)	17.7	1.04	
	incl: 355.0	358.0 (EOH)	3.0	2.6	
<b>GZ 18-03</b>	184.5	186.3	1.8	1.61	Mayflower Zone
Az 135; Dip -60°					
<b>GZ 18-04</b>					Breccia Pipe Deposit
Az 058; Dip -48°	71.12	92.71	21.59	1.66	Porphyry/Monzodiorite
	incl: 87.91	90.31	3.6	5.53	
	118.12	225.43	107.31	4.76	Sulphide Breccia
	234.18	235.36	1.18	6.49	
	379.44	385.29	5.85	3.00	

*All assays reported in this table are presented in core length as at this time there is insufficient data with respect to the orientation of the mineralized intersections to calculate true widths. The Breccia Pipe deposit is steeply to moderately plunging approximately 70 to 80 degrees to the northeast. Many of the mineralized structures are currently interpreted to be steeply dipping to the either the west or east, but further work will be required to ascertain this*

## Breccia Pipe Deposit

Hole GZ18-04, (see Figure 1) which was drilled down the plunge of the deposit, intersected **107.31 m grading 4.76 g/t Au** of dominantly sulphide breccia that provides in-fill information to the overall Breccia Pipe Deposit in which the sulphide breccia averages 3.17 g/t Au and the entire deposit averages 1.99 g/t Au.

Importantly, hole GZ18-04 also intersected **21.59 m grading 1.66 g/t Au** within the host monzodiorite/porphyry which surrounds the main breccia-hosted gold resources.

This intercept confirms there is gold mineralization within the surrounding monzodiorite host rocks that has potential to add to known gold resources within the conceptual open pit. Additional drilling will be required to determine the extent of this additional gold mineralization.

Mineralization was also encountered below the presently defined deposit.

Avidian's Breccia Pipe Deposit currently hosts a NI 43-101 Indicated gold resource of 267,400 ounces (4,187,000 tonnes grading 1.99 g/t Au) plus an Inferred gold resource of 35,900 ounces (1,353,000 tonnes grading 0.83 g/t Au).

## Mayflower Extension Zone

Drill holes GZ18-01 to GZ18-03 were drilled within the Mayflower Extension Zone that is located approximately 300 m northeast of the Breccia Pipe Deposit, and were designed to follow up mineralization intersected in Hole GZ17-10 that returned **21.6 m grading 1.46 g/t Au** in a conglomeratic unit.

Hole GZ18-02 was drilled 50 m southwest of hole GZ17-10 and intersected **17.7 m grading 2.12 g/t Au** which represents the continuity of the mineralization from hole GZ17-10. This hole also bottomed out in **17.7 m grading 1.04 g/t Au**, including the last 3 m which returned 2.6 g/t Au, indicating that this mineralization remains open at depth.

Logging of the bottom of GZ18-02, which remained open at depth, noted 4% pyrrhotite with minor chalcopyrite in calc-silicate conglomerate which represents the first time that significant gold mineralization has been found associated with pyrrhotite sulphide mineralization in the Golden Zone Breccia Pipe Deposit area.

Hole GZ18-01 was drilled underneath hole GZ17-10 and returned several narrow intersections throughout the hole, which suggests that the mineralization in GZ17-10 may be pinching and swelling.

The Mayflower Extension Zone remains open for 300 m to the southwest towards hole GZ17-05 that intersected **10.5 m grading 1.54 g/t Au** and is also open and untested to the northeast

## **Copper King-Long Creek Target Area**

As part of the 2018 drill program, Avidian has also drilled three holes in the Copper King area with a fourth hole in progress and two holes in the Long Creek area. Drill results are pending and will be reported shortly.

## **Quality Control/Quality Assurance**

Sampling included insertion of certified standards and blanks into the stream of samples for chemical analysis. Every tenth drill hole sample was a standard or a blank, and every twentieth surface sample was a standard or a blank. Samples were prepared at ALS Chemex's laboratory in Fairbanks, Alaska and shipped to their Vancouver facility for gold analysis by fire assay and other elements by ICP analysis. ALS is a certified and accredited laboratory service. Gold results varied from below detection to a high of 69.5 g/t Au.

The technical information contained in this news release has been approved by Dr. Tom Setterfield, P.Geo., Vice President Exploration of Avidian, who is a Qualified Person as defined in "National Instrument 43-101, Standards of Disclosure for Mineral Projects."

## **About Avidian Gold Corp.**

Avidian Gold brings a disciplined and veteran team of project managers together with a regional scale advanced stage gold-copper exploration portfolio in Alaska. Avidian's Golden Zone project also hosts a NI 43-101 Indicated gold resource of 267,400 ounces (4,187,000 tonnes at 1.99 g/t Au) plus an Inferred gold resource of 35,900 ounces (1,353,000 tonnes at 0.83 g/t Au). Additional projects include Amanita which is adjacent to Kinross Gold's Fort Knox gold mine in Alaska, Jungo and Dome Hill in Nevada and Strickland in Newfoundland.

Avidian Gold is focused on and committed to the development of advanced stage mineral projects throughout first world mining friendly jurisdictions using industry best practices combined with a strong social license from local communities. Avidian Gold has 56,030,871 shares issued and outstanding.

Further information on the Golden Zone property can be found in the NI-43-101 Technical Report dated August 17, 2017 prepared by Leon McGarry, B.Sc., P. Geo and Ian D. Trinder, M.Sc., P. Geo that is available on SEDAR at [www.sedar.com](http://www.sedar.com).

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Figure 1: Locations of Holes GZ18-01 to GZ18-04

