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“Capella Initiates Reconnaissance Diamond Drill Program at the Killero W Gold-Copper Project, Northern Finland”

Joint Venture Manager, Capella Minerals Limited (TSXV: CMIL) has made this announcement in Canada on Friday, 3-7-2026.

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July 3, 2026 - Vancouver, BC – **Capella Minerals Ltd.** (TSXV: **CMIL**; OTC Pink: **CMILF**; FRA: **N7D**) (“**Capella**” or the “**Company**”) is pleased to announce the commencement of a reconnaissance diamond drill program at the Killero W gold-copper project in the Central Lapland Greenstone Belt, Northern Finland. The Killero W project is one of five projects that form part of the Tümad Madencilik Sanayi Ve Ticaret A.S. (“Tümad”) earn-in Joint Venture (“JV”) for Northern Finland (see Company News Release dated September 2, 2025), with the current drill program at Killero W following on from the recently completed 2,008m / 9 hole diamond drill program at Killero E.

The Northern Finland projects (Killero E, Killero W, Jolhikko, Seiseunselka, Saattopora W) are located 40km SW of Agnico Eagle Mines Ltd’s (“Agnico”; TSX: AEM; NYSE: AEM) producing Kittila Gold Mine¹, with all five projects now surrounded by Agnico following the successful closing of Agnico’s acquisition of Rupert Resources Ltd (TSX: RUP) on June 16, 2026 (Figure 1).

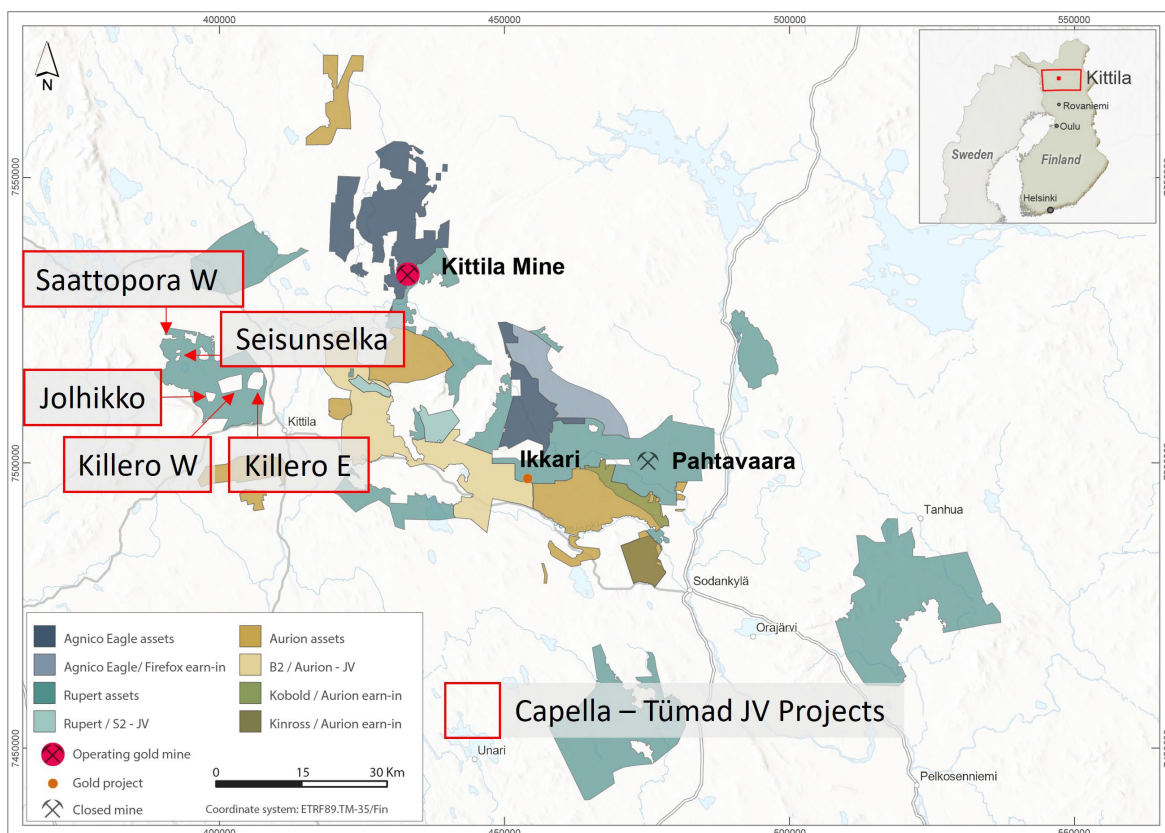


Figure 1. Location of the Killero W gold-copper project in Northern Finland, together with the project areas acquired by Agnico as part of its consolidation of the Central Lapland Greenstone Belt. [Agnico Eagle Mines Limited - AGNICO EAGLE TO CONSOLIDATE FINLAND'S CENTRAL LAPLAND GREENSTONE BELT IN THREE SEPARATE TRANSACTIONS](#)

¹ References made to nearby mines and analogous deposits provide context for the Killero W project but are not necessarily indicative that this project hosts similar tonnages or grades of mineralization.

Highlights

- A reconnaissance diamond drill program has been initiated at the Killero W gold-copper project. Drilling will be undertaken in two initial target areas – PKW-1 and PKW-2 – defined on the basis of: i) Base of Till (“BoT”) gold-copper anomalies derived from historical Anglo American plc regional geochemical surveys, ii) strongly magnetic host rocks (interpreted to be either fine-grained meta-gabbro or mafic metavolcanic rocks and favourable host rocks for gold-copper mineralization), and iii) cross-cutting NE-trending fault/shear zones (Figure 2; see also Company New Releases dated May 17, 2022 and May 30, 2023).
- The current drill program (Figure 3) represents the first diamond drilling to be undertaken in the Killero W project area.
- Capella currently owns an 80% interest in the five Northern Finland projects, with the remaining 20% interest being held by Cullen Resources Ltd (“Cullen”; ASX: CUL). Capella earned-in to its 80% interest in the five projects by meeting all of its exploration commitments as outlined in an earn-in agreement as announced on August 24, 2021.

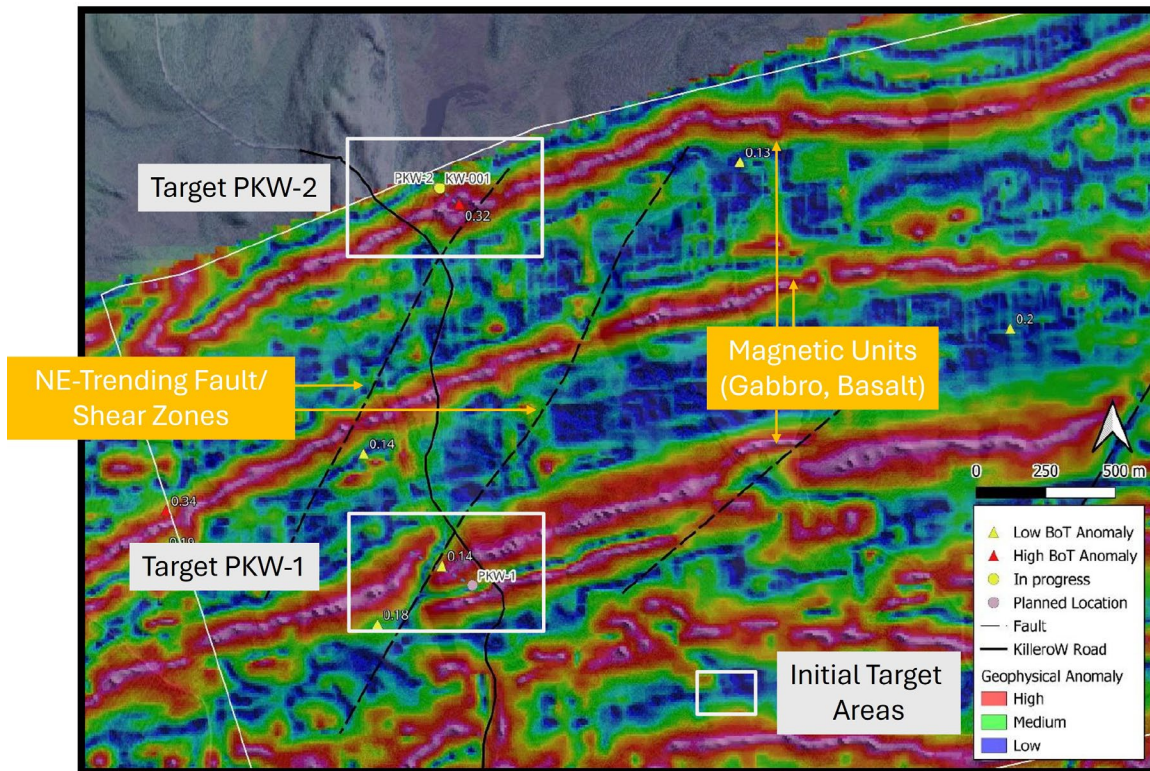


Figure 2. Locations of the two initial gold-copper target areas at Killero W (PKW-1 and PKW-2), overlain on the Company’s high-resolution drone magnetic data.



Figure 3. Diamond drill rig on location at the first Killero W target.

Eric Roth, Capella’s President and CEO, commented: “I am very pleased to be announcing today the commencement of a maiden diamond drill program at the Killero W project. The initial focus will be on two gold-copper targets which are defined by coincident Base of Till anomalies, favourable host rocks, and highly prospective cross cutting structural corridors. Further potential also exists for the definition of additional target areas outside of these core areas. I look forward to keeping the market updated as we advance with drill testing at Killero W”.

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Jolhikko and Seisunselka – 4 reconnaissance Base of Till (“BoT”) and Top of Bedrock (“ToB”) survey lines were completed over the Jolhikko and Seisunselka gold targets in Northern Finland. A total of 102 BoT and 55 ToB samples were collected and sent to ALS Laboratories for analysis. A determination of potential targets for follow-up diamond drilling will be made as soon as all results have been reviewed and interpreted.

Qualified Persons and Disclosure Statement

The technical information presented in this news release has been prepared in accordance with Canadian regulatory requirements as set out in National Instrument 43-101 (“NI 43-101”) and approved by Eric Roth, the Company's President & CEO, a Director, and a Qualified Person under NI 43-101. Mr. Roth holds a Ph.D. in Economic Geology from the University of Western Australia, is a Fellow of the Australian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy (AusIMM) and is a Fellow of the Society of Economic Geologists (SEG). Mr. Roth has over 35 years of experience in international minerals exploration and mining project evaluation.

On Behalf of the Board of Capella Minerals Ltd.

“Eric Roth”

Eric Roth, Ph.D., FAusIMM

President & CEO

About Capella Minerals Ltd

Capella is a Canadian exploration and development company with a focus on generating gold-copper projects globally.

On January 15, 2026, Capella announced the signing of a Binding Letter of Intent with Verde Metals with respect to an Earn-In Agreement on the Solana Iron-Oxide Copper-Gold ("IOCG") project in southern Spain. Work plans for the Solana project are currently in the process of being approved by the Andalusian Mining Authority, with field activities expected to begin in early Q3, 2026.

Capella announced on September 2, 2025, the signing of a Definitive Agreement with Turkish mining company, Tümad Madencilik Sanayi Ve Ticaret A.S. ("Tümad"), for a staged earn-in on the Company's portfolio of precious and base metal projects in Scandinavia. Tümad's minimum Year 1 investment commitment includes up to 12,000m of diamond drilling on the Company's gold-copper projects in the Central Lapland Greenstone Belt of northern Finland and the Hessjogruva copper-cobalt-zinc VMS project in central Norway.

Capella also retains a carried 10% interest through to production on the Løkken copper-cobalt-zinc VMS project of central Norway through a partnership with Teako Minerals Corp. ("Teako"). In addition, Capella holds Net Smelter Royalties on the Savant Gold Project in Ontario, Canada (BeMetals Corp.) and the Central Finland Lithium Projects (Grit Metals Corp.), as a result of the divestiture of non-core assets.

For additional information you are cordially invited to visit the Capella Minerals Ltd website at www.capellaminerals.com, or to contact Karen Davies, VP Communications and Corporate Development, at Tel: +1.604.314.2662.

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