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2020 ANGUS PROPERTY EXPLORATION PROGRAM

Vancouver, Canada, April 28, 2020 – Kootenay Zinc Corp. (the “Company” or “Kootenay”) (CSE: ZNK; OTC: KTNND; FRA: KYH1) is pleased to announce that it has completed the Spring 2020 exploration program at its Angus Property.

2020 Angus Property Exploration Program

The Company completed an exploration program on the Angus Property over the course of three days. The work included prospecting and rock sampling as well as a geochemical soil sampling over a small grid at an area of interest at the south of the property which results are currently pending.

Historical anomalies that merited further investigation were sought-out and prospected to assess their mineral potential. Multiple anomalous gold in soil and rock sample locations were prospected for outcrop, visual mineralization, local geological indicators, as well as access for drilling.

A total of 39 rock grab samples were collected across the property, and 53 soil samples (including 2 field duplicates) were collected over a 50 m by 50 m grid at the south of the property. The grab samples are selected samples and are not necessarily representative of the mineralization hosted on the property.

Qualified Person

The technical content of this news release has been reviewed and approved by Luke van der Meer, B.Sc., P.Geo., and is a qualified person as defined by National Instrument 43-101

QA/QC Procedures

Rock and soil samples were collected into individual poly and kraft bags and locations were recorded by GPS as well as in a sample booklet with a tear-out tag which was inserted into each sample bag. Sample locations were marked in the field with flagging tape with the unique sample ID written on it. All samples were submitted to Bureau Veritas Laboratories in Vancouver, BC.

All samples are being analyzed by Bureau Veritas Laboratories (BV) in Vancouver, British Columbia. They are being prepared for analysis according to BV method PRP70-250: individual samples are to be crushed to 2mm and a 250g split will be pulverized for analysis. (method FAA430). Multi-element assays by ICP ES/MS will be performed following an aqua regia digestion (AQ200), with Au over limits assayed by AAS (FA430). Soils will be crushed and sieved (SS80), analysis will be by ICP ES/MS following an aqua regia digestion.

An inhouse QAQC program is routinely implemented, which consisted of 2 quality control sample duplicates for this limited reconnaissance program. BV labs maintains a rigorous internal (blind) quality assurance and control (QAQC) program throughout their sample preparation and analysis process.

About the Angus Property

The Angus property comprises an area of 1019 hectares located within in the Victoria Mining Division of Vancouver Island. The property is an early stage gold and copper prospect within the Wrangellia Terrane which is prospective of Porphyry style mineral deposits.

The property can be accessed by logging roads to the north of the Lake Cowichan community which is owned by Island Timberland and Timberland West.

The area has a potential for hosting copper gold porphyry style mineralization, with a historic grab sample of chlorite schist feldspar porphyry, near a shear zone running 0.325 grams per tonne gold and 0.472 percent copper and a second sample running 1.4 grams per tonne gold, 17.6 grams per tonne silver, and 1.58 percent copper.

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Forward Looking Information

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