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# Production growth strategy commences as Tribune decline starts and infrastructure upgrades almost finished

# These key works are part of Bellevue's plan to increase production to 250,000oz1 a year

Bellevue Gold Limited (Bellevue or Company) (ASX: BGL) is pleased to announce that its production growth strategy is progressing to plan with major advances in project infrastructure.

In what is an important milestone for the project, the underground decline development has started at the Tribune portal. This is significant because Tribune will provide a second independent mine access route.

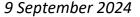
The Tribune decline, which will be the sixth independent mining area, is being developed by an additional fifth jumbo and is expected to access ore from the Tribune lode in the December 2024 quarter.

Figure 1: Tribune portal established in August 2024, provides second independent mine access at Tribune.



Bellevue's Managing Director and Chief Executive Officer, Darren Stralow said: "The commencement of Tribune is important as it not only provides an additional mining area and haulage decline, but it also creates the platform for commencement of the southern drill drive to target mine life extensions.

 $<sup>^{\</sup>mathrm{1}}$  Refer to page 3 for cautionary statements regarding production targets.





"The key infrastructure upgrades are a core part of the Bellevue growth plan and will unlock the ability to achieve the mining rates required for increased production. We are already seeing the benefits of increased ventilation and work areas in our underground mining rates, and the successful dewatering of the old workings unlocks high grade ore to mine in the upcoming quarters that was previously inaccessible."

Underground development rates are scheduled to increase over H1 FY25 as infrastructure constraints are released and more working areas become available, with the production expected to be back-ended to the second half of FY25 as further development headings and underground advance rates ramp up to a forecast run rate of 1.35Mtpa by the end of FY25.

Production guidance for FY25 is 165koz-180koz at a project AISC of A\$1,750-1,850/oz<sup>2</sup> of gold with the production profile weighted towards H2 FY25. The Company recently released its 5 year growth plan which sees production forecast to ramp up to  $>200,000\text{oz}^3$  pa run rate from Q4 FY25 before reaching  $\sim 250,000\text{oz}^3$  pa in FY28.

The ramp up of underground tonnages continues to advance with the key ventilation upgrade in construction and commissioning due to commence on 18 September 2024.

The ventilation upgrade will initially increase underground vent flows by 50% and will provide fit-for-purpose vent fans suitable for the life of mine. Historic mine dewatering has also reached a significant milestone with the dewatering of the old workings now allowing for the removal of the safety exclusion zone from the historic underground. This will unlock mining of high-grade development and stoping in the Armand mining area. These two key infrastructure works are expected to assist in de-bottlenecking the underground and allow more efficient use of the mining fleet.

The new jumbo is a fully electrified Sandvik 422iE battery electric vehicle, demonstrating Bellevue's commitment to electrification of the mining fleet where practical. Development of the Tribune decline will also set the platform for the Southern drill drive, which will allow drill testing of the main down plunge extents of the Bellevue lode system.

**Figure 2**: Underground primary ventilation upgrade installed and due to be commissioned commencing 18 September 2024.



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Forward-looking All-In-Sustaining Cost estimates have been prepared on a real basis at a project level – refer to page 5 for further information.

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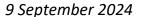
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