

VICTORIA GOLD'S AME AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN MINE DEVELOPMENT

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TEAM WORK

Presented in a ballroom filled with McConnell's colleagues and peers at the AME Awards Gala at Roundup in Vancouver, McConnell accepted this prestigious award on behalf of the entire Victoria Gold team recognizing how he and the team persevered to explore, define, develop, construct and advance the company's Eagle Gold Mine to commercial production.

Accolades for McConnell and his work continue to come in from around the country; including from the territory's leadership in a Government of Yukon statement issued on the day of the awards ceremony.

"I remember when Victoria Gold poured their first bar of gold in the fall of 2019," stated Yukon Premier Sandy Silver. "It is great to see their successful Eagle Gold Mine be recognized by the Association of Mineral Exploration's 2021 E.A. Scholz Award for excellence in mine development in British Columbia or Yukon. When it comes to community, John McConnell and the Victoria Gold team have done much more than mining. In particular, I would like to thank them for their significant contribution to our schools through their *Every Student, Every Day* initiative, promoting student engagement."

"Throughout COVID-19, the Eagle Gold Mine has worked proactively to keep the community safe," stated Yukon Energy, Mines and Resources Minister John Streicker. "The mine has provided many jobs and benefits to Yukoners, particularly to the First Nation of Na-Cho Nyak Dun citizens and the Village of Mayo. I look forward to seeing the mine and nearby communities continue to thrive and support Yukoners for years to come."

"Receiving this outstanding achievement displays John's dedication and vision in bringing the Eagle Gold Mine into production," stated Victoria Gold Chairman Sean Harvey. "The Eagle Gold Mine, the Yukon's newest and largest ever gold mine, is the culmination of over a decade of work for John and the Victoria Gold team and the Yukon community has an outstanding opportunity to share in the benefits for decades to come."

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John McConnell receiving congratulations from wife Tara Christie, who is also the President of the Victoria Gold Yukon Student Encouragement Society's *Every Student, Every Day* initiative and daughter Katherine.

VICTORIA GOLD IS PROUD TO HAVE YUKONERS AT WORK

IF YOU ARE A YUKONER WITH MINING EXPERIENCE, WE ENCOURAGE YOU TO CONNECT WITH US.

Victoria is currently hiring tradespeople, equipment operators, process/crusher operators and other positions to work at the Eagle Gold Mine. Visit the "Work For Us" page on our website at vgcx.com/contact/work-for-us/ and send your resume to greatpeoplework@vgcx.com.

ABOUT VICTORIA GOLD & THE EAGLE GOLD MINE

The Eagle Gold Mine, now in production, is situated within Victoria Gold's 100 per cent-owned Dublin Gulch Property located approximately 375 kiolometres north of Whitehorse and 85 kilometres north, northeast of the Village of Mayo within the traditional territory of the First Nation of Na-Cho Nyak Dun. The property is accessible by road year-round and is connected to Yukon Energy Corp's electrical grid. The mine is a significant contributor to the Yukon economy employing 350-400 people.

