

## Exploration Progress Report on Cariboo Rose's Gold-Copper-Silver Projects

Vancouver, BC, Feb 16, 2026, Cariboo Rose Resources Ltd. ("Cariboo Rose") (TSX-V: [CRB](#)) provides an update on exploration on its gold-copper-silver projects.

Cariboo Rose operates on a model where projects are acquired and subsequent option agreements with other companies derive both income and exploration leverage. Factors which make this viable, in addition to having projects that possess large deposit attributes, include acquiring large acreage tenures, keeping expiry dates well into the future and having the projects fully permitted. A summary of the more important 2026 projects, all of which are located in British Columbia, follows.

**Lightning Strike:** A 100% owned, 4,193-hectare, gold - silver project located 60 kilometers northeast of the community of 100 Mile House, British Columbia. It is host to orogenic sediment hosted gold-silver mineralization conceptually analogous to the giant Asian deposits of Muruntau and Sukhoi Log, and in a geological setting similar to the Spanish Mountain and Frasergold occurrences located 110 kilometers and 40 kilometers north, respectively. It is situated on the eastern edge of the Quesnel Terrane dominantly underlain by argillaceous Nicola Group sediments (Mesozoic). Historical work at Lightning Strike by Homestake Mining in 1984 and later by Skygold Resources Ltd. (now Spanish Mountain Gold Corp.) discovered an area of gold and silver mineralization in the western part of the current claim block. Trenching here uncovered quartz-carbonate boulders with gold values to 25.1 g/t gold and silver values to 216.8 g/t silver. The target was drilled from 2008 to 2010 with 31 diamond drill holes completed. All of the drill holes returned at least one anomalous to strongly mineralized gold intercept. Cariboo Rose first staked and conducted work on the claims in 2019, carrying out geological reconnaissance, soil sampling, claim expansion and two reverse circulation drill programs since that time. In 2025 Two holes totaling 568 meters were completed with one returning an intercept of 44.4 meters grading 0.77 g/t gold and 37.1 g/t silver demonstrating the great potential of this road accessible project.

Hole Id	From - To (m)	Intercept (m)	Gold (g/t)	Silver (g/t)
LSD25-01	95.1-102.4	7.3	0.71	45.5
	<b>229.0-273.4</b>	<b>44.4</b>	<b>0.77</b>	<b>37.1</b>
including	255.1-267.0	<b>11.9</b>	<b>1.58</b>	<b>109.7</b>

Significant historical drill intercepts at Lightning Strike include 0.77 g/t gold over 54.0 meters, 3.42 g/t gold and 228.1g/t silver over 5.0 meters, 2.88 g/t gold over 24.0 meters and 8.84 g/t gold over 7.5 meters. These holes, all drilled more than ten years ago, predominantly do not report silver.

**Cowtrail:** A 100% owned, 4,717-hectare, porphyry copper gold project located in southcentral BC contiguous with the Woodjam copper-gold porphyry project owned by Vizsla Copper Corp. (TSX-V: VCU). The Cowtrail project is under option to BRS Resources Ltd (CSE: BRS) who may earn a 60% interest by completing \$2,000,000 in exploration, making payments of \$200,000 cash and share issuances equivalent to \$200,000 by Dec 19, 2027. Reconnaissance drill testing of extensive induced polarization anomalies (vintage 1997, 2004 and 2006) define a vector of mineralization trending to the southwest beyond the area drilled. Prior drill intercepts include 0.15% copper and 0.12 g/t gold over 105.0 meters, 0.17% copper and 0.11 g/t gold over 40.0m and 1.16 g/t gold over 18.3m. Cowtrail is fully permitted.

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**2025 drill results from Cowtrail**

Hole id	From	To	Interval	Copper	Gold	CuEq	Assumptions
	(m)	(m)	(m)	(%)	(g/t)	(%)	Cu \$4.5
CT25-23	86.0	156.0	70.0	0.20	0.100	0.31	Au \$3,500
incl	86.0	106.0	20.0	0.26	0.140	0.41	Recov. Cu 80%
CT25-24	29.0	137.0	108.0	0.11	0.080	0.20	Recov. Au 75%
and	170.0	269.0	99.0	-	0.134	-	
incl	170.0	218.0	48.0	-	0.184	--	

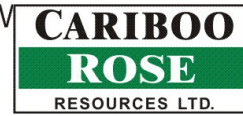
**Carruthers Pass:** A 100% owned, 3,895-hectare base and precious metal project that would include Greens Creek Alaska as an analog. Massive sulfide mineralization was discovered here by Freeport McMoRan Copper and Gold in 1997. In 2003 a 100% interest in the project was sold to Cariboo Rose via an earn-in completed in 2012 (subject to a 2½% royalty to Franco-Nevada Corporation). The property is located in northern BC south of the Kemess copper-gold mine. Of major significance to the project is a mineralized slab of rock estimated at weighing several hundred tons protruding from talus with a diamond drill intercept through it of 3.1 meters grading 6.2% copper, 5.8% zinc, 2.37 g/t gold and 192.0 g/t silver. The most recent work, completed in 2022, at a cost of approximately \$2.0 million, included a VTEM electromagnetic airborne survey and four diamond drill holes. Numerous geochemical and geophysical targets remain untested including some with highly anomalous cobalt values. A coincident Cu-Zn geochemical anomaly parallels the host stratigraphy for several kilometers. The project is fully permitted for drilling.

**Coquigold:** A 100% owned, 2,660-hectare, epithermal gold and silver project located in southern BC 10 kilometers north of Shovelnose Mountain (Westhaven Gold Corp. (TSX-V: WHN)). Central to Coquigold is an area where in 2008 the BC Geological Survey identified quartz sinter and several areas of chalcedonic volcanic and intrusive breccia. Subsequent bedrock sampling by Cariboo Rose returned up to 43.1 g/t silver, 559 ppm arsenic, 13,400 ppb mercury and 101ppm antimony. Soil sampling completed in 2022 identified four new epithermal targets based on anomalous concentrations of arsenic, antimony, silver and lead. In 2022 the project was optioned to CMP Mining Inc. (CSE: CMP) who may earn a 60% interest over a four-year term by making payments totaling \$230,000, issuing 300,000 shares and completing \$2,020,000 in exploration by Dec 22, 2028. Coquigold has an exploration permit to drill.

**CHG (Carbonate Hosted Gold):** A 100% owned, 4,760-hectare, carbonate hosted gold target subject to an option with Nexus Uranium Corp. (CSE: NEXU) , [formally Basin Uranium Corp] who may earn a 60% interest by making payments of \$220,000 and completing \$1,000,000 in exploration (additional to \$448,130 already spent) by Dec 28, 2028 and thereafter an additional 10% interest by completing a bankable feasibility study within 24 months. CHG is located in southern BC near the community of Clinton and is drained to the east by three creeks with very strong gold silt anomalies in a predominantly limestone terrane. A VTEM airborne electromagnetic survey was completed in 2021 and indicates a number of resistivity and magnetic anomalies. In 2023 Basin Uranium completed a seven-hole reverse

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circulation drill program in one target with none of the holes penetrating through the gravelly overburden. In March 2024 a single diamond drill hole was completed. This hole encountered overburden to 120 meters followed by a clay altered unit and sandstone to 139m where the hole was lost in a fault without encountering significant results. More drilling is planned.

**Koster Dam:** This epithermal precious metal project, 55% owned by Cariboo Rose and 45% by Discovery Energy Metals Corp. (CSE: DEMC), is located in southern British Columbia 5 kilometers north of the Blackdome Gold Silver Mine [in production from 1986 to 1991 during which time it produced 225,000 ounces of gold and 547,000 ounces of silver]. The target at Koster Dam is volcanic hosted gold related to the Fraser River Fault system similar to Blackdome. Recently, areas with greater than 3.0 g/t gold in silt and chalcedonic quartz in outcrop have been located. Airborne magnetic and LiDAR surveys were completed in 2021 and indicate a number of linear features. A program completed in 2023 guided by these linear features identified two new areas where gold mineralized float returned assays to 2.6 g/t gold. A 2024 program following up the 2023 work was completed in September 2024 yielding similar results creating a more cohesive cluster of mineralized rubble samples further focusing the target. Koster Dam is fully permitted for drilling.

**Pat:** The 100% owned Pat Copper Gold property located 65 kilometers east of the community of Williams Lake, BC, encompassing 474 hectares, covers the bullseye of the Patenaude Lake Airborne Magnetic Anomaly, first discovered and published by the Geological Survey of Canada in 1968. This feature, largely occurring in prospective Quesnel Terrane rocks, is similar in shape, size and strength to the magnetic anomaly that underpins the Mount Polley Mine (copper gold) 35 kilometers to the northwest. It is contiguous with the Woodjam porphyry copper gold project owned by Vizsla Copper Corp. Cariboo Rose Resources (formerly Wildrose Resources) has held claims on this feature since 2004 and has completed 7 diamond drill holes; none explaining the magnetic response. Drilling has encountered deep overburden with 3 of the 7 holes failing to reach bedrock and one reaching it only after penetrating 197 meters of overburden. One hole intersected narrow carbon rich intervals described as “coaly” in what is interpreted to be Eocene aged Kamloops Group rocks stratigraphically overlying the prospective Quesnel terrane lithologies. Extensive recent logging has greatly improved exploration logistics on this project.

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