



## **BUSINESS UPDATES – 2023**

**from ECPN Board Chairman Doug Sanders**

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I know that it's already February and that I haven't yet taken the opportunity to wish you all a Happy New Year — and I am anticipating that 2023 will be that... and more.

I receive many calls and emails from shareholders who are asking for “news” and updates. And, as I've always said and still maintain, I will not discuss or go into detail as to plans and schedules.

Having said that, I think it's appropriate to relieve shareholders' concerns and confirm that I actually do have a plan for the future of El Capitan.

As I've said in past Business Updates, getting our funding will trigger several actions that will move us forward. I thought I'd lay out, at least in a general way, a bullet-point list of my action items. It's unlikely that they will occur in this exact order, and many will occur simultaneously. Some of these action items will be performed by our joint venture partner while others, obviously, will be performed by El Capitan Precious Metals, Inc.

Here is a recap of our highest priorities once funding is secured:

- order mining equipment
- order Precious Metals recovery equipment
- locate a Precious Metals recovery site
- obtain D&O insurance
- appoint a Board of Directors
- get our stock trading again
- renew relationships with parties that will be involved in operations at our mine
- establish new relationships with parties necessary to operate our company
- update the 43-101 Report
- wade through and start cleaning up our Accounts Payable
- repay contributors who helped us keep the doors open
- set a date for a 2023 Shareholder Meeting
- update the El Capitan website

Rest assured that I am up to the tasks at hand and as anxious as all of you are to see El Capitan get into production. So much has been accomplished, behind the scenes, and I am anxious to share details at the appropriate time — and pull the trigger on decisions that will get us moving.

I will continue to report news and accomplishments over the weeks and months ahead. Until then: I'm committed to making 2023 the year that will be the tipping point in the life of El Capitan and a year we will all remember.

Your El Capitan,  
Doug

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