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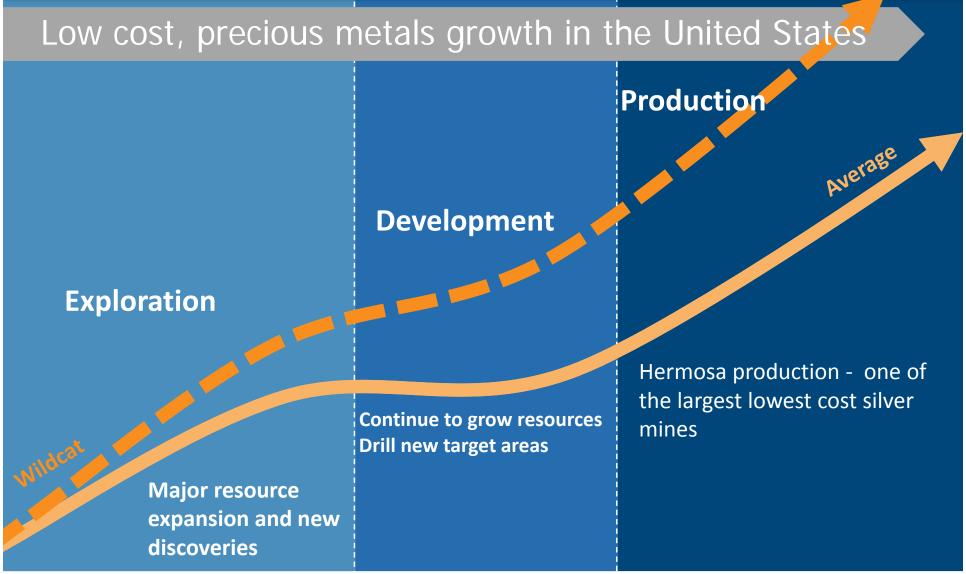
Vice President, Corporate Secretary

Solid track record of success

Company Strategy

Continuous focus on creating value





Core Project

80% owned Hermosa project



HERMOSA

- Large and growing silver deposit
- Robust economics
- Significant exploration upside
- Stable, low risk jurisdiction
- Near existing infrastructure
 - Power, water, highways, labour

Offers growth provides value and leverage



Challenges How We Solved Them....



See Challenges as Goals & Objectives

- Grow the deposit:
 - Make Hermosa a world class deposit
- Solve the Metallurgy:
 - Prove the process works
- Market the by-products:
 - Improve the economics of by-products

1. Growing the Deposit

How we did it



Use Smart People

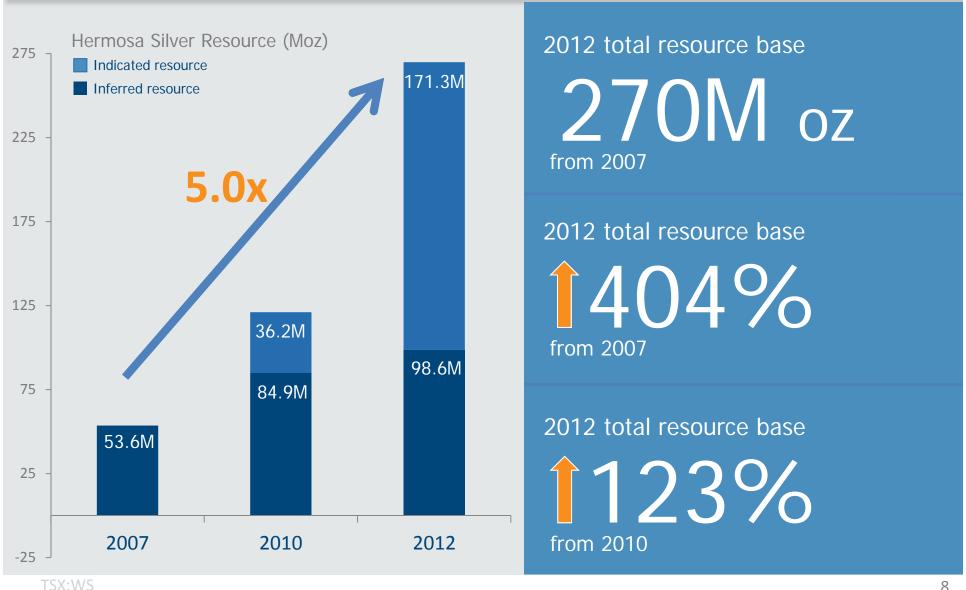
- Don Taylor
- Good Consultants

Exploration Drilling

- Good Drillers
- Great Management
- \$0.05/oz finding costs
- Inferred → Indicated → Measured → Reserves

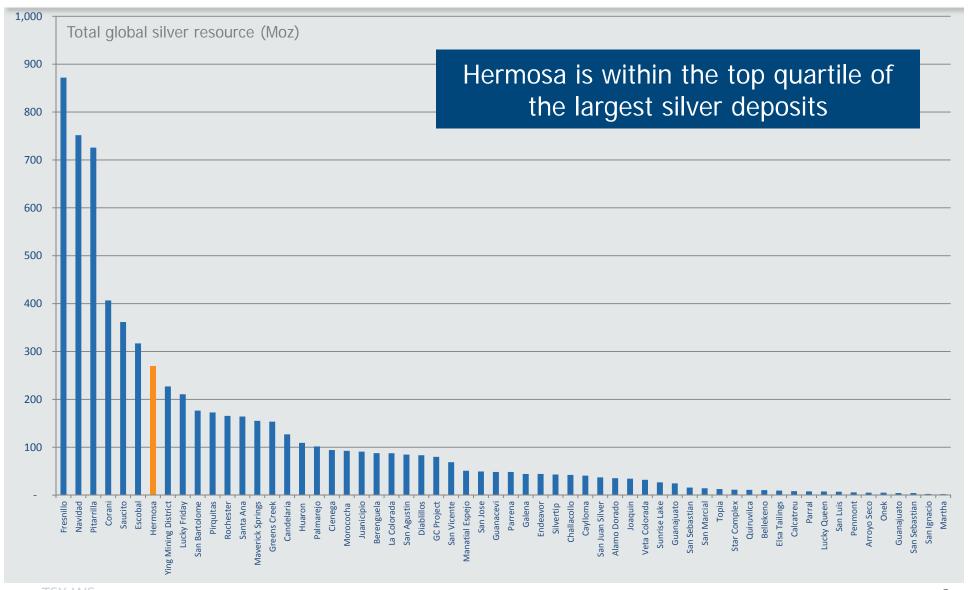
Large and Growing Silver Resource Base





Total resource comparison





Exploration Update



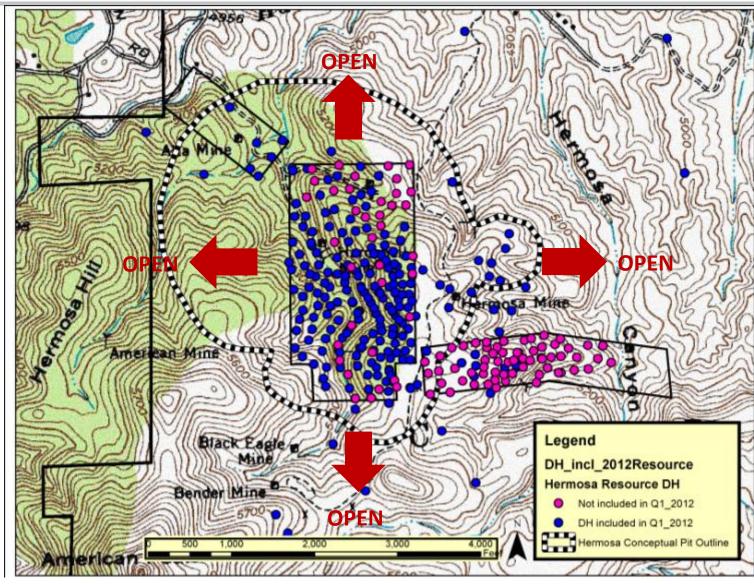
- Completed current program mid-March includes a total of 200 holes (55,000 metres)
- Current resource doubled in size, only includes approx. 54% of assays
- New resource reflecting all assays expected in third quarter of 2012
- Low silver discovery cost of approx. \$0.05/oz
- Manto Ore Zone open in all directions



Updated Resource in Q3 2012

Drill Hole Location Map





New Upper Silver Zone

93M oz and growing

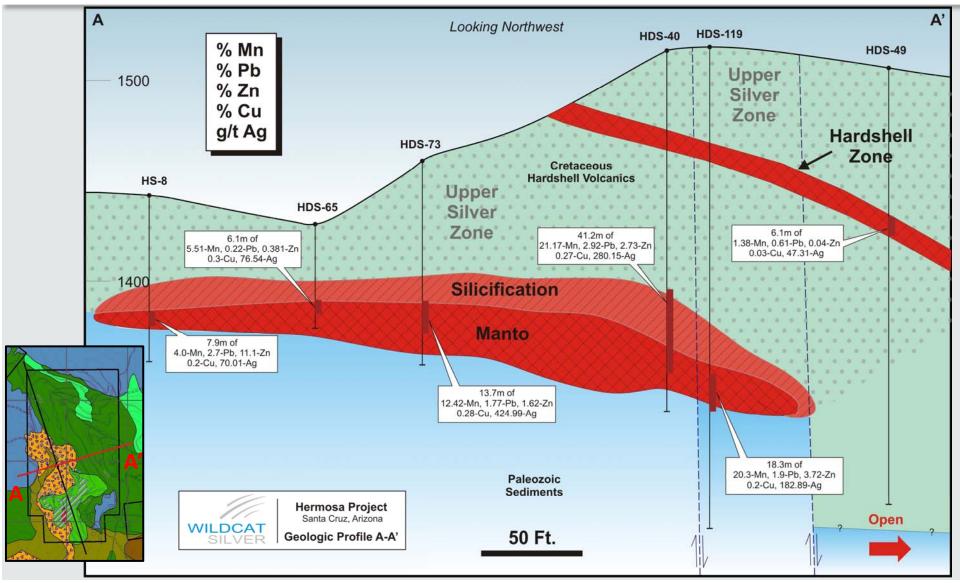


- Discovered <u>new</u> Upper Silver Zone open to the north, east and south for further expansion
- Silver-only zone amenable to standard cyanidation and Merrill Crowe recovery
- Lies above and adjacent to the Manto Ore Zone, located in the overlying volcanic rocks
- Drilling exhibits grades ranging from 3.5 g/t up to 175 g/t silver
- Preliminary metallurgical testing indicates recoveries are expected to average between 40-45% with direct cyanidation
- Further metallurgical optimizations currently underway
- Previously considered as overburden
- Minimal risk and low cost

Significant potential to positively impact project economics

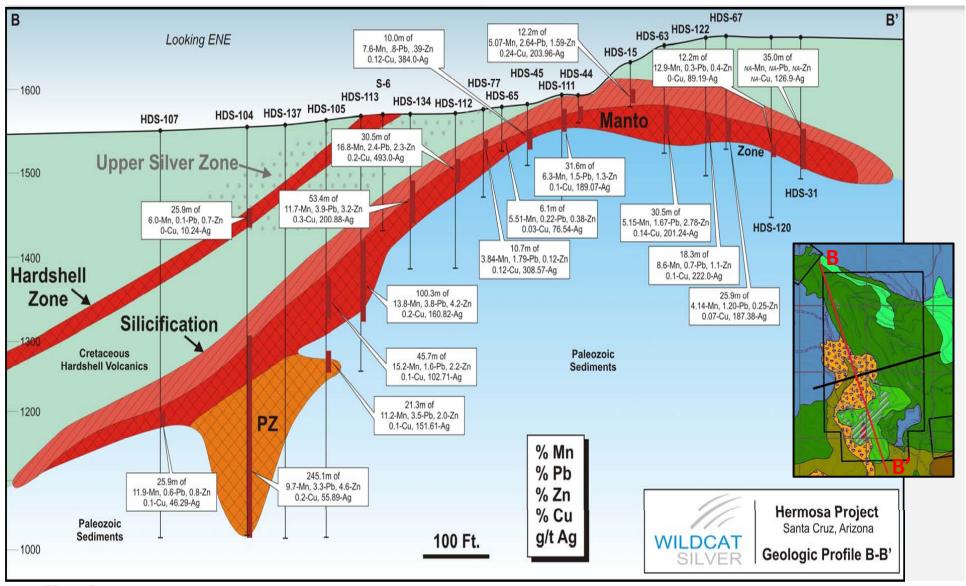
Hermosa Cross Section: A – A'





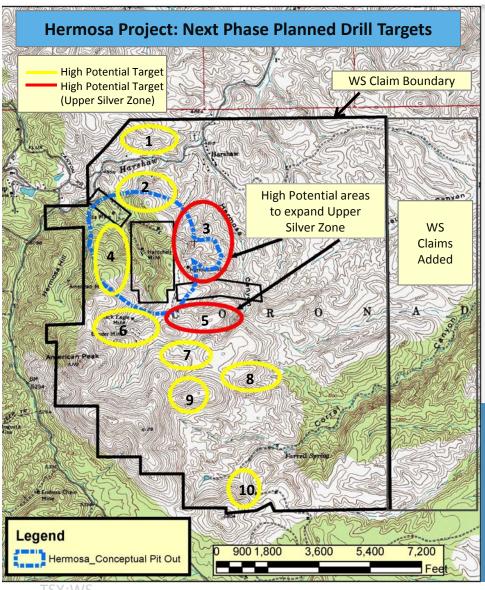
Cross sections: B - B'





Exploration Program and Plans





- Completed geophysical survey over entire claim block
- Identified ten new high potential targets
- Next phase exploration program designed to include 132 holes to test new targets
- Drill permitting underway for expanded drilling program

Ten new targets –

132 hole drill program

planned

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2. Solving the Metallurgy





Cryptomelane Mineralization

- Silver is bound up in the mineral structure with other metals
- Requires a new way of applying old and proven processes

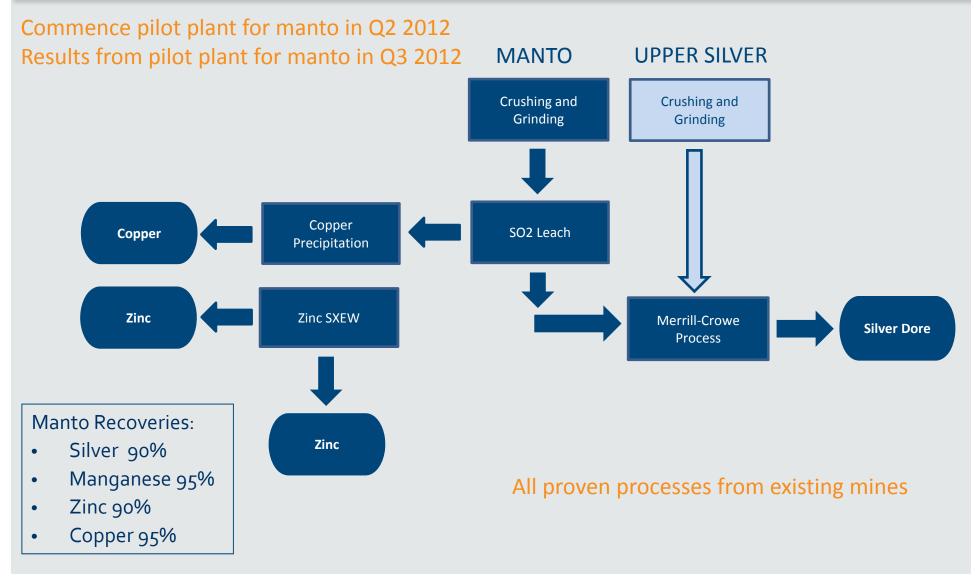
Use Smart People

- Bill Pennstrom
- Hazen
- RDI
- Keep it Simple
- Keep it Economic

Metallurgy Solved

Hermosa Processing Flow Sheet



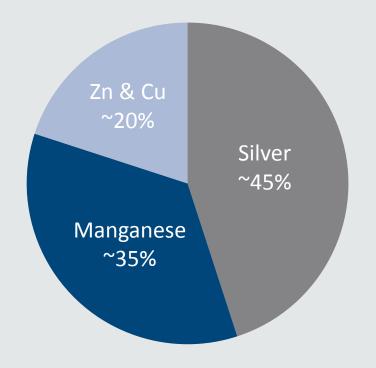


3. By-Product Marketing

Improving the economics



Metal Composition of Revenues



- Silver is the primary metal
- Manganese is the largest by-product
- Other metals include zinc and copper

The key is to understand:

- where these metals are sold
- how they are sold
- how best to sell them

Metal Markets

Where & How



Silver

- Strong industrial demand electronics
- Strong monetary demand
- Traded every day on several exchanges
- Prices posted all day, every business day

Zinc and Copper

- Strong Industrial Demand
- Exchange Traded
- Can be pre-sold to finance construction

All easily understood and easily traded with transparent pricing

Understanding Manganese

Wildcat's largest by-product metal



- Sold on contract or with traders
- Pricing is not as transparent
- Demand is related to Steel
- Use Smart People
 - Consultants
 - Partners
 - Charles Magolske

Manganese Markets Solved



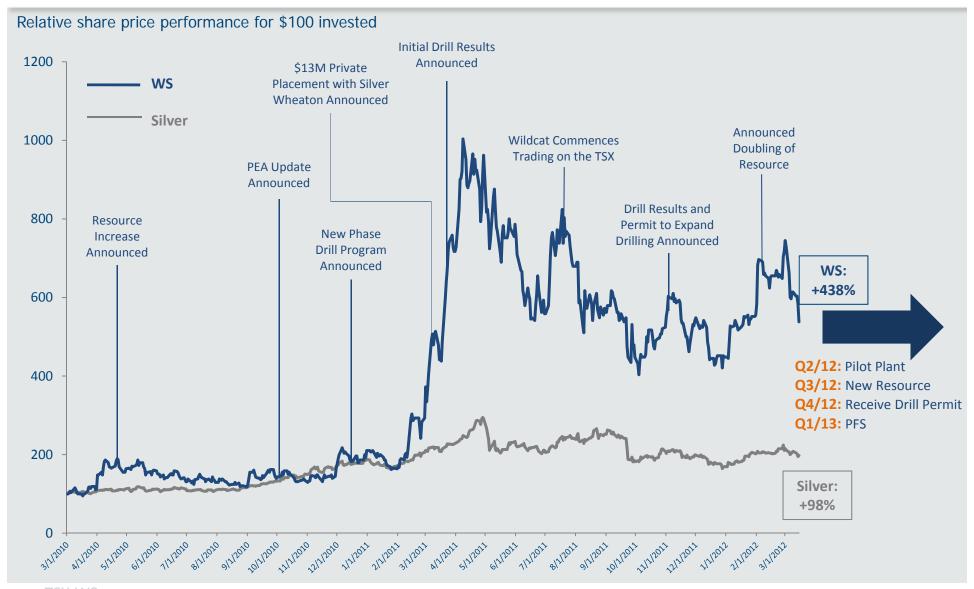
We found:

- A large market tied to the international steel business
- Chinese dominance in EMM
- A large ore market we could serve
- Zero Production in North America
- Lots of opportunity for a low cost producer in a stable jurisdiction!

Large market ready for our products previously unknown to most of North America

Relative share price performance





Milestones & Objectives

Changing Challenges into Achievements



Expanded Drilling Program	
Doubled Total Resource	
Completed geophysical survey over total property	
Identified new drill targets on full claim block	
Execute pilot plant	Q2-Q3 2012
Deliver updated resource	Q3 2012
Complete pre-feasibility study	Q1 2013



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