#### UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

# **FORM 10-K/A**

(Amendment No. 1)

# (Mark One)

ANNUAL REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(D) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED December 31, 2021

□ TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(D) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

FOR THE TRANSITION PERIOD OF \_\_\_\_\_ TO \_\_\_\_\_

Commission File Number: 001-33905

# **UR-ENERGY INC.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Canada

State or other jurisdiction of incorporation or organization

Not Applicable

(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

10758 West Centennial Road, Suite 200 Littleton, Colorado 80127

(Address of principal executive offices, including zip code)

Registrant's telephone number, including area code: 720-981-4588

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

Title of each class Common Shares, no par value Trading Symbol URG (NYSE American); URE (TSX) Name of each exchange on which registered

NYSE American; TSX

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(g) of the Act: None

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is a well-known seasoned issuer, as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act Yes 🗆 No 🗵

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is not required to file reports pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of the Exchange Act. Yes 🗆 No 🗵

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days. Yes  $\boxtimes$  No  $\square$ 

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically every Interactive Data File required to be submitted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T (\$232.405 of this chapter) during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit such files). Yes  $\boxtimes$  No  $\square$ 

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, a smaller reporting company, or an emerging growth company. See the definitions of "large accelerated filer," "accelerated filer," "smaller reporting company," and "emerging growth company" in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act.

Large accelerated filer		Smaller reporting company	X
Accelerated filer		Emerging growth company	
Non-accelerated Filer	X		

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has filed a report on and attestation to its management's assessment of the effectiveness of its internal control over financial reporting under Section 404(b) of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act (15 U.S.C. 7262(b)) by the registered public accounting firm that prepared or issued its audit report.  $\Box$ 

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Exchange Act). Yes 🗆 No 🗵

As of March 3, 2022, there were 217,193,664 shares of the registrant's no par value common shares ("Common Shares"), the registrant's only outstanding class of voting securities, outstanding. As of June 30, 2021, the aggregate market value of the registrant's voting Common Shares held by non-affiliates of the registrant was approximately \$243.3 million based upon the closing sale price of the Common Shares as reported by the NYSE American. For the purpose of this calculation, the registrant has assumed that its affiliates as of June 30, 2021, including all affiliates, directors and officers collectively held approximately 21.0 million of its outstanding Common Shares.

## DOCUMENTS INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE

Certain information required for Items 10, 11, 12, 13 and 14 of Part III of this Annual Report on Form 10-K is incorporated by reference to the registrant's definitive proxy statement for the 2022 Annual Meeting of Shareholders.

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#### **Explanatory Note**

This Amendment No. 1 on Form 10-K/A ("Amendment No. 1") amends Ur-Energy Inc.'s ("Ur-Energy" or the "Company") Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2021 filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "SEC") on March 9, 2022 (the "Original Filing"). The Original Filing is amended by this Amendment No. 1 solely to (i) revise Part 1, Items 1 and 2 to include a revised map to more clearly show the location of the Lost Creek Property and a map showing the location of the properties held at Shirley Basin; and (ii) file an amended version of the Technical Report Summary on the Lost Creek ISR Uranium Property, Sweetwater County, Wyoming, USA (which is filed herewith as Exhibit 96.1) and Technical Report Summary on the Shirley Basin ISR Uranium Property, Carbon County, Wyoming, USA (which is filed herewith as Exhibit 96.2), both of which supersede their respective previously filed reports (and to make conforming edits in Items 1 and 2 to reflect the changes in the amended reports).

Both Exhibits 96.1 and 96.2 are amended to add clarifying edits, primarily in Chapter 16 of each report, with respect to the annual average pricing projections which are utilized in the cashflow and economic analysis for each report. Exhibit 96.2 (the Shirley Basin Report) is also amended to include a post-tax analysis consistent with the approach taken on the Lost Creek Report; specifically, to include annual and project-total post-tax data (state and federal income taxes) and the effects of taxes on annual cash flow, net present values, internal rates of return and related sensitivities.

Except as otherwise expressly noted above, this Amendment No. 1 does not amend, update or change any other disclosures in the Original Filing. In addition, the information in this Amendment No. 1 does not modify or update in any way (i) the consolidated financial position, the results of operations or cash flows of the Company, or (ii) the disclosures in or exhibits to the Original Filing (other than those exhibits filed hereby); nor does it reflect events occurring after the filing of the Original Filing, including without limitation, forward-looking statements made in the Original Filing have not been revised to reflect events that occurred or facts that became known to us after the filing of the Original Filing, and such forward-looking statements should be read in their historical context. This Amendment No. 1 should be read in conjunction with the Original Filing and any subsequent filings with the SEC.

When we use the terms "Ur-Energy," "we," "us," "our," or the "Company," we are referring to Ur-Energy Inc. and its subsidiaries, unless the context otherwise requires.

# Items 1 and 2. BUSINESS AND PROPERTIES

#### **Overview and Corporate Structure**

Incorporated on March 22, 2004, we are engaged in uranium mining, recovery and processing activities, including the acquisition, exploration, development and operation of uranium mineral properties in the U.S. Through our Wyoming operating subsidiary, Lost Creek ISR, LLC, we began operation of our first in situ recovery uranium mine at our Lost Creek Project in 2013. Ur-Energy is a corporation continued under the *Canada Business Corporations Act* on August 8, 2006. Our Common Shares are listed on the NYSE American under the symbol "URG" and on the TSX under the symbol "URE."

Due to persistent low uranium prices, we have limited our production operations since the third quarter of 2020. During 2021, we captured 251 pounds of  $U_{08}$  at our Lost Creek plant. Our last sale of produced inventory was made in 2019 Q2. All of our sales made in 2020 were of purchased inventory. We made no sales of  $U_{308}$  in 2021.

We are an "exploration stage issuer," as that term is defined under S-K 1300, because we have not established proven or probable mineral reserves through the completion of a pre-feasibility or feasibility study for any of our uranium projects. As a result, and even though we commenced recovery of uranium at our Lost Creek Project in 2013, we remain classified as an exploration stage issuer, as defined in S-K 1300, and will continue to remain an exploration stage issuer until such time as proven or probable mineral reserves have been established.

We are engaged in uranium recovery and processing operations, in addition to the exploration for and development of uranium mineral properties. Uranium fuels carbon-free, emission-free nuclear power which is a clean, cost-effective, and reliable form of electrical power. Nuclear power is estimated to provide more than 50 percent of the carbon-free electricity in the U.S. and approximately one-third of carbon-free electricity worldwide. As a uranium producer, we are advancing the interests of clean energy, thereby contributing in positive ways to address the challenges of global climate change.

Ur-Energy has one direct wholly owned subsidiary: Ur-Energy USA Inc. ("Ur-Energy USA"), a company incorporated under the laws of the State of Colorado. It has offices in Colorado and Wyoming and has employees in both states.

Ur-Energy USA has three wholly-owned subsidiaries: Lost Creek ISR, LLC, a limited liability company formed under the laws of the State of Wyoming to hold and operate our Lost Creek Project and certain other of our Lost Creek properties and assets; NFU Wyoming, LLC ("NFU Wyoming"), a limited liability company formed under the laws of the State of Wyoming which acts as our land holding and exploration entity; and Pathfinder Mines Corporation ("Pathfinder"), a company incorporated under the laws of the State of Delaware, which holds, among other assets, the Shirley Basin and Lucky Mc properties in Wyoming. Lost Creek ISR, LLC employs personnel at the Lost Creek Project.

Currently, and at December 31, 2021, our principal direct and indirect subsidiaries, and affiliated entities, and the jurisdictions in which they were incorporated or organized, are as follows:



Our wholly owned Lost Creek Project in Sweetwater County, Wyoming is our flagship property. The project has been fully permitted and licensed since October 2012. We received operational approval from the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission ("NRC") and started production operation activities in August 2013. Our first sales of Lost Creek production were made in December 2013.

From commencement of operations until 2020, we had multiple term uranium sales agreements in place with U.S. utilities for the sale of Lost Creek production or other yellowcake product at contracted pricing. We completed our sales contracts in 2020 when we sold 200,000 pounds of Uranium Oxide (" $U_3O_8$ "), at an average price of approximately \$42 per pound. Between 2017 and 2020, we took advantage of low market prices to enter into purchase agreements to acquire  $U_3O_8$  at market prices for delivery into our contractual commitments.

Our other material asset, Shirley Basin, is one of the assets we acquired as a part of the Pathfinder acquisition in 2013. We also acquired all the historic geologic and engineering data for the project. During 2014, we completed a drill program of a limited number of confirmatory holes to complete an NI 43-101 mineral resource estimate which was released in August 2014; subsequently, an NI 43-101 Preliminary Economic Assessment for Shirley Basin was completed in January 2015. Baseline studies necessary for the permitting and licensing of the project commenced in 2014 and were completed in 2015.

In December 2015, our applications for a permit and license to mine at Shirley Basin was submitted to the State of Wyoming Department of Environmental Quality ("WDEQ"). Wyoming Uranium Recovery Program ("URP") issued our source material license and the Land Quality Division ("LQD") issued the permit to mine for Shirley Basin in 2021 Q2. We received approval from the BLM in 2020. Therefore, all major authorizations to construct and operate at Shirley Basin have now been received. Work is well underway on initial engineering evaluations, designs and studies.

We utilize in situ recovery ("ISR") of the uranium at Lost Creek and will do so at other projects where this is possible. The ISR technique is employed in uranium extraction because it allows for a lower cost and effective recovery of roll front mineralization. The ISR technique does not require the installation of tailings facilities or significant surface disturbance. This mining method utilizes injection wells to introduce a mining solution, called lixiviant, into the mineralized zone. The lixiviant is made of natural groundwater fortified with oxygen as an oxidizer, sodium bicarbonate as a complexing agent, and carbon dioxide for pH control. The complexing agent bonds with the uranium to form uranyl carbonate, which is highly soluble. The dissolved uranyl carbonate is then recovered through a series of production wells and piped to a processing plant where the uranyl carbonate is removed from the solution using ion exchange ("IX") and captured on resin contained within the IX columns. The groundwater is re-fortified with the oxidizer and complexing agent and sent back to the wellfield to recover additional uranium. A small volume of water, called bleed, is permanently removed from the lixiviant flow to create an inward groundwater gradient. A reverse osmosis ("RO") process is available to minimize the wastewater stream generated. Brine from the RO process, if used, and bleed are disposed of by means of injection into deep disposal wells. Each wellfield is made up of dozens of injection and production wells installed in patterns to optimize the areal sweep of fluid through the uranium deposit.

Our Lost Creek processing facility includes all circuits for the capture, concentration, drying and packaging of uranium yellowcake for delivery into sales. Our processing facility, in addition to the IX circuit, includes dual processing trains with separate elution, precipitation, filter press and drying circuits (this contrasts with certain other uranium in situ recovery facilities which operate as a capture plant only, and rely on agreements with other producers for the finishing, drying and packaging of their yellowcake end-product). Additionally, a restoration circuit including an RO unit was installed during initial construction to complete groundwater restoration once mining is complete.

We have made great strides in reducing water consumption through the implementation of a Class V treatment system that includes water treatment and injection of the clean water into a shallow formation where it can be accessed by future generations. Since implementation of the Class V system, the generation of wastewater during production has been reduced by 18 percent. To further reduce water consumption and enhance IX effectiveness, a pre-IX filtration and wastewater treatment facility is being contemplated and lab tested. The system, as envisioned, will allow for more effective use of current and future deep disposal wells working in conjunction with the Class V water recycling system while preserving precious water resources. Our goal is to reduce wastewater generation by at least 70 percent.

The elution circuit (the first step after IX) is utilized to transfer the uranium from the IX resin and concentrate it to the point where it is ready for the next phase of processing. The resulting rich eluate is an aqueous solution containing uranyl carbonate, salt and sodium carbonate and/or sodium bicarbonate. The precipitation circuit follows the elution circuit and removes the carbonate from the concentrated uranium solution and combines the uranium with peroxide to create a yellowcake crystal slurry. Filtration and washing is the next step, in which the slurry is loaded into a filter press where excess contaminants such as chloride are removed and a large portion of the water is removed. The final stage occurs when the dewatered slurry is moved to a yellowcake dryer, which further reduces the moisture content, yielding the final dried, product. Refined, salable yellowcake is packaged in 55-gallon steel drums.

The restoration circuit may be utilized in the production as well as the post-mining phases of the operation. The RO is being utilized as a part of our Class V recycling circuit to minimize the wastewater stream generated during production. Once production is complete, the groundwater must be restored to its pre-mining class of use or better. The first step of restoration involves removing a small portion of the groundwater and disposing of it (commonly known as groundwater sweep). Following sweep, the groundwater is treated utilizing RO and re-injecting the clean water. Finally, the groundwater is homogenized and sampled to ensure the cleanup is complete, concluding the mining process.

Our Lost Creek processing plant was constructed beginning in 2012, with production operations commencing in August 2013. Following receipt of amendments to our source material license in 2021, the licensed capacity of our Lost Creek processing plant allows for up to 2.2 million pounds  $U_3O_8$  per year, of which approximately 1.2 million pounds  $U_3O_8$  per year may be produced from our wellfields. The Lost Creek plant and the allocation of resources to mine units and resource areas were designed to generate approximately one million pounds of production per year at certain flow rates and uranium concentrations subject to regulatory and license conditions. The excess capacity in the design of the processing circuits of the plant is intended, first, to facilitate routine (and, non-routine) maintenance on any particular circuit without hindering production operational schedules. The capacity was also designed to permit us to process uranium from other mineral projects in proximity to Lost Creek if circumstances warrant in the future (*e.g.*, Shirley Basin Project) or, alternatively, to be able to contract to toll mill/process product from other in situ uranium mine sites in the region. The design permits us to conduct either of these activities while Lost Creek is producing and processing uranium and/or in years following Lost Creek production from wellfields during final restoration activities.

The Lost Creek facility includes all circuits for the production, drying and packaging of uranium yellowcake for delivery into sales. We currently expect that the Lost Creek processing facility will be utilized for the drying and packaging of uranium from Shirley Basin, for which we anticipate the need only for a satellite plant. However, the Shirley Basin license and permit allows for the construction of a full processing facility, providing greater construction and operating flexibility as may be dictated by market conditions.

# **Our Mineral Properties**

Below is a map showing our Wyoming projects and the geologic basins in which they are located.



Our current land portfolio in Wyoming includes 12 projects. Ten of these projects are in the Great Divide Basin ("GDB"), Wyoming, including our flagship project, Lost Creek Project. We control nearly 1,800 unpatented mining claims and three State of Wyoming mineral leases for a total of approximately 35,400 acres at our Lost Creek Property, including the Lost Creek permit area (the "Lost Creek Project" or "Lost Creek") and certain adjoining projects which we refer to as LC East, LC West, LC North, LC South and EN project areas (collectively, with the Lost Creek Project, the "Lost Creek Property"). Five of the projects at the Lost Creek Property contain reported mineral resources: Lost Creek, LC East, LC West, LC North.

Our Wyoming properties together total approximately 48,000 acres and include our Shirley Basin Project. Other non-material exploration stage projects are located in the GDB and the Lucky Mc Project is in the Gas Hills Uranium District, Wyoming. The Lost Creek Property and the Shirley Basin Project are the only two mineral properties that we deem to be individually material at this time.

Our mineral resources reported pursuant to S-K 1300 for our material properties at our Lost Creek Property and Shirley Basin Project are summarized here and discussed below at "Lost Creek ISR Uranium Property S-K 1300 Report" and "Shirley Basin ISR Uranium Project S-K 1300 Report." Variable pricing for each, based upon projections of market analysts and assumptions for operations at each property are as shown, and set forth in the respective S-K 1300 Initial Assessments for each.



		Measured			Indicated			Inferred		
Project	Avg Grade % eU <sub>3</sub> O <sub>8</sub>	Short Tons (X 1000)	Pounds (X 1000)	Avg Grade % eU <sub>3</sub> O <sub>8</sub>	Short Tons (X 1000)	Pounds (X 1000)	Avg Grade % eU <sub>3</sub> O <sub>8</sub>	Short Tons (X 1000)	Pounds (X 1000)	Assumed Pricing
Wyoming Uranium Projects										
Lost Creek Property (after production as set forth herein)	0.048	7,115	6,887	0.046	5,523	5,027	0.044	7,512	6,607	Variable: \$50.80 to \$66.04
Shirley Basin Project	0.275	1,367	7,521	0.118	549	1,295	-	-	-	Variable: \$63.04 to \$66.04
		MEAS	URED + INDIC	ATED =	14,554	20,730	INFE	RRED =	6,607	

Notes: (please also see notes related to each of the mineral resource summary tables below, for the Lost Creek Property and the Shirley Basin Project)

- 1. Sum of Measured and Indicated tons and pounds may not add to the reported total due to rounding.
- 2. Table shows resources based on grade cutoff of 0.02 % eU3O8 and a grade x thickness cutoff of 0.20 GT.
- 3. Mineral processing tests have been conducted historically and by the Company and indicate that recovery should be at or about 80%, which is consistent with industry standards. Recovery at Lost Creek to date has exceeded the industry standard of 80%.
- 4. Measured, Indicated, and Inferred (where estimated) Mineral Resources as defined in S-K 1300.
- 5. Resources are reported through December 31, 2021.
- 6. All reported resources occur below the static water table at Lost Creek and below the historical, pre-mining static water table at Shirley Basin.
- 2.735 million lbs. of U3O8 have been produced from the Lost Creek Project HJ Horizon as of December 31, 2021.
- 8. Mineral resources that are not mineral reserves do not have demonstrated economic viability.

Mineralization at our uranium properties in Wyoming typically occurs at depth and does not outcrop. Therefore, investigation of the mineralization is accomplished by drilling and related sampling and logging procedures. We maintain standards to routinely calibrate our logging tools (and require similar standards of our logging contractors), as well as utilizing established quality control procedures for sample collection, and detailed logging of drill cuttings by Company geologists to gain an understanding of redox conditions within host sandstones. The security and controls over the preparation of samples and analytical procedures data is typical among U.S. uranium industry professionals. In turn, the controls inherent in the calculation of mineral resources once the data is obtained and analyzed are recognized professional standards, and our methods have routinely been assessed and verified by third party qualified professionals through the preparation of our technical reports.

# Lost Creek Property - Great Divide Basin, Wyoming

We acquired the Lost Creek Project area in 2005. Lost Creek is located in the GDB, Wyoming. The permit area of the Lost Creek Project covers 4,254 acres (1,722 hectares), comprising 201 lode mining claims and one State of Wyoming mineral lease section. Regional access relies almost exclusively on existing public roads and highways. The local and regional transportation network consists of primary, secondary, local and unimproved roads. Direct access to Lost Creek is mainly on two crown-and-ditched gravel paved access roads to the processing plant. One road enters from the west from Sweetwater County Road 23N (Wamsutter-Crooks Gap Road); the other enters from the east off of U.S. Bureau of Land Management ("BLM") Sooner Road.

On a wider basis, from population centers, the Lost Creek property area is served by an Interstate Highway (Interstate 80), a US Highway (US 287), Wyoming state routes (SR 220 and 73 to Bairoil), local county roads, and BLM roads. The nearest airport to the Project is Casper-Natrona County International Airport located just north and west of Casper. Both Laramie and Rawlins also have smaller regional airports.



The basic infrastructure (power, water, and transportation) necessary to support our ISR operation is located within reasonable proximity. Generally, the proximity of Lost Creek to paved roads is beneficial with respect to transportation of equipment, supplies, personnel and product to and from the property. Existing regional overhead electrical service is aligned in a north-to-south direction along the western boundary of the Lost Creek Project. An overhead power line, approximately two miles in length, was constructed to bring power from the existing Pacific Power line to the Lost Creek plant. Power drops have been made to the property and distributed to the plant, offices, wellfields, and other facilities. Additional power drops will be installed as we continue to expand the wellfield operations.

The Lost Creek Property is located as shown here:



# Production Operations

Following receipt of the final regulatory authorization in October 2012, we commenced construction at Lost Creek. Construction included the plant facility and office building, installation of all process equipment, installation of two access roads, additional power lines and drop lines, deep disposal wells, construction of two holding ponds, warehouse building, and drill shed building. In August 2013 we received operational approval from the NRC and commenced production operations. See also discussion of the operational methods used at Lost Creek, above, under "Business and Properties."

All the wells to support the originally planned 13 header houses ("HHs") in Mine Unit 1 ("MU1") have been completed and have operated, as have the first three HHs in Mine Unit 2 ("MU2"). The first HHs in MU2 have been producing since 2017. Since 2020 Q3 we have maintained reduced production operations at Lost Creek. During 2021, 251 pounds U<sub>3</sub>O<sub>8</sub> were captured in the Lost Creek plant. We did not dry and package product during 2021.



The production at Lost Creek, for the past three years is set forth here:

	2021	2020	2019
Pounds U <sub>3</sub> O <sub>8</sub> Captured	251	10,789	47,957

# Lost Creek ISR Uranium Property S-K 1300 Report

Contemporaneous with this annual report on Form 10-K/A, we are filing an amended Initial Assessment Technical Report Summary on the Lost Creek Property ISR Uranium Sweetwater County, Wyoming (the "Lost Creek Report") (as amended, September 19, 2022). The Lost Creek Report was prepared by WWC Engineering.

For the Lost Creek Report to accurately reflect existing mineral resources, all mineral resources produced through December 31, 2021 (2.735 million pounds) were subtracted from earlier totals of Measured Resources at Lost Creek where recovery has occurred to date.

There is no material change in mineral resources estimated on a year-over-year basis, as we have conducted no drilling or exploration reflected in the newest resources and we remain on reduced production operations, with minimal production to be reconciled to the reconciled figure presented as of December 31, 2020. The Lost Creek Report discloses changes for the Lost Creek Property in the form of updated mineral resource estimates, production operations, and operational and development costs to December 31, 2021. The Lost Creek Report does not consider any data from the ongoing development and construction program in MU2 at Lost Creek, as those drilling results from late Q4 have not been analyzed at this time. The Lost Creek Report supersedes and replaces the last NI 43-101 preliminary economic analysis for the Lost Creek Property (as amended February 8, 2016).

## The mineral resources at the Lost Creek Property reported in the Lost Creek Report are as follows:

Lost Creek Property	y - Resource Summary (December 31, 2021)	
Measured	Indicated	

	Measured				Indicated		Inferred			
Project	Avg Grade % eU <sub>3</sub> O <sub>8</sub>	Short Tons (X 1000)	Pounds (X 1000)	Avg Grade % eU <sub>3</sub> O <sub>8</sub>	Short Tons (X 1000)	Pounds (X 1000)	Avg Grade % eU <sub>3</sub> O <sub>8</sub>	Short Tons (X 1000)	Pounds (X 1000)	
LOST CREEK	0.048	8,572	8,173	0.048	3,412	3,295	0.046	3,261	3,013	
Production through 12/31/2021	0.048	-2,849	-2,735							
LC EAST	0.052	1,392	1,449	0.041	1,891	1,567	0.042	2,954	2,484	
LC NORTH	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.045	644	580	
LC SOUTH	-	-	-	0.037	220	165	0.039	637	496	
LC WEST	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.109	16	34	
EN	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
GRAND TOTAL	0.048	7,115	6,887	0.046	5,523	5,027	0.044	7,512	6,607	
			MEASURED + I	INDICATED =	12,638	11,914				

Notes:

- 1. Sum of Measured and Indicated tons and pounds may not add to the reported total due to rounding.
- % eU308 is a measure of gamma intensity from a decay product of uranium and is not a direct measurement of uranium. Numerous comparisons of eU308 and chemical assays of Lost Creek rock samples, as well as PFN logging, indicate that eU308 is a reasonable indicator of the chemical concentration of uranium.
  Table shows resources based on grade cutoff of 0.02 % eU308 and a grade x thickness cutoff of 0.20 GT.
- 4. Mineral processing tests have been conducted historically and by the Company and indicate that recovery should be at or about 80%, which is consistent with industry standards. Recovery at Lost Creek to date has exceeded the industry standard of 80%.
- 5. Measured, Indicated, and Inferred Mineral Resources as defined in S-K 1300.
- 6. Resources are reported through December 31, 2021.
- 7. All reported resources occur below the static water table.
- 8. 2.735 million lbs. of U3O8 have been produced from the Lost Creek Project HJ Horizon as of December 31, 2021.
- 9. Mineral resources that are not mineral reserves do not have demonstrated economic viability.
- 10. The point of reference for resources is in situ at the Property.

Information shown in the table above may differ from the disclosure requirements of the Canadian Securities Administrators. See *Cautionary Note to Investors Concerning Disclosure of Mineral Resources*, above.

The economic analysis upon which the mineral resources were evaluated assumes a variable price per pound  $U_3O_8$  over the life of the Lost Creek Property, as known today and discussed in the Lost Creek Report. The projected pricing for anticipated sales ranges from \$50.80 to \$66.04 per pound  $U_3O_8$ . The sale price for the produced uranium is based on consensus using an annual average of the projections of long-term pricing made by expert market analysts. We do not have current sales agreements related to production at Lost Creek.

The Lost Creek Property includes six individual contiguous Projects: Lost Creek Project, LC East Project, LC West Project, LC North Project, LC South Project and EN Project. The fully-licensed and operating Lost Creek Project is considered the core project while the others are collectively referred to as the Adjoining Projects in the Lost Creek Report. The Adjoining Projects were acquired by the Company as exploration targets to provide resources supplemental to those recognized at the Lost Creek Project. Most were initially viewed as stand-alone projects but expanded over time such that, collectively, they represent a contiguous block of land along with the Lost Creek Project.

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The Main Mineral Trend of the Lost Creek uranium deposit (the "MMT") is located within the Lost Creek Project. The East Mineral Trend (the "EMT") is a second mineral trend of significance, in addition to the MMT, identified by historic drilling on the lands forming LC East. Although geologically similar, it appears to be a separate, but closely related, trend from the MMT.

The Lost Creek Report mineral resource estimate includes drill data and analyses of approximately 3,400 historic and current holes and over 1.95 million feet of drilling at the Lost Creek Project alone. With the acquisition of the Lost Creek Project, we acquired logs and analyses from 562 historic holes representing approximately 360,000 feet of data. Since our acquisition of the project, 2,826 holes and wells have been drilled at Lost Creek. Additionally, drilling from the Adjoining Projects, both historical and our drill programs, is included in the mineral resource estimate. This represents ~2,300 additional drill holes (1.3 million feet).

# Regulatory Authorizations and Land Title of Lost Creek

Beginning in 2007, we completed all necessary applications and related processes to obtain the required permitting and licenses for the Lost Creek Project, of which the three most significant are a Source and Byproduct Materials License from the NRC (August 2011); a Plan of Operations with the BLM (Record of Decision ("ROD"))(October 2012); and a Permit and License to Mine from the WDEQ (October 2011)("WDEQ Permit"). The WDEQ Permit includes the approval of MU1, as well as the Wildlife Management Plan, including a positive determination of the protective measures at the project for the greater sage-grouse species.

Potential risks to the accessibility of the estimated mineral resource may include changes in the designation of the greater sage-grouse (sage grouse) as an endangered species by the USFWS because the Lost Creek Property lies within a sage grouse core area as defined by the state of Wyoming. In 2015, the USFWS issued its finding that the greater sage grouse does not warrant protection under the Endangered Species Act (ESA). The USFWS reached this determination after evaluating the species' population status, along with the collective efforts by the BLM and U.S. Forest Service, state agencies, private landowners and other partners to conserve its habitat.

After a thorough analysis of the best available scientific information and considering ongoing key conservation efforts and their projected benefits, the USFWS determined the species does not face the risk of extinction in the foreseeable future and therefore does not need protection under the ESA. Should future decisions vary, or state or federal agencies alter their management of the species, there could potentially be an impact on future expansion operations. However, the Company continues to work closely with the Wyoming Game and Fish Department ("WGFD") and the BLM to mitigate impacts to the sage grouse. Long-term monitoring of sage grouse populations has shown that the "affected" populations at Lost Creek are on a parallel trend with "reference" populations located beyond the potential influence of the project. Trends vary considerably based on a variety of environmental factors including, most importantly, annual moisture.

The State of Wyoming has developed a "core-area strategy" to help protect the sage grouse within certain core areas of the state. The Lost Creek property is within a designated core area and is thus subject to work activity restrictions from March 1 to July 15 of each year. The timing restriction precludes exploration drilling and other non-operational based activities which may disturb the sage grouse. The sage grouse timing restrictions relevant to ISR production and operational activities at Lost Creek are somewhat different because the State has recognized that mining projects within core areas must be allowed to operate year-round. As a result, there are no calendar restrictions on operational activities in pre-approved disturbed areas within our permit to mine. In a related regulatory process, the BLM prepared and issued environmental impact statements for, and issued amendments to, Resource Management Plans ("RMPs"), related to the sage grouse, which have subsequently been amended from time to time and are undergoing further review currently.

Additional authorizations from federal, state and local agencies for the Lost Creek project include: WDEQ-Air Quality Division Air Quality Permit and WDEQ-Water Quality Division Class I Underground Injection Control ("UIC") Permit. Following the plugging of one of our deep disposal wells in 2019, the UIC permit allows Lost Creek to operate up to four Class I injection wells to meet the anticipated disposal requirements for the life of the Lost Creek Project. The Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA") issued an aquifer exemption for the Lost Creek project. The WDEQ's separate approval of the aquifer reclassification is a part of the WDEQ Permit. We also received approval from the EPA and the Wyoming State Engineer's Office for the construction and operation of two holding ponds at Lost Creek.

In 2014, applications for amendments to the Lost Creek license were submitted to federal regulatory agencies, NRC and BLM, for the development and mining of the LC East Project. The BLM issued its ROD authorizing the plan in 2019. The NRC participated in this review as a cooperating agency. In 2018, Wyoming assumed responsibility from the NRC for the regulation of radiation safety at uranium recovery facilities like Lost Creek. The Wyoming State Uranium Recovery Program ("URP"), a part of the WDEQ, oversees the licensing process for source material licenses as well as the operations of licensees in Wyoming. The URP has demonstrated that its integration into the overall WDEQ oversight of uranium recovery streamlines the process of licensing, offers greater consistency in authorizations and oversight, and results in reduced costs in the licensing phase. The URP issued a source material license for LC East in March 2021. In 2021, we submitted our request for extension of our Lost Creek source material license; it is currently in timely review by URP.

A permit amendment requesting approval to mine at the LC East Project was also submitted to the WDEQ. Approval will include an aquifer exemption. The air quality permit for Lost Creek will be revised to account for additional surface disturbance. Certain of our earlier Sweetwater County approvals have been amended. Numerous well permits from the State Engineer's Office will be required. It is anticipated that the remaining permits to mine amendment will be completed in 2022.

During 2016, we received all authorizations for the operation of Underground Injection Control (UIC) Class V wells at Lost Creek, and operation of the circuit began in early 2017. This allows for the onsite reinjection of fresh permeate (*i.e.*, clean water) into relatively shallow Class V wells. Site operators use the RO circuits, which were installed during initial construction of the plant, to treat process wastewater into brine and permeate streams. The brine stream continues to be disposed of in the UIC Class I deep wells while the clean permeate stream is injected into the UIC Class V wells after treatment for radium. These operational procedures continue to significantly enhance wastewater capacity at the site, ultimately reducing the injection requirements of our Class I deep disposal wells and extending the life of those valuable assets.

Through our subsidiaries Lost Creek ISR, LLC and NFU Wyoming, we control the federal unpatented lode mining claims and State of Wyoming mineral leases which make up the Lost Creek Property. Title to the mining claims is subject to rights of *pedis possessio* against all third-party claimants so long as the claims are maintained. The mining claims do not have an expiration date. Affidavits have been timely filed with the BLM and recorded with the Sweetwater County Recorder attesting to the payment for the Lost Creek Property mining claims of annual maintenance fees to the BLM as established by law from time to time.

The state leases have a ten-year term, subject to renewal for successive ten-year terms. The surface of all the unpatented mining claims is controlled by the BLM, and we have the right to use as much of the surface as is necessary for exploration and mining of the claims, subject to compliance with all federal, state and local laws and regulations. Surface use on BLM lands is administered under federal regulations. Similarly, access to state-controlled land is largely inherent within a State of Wyoming mineral lease, with certain additional obligations to those holding surface rights on a lease-specific basis.

There are no royalties at the Lost Creek Project, except on the State of Wyoming mineral lease as provided by law. Currently, there is only limited production planned from the State lease. There is a production royalty of one percent on certain claims of the LC East Project, and other royalties on certain claims at the LC South and EN Projects, as well as the other State of Wyoming mineral leases (LC West and EN projects).

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## Together with the Lost Creek Project, Five Adjoining Projects Form the Lost Creek Property

The map below shows the Lost Creek Property, including the Adjoining Projects.

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The LC East Project (5,750 acres) was added to the Lost Creek Property in 2011-2012. We located additional unpatented lode mining claims in 2014. Our LC East Project, as discussed elsewhere in this report, now has a source material license and awaits only the WDEQ permit to mine before all major authorizations are in hand to recover uranium at the project. The Lost Creek Report recommends that we continue to progress all remaining permit amendments to allow for future uranium recovery.

The LC West Project (3,840 acres) was also added to the Lost Creek Property in 2011-2012. The land position here includes one State of Wyoming mineral lease, in addition to the unpatented lode mining claims. We possess data related to historical exploration programs of earlier operators.

The LC North Project (6,260 acres) is located to the north and to the west of the Lost Creek Project. Historical wide-spaced exploration drilling on this project consisted of 175 drill holes. We have conducted two drilling programs at the project. We may conduct exploration drilling at LC North to pursue the potential of an extension of the MMT of the Lost Creek Project.

The LC South Project (10,200 acres) is located to the south and southeast of the Lost Creek Project. Historical drilling on the LC South Project consisted of 488 drill holes. In 2010, we drilled 159 exploration holes (total, 101,270 feet (30,867 meters)) which confirmed numerous individual roll front systems occurring within several stratigraphic horizons correlative to mineralized horizons in the Lost Creek Project. Also, a series of wide-spaced drill holes were part of this exploration program which identified deep oxidation (alteration) that represents the potential for several additional roll front horizons.

The EN Project (5,160 acres) is adjacent to and east of LC South, including unpatented lode mining claims and one State of Wyoming mineral lease. We have over 50 historical drill logs from the EN project. Some minimal, deep, exploration drilling has been conducted at the project. No mineral resource is yet reported due to the limited nature of the data.

# History and Geology of the Lost Creek Property

Uranium was discovered in the Great Divide Basin, where Lost Creek is located, in 1936. Exploration activity increased in Wyoming in the early 1950s after the Gas Hills District discoveries, and continued to increase in the 1960s, with the discovery of numerous additional occurrences of uranium. Wolf Land and Exploration (which later became Inexco), Climax (Amax) and Conoco Minerals were the earliest operators in the Lost Creek area and made the initial discoveries of low-grade uranium mineralization in 1968. Kerr-McGee, Humble Oil, and Valley Development, Inc. were also active in the area. Drilling within the current Lost Creek Project area from 1966 to 1976 consisted of approximately 115 wide-spaced exploration holes by several companies including Conoco, Climax (Amax), and Inexco.

Texasgulf acquired the western half of what is now the Lost Creek Project in 1976 through a joint venture with Climax and identified what is now referred to as the MMT. In 1978, Texasgulf optioned into a 50% interest in the adjoining Conoco ground to the east and continued drilling, fully identifying the MMT eastward to the current Project boundary; Texasgulf drilled approximately 412 exploration holes within what is now the Lost Creek Project. During this period Minerals Exploration Company (a subsidiary of Union Oil Company of California) drilled approximately eight exploration holes in what is currently the western portion of the Lost Creek Project. Texasgulf dropped the project in 1983 due to declining market conditions. The ground was subsequently picked up by Cherokee Exploration, Inc. which conducted no field activities.

In 1987, Power Nuclear Corporation (also known as PNC Exploration) acquired 100% interest in the project from Cherokee Exploration, Inc. PNC Exploration conducted a limited exploration program and geologic investigation, as well as an evaluation of previous in situ leach testing by Texasgulf. PNC Exploration drilled a total of 36 holes within the current Project area.

In 2000, New Frontiers Uranium, LLC acquired the property and database from PNC Exploration, but conducted no drilling or geologic studies. New Frontiers Uranium, LLC later transferred the Lost Creek Project-area property along with its other Wyoming properties to its successor NFU Wyoming. In June 2005, Ur-Energy USA purchased 100% ownership of NFU Wyoming.

The Lost Creek Property is situated in the northeastern part of the GDB which is underlain by up to 25,000 ft. of Paleozoic to Quaternary sediments. The GDB lies within a unique divergence of the Continental Divide and is bounded by structural uplifts or fault displaced Precambrian rocks, resulting in internal drainage and an independent hydrogeologic system. The surficial geology in the GDB is dominated by the Battle Spring Formation of Eocene age. The dominant lithology in the Battle Spring Formation is coarse arkosic sandstone, interbedded with intermittent mudstone, claystone and siltstone. Deposition occurred as alluvial-fluvial fan deposits within a south-southwest flowing paleodrainage. The sedimentary source is considered to be the Granite Mountains, approximately 30 miles to the north. Maximum thickness of the Battle Spring Formation sediments within the GDB is 6,000 ft.

Uranium mineralization identified throughout the Property occurs as roll front type deposits, typical in most respects of those observed in other Tertiary Basins in Wyoming. Uranium deposits in the GDB are found principally in the Battle Spring Formation, which hosts the Lost Creek Property deposit. Lithology within the Lost Creek deposit consists of approximately 60% to 80% poorly consolidated, medium to coarse arkosic sands up to 50 ft. thick, and 20% to 40% interbedded mudstone, siltstone, claystone and fine sandstone, each generally less than 25 ft. thick. This lithological assemblage remains consistent throughout the entire vertical section of interest in the Battle Spring Formation.

Outcrop at Lost Creek is exclusively that of the Battle Spring Formation. Due to the soft nature of the formation, the Battle Spring Formation occurs largely as sub-crop beneath the soil. The alluvial fan origin of the formation yields a complex stratigraphic regime which has been subdivided throughout Lost Creek into several thick horizons dominated by sands, with intervening named mudstones. Lost Creek is currently licensed and permitted to produce from the HJ horizon. The LC East license amendments include authorizations to recover uranium from the HJ and KM horizons, while the amendment to the Lost Creek Project will allow expansion of recovery into additional HJ horizon resource areas.

# Shirley Basin Mine Site (Shirley Basin, Wyoming)

As a result of the Pathfinder acquisition, we now own the Shirley Basin Project, from which Pathfinder and its predecessors historically produced more than 28 million pounds of  $U_3O_8$ , primarily from the 1960s until the early 1990s. Pathfinder's predecessors included COGEMA, Lucky Mc Uranium Corporation, and Utah Construction/Utah International. Shirley Basin conventional mine operations were suspended in the 1990s due to low uranium pricing, and facility reclamation was substantially completed. After the cessation of open pit uranium mining operations at Shirley Basin in 1992, two historical resource areas on the Project were identified as potentially suitable for ISR mining. These two areas are the FAB Resource Area or FAB Trend and Area 5.



We control approximately 3,536 acres of property interests in the general area of the project which is located in central southeast Wyoming, approximately 40 miles south of the city of Casper. The project is accessed by travelling west from Casper, on Highway 220. After travelling 18 miles, turn south on Highway 487 and travel an additional 35 miles; the entrance to Shirley Basin Mine is to the east. The project is in an unpopulated area located in the northeastern portion of Carbon County, Wyoming. It is centered at approximately 42 degrees, 22 minutes north latitude and 106 degrees, 11 minutes west longitude, in T28N, R78W, within the 6th principal meridian.

The nearest airport to the project is Casper-Natrona County International Airport located just north and west of Casper, Wyoming. Both Laramie and Rawlins also have smaller regional airports. The BNSF Railroad runs through Casper, and the Union Pacific railroad runs through Medicine Bow.

Site infrastructure is excellent. A well-graded road which traverses the project and provides access from the south will be upgraded. Several support facilities remain from the historical operations, including a modular field office building and a large, heated wash and lubrication bay which is currently used for storage and equipment maintenance. A regional power transmission line (69 kV) passes through the northern portions of the project. An existing energized power line leads to a substation near the field office, and from there a currently inactive powerline (power poles only) extends to the FAB Trend. A licensed active waste disposal site for 11e.(2) byproduct material is currently operating adjacent to the fully reclaimed tailings complex.



Water supply needs are currently limited to drilling water, which is supplied by one water well capable of producing over 25 gallons per minute (gpm). Several backup water wells are also present but have not been utilized to date. The existing water wells are capable of providing sufficient supply for domestic and other potential operational requirements. Additional new and appropriately sited water source wells may be considered for future needs. Water impounded in the reclaimed mine pits is suitable for use in drilling and other non-potable uses would be available pending construction of approach ramps.

Within the project, the now permitted area (2,605 acres) consists of 1,770 acres of locatable mineral lands that we control, and which will allow us to recover uranium from both the FAB and Area 5 Resource Areas. This total consists of 1,330 acres of U.S. lode mining patents (nine patents), 370 acres of federal unpatented lode mining claims (29 claims), and 70 acres (two tracts) of fee minerals. Together with these mineral rights, we control 280 acres of additional surface access rights necessary to develop the project.



As with the Lost Creek mining claims, title to the unpatented mining claims at Shirley Basin is subject to rights of *pedis possessio* against all third-party claimants as long as the claims are maintained. The mining claims do not have an expiration date. Affidavits have been timely filed with the BLM and recorded with the Carbon County Clerk attesting to the payment for the mining claims of annual maintenance fees to the BLM as established by law from time to time. The surface of all the unpatented mining claims is controlled by the BLM, and we have the right to use as much of the surface as is necessary for exploration and mining of the claims, subject to compliance with all federal, state and local laws and regulations. Surface use on BLM lands is administered under federal regulations.

There are no production royalties at the FAB Resource Area. Within Area 5, approximately 202 acres are subject to a formulaic royalty interest which totals approximately 0.5%. On two other tracts at Area 5 (30 acres in the southern portion and 40 acres in the southeastern portion), uranium and associated minerals are subject to different formulaic royalties which are approximately 1%. Currently, there is no known mineral resource on these 70 acres. A 0.5% royalty was included for the resources in Area 5. Additionally, certain use fees are in place on some lands in Area 5, based upon an annual disturbance-level calculation.

All major authorizations, permits and licenses for the project have been received. Additional minor permits/authorizations will be required before operations begin; each of the remaining authorizations is routine and may commonly be obtained in days or weeks.

# Shirley Basin ISR Uranium Project S-K 1300 Report

Contemporaneous with this annual report on Form 10-K/A, we are filing an amended Initial Assessment Technical Report Summary on Shirley Basin ISR Uranium Project, Carbon County Wyoming (the "Shirley Basin Report") (as amended, September 19, 2022). The Shirley Basin Report was prepared by WWC Engineering.

Mineral resources at the Shirley Basin Project at the effective date of the Shirley Basin Report are as follows:

# Shirley Basin Project - Resource Summary (December 31, 2021)

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AREA	AVG GRADE	SHORT TONS	SHORT TONS POUNDS U <sub>3</sub> O <sub>8</sub>		SHORT TONS	POUNDS U <sub>3</sub> O <sub>8</sub>		
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FAB TREND	0.280	1,172	6,574	0.119	456	1,081		
AREA 5	0.243	195	947	0.115	93	214		
TOTAL	0.275	1,367	7,521	0.118	549	1,295		
	MEASURED	& INDICATED		0.230	1,915	8,816		

Notes:

Sum of Measured and Indicated tons and pounds may not add to the reported total due to rounding. 1.

Based on grade cutoff of 0.020 % eU3O8 and a grade x thickness (GT) cutoff of 0.25 GT. 2.

3. Mineral processing tests have been conducted historically and by the Company and indicate that recovery should be at or about 80%, which is consistent with industry standards.

Measured and Indicated mineral resources as defined in S-K 1300. 4.

5. All reported resources occur below the historical, pre-mining static water table.

6. 7. Average grades are calculated as weighted averages.

Mineral resources that are not mineral reserves do not have demonstrated economic viability.

8. The point of reference for resources is in situ at the project.

Information shown in the table above may differ from the disclosure requirements of the Canadian Securities Administrators. SeeCautionary Note to Investors Concerning Disclosure of Mineral Resources, above.

The Shirley Basin mineral resource estimate includes drill data and analyses of approximately 3,200 holes and nearly 1.2 million feet of historic drilling at the Shirley Basin Project. In 2014, we drilled 14 confirmation holes representing approximately 6,600 feet which were included in the mineral resource estimate. Because of the density of the historical drill programs, estimates were able to be made entirely in Measured and Indicated categories of resources. There is no Inferred resource category included in the estimate for Shirley Basin. Studies we conducted in 2014, as well as previous studies by Pathfinder in the late 1990s, indicate that this mineralization is amenable to ISR extraction. There is not a material change in the mineral resource estimated in the Shirley Basin report, and no material change to the mineral resource estimate year-over-year as we have neither conducted additional drilling, nor begun production operations. The Shirley Basin Report supersedes and replaces the last NI 43-101 preliminary economic analysis for the Shirley Basin Project (January 2015).

The economic analysis upon which the mineral resources were evaluated assumes a variable price per pound for  $U_3O_8$  over the life of the Shirley Basin Project, as known today and discussed in the Shirley Basin Report. The projected pricing for anticipated sales ranges from \$63.04 to \$66.04 per pound  $U_3O_8$ . The sale price for the produced uranium is based on consensus using an annual average of the projections of long-term pricing made by expert market analysts. We do not have current sales agreements related to production at Shirley Basin.

# Additional Shirley Basin History and Geology

The Shirley Basin Project lies in the northern half of the historic Shirley Basin uranium mining district (the "District"), which is the second most prolific uranium mining district in Wyoming. Earliest discoveries were made in 1954 by Teton Exploration. This was followed by an extensive claim staking and drilling rush by several companies in 1957. Several important discoveries were made, and the first mining was started in 1959 by Utah Construction Corp. (predecessor to Pathfinder). Underground mining methods were initially employed but encountered severe groundwater inflow problems, so in 1963 Utah Construction switched to solution mining methods. This was the first commercially successful application of in situ solution mining recovery (ISR) for uranium in the U.S. In 1968 market and production needs caused Utah Construction to move to open-pit mining and a conventional mill. All production within the District after 1968 was by open-pit methods.

As described, several companies operated uranium mines within the District, however three companies were dominant. Utah Construction/Pathfinder's efforts were focused on the northern portion of the District, while Getty was largely in the central portion, and Kerr-McGee was in the southern portion. The last mining in the District concluded in 1992 when Pathfinder shut down production due to market conditions. Total production from the Shirley Basin District was 51.3 million pounds of  $U_3O_8$ , of which 28.3 million pounds  $U_3O_8$  came from the Utah Construction/Pathfinder operations. The uranium resources which we are planning to produce through ISR represent unmined extensions of mineral trends addressed in past open-pit mines. These extensions were targeted for recovery years ago but were not developed prior to the end of operations in 1992.

The District lies in the north-central portions of the Shirley Basin geologic province, which is one of several inter-montane basins in Wyoming created 35-70 million years ago (mya) during the Laramide mountain building event. The Basin is floored by folded sedimentary formations of Cretaceous age (35-145 mya). In the northern half of the District the Cretaceous units were later covered by stream sediments of the Wind River Formation of Eocene age (34-56 mya) which filled paleo-drainages cut into a paleo-topographic surface. The Wind River Formation was subsequently covered by younger volcanic ash-choked stream sediments of the White River and Arikaree Formations of Oligocene age (23-34 mya) and Miocene age (5-23 mya), respectively. Uranium occurs as roll front type deposits along the edge of large regional alteration systems within sandstone units of the Wind River Formation. The source of the uranium is considered to be the volcanic ash content within the overlying White River Formation and also granitic content within the Wind River Formation itself.

In the project area, the primary hosts for uranium mineralization are arkosic sandstones of the Eocene-age Wind River Formation. The White River Formation unconformably overlies the Wind River Formation and outcrops on the surface throughout most of the project, with thicknesses ranging from a thin veneer in the FAB Resource Area to over 250 ft. in Area 5. The Wind River sediments in the project area were deposited as part of a large fluvial depositional system. The lithology of the Wind River Formation is characterized by thick, medium to coarse-grained, arkosic sandstones separated by thick claystone units. Sandstones and claystones are typically 20 - 75 ft. thick. Minor thin lignite and very carbonaceous shale beds occur locally. These fluvial sediments are located within a large northwest-trending paleochannel system with a gentle 1° dip to the north (Bailey and Gregory, 2011). The average thickness of the Wind River Formation within the project is approximately 230 ft. The Main and Lower Sands of the Wind River Formation are the primary hosts to mineralization which we are currently targeting for ISR development.



The Lower Sand represents the basal sand unit of the Wind River Formation and in places lies directly above the underlying Cretaceous formations. The Main Sand typically lies approximately 15 - 25 ft. above the Lower Sand. Locally, the two sands merge where the intervening claystone unit is absent. Typical thickness of the Lower Sand ranges from 25 - 50 ft. and that of the Main Sand from 40 - 75 ft. Less dominant sands are common within the Wind River Formation. One in particular has been referred to as the Upper Sand and is present within much of the FAB Trend, lying approximately 25 ft. above the Main Sand. Claystone units are normally at least 10 ft. thick and commonly are 20 - 50 ft. thick.

# Summary Information Concerning Additional Non-Material Exploration Stage Projects

In addition to the Lost Creek Property and Shirley Basin Project, the Company controls mineral properties for six additional projects in the GDB (four) and the Gas Hills Uranium District (one) in Wyoming and in Mineral County, Nevada (one, proximate to the Camp Douglas and Candelaria Mining Districts).

Each of the following described uranium exploration stage projects is 100% owned and controlled by our exploration and land holding company, NFU Wyoming, except the Lucky Mc project which is held by Pathfinder. Current mineral resource estimations for the following projects pursuant to S-K 1300 have not been completed at this time. Each of the uranium projects contains roll-front style uranium mineralization and appear to be amenable to ISR, pending further exploration and analysis at each. We have historical data on each of the properties, as well as drill data and/or other exploration data from our exploration work at several of the projects. Future exploration activities for the Wyoming uranium projects would be anticipated to be further drilling, which would proceed pursuant to Drilling Notices obtained from the WDEQ and BLM. There is no ongoing production at any of the following mineral projects. And, because of the persistent downturn in the uranium market, we have maintained our focus on operations at Lost Creek and the permitting process and development of Shirley Basin, while deferring costs of exploration at other projects.

The map below provides the location of each of the additional projects in the GDB, Wyoming, including their proximity to the Lost Creek Property.



Arrow Project is an exploration stage uranium project (10 unpatented lode mining claims; approximately 185 acres) located in Sections 30-31, T26N, R94W (Sweetwater County, Wyoming).



Lost Soldier is an exploration stage uranium project located in Sweetwater County, Wyoming on 105 unpatented lode mining claims. Located in Sections 5-8 and 17-18, T26N, R90W and Sections 1 and 11-14, T26N, R91W, the project covers approximately 1,960 acres.

North Hadsell Project is an exploration stage uranium project, comprising 203 unpatented lode mining claims located in Sections 3-5 and 8-10, T26N, Range 91W (Sweetwater County) and Sections 31-34, T 27N, R91W and Sections 21-23, 25-28, 33-34 and 36 T27N, R92W (Fremont County) in Wyoming. The project controls approximately 3,970 acres.

RS Project is an exploration stage uranium project of 54 unpatented lode mining claims totaling an area of approximately 920 acres, located in Sections 6 and 7, T27N, R92W and Sections 1 and 2, T27N, R93W.

Our Lucky Mc Project is located in the Gas Hills Uranium District, Fremont County, Wyoming. An historic mine site, Pathfinder holds 100% mineral interests at the project through three mineral patents (totaling approximately 970 acres) located in Sections 2 and 3, T32N, R90W, and Sections 21, 22-27 and 35, T33N, R90W; two State of Wyoming mineral leases (together, approximately 410 acres) located in Section 36, T33N, R90W, Section 1, T32N, R91W; and Sections 6 and 7, T32N, R90W; and two unpatented lode mining claims (together, approximately 40 acres) located in Section 6, T32N, R90W and Section 1, T32N, R91W. In 2021, the historic permit to mine was terminated and related reclamation bond and obligations released. Further exploration or development would be accomplished through Drill Notices and routine permitting and licensing through the WDEQ and/or BLM.



Our exploration stage gold project, the Excel Project, is located in west-central Nevada, and currently comprises 118 unpatented lode mining claims (~2,400 acres) in Sections 9, 10, 20-22, 26-29, T5N, R34E. The Excel Project is also 100% held by NFU Wyoming. The project is located within the Excelsior Mountains, in Mineral County, Nevada. We have historical geologic data, as well as data obtained through early-stage field programs including rock sampling, geochemical soil sampling and drill programs, together with geophysical studies. Further drilling would require additional notice-level permits or plan of operations obtained from the BLM.

# Royalty Interest

The Company holds a one percent uranium mineral royalty interest related to the Lance Uranium ISR Project, held by Strata Energy, and other lands in Crook County, Wyoming. The Lance Project has been in production since 2015, though at considerably reduced operations levels in recent years due to the current uranium market. No royalty payments were received in 2020 or 2021; payments were received twice in 2019. Although the Lance Project has been in production for several years, it would be considered an exploration stage property as the parent company (not a U.S. registrant) reports only mineral resources and not mineral reserves.

## **Competition and Mineral Prices**

The uranium industry is highly competitive, and our competition includes larger, more established companies with longer operating histories that not only explore for and produce uranium, but also market uranium and other products on a regional, national or worldwide basis. On a global basis, this competition also includes a significant number of state-owned or sponsored entities. Because of the greater financial resources of these companies, competitive bid processes on off-take sales agreements remain difficult. Beyond that, in the U.S., the competitive bid process for other contracts and opportunities is and will be challenging; this competition extends to the further acquisition and development of properties. Additionally, these larger (or state-owned) companies have greater resources to continue with their operations during periods of depressed market conditions.

Unlike other commodities, uranium does not trade on an open market. Contracts are negotiated privately by buyers and sellers. Our original term agreements for sales of uranium have been completed. Uranium prices are published by two of the leading industry-recognized independent market consultants, UXC, LLC and TradeTech, LLC, who publish on their respective websites. The following information reflects an average of the per pound prices published by these two consulting groups for the end of the periods indicated:

End of year:	2016	2017	20	018	2	2019	20	020	2	2021
Spot price (US\$)	\$ 20.25	\$ 23.75	\$ 2	7.75	\$	24.93	\$ 3	30.20	\$ -	42.05
LT price (US\$)	\$ 30.00	\$ 31.00	\$ 3	\$ 32.00		\$ 32.50		35.00	\$ -	42.75
End of month:	30-Sep_21	31-Oct-21	30-Nov-21	31-Dec	_21	31_Ian_22	,	28-Eeb-22	03	Mar_22

End of month:	30-Sep-21	31-Oct-21	30-Nov-21	31-Dec-21	31-Jan-22	28-Feb-22	03-Mar-22
Spot price (US\$)	\$ 42.60	\$ 45.20	\$ 45.75	\$ 42.05	\$ 43.08	\$48.75	\$50.75
LT price (US\$)	\$ 42.50	\$ 43.00	\$ 43.00	\$ 42.75	\$ 42.88	\$43.88	\$43.88

The long-term price as defined by UxC, LLC includes conditions for escalation (from current quarter) delivery timeframe ( $\geq$  36 months), and quantity flexibility (up to ±10%) considerations.

Strong competition in the uranium industry is also felt in the pursuit of qualified personnel and contractors, drill companies and equipment, and other equipment and materials. As the industry is revitalized through changes in market pricing, establishment of the national uranium reserve or other fundamental changes in the uranium market, this type of competition for expertise, staffing and equipment is anticipated to become more serious. Additionally, in Wyoming, competition for qualified labor inter-industry will become more challenging if oil prices remain high and other renewable energy projects maintain or increase staffing levels.

# **Government Regulations**

As set forth above, our operations at Lost Creek and our other projects in Wyoming and elsewhere where exploration, development and operations are taking place, are subject to extensive laws and regulations which are overseen and enforced by multiple federal, state and local authorities. These laws and regulations govern exploration, development, production, various taxes, labor standards, occupational health and safety including radiation safety, waste disposal, protection and remediation of the environment, protection of endangered and protected species, toxic and hazardous substances and other matters. Uranium minerals exploration is also subject to risks and liabilities associated with pollution of the environment and disposal of waste products occurring as a result of mineral exploration and production.



Compliance with these laws and regulations imposes substantial costs on us and may subject us to significant potential liabilities. Changes in these regulations could require us to expend significant resources to comply with new laws or regulations or changes to current requirements and could have a material adverse effect on our business operations. Compliance with all current regulations, including but not limited to the environmental and safety regulatory schemes, is an integral part of our day-to-day business, management and staff commitment and expenditures. The costs attendant to compliance are understood and routinely budgeted and are generally comparable to those of other U.S. uranium companies and other natural resources companies in the U.S. and Canada. It should be noted that environmental protections and regulatory oversight thereof vary significantly outside North America, particularly in Kazakhstan and Russia, where state-owned enterprises operate with only very limited regulatory oversight related to environmental and worker safety.

Mineral exploration and development activities, as well as our uranium recovery operations, are subject to comprehensive regulation which may cause substantial delays or require capital outlays in excess of those anticipated, causing an adverse effect on our business operations. Mineral exploration operations are also subject to federal and state laws and regulations which seek to maintain health and safety standards. Various permits from government bodies are required for drilling operations to be conducted; no assurance can be given that such permits will be received. Environmental standards imposed by federal and state authorities may be changed and any such changes may have material adverse effects on our activities. Mineral extraction operations are subject to federal and state laws relating to the protection of the environment, including laws regulating removal of natural resources from the ground and the discharge of materials into the environment. The posting of a performance bond and the costs associated with our permitting and licensing activities requires a substantial budget and ongoing cash commitments. In addition to pursuing ongoing permitting and licensure for new projects and additions to our existing Lost Creek Project, these expenditures include ongoing monitoring (*e.g.*, wildlife, groundwater and effluent monitoring) and other activities to ensure regulatory and legal compliance, as well as compliance with our permits and licenses. Costs for these activities may increase and we may be required to increase compliance activities in the future, which might further affect our ability to expand or maintain our operations.

#### **Environmental Regulations**

As set forth above, our mineral projects are the subject of extensive environmental regulation at federal and state levels. Exploration, development and production activities are subject to certain environmental regulations which may prevent or delay the commencement or continuance of our operations. The National Environmental Protection Act ("NEPA") affects our operations as it requires federal agencies to consider the significant environmental consequences of their proposed programs and actions and inform the public about their decision making. The required process of NEPA may take many months or even years to complete. While the NEPA regulations were extensively revised and modernized in 2020 (the "2020 Rules") in generally positive and pragmatic ways, they are the subject of several litigation challenges as well as new, phased amendment to the 2020 Rules. In October 2021, the Council on Environmental Quality ("CEQ") published its Phase 1 Notice of Proposed Rulemaking which has been followed by public comment. The intent of the phased revisions is to generally restore regulatory provisions that were in effect prior to the 2020 Rules. CEQ also issued an Interim Final Rule in June 2021 which delays the deadline for federal agencies to develop their NEPA implementing procedure for the 2020 Rules.

In general, our exploration and production activities are subject to certain federal and state laws and regulations relating to environmental quality and pollution control. Such laws and regulations increase the costs of these activities substantially and may prevent or delay the commencement or continuance of a given operation. Because compliance with current laws and regulations is an integral part of our industry and business it has not had a materially adverse effect on our operations or financial condition to date in relation to our U.S. peers. Specifically, we are subject to legislation and regulations regarding radiation safety, emissions into the environment, water discharges, and storage and disposition of hazardous wastes. In addition, the law requires well and facility sites to be abandoned and reclaimed to the satisfaction of state and federal authorities.

# State of Wyoming

As discussed elsewhere in this report, we are regulated by multiple divisions of the State of Wyoming Department of Environmental Quality (LQD, WQD, AQD and URP), the State Engineer's Office and other State agencies. As a State program with delegated authority of the NRC, the URP will adopt future regulations and rulemakings of the NRC on a time-to-time basis. On December 16, 2019, NRC staff issued SECY-19-0123 Regulatory Options for Uranium In Situ Recovery Facilities which provided recommendations to the NRC Commissioners on how to regulate the in situ uranium mining industry. Following review, the NRC Commissioners instructed staff to begin a narrowly focused rulemaking for in situ milling. NRC staff, in close consultation with agreement state programs, including Wyoming's, drafted a rule for Commission review and, thereafter, public comment. Once promulgated, all agreement state programs which regulate uranium milling will be required to adopt the final rule. The timing of the final rule is unknown but is expected within the next one to two years. The rulemaking is expected to be narrow in scope and consistent with current practices and is therefore not expected to have a material effect on our operations.

## Waste Disposal

The Resource Conservation and Recovery Act ("RCRA"), and comparable state statutes, affect minerals exploration and production activities by imposing regulations on the generation, transportation, treatment, storage, disposal and cleanup of hazardous wastes and on the disposal of non-hazardous wastes. Under the auspices of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (the "EPA"), the individual states administer some or all the provisions of RCRA, sometimes in conjunction with their own, more stringent requirements.

# Underground Injection Control ("UIC") Permits

The federal Safe Drinking Water Act ("SDWA") creates a nationwide regulatory program protecting groundwater. This act is administered by the EPA. However, to avoid the burden of dual federal and state regulation, the SDWA allows for the UIC permits issued by states to satisfy the UIC permit required under the SDWA under two conditions. First, the state's program must have been granted primacy, as is the case in Wyoming. Second, the EPA must have granted, upon request by the state, an aquifer exemption. The EPA may delay or decline to process the state's application if the EPA questions the state's jurisdiction over the mine site. From time to time, EPA has promulgated rulemaking processes to expand and/or clarify its jurisdiction and the rules under which the UIC and other programs operate; while no such rulemaking is currently in process, there may be additional such rulemakings at any time.

# CERCLA

The federal Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act ("CERCLA") imposes joint and several liability for costs of investigation and remediation and for natural resource damages, without regard to fault or the legality of the original conduct, on certain classes of persons with respect to the release into the environment of substances designated under CERCLA as hazardous substances ("Hazardous Substances"). These classes of persons or potentially responsible parties include the current and certain past owners and operators of a facility or property where there is or has been a release or threat of release of a Hazardous Substance and persons who disposed of or arranged for the disposal of the Hazardous Substances found at such a facility. CERCLA also authorizes the EPA and, in some cases, third parties to take actions in response to threats to the public health or the environment and to seek to recover the costs of such action. We may also in the future become an owner of facilities on which Hazardous Substances have been released by previous owners or operators. We may in the future be responsible under CERCLA for all or part of the costs to clean up facilities or property at which such substances have been released, and for natural resource damages.

As is true of other regulatory schemes, EPA from time to time suggests changes in CERCLA. Such changes to existing CERLCA regulations may include amendments or additional regulations which will have an economic impact on our operations through increased costs of bonding and reclamation activities. There may be additional legislation or rulemaking related to CERCLA.



## Air Emissions

Our operations are subject to state and federal regulations for the control of emissions of air pollution. Major sources of air pollutants are subject to more stringent, federally imposed permitting requirements. Administrative enforcement actions for failure to comply strictly with air pollution regulations or permits are generally resolved by payment of monetary fines and correction of any identified deficiencies. Alternatively, regulatory agencies could require us to forego construction, modification or operation of certain air emission sources.

#### **Clean Water Act**

The Clean Water Act ("CWA") imposes restrictions and strict controls regarding the discharge of wastes, including mineral processing wastes, into waters of the United States, a term broadly defined. Permits must be obtained to discharge pollutants into federal waters. The CWA provides for civil, criminal and administrative penalties for unauthorized discharges of hazardous substances and other pollutants. It imposes substantial potential liability for the costs of removal or remediation associated with discharges of oil or hazardous substances. State laws governing discharges to water also provide varying civil, criminal and administrative penalties, and impose liabilities in the case of a discharge of petroleum or its derivatives, or other hazardous substances, into state waters. In addition, the EPA and the State of Wyoming have promulgated regulations that require us to obtain permits to discharge storm water runoff. In the event of an unauthorized discharge of wastes, we may be liable for penalties and costs.

## **Our Employees**

At December 31, 2021, Ur-Energy USA had ten regular full-time employees, in its Littleton, Colorado office (six) and Wyoming offices (four). Additionally, Ur-Energy USA Inc. has two part-time employees. At that date, Lost Creek ISR, LLC employed 11 people on a full-time regular basis at the Lost Creek Project near Wamsutter, Wyoming. None of our other subsidiaries had employees in 2021. Ur-Energy Inc. had no employees during 2021.

The foregoing employment figures follow several reductions in force implemented in recent years. We have reduced our staff and management levels since 2016, due to reduced and controlled production operational levels at Lost Creek. As discussed elsewhere in this report, those reduced operations are due to persistently challenged uranium market conditions and the need to optimize operational costs. Through several reductions in force, we have focused on retaining our most experienced staff with diverse skill sets who will be best able to maintain safe, compliant operations in the short term and assist us to ramp up to full production operations when conditions warrant. We were pleased in 2021 to be able to hire several prior employees, including three who were subject to earlier reductions in force.

Particularly since the last reduction in force, extensive cross-training has been completed at Lost Creek, which has facilitated better, safer operations, and has protected us against material impact or interruption due to quarantine following COVID exposure or isolation of positive-tested employees. Importantly, the additional cross-training of our already experienced staff should enable a smoother transition to full production operations with more knowledgeable trainers of new hires. Subsequent to year end, we have moved three temporary employees at Lost Creek into full-time regular positions to continue to optimize operations as well as progress the wellfield drilling and construction programs in Lost Creek's MU2.

# **Corporate Offices**

The registered office of Ur-Energy is located at 55 Metcalfe Street, Suite 1300, Ottawa, Ontario K1P 6L5. Our U.S. corporate headquarters is located at 10758 West Centennial Road, Suite 200, Littleton, Colorado, 80127. We maintain a corporate and operations office at 1478 Willer Drive, Casper, Wyoming 82604. Lost Creek operational offices are located at 3424 Wamsutter / Crooks Gap Road, Wamsutter, Wyoming 82336.

# **Available Information**

Detailed information about Ur-Energy is contained in our annual reports, quarterly reports, current reports on Form 8-K, and other reports, and amendments to those reports that we file with or furnish to the SEC and the Canadian regulatory authorities. These reports are available free of charge on our website, <u>www.ur-energy.com</u>, as soon as reasonably practicable after we electronically file such reports with or furnish such reports to the SEC and the Canadian regulatory authorities. However, our website and any contents thereof should not be considered to be incorporated by reference into this annual report on Form 10-K.



We will furnish copies of such reports free of charge upon written request to our Corporate Secretary:

Ur-Energy Inc. Attention: Corporate Secretary 10758 West Centennial Road, Suite 200 Littleton, Colorado 80127 Telephone: 1-866-981-4588 Email: legaldept@ur-energy.com

Additionally, our corporate governance guidelines, Code of Ethics and the charters of each of the standing committees of our Board of Directors ("Board") are available on our website at <a href="https://www.ur-energy.com/investors/corporate-governance">https://www.ur-energy.com/investors/corporate-governance</a>. We will furnish copies of such information free of charge upon written request to our Corporate Secretary, as set forth as above.

Other information relating to Ur-Energy may be found on the SEC's website at http://www.sec.gov/edgar.shtml or on the SEDAR website at www.sedar.com.

# ITEM 15. EXHIBITS AND FINANCIAL STATEMENT SCHEDULES

# Financial Statements and Financial Statement Schedules

The Consolidated Financial Statements filed as part of this Form 10-K begin on page F-1.

Exhibit		Filing Date of		Filed
Number Exhibit Description For	rm	Report	Exhibit	Herewith
3.1 Articles of Continuance and Articles of Amendment S-3	-3	1/10/2014	3.1	
3.2 Amended By-Law No. 1 S-3	-3	1/10/2014	3.2	
3.3 By-Law No. 2 (Advance Notice) 8-H	K	2/25/2016	3.1	
4.1 Warrant Agreement, dated September 25, 2018, between the Company and 8-K	·K	9/25/2018	4.1	
Computershare Trust Company, N.A.				
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4.2 Description of Registrant Securities 10-	-K	3/9/2022	4.2	
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4.5 rorm of warrant Certificate 6-r	-K	8/4/2020	4.1	
4.4 Warrant Agreement, dated February 4, 2021, between the Company, Computershare 8-1	K	2/4/2021	4.1	
Inc and Computershare Trust Company, N A	ĸ	2/7/2021	7.1	
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10.1 Financing Agreement and Mortgage (State of Wyoming Industrial Revenue Bond 6-F	K	10/29/2013	99.1	
Loan				
10.2 Share Purchase Agreement and Registration Rights Agreement (Private Placement) 6-H	K	12/19/2013		
10.3      Employment Agreement with Jeffrey T. Klenda, as amended      10-	-K	3/3/2014	10.7	
	17	2/2/2014	10.0	
10.4 Employment Agreement with Roger L. Smith, as amended 10-	-K	3/3/2014	10.9	
10.5 Employment Agreement with Stayon M. Hotton, as amonded	V	2/2/2014	10.10	
10.5 Employment Agreement with Steven W. Hatten, as amended	-1	5/5/2014	10.10	
10.6 Employment Agreement with John W. Cash as amended 10-	-K	3/3/2014	10.11	
		5/5/2011	10.11	
10.7 Employment Agreement with Penne A. Goplerud, as amended 10-	-K	3/3/2014	10.12	
10.8 Ur-Energy Inc. Amended and Restated Stock Option Plan 8-F	K	4/17/17	10.1	

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10.10	At Market Januaras Calas Agreement	9 V	5/20/2020	1 1	
<u>10.10</u>	At Market Issuance Sales Agreement	0-K	5/29/2020	1.1	
10.11	Amended and Restated At Market Issuance Sales Agreement	8-K	6/9/2021	1.1	
<u>10.12</u>	Amendment No. 1 to the Amended and Restated At Market Issuance Sales	8-K	12/21/2021	1.2	
	Agreement				
10.13	Amendment to Financing Agreement and Third Amendment to Mortgage	10-K	2/26/2021	10.12	
10.14	Form of Securities Purchase Agreement dated July 31, 2020, among Ur-Energy Inc.	8-K	8/4/2020	10.1	
	and purchasers named therein				
10.15	Amendment to Employment Agreement with Jeffrey T. Klenda	10-K	2/26/2021	10.16	
<u>10.16</u>	Amendment to Employment Agreement with Roger L. Smith	10-K	2/26/2021	10.17	
10.17	Amendment to Employment Agreement with Steven M. Hatten	10 K	2/26/2021	10.18	
10.17	And define to Employment Agreement with Steven W. Hatten	10-K	2/20/2021	10.18	
10.18	Amendment to Employment Agreement with John W. Cash	10-K	2/26/2021	10.19	
<u>10.19</u>	Amendment to Employment Agreement with Penne A. Goplerud	10-K	2/26/2021	10.20	
21.1	Subsidiaries of the Registrant	10-K	3/9/2022	21.1	
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<u>23.1</u>	Consent of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP (Vancouver, Canada ID: 271)	10-K	3/9/2022	23.1	
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<u> 23.2</u>	Consent of WWC Engineering with regard to the Amended Technical Report				Х
	USA and the Amended Technical Report Summary on Shirley Basin Project.				
	Carbon County, Wyoming, USA				

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<u>31.1</u>	Certification of CEO Pursuant to Exchange Act Rules 13a-14 and 15d-14, as adopted pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.			Х
<u>31.2</u>	Certification of CFO Pursuant to Exchange Act Rules 13a-14 and 15d-14, as adopted pursuant to Section 302 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.			Х
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<u>32.1</u>	Certification of CEO Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.			Х
32.2	Certification of CFO Pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.			Х
<u>96.1</u>	Amended Technical Report Summary on the Lost Creek ISR Uranium Property, Sweetwater County, Wyoming, USA			Х
<u>96.2</u>	Amended Technical Report Summary on the Shirley Basin ISR Uranium Property, Carbon County, Wyoming, USA			Х
101.INS	XBRL Instance Document			Х
101.SCH	XBRL Schema Document			Х
101.CAL	XBRL Calculation Linkbase Document			Х
101.DEF	XBRL Definition Linkbase Document			Х
101.LAB	XBRL Labels Linkbase Document			Х
101.PRE	XBRL Presentation Linkbase Document			Х
99.1	Location Maps	10-K	3/3/2015	Х

(1) Filed herewith under Items 1 and 2.

# SIGNATURES

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this amended report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized.

# UR-ENERGY INC.

By: <u>/s/ John W. Cash</u>

John W. Cash Chief Executive Officer

Date: September 21, 2022

# CONSENT OF WESTERN WATER CONSULTANTS, INC.

We, Western Water Consultants, Inc., d.b.a. WWC Engineering ("WWC"), hereby consent to the incorporation by reference of any mineral resource estimates or other analysis performed by us in our capacity as an independent consultant to Ur-Energy Inc. (the "Company"), which are set forth in the Company's Annual Report on Form 10-K/A, and any amendments or supplements thereto (together, "Form 10-K/A") for the year ended December 31, 2021, whether derived from or in summary or quoted form, and the filing and use of the amended technical report summaries for Lost Creek ISR Uranium Property, Sweetwater County, Wyoming, USA and Shirley Basin ISR Uranium Project, Carbon County, Wyoming, USA, each dated September 19, 2022 (with information as of December 31, 2021), as exhibits 96.1 and 96.2, respectively, to the Form 10-K/A and as are referenced in the Form 10-K/A.

Further, WWC consents to the use and reference of our name, in our status as an expert and a Qualified Person, pursuant to S-K 1300, in connection with the Form 10-K/A and the referenced amended technical report summaries that were prepared by WWC and that WWC supervised the preparation of and/or that were reviewed and approved by WWC.

Further, we consent to the incorporation by reference in the Company's Registration Statements on Form S-3 (File Nos. 333-193316, 333-219433, and 333-261309) and on Form S-8 (File Nos. 333-153098, 333-168589, 333-168590 and 333-181380), any prospectuses or amendments or supplements thereto, and in any amendment to any of the foregoing of the above items as included in the Form 10-K/A.

Date: September 21, 2022

# WESTERN WATER CONSULTANTS, INC., d.b.a. WWC ENGINEERING

/s/ Western Water Consultants, Inc., d.b.a. WWC Engineering

# CERTIFICATION OF CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER UNDER SECTION 302 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002

I, John W. Cash, certify that:

- 1. I have reviewed this amended annual report on Form 10-K/A of Ur-Energy Inc.;
- 2. Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
- 3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
- 4. The registrant's other certifying officer and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
  - a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant is made known to us by others within this entity, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
  - b) Designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
  - c) Evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
  - d) Disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
- 5. The registrant's other certifying officer and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
  - a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
  - b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: September 21, 2022

By: /s/ John W. Cash

John W. Cash Chief Executive Officer

# CERTIFICATION OF CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER UNDER SECTION 302 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002

I, Roger Smith, certify that:

- 1. I have reviewed this amended annual report on Form 10-K/A of Ur-Energy Inc.;
- Based on my knowledge, this report does not contain any untrue statement of a material fact or omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which such statements were made, not misleading with respect to the period covered by this report;
- 3. Based on my knowledge, the financial statements, and other financial information included in this report, fairly present in all material respects the financial condition, results of operations and cash flows of the registrant as of, and for, the periods presented in this report;
- 4. The registrant's other certifying officer and I are responsible for establishing and maintaining disclosure controls and procedures (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(e) and 15d-15(e)) and internal control over financial reporting (as defined in Exchange Act Rules 13a-15(f) and 15d-15(f)) for the registrant and have:
  - a) Designed such disclosure controls and procedures, or caused such disclosure controls and procedures to be designed under our supervision, to ensure that material information relating to the registrant is made known to us by others within this entity, particularly during the period in which this report is being prepared;
  - b) Designed such internal control over financial reporting, or caused such internal control over financial reporting to be designed under our supervision, to provide reasonable assurance regarding the reliability of financial reporting and the preparation of financial statements for external purposes in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles;
  - c) Evaluated the effectiveness of the registrant's disclosure controls and procedures and presented in this report our conclusions about the effectiveness of the disclosure controls and procedures, as of the end of the period covered by this report based on such evaluation; and
  - d) Disclosed in this report any change in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting that occurred during the registrant's most recent fiscal quarter (the registrant's fourth fiscal quarter in the case of an annual report) that has materially affected, or is reasonably likely to materially affect, the registrant's internal control over financial reporting; and
- 5. The registrant's other certifying officer and I have disclosed, based on our most recent evaluation of internal control over financial reporting, to the registrant's auditors and the audit committee of the registrant's board of directors (or persons performing the equivalent functions):
  - a) All significant deficiencies and material weaknesses in the design or operation of internal control over financial reporting which are reasonably likely to adversely affect the registrant's ability to record, process, summarize and report financial information; and
  - b) Any fraud, whether or not material, that involves management or other employees who have a significant role in the registrant's internal control over financial reporting.

Date: September 21, 2022

By: /s/ Roger Smith

Roger Smith Chief Financial Officer

# CERTIFICATIONS OF CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER AND CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER PURSUANT TO 18 U.S.C. SECTION 1350, AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO SECTION 906 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002

In connection with this amended annual report of Ur-Energy Inc. (the "Registrant") on Form 10-K/A for the year ended December 31, 2021, as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof (the "Report"), I, the undersigned, in the capacity and on the date indicated below, hereby certify, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that to my knowledge:

(a) The Report fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended; and

(b) The information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Registrant.

Date: September 21, 2022

By: <u>/s/ John W. Cash</u> John W. Cash

Chief Executive Officer

# CERTIFICATIONS OF CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER AND CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER PURSUANT TO 18 U.S.C. SECTION 1350, AS ADOPTED PURSUANT TO SECTION 906 OF THE SARBANES-OXLEY ACT OF 2002

In connection with this amended annual report of Ur-Energy Inc. (the "Registrant") on Form 10-K/A for the year ended December 31, 2021, as filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission on the date hereof (the "Report"), I, the undersigned, in the capacity and on the date indicated below, hereby certify, pursuant to 18 U.S.C. Section 1350, as adopted pursuant to Section 906 of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, that to my knowledge:

(a) The Report fully complies with the requirements of Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended; and

(b) The information contained in the Report fairly presents, in all material respects, the financial condition and results of operations of the Registrant.

Date: September 21, 2022

By: /s/ Roger Smith

Roger Smith Chief Financial Officer








This Amended S-K 1300 Initial Assessment Mineral Resource Report of the "LOST CREEK ISR URANIUM PROPERTY, SWEETWATER COUNTY, WYOMING, USA" dated September 19, 2022 has been prepared under the supervision of, and signed by the following Qualified Persons:

Prepared under the Supervision of:

WWC Engineering 1849 Terra Avenue Sheridan, WY 82801 USA

**Report Prepared for:** 





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AEC ALARA AQD bgs BLM CAPEX CIM COC CPI DDCT DDCT DDW(s) DEF DOE eU308 U.S. Atomic Energy Commission As Low As Reasonably Achievable Air Quality Department Below ground surface U.S. Burcau of Land Management Capital Expenditure Canadian Institute of Mining, Metallurgy and Petroleum Chain of Custody Consumer Price Index Density Disturbance Calculation Tool Deep Disposal Well(s) Disequilibrium Factor U.S. Department of Energy equivalent U308 as measured by a calibrated gamma instrument





EMC	Energy Metals Corporation
EMT	East Mineral Trend, located within the LC East Project
EPA	U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
ESA	Endangered Species Act
ft.	Feet
FTE	Full Time Equivalent
GDB	Great Divide Basin
GIS	Geographic Information System
gpm	Gallons Per Minute
GT	Grade x Thickness product (% ft.) of a uranium intercept (expressed without units)
HDPE	High density polyethylene pipe
HH(s)	Header house(s)
HPU	High Plains Uranium, Inc.
ICP	Inductively Coupled Plasma
ISL	In Situ Leach
ISR	In Situ Recovery
IRR	Internal Rate of Return
IX	Ion Exchange
K	Thousand
kWh	Kilowatt-hours
LC	Lost Creek ISR, LLC, operating company for Lost Creek Project; wholly-owned subsidiary of Ur-Energy Inc.
lbs.	Pounds
LoM	Life of Mine
M	Million
MMT	Main Mineral Trend, located within Lost Creek Project
MOU	Memorandum of Understanding
MU1	Mine Unit 1, Lost Creek Project
MU2	Mine Unit 2, Lost Creek Project
NI 43-101	Canadian National Instrument 43-101 (Standards of Disclosure for Mineral Projects)
NPV	Net Present Value
NRC	U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission
OPEX	Operating Expenditure
PEA	Preliminary Economic Assessment (per NI 43-101)

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PFN PNC PVC QP R R SBS SSK T T XE U U U U U U U U U U U U U U U U U U	Prompt Fission Neutron, logging technology Power Nuclear Corporation Polyvinyl chloride pipe Qualified Person or QP Firm Range Resource Area Sage Brush Shale Regulation S-K Subpart 1300, "Modernization of Property Disclosures for Mining Registrants" Society for Mining, Metallurgy & Exploration State Route Township Threatened and Endangered Species Uranium in its natural isotopic ratios Uranium in its natural isotopic ratios Uranium One Americas, Inc. Underground Injection Control (pursuant to U.S. EPA regulations) Ur-Energy Inc. Uranium Recovery Program U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service A standard chemical formula commonly used to express the natural form of uranium mineralization. U represents uranium and O represents oxygen. Uranium isotope with an atomic mass of 235 Wvomine Deartment of Environmental Quality W Wvoming
WDEQ	Wyoming Department of Environmental Quality WY Wyoming
WGFD	Wyoming Game and Fish Division



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## 1.0 EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This S-K 1300 Technical Report Summary (Report) for the Lost Creek Property (the Property) has been prepared for Ur-Energy Inc. (URE) and its subsidiaries, Lost Creek ISR, LLC (LC) and NFU Wyoming, LLC under the supervision of Western Water Consultants, Inc., *db/a* WWC Engineering (WWC), pursuant to Regulation S-K Subpart 1300, "Modernization of Property Disclosures for Mining Registrants" (S-K 1300). Its objective is to evaluate the technical and economic viability of the Property using the most current scientific, engineering and technical information. This Report covers resource calculations from drilling activities and production operations information through December 31, 2021.

The Lost Creek <u>PROPERTY</u> represents the composite of six individual contiguous <u>PROJECTS</u>:

Lost Creek Project,
LC East Project,
LC West Project,
LC North Project,
LC South Project, and
EN Project

The licensed and operating Lost Creek Project is considered the core project while the others are collectively referred to as the Adjoining Projects. The Adjoining Projects were acquired by URE as exploration targets to provide resources supplemental to those recognized at the Lost Creek Project. Most were initially viewed as stand-alone projects but expanded over time such that collectively they now represent a contiguous land position and mineral property along with the Lost Creek Project. The Lost Creek Property is located in the northeast correr of Sweetwater County, approximately 90 miles southwest of Casper, Wyoming. Current total acreage is approximately 35,400 acres of federal mineral claims and state of Wyomig mineral leases (Figure 1).

The Property is situated in the northeastern part of the Great Divide Basin (GDB), which is underlain by up to 25,000 ft. of Paleozoic to Quaternary sedimentary units. Rock outcrops in the GDB are dominated by the Battle Spring Formation of Eocene age, which also hosts the uranium mineralization considered in this Report. The dominant lithology in the Battle Spring Formation is coarse arkosic sandstone, interbedded with intermittent mudstone, claystone and siltstone. Deposition occurred as alluvial-fluvial fan deposits within a south-southwest flowing paleo-drainage.

Exploration in the Lost Creek region started in the mid-1960s. Several companies explored portions of the current Property during this early period and continued to advance the uranium discoveries until 1983 when market conditions declined. New Frontiers Uranium, LLC acquired the Lost Creek Project in 2000 and held it until 2005 when Ur-Energy USA Inc. purchased 100 percent ownership of the property through the purchase of a wholly owned company, NFU Wyoming, LLC.

The uranium mineralization occurs as roll front type deposits formed where uranium precipitated from oxidizing groundwater when it contacted reduced host rock. The majority of known, potentially recoverable uranium throughout the Property occurs within two major mineralized trends. The Main Mineral Trend (MMT) lies within the Lost Creek Project and the East







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Mineral Trend (EMT) occurs in the LC East Project. The main mineralized stratigraphic intervals are identified by URE as the HJ and KM Horizons of the Battle Spring Formation.

Additional uranium has been identified in the overlying FG and DE Horizons and also in the underlying Deep Horizons.

Construction of the Lost Creek plant and installation of Mine Unit 1 (MU1) was initiated in October 2012. Production operations in MU1 within the HJ Horizon began on August 2, 2013, and, through December 31, 2021, 2.735 million pounds of  $\frac{1}{3}O_8$  have been produced from the originally planned 13 header houses (HHs) in MU1 and the first three planned HHs in Mine Unit 2 (MU2). For this Report, in order to accurately reflect existing resources, all resources produced through December 31, 2021, All the wells to support the originally planned 13 HHs for MU1 have been completed, and surface installations installed, as have the first three HHs in MU2. All monitor ring wells have been installed and pump tested in MU2. The Lost Creek Project is currently operating on a limited basis to maintain operational bleed in the wellfields due to depressed uranium prices. The processing plant and the wellfield remain in operable condition such that production can be quickly ramped up should prices improve.

The existing plant, wellfields, and disposal wells are all fully permitted with the appropriate authorities. Additionally, URE has received approval from the U.S. Bureau of Land Management (BLM) and Wyoming Department of Environmental Quality (WDEQ) Uranium Recovery Program (URP) for production in the HJ and KM Horizons within the LC East Project and to authorize production from additional HJ mine units within the EMT in the Lost Creek Project. Upon approval of an amendment of the Permit to Mine, URE will be able to pursue production in the KM and HJ Horizons at the LC East Project and additional HJ Units at the Lost Creek Project.

The mineral resource estimate for the Property is 11.914 million pounds in the Measured and Indicated categories, and 6.607 million pounds eU<sub>3</sub>O<sub>8</sub> in the Inferred category. Lost Creek has produced 2.735 million pounds U<sub>3</sub>O<sub>8</sub> as of December 31, 2021. The mineral resource reported here has been reduced to account for production to date. The resource estimate is summarized in Table 1.

The QP firm (QP), is of the opinion that the classification of the resources as stated meets the established professional standards and guidelines for reporting mineral resources for the purposes of S-K 1300. The mineral resource estimates in this Report, based on historical and URE drilling, were reviewed and accepted by the QP.

The majority of resources within the Property have been geographically allocated to 12 designated Resource Areas (RAs) which represent the accumulation of resources within a given horizon in a given area. Economic analyses in this Report are performed solely on these designated areas, due to the vertical and lateral continuity of the resources. RAs represent precursors to potential mine units (wellfields).

To date, RAs 1 and 2 have been converted to MU1 and MU2, respectively. At the current time, approximately 85 percent of the total Property resources, as presented in Table 1, are contained within RAs.



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Table 1. Lost Creek Property – Resource Summary

		Measured			Indicated				
Project	Avg Grade	Short Tons	Pounds (X 1000)	Avg Grade	Short Tons	Pounds (X 1000)	Avg Grade	Short Tons (X 1000)	Pounds (X 1000)
	% eU <sup>3</sup> O <sup>8</sup>	(A 1000)	(A 1000)	% eU308	(A 1000)	(A 1000)	76 20308		(A 1000)
LOST	0.048	8,572	8,173	0.048	3,412	3,295	0.046	3,261	3,013
CREEK									
Production through									
12/31/2021	0.048	-2,849	-2,735						
LC EAST	0.052	1,392	1,449	0.041	1,891	1,567	0.042	2,954	2,484
LC NORTH	—	—	—	—	—	_	0.045	644	580
LC SOUTH	—	—	—	0.037	220	165	0.039	637	496
LC WEST	_	_	_	_	_	_	0.109	16	34
EN	—	—	-	—	—	—		—	—
GRAND	0.048	7115	6,887	0.046	5,523	5,027	0.044	7,512	6,607
TOTAL									
			MEASURED +	INDICATED =	12,638	11,914			

Sum of Measured and Indicated tons and pounds may not add to the reported total due to rounding. % eU3O8 is a measure of gamma intensity from a decay product of uranium and is not a direct measurement of uranium. Numerous comparisons of eU3O8 and chemical assays of Lost Creek rock samples, as well as PFN logging, indicate that eU3O8 is a reasonable indicator of the chemical concentration of uranium. Table shows resources based on grade cutoff 0.02 % eU3O8 and grade x thickness cutoff of 0.20 GT. Measured, Indicated, and Inferred Mineral Resources as defined in 17 CFR § 229.1300. Resources are reported through December 31, 2021. All reported resources once the low the static water table. 2.735 million lbs. of U3O8 have been produced from the HJ Horizon in the Lost Creek Project as of December 31, 2021. Mineral resources that are not mineral reserves do not have demonstrated economic viability. The point of reference for resources is in situ at the Property. 2.

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Cautionary statement: This Report is preliminary in nature and includes inferred mineral resources that are considered too speculative geologically to have the economic considerations applied to them that would enable them to be categorized as mineral reserves. Mineral resources that are not mineral reserves do not have demonstrated economic viability. There is increased risk and uncertainty to commencing and conducting production without established mineral reserves that may result in economic and technical failure which may adversely impact future profitability. The estimated mineral recovery used in this Report is based on recovery data from wellfield operations to date, as well as Ur-Energy personnel and industry experience at similar facilities. There can be no assurance that recovery at this level will be achieved.

The QP has assumed that URE's operations at the Property will be conducted in conformance with applicable laws, regulations and requirements of federal, state and local agencies. It is also assumed that organization and management controls have been and will continue to be established to ensure compliance with applicable regulations and to implement URE's policy for providing a safe working environment including the philosophy of maintaining radiation exposures As Low As Reasonably Achievable (ALARA).



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The resources identified and evaluated have been added to the Lost Creek production plan and continue to support the possible economics of the Property. Using the estimated capital expenses (CAPEX), operating expenses (OPEX) and closure costs presented herein, a cash flow statement has been developed. The statement assumes no escalation, and no debt, interest or capital repayments. It also does not include depreciation. It should be noted that Lost Creek ISR, LLC is the recipient of a State of Wyoming Taxable Industrial Development Revenue Bond, as amended from time to time. Debt interest and repayment of this bond is not included in the economic analysis. This information is summarized in the following Table 2.

Table 2. Summary of Economics

Economic Parameter	Units	 Pre-income Tax	 Post-income Tax
Initial CAPEX <sup>1</sup>	US\$ 000s	\$ -	\$ -
Sustaining CAPEX	US\$ 000s	\$ 19,878	\$ 19,878
LoM OPEX	\$ / Lb	\$ 16.34	\$ 16.34
Income Taxes	\$ / Lb	\$ -	\$ 8.72
Total Cost per Pound	\$ / Lb	\$ 33.61	\$ 42.33
Production	Lb 000s	12,261	12,261
Net Cash Flow	US\$ 000s	\$ 376,427	\$ 267,054
NPV 8%	US\$ 000s	\$ 210,894	\$ 156,790
IRR (adjusted for Undepreciated Initial Capital) <sup>2</sup>	%	72.2%	66.8%

1. Initial capital costs of \$46.5 million were incurred and expended prior to the starting date of this economic analysis. Because there are no additional cash expenditures required for initial capital, they are therefore excluded from the cash flow and NPV

calculations. 2. As of December 31, 2021, Lost Creek had \$27.4 million of undepreciated, initial capital assets that will be charged against operations over time. By including the undepreciated, initial capital assets, an IRR can be calculated. Without these costs, an IRR cannot be calculated.

The economic analyses presented herein provide the results of the analyses for pre-income tax and post-income tax, which includes U.S. federal and Illinois state income taxes. There is no State of Wyoming income tax, and all sales are assumed to take place in Illinois where the conversion facility is located. The only difference between the two scenarios is the value of the estimated income taxes. All other sales, property, use, severance and conservations taxes as well as royalties are included in both scenarios. Both economic analyses presented herein assume no escalation and no debt, interest or capital repayments. Ur-Energy USA Inc. files consolidated federal tax returns in the United States and had approximately \$10.56 million in tax loss carry forwards are utilized. In addition, reclamation costs can be deducted in the early years of the Property, thus also pushing out the tax liability.

The sale price for the produced uranium is assumed to vary based on an annual average of the projections prepared by VIII Capital Corp.; Cantor Fitzgerald Canada Corporation; H.C. Wainwright & Co.; and UxC, LLC (See Chapters 16 and 24). The revenue for the cash flow estimate was developed using the GT contour mineral resource estimate for the MMT and EMT, and further assumed that, based on an 80 percent recovery factor, approximately 12.3 million pounds of U308 will be recovered from the MMT and EMT at the Property.





Remaining CAPEX costs are for sustaining capital requirements at the mine site and are for the installation of a wastewater treatment building to optimize wastewater reduction. The remaining sustaining capital is for the replacement of equipment that will be used in future operations of the plant and the wellfields. The sustaining capital cost is estimated to be \$19.9 million. In addition, costs are included in the wellfield development portion of this analysis for the installation of one additional Underground Injection Control (UIC) Class I deep disposal well (DDW) at an estimated cost of \$3.2 million. The sustaining capital estimate is based on the actual previous purchases of the same equipment and/or vendor prices, thus the predicted level of accuracy of the sustaining capital estimate is have a prior to this analysis, costs were escalated against the Consumer Price Index or the gross domestic product: implicit price deflator adjusted to December 2021 (CPI, 2021 & FRED, 2021)

URE purchased and paid for the processing plant and much of the first mine unit prior to the commencement of operations in 2013 and prior to this economic analysis. Those initial capital costs totaled approximately \$46.5 million and are not included in this economic analysis because they were previously incurred.

OPEX cost estimates were developed by evaluating each process unit operation and associated operating services (power, water, air, waste disposal), infrastructure (offices, shops), salary plus burden, and environmental control (heat, air conditioning, monitoring). The OPEX estimate is based on URE's current operating costs, budgets, development plan, deliverables, process flow sheets, process design, materials balance and project manpower schedule. The annual OPEX is provided in Chapter 18.0.

Construction of the plant and MU1 began in October 2012. Plant construction was completed in the third quarter of 2013. Wellfield drilling and construction activities have been completed to various levels with the majority of the work occurring in the MU1 and the areas of the first three HHs in MU2.

Subsequent to initial capital purchases, all other installation costs have been expensed. These include additional construction in MU1, installation of the monitor well ring in MU2 and drilling and construction of the third DDW. The Net Present Value (NPV) calculations assume that cash flows occur in the middle of the accounting periods. The NPV is calculated from the discounted cash flow model and is based on the CAPEX, OPEX and closure cost estimates, a variable future tranium price and the anticipated production schedule. Excluding sunk costs which occurred prior to December 31, 2021, the Property is estimated to generate net cash flow over its life, before income tax, of \$376.4 million and \$267.1 million for 2.2 percent and a before tax NPV of \$210.9 million applying an eight percent discount rate. When income taxes are included in the calculation, the after-tax IRR is 66.8 percent and the after tax NPV is \$156.8 million applying an eight percent discount rate. Life of Mine (LoM) operating costs are approximately \$33.61 per pound of U<sub>3</sub>O<sub>8</sub> produced including royalties and local taxes. Federal and State income taxes are estimated to be \$8.72 per pound. A summary of the current project economics is presented below in Table 3 and is discussed in more detail in Chapter 19.



Approximately 27.4 percent of the resources in the economic analysis were inferred resources. Inferred resources that are considered too speculative geologically to have modifying factors applied to them that would enable them to be categorized as mineral reserves, and there is no certainty that this economic assessment will be realized. To account for the chance that the inferred resources are not upgraded as mining progresses and URE collects additional drilling data, a second economic analysis was prepared which excluded the inferred resources. The estimated recovery excluding the inferred resources was 8.6 million pounds. Without the inferred resources the Property is estimated to generate net cash flaw over its life, before income tax. Without the inferred resources the adjusted before tax IRR is 71.7 percent and a before tax XPK of \$153.4 million applying an eight percent. When income tax without the after tax XPV is \$120.0 million applying an eight percent discount rate. Without the inferred resources the approximately \$36.23 per pound of U<sub>3</sub>O<sub>8</sub> produced including royalises and local taxes. Income taxes are estimated to be \$6.69 per pound.

Table 3. Cash Flow Summary

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Cash Flow Line Items	Units	Total	 US\$ per Pound
Pounds produced	Lbs	12,261,347	
Pounds sold	Lbs	12,546,207	
Sales	US\$ 000s	\$ 798,601	\$ 63.65
Royalties	US\$ 000s	\$ (440)	\$ (0.04)
Net sales	US\$ 000s	\$ 798,161	\$ 63.62
Wyoming severance tax	US\$ 000s	\$ (16,321)	\$ (1.30)
Sweetwater ad valorem tax	US\$ 000s	\$ (27,598)	\$ (2.20)
Operating costs (see Table 9)	US\$ 000s	\$ (205,055)	\$ (16.34)
Wellfield development	US\$ 000s	\$ (151,733)	\$ (12.09)
Exploration cost	US\$ 000s	\$ -	\$ -
Sweetwater property tax	US\$ 000s	\$ (1,148)	\$ (0.09)
Working capital changes	US\$ 000s	\$ 	\$ -
Project cash flow	US\$ 000s	\$ 396,305	\$ 31.59
Initial capital	US\$ 000s	\$ 	\$ -
Sustaining capital	US\$ 000s	\$ (19,878)	\$ (1.58)
Net cash flow before tax	US\$ 000s	\$ 376,427	\$ 30.00
Federal income tax	US\$ 000s	\$ (77,108)	\$ (6.15)
State income tax	US\$ 000s	\$ (32,265)	\$ (2.57)
Net cash flow after tax	US\$ 000s	\$ 267,054	\$ 21.29

Production is based on an 80% recovery of the total of Measured, Indicated and Inferred resources in the 12 RAs of the MMT and EMT. 1.

r rouxeroom is based on an ov/w recovery or me total or investured, indicated and interret resources in the 12 RAs of the MM1 and EM1. Uranium price is based on the average of the projections of VIII Capital Corp., November 4, 2021; Cantor Fitzgerald Canada Corporation, October 18, 2021; H.C. Wainwright & Co., September 29, 2021; and UxC, LLC, December 6, 2021, as discussed in Chapter 16.0. Wellfield development includes wellfield drilling and wellfield construction costs. Working capital changes are primarily related to annual cash flow timing differences in accounts receivable and accounts payable and totals to zero. 2.

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5 Pounds sold exceeds pounds produced due to existing inventories.





The QP finds the Property is potentially viable based on the assumptions contained herein. There is no certainty that the mineral recovery or the economic analyses presented in this Report will be realized. In order to realize the full potential benefits described in this Report, the following activities, as discussed in Chapter 23.0 (Recommendations), are required:

- Further development of wellfields including MU2 and the resources not previously put under pattern in MU1, Completion of the permit amendment process for the required permits and approvals for additional HJ production at Lost Creek and production from the HJ and KM Horizons at LC East production, Continue to advance other adjoining projects as necessary to mine uranium at the Property, and URE should continue with its pre-construction design and engineering work related to wastewater management processes and procedures with the goal of concentrating and minimizing RO brine production and maximizing permeate output. Further costs for this continued design and engineering work are estimated to be \$0.2 million.

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#### 2.1 Registrant

WWC has been retained by URE to prepare this Report for the Property, which includes the Lost Creek Project and the Adjoining Projects located in northeastern Sweetwater County in south-central Wyoming, USA. This Report has been prepared in accordance with the guidelines set forth under S-K 1300 for the submission of technical reports on mineral properties. This Report also presents a validation of the estimate of Measured, Indicated and Inferred Mineral Resources as defined in S-K 1300 (17 CFR §229.1300). Estimates of Mineral Reserves were not prepared. Property economics and related analyses were also updated from earlier such analyses.

URE was incorporated on March 22, 2004 and is an exploration stage mining company engaged in the identification, acquisition, evaluation, exploration, development and operation of uranium properties in the United States. URE is incorporated in Canada with principal executive offices located at 10758 West Centennial Road, Suite 200, Littleton, CO 80127. URE's uranium mineral property portfolio includes properties in the Great Divide Basin, the Shirley Basin, and the Gas Hills mining districts of Wyoming.

#### 2.2 Terms of Reference

This Report was prepared to disclose the updated results of mineral resource estimations for the Property prompted by development activities through December 31, 2021. Property economics and related analyses were also updated from earlier such analyses. This is the first S-K 1300 technical report for the Property. However, reports meeting Canadian National Instrument 43-101 (NI 43-101) standards have been previously prepared and are referenced in this report. The last NI 43-101 compliant report prepared for the Property had a February 8, 2016, effective date (TREC, 2016).

#### 2.3 Information Sources and References

The information and data presented in this Report was gathered from various sources listed in Chapters 24 and 25. Technical information was provided to WWC by URE and includes data from other professional consultants and follows generally accepted uranium ISR practices. Mineral resource estimates are based on exploration, delineation and production drilling, and associated data, provided by URE and reviewed by WWC.

The wellfield design was provided by URE with associated numbers and locations of wells and HHs. It includes the as-built design in MU1 and MU2 as well as anticipated wellfield layout for future development. The cost estimates presented here are based on wellfield layouts, process flow diagrams, tank and process equipment and buildings currently installed at the Property, personnel and capital equipment requirements provided by URE.

Units of measurement, unless otherwise indicated, are feet (ft.), miles, acres, pounds avoirdupois (lbs.), and short tons (2,000 lbs.). Uranium is expressed as pounds  $4O_8$ , the standard market unit. All references to dollars (§) are in U.S. dollars. Grades reported for historical resources and the mineral resources reported and used herein are percent  $eU_3O_8$  (equivalent  $U_3O_8$  by calibrated gamma geophysical logging unit). ISR refers to in situ recovery, sometimes also termed ISL or in situ leach. A complete list of abbreviations is provided on pages vii-viii.







## 2.4 Inspection of the Property by Each Qualified Person

WWC professionals have most recently visited the site on January 28, 2022, and on February 1, 2022. The purpose of these site visits was to observe the geography and geology of the Project site, verify work done at the site by URE, observe the potential locations of Project components, confirmation drilling and other site activities, and confirm existing site infrastructure including installed wellfields, plant facilities and equipment at the site.

# 2.4.1 QP Qualifications

Completion of this Report was under the direction and supervision of WWC. WWC is a third-party QP as defined by Regulation S-K 1300. Additionally, WWC has approved the technical disclosure contained in this Report.

# 2.5 Previous Technical Report Summaries

URE has not previously filed a Technical Report Summary under S-K 1300 regulations. Additional reports meeting Canadian National Instrument 43-101 (NI 43-101) standards have been previously prepared and are referenced in this report.



# 3.0 PROPERTY DESCRIPTION AND LOCATION

### 3.1 Location and Size

The Property is located in the northeastern corner of Sweetwater County in south-central Wyoming. As shown on Figure 1, the Property is in an unpopulated area located approximately 15 miles southwest of Bairoil, Wyoming, about 38 miles northwest of Rawlins, Wyoming and about 90 miles southwest of Casper, Wyoming. It is centered at approximately 42 degrees, 8.06 minutes North latitude and 107 degrees, 51.7 minutes West longitude. All references herein to Township and Range occur within the 6th Prime Meridian.

The Lost Creek plant is constructed and operating. Production well installation for the originally designed 13 HHs in MU1 is complete and production operations have occurred in all 13. Additionally, the first three HHs of MU2 have been constructed and are operational. Additional HHs will be developed in both mine units and additional recovery areas, as production requirements warrant. Three DDWs were drilled and operated; subsequently, one deep well was plugged and abandoned. Shallow UIC Class V wells for water recycling were permitted, drilled and have been in operation since 2017. Associated access roads have been constructed. URE has also installed numerous monitoring and other wells in support of its permit and license applications and to further mine planning. Various other infrastructure, including wells, water tanks, ponds, a meteorological station, and other equipment, has been placed on the Property by URE in support of its mining, development, exploration, and permit/icense activities.



The Property currently comprises six individual Projects named the Lost Creek, LC East, LC North, LC South, LC West, and EN Projects (Figure 2) located over approximately 35,400 acres. The Lost Creek Project is considered the core project, with current production occurring in MU1 and MU2. The other five Projects, collectively referred to as the Adjoining Projects, are extension and exploration properties targeted as possible sources of additional feed to the Lost Creek Project production facilities. All Projects within the Property consist mostly or entirely of federal unpatented lode mining claims. Three of the Projects also have state mineral leases. URE does not hold any private (fee) mineral leases within the Property. Land holdings within the six Projects of the Property are summarized below. With the exception of the Lost Creek Project, acreage estimates are rounded to the nearest 10s.

Lost Creek Project: is located in Sections 13, 24 and 25 of T25N, R93W, and Sections 16 through 20 and 29 through 31 of T25N, R92W (Figure 3a). The Project is approximately 4,194 acres in size, including 3,554 acres in 201 federal unpatented lode mining claims and 640 acres in one state of Wyoming mineral lease.

# Adjoining Company Projects:

LC East Project: is a block of 324 federal mineral claims (Figure 3b) which are adjoining to the east and northeast of the Lost Creek Project, within Sections 1 through 3, 10 through 15, 20 through 23, 27 through 29 of T25N, R92W. The LC East Project encompasses approximately 5,750 acres.

LC North Project: is adjoining to the north and west of the Lost Creek Project in Sections 4 through 10, 17, and 18 of T25N, R92W, Sections 1, 11 through 15, 22, 23, 26, and 27 of T25N, R93W and Sections 33 through 34 of T26N, R92W (Figure 3c). The LC North Project includes 338 federal unpatented lode mining claims totaling approximately 6,260 acres.







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LC West Project: consists of a block of mining claims plus one state lease in two parcels (Figure 3e). Most of LC West adjoins the Lost Creek, LC North and LC South Projects within Sections 16, 21, 22, 25 through 28, 33 through 36 of T25N, R93W, and Sections 2 through 5 of T24N, R93W. One of the state mineral lease parcels lies as a disconnected parcel approximately a mile north from the LC West mining claims. LC West Project encompasses a total of approximately 3,840 acres, including 2,800 acres in 142 federal unpatchted lode mining claims and 1,040 acres in the state of Wyoming mineral lease.

EN Project: is the adjoining project to the east of the LC South Project in Sections 31 through 34 of T25N, R91W, Sections 5 through 7 of T24N, R91W, Sections 35 and 36 of T25N, R92W, and Sections 1 through 3 and 10 through 12 of T24N, R92W (Figure 3f). The current EN Project encompasses approximately 5,160 acres, including approximately 4,520 acres in 234 federal unpatented lode mining claims and 640 acres in the state of Wyoming mineral lease.

### 3.2 Mining Claims, Mineral Leases and Surface Use Agreements

Collectively the Property currently consists of a total of 1,785 federal unpatented lode mining claims and three state of Wyoming leases for uranium and associated minerals. The land status of each project is illustrated in Figures 3a-f and described below:

The surface of all the mining claims is controlled by the BLM, with URE possessing the right to use as much of the surface as is necessary for exploration and mining of the claims, subject to compliance with all federal, state and local laws and regulations. Surface use on BLM lands is administered under federal regulations.

The Lost Creek and other projects currently held by LC are subject to a mortgage securing a bond loan with Sweetwater County, Wyoming, through the State of Wyoming Taxable Industrial Development Revenue Bond program, and the related State bond which was issued for this loan in October 2013. The mortgage, as amended, is recorded in Sweetwater County, Wyoming (October 23, 2013, Rec. 1630230 Bk. 1202, pg. 5867; December 28, 2015, Rec. 1646033 Bk. 1212, pg. 4611); October 1, 2019, Rec. 1669974, Bk. 1228, pg. 5759; and October 7, 2020, Rec. 1677345, Bk. 1235, Pg. 976).





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Similarly, access to state-controlled land is largely inherent within the state of Wyoming mineral leases. The state lease within the Lost Creek Project requires a nominal surface impact fee to be paid as may the other state mineral leases from time to time. Various Temporary Use Permits are in place at the Property, including one which allows for the use and maintenance of an improved road on the leased state section within the Lost Creek Project.

#### 3.3 Title to Property

URE, through its wholly owned subsidiaries Lost Creek ISR, LLC and NFU Wyoming, LLC controls the federal unpatented lode mining claims and state of Wyoming mineral leases which comprise the Property. Currently, NFU Wyoming, LLC controls the mining claims and state lease at the EN Project. Lost Creek ISR, LLC controls the lands at the other five projects within the Property, including Lost Creek Project. Tille to the mining claims is subject to rights of *pedis possessio* against all third-party claimants as long as the claims are maintained. The mining claims do not have an expiration date. Affidavits have been timely field with the BLM and recorded with the Sweetwater County Recorder attesting to the payment of annual maintenance fees to the BLM as established by law. The state leases have a ten-year term, subject to renewal for successive ten-year terms. From time to time, formal mineral title reports are prepared for URE by mineral title attorneys.

### 3.3.1 Property Boundaries

A professional legal survey of the permit area boundary of the Lost Creek Project was completed in advance of the submission of applications for permits and licenses on the Project. Similarly, a professional legal survey was conducted for the permit area for the LC East Project permit amendments. Legal surveys of individual mining claims are not required, and otherwise have not been completed. The area covered by the state leases is based on the legal subdivision descriptions as set forth by the U.S. Cadastral Survey and has not been verified by legal surveys.

#### 3.4 Royalties, Taxes and Fees

URE is required to pay various state and local taxes related to production and the ownership of property. These taxes are in the form of severance, ad valorem, gross products, personal, and real property taxes. There is no state income tax in Wyoming. Royalties based on sales of uranium will be paid to the state under the state mineral lease at the Project. The state mineral leases carry the standard five percent royalty required by law. There are no royalties owed on the mining claims held at the Lost Creek Project. Various royalties exist on portions of the Adjoining Projects, including on a portion of LC East Project. Those royalties, as they pertain to currently anticipated production, have been included in the analysis but are relatively insignificant affecting only three future HHs at a rate of one percent of production sales. Additionally, maintenance fees will be paid to the BLM, and payments made to the state funct leases. Currently, annual maintenance fees to the BLM are \$165/claim with a nominal recording fee paid to Sweetwater County (i.e., <\$200, annually). Annual payments of the three state mineral leases in the Property are currently \$3.00/acre (Lost Creek lease, \$1,920; EN lease, \$1,920; LC West lease, \$3,120).





The Property economic analysis includes tax estimates for state severance taxes, county ad valorem taxes and property taxes, all of which are directly attributable to the Property. The economic analyses presented herein also provide the results of the analyses for pre-income tax and post-income tax, which includes U.S. federal and Illinois state income taxes. There is no State of Wyoming income tax, and all sales are assumed to take place in Illinois where the conversion facility is located. The only difference between the two scenarios is the value of the estimated income taxes. All other sales, property, use, severance and conservations taxes as well as royalties are included in both scenarios. Both economic analyses presented herein assume no escalation and no debt, interest or capital prepayments. Ur-Energy USA Inc. files consolidated federal tax returns in the United States and had approximately \$105.6 million in tax loss carry forwards are utilized. In addition, reclamation costs can be deducted in the early years of the project, thus also pushing out the tax liability.

### 3.5 Significant Encumbrances or Risks to Perform Work on the Property

#### 3.5.1 Environmental Liabilities

There were no pre-existing mineral processing facilities or related tailings ponds or waste deposits within the Property prior to the initiation of the construction of Lost Creek's ISR facilities and wellfields. Surface disturbance included in the economic analysis is associated with drilling, well installation, wellfield construction, plant construction and installation of the three deep waste disposal wells. Likewise, subsurface disturbance is associated with the injection and production operations in MU1 and MU2. Other than the foregoing, there are no known environmental liabilities on the Property. The total bond held by the WDEQ to reclaim property disturbances for which LC is liable is 516.844 million as of December 31, 2021.

#### 3.5.2 Existing and Required Permits

All permits and authorizations required to operate the Lost Creek Mine, as currently operating, are in place and include the following:

- The BLM issued a Record of Decision on the Lost Creek Plan of Operations in October 2012.
- · The BLM issued a Record of Decision on the LC East and KM Amendment in March 2019.
- The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) issued a Source and Byproduct Material License SUA-1598 in August 2011. The NRC subsequently performed pre-operational inspections and granted permission to begin mining on August 2, 2013, and permission to operate the yellowcake dryer on October 3, 2013.
- The URP issued Source and Byproduct Material License WYSUA-1598 Amendment No. 8 in August 2021.
  - In addition to the URP license for LC East, WDEQ has issued several permits including:
    - Permit 788, which includes an aquifer exemption for the three Lost Creek HJ mine units and approval to begin injection in MU1, was granted in October 2011. A hydrologic package must be submitted for review and approval for each subsequent Mine Unit. Approval of the MU2 hydrologic package was granted in 2017.
    - o Permit 788 was granted after consultation with the Wyoming Game and Fish Department (WGFD) and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS). Special consideration was given to greater sage grouse protection.
      - Air Quality Permit CGT-13201 was issued in May 2012. In March 2021, the WDEQ-Air Quality Division (AQD) issued a determination that a further permit for LC East was not required.

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- o Storm Water Discharge Permit WYR103695 was approved in June 2011 and includes the LC East and Lost Creek Projects.
- o Class I UIC Permit 09-586, granting permission to install up to five DDWs, was granted in May 2010. An aquifer exemption for LC DW #4 was subsequently granted in December 2013. The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) granted an aquifer exemption for LC DW#3 in October 2014. Additional aquifer exemptions may be required if other deep wells are drilled and encounter water quality less than 10,000 mg/l total dissolved solids. An aquifer exemption was not required for LC DW #1 since the water contains greater than 10,000 mg/l total dissolved solids.
- Class V UIC Permit 15-081, granting permission to operate two injection wells was issued in June 2016.
- The two facility holding ponds were approved by EPA Permit 8P-AR in December 2011 and by State Engineer Permit 13595R in May 2010.
- Sweetwater County rezoned the land per Resolution 08-03-ZO-07 in March 2008. The county later approved the Development Plan in December 2009. Septic Permit 11-082 was issued in April 2011. The county has also signed a Road Maintenance Agreement allowing the company to remove snow from local county roads as needed.
- · Sweetwater County rezoned the land for LC East per Resolution 21-05-ZO-01 in May 2021. No further approval is required with respect to a development plan.
- Numerous well installation permits have been applied for and received through the State Engineer's Office. Additional permits will be sought as needed.
- Exploration activities on the Adjoining Projects are carried out under Drill Notices issued by the WDEQ and Notices of Operations issued by the BLM. These permits are obtained and managed as necessary to continue exploration work.
- The following permits will be required before beginning recovery at LC East and within the additional HJ Horizon Mine Units at Lost Creek.
  - · Approval from WDEQ LQD for the major modification to Permit 788 to allow mining in the KM and HJ Horizons at LC East. The approval will include an aquifer exemption for both horizons.
  - Approval from WDEQ-LQD for the major modification to Permit 788 to allow mining in additional HJ Mine Units at Lost Creek. The approval will include an aquifer exemption for additional HJ Horizons.
  - Block permits for UIC Class III wells will be submitted to the State Engineer's Office closer to the time of production operations.

### 3.5.3 Significant Risks that May affect Access, Title, or Right to Perform Work

The Lost Creek plant has been constructed and is operational. Production well installation in MU1 is complete for all 13 originally designed HHs and the first three planned HHs in MU2. HHs 1-1 through 1-13 and HHs 2-1 through 2-3 were operational prior to the reduction in operations. The plant is currently operating at a limited capacity to maintain required wellfield bleed. The reduction in operations is due to depressed uranium prices. The plant remains fully operational to take advantage of improving prices in the future. Three DDWs were drilled at the Property, of which one has been plugged and abandoned; the other two deep wells remain operational. Two UIC Class V wells were installed and are operational. The plant and associated access roads have been constructed. URE has also installed numerous monitoring and other wells in support of its permit and license applications and to further its mine planning. Various other infrastructure, including wells, water tanks, a meteorological station, and other equipment, has been placed on the Property by URE in support of its mining, development, exploration, and permit/license activities.

The QP is aware of no significant factors that contribute to operational risks for the Property.





## 4.0 ACCESSIBILITY, CLIMATE, LOCAL RESOURCES, INFRASTRUCTURE AND PHYSIOGRAPHY

### 4.1 Physiography

The Property is located near the northeastern part of the Great Divide Basin (GDB) and occurs at an elevation of approximately 7,000 ft. above mean sea level. The GDB is an oval-shaped structural depression encompassing some 3,500 square miles in southcentral Wyoming. The GDB is bounded on the north by the Wind River Range and Granite Mountains, on the east by the Rawlins Uplift, on the south by the Wamsutter Arch, and on the west by the Rock Springs Uplift.

Most of the Property consists of flat upland areas and gentle south facing slopes that are dissected by southerly-flowing ephemeral washes. There are no perennial streams on the Property. The vegetation on the Property is dominated by sagebrush (Artemisia tridentata) which occurs throughout both upland and lowland environmental settings. Sagebrush is well adapted to the cold winter temperatures and limited precipitation that characterize the Property. Other vegetation identified at the Property includes native cool season perennial grasses, perennial forks, cushion plants, secti, shrubs and lichens.

#### 4.2 Means of Access

Regional access to the Property relies almost exclusively on existing public roads and highways. The local and regional transportation network relevant to the Property consists of primary, secondary, local and unimproved roads (Figures 1 and 2). Direct access to the Property relies mainly on two crown-and-ditched gravel paved access roads to the processing plant. One enters from the west off Sweetwater County Road 23N (Wamsutter-Crooks Gap Road). The other enters from the east off of BLM Sooner Road. In addition to the designated routes, there are a number of four-wheel-drive "two-track" roads that traverse the area for recreation and grazing access, as well as various other uses, including uranium exploration. On a wider basis, from population centers, the Property area is served by an Interstate Highway (Interstate 80), a U.S. Highway (US 287), Wyoming state routes (SR 220 and 73 to Bairoil), local county roads, and BLM roads.

#### 4.3 Proximity to Population Centers

The Property is located in a remote area of south-central Wyoming. The nearest town, Bairoil, with a population of less than 100, is about 17 miles northeast of the Lost Creek plant. The Wyoming towns of Rawlins, Rock Springs and Casper are approximately 36, 82 and 90 miles from the Property, respectively. Figures 1 and 2 show the locations of population centers with respect to the Property.

Sweetwater County, in which the Property is located, had a population of 42,272 in 2020. This represents a 3.5 percent decrease in Sweetwater County's population since the 2010 census (U.S. Census Bureau 2020 Report on Sweetwater County, WY). Sweetwater County has a population density of 4.2 people per square mile. Carbon County, which is south of the Property, had a population of 14,537 in 2020 which was primarily located in the town of Rawlins. This represents an 8.5 percent decrease in Carbon County's population since the 2010 census (U.S. Census Bureau 2020 Report on Carbon County, WY).

Personnel required for management, construction, development, and operation of the Property are drawn from Rawlins, Bairoil, Jeffrey City, Lander, Riverton, Rock Springs and Casper, Wyoming.

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#### 4.4 Climate and Operating Season

The Property is located in the intermountain semi-desert eco-region (Curtis and Grimes, 2004), which has cold winters and short, hot summers (Bailey, 1995). The average annual temperatures range from 40 to 52 degrees Fahrenheit. The average annual precipitation ranges from five to 14 inches (Bailey, 1995). Winter weather may limit the time periods for certain portions of wellfield drilling and construction at the Property but to date has not significantly affected operation of the ISR facility. ISR operations at the Property are conducted year-round.

The state of Wyoming has developed a Core Area Strategy to help protect the greater sage-grouse species within certain core areas of Wyoming. Exploration areas of the Property are all within the Greater South Pass core area and are thus subject to work activity restrictions from March 1 to July 15 of each year. The timing restriction precludes exploration drilling and other non-operational based activities that may disturb the greater sage-grouse. Drilling activity is not restricted outside this period.

The greater sage-grouse timing restrictions relevant to ISR production activities at the Lost Creek Project are somewhat different because the state of Wyoming has recognized that mines within core areas must be allowed to operate year-round. Therefore, since construction or at the Lost Creek Project began, there have been no timing restrictions on drilling, construction, or operational activities within pre-approved disturbed areas as shown in the Permit to Mine. These disturbed areas include the processing plant, holding ponds, roads, power lines, wellfields, and DDWs. Any exploration drilling within the Property but outside the pre-defined disturbed area of the Permit to Mine will continue to be subject to greater sage-grouse timing restrictions.

The Core Area Strategy also places limitations on the amount of disturbance within an area. Planned disturbance is limited and therefore is unlikely to result in limitations on exploration drilling. For the Property, there is a five percent cap on anthropogenic disturbance in the area. Analyses of the planned disturbance on the Property, including those areas which are permitted, or for which permits will be sought, will be conducted to be consistent with the Wyoming regulatory scheme, and also will be reviewed on a time-to-time basis by WGPD. The WGPD has also approved the Lost Creek Sage Groups Protection Plan for the Lost Creek Project.

#### 4.5 Property Infrastructure

The Property currently contains an operational ISR processing plant, wellfields, water disposal infrastructure, and necessary equipment to support ISR operations. The basic infrastructure (power, water, and transportation) necessary to support an ISR mining operation is located within reasonable proximity of the Property. Generally, the proximity of the Property to paved roads is beneficial with respect to transportation of equipment, supplies, personnel and product to and from the Property. Improved gravel surfaced access roads have been constructed to the Property from adjacent county roads. Existing regional overhead electrical service is aligned in a north-to-south direction along the western boundary protect. An overhead raptor resistant power line, approximately two miles in length, was constructed to the plant, offices, wellfields, and other facilities.





Previous infrastructure near the Property is predominantly related to oil and gas development, past and present uranium exploration and beneficiation, and recreation. There have been several historical conventional uranium mills and mines and one historical ISR project (Bison Basin Project) in the vicinity of the Property (Figure 2). The closest mining facility to the Property is the Sweetwater Mine and Mill, a conventional uranium mine and mill that is not currently operational. The facility lies about three and one-half miles south of the southwestern-most boundary of URE's Lost Creek Project, with less than one mile separating the respective property boundaries.

Lost Creek operations require disposal into DDWs of limited quantities of fluids that cannot be returned to the production aquifers. Five DDWs are permitted for the Lost Creek Project, of which three have been drilled to date, and two remain operational after one DDW as plugged and abandoned. Three additional deep wells are proposed for LC East. Two UIC Class V injection wells have been completed and have been in operation since 2017 as a part of the water recycling systems. Two storage ponds, permitted by state and federal regulators, are located adjacent to the plant and are used to temporarily store the water that will ultimately be disposed of in the DDWs.

The first DDW (LC DW #1) was installed in 2008 and is located in the extreme southwest corner of the Lost Creek Project. The second DDW (LC DW #4) was drilled in 2012 immediately south of the plant building. A third DDW (LC DW #3) was drilled and installed in the SW quarter of Section 13, T25N, R92W in 2014. The location of the other planned DDW for Lost Creek is the SE quarter of Section 17, T25N, R92W. An additional permitted option is in the SE quarter of Section 19, T25N, R92W.

Three additional DDWs proposed by the amendments for LC East would be located in T25N, R92W in the SW quarter of Section 22, NW quarter of Section 23 and the SE quarter of Section 10. For a further discussion of the wastewater disposal and related infrastructure, see Chapter 14.3 (Liquid Disposal). Ponds, outdoor tank storage, and the Class V disposal wells are located proximate to the plant and office building location (see Figures 2 and 12).

Tailings storage areas, solid waste disposal areas, and heap leach pad(s) will not be a part of the infrastructure for the Property as ISR operations do not require these types of facilities.

### 4.5.1 Water Supply

Most of the non-potable water for ISR operations is obtained from the mining operation, i.e., from extracted groundwater. With the exception of a 0.5 percent to 1.5 percent bleed, the groundwater extracted by the production wells will continue to be recycled through the system.

Water for activities within the Property is currently supplied by 12 water wells drilled by URE. Eight of these are located within the Lost Creek Project, one is in the LC North Project, one is in the LC South Project, and one is in the EN Project. All but one of the active wells produces water in excess of 25 gallons per minute. Water usage in the past has been mostly for drilling, casing wells, and abandonment of exploration and delineation holes. Two of the eight wells in the Lost Creek Project are adjacent to the plant site. One of those is being used as a source of fire suppression water and the other as a source of fresh water. Additional wells may be necessary as exploration and production activities extend further from the plant.



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## 5.0 HISTORY

Uranium was discovered in the GDB in 1936. Exploration activity increased in the early 1950s after the Gas Hills District discoveries, and continued to increase in the 1960s, with the discovery of numerous additional occurrences of uranium. Wolf Land and Exploration (a private corporation which later became publicly traded as Inexco), Climax (Amax) and Conoco Minerals were the earliest operators in the area of what is now the Property and made the initial discoveries of low-grade uranium mineralization in the Battle Spring Formation in 1968.

Conoco entered into a joint venture with Inexco in 1969. Conoco gained sole control of the properties in 1970 and continued to explore their large land position in the region as what they called "Project A". In doing so, they identified the eastern half of what is now referred to as the MMT in the Lost Creek Project and also what is known as the EMT in the LC East Project. Conoco's "Project A" also included large portions of what are now the LC North, LC South and EN Projects.

Kerr-McGee, Humble Oil (Exxon), and Valley Development, Inc. were also active early in the region.

#### 5.1 Ownership History

### 5.1.1 Ownership History of Lost Creek Project

Inexco, Conoco, Climax and Valley Development, Inc. obtained the initial land positions in the Lost Creek Project area in the late 1960s. Conoco took over Inexco's land position in 1970.

Texasgulf entered the area in 1976 by acquiring the western half of what is now the Lost Creek Project through a joint venture with Climax. Also in 1976, Texasgulf entered into a joint venture with Valley Development, Inc. and initiated a major exploration program that resulted in the identification of the western half of the MMT. In 1978, Texasgulf joined with Conoco as operator in a joint venture to continue exploring the MMT. Texasgulf acquired a 100 percent interest in Valley Development, Inc. property in 1979 and continued with extensive exploration efforts and, by the early 1980s, had fully identified the MMT. They subsequently dropped the property in 1983 due to the declining uranium market.

The property was subsequently acquired by Cherokee Exploration, Inc., which conducted no field activities. In 1987, Power Nuclear Corporation (also known as PNC Exploration) acquired 100 percent interest in the project from Cherokee Exploration, Inc. PNC Exploration carried out a limited exploration program as well as geologic investigations and an evaluation of previous in situ leach testing by Texasgulf.

In 2000, New Frontiers Uranium, LLC acquired the property and related database from PNC Exploration but conducted no drilling or geologic studies. New Frontiers Uranium, LLC later transferred the Lost Creek Project-area property, along with its other Wyoming properties, to NFU Wyoming, LLC.

In 2005, Ur-Energy USA Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of URE, purchased 100 percent ownership of NFU Wyoming, LLC. Within the first year of ownership, URE initiated drilling, and preparations for mining permit applications. Toward that goal, it conducted engineering studies, core drilling for metallurgical studies, and delineation drilling to outline and define the uranium resources. In addition, comprehensive baseline studies were initiated, including installation of additional monitor wells for hydrological testing and water-quality sampling and a meteorological station within the Property area. Figure 3a shows the current Lost Creek Project boundary and claims.





In 2007, NFU Wyoming, LLC transferred the Lost Creek Project to Lost Creek ISR, LLC, a wholly owned subsidiary of Ur-Energy USA Inc. formed for the purpose of owning and developing the Project through the permitting process and into operations as an ISR mine. In 2012 the LC East Project was transferred into Lost Creek ISR, LLC. The LC South, LC West and LC North Projects were transferred to Lost Creek ISR, LLC in 2013. EN Project remains an asset of NFU Wyoming, LLC.

### 5.1.2 Ownership History of Adjoining Projects

The Adjoining Projects share a history of ownership similar to that of the Lost Creek Project because over the years they were operated by many of the same companies which maintained large property holdings in the vicinity. The Adjoining Projects have been acquired by URE since 2006 through the location of federal unpatented lode mining claims, purchase agreements made with individuals and companies, and through leases with the state of Wyoming. Additions which resulted in the formation of LC East and LC West were made through an asset exchange with Uranium One Americas, Inc. (11) in 2012 and by staking of additional mining claims, purchase agreements made with individuals and companies, and through leases with the state of Wyoming. Additions which resulted in the formation of LC East and LC west were made through an asset exchange with Uranium One Americas, Inc. (11) in 2012 and by staking of additional mining claims in 2011 and 2012, and 2014. The individual Projects originally were stand-alone exploration projects, but expanded over time such that now, along with the Lost Creek Project, they collectively represent a largely contiguous land position known as the Property.

### 5.1.2.1 LC East

LC East is drawn in part from two large blocks of claims (RD and PN claims) obtained in 2012 from U1, and additional mining claims located in 2011 and 2012, and 2014 by URE.

Similar to the other projects, the earliest historical ownership within what is now the LC East Project was by Wolf Land and Exploration in 1967. In 1969 Conoco entered into a joint venture with Wolf Land and Exploration, with Conoco acting as the operator. The next year Conoco took over the project and continued to explore the area as part of its "Project A".

In 1978 Texasgulf continued the activity as the operator of "Project A" in a joint venture with Conoco until 1983. PNC Exploration later acquired some of the ground in 1987 and held it until 2000.

With the resurgence of the uranium industry, High Plains Uranium, Inc. (HPU) and Energy Metals Corporation (EMC) both staked claims within the current LC East Project boundaries in 2004. The HPU controlled claims subsequently were transferred to EMC in 2007 when that company acquired HPU. Later that year EMC was acquired by U1. U1 maintained the claims until they were acquired in 2012 by URE. Figure 3b shows the current LC East Project boundary and claims.

### 5.1.2.2 LC North

Early historic ownership of claims within what is now the LC North Project began in 1967 and continued into the mid-1970s. Activity was dominated by Conoco, at times in a joint venture with Inexco. Climax also held property in the late 1960s but to a much lesser extent. In the mid- to late-1970s Texasgulf continued as the primary operator until 1983 when they discontinued operations in the GDB.

Initial claim staking by URE in the LC North Project commenced in 2007 and various changes to the land position have been made in the years since. Figure 3c shows the current LC North Project boundary and claims.

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5.1.2.3 LC South

Wolf Land and Exploration was the earliest operator within what is now the LC South Project A". They were replaced by Texasgulf in 1978 when it took over operatorship of the "Project A" joint venture until 1983.

Acquisition by URE of the LC South Project began in 2007 and was expanded thereafter through location of claims and acquisitions of claims from third parties. Figure 3d shows the current LC South Project boundary and claims.

### 5.1.2.4 LC West

The earliest known operator on this ground was Wolf Land and Exploration who drilled only a few holes in 1967. Conoco controlled most of the ground in the early 1970s within its "Project A" and was later succeeded by Texasgulf in the mid-1970s to early 1980s when they took control of the "Project A" joint venture. Minerals Exploration Corporation also held portions of this ground in the early 1970s as part of their Sweetwater exploration activities. LC West, as currently known, was created from portions of the U1 asset exchange and through location of additional claims. Figure 3e shows the current LC West boundary and claims.

#### 5.1.2.5 EN

The earliest operator in the EN area was Wolf Land and Exploration, which held portions of the current EN ground in the late 1960s. Humble (Exxon) also controlled portions of the land through 1970. Conoco entered into a joint venture with Wolf in 1969 and eventually assumed full control through 1974 as part of their "Project A". Other operators who held portions of the ground during the 1970s include Teton Exploration, Kerr-McGee, and Climax (Amax). The last historical operator was Texasgulf who held the property in the late 1970s.

URE's original land position arose through acquisition of claims from a private party in 2006. This was augmented with the staking of additional claims by NFU Wyoming, LLC and claims obtained through another acquisition. Figure 3f shows the current EN Project boundary and claims.

# 5.2 Exploration History

Significant exploration of the property began in the 1960s and has continued off and on by various operators since then. No significant uranium development work was conducted within the Property by previous operators. A summary of all historic and URE drill holes is presented in Table 4.





# Table 4. Drill Hole Summary – Historical and Recent

	Exploration	Dellereeften					
		Delineation	Monitor/Pump Test Wells	Water Wells	Production Pattern Wells	# Holes	Footage
			Lo	ost Creek Project			
Historic Drilling	552		11			563	360,388
URE Drilling	244	1,138	290	9	1,145	2,826	1,591,071
(Since 2005)							
Drill Hole Totals	796	1,138	301	9	1,145	3,389	1,951,459
			I	LC East Project			
Historic Drilling	1,063					1,063	472,994
URE Drilling	22	176	29			227	135,237
(Since 2011)							
Drill Hole Totals	1,085	176	29			1,290	608,231
			L	C North Project			
Historic Drilling	175					175	117,947
URE Drilling	131			1		132	132,455
(Since 2007)							
Drill Hole Totals	306			1		307	250,402
			L	C South Project			
Historic Drilling	488					488	229,166
URE Drilling	159			1		160	101,950
(Since 2007)							
Drill Hole Totals	647			1		648	331,116
			I	C West Project			
Historic Drilling	68					68	44,480
URE Drilling							
(Since 2011)							
Drill Hole Totals	68					68	44,480
		-		EN Project			
Historic Drilling	67					67	55,857
URE Drilling	14			1		15	19,960
(Since 2007)							
Drill Hole Totals	81			1		82	75,817
		-	Grand Totals - Lo	ost Creek Property (All	Projects)		
Historic Drilling	2,413		11			2,424	1,280,832
URE Drilling	570	1,314	319	12	1,145	3,360	1,980,673
(Since 2005)							
Drill Hole Totals	2,983	1,314	330	12	1,145	5,784	3,261,505

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### 5.3 Previous Mineral Resource Estimates and Their Reliability

Several historic estimates of uranium mineral resources by previous operators have been made within the current Property. Most focused on what is now referred to as the MMT and EMT. However, because historical project boundaries varied considerably from the current project boundaries, direct comparison of historical estimates to current estimates is not possible.

Table 5 outlines various historical resource estimates covering areas within the Property that were conducted by several organizations since 1978. It also lists NI 43-101 mineral resource estimates for the Lost Creek Project/Property completed since 2006 through the 2016 PEA by URE. The historical resource estimates address diverse geographical areas, various host sand horizons, and utilize different and, in some instances, unknown resource determination methods. <u>URE has not treated these historic estimates (Table 5) as current mineral resources or reserves and they are superseded by the current mineral resource estimate, Most of the earlier resource estimates did not differentiate resources in terms of currently recognized resource categories (Measured, Indicated, and Inferred). Mineral resource estimates in Table 5 are superseded by the resource estimates presented in this Report.</u>

### 5.4 Production History

Regionally, historical production activities have been from the production of numerous underground and surface mines in the Crooks Gap / Sheep Mountain District approximately 25 miles to the north; at the Sweetwater Mine and Mill approximately three and one-half miles to the south; and limited ISR production in the Bison Basin approximately 27 miles to the northwest (Figure 2). All of these mining activities had ceased by the mid-1980s. Production at the Lost Creek Project commenced on August 2, 2013, and 2.7 million pounds of U<sub>3</sub>O<sub>8</sub> have been produced up to December 31, 2021, from the Project. Elsewhere within the Property area, there has been no conventional or ISR production of uranium nor any pilot plant activities.

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## Table 5. Previous Resource Estimates

					Tonnago		LEVEL OF CONFIDENCE					
Date	Company	Total Resource	Avg. Grade	Cutoffs	Factor	Comments	Measured	Avg. Grade	Indicated	Avg. Grade	Inferred	Avg. Grade
10/4/1978	Texasgulf (Freeman, Limbach) 1	8,246,876	0.045%	10'-0.025%				_	6,468,515	0.047%	1,778,361	0.039%
2/1/1981	DOE 4	6,378,000	0.057%	0.03%		p. 31, in-place resources			Not differentiated	1		
2/1/1981	DOE 4	8,908,571	0.041%	0.02%		p. 31, in-place resources			Not differentiated	1		
2/9/1981	Wyoming Minerals 2,5,4	11,008,893	0.073%	5'-0.05%					Not differentiated	1		
6/5/1981	Texasgulf 4	9,072,333	0.061%	5'-0.03%		Polygon method			Not differentiated	1		
April,1982	Texasgulf (Mouillac & Stewart) 3, 8	5,715,413	0.062%	5'-0.03%	16.0	Polygon method			Not differentiated	1		
3/31/1989	PNC Exploration-Halliwell 5	8,072,334	0.061%	5'-0.05%	16.0	Polygon method			Not differentiated	1		
Jan. 1996	PNC Exploration (F. Groth) 6	7,908,605		0.05%					Not differentiated	1		
5/31/2005	URE (Douglas) 7	9,021,371	0.055%	.03%, GT.30	16.0	Cumulative GT/hole		_	8,122,287	0.055%	900,000	0.055%
6/15/2006	URE-NI 43-101 (Roscoe-Postle) 8,9	See totals to right	0.059%	3'03%, GT.30	16.0	Cumulative GT/hole (Ind + Inf)		_	9,822,356	0.058%	1,111,380	0.076%
10/30/2006	URE (Douglas) 10	6,787,000	0.059%	.03%, GT.30	16.0	Cumulative GT/horizon Not differ		Not differe		fferentiated		
4/2/2008	URE-Amended NI 43-101 (Lyntek) 11	See totals to right	0.054%	.03%, GT.30	16.6	Cumulative GT/hole (Ind + Inf)	—	_	9,200,000	0.053%	700,000	0.066%
3/16/2011	URE -Prelim Assessment12	See totals to right	0.055%	.02%, GT.30	16.6	GT Contour/horizon [HJ, KM only]	2,655,000	0.052%	2,568,000	0.060%	783,000	0.051%
2/29/2012	URE -Prelim Economic Assessment- (Cooper & Bull)13	See totals to right	0.055%	.02%, GT.30	16.6	GT Contour/horizon [All Horizons]	2,942,900	0.055%	2,822,400	0.058%	2,017,800	0.049%
4/30/2012	URE -Prelim Economic Assessment- (Cooper & Bull)14	See totals to right	0.053%	.02%, GT.30	16.6	GT Contour/horizon [All Horizons]	4,198,800	0.055%	4,149,400	0.053%	2,869,100	0.049%
12/30/2013	URE-Prelim Economic Assessment – (Roughstock) 15	See totals to right	0.051%	.02%, GT .30	16.6	GT Contour/horizon [All Horizons]	4,850,000	0.057%	3,805,000	0.048	4,740,000	0.051%
6/17/2015	URE-Technical Report - (Roughstock) 16	See totals to right	0.049%	.02%, GT .30 & .20	16.6	GT Contour/horizon [All Horizons]	6,196,000	0.049%	3,909,000	0.047%	5,037,000	0.049%
2/8/2016	URE Amended Preliminary Economic Assessment 17	See totals to right	0.048%	.02%, GT .20	16.6	GT Contour/horizon [All Horizons]	8,028,000	0.048%	6,223,000	0.044%	7,368,000	0.044%

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# 6.0 GEOLOGICAL SETTING AND MINERALIZATION

#### 6.1 Regional Geology

The Property is situated in the northeastern part of the GDB, which is underlain by up to 25,000 ft. of Paleozoic to Quaternary sediments (Figures 4 and 5). The GDB together with the Washakie Basin to the south comprise the eastern half of the greater Green River Basin, which occupies much of southwestern Wyoming. The GDB lies within a unique divergence of the Continental Divide and is bounded by structural uplifts or fault displaced Precambrian rocks, resulting in internal drainage and an independent hydrogeologic system.

GDB geology is dominated by the Eocene age Battle Spring Formation. Dominant Battle Spring Formation lithology is coarse arkosic sandstone, interbedded with intermittent mudstone, claystone and siltstone. Deposition occurred as alluvial-fluvial fan deposits within a south-southwest flowing paleo-drainage. The Granite Mountains approximately 30 miles to the north are the assumed sedimentary source, with possible minor contributions from volcanic sources. Maximum thickness of the Battle Spring Formation sediments within the GDB is 6,000 ft.

Approximately six miles west of the Property, the Battle Spring Formation interfingers with the Wasatch and Green River Formations of equivalent age (Eocene) within a belt roughly 15 miles wide, as shown in Figure 4. The Wasatch and Green River together represent low-energy fluvial, lacustrine and paludal depositional environments, which are time-equivalents of the alluvial fan deposits of the Battle Spring Formation.

Deep-seated regional thrust faulting associated with the Wind River thrusting occurred at depth in the central portions of the GDB. The horizontal component of displacement is possibly greater than nine miles. However, displacement does not extend to the surface. In addition, shallow normal faulting is also common throughout the GDB, having a preferential orientation generally east to west. These faults are relatively local and appear to be late-stage events in the structural history of the basin. Throws are generally less than 200 ft, and typically on the order of 25 to 50 ft, as illustrated by the Lost Creek Fault, discussed below. Strata within the GDB generally exhibit gentle dips of one to three degrees to the west and southwest, increasing to as much as 20 degrees in some locations along the basin margin. Gentle folding during late Eocene accompanied late-stage regional thrusting; therefore, broad anticlinal and synclinal folds are present within the Battle Spring Formation. Similar to the shallow normal faulting, the fold axes generally are oriented east-west.

#### 6.2 Project Geology

Uranium deposits in the GDB are found principally in the Battle Spring Formation, which hosts the Property resources. Lithology within the Lost Creek deposit consists of approximately 60 percent to 80 percent poorly consolidated, medium to coarse arkosic sand beds up to 50 ft. thick, and 20 percent to 40 percent interbedded mudstone, siltstone, claystone and fine sandstone, each generally less than 25 ft. thick. This lithological assemblage remains consistent throughout the entire vertical section of interest in the Battle Spring Formation. Figure 7 illustrates a Type Log for the Lost Creek Project and is representative of the entire Property.

Outcrop within the Property is exclusively the Battle Spring Formation. Due to the friable nature of the formation, this occurs largely as sub-crop beneath the soil. The alluvial fan origin of the formation yields a complex stratigraphic regime subdivided throughout the Property into several thick horizons dominated by sands, with intervening named mudstones (Figure 7).





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### 6.3 Stratigraphy

Provided below is a brief description of each named stratigraphic unit or "horizon" for the Property. Descriptions of lithology and thickness should be considered generalizations, and depths below ground surface (bgs) at which a given horizon can be encountered may vary considerably due to regional stratigraphic dip and displacement due to normal faulting. Figures 8a and 8b present cross-sectional views of this stratigraphic sequence within the MMT and EMT. The locations of these cross sections are shown on Figure 9.

DE Horizon -- The DE Horizon is locally absent in the northern and southern portions of the Property, having been removed by erosion. This horizon consists of a sequence of sands and discontinuous clay/shale units. In portions of the Lost Creek Project, the lower shale boundary is absent such that the sands of the DE Horizon coalesce vertically with sands of the underlying FG Horizon. In the Lost Creek Project, the top of the unit ranges from 80 to 200 ft. bgs and is approximately 80 ft. thick where the entire section is present.

EF Shale -- Underlying the DE is the EF Shale interval. It can be characterized as mudstone or claystone, interbedded commonly with silt and sand. This unit is not always present due to the coalescing nature of the DE and FG sands.

FG Horizon -- In the Lost Creek Project, the top of the FG Horizon occurs at depths of approximately 150 to 300 ft. bgs. The total thickness of the FG Horizon is approximately 160 ft. The FG is generally composed of fine to coarse-grained arkosic sands with thin discontinuous intervals of fine sand, mudstone and siltstone. Stratigraphically, the FG Horizon is subdivided into the Upper FG (UFG), Middle FG (MFG) and the Lower FG (LFG). The FG contains significant measurable uranium mineralization in both the Lost Creek and LC East Projects.

Lost Creek Shale (LCS) -- Underlying the FG Sands is the LCS. The LCS is continuous across the Property, ranging from 5 to 45 ft. in thickness. Typically, this unit has a thickness of 10 to 25 ft. Its lithology is dominated by silty mudstone and dense claystone. It commonly includes siltstone and may locally be sandy or contain thin lenticular sands.

HJ Horizon -- The HJ Horizon is the primary target for uranium production at the Lost Creek Project and is the dominant host for uranium in the MMT and EMT. The HJ Horizon has been subdivided into four sub-units: Upper HJ (UHJ), Middle HJ1 (MHJI), Middle HJ2 (MHJ2) and the Lower HJ (LHJ). These sub-units are generally composed of course-grained arkosic sands, locally with thin discontinuous intervals of fine sand, siltstone and mudstone. Likewise, the four sub-units are separated by locally continuous mudstone and siltstone. The bulk of the uranium mineralization is present in the two MHJ sub-units. The total thickness of the HJ Horizon ranges from 120 to 140 ft., averaging approximately 130 ft. The top of the HJ Horizon ranges from approximately 300 to 450 ft. bgs within the MMT at the Lost Creek Project. The horizon shallows considerably to the north within the EMT in the LC East Project.

Sage Brush Shale (SBS) -- Beneath the HJ Horizon is the SBS. Within the Lost Creek Project, the top of this shale ranges from 450 to 550 ft. bgs. The SBS is laterally extensive and ranges from 5 to 75 ft. in thickness. Lithology of the SBS is typically that of claystone and mudstone with interbedded silts and thin sands.

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KM Horizon -- The KM Horizon is present beneath the SBS. The KM Horizon is generally coarse sandstone with discontinuous fine sandstone and mudstone intervals. The KM has also been further subdivided into the Upper KM (UKM) and the Lower KM (LKM). The KM Horizon is host to a significant portion of mineralization within the Lost Creek Project and therefore is a potential production aquifer. It also hosts resources in the LC East Project within the EMT. The top of the KM Horizon is usually between 450 and 600 ft. bgs within the Lost Creek Project, but only approximately 300 feet bgs in the northern portions of the LC East Project.

L, M, and N Horizons -- These horizons are collectively referred to by URE as the "Deep Horizons" and occur immediately below the KM Horizon within a 300 to 350 ft. interval. They consist of lithologies identical to that of the HJ and KM Horizons. They remain targets of exploration. Individually, each is approximately 100 ft. thick and is composed of multiple, stacked, coarse sands, which are commonly separated by relatively thin, discontinuous shaley zones.

East-west oriented normal faulting is common within the central portions of the GDB. These appear to be the product of relatively late-stage structural adjustments. The last displacement of these faults is post-mineralization and has offset the uranium deposits. The MMT within the Lost Creek Project is bisected by a normal fault system, referred to as the Lost Creek Fault, consisting of two faults, roughly parallel, trending east-northeast to west-southwest. The easternmost main fault is downthrown to the south with a maximum displacement of approximately 80 ft. A secondary fault is positioned along the western portion of the MMT and is located 800 to 1,600 feet south of the easternmost fault to which it is sub-parallel. This westernmost fault displays opposite displacement, downthrown to the north, with a maximum displacement of approximately 50 ft. Pump-testing and monitoring on both sides of both faults have demonstrated that the fault planes are effectively sealed within the HJ Horizon and thus represent hydrologic barriers or boundary conditions. The Lost Creek Fault is taken into consideration by wellfield planning and to date has not had a significant impact on production.

Faults have also been identified in the southern portions of LC East Project, which exhibit displacement of from 40 ft. to 80 ft. and may be systemically related to the Lost Creek Fault. The resulting opposing displacements on many of these faults produce horst and graben features that are local to portions of the Property. The presence of these faults will be a matter of consideration for production planning at LC East but, like the Lost Creek Fault, they are not considered to be significant obstacles. Additional significant faults have been identified within the Property but are sufficiently distant as to have minimal effect on planned production.





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6.4 Mineralization of the Lost Creek Property

Mineralization at the Lost Creek Project and Adjoining Projects occurs as roll front type uranium deposits.

Mineralization occurs in sand horizons within the Eocene-age Battle Spring Formation. The most significant mineral resources in the Property occur within two major stratigraphic horizons, the HJ and the KM Horizons. The HJ Horizon contains most of the currently defined mineral resources and hosts the current production zones. As discussed earlier, the HJ Horizon is subdivided into four stratigraphic sub-horizons that are also used for resource reporting. The highest abundance of uranium mineralization occurs in the MHJI and MH2 sub-horizons. Each sub-horizon, and wholes the current production and the transmitter of the transmitter o

The KM Horizon underlies the HJ Horizon and contains additional significant mineralization that will be targeted for future production later in the Lost Creek mine plan. Mine approvals for the KM Horizon have and will be addressed by amendments to the mine license and permits. To date, a total of nine individual roll fronts have been identified in the KM Horizon within a stratigraphic interval of approximately 100 ft.

Mineral resources that are currently targeted for mining in the Property occur within two major trends. In the Lost Creek Project, resources are focused in the east-west oriented MMT that is approximately three miles long and 500 to 2,000 ft. wide (Figure 9). Mineralization targeted for mining has also been identified within the underlying KM Horizon and the overlying FG Horizon.

A second mineralized trend of significance, the EMT, was identified by historical drilling within the LC East Project (Figure 9). Although geologically similar, it appears to be a separate and independent trend from the MMT and is believed to be the product of a different mineralization system. The EMT assumes a generalized northeast-southwest orientation extending for approximately six and one-half miles with a width of 500 to 1,500 ft. As in the MMT, the known mineralization occurs mainly in the HJ and KM Horizons. Significant occurrences have also been identified in the FG Horizon.

Geological evaluations of historical and URE drill data have resulted in the recognition of numerous additional uranium occurrences within the Property. Historical exploration drilling by previous operators was conducted within all project areas. In addition, URE has conducted exploration drilling in the LC North, LC South, and EN Projects plus limited exploration drilling in LC East.

Mineralization has also been recognized throughout the Property in horizons deeper than the KM, in what are referred to as the Deep Horizons (L, M and N). Recent and historical drill hole data confirm multiple roll fronts with locally identified Inferred resources in these horizons. URE anticipates conducting future exploration drilling to further define the resource potential of these stratigraphic horizons.









Mineralogy of the zones of interest has been studied in thin section and by x-ray diffraction analysis. Mineralogical analyses were conducted in 1979 by Russell Honea (Honea, 1979a and b), and in 2007 by Hazen Research, Inc. (Hazen Research) (Hazen, 2007) on samples derived from core. Results indicate that the uranium occurs primarily as the mineral coffinite (uranium silicate) in the form of micron- to submicron-size inclusions disseminated in and on interstitial clay, possibly absorbed by cation exchange; also intimately interspersed through some of the pyrite and as partial coatings on quartz and biotite. Minor amounts of uraninite (uranium oxide) and brannerite (uranium-titanium oxide) have also been identified. Clay rich fractions are predominantly smeetite (montmorillonite), with minor kaolinite.

The Hazen Research analysis concluded that uranium should be recoverable by an ISR operation because of the unconsolidated nature of the sandstone and expected diffusion of the lixiviant through the smectite clays. Recoverability has been confirmed by leach testing and by production results in the first nine years of production.

# 6.5 DEPOSIT TYPE

Uranium mineralization identified throughout the Property occurs as roll front type deposits, typical in most respects of those observed in other Tertiary Basins in Wyoming. Figure 10 schematically illustrates the geometry and mineralogical model of a typical roll front uranium deposit. The formation of roll front deposits is largely a groundwater process that occurs under favorable geochemical conditions. The most favorable host rocks for roll fronts are permeable sandstones within large aquifer systems. Interbedded mudstone, claystone and siltstone are often present and aid in the formation process by focusing groundwater flow.

The geometry of mineralization is dominated by the classic roll front "C" shape or crescent configuration at the alteration interface. The highest-grade portion of the front occurs in a zone termed the "Nose" within reduced ground just ahead of the alteration front. Ahead of the Nose, at the leading edge of the solution front, uranium quantity gradually diminishes to barren within the "Seepage" zone. Trailing behind the "Nose", in oxidized (altered) ground, are weak remnants of mineralization referred to as "Tails" which have resisted re-mobilization to the Nose due to association with shale or other lithelogy of lower permeability. Tails are generally not amenable to in situ recovery because the uranium is typically within strongly reduced or impermeable strata, therefore making it difficult to leach.

The source of the uranium within the Property is speculative. Boberg (2010) suggests that the source within this portion of the Wyoming Uranium Province is a combination of leaching of uraniferous Oligocene volcaniclastics that once covered the basins and the weathering and leaching of uraniferous Archean granite of the Granite Mountains (north of the GDB) which also represent the provenance of the arkosic sands comprising the Battle Spring Formation.

Oxygenated surface water passing through the overlying thick sequences of volcaniclastic material may have leached metals, including uranium. These metal-enriched fluids may have also leached additional uranium from the arkosic sands that compose the aquifers. The enriched, oxidizing fluids subsequently entered the regional groundwater systems within the basin and migrated down-dip through the aquifers as large oxidizing geochemical cells referred to as solution fronts.

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Uranium precipitated in the form of roll front deposits at the leading edge of the geochemical cells where the transporting water encountered reducing geochemical environments within the host sands. Uranium quantity was enhanced where groundwater flux was focused horizontally by paleochannels or vertically by aquitards. Continuity of these conditions produced a significant accumulation of uranium at the reduction-oxidation (redox front) interface. In addition, the continued supply of oxygen to the interface leads to degradation of the reduced strata and resulted in migration down-gradient of the redox interface, thus remobilizing the associated uranium with it. In this manner the uranium deposit slowly migrated down-dip over geologic time.

The reducing environment in the host sand is generally induced by carbonaceous material within the formation or leaked reductant gases originating from deep hydrocarbon sources. Pyrite is inherently associated with both and is a significant indicator of a reducing environment. Reduced sands are typically some shade of gray and represent the regional framework prior to mineralization. The reducing environment is subsequently altered by the passage of the oxidizing solution front. Alteration typically involves oxidation of pyrite and obstruction of carbonaceous material, altered (oxidized) sands are typically redish or yellowish in color. Mineralized sones within a roll front vary considerably in size and shape, but are generally long, narrow, and sinuous in map view. The total length of a mineralization trend may extend for several miles. Commonly, a deposit or mineralized trend will consist of a composite of multiple, vertically stacked roll fronts.

Typical width of an individual roll front is generally 25 to 100 ft. However, in the case of multiple stacked fronts, the composite width may be several hundred feet across. Typical thickness of an individual roll front is roughly 5 to 25 ft., and the composite thickness of multiple, vertically stacked fronts may occupy as much as 200 ft.

As described above, the MMT, EMT and extension trends throughout the Property are the product of large regional geochemical alteration systems which resulted in a complex composite of multiple, stacked roll fronts at the reduction-oxidation interface. The roll front model and associated mineralized trends are the basis upon which the exploration and development programs are planned.






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#### 7.0 EXPLORATION

No non-drilling exploration surveys have been conducted by URE on the Property. However, an extensive listing of historical and URE exploration, delineation and development drilling is shown in Table 4 and depicted on Figure 9. Existing uranium resources within the property boundaries were estimated using data from this table, including the use of historical down-hole electric logs, lithology logs, drill hole location maps, summaries of mineralized drill hole intercepts and survey coordinates for drill holes. Procedures used in the verification and utilization of these historical data, as well as results of this evaluation, are described in Chapter 9.0 Data Verification and Chapter 11.0 Mineral Resource Estimate.

## 7.1 Drilling

#### 7.1.1 Historic Drilling

Significant uranium exploration within the general area that comprises the Property began in the mid-1960s. In the late 1960s, several companies conducted early regional drilling operations, including Climax, Wolf Land and Exploration (Inexco), Humble Oil and Conoco Minerals. Climax held claims west of Conoco's "Project A" but conducted only cursory exploration on them during the early 1970s. By the mid-1970s, exploration drilling was conducted primarily by Texasgulf and Conoco Minerals.

PNC Exploration carried out limited in-fill exploration drilling and geological evaluations in the area of the MMT until 1996, before selling the property in 2000. No other exploration activities were conducted until acquisition of the Lost Creek Project by URE in 2005.

URE is in possession of all known historical drilling data, maps, and reports from Conoco, Texasgulf and PNC Exploration activities. This includes:

- Geophysical logs (including gamma logs),
- · Cutting sample and core descriptions for most holes, Uranium intercept databases,
- · Location maps and drill location coordinates, Geological interpretation maps,
- · Geological and resource estimation reports, Metallurgical reports, and
- Chemical analyses

7.1.1.1 Lost Creek Project: Drilling History

The Lost Creek Project is now in production. Additionally, varying stages of late-stage exploration and development work will continue.

- Drilling within the current Lost Creek Project area during the period from 1966 to 1976 consisted of approximately 115 wide-spaced exploration holes by several companies including Conoco, Climax and Inexco.
- · Texasgulf conducted extensive exploration operations from 1976 through 1982, including 412 drill holes, of which 401 were exploration holes and 11 were monitor and pump test wells.
- · PNC Exploration explored the Lost Creek Project area from 1987 through 1992, completing 36 drill holes.
- PNC sold the properties to New Frontiers Uranium, LLC in 2000. At the time URE acquired the Project in 2005, a total of 552 exploration holes and 11 monitor and pump-test wells had been drilled. The pump-test wells were subsequently plugged and abandoned prior to acquisition by URE. The MMT was well identified and drilled-out to varying degrees of confidence.





# 7.1.1.2 LC East Project: Drilling History

The LC East Project has been extensively drilled in the past and can be considered to be in the mid- to late-stage of exploration in the northern portions to pre-development in the southern portions.

- . The earliest drilling was started in 1967 by Inexco who was later joined in a joint venture by Conoco in 1969. Also, in 1967 Hecla Mining drilled one exploration hole on what is currently the LC East Project.
- Conoco continued to drill the property through 1977. By that time, approximately 916 exploration holes had been drilled, including 13 core holes. Abundant significant uranium mineralization had been found and a well-defined mineralized trend identified, which is currently referred to as the EMT.
- · In 1978 Texasgulf continued defining the trend by drilling an additional 126 exploration holes through 1981, including three core holes of very shallow targets (less than 150 ft.).
- · Portions of the current LC East Project were explored by PNC Exploration from 1987 to 1990. They drilled 21 holes within the current LC East Project in conjunction with their activities on the MMT in the Lost Creek Project.
- · Prior to acquisition by URE in 2005, a total of 1,063 exploration holes, for a total of 474,582 ft. of drilling, had been drilled within the currently defined LC East Project, including one water well which has since been abandoned. Drilled depths average 446 ft.

#### 7.1.1.3 LC North Project: Drilling History

The LC North Project is currently in the early to middle stage of exploration.

- The earliest exploration on record was several wide-spaced 'wildcat' drill holes in 1967 by Hecla Mining and Wolf Land and Exploration. This was followed in the late 1960s and early 1970s by more 'wildcat' drilling by Conoco, Inexco and Climax. Conoco also conducted some wide-spaced fence-line drilling in a few areas of interest. In the late 1970s and early 1980s Texasgulf conducted some medium to wide-spaced drilling as part of their program. A minor amount of drilling was also conducted on the Property in this time frame by Minerals Exploration Company and Wold Nuclear.
- 175 exploration holes had been drilled within the Project prior to acquisition by URE. Drilled depths ranged from 100 ft. to 1,200 ft., with an average of 600 ft.

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## 7.1.1.4 LC South Project: Drilling History

The LC South Project is currently in the middle stage of exploration.

- The earliest exploration on record was several wide-spaced 'wildcat' drill holes in 1967 by Wolf Land and Exploration. Between 1970 and 1975 Conoco drilled a few hundred holes within the current LC South Project. Minerals Exploration Company also drilled a few holes in 1969 within portions of land they controlled. In 1980 and 1981, Texasgulf extended drilling activities into the current LC South Project area with approximately 150 drill holes.
- The southern portions of LC South were extensively drilled by Minerals Exploration Company in 1982. Approximately 101 holes were drilled to an average depth of 230 ft.
- 488 exploration holes were drilled within the current LC South Project prior to acquisition by URE. Historical drilling encountered numerous mineralized trends that were investigated mainly by fence-line drilling.

7.1.1.5 LC West Project: Drilling History

The LC West Project has only limited historical drilling and remains in the early stage of exploration.

A total of 68 historical drill holes (approximately 44,564 ft.) are present within the Project. Wolf Land and Exploration drilled a few wide spaced holes in 1967, followed by several holes drilled by Conoco in the early 1970s. Texasgulf drilled approximately 33 exploration holes in portions of the Project between 1976 and 1981. Finally, Minerals Exploration Company drilled approximately 20 holes.

7.1.1.6 EN Project: Drilling History

#### The EN Project is currently in the early stage of exploration.

Prior to acquisition by NFU Wyoming, LLC, exploration within what is now the EN Project consisted entirely of wide-spaced historical drilling. Between the late-1960s and mid-1970s, approximately 67 holes were drilled and logged by several companies, primarily Conoco, and Humble Oil (Exxon); with minor contributions by Kerr-McGee and Teton Exploration. The earliest known exploration was conducted by Wolf Land and Exploration in 1967. Virtually no activity occurred after the late 1970s. URE has drilled 14 exploration holes at the EN Project.

7.1.2 Drilling By URE

URE and earlier owners have conducted extensive drill programs in the area of the Property, as demonstrated in Table 4. Data from this drilling forms the basis of much of the present mineral resource estimation. Since October 15, 2015 (the data cutoff date of the 2016 PEA), until commencement of the MU2 HH 2-4 development and construction program in 2021Q4, URE drilled an additional 204 holes and wells totaling 95,668 ft. The majority of these were a result of continued development drilling within MU2 and the completion of HH2-1 through HH2-3. In MU1, 18 additional holes were drilled to test continuity of mineral resources not currently under pattern. Eight additional monitor wells were installed in LC East to assist in further characterization of the aquifer underlying the production zones.

The 171 new pattern wells drilled during the construction of HHs 2-1 through 2-3 resulted in an increase of the estimated mineral resource from 2,787,000 lbs. to 2,997,000 lbs. The 210,000-pound increase is attributed to the new drill hole data collected and a revision of the roll front mapping for the area. As is typical in development drilling, the data density increase as a result of pattern installation will often result in a slight increase in resource.





Drilling for these first three HHs in MU2 was complete in late 2017. As a result of a depressed uranium market, URE has conducted no further major drilling or development programs since. In 2021, following positive developments in the market, URE re-initiated MU2 development drilling. This drilling is in progress and is planned in two programs: HH2-4 development and construction, during which all pattern wells will be installed, followed by delineation drilling of approximately 120 holes to assist in pattern design for HH2-5 through 2-8.

The QP did not identify any drilling, sampling or recovery factors that could materially impact the accuracy and reliability of the resource estimates presented in this Report.

#### 7.2 Hydrogeology

Due to a divergence in the Continental Divide, within the northeastern portion of the GDB, the basin is hydrologically closed, with all surface water draining to the interior of the basin. Available data suggest that groundwater flow within the basin is predominately toward the interior of the basin (Collentine, et al., 1981 and Welder, G.E. and McGreevey L.J, 1966).

Most of the surface water is runoff from precipitation or snowmelt. It quickly infiltrates the vadose zone and recharges the shallow groundwater, evaporates, or is consumed by plants through evapotranspiration. The shallowest aquifer within the Battle Spring Formation underlying the Property area is unconfined, poorly consolidated, and poorly stratified. The shallow water table is typically 80 to 150 ft. bgs.

Green Mountain, which is approximately 15 miles north of the Property, is a major recharge area for aquifers within the northeastern portion of the GDB (Fisk, 1967). The Rawlins Uplift, Rock Springs Uplift, and Wamsutter Arch, located east, southwest, and southeast, respectively, from the Property, are also identified as major recharge areas for aquifers within the GDB (Fisk, 1967). The main discharge area for the Battle Spring/Wasatch aquifer system is a series of lakes, springs and playa lake beds near the center of the basin. Groundwater potentiometric elevations within the Tertiary aquifer system in that portion of the basin are generally near the land surface.

The Battle Spring Formation crops out over most of the northeastern portion of the GDB, including all of the Property. It is considered part of the Tertiary aquifer system by Collentine (Collentine, et al., 1981), which is viewed as a hydrogeologic sequence of interest within the GDB. This regional aquifer system includes the laterally equivalent Wasatch Formation (to the west and south) and the underlying Fort Union and Lance Formations (Figure 5). The base of the Tertiary aquifer system is marked by the top of the Lewis Shale is generally considered a regional aquitard, although this unit does produce limited amounts of water from sandstone lenses at various locations within the GDB and to the south in the Washakie Basin. Units deeper than the Lewis Shale are generally too deep to economically develop for water supply or have elevated total dissolved solid concentrations that render them unusable for human consumption. Exceptions to this can be found along the very eastern edge of the basin, tens of miles from the Property, where some Lower Cretacous and olong the very eastern edge of the basin, tens of miles from the Property.

Shallower aquifer systems that can be significant water supply aquifers within the GDB include the Quaternary and Upper Tertiary aquifer systems. The shallower aquifer systems are important sources of groundwater only in localized areas, typically along the margin of the basin where the Battle Spring Formation is absent. Aquifer systems beneath the Tertiary include the Mesaverde, Frontier, Cloverly, Sundance-Nugget and Paleozoic aquifer systems (Collentine, et al., 1981). In the northeast GDB, these aquifer systems are important sources of water only in the vicinity of their outcrops near structural highs such as the Rawlins Uplift; elsewhere they are too deep.

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Regional hydrologic units of interest within the northeast GDB from deepest to shallowest (see Figure 5) include the following:

- · Lewis Shale (aquitard between Tertiary aquifer system and Cretaceous Mesaverde aquifer system).
- Fox Hills Formation (Cretaceous).
- · Lance Formation (Tertiary aquifer system).
- · Fort Union Formation (Tertiary aquifer system).
- · Battle Spring Formation-Wasatch Formation (Tertiary aquifer system).
- · Undifferentiated Tertiary Formations (Upper Tertiary aquifer system, including Bridger, Uinta, Bishop Conglomerate, Browns Park, and South Pass). These units are not present within the Property.
- · Undifferentiated Quaternary Deposits (Quaternary aquifer system).

Nomenclature for the hydro-stratigraphic units of interest within the Property is synonymous with the Property's stratigraphic horizon names (Figure 6). The shallowest occurrence of groundwater within the Lost Creek Project area occurs near the base of the DE Horizon. The DE Horizon, however, is not saturated in all portions of the Property and is not defined as a groundwater unit. Below the DE is the FG Horizon, which is the first major saturated unit. The basal sand unit of the FG Horizon is designated as the overlying aquifer for the underlying HJ Horizon.

#### 7.2.1 Hydraulic Properties

Numerous hydrogeologic tests have been performed within the Lost Creek and LC East Projects to demonstrate that the HJ and KM Horizons are sufficiently transmissive to allow the lixiviant to flow through the production zone and dissolve the uranium mineral.

- A long-term pump test and several shorter-term pump tests (Petrotek Engineering Corporation, 2007, 2009, 2013) (Hydro-Engineering, 2007), plus the pump tests conducted for Texasgulf (Hydro-Search, Inc., 1982), were used to evaluate hydrologic properties of the aquifers of interest, to assess hydraulic characteristics of the confining units, and to evaluate impacts to the hydrologic system of the Lost Creek Fault through the Lost Creek Project.
- In 2011, hydrologic investigations were conducted to provide support for a proposed amendment application to include the KM Horizon within RA3 in current state and federal permits. A regional pump test was completed in the KM Horizon in RA3 at a pumping well located south of the Lost Creek Fault. The testing objectives were to: 1) evaluate the hydrologic aquifer characteristics, 2) demonstrate hydrologic communication between the KM Horizon pumping well and the surrounding monitor wells, 3) evaluate the presence of hydrologic boundaries, and 4) demonstrate isolation between the KM Horizon and the overlying and underlying horizons sufficient for the purposes of ISR mining. The test results indicated: 1) varying amounts of hydraltic communication between the two underlying Land M Horizons, thus indicating that the KM Horizon is hydraulically connected, 2) drawdown responses in the overlying HJ Horizon and the lowermost N Horizon were minor, and 3) the Lost Creek Fault acts as a partial barrier to flow as a zone of lower permeability.



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- In 2012, "5-spot" hydrologic testing was completed in the KM Horizon in RA3, which supplemented the regional pump test conducted in 2011. The purpose of the testing was to assess the level of hydraulic communication between the KM Horizon (potential production zone) and the underlying L, M and N Horizons and also the overlying HJ Horizon within a pattern of wells simulating a typical commercial scale five-spot production pattern. Hydrologic testing conducted in the KM Horizon indicated varying amounts of hydraulic communication between the two underlying L and M Horizons confirming that these horizons are hydraulically connected. Based on hydrologic testing results to date, it is anticipated that the minor communication between the KM Horizon and the overlying and underlying horizons can be managed through operational practices, detailed monitoring, and engineering operations.
- In 2013, a mini-pump test was conducted in MU2 for the purpose of assessing the level of hydraulic communication between the HJ Horizon and the overlying and underlying horizons, with the focus on the role that historical exploration drill holes might play in cross-aquifer communication. Based on the minimal or lack of response observed in the overlying and underlying horizon observation wells, the abandoned historical exploration drill holes appear sealed and are not providing a flow conduit between the horizons in the tested area.
- In the LC East Project area, URE installed 26 monitoring wells into the various FG, HJ, KM and N Horizons. In 2013, regional hydraulic pump tests were conducted using these wells. To evaluate aquifer characteristics, two pump tests were conducted in the HJ Horizon and three tests were conducted in the KM Horizon. Results demonstrated there was no measurable hydraulic communication between the HJ and KM Horizons, as well as no measurable hydraulic conductivity with the underlying N Horizon. Preliminary findings indicate that the mapped faults are not sealed but act as low-flow boundaries. The pump tests results demonstrate that the HJ and KM Horizons have sufficient transmissivity for ISR operations.

The hydraulic properties are consistent with those at other successful ISR operations. While production well flow rates observed to date confirm very good aquifer characteristics, injection capacity is the limiting factor in the final wellfield production rates. LC has been successfully operating the Lost Creek Mine since August 2013. This further demonstrates that the aquifers are amenable to ISR production.

In addition, several lab tests have been carried out on core samples from the Lost Creek Project to ensure leachability with an acceptable lixiviant. Test results demonstrate leach amenability as well as minimal presence of product contaminants in the leachate. At the LC East Project additional baseline monitor well installations were completed in 2012. These have demonstrated that the static water table and hydrogeological conditions in the southern portions of LC East are similar to those at the Lost Creek Project and amenable to ISR extraction. However, in the northern extremes of the Property the strata shallow considerably such that mineralization within the HJ Horizon is present under unconfined water table conditions which may make ISR extraction difficult. Potential mining activity in this area is focused on the KM Horizon, which remains under suitably confined groundwater conditions.

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#### 7.2.2 QP Comment on Results

The pump test results provide sufficient characterization of Project hydrogeology to demonstrate that the Property has sufficient geologic confinement and transmissivity for ISR operations in the permitted wellfields. In the opinion of the QP, adequate aquifer testing has been conducted to characterize the Property for regulatory and high-level operational purposes. Both the permit to mine and material license require additional, mine unit scale aquifer tests to confirm past work and help with future wellfield design.

## 7.3 Geotechnical Data, Testing, and Analysis

Because no actual excavation of overburden is required for successful ISR operations, no geotechnical work has been completed by URE to further mining operations. The only geotechnical analysis that has been completed was subsidiary to installation of the processing plant and wastewater containment ponds. The results of this study concluded that construction of the processing plant and wastewater containment ponds could proceed, and these facilities have since been constructed.

#### 7.4 Disequilibrium

Uranium values derived from gamma data are termed "radiometric" values and are assumed to be equivalent (eLjO<sub>8</sub>) to true uranium values if equilibrium is present. In other words, equilibrium exists when the ratio of radiometric eLjO<sub>8</sub> to true chemical U<sub>3</sub>O<sub>8</sub> is 1:1. This can be determined by obtaining physical samples of the mineralized formation and conducting laboratory analyses of their uranium content; or by modern logging methods, including Prompt Fission Neutron logging (PFN). The true uranium content thus derived is then compared to the radiometric values in terms of GT on a per-mineralized intercept basis and that ratio is considered the Disequilibrium Factor (DEF) for that uranium intercept.

The uranium content used by URE to develop the mineral resource estimates in Chapter 11.0 has been derived mainly from radiometric geophysical logs (gamma logs) from which the uranium content is interpreted assuming radiometric equilibrium. Justification for this interpretation method is described below.

Disequilibrium in roll front deposits becomes an issue largely because of the possibility of remobilization of uranium during the roll front formation process, or possible dispersion by modern shallow oxidizing groundwater. Each circumstance may lead to separation of uranium from its gamma-emitting daughter products, most significantly bismuth isotope 214 (<sup>214</sup>Bi), which is the isotope most strongly measured by gamma logging. Since the presence of uranium is traditionally detected using gamma measurements, disequilibrium conditions could result in erroneous estimation of uranium values.

Disequilibrium within the MMT in the Lost Creek Project has been studied extensively. Core of selected mineralized zones from historical drilling and drilling conducted by URE from 2005 through 2010 have been analyzed for chemical uranium on one-foot depth intervals. Detailed comparisons of laboratory results against mineralization values derived from gamma logs have been performed.







In addition, PFN technology has been available for use in the Lost Creek Project drilling campaigns since 2008. The PFN tool provides a direct down-hole analysis of uranium by means of in-place fission  $\sigma_1^{235}$ U initiated by the emission of high energy neutrons. Output of the PFN logging is in much the same format as that from the gamma logging tool. Comparison of the mineralization reported by each method has been evaluated in detail on a per-uranium intercept basis. For any given intercept, GT values are derived from both the gamma and PFN data. A DEF is then reported as the ratio of GT values: PFN GT  $\div$  Gamma GT. Thus, a value greater than 1.0 indicates chemical enrichment compared to gamma, and a value less than 1.0 represents chemical depletion.

Uranium intercepts within virtually all stratigraphic horizons and roll front zones have been spot-tested by PFN-logging. PFN sampling methods are discussed in Chapter 8.1. In the Property, approximately 13 percent of all holes drilled by URE within the Property have been logged using PFN technology.

Detailed evaluation of the core and PFN results indicates that the MMT in the Lost Creek Project as a whole is in equilibrium. A statistical analysis of the data revealed that the deposit exhibits disequilibrium characteristics consistent with a relatively stable roll front deposit, including slight chemical enrichment common in the reduced facies of the Nose and Seepage zones where the vast majority of resource resides. Conversely, a significant depletion is recognized in oxidized facies behind the front. A statistical average of all significant uranium intercepts analyzed with PFN in the MMT yielded an overall positive DEF, or moderately enriched. In spite of this fact, resource estimation methods employed by URE assume equilibrium (or DEF of 1.0) in order to maintain a conservative perspective.

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## 8.0 SAMPLE COLLECTION, PREPARATION, ANALYSIS AND SECURITY

No mineralization at the Property is found in outcrop, therefore, testing of the mineralization is accomplished solely by drilling. Similarly, virtually all measurement of uranium content, or "sampling," is accomplished by one or more of three methods derived from the drilling activities:

- Down-Hole Gamma Logs This method is the most common and provides information on mineralization. Every hole drilled on the Property is gamma logged. Gamma logging is an indirect measurement of uranium content. 1.
  - 2. PFN logging of selected mineralized intervals. This method provides a direct downhole measurement of uranium content as a supplement to, and confirmation of, gamma measurements.
- Coring: Only a small percentage of drilled holes are cored. Laboratory analyses of core provide information on uranium content and physical, mineralogical and chemical properties of the host formation. 3.

# 8.1 Down-hole Geophysical Logging

Every hole completed on the Property by URE and its predecessors has been geophysically logged using a down-hole electronic probe. URE geophysical logging data have been obtained using a Company owned and operated logging unit that employs technology originally developed by GeoInstruments, Inc. of Nacogdoches, Texas, and also from a qualified independent contractor, Century Geophysical of Tulsa, Oklahoma. Down-hole measurements include gamma logs, single-point resistance, self-potential, and hole deviation.

Quality control on the logging units is performed by calibration of the logging unit at the Casper, Wyoming US Department of Energy (DOE) test pit (known source concentration) no less than once a month. Calibration is performed using industry established procedures. URE maintains detailed calibration records. Logging contractors employed by URE are required to calibrate in the same fashion and on a similar schedule. Additionally, the reliability of URE's gamma tool has been tested by repeat logging of several holes multiple times; and by duplicate logging of several holes which were also logged by independent contractors.

Gamma logs provide data that is an indirect measurement of uranium content in the host rock. Gamma radiation measurements are collected in one-tenth foot depth intervals. A DOE algorithm is used by the logging unit software to convert the gamma ray readings, measured in counts per second (CPS), into grade reported as equivalent percent uranium (% eU<sub>3</sub>O<sub>8</sub>). The results are reported in one-half foot increments. Mineralized intervals (uranium intercepts) are then defined by applying pre-established grade cutoffs, to report:

- Thickness of each mineralized zone (ft.). Mineralized thickness from gamma logs is considered an accurate representation of the true thickness because the strata are essentially horizontal and drill holes are virtually vertical, <u>Average Grade</u> within each thickness interval (% eU308), <u>Depth</u> (bgs) to the top of the intercept (ft.), and
- GT: Calculated as the average grade multiplied by thickness (%ft.) for each intercept interval (usually expressed without units).





PFN Logging: PFN is considered a direct measurement of true uranium concentration (%  $U_5O_8$ ) and is used to verify the grades of uranium intercepts previously reported by gamma logging. PFN logging is accomplished by a down-hole probe in much the same manner as gamma logs, however only the mineralized interval above and below are logged. After review of the gamma log from each drill hole, the URE field geologists determine if any intercepts warrant PFN logging, based on the GT of the gamma intercepts (GT  $\geq 0.10$ ). If selected by the field geologists and if the PFN to is available within a reasonable time frame, the hole will be logged by PFN. As such, the PFN results are employed man addition of gamma derived results, but not as a complete replacement or duplication of them. Approximately 13 percent of all holes drilled by URE on the PFN toggied. Quality control for the PFN is performed at the DOE test in a manner similar to that described above for the gamma tool.

# 8.2 Coring

Core samples have been obtained from approximately one percent of the holes drilled by URE at the Property. Core holes are located as close offsets of previously drilled holes, which showed uranium intercepts of interest. Select intervals within holes of interest are cored by means of a mud-rotary drill-rig employing a 15-ft. long, split-tube core barrel. Core recovery has been approximately 95 percent. Core is described in detail and photographed in the field. Additionally, the core is scanned in the field on one-half foot intervals with a hand-held scintillometer to identify sections of higher radioactivity for sampling. The scintillometer results are also employed to provide a detailed depth correlation and comparison between the gamma log and core depths provided by the driller. Depth correlation accuracy of less than one-half foot is normally obtained. The core is then vacuum scaled in plastic bags. Samples selected for laboratory analyses are later cut in one-foot intervals, split by hand longitudinally and bagged by URE employees for shipping. Analysis has been conducted by qualified laboratories for uranium content (discussed below). In addition, selected samples are tested for density, permeability and other physical features, as well as leach amenability. Samples for leach testing are vacuum

sealed again immediately after selection and prior to shipping to the lab.

## 8.3 Drill Cuttings

During drilling of all holes, cuttings are collected at five-foot intervals. Detailed descriptions of each of these samples are then documented by the field geologists. Drill cutting samples are valuable for lithologic evaluation and also for description of redox conditions, based on sample color. However, these samples are not analyzed for uranium content because there is considerable dilution and mixing which occurs as the cuttings are flushed to the surface. In addition, the samples are not definitive with regard to depth due to variation in the lag time between cutting at the drill bit and when the sample is collected at the surface.

## 8.4 Analyses and Security

After collection and documentation in the field, cores and other physical samples derived from URE's drilling activities at the Property were delivered to Energy Laboratories, Inc. (Energy Labs), an independent commercial laboratory in Casper, Wyoming which has been accredited by the National Environmental Laboratory Accreditation Council, the NRC, Multi-Agency Radiological Laboratory Analytical Protocols via the USEPA, U.S. Department of Defense, U.S. Geological Survey, U.S. Department of Energy, NRC, U.S. Food and Drug Administration, and the National Institute of Standards and Technology. Energy Labs has been performing uranium analyses and testing for over 30 years, holds numerous certifications from multiple organizations, and is considered by the QP to be qualified to secure, handle and analyze samples in accordance with industry standards. Energy Labs has an industry-standard internal QA/QC system including routine equipment calibration and the use of standards, blanks, duplicates and spikes. Testing of physical properties (porosity, perneability) have also been performed by Maxim Technologies of Billings, Montana and Weatherford Laboratories of Casper, Wyoming (Weatherford, 2010). Hazen Research and Assayers Canada LTD (now SGS) performed analyses of certain duplicate samples. These laboratories are all independent, certified commercial laboratories.

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Data from historical sampling, prior to URE, were derived by reputable exploration companies and are assumed to have been collected, secured, and analyzed in accordance with standard industry practices at the time. More recent data have been validated by calibration of down-hole gamma and PFN comparison against laboratory assay results, as described in the prior Chapter. The calibration confirmed the ability to appropriately use the down-hole data for resource estimate calculations.

## 8.5 Quality Control Summary

URE maintains quality control procedures associated with its coring program:

Scanning the core with a scintillometer to provide a detailed depth correlation and comparison between the gamma log and driller's core depths,

- · Vacuum sealing core in plastic bags to prevent contamination and oxidation,
- · Completing a Chain of Custody (COC) Record for all core samples sent to laboratories for analyses,
- · Obtaining a signature on the COC Record (along with instructions) from the URE employee who relinquished the samples to the laboratory,

- Receiving a signed COC Record from the laboratory with the signature of the individual who received the samples,
- · Validation of laboratory quality control procedures which typically include method blanks of low metal concentrations and spikes of known metal concentrations,
- · Evaluation and comparison of results against previous analysis and other projects (outlier test or similar, i.e., "red face check"), and
- · Reference samples and subsequent analysis sent to other laboratories.

Other quality control procedures included the detailed logging of drill cuttings by URE geologists to gain an understanding of redox conditions within host sandstones and also the consistent calibration of both the in-house gamma logging and PFN logging units at the Casper, Wyoming DOE test pit.

## 8.6 Opinion on Adequacy

The QP reviewed URE Standard Operating Procedure documents and guidelines and found them to be consistent with industry practice. He is of the opinion that the sampling, analyses, and security relevant to the data used in the present resource estimate have been performed to standard industry practices and are acceptable and appropriate for use in the resource estimate.

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## 9.0 DATA VERIFICATION

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Data supporting this Report come almost exclusively in the form of drill data gained from historical drilling activities by previous operators and those conducted by URE since acquisition of the Property. Quality control of URE drill data has been discussed in Chapter 8.0. The tabulations of uranium intercepts compiled by URE have been confirmed by the QP to be consistent with the original down-hole electric logs and the geophysical operator's uranium intercept calculations.

URE has verified historical drill data by conducting confirmation drilling and coring in the Lost Creek Project adjacent to selected historical exploration holes with results that validate the historical data. In addition, several historical drill holes have been re-entered and re-logged with the gamma tool for comparison to the initial historical gamma logs. In all cases the repeatability of the data was within approximately 10 percent. Furthermore, uranium intercept data of previous operators in all Projects have been evaluated and selectively checked for accuracy by re-adjuation of grade and thickness using standard methods established by the US. Atomic Energy Commission (AEC). Review of these data has concluded that the historical uranium intercept data are valid and on or require re-calculation. The QP has compared the historical drill log uranium values to the URE tabulations and confirmed the validity and accuracy of the procedure.

The historical drill data supporting Adjoining Projects are derived from the same large regional historical drill database that covers the Lost Creek Project. That database was a part of the acquisition of NFU Wyoming, LLC in 2005, in which URE acquired the Lost Creek Project. Extensive drilling by URE in the Lost Creek Project over the years has confirmed the validity of the database within that Project, as discussed above. Therefore, it is reasonable to assume that the same historical data, derived from the same operators, are accurate and valid within the Adjoining Projects as well.

In the LC East Project, URE possesses gamma logs for virtually every historical drill hole (approximately 1,063 holes). Uranium data employed in the current LC East resource estimates have been collected from varied historical sources in URE's data files, mainly

1) historical drill hole maps with uranium intercept values (most abundant source) and 2) grade calculation sheets within drill hole file folders. Where such information was not available, uranium intercept values were calculated from the gamma logs by URE geologists using the standard AEC calculation method mentioned above and employing a grade cutoff of 0.020 percent. In addition, numerous historical uranium intercepts were re-calculated by URE geologists for confirmation of that data. In total, approximately 17 percent of all uranium intercept values within the LC East Project have been calculated by URE geologists. A statistical comparison of URE calculated uranium intercept values by biotrical uranium intercept values yielded an average variance of 8.6 percent. The QP considers this to be adequated sta supplemented with recent data derived from URE drilling in 2012 and 2015. Where available, the values recently calculated by URE replaced the historical uranium intercept swithin the LC East Project.

The QP is of the opinion that the quality of the data is acceptable for use in this Report.



10.0 MINERAL PROCESSING AND METALLURGICAL TESTING

Mineral processing tests were performed on core as early as 1979 by Texasgulf and 1981 by Wyoming Minerals Corporation (see Table 5). These tests, using bicarbonate lixiviant, resulted in extractions ranging up to 81 percent for agitation leach tests and 89 percent for column leach tests. In 2005 and 2007, URE conducted more leach tests on samples from the HJ Horizon, using Energy Labs. The 2005 tests demonstrated an average recovery of 82.8 percent while the 2007 testing concluded that a significant portion of the uranium, about 83 percent, can be leached from the samples. The purpose of these early leach tests was not to predict a percent recovery from planned ISR operations, but rather to demonstrate that the uranium ore was amenable to leaching by bicarbonate lixiviants.



Favorable uranium recoveries to date from production operations in MU1 support the positive pre- mining leach test results. Comparing recoveries against pore volumes circulated, production has exceeded expectations due to head grades averaging significantly higher than the originally forecasted level of 47 mg/l. For example, HH1-1 had a Measured Resource of 172,857 pounds U<sub>3</sub>O<sub>8</sub> under-pattern. As of September 30, 2015, after circulation of 28.6 pore volumes of mining fluid, 164,490 net pounds U<sub>3</sub>O<sub>8</sub> had been recovered. This represents a 95.2 percent recovery. HH1-1 has been operating for the longest period of time and would be expected to have one of the higher recovery factors with MU1. Similarly, HH1-2 has produced 141,070 net pounds U 3O8 over 21.7 pore volumes for a 72.0 percent recovery factor and after 23.3 pore volumes HH1-3 has produced 206,288 net pounds U<sub>3</sub>O<sub>8</sub> for a 92.5 percent recovery. The average recovery for the first three HHs in MU1, through September 30, 2015, was 86.5 percent.

To date, all uranium production from MU1 has come from the HJ Horizon. In 2010, URE performed leach testing on samples from the deeper KM Horizon. Seven samples obtained from one-foot sections of core were tested by Energy Labs for mineral recovery. Table 6 presents the combination of lixiviants that were evaluated and are shown with the recovery results after 30 pore volumes, in five pore volumes. The variables in the lixiviants were bicarbonate concentration and oxidant (peroxide) strength using ambient groundwater, except for one test conducted with laboratory grade water. The individual leach periods were 16 hours each. Twenty-five pore volumes of bicarbonate leach solution were passed through the samples. Uranium recovery ranged from 54.1 to 93.0 percent with an average uranium recovery of 80.6 percent.

## Table 6. KM Horizon - Leach Test Results, 2010

		Bicarbonate		U Recovery	Average Solution (mg/L
Sample ID	Solution Base	(NaHCO3) (g/L)	Peroxide (H2O2) (g/L)	%	U)
LC46-01	Groundwater	Natural Bicarb	0.25	54.1	42.0
LC46-02	Groundwater	1.0	0.25	87.2	78.8
LC46-03	Groundwater	1.5	0.25	87.7	84.6
LC46-04	Groundwater	2.0	0.25	89.0	84.8
LC46-05	Groundwater	2.0	0.50	93.0	92.6
LC46-06	Distilled Water	0.5	0.50	74.0	66.3
LC46-07	Distilled Water	1.0	0.50	88.0	81.0

The results of these KM tests are similar to those performed on earlier HJ samples and demonstrate the likely continued amenability to in situ recovery of mineralized zones within the Battle Spring Formation for the entire Property.

The QP considers the metallurgical and physical test work and results to date to be adequate to support general process design and selection. Pump testing and core analysis demonstrates that the aquifers have sufficient porosity, permeability and transmissivity to support ISR operations. Equilibrium testing demonstrates that, in general, positive equilibrium exists which indicates that uranium is present where gamma data suggest it is present and at the grade indicated by the probe data. Laboratory leach testing demonstrates that the uranium can be solubilized using a carbonate and oxygen based lixiviant. Successful ISR mining activities observed thus far at the Property further demonstrate amenability to ISR mining.



#### 11.0 MINERAL RESOURCE ESTIMATES

The mineral resources for the Property reported here have been estimated utilizing the GT contour method. The GT contour method is well accepted within the uranium ISR industry and is suited to guide detailed mine planning and estimates of recoverable resources for roll front type deposits such as the Property. A discussion of the methodology is presented below.

Resource estimation for the Property does not include mineralization above the static water table as such mineralization is not amenable to in-situ recovery.

#### 11.1 Assumptions

Resources within the Property are identified recognizing that roll front mineralization occurs in long, narrow, sinuous bodies, which are found adjacent and parallel to alteration (redox) fronts. These commonly occur in multiple, vertically stacked horizons, each of which represents a unique resource entity. Resource classification requires horizontal continuity within individual horizons. Accumulation of resources in a vertical sense (i.e., accumulating multiple intercepts per drill hole) is not valid in ISR applications. Individual roll fronts within mineralized horizons are assumed to be 50 ft. wide (based on project experience) unless sufficient information is available to establish otherwise.

- In addition, certain assumptions were incorporated throughout all calculations:
  - 1.
    - No disequilibrium. Therefore, the DEF is 1.0. The unit density of mineralized rock is 16.6 cubic ft. per ton, based on numerous core density measurement results (Maxim Technologies Inc. / Tetra Tech, Inc., 2005a, 2005b, 2006).
  - All geophysical logs are assumed to be calibrated per normal accepted protocols, and grade calculations are accurate. All mineralization classified as a resource occurs below the static water table. 3. 4.
- 11.2 Mineral Resource Estimates

All resource calculations provided are based on accurate drill hole data and use the correct methods to calculate total pounds. Using a GT cutoff of 0.20 mineral resources were classified as Measured, Indicated, and Inferred based on drill spacing. Only areas with mineralized drill holes within 100 feet of each other and on the same horizon were classified as Measured, those within 200 feet of each other were classified as Indicated and those within 400 feet were Inferred. All relevant data were used in the calculation of this uranium resource. The review, validation and updating of the mineral resource estimate, was supervised by the Qualified Person.

Through December 31, 2021, 2.735 million pounds of U<sub>3</sub>O<sub>8</sub> have been captured within the plant at the Lost Creek Project since mining operations commenced. This production has come from Measured Resources from the HJ Horizon. Table 7 illustrates the impact of this production on Lost Creek Project resources.







## 11.2.1 Cutoff Selection

Throughout the history of the Property, various minimum grade cutoffs have been applied to define uranium intercepts for resource estimation. Historical activities targeted resources for conventional mining techniques and generally used a 0.030 percent or 0.025 percent grade cutoff. Earlier URE resource estimates also used a 0.030 percent cutoff. However, resource estimates beginning with the NI 43-101 compliant March 2011 Lost Creek Property PEA (TREC, 2011) have employed uranium intercepts reported at the 0.020 percent grade cutoff, recognizing that ISR mining is much less sensitive to grade than conventional mining. The cutoffs used in this Report are typical of ISR industry practice and represent appropriate values relative to current ISR operations. Experience at other ISR operations has demonstrated that grades below 0.020 percent can technologically be successfully leached and recovered, given supporting economics. Due to the nature of roll front deposits and production well designs, the incremental cost of addressing low grades is minimal (given the presence of higher grades).

More than eight years of ISR production at the Lost Creek Project has provided URE a unique insight into the uranium roll front deposits of the Property. Uranium recovery in MU1 has been noteworthy. As described in the June 2015 Technical Report for the Property prepared pursuant to NI 43-101, in order to reconcile higher-than-expected uranium recoveries from production operations in MU1, the GT cutoff for uranium intercepts used in resource estimation was lowered from 0.30 to 0.20. Mining fluids have obviously been contacting and taking into solution some of this lower GT material and lowering the cutoff grade to 0.20 GT better represents the in-situ uranium resources.

In summary, mineralization reportable as resources must be below the static water level and meet the following cutoff criteria:

Minimum Grade: 0.020 percent eU3O8. Grade measured below this cutoff is considered as zero value.

Minimum GT (Grade x Thickness): 0.20 GT. Intercepts with GT values below this cutoff are mapped exterior to the GT contours employed for resource estimation, given zero resource value and therefore are excluded from reported resources.

Minimum Thickness: No minimum thickness is applied but is inherent within the definition of GT (Grade Thickness).

Based on the depths of mineralization, average grade, thickness, GT, and selected cutoffs, it is the QP's opinion that the mineral resources at the Property have a reasonable prospect of economic extraction by ISR methods using a variable long-term price ranging from \$50.80 to \$66.04 per pound. The sale price for the produced uranium is assumed to vary based on an annual average of the projections prepared by VIII Capital Corp., November 4, 2021; Cantor Fitzgerald Canada Corporation, October 18, 2021; H.C. Wainwright & Co., September 29, 2021; and UxC, LLC, December 6, 2021 (See Chapter 16).

#### 11.2.2 Resource Classification

Resource estimates were prepared using parameters relevant to the proposed mining of the deposit by ISR methods. The methodology relies on detailed mapping of uranium mineralization to establish continuity of intercepts within individual sandstone host units.



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URE employs a conservative resource classification system that is consistent with professional standards. Mineral resources are identified as Measured, Indicated and Inferred based ultimately on the density of drill hole spacing, both historical and recent; and continuity of mineralization within the same mineralized horizon (roll front).

In simplest terms, to conform to each classification, resources determined using the GT contour method must meet the following criteria:

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- Meet the 0.02 percent grade cutoff, Occur within a single, discrete mineralized horizon (roll front), Fall within the 0.20 GT contour, and Extend no farther from the drill hole than the radius of influence specified below for each category. 3. 4.

Employing these considerations, mineralization that meets the above criteria is classified as a resource and assigned a level of confidence via the following drill spacing guidelines:

#### Measured:

<100 ft. (i.e., mineralization on trend, within the 0.20 GT contour, and which does not extend beyond 100 ft. from any given drill hole with a uranium intercept ≥ to the minimum GT cutoff).

Indicated:

100 - 200 ft. (*i.e.*, mineralization on trend, within the 0.20 GT contour, and which extends from 100 ft. to 200 ft. from any given drill hole with a uranium intercept ≥ to the minimum GT cutoff).

Inferred:

200 - 400 ft. (*i.e.*, mineralization on trend, within the 0.20 GT contour, and which extends from 200 ft. to 400 ft. from any given drill hole with a uranium intercept ≥ to the minimum GT cutoff).

Isolated occurrences of mineralization meeting the GT cutoff criteria (i.e., single isolated mineralized drill holes) are classified as Inferred, and are defined as mineralization which occurs within the qualifying GT contour for the given uranium horizon and extending no more than 400 ft. beyond the sample point (drill hole).

# 11.2.3 Methodology

# 11.2.3.1 Fundamentals

The Property resources are defined by utilizing both historical and recent drilling information. The basic unit of uranium mineralization is the<u>mineral intercept</u> and the basic unit of a uranium resource is the <u>mineralized horizon</u>, which is generally synonymous to a roll front. Mineral intercepts are assigned to named mineralized horizons based on geological interpretation by URE geologists founded on knowledge of stratigraphy, redox, and roll front geometry and zonation characteristics. Resources are derived and reported per mineralized horizon (i.e., per roll front). In any given geographic area, an accumulation of resources in a particular mineralized horizon may be combined into a resource area.



11.2.3.2 Mineral Intercepts



Mineral intercepts are derived from drill hole gamma logs and represent where the drill hole has intersected a mineralized zone. Calculation of the uranium content detected by gamma logs is traditionally reported in terms of uranium grade as ekb08% (equivalent uranium) on one-half foot depth increments. A uranium intercept is defined as a continuous thickness interval in which uranium concentration meets or exceeds the grade cutoff value, which is 0.020 eU 308% for the Property. Mineralization below the cutoff grade is treated as zero value with regard to resource estimation. A uranium intercept is defined in terms of:

- Thickness of the mineralized interval that meets cutoff criteria
- Average Grade of uranium within that interval
- <u>Depth</u> (bgs) to the top of that interval

In addition, a GT value is assigned to each uranium intercept, defined as the average grade of the intercept times the thickness of the intercept. GT is a convenient and functional single term used to represent the overall quality of the uranium intercept. It is employed as the basic criterion to characterize uranium intercepts for use in the resource estimation process, which at the Property has been redefined as  $GT \ge 0.20$ . Intercepts, with GTs < 0.20, are excluded from the resource calculation, but may be taken into consideration when drawing GT contours.

Each uranium intercept is assigned to a stratigraphic and mineralized horizon by means of geological evaluation. The primary criterion employed in assignment of uranium intercepts to mineralized horizons is roll front correlation. Depth and elevation of intercepts are secondary criteria that support correlation. The evaluation also involves interpretation of roll front position within the roll front) by means of gamma curve signature, redox state, lithology and relative uranium content (Figure 10). Uranium intercept data and associated in terpretations are stored in a drill hole database involves interpretationed maintralized horizon. Using geographic information system (GIS) software, this database is employed to generate map plots displaying GT values and interpretive data for each mineralized horizon of interest. These maps become the basis for GT contouring as described below.

11.2.3.3 GT Contouring and Resource Estimation

For the map plots of GT values mentioned above, the GT contour lines are drafted honoring all GT values. Contours may be carefully modified by URE geologists where justified to reflect knowledge of roll front geology and geometry. The GT contour maps thus generated for each mineralized horizon form the foundation for resource calculation. In terms of geometry, the final product of a GT contoured mineralized horizon typically represents a mineralized body that is long, narrow, sinuous, and which closely parallels the redox front boundary. Parameters employed to characterize the mineralized body are:

Thickness: A	Average thickness of u	iranium intercepts	assigned to the mine	ralized horizon	inherent in G	T values)
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- Grade: Average grade of uranium intercepts assigned to the mineralized horizon (inherent in GT values)
- Depth: Average depth of uranium intercepts assigned to the mineralized horizon

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= Conversion constant: grade percent and tons to unit lbs. (1% of a ton) 20 DEF = Disequilibrium factor (=1.0, no disequilibrium) TF = Tonnage Factor: Rock density, a constant (=16.6 ft.3/ton). (Enables conversion from volume to weight)

= Mean GT within any given contour interval (%-ft.)

= Area measured within any given GT contour interval (ft.2)

= Resources (lbs.)

POUNDS = <u>AREA x GT x 20 x DEF</u> TF

For resource estimation, the area of a mineral horizon is further partitioned into banded intervals between GT contours, to which the mean GT of the given contour interval is applied. Area values for each contour interval are then determined by GIS software and resources are then calculated for each contour interval employing the following equation.

Length: Defined by the endpoints of the 0.20 GT contour boundaries. Where sufficient data is unavailable, length is limited to 800 ft. (e., 400 ft. on either side of an isolated drill hole – Inferred resource category).

Width: Defined by the breadth of the 0.20 GT contour boundaries. Where sufficient data are unavailable, (e., wide-spaced drilling), the width is assumed to be no greater than 50 ft.

Defined as the area interior to the 0.20 GT contour lines, more specifically:





Area:

Where: POUNDS

AREA

GT

In map-view, resources for any given mineralized horizon often occur in multiple 'pods' rather than a single continuous body. Individual pods are then compiled per mineralized horizon, summed and categorized by level of confidence (Measured, Indicated, or Inferred) using the criteria discussed previously. The resource calculation process is streamlined using the same GIS software in which the mapping and GT contouring took place. Figure 11 is an example of a GT Contoured Resource Polygon generated by URE geologists for an individual mineralized poly. This resource was developed in the MHJ2 Sub Horizon within RA7 (LC East Project). This figure illustrates how GT contour mapping (based on a 0.20 GT cut-off) can delineate a continuous mineral resource where mapped in conjunction with the oxidation/reduction boundary.







## 11.2.4 Summary of Resources

Mineral resources are summarized in Table 1 and in Table 7 where they are listed by project and resource horizon. Figure 9 illustrates the location of resources as defined by outlines of the 0.20 GT contour mineralized 'pods' and trends for the Property. The current mineral resource estimate for the Property is 11.914 million pounds in the Measured and Indicated categories (after adjustment for MU1 and MU2 production) with an additional 6.607 million pounds in the Inferred category.

There are numerous reasons mineralization was interpreted as Measured Resources at the Property. First, drill spacing used to categorize the Measured Resource category is less than or equal to the well spacing in a 5-spot production pattern (100 ft. spacing from injector to injector) which enabled a detailed wellfield design to be completed. Second, as shown on the geologic cross sections (Figures 8a & 8b) the sub-surface geology at the Property is well known with correlatable aquifers, consistent host sandstone intervals and reliable aquifards across the Property. Third, the roll front deposit model has been studied extensively and is well known geologically. Finally, the Property is in operation and has a history of producing uranium from areas that have been classified as Measured Resources which verifies the drill spacing and cutoff criteria used in the resource estimation. This combination of drillhole spacing, well known subsurface geology, well understood deposit model, and history of production at the Property lead WWC to conclude the mineralization in areas with drillhole spacing of less than or equal to 100 ft. ft the definition for Measured Resources.



Table 7. Lost Creek Property Resources, by Project

	MEASURED			INDICATED		INFERRED				
HORIZON	AVG GRADE % eU308	SHORT TONS (X 1,000)	POUNDS (X 1,000)	AVG GRADE % eU3O8	SHORT TONS (X 1,000)	POUNDS (X 1,000)	AVG GRADE % eU3O8	SHORT TONS (X 1000)	POUNDS (X 1000)	
LOST CREEK PROJECT										
FG Horizon	0.047	1,525	1,449	0.049	268	265	0.039	200	156	
HJ Horizon	0.048	6,412	6,129	0.050	2,174	2,152	0.044	1,795	1,584	
HJ Production Through 09/30/2015	0.048	-2,849	-2,735							
Total HJ - Post Production	0.048	3,563	3,394							
KM Horizon	0.047	635	595	0.045	970	878	0.052	1,023	1,054	
L Horizon		_								
M Horizon		_					0.042	221	186	
N Horizon		_					0.077	22	33	
Total - LOST CREEK	0.048	5,723	5,438	0.048	3,412	3,295	0.046	3,261	3,013	
			MEASURED	+ INDICATED =	9,135	8,733				
			LC FAS	TPROIFCT						
FG Horizon	0.116	37	86	0.055	179	199	0.042	526	444	
HJ Horizon	0.051	1,067	1,081	0.040	1,086	865	0.043	1,231	1,050	
KM Horizon	0.049	288	282	0.041	594	481	0.041	1,168	967	
L Horizon	_	_		0.029	24	14	0.029	9	5	
M Horizon		_		0.046	9	8	0.044	20	18	
N Horizon		_								
Total – LC EAST	0.052	1,392	1,449	0.041	1,891	1,567	0.042	2,954	2,484	
			MEASURED	+ INDICATED =	3,283	3,016				
ng m			LC NOR1	TH PROJECT						
FG Horizon							0.045			
HJ Horizon KM Harizon							0.045	210	193	
KM Horizon							0.052	1/4	180	
L norizon							0.032	105	104	



M Horizon	—	-	-	—	—	-	0.061	77	94	
N Horizon							0.031	14	9	
Total - LC NORTH	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.045	644	580	
EC Hovizon			LC SOUT	A PROJECT	73	80	0.046	337	301	
HI Horizon				0.034	147	85	0.040	251	154	
KM Horizon				0.027	147	05	0.031	54	38	
I. Horizon							0.050			
M Horizon										
N Horizon										
Total IC SOUTH		0		0.037	220	165	0.030	637	106	
10101 - 20 500111	0	0	0	0.037	220	105	0.037	037	490	
			LC WEST	PROJECT						
FG Horizon	_	_	_	-	-	_	_	_	_	
HJ Horizon	_	_	_	_	_		_	_	_	
KM Horizon		_	_	_		_	0.109	16	34	
L Horizon			_		_	_			_	
M Horizon		_	_	_	_		_	_	_	
N Horizon		_	_				_			
Total - LC WEST	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.109	16	34	
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Table 7. Lost Creek Property Resources, by Project (continued)

MEASURED INDICATED INFERRED AVG GRADE % eU3O8 AVG GRADE % eU3O8 AVG GRADE % eU3O8 SHORT TONS (X 1000) SHORT TONS SHORT TONS POUNDS (X 1000) POUNDS (X 1000) POUNDS (X 1000) PROJECT LOST CREEK LC EAST LC NORTH LC NORTH LC WEST EN CRAND TOTAL (X 1000) (X 1000) 5,723 1,392 3,261 2,954 644 637 0.048 5,438 0.048 3,412 3,295 0.046 3,013 0.042 0.045 0.039 0.109 2,484 580 496 34 0.052 1,449 0.041 1,891 0.037 220 165 16 \_ \_ 6,887 0.046 MEASURED + INDICATED = GRAND TOTAL 0.048 7,115 5,523 5,027 0.044 7,512 6,607 Notes

SUMMARY

Sum of Measured and Indicated tons and pounds may not add to the reported total due to rounding. % eU308 is a measure of gamma intensity from a decay product of uranium and is not a direct measurement of uranium. Numerous comparisons of eU308 and chemical assays of Lost Creek rock samples, as well as PFN logging, indicate that eU308 is a reasonable indicator of the chemical concentration of uranium. Table shows resources based on grade cutoff of 0.02 % cutoff of 0.20. Measured, Indicated, and Inferred Mineral Resources as defined in 17 CFR § 229.1300. 1 2

3 4
- 5 Resources are reported through December 31, 2021.
- 6
- All reported resources occur below the static water table. 2.735 million lbs. of U3O8 have been produced from the HJ Horizon in the Lost Creek Project as of December 31, 2021. Mineral resources that are not mineral reserves do not have demonstrated economic viability. The point of reference for resources is in situ at the Property.

### 11.2.5 Resource Estimation Auditing

The resource estimate detailed herein was evaluated for quality control and assurance using the following methods.

- 1. Random historical log files were examined in detail to confirm gamma interpretations as well as grade calculations.
- 2. Multiple historical logs were reviewed to confirm geologic and grade continuity.
- 3. Drilling density as depicted on maps and observed in the field was evaluated to demonstrate that the uranium mineralization at the Property was consistent with resource definitions.
- 4. Gamma and PFN probe calibration logs were reviewed.
- 5. Detailed examination of significant resource bearing roll front systems was conducted in collaboration with URE geologists to confirm log interpretations, continuity of mineralization and nature of GT contour development.
- 6. Random mineralized pods within the resource model were evaluated to confirm the area assigned to the particular GT contour.
- 7. Resource classification methods and results were reviewed against standard industry practices for at least 25 pods of mineralization.

In summary, the QP accepts URE interpretations as having been properly done and as reasonable representations of the mineral present. These interpretations provide a reasonable basis for the calculation of uranium mineral resources at the Property.

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#### 11.2.6 Mineral Resource Estimate Risk

To the extent known, the QP is unaware of any current environmental, permitting, legal, title, taxation, socio-economic, marketing, or political factor which could materially affect the accessibility of estimated resources. Risks regarding the recovery of resources are addressed in Chapter 22.2.

Future potential legal risks to the accessibility of the estimated resource may include changes in the designation of the greater sage-grouse as an endangered species by the USFWS because the Property lies within a greater sage-grouse core area as defined by the state of Wyoming. In September 2015, the USFWS issued its finding that the greater sage-grouse does not warrant protection under the Endangered Species Act (ESA). The USFWS reached this determination after evaluating the species' population status, along with the collective efforts by the BLM and U.S. Forest Service, state agencies, private landowners and other partners to conserve its habitat. After a thorough analysis of the best available scientific information and tarking into account ongoing key conservation efforts and the precise, there could potentially be an impact on future expansion operations. However, URE continues to work closely with the WGFD and the BLM to mitigate impacts to the greater sage-grouse.

As is typical for mineral resource estimates, there is risk of improper interpretation of geological data such as grade or continuity. Improper geological data interpretation could impact the estimated resource estimate, either positively or negatively. URE has expended considerable effort to ensure the accuracy and validity of drilling and mineralized data used as the foundation of the resource estimates, as discussed in Chapters 6.0 (Geological Setting and Mineralization), 8.0 (Sample Collection, Preparation, Analysis and Security) and 9.0 (Data Verification). Additionally, geologists contributing to this Report are thoroughly trained and experienced in understanding the nature of roll front uranium deposits to ensure realistic and accurate interpretations of the extent of mineralization.

The mining industry is subject to extensive environmental and other laws and regulations, which may change at any time. Environmental legislation and regulation are evolving in a manner which is resulting in stricter standards and enforcement, increased fines and penalties for non- compliance, more stringent environmental assessments of proposed projects and a heightened degree of responsibility for companies and their officers, directors and employees. In addition to the ESA listing decision made, other rulemakings and proposed legislation are ongoing and may be anticipated from time to time. EPA rulemakings facilities and holding ponds, which may also have an impact on ISR projects, including Lost Creek, are proposed from time to time. These are not the only laws and regulations which are under consideration and propose more restrictive changes





### 12.0 MINERAL RESERVE ESTIMATES

#### Mineral reserves were not estimated for this Report.

## 13.0 MINING METHODS

#### 13.1 Mineral Deposit Amenability

URE is using ISR at the Property. ISR is employed because this technique allows for the low cost and effective recovery of roll front mineralization. An additional benefit is that ISR is relatively environmentally benign when compared to conventional open pit or underground recovery techniques. ISR does not require the installation of tailings facilities or significant surface disturbance.

This mining method utilizes injection wells to introduce a mining solution, called lixiviant, into the mineralized zone. The lixiviant is made of natural groundwater fortified with oxygen as an oxidizer, sodium bicarbonate as a complexing agent, and carbon dioxide for pH control. An alternative for lixiviant makeup is the omission of sodium bicarbonate while increasing the quantity of carbon dioxide. This version allows for the generation of natural sodium bicarbonate from the formation. The oxidizer converts the uranium compounds from a relatively insoluble 4 + valance state to a soluble + for valance state. The complexing agent bonds with the uranium to form urapl carbonate while is highly soluble. The dissolute many carbonate sist is the recovered through a series of production wells and piped to a processing plant where the uranyl carbonate is removed from the solution using IX. The groundwater is re-fortified with the oxidizer and complexing agent and sent back to the wellfield to recover additional uranium.

In order to use ISR, the mineralized body must be: saturated with groundwater; transmissive to water flow; and amenable to dissolution by an acceptable lixiviant. While not a requirement, it is beneficial if the production zone aquifer is relatively confined by overlying and underlying aquitards so it is easier to maintain control of the mining lixiviant. 290 monitor and pump-test wells have been completed within the Lost Creck Project (Table 4) in the various horizons to determine the elevation of the water tables. The natural hydroxatic pressure within each horizon causes the water table classing to approximately 170 to 200 ft. bgs. All horizons determine the clost Creck Project.

URE has been collecting lithologic, water level, and pump test data as part of its ongoing evaluation of hydrologic conditions at the Lost Creek Project. In addition to URE's data collection, historical hydrogeological data collected for Texasgulf (Hydro-Search, Inc., 1982) were used to support this hydrologic evaluation. Water level measurements, both historical and recent, provide data to assess potentiometric surfaces, hydraulic gradients and inferred groundwater flow directions for the aquifers of interest at the Property.

#### 13.2 Mine Development

To aid in systematic development of resources, URE has designated several RAs within the Property which represent the accumulation of resources within a given horizon in a specific geographical area (Figure 12). Economic analyses in this Report are performed solely on these designated areas, due to the vertical and lateral continuity of the resources. In a general sense they are precursors to production wellfields, which may be derived from all or part of a RA. At the current time, approximately 85 percent of the total Property resources, as presented in Table 7, are contained within RAs.





An RA is converted to a mine unit if the perimeter monitor ring for the mine unit is defined. (Note, however, that the number sequence of RAs may not coincide with the number sequence of proposed mine units.) Currently there are 12 RAs in the Property. RAs 1 to 6 and 12 lie within the Lost Creek Project. RAs 7 to 11 lie within the LC East Project. RAs commonly overlap where resources in both the HJ and KM Horizons are targeted for potential production. RAs 1 and 2 have been converted to MU1 and MU2, respectively.

The Lost Creek plant is designed to generate approximately 0.9 to 1.0 million pounds of production per year for several years. At full projected flow capacity and at an average uranium content of the lixiviant of 40 mg/L the originally calculated output would be approximately one million pounds annually. Contents in excess of 40 mg/L u will allow for reduced flowrates. Lower uranium contents would result in production of less than one million pounds at the projected maximum flow rate of approximately 6,000 gpm.

The production rate in 2022 is modeled here to be 0.17 million pound per year and, increase to approximately one million pounds per year beginning in 2023. Production is currently modeled to decrease slightly in 2034 based on current production estimates and complete in 2035. Total life of mine production of 12.3 million pounds is based on the resource estimate for the 12 RAs summarized in Table 8 and a future recovery rate of 80 percent. Market conditions and contract sales generally define the production rate for the Project.

Within a mine unit, the most fundamental component of mine development and production is the production pattern. A pattern consists of one recovery well and the injection wells which feed lixiviant to it. Injection wells are commonly shared by multiple recovery wells. HHs serve multiple patterns and function as both distribution points for injection flow and collection points for production flow from the recovery wells. The processing plant feeds injection lixiviant to the HHs for distribution to the injector wells, and also receives and processes production flow from the HHs.

In MU1 the first series of HHs was constructed simultaneously with the processing plant and the site infrastructure. The other HHs as originally planned, were brought online sequentially. The proposed production rate has provided for lower than nominal plant flowrates. Additional mine units will be developed in such a way as to allow for production/plant capacity to be maintained. In other words, as the productivity or head grade from the initial HHs decreases below economic limits, replacement patterns from additional HHs will be placed into operation in order to maintain the desired flow rate and head grade at the plant.

The schedules for drilling, construction, production, and restoration activities for the current life of mine are detailed in Figure 13. The mine life sequence can be described as production followed by restoration, regulatory approval, and reclamation. Development activities, which include drilling, and surface construction, are planned to continue until the first quarter of 2034. Final wellfield production will occur in the fourth quarter of 2035. Restoration and reclamation activities are scheduled to start soon after production is completed in a mine unit or resource area. These are planned to occur from the fourth quarter 2024 through the third quarter 2038. Final decommissioning will occur simultaneous to the reclamation activities of the last mine unit.







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# Table 8. Development Summary by Resource Area

Resource Area	Total Resource (lbs. x 1000)	Recoveries (lbs. x 1000)	Project	Horizon	Injection Wells	Production Wells	Header Houses	Monitor Wells	Area Under Pattern (acre)	Average Depth (ft.)
1 (MU1)	2,299	1,683	Lost Cr	HJ	1266	598	24	102	98.4	450
2 (MU2)	2,699	1,744	Lost Cr	HJ	744	372	14	119	117.5	500
3	1,107	886	Lost Cr	KM	296	148	6	57	38.6	560
4	570	468	Lost Cr	HJ	152	76	3	58	35	580
5	1,091	872	Lost Cr	HJ	290	145	6	68	49.6	430
6	1,852	1,481	Lost Cr	FG	494	247	9	125	94.6	310
7	2,883	2,306	LC East	HJ	768	384	14	195	140.2	380
8	936	748	LC East	KM	250	125	5	117	61.7	480
9	618	495	LC East	HJ	164	82	3	120	83.2	380
10	485	388	LC East	KM	130	65	3	88	55.4	450
11	435	348	LC East	KM	116	58	3	77	43.3	350
12	1,054	843	Lost Cr	KM	282	141	6	78	58.6	620
Total	16,029	12,261			4,952	2,441			876.1	

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Sum of pounds may not add to the reported total due to rounding. For economic analyses in this Report, total resources include Measured, Indicated & Inferred Resources This summary excludes resources recovered through December 31, 2021 (2,436,500 lbs. in MU1 and 298,151 lbs. in MU2)



Figure 13. Life of Mine Schedule





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### 13.3 Piping

Pipelines transport the wellfield solutions to and from the IX columns of the plant. The flow rates and pressures of the individual well lines are monitored in the HHs. Flow and pressure of the field production systems are also monitored and controlled as appropriate at the HHs. High density polyethylene (HDPE), PVC, stainless steel, or equivalent piping is used in the wellfields and has been designed and selected to meet design operating conditions. The lines from the plant, HHs, and individual well lines are buried for freeze protection and to minimize pipe movement.

#### **13.4 Header Houses**

HHs are used to distribute lixiviant injection fluid to injection wells and collect pregnant solution from production wells. Each header house is connected to two trunk lines, one for receiving barren lixiviant from the plant and one for conveying pregnant solutions to the plant. The HHs include manifolds, valves, flow meters, pressure gauges, instrumentation and oxygen for incorporation into the injection lixiviant, as required. Each header house may service up to 90 wells (injection and recovery) depending on pattern geometry.

#### 13.5 Wellfield Reagents, Electricity

The evaluation presented in this Report assumes, based on a nominal 6,000 gpm flowrate, annually, the use of the following reagents and electricity in the wellfield on an annual basis:

Oxygen	59	million standard cubic ft.
Carbon dioxide	931	tons
Corrosion inhibitor	16.5	barrels
Electricity	11.0	million kilowatt-hours (kWh)

## 13.6 Mining Fleet Equipment and Machinery

This evaluation includes the cost of the required equipment and machinery to support the installation and operation of wellfields, the plant, and post-mining reclamation activities. A summary listing of this equipment and machinery includes: two (2) 1-ton pickup trucks; two (2) pulling units; four (4) trailers; six (6) cementers; one (1) front end loader; four (4) telehandlers; three (3) backhoes; one (1) motor grader; one (1) forklift; one (1) logging truck; one (1) MIT truck; one (1) pipe chipper; two (2) hose reels; two (2) flat reels; four (4) HDPE fusion tools; ten (10) portable generators; and various hand tools, radios and computers.

### 13.7 Mining Personnel

This evaluation includes the cost of the personnel required to operate the wellfield, plant, and mine administration. The maximum number of FTE positions at any one time is projected to be 54.5. The wellfield department will have up to 38.5 full time equivalent (FTE) positions which include all personnel required for drilling, casing, logging, operations, and reclamation. The plant department will have up to 13.5 FTE positions which would include personnel required to operate and maintain the satellite plant. The mine administration will require up to 7.5 FTE positions to oversee mine operations, safety, and technical support staff. The actual number of FTE positions will vary depending on production and wellfield development needs.





### 14.0 PROCESSING AND RECOVERY METHODS

The plant, which has been in operation since August 2013, consists of four major solution circuits:

- Uranium recovery/extraction circuit (IX); 1
- Elution circuit to remove the uranium from the IX resin; 2. 3. Yellowcake precipitation circuit; and the
  - Dewatering, drying and packaging circuit.

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Figure 14 presents a simplified typical process flow diagram. The system recycles and reuses most of the solutions inside each circuit. A low-volume bleed is permanently removed from the water-based leaching solution flow to create a "cone of depression" in the wellfield's static water level, to ensure that the leaching solution in the target mineralized zone is contained within the designated recovery area by the inward movement of regional groundwater. This bleed solution is routed to DDWs after minimizing volumes through treatment and recycling.

#### 14.1 Plant Processing

The plant houses most of the process equipment in an approximate 160 ft. by 260 ft. metal building. However, hydrochloric acid, propane and soda ash are stored in tanks and silos outside of the process building. The water treatment system (reverse osmos sis) used for reating the bleed and for aquifer restoration is currently located in the plant as well. However, the Project plans to install a separate wastewater treatment building adjacent to the existing plant to enhance current capabilities by adding additional levels of RO and fines removal. The costs are included in the modeled sustaining capital. An analytical laboratory and the office are located in the same building as the plant. A shop building is located immediately north of the plant. In addition to office space for professional staff and the laboratory, the building includes the computer server room, lunchroom, and restroom/change room facilities. The shop building contains the warehouse, maintenance and construction shop areas and the drilling shop with all the required equipment and supplies to perform maintenance and construction of wellfield systems.

Production fluid containing dissolved uranyl carbonate from the wellfields is pumped to the plant for beneficiation as described below:

IX Circuit - Uranium liberated from the underground deposits is extracted from the pregnant solution in the IX circuit onto resin. Subsequently, the barren lixiviant is reconstituted to the proper bicarbonate strength, as needed via the addition of sodium bicarbonate or carbon dioxide which generates bicarbonate in the mine horizon, and pH is corrected using carbon dioxide prior to being pumped back to the wellfield for reinjection. A low-volume bleed is permanently removed from the lixiviant flow. The bleed is either disposed of directly or treated by reverse osmosis and the clean permeate is reused in the process or injected in a Class V well, as needed. Brine and excess bleed are disposed of by means of injection into DDWs.

Elution Circuit -- When it is fully loaded with uranyl carbonate, the IX resin is subjected to elution. The elution process reverses the loading reactions for the IX resin and strips the uranium from the resin. The resulting rich eluate is an acueous solution containing uranyl carbonate, salt and sodium carbonate and/or sodium bicarbonate.



Figure 14. Process Flow Diagram



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Yellowcake Precipitation Circuit -- Yellowcake is produced from the rich eluate. The eluate from the elution circuit is de-carbonated in tanks by lowering the pH to approximately two standard units with hydrochloric acid. The uranium is then precipitated with hydrogen peroxide using sodium hydroxide for pH control.

Yellowcake Dewatering, Drying and Packaging Circuit -- The precipitated yellowcake slurry is transferred to a filter press where excess liquid is removed. Following a freshwater wash step that flushes any remaining dissolved chlorides, the resulting product cake is transferred to a yellowcake dryer, which will further reduce the moisture content, yielding the final dried free-flowing product. Refined yellowcake is packaged in 55-gallon steel drums.

For the purposes of the economic analyses, it was assumed that all drummed yellowcake will be shipped via truck approximately 1,270 miles to the conversion facility in Metropolis, Illinois. This conversion facility is the first manufacturing step in converting the yellowcake into reactor fuel.

### 14.2 Energy, Water and Process Materials

Estimates used in the evaluation presented in this Report assume the annual consumption of approximately 69,000 gallons of propane and 13.5 million kWh of electricity to heat and light the plant and operate the process equipment.

The consumptive use of groundwater at the Property is related to plant processes, maintenance of a hydrologic cone of depression (bleed) in the operating wellfields and wastewater associated with restoration groundwater sweep and reverse osmosis. The use of primary and secondary reverse osmosis along with radium treatment allows for a portion of the water to be recycled for operational purposes as well as being disposed in UIC Class V wells adjacent to the plant. The Class V permit for this activity was received in 2016. At full operating capacity, the processing plant utilizes approximately 10 gpm of water. In addition, the hydrologic bleed requirements for the wellfields are 0.5 percent to 1.5 percent of the production flowrate. The total expected wastewater output is planned from 10 gpm to 15 gpm at peak production in conjunction with all restoration activities, utilizing a multi-tier RO process in the proposed wastewater building. Chemicals that are anticipated to be used in the plant processes and the assumed annual consumption rates include:

Mada attacts and	4.00	william the forces
Hydrochiofic acid	4.00	million los./year
Caustic soda	1.02	million lbs./year
Peroxide	0.35	million lbs./year
Salt	1.56	million lbs./year
Soda ash or bicarbonate*	1.97	million lbs./year
Diatomaceous Earth	0.16	million lbs./year
Resin (make-up/replacement)	100	cubic ft./year

\* assumes soda ash will be used to supplement bicarbonate levels in lixiviant.

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The above annual chemical usage is based on an average daily flow rate of 6,000 gpm and a production rate of one million pounds GOs per year.

The different types of chemicals are stored, used and managed to ensure worker and environmental safety in accordance with standards developed by regulatory agencies and vendors. The hydrochloric acid and hydrogen peroxide, salt and sodium hydroxide storage areas include secondary containment. Sodium hydroxide and the various acid and caustic chemicals are of potential concern and are stored and handled with care. To prevent unintentional releases of hazardous chemicals and limit potential impacts to workers, the public and the environment, URE is implementing and maintaining internal operating procedures consistent with federal, tate and local requirements.

### 14.3 Liquid Disposal

Typical ISR mining operations require one or more disposal wells for limited quantities of fluids that cannot be returned to the production aquifers. Five DDWs are permitted at Lost Creek of which three have been installed. One of the wells was subsequently abandoned and the other two and are operating intermittently as needed. The existing CAPEX and OPEX estimates for this Report assume that the two DDWs currently installed will be supplemented by one additional DDW once restoration begins in earnest. The maximum volume of liquid wasters sent to the deep wells will be from 10 gpm to 15 gpm depending on the required bleed level. This is based on plans to install a separate wastewater treatment building adjacent to the existing plant to enhance current capabilities by adding additional levels of RO and fines removal. The costs are included in the modeled sustaining capital.

In addition to these DDWs and the water treatment plant, URE has obtained regulatory authorization from WDEQ and the NRC to operate UIC Class V wells which will allow for the onsite disposal of fresh permeate (i.e., clean water). Operators use the reverse osmosis circuits and a radium treatment process to treat process wastewater into brine and permeate streams. The brine stream will continue to be disposed of in the DDWs while the clean, permeate stream will be injected into the UIC Class V wells. As expected, these operational procedures have significantly enhanced wastewater disposal capacity at the site.

#### 14.4 Solid Waste Disposal

Solid wastes consist of spent resin, filtered fines from the wellfield and wastewater, empty packaging, miscellaneous pipes and fittings, tank sediments, used personal protective equipment and domestic trash. These materials are classified as contaminated or noncontaminated based on their radiological characteristics.

Non-contaminated solid waste is waste which is not contaminated with radioactive material, or which can be decontaminated and re-classified as non-contaminated waste. This type of waste may include trash, piping, valves, instrumentation, equipment and any other items which are not contaminated, or which may be successfully decontaminated. Current estimates are that the site will produce approximately 700 cubic yards of non-contaminated solid waste per year. Non- contaminated solid waste is collected in designated areas at the Property site and disposed of in the nearest permitted sanitary landfill.

Contaminated solid waste consists of solid waste contaminated with radioactive material that cannot be decontaminated. This waste will be classified as 11e.(2) by-product material as defined by federal and state regulations. This by-product material consists of filters, filtered fines from the wellfield and wastewater, personal protective equipment, spent resin, piping, etc. These materials are temporarily stored on-site and periodically transported for disposal. Another subsidiary of URE owns a licensed disposal facility for 11e.(2) by-product material as waste per year. This estimate is based on the waste generation rates of similar in situ uranium recovery facilities.

### 14.5 Plant Personnel

A discussion of the personnel requirements for the Property is located in Chapter 13.7.



## 15.0 PROJECT INFRASTRUCTURE

The infrastructure for the Lost Creek wellfield and plant is described above and depicted in Figure 15. All necessary components for the plant and the first wellfield have been constructed and are in use.

### 15.1 Roads

There are four types of roads being used for access to the Property. They include primary access roads, secondary access roads, temporary wellfield access roads, and well access roads. Access to the Property is from the west via Wamsutter-Crooks Gap Road or from the east via BLM Sooner Road (Figure 2).

Primary access roads are used for routine access to the main processing facility at the Property. URE has constructed approximately 50,000 ft. of new road to serve as Project access.

The main access roads average 20 ft. wide and are surfaced with gravel. Snow removal and periodic surface maintenance are performed as needed. The secondary access roads are used at the Property to provide access to the wellfield HHs. The secondary access roads are constructed with limited cut and fill construction and may be surfaced with small sized aggregate or other appropriate material.

The temporary wellfield access roads are for access to drilling sites, wellfield development, or ancillary areas assisting in wellfield development. When possible, URE will use existing two-track trails or designate two-track trails where the land surface is not typically modified to accommodate the road. The temporary wellfield access roads will be used throughout the mining areas and will be reclaimed at the end of mining.

# 15.2 Laboratory Equipment

Laboratory equipment consists of inductively coupled plasma (ICP) emission spectrometers for analyses of uranium and metals, an auto-titrator for alkalinity and chloride measurements, specific conductance meter and other equipment, materials and supplies required to efficiently operate the mine and plant. In addition, the laboratory has fume hoods, reagent storage cabinets and other safety equipment. All equipment was purchased and installed prior to the operation of the laboratory in 2013 and continues in use today. Currently, URE plants to move the chemical lab to a new Casper, Wyoming facility being built for URE in 2022. When the facility is constructed, a determination for the timing of the move will be made. The Casper lab is then expected to serve Lost Creek and, when constructed, the Shirley Basin Project mine.

### 15.3 Electricity

A pre-existing 34,500-volt power line owned by Pacific Power Corp. extends north-south along the western edge of the Lost Creek Project. The line was originally installed to serve the Sweetwater Mine and Mill which is south of the Property. Pacific Power Corp. performed a power study and determined that the line has capacity to serve the Property without any upgrades. A new overhead raptor resistant power line, approximately two miles in length, was constructed to bring power from the existing Pacific Power line to the Lost Creek plant. Line drops have been made to the existing HHs, plant, and other buildings where the power is transformed to three phase 480 volts. Power lines from HHs to recovery wells are placed underground using direct burial wire.









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# 15.4 Water

URE has drilled 12 shallow water wells to provide water for the facility. The water supply is described in more detail within Chapter 4.5.1.

## 15.5 Holding Ponds

Two holding ponds have been installed for the facility and are currently in use. The holding ponds, which are located immediately east of the plant, are used to contain process wastewater as needed in relation to wastewater disposal capacity. The earthen banked ponds each are approximately 155 by 260 ft. as measured from crest to crest. The ponds have a double lined containment system with leak detection between the liners. Rigorous procedures have been established to ensure proper inspection, operation, and maintenance of the holding ponds.





### 16.0 MARKET STUDIES AND CONTRACTS

This Report serves to replace the most recent assessment of the Property (TREC, 2016) dated February 2016 including updating the economic analyses, and covers activities conducted through December 31, 2021, as described.

Unlike other commodities, uranium does not trade on an open market. Contracts are negotiated privately by buyers and sellers. The economic analysis assumes a variable price per pound for U3O8 over the life of the Property as discussed in Chapter 19.

The future price assumptions were created by taking the simple average (mean) of the annual price projections prepared by four independent financial firms; VIII Capital Corp., Cantor Fitzgerald Canada Corporation, H.C. Wainwright & Co. and UxC, LLC. Each of the projections was independently prepared and reflects the individual, proprietary projections of each firm regarding future uranium prices. The projections were prepared by the firm as of the date of the specific reports (VIII Capital Corp., November 4, 2021; Cantor Fitzgerald Canada Corporation, October 18, 2021; H.C. Wainwright & Co., September 29, 2021; and UxC, LLC, December 6, 2021. See also Chapter 24 References). In certain cases, the price projections provided by the firms did not extend through 2036, which is the final year used in the economic analysis. In that circumstance, the final year of that firm's price projection was used in calculating the average for all subsequent years, ensuring that four different values were averaged for each year in the economic analysis.

The marketability of uranium and acceptance of uranium mining is subject to numerous factors beyond the control of URE. The price of uranium may experience volatile and significant price movements over short periods of time. Factors beyond our control affect the market, including demand for nuclear power; changes in public acceptance of nuclear power generation; political and conomic conditions in uranium mining, producing and consuming countries; costs and availability of financing of nuclear plants; changes in governmental regulations; global or regional consumption patterns; speculative activities and increased production due to new extraction developments and improved production methods; the future viability and acceptance of small modular reactors or micro-

reactors and the related fuel requirements for this new technology; reprocessing of spent fuel and the re-enrichment of depleted uranium tails or waste; and global economics, including currency exchange rates, interest rates and expectations of inflation. Any future accidents, or threats of or incidents of war, civil unrest or terrorism, at nuclear facilities are likely to also impact the conditions of uranium mining and the use and acceptance of nuclear energy. The economic analysis and associated sensitivities are within the range of current market variability.

Currently, URE has no uranium sales agreements related to the Property.

Operational purchasing agreements exist with the primary chemical suppliers. The terms of these agreements vary in duration and volume. Finally, contracts or agreements are in place with RSB Logistics Inc. for transporting yellowcake from the Property; ConverDyn for processing of yellowcake concentrates; and Pathfinder Mines (a wholly owned subsidiary of Ur-Energy USA Inc.) for disposal of 11e.(2) byproduct material waste.



17.0 ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES, PERMITTING, SOCIAL OR COMMUNITY IMPACT

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Extensive environmental studies have been performed in support of the Lost Creek Permit to Mine Application submitted to the WDEQ, the License Application submitted to the NRC, and the BLM Plan of Operations (Ur-Energy Inc., 2007a and Ur-Energy Inc., 2007b). Additional, similar environmental studies were completed with respect to the applications to amend those permits, licenses and authorizations for the recovery of uranium from the LC East Project and the KM Horizon at the Lost Creek Project (Lost Creek 2014a and Lost Creek 2014b). These studies goology, surface hydrology, sub-surface hydrology, goodenemistry, wetlands, air quality, vegetation, wildlife, archeology, meteorology, background radiometrics, and soils. Upon receipt of the applications for the Lost Creek Project, the WDEQ and NRC spent several years reviewing the environmental studies with internal and third-party experts and ultimately concluded that the mining activity as proposed was protective of the environment. After their technical reviews, including numerous opportunities for public comment, all necessary permits and licenses to operate the mine were issued.

The amendment to the LQD authorized permit to mine to allow mining in the HJ and KM Horizons at the LC East Project is the only remaining major authorization before operations may proceed at LC East. Approval will include an aquifer exemption. Additional approval from LQD to expand mining into additional HJ Horizon mine units at the Lost Creek Project must also be obtained.

### **17.1 Environmental Studies**

The license and mine permit applications were developed to define and evaluate the potential for impacts to other environmental resources and were submitted to and approved by the NRC, WDEQ and BLM. Evaluation subjects included: existing and anticipated land use, transportation, geology, soils, seismic risk, water resources, climate/meteorology, vegtatation, wetlands, wildlife, air quality, noise, and historic and cultural resources. Additionally, socioecrother were identified that could not be mitigated (Ur-Energy Inc., 2007a, 2007b). The NRC and WDEQ issued final approval of the Environmental Impact Statement in October 2012. The BLM issued its Record of Decision for LC East and the KM amendment in March 2019. The WDEQ URP issued final approval of LC East in 2021. Discussion of the results of site-specific environmental studies is given below.

# 17.1.1 Background Radiological Characteristics

Background radiological characteristics for the Lost Creek Project were evaluated in 2006 and 2007 and between 2012 and 2016 in the LC East area to establish radiological baseline conditions and document the pre-operational radiological environment. The evaluations were performed for surface soils, subsurface soils,

The results of the studies are presented in detail in the Ur-Energy, Lost Creek ISR Project, Wyoming DEQ Permit to Mine Application (Ur-Energy, 207a), Ur-Energy, KM and LC East Amendments, 2014, (Ur-Energy, 2014a and Ur-Energy, 2014b), the Ur-Energy, Lost Creek, NRC Source Material License Application, 2007 (Ur-Energy, 2007b) and the Ur-Energy, KM and LC East Amendment Source Material License Application, 2017 (ref. Ur-Energy, 2017). In general, the baseline study indicates that most site radiological properties are in normal ranges. (Lost Creek 2014a, 2014b and BLM 2018).



### 17.1.2 Threatened, Endangered, or Candidate Species

As defined by WDEQ-LQD Guideline No. 2, a literature review was conducted to identify species of special concern, prohibited and restricted noxious weeds, and selenium indicators that could be present within the Lost Creek Project permit area and again for permitting of the LC East Project amendments. The reviews identified several species that occur within the general region.

Threatened and endangered (T&E) species of the greater region include the blowout penstemon (Penstemon haydenii) and the desert yellowhead (Yermo xanthocephalus). Blowout penstemon is the only endangered plant species in Wyoming. While the species is known to occur on a site approximately 32 miles east-northeast of the Lost Creek Project, it has not been observed in the area of the properties and is unlikely to occur in the area. Blowout penstemon grows exclusively in sand blowout areas, a habitat type which is absent in the Property. Desert yellowhead is a threatened species in Wyoming, occurring in southern Fremont County in the Beaver Rim Area, approximately 45 miles northeast of Lost Creek. The only known population occurs in the Beaver Rim Area.

A similar analysis was conducted within the LC East Project area. According to the USFWS, T&E species known to occur within Sweetwater County include Ute ladies'-tresses (Spiranthes diluvialis) and the western prairie fringed orchid (Platanthera pracelara) (USFWS 2015b). A more refined search area that included just the immediate vicinity of the Property area identified only the potential for Ute ladies'-tresses (USFWS 2017). The field evaluations conducted during the appropriate time frame indicated that late season perennial water sources were not present within the LC East Project area. No individuals or populations of Ute ladies'-tresses were found during field surveys and based on the lack of suitable habitat characteristics, local habitat was confirmed unsuitable for Ute ladies'-tresses.

An additional 12 rare plant species are known to occur in Sweetwater County. During the vegetation surveys, special consideration was given to these species of special concern and micro-environments capable of supporting these species. However, no species of special concern were observed within the Lost Creek Project.

As discussed above, the USFWS issued a determination in 2015 that the greater sage grouse, which is indigenous to the area, does not warrant protection under the ESA. Management of the species will continue under the Wyoming Core Area Strategy, and certain federal, resource management plans. In addition, for the LC East Amendment the WGFD was consulted regarding greater sage-grouse since the Property area is within a BLM Priority Habitat Management Area. The Density Disturbance Calculation Tool (DDCT)



prepared for the existing Lost Creek Project was updated to ensure that the LC East Project would be in compliance with the maximum disturbance process, as outlined in Wyoming EO 2015-4 (Office of the Governor 2015). WGFD reviewed the revised DDCT and concluded that the LC East project complies with the 5 percent and 1/640 thresholds (WGFD 2018).





Pursuant to applicable regulations, the cultural and historic resources are not publicly disclosed.

#### 17.1.4 Visual and Scenic Resources

During construction and operations, visual resources will be impacted to some extent by vegetative disturbance, road building, drilling, piping, and facility construction. A maximum of approximately 165 acres of vegetation will be disturbed at any one time. This estimate includes all on-site roads, operating mine units, mud pits for resource and delineation and monitor wells, and pipelines. The total footprint of the plant compound is approximately 10 acres, and height of any building is 45 feet. Mine unit development will occur sequentially, with reclamation in the MU1 concurrent with constructions in later mine units. No more than four percent of the Lost Creek Project permit area should be disturbed at any time.

Most of these modifications will not be visible from the public road network, which is lightly traveled. The plant is located 4.5 miles from the nearest county road, and the rolling topography will hide the facilities from travelers, except from a limited number of vantage points. There are no locally important or high-quality views that are affected by the Property. Facilities are discernable but are not a dominant landscape feature to observers outside the Lost Creek permit area.

Impacts are temporary, since buildings and roads will be decommissioned and removed at the Property's end and vegetation will be restored to its previous condition. ISR operations cause no modifications to scenery or topography that will persist after restoration and reclamation.

### 17.1.5 Byproduct Disposal

11e (2) or non-11e.(2) byproduct disposal methods are discussed in detail in Chapter 14.0 (Recovery Methods). DDWs, landfills, and licensed 11e (2) facilities will be used depending on the level of contamination for the given waste product.

## 17.2 Permitting Requirements, Permit Status, Financial Assurance

Permitting requirements and status are also discussed in Chapter 3.5.2.

### 17.2.1 Financial Assurance

Financial surety is required by the State of Wyoming and the BLM. Through an MOU between BLM and WDEQ-LQD (BLM 2003), BLM has given WDEQ-LQD primacy for establishing the financial assurance amount for operations covered under 43 CFR § 3809.500. However, BLM reviews financial assurance estimates and retains the authority to require additional financial assurance if it determines that the reclamation cost estimate is inadequate. The Property currently has in place financial assurance to cover costs of reclaiming lands and groundwater currently disturbed at the Lost Creek Project. Reclamation costs for additional disturbance would be added to the financial assurance prior to constructing facilities in the LC East Project. As required by WDEQ-LQD Permit to Mine PT788 and URP License WYSUA-1598, the financial assurance would be revealuated, and the amount updated annually to reflect any approved expansions or additional disturbance planned for the upcoming year, as well as any reclamation completed during the preceding year. Updates to the financial assurance estimate would be reviewed and approved by URP and WDEQ-LQD. Under the MOU between BLM and WDEQ-LQD, BLM would also review the annual financial assurance updates and concur with the proposed updates or recommend modifications to WDEQ-LQD (BLM 2003). The financial assurance instrument would be redeemable by both the State of Wyoming and the U.S. Secretary of the Interior (BLM).

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### 17.2.3 Site Monitoring

URE conducts considerable site monitoring to ensure protection of the environment and also protection of employees and the public from radionuclide effluent. Each mine unit is or will be surrounded laterally and vertically with a series of monitor wells to ensure mining solutions do not migrate out of the mining zone. The wells will be sampled twice per month with the results compared against pre-determined upper control limits.

Significant environmental monitoring for radionuclide effluents is also occurring and will continue up until reclamation. Selected sites are monitored for gamma radiation and radon levels. Sampling devices are replaced each quarter during operations and continue through groundwater restoration. Additionally, some sites are monitored to determine the concentration of airborne radionuclides. The air filters in the devices are changed out about every two weeks and quarterly composites are submitted to a contract laboratory for analysis. The laboratory results will be compared against baseline values to determine if any upward trend is occurring. The radionuclide concentration in local soils, surface water and vegetation will also be monitored to determine if mine effluent is causing impacts.

Finally, wildlife monitoring will continue throughout the life of the mine and will cover a variety of species including greater sage-grouse, big game, migratory birds, lagomorphs, songbirds and other species deemed to be of concern by permitting agencies. Third-party contractors will be utilized to perform wildlife monitoring.

# 17.3 Community Affairs

The Property is proximate to the communities of Bairoil, Jeffrey City, Wamsutter, Riverton, Lander and Rawlins, Wyoming. Lost Creek personnel have been hired from these communities as well as from Hanna, Rock Springs, and Casper, Wyoming. Employment has had a positive impact to these communities not only through direct payroll, but through primary and secondary purchases of goods and services.

URE maintains routine contacts with landowners, the BLM, and the general public through direct calls and attending various local meetings. The operational managers and Radiation Safety Officer are on site at the facility and are included in the administrative support labor costs in operating cost

The NRC, WDEQ and BLM evaluated socioeconomic characteristics in the vicinity of the Property. No impacts from Property development were identified that could not be mitigated (Ur-Energy, 2007a, 2007b; Lost Creek, 2014a, 2014b). The NRC and WDEQ issued final approvals for the Lost Creek Project in 2011; URP issued its license approval in March 2021 for the LC East Project. The BLM issued its Record of Decision for approval of the Environmental Impact Statement in October 2012 and the LC East and KM Amendments in March 2019.







## 17.4 Project Closure

Project closure entails multiple activities including the groundwater and surface reclamation which will commence while recovery operations are continuing. The timeline for these closure-related activities is included in Figure 13 (Life of Mine Schedule) and the costs are included in the discussion of OPEX (see Chapter 18.0).

# 17.4.1 Well Abandonment / Groundwater Restoration

Groundwater restoration will begin as soon as practicable after uranium recovery in each wellfield is completed (as determined by project economics). If a depleted wellfield is near an area that is being recovered, a portion of the depleted area's restoration may be delayed to limit interference with the ongoing recovery operations.

Restoration completion assumes up to six pore volumes of groundwater will be extracted and treated by reverse osmosis. Following completion of successful restoration activities, the injection and recovery wells will be plugged and abandoned in accordance with WDEQ regulations. Monitor wells will also be abandoned following verification of successful groundwater restoration.

### 17.4.2 Demolition and Removal of Infrastructure

Simultaneous with well abandonment operations, the trunk and feeder pipelines will be removed, tested for radiological contamination, segregated as either solid 11e.(2) or non-11e.(2) byproduct material, then chipped and transported to appropriate disposal facilities. The HHs will be disconnected from their foundations, decontaminated, segregated as either solid 11e.(2) or non-11e.(2), and transported to appropriate disposal facilities or recycled. The processing equipment and ancillary structures will be demolished, tested for radiological properties, segregated and either scrapped or disposed of in appropriate disposal facilities based on their radiological properties.

### 17.4.3 Site Grading and Revegetation

Following the removal of wellfield and plant infrastructure, site roads will likely be removed and the site will be re-graded to approximate pre-development contours and the stockpiled topsoil placed over disturbed areas. The disturbed areas will then be seeded.

### 17.5 Adequacy of Current Plans

The QP has reviewed the current permit status of the Property and have noted that the Project is fully permitted for ISR mining operations. The QPs' opinion is that URE's plans are adequate to allow for realization of the mining plans discussed in this Report.

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## 18.0 CAPITAL AND OPERATING COSTS

Capital Costs (CAPEX) and Operating Costs (OPEX) are based on actual and estimated costs for the Lost Creek Project as of December 31, 2021. For items that recent price quotes were not available the costs were escalated against the Consumer Price Index or the gross domestic product: implicit price deflator adjusted to December 2021 (CPI, 2021 & FRED, 2021). The included analysis is based on the Measured and Indicated plus Inferred mineral resources in the Lost Creek and LC East Projects, as of December 31, 2021. The majority of the CAPEX costs, including the installation of the processing plant, disposal wells and a portion of the drilling and installation of MU1, were incurred prior to the commencement of operations in 2013. OPEX costs include the remaining drilling and installation of the mine units as well as all operating costs such as chemicals, labor, utilities and maintenance. OPEX costs are most sensitive to wellfield costs – which may increase if well spacing needs to be reduced or additional injection/recovery wells are required.

#### 18.1 Capital Cost Estimation (CAPEX)

The majority of the CAPEX occurred prior to the start of operations in 2013 and is herein referred to as "initial capital" (initial capital costs of plant and wellfields total \$46.5 million including initial wellfield costs of \$12.3 million). Subsequent mine unit drilling and development costs are considered in the OPEX category after the start of production. The only remaining items in the CAPEX category for the remainder of the mine life are in the sustaining capital category.

Remaining CAPEX costs are for sustaining capital requirements at the mine-site and are primarily for the installation of a wastewater treatment building to optimize wastewater reduction. The remaining sustaining capital is for the replacement of equipment that will be used in the future operations of the plant and the wellfields. The sustaining capital cost is estimated to be \$19.9 million (Table 11). In addition, costs are included in wellfield development portion of this analysis for the installation of one additional DDW at an estimated cost of \$3.2 million. The sustaining capital and future disposal well cost estimates are based on the actual previous purchases of the same equipment and/or vendor prices, thus the estimates contain contingencies of 10 percent and are considered to have a predicted level of accuracy of +/- 10 percent.

#### 18.2 Operating Cost Estimation (OPEX)

The OPEX costs have been developed by evaluating each process unit operation and the associated required services (power, water, air, waste disposal), infrastructure (offices, change rooms shop), salary and burden, and environmental control (heat, air conditioning, monitoring). In addition, OPEX costs also include the remaining construction of the mine unit surface facilities and wells to mine the MMT and EMT. The Annual OPEX and the Closure Cost Summary for the Property are provided in Table 9. Additional annualized OPEX detail is provided in Table 10. Total OPEX costs, including selling, production and operating costs, have been estimated at \$205.1 million, or approximately \$16.34 per pound. The predicted level of accuracy of the OPEX and Closure estimates is approximately +-/-2 operent. The major items identified in this Report have been sourced in the United States and are based upon operational experience and data. Major cost categories considered when developing OPEX costs include wellfield, plant and site administration costs as detailed in Tables 9 and 10.

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Operating Costs Summary	Units	Total	US\$ per Pound		
Salaries and Wages (Plant)	US\$ 000s	\$ 25,260	\$	2.01	
Salaries and Wages (Wellfield)	US\$ 000s	\$ 37,062	\$	2.95	
Wellfield costs (excludes closure related)	US\$ 000s	\$ 20,256	\$	1.61	
Processing Plant Costs (excludes closure related)	US\$ 000s	\$ 63,891	\$	5.09	
Product Shipping Costs & Conversion Facility Fees	US\$ 000s	\$ 4,449	\$	0.35	
BLM & State Land Holding & Surface Impact Costs	US\$ 000s	\$ 1,507	\$	0.12	
URP Fees	US\$ 000s	\$ 2,204	\$	0.18	
Insurance & Bonding	US\$ 000s	\$ 8,342	\$	0.66	
Subtotal	US\$ 000s	\$ 162,971	\$	12.99	
Closure costs (less wages)	US\$ 000s	\$ 30,939	\$	2.47	
Home Office Support and Allocated Overhead	US\$ 000s	\$ 11,145	\$	0.89	
Subtotal		\$ 42,084	\$	3.35	
Total	US\$ 000s	\$ 205,055	\$	16.34	

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Wellfield operating costs include power, maintenance, chemicals and other wellfield operating costs. Closure costs assume no salvage value for materials and equipment. BLM land holding cost assumes an annual assessment of \$165 on each claim (469 total). State fees include \$1,920 annual lease (\$3/acre) plus surface impact. NRC fees include permitting cost recovery estimates for URP. Shipping costs are based on 35,000 lbs. yellowcake shipments to the conversion facility in Metropolis, Illinois. Bonding requires a 2.5% permitum to be paid and approximately 30% collateral to be posted. The posted collateral is returned as closure work is completed and the bonding requirement is reduced. Closure costs are based on WDEQ approved unit costs and detailed engineering work. 6. 7.

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# Table 10. Annual Operating Costs (OPEX) Details

			USS per				2025							-							-		2011
Operating Costs Summary	Units	Total	Pound	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	2031	2032	2033	2034	2035	2036	2037	20.58	2039	2040	2041
Salaries and Wages (Plant)	US\$ 000s	\$25,260	\$2.01	\$983	\$1,535	\$1,535	\$1,535	\$1,535	\$1,535	\$1,535	\$1,535	\$1,535	\$1,535	\$1,535	\$1,535	\$1,535	\$1,535	\$1,265	\$1,265	\$968	\$405	\$353	\$59
Salaries and Wages (Wellfield)	US\$ 000s	\$37,062	\$2.95	\$2,134	\$2,653	\$2,653	\$2,653	\$2,653	\$2,653	\$2,653	\$2,653	\$2,653	\$2,653	\$2,653	\$2,653	\$1,362	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$776	\$259	\$288	\$55
Wellfield costs (excludes closure					10.000		11.1			1000		1.11		0010					1000				
related)	US\$ 000s	\$20,256	\$1.61	\$392	\$1,297	\$1,429	\$1,474	\$1,492	\$1,482	\$1,477	\$1,507	\$1,465	\$1,495	\$1,469	\$1,501	\$1,416	\$871	\$578	\$577	\$336	50	50	50
Processing Plant Costs (excludes closure related)	US\$ 000s	\$63,891	\$5.09	\$1,801	\$5,024	\$4,998	\$4,998	\$5,003	\$4,999	\$5,008	\$5,001	\$4,996	\$5,006	\$5,020	\$5,038	\$4,380	\$1,602	599	\$394	\$302	\$104	\$97	\$19
Product Shipping Costs & Conversion Facility Fees	US\$ 000s	54,449	\$0.35	534	5376	\$373	\$352	\$368	\$370	5349	\$373	\$365	\$365	5357	\$376	\$316	565	59	50	50	50	50	50
BLM & State Land Holding &	1155 000-	\$1 507	\$0.12	\$79	\$79	\$70	579	\$70	670	570	670	670	570	570	C76	\$79	679	\$79	679	\$70	670	\$70	50
LIPD Ener	USS 000-	\$2.204	CO 19	C116	\$116	5116	C116	C116	C116	C116	C116	\$116	\$116	50									
Insurance 8 Bonding	US\$ 000s	58.347	\$0.66	\$1.976	\$2.274	\$1,782	\$2,417	564	(\$159)	\$1.015	\$1.892	\$743	(\$550)	5464	\$1,499	(\$71)	\$222	(\$1.551)	(\$7)	(\$329)	(\$699)	(\$1,253)	(\$1.386)
Subtotal	US\$ 000s	\$162,971	\$12.99	\$7,515	\$13,354	\$12,965	\$13,624	\$11,310	\$11,075	\$12,232	\$13,156	\$11,952	\$10,699	\$11,693	\$12,797	\$9,133	\$5,490	\$1,595	\$3,424	\$2,248	\$264	(\$320)	(\$1,253)
Closure costs (less wages)	US\$ 000s	\$30,939	\$2.47	\$0	50	\$13	\$572	\$619	\$742	\$1,001	\$1,369	\$790	\$656	\$2,663	\$1,272	\$1,174	\$1,154	\$935	\$1,758	\$861	\$470	\$12,408	\$2,482
Home Office Support and Allocated Overhead	US\$ 000s	\$11,145	50.89	\$584	5584	\$584	5584	\$584	\$584	5584	5584	\$584	\$584	5584	\$584	5584	5584	\$584	5584	\$584	\$584	\$584	558
Subtotal	-	\$42,084	\$3.35	\$584	\$584	\$597	\$1,156	\$1,203	\$1,326	\$1,585	\$1,953	\$1,374	\$1,240	\$3,247	\$1,856	\$1,758	\$1,738	\$1,519	\$2,342	\$1,445	\$1,054	\$12,992	\$2,540
Total	US\$ 000s	\$205,055	\$16.34	\$8,099	\$13,938	\$13,562	\$14,780	\$12,513	\$12,401	\$13,817	\$15,109	\$13,326	\$11,939	\$14,940	\$14,653	\$10,891	\$7,228	\$3,114	\$5,766	\$3,693	\$1,318	\$12,672	\$1,287

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Wellfield operating costs include power, maintenance, chemicals and other wellfield operating costs. Closure costs assume no salvage value for materials and equipment. BLM land holding cost assumes an annual assessment of \$165 on each claim. State fees include \$1,920 annual lease (\$3/acre) plus surface impact. URP fees include permitting costs and annual inspections. Shipping costs are based on 35,000 lbs. yellowcake shipments to the conversion facility in Metropolis, Illinois. Bonding requires a 2.5% premium to be paid and approximately 30% collateral to be posted. The posted collateral is returned as closure work is completed and the bonding requirement is reduced. Closure costs are based on WDEQ approved unit costs and detailed engineering work.







The OPEX estimate above is based on the current resource estimate for the MMT and EMT on the Property which takes into account the produced pounds.

#### 18.3 Adequacy of Cost Estimates

The cost estimates used for this analysis are based on actual costs encountered at the Lost Creek facility. Since the mine is currently in operation and actual operational costs were used in the analysis, it is the QP's opinion that the costs used for this analysis are very representative of actual costs that will be encountered. The QP noted during their review that the mine is currently operating at minimal production rates, and as a result, when full mine production resumes, the costs may adjust as the mine competes to hire additional people to operate the facility. However, the QP has noted that the labor costs used for this analysis are current and the mine is already competing for labor in a relatively tight labor market. As a result, significantly underestimating the labor costs is not expected to be a large risk. In addition, recurrent inflation pressures and supply chain shortages induced by COVID shutdowns in 2020 and 2021 could result in increased costs for supplies. As noted in this Chapter, the costs were escalated against current inflation estimates to account for inflation concerns. The QP believes that the costs included here are reasonable and represent the best estimate of costs available.

#### 18.4 Wellfield Development Costs

The first series of MU1 HHs were constructed simultaneously with the processing plant and the site infrastructure in 2012 and 2013. Since that time, all originally planned HHs in MU1 and the first three HHs in MU2 have been brought into production. Throughout operations at Lost Creek to date, the production rate has been maintained at lower than design plant flowrate. The nominal plant throughput is modeled at approximately 5,500 to 6,000 gpm for the purposes of development costs for this Report. As the productivity or head grade from the initial HHs decreases below economic limits, replacement patterns from additional HHs will be placed into operation in order to maintain the desired flow rate and head grade at the plant.

The wellfield development costs include both wellfield drilling and wellfield construction activities and were estimated based on current and preliminary future wellfield designs including the number, location, depth, and construction material specifications for wells and HLs and the hydraulic conveyance (piping) system associated with the wellfield scale pipelines, electrical service, roads, and wellfield fencing are included in the cost estimates. The wellfield development estimate is based on actual costs from vendors, labor arges and equipment rates used to drill and construct the constructed portions of MUI and MU2 and includes a 10 percent contingency. Where cost quotes or purchases occurred in previous years the costs were escalated against current inflation rates (FRED, 2022 and CPI, 2022). The estimated wellfield development cost for the remainder of the Property is \$151.7 million or \$12.09 per pound and is identified in Table 11.

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19.0 ECONOMIC ANALYSIS

Cautionary statement: This Report is preliminary in nature, and includes inferred mineral resources that are considered too speculative geologically to have the economic considerations applied to them that would enable them to be categorized as mineral reserves. Mineral resources that are not mineral reserves do not have demonstrated economic viability. There is increased risk and uncertainty to commencing and conducting production without established mineral reserves that may result in economic and technical failure which may adversely impact future profitability. The estimated mineral recovery used in this Report is based on recovery data from wellfield operations to date, as well as Ur-Energy personnel and industry experience at similar facilities. There can be no assurance that recovery at this level will be achieved.

This Report serves to evaluate the economic impact of continued operations and replaces the most recent NI 43-101 economic analysis for the Property from February 2016. Since the 2016 analyses, additional development and construction for HH2-1, 2-2, and 2-3 has occurred with additional mineral resources identified.

The economic analyses is based upon an 80 percent recovery of the total resources (Measured, Indicated and Inferred) from the twelve RAs. These 12 designated RAs (Figure 12) represent the accumulation of resources within a given horizon in a given area. Economic analyses are performed solely on these designated areas, due to the vertical and lateral continuity of the resources. To date, RAs 1 and 2 have been converted to MU1 and MU2, respectively. Currently, approximately 85 percent of the total Property resources, as presented in Tables 1 and 7, are contained within RAs.

Finally, the economic analyses here are conducted based upon actual capital costs incurred in the 2012-2013 construction of Lost Creek facilities, eight years of operational data and production costs, and an update of inflation and other economic and market conditions.

19.1 Assumptions
Measured:

6.779 million lbs.

Indicated: 4.686 million lbs.

Inferred: 4.564 million lbs.

Note that MU1 and MU2 are in the advanced planning stages and a small portion of the resource is not included within the currently planned, or actual, pattern layouts. The resources not included in the patterns were excluded from the cost analysis and as a result the total quantity of resources in the economic analysis is slightly lower than 80 percent of the resources as minmarized above. A cash flow statement has been developed based on the CAPEX, OPEX and closure cost estimates and the production schedule. The sale price for the projections prepared by the total of the life of the Property ranging from 55.08 to 56.04 per pound. This price is based on the annual average of the projections prepared by VIII Capital Corp., November 4, 2021; Cantor Fitzgerald Canada Corporation, October 18, 2021; H.C. Wainwright & Co., September 29, 2021; and UxC, LLC, December 6, 2021 (See Chapter 16).

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Uranium recovery from the mineral resource is assumed based on an estimated wellfield recovery factor of 80 percent. The production flow rate, grade and ultimate recovery are based on experience to date at the Property as well as designed plant capacities for flow and production. The sales for the cash flow utilize the production models for each of the mine units and RAs. The total uranium production over the life of the Property is estimated to be 12.3 million pounds.

# 19.2 Cash Flow Forecast and Production Schedule

This Report contemplates Lost Creek's start date of August 2, 2013 and incorporates production up to the cutoff time for the economics portion of the Report (December 31, 2021). The NPV assumes cash flows take place in the middle of the periods and is calculated based on a discounted cash flow. The production estimates and OPEX cost distribution (Tables 9 and 10) used to develop the cash flow are based on the production and restoration models developed by URE and incorporated in the cash flow (Tables 11 and 12). The cash flow assumes no escalation, no debt, interest or capital repayment. It should be noted that Lost Creek ISR, LLC is the recipient of the State Bond Loan. Debt interest and repayment of this loan is not include due to intercommic analysis. It also does not include depreciation. The initial capitalized Project construction was completed prior to start of operations in 2013. Accounting for a sunk cost balance of 23.7 million as of December 31, 2021, the estimated during the second quarter of 2024. Excluding sunk costs which occurred prior to December 31, 2021, the Property is estimated to generate net cash flow over its life, before income tax, of \$376.4 million and \$267.1 million after income tax. The Property has a

calculated before tax IRR of 72.2 percent and a before tax NPV of \$210.9 million applying an eight percent discount rate. When income taxes are included in the calculation, the after-tax IRR is 66.8 percent and the after tax NPV is \$156.8 million applying an eight percent discount rate. LoM operating costs are approximately \$33.61 per pound of U<sub>3</sub>O<sub>8</sub> produced including royalties and local taxes. Income taxes are estimated to be \$8.72 per pound. The NPV for three discount rates has been calculated (pre- and post-income tax) and is presented in Table 13. The estimated IRR is also presented in Table 13.

Approximately 27.4% percent of the resources in the economic analysis were inferred resources. Inferred resources that are considered too speculative geologically to have modifying factors applied to them that would enable them to be categorized as minteral reserves, and there is no certainty that this economic assessment will be realized. To account for the chance that the inferred resources are not upgraded as mining progresses and URE collects additional drilling data, a second economic analysis was 8.6 million pounds. Without the inferred resources. The estimated recovery excluding the inferred resources. The estimated recovery excluding the inferred resources was 8.6 million pounds. Without the inferred resources the calculated before income tax, or \$23.4 \$\$ million applying an eight percent discount rate. Without the inferred resources the calculated before tax IRR is 71.7% percent and a before tax NPV of \$15.3 million applying an eight percent discount rate. When income taxes are estimated to 96.69 per pound. or U<sub>3</sub>O<sub>8</sub> produced including royalities and local taxes. Income taxes are estimated to \$6.69 per pound.



Table 11. Cash Flow Statement (\$US 000s)

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Cash Flow Line Items	Units	 Total	 US\$ per Pound
Pounds produced	Lbs	12,261,347	
Pounds sold	Lbs	12,546,207	
Sales	US\$ 000s	\$ 798,601	\$ 63.65
Royalties	US\$ 000s	\$ (440)	\$ (0.04)
Net sales	US\$ 000s	\$ 798,161	\$ 63.62
Wyoming severance tax	US\$ 000s	\$ (16,321)	\$ (1.30)
Sweetwater ad valorem tax	US\$ 000s	\$ (27,598)	\$ (2.20)

Operating costs (see Table 9)	US\$ 000s	\$	(205,055)	\$	(16.34)
Wellfield Development	US\$ 000s	\$	(151,733)	\$	(12.09)
Exploration cost	US\$ 000s	\$		\$	
Sweetwater property tax	US\$ 000s	\$	(1,148)	\$	(0.09)
Working capital changes	US\$ 000s	\$	-	\$	
Project cash flow	US\$ 000s	\$	396,305	\$	31.59
Initial capital	US\$ 000s	\$		\$	-
Sustaining capital	US\$ 000s	\$	(19,878)	\$	(1.58)
Net cash flow before tax	US\$ 000s	\$	376,427	\$	30.00
Federal income tax	US\$ 000s	\$	(77,108)	\$	(6.15)
State income tax	US\$ 000s	\$	(32,265)	\$	(2.57)
Net cash flow after tax	US\$ 000s	S	267.054	S	21.29

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Production is based on an 80% recovery of the total of Measured, Indicated and Inferred resources (per 17 CFR §229.1300, as well as NI 43-101 Section 2.3(3)) in the 12 RAs of the MMT and EMT. Uranium price is the annual average of the projections of VIII Capital Corp., November 4, 2021; Cantor Fitzgerald Canada Corporation, October 18, 2021; H.C. Wainwright & Co., September 29, 2021; and UxC, LLC, December 6, 2021, as further discussed in Chapter 16. All amounts in US \$ 0008. Wellfield Development includes wellfield drilling, wellfield construction costs, and costs for installing one proposed disposal well. Pounds sold exceeds pounds produced due to existing inventories.

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# Table 12. Cash Flow Detail (\$US 000s)

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			US\$																				
Cash Flow			per																				
Line Items	Units	Total	Pound	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	2031	2032	2033	2034	2035	2036	2037	2038	2039	2040	2041
Pounds																							
produced	Lbs	12,261,347		172,182	1,011,334	1,004,362	1,004,226	1,005,665	1,004,602	1,007,133	1,005,038	1,003,755	1,006,609	1,010,477	1,015,411	883,635	126,918	-	-	-			
Pounds sold	Lbs	12,546,207		300,000	1,000,000	1,100,000	900,000	1,000,000	1,100,000	900,000	1,100,000	1,000,000	1,000,000	1,000,000	1,000,000	900,000	200,000	46,207	-	-	-		
Average sale																							
price per																							
pound	US\$		5	\$ 50.80 \$	\$ 58.54	\$ 61.68	\$ 62.10	\$ 62.67	\$ 63.04	\$ 64.15	\$ 64.98 5	\$ 66.04	\$ 66.04	\$ 66.04	\$ 66.04	\$ 66.04	\$ 66.04	\$ 66.05					
Sales	US\$																						
	000s \$	798,601	\$ 63.65 \$	\$ 15.240 \$	\$ 58,540	\$ 67.848	\$ 55,890	\$ 62.670	\$ 69.344	\$ 57,735	\$ 71.478 \$	\$ 66.040	\$ 66.040	\$ 66.040	\$ 66.040	\$ 59,436	\$ 13,208	\$ 3.052	s -	s -	s -	s .	- S -
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Net sales	US\$ 000s \$	798,161	\$ 63.62 \$	5 15,240 \$	58,540 \$	67,848 \$	55,890 \$	62,670 \$	69,344 \$	57,443 \$	71,336 \$	66,036 \$	66,038 \$	66,040 \$	66,040 \$ 5	9,436 \$	13,208 \$	3,052 \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	-
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tax Superturban	0008 \$	(10,521)	\$ (1.50)\$	(90)\$	(1,225) \$	(1,415)5	(1,250)\$	(1,515)\$	(1,402) \$	(1,2/4) 3	(1,440) \$	(1,579)\$	(1,362) \$	(1,590)\$	(1,369)\$ (	1,102)\$	(202)\$	(0)\$	- 3	- 3	- 3	- 3	
ad valorem	1155																						
tax	000s \$	(27 598)	\$ (2.20) \$	(163) \$	(2.068) \$	(2 389) \$	(2.090) \$	(2.220) \$	(2 370) \$	(2.154) \$	(2.448) \$	(2 332) \$	(2 336) \$	(2.361) \$	(2 349) \$ (	1 965) \$	(342) \$	(9) \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- 5	
Operating	0005 \$	(27,550)	, (2.20) ¢	(105)¢	(2,000)\$	(2,505)\$	(2,0)0)\$	(2,220)0	(2,570)0	(2,151)0	(2,110)\$	(2,352)\$	(2,550) \$	(2,501)\$	(2,515)\$ (	1,505)0	(312)0	())\$	Ŷ	Ψ	Ű	ý.	
costs (see	US\$																						
Table 10)	000s \$	(205,055)	\$(16.34)\$	(8,099)\$	(13,938)\$	(13,562)\$	(14,780)\$	(12,513)\$	(12,401)\$	(13,817)\$	(15,109)\$	(13,326)\$	(11,939)\$	(14,940)\$	(14,653) \$ (1	0,891)\$	(7,228) \$ (	(3,114) \$(:	5,766) \$(3	3,693) \$(1	1,318) \$(1	2,672) \$(1	,287)
Wellfield	US\$																						
Development	000s \$	(151,733)	\$(12.09) \$	\$ (11,920) \$	(9,358) \$	(12,437)\$	(13,291)\$	(17,321)\$	(16,143)\$	(12,077) \$	(10,697)\$	(13,192)\$	(15,426)\$	(10,425)\$	(8,062)\$ (	1,384)\$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	-
Exploration	US\$																						
cost	000s \$	- 3	s - s	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	-
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property tax	000s \$	(1,148)	\$ (0.09)\$	(155)\$	(153) \$	(140)\$	(127)\$	(114)\$	(102) \$	(89) \$	(76)\$	(64) \$	(51) \$	(38)\$	(26) \$	(13)\$	(2) \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- 5	- 5	-
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flow	000s \$	396,305	\$ 31.59 \$	(5,193)\$	31,800 \$	31,739 \$	30,534 \$	29,189 \$	30,622 \$	34,336 \$	35,070 \$	35,628 \$	34,904 \$	36,880 \$	39,561 \$ 5	0,625 \$	5,434 \$	(77) \$(	5,766) \$(3	3,693) \$(1	1,318) \$(1	2,672) \$(1	,287
Initial capital	US\$																						
	000s \$	- 1	s - s	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	-
Sustaining	US\$				(		(4) 4						(=0) 0				(4) 4						
capital	000s \$	(19,878)	<u>s (1.58)</u> <u>s</u>	<u>(16,295)</u> \$	(339) \$	(117)\$	(2) \$	(109) \$	(304) \$	(1,002) \$	(310)\$	(264) \$	(79) \$	(514)\$	(336)\$	(17)\$	(2) \$	(26) \$	(118)\$	(32) \$	- 5	(11) \$	
Net cash	TICE																						
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tax	0005 3	3/0,42/	\$ 30.00 \$	(21,400) 3	51,401 5	51,022 \$	30,332 \$	29,080 \$	30,318 3	33,334 \$	34,700 3	35,304 \$	34,025 \$	30,300 \$	39,225 \$ 5	0,008 \$	5,452 \$	(103) \$(	5,004) 3(3	5,725) \$(1	1,518) 3(1	2,005) 3(1	,207)
Federal	US\$																						
income tax	000s \$	(77,108)	\$ (6.15)\$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	(2,016)\$	(8,623)\$	(7,187)\$	(10,455)\$	(8,746)\$	(8,167)\$	(9,457)\$	(10,058) \$ (1	0,792)\$	(1,607)\$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	-
State income	US\$																						
tax	000s \$	(32,265)	§ (2.57) §	- \$	- \$	(553) \$	(2,327) \$	(2,466) \$	(3,091) \$	(2,577) \$	(3,748) \$	(3,136) \$	(2,928) \$	(3,390) \$	(3,606) \$ (	3,869) \$	(576) \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	- \$	-
Net cash																							
flow after	USS										·												
tax	000s \$	267,054	<u>\$ 21.29</u> \$	<u>(21,488)</u> §	31,461 \$	31,069 \$	28,205 \$	24,598 \$	18,604 \$	23,570 \$	20,557 \$	23,482 \$	23,730 \$	23,519 \$	25,561 \$ 3	5,947 \$	3,249 \$	(103) \$(:	5,884) <u>\$(</u> 3	<u>,725) \$(1</u>	1,318) <u>\$(1</u>	2,683) \$(1	,287

Production is based on an approximate 80% recovery of the total of Measured, Indicated and Inferred resources (per 17 CFR §229.1300, as well as NI 43-101 Section 2.3(3)) in the 12 RAs of the MMT and EMT. Uranium price is the annual average of the projections of reports prepared by VIII Capital Corp., November 4, 2021; Cantor Fitzgerald Canada Corporation, October 18, 2021; H.C. Wainwright & Co., September 29, 2021; and UxC, LLC, December 6, 2021, as discussed in Chapter 16. All amounts in US \$ 0006. Wellfield Development includes wellfield drilling, wellfield construction costs, and costs for installing one proposed disposal well. Working capital changes are primarily related to annual cash flow timing differences in accounts receivable and accounts payable and totals to zero. Pounds sold exceeds pounds produced due to existing inventories. 1. 2.

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Table 13. Net Present Value Discount Rate Sensitivity and IRR

NPV Discount Rates and IRR		Pre-income Tax	Post-income Tax		
NPV @ 5%	US\$ 000s	\$ 259,565	\$	189,900	
NPV @ 8%	US\$ 000s	\$ 210,894	\$	156,790	
NPV @ 10%	US\$ 000s	\$ 184,780	\$	138,749	
IRR (adjusted for Undepreciated Initial Capital) 1	%	72.2%		66.8%	

As of December 31, 2021, Lost Creek had \$27.4 million of undepreciated, initial capital assets that will be charged against operations over time. By including the undepreciated, initial capital assets, an IRR can be calculated. Without these costs, an IRR cannot be calculated. The NPV and IRR calculations are based on Year 2022 to Year 2041 and excludes any sunk costs which occurred prior to 2022. 1.

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#### 19.3 Taxation

The economic analyses presented herein provide the results of the analyses for pre-income tax and post-income tax, which includes U.S. federal and Illinois state income taxes. There is no State of Wyoming income tax and all sales are assumed to take place in Illinois where the conversion facility is located. The only difference between the two scenarios is the value of the estimated income taxes. All other sales, property, use, severance and conservations taxes as well as royalties are included in both scenarios. The current Wyoming severance tax rate for uranium is 4 percent, but after the well head deduction it is approximately 2.0 percent of gross sales. The current ad valorem tax rate for uranium is about 6.8 percent but after the well head deduction is approximately 5.5 percent of gross sales. At the federal level, profit from mining ventures is taxable at corporate income tax rates. For mineral properties, depletion tax credits are available on a cost or percentage basis, whichever is greater.

The Property economic analysis includes tax estimates for state severance taxes, county ad valorem taxes and property taxes, all of which are directly attributable to the Property. Ur-Energy USA Inc. files consolidated federal tax returns in the U.S. and had approximately \$10.5 million in tax loss carry forwards as of December 31, 2021. URE does not anticipate paying any significant federal income taxes until the existing, and any future, tax loss carry forwards are utilized. In addition, reclamation costs can be deducted in the early years of the Property, thus also pushing out the tax liability.

#### **19.4 Sensitivity Analysis**

The Property is sensitive to changes in the price of uranium as shown in Figures 16 and 17. A five percent change in the spot commodity price results in a \$21.8 million change to the pre-tax NPV and \$14.3 Million to the post tax NPV at a discount rate of eight percent. This analysis is based on a variable commodity price per pound. The Property is also slightly sensitive to changes in OPEX costs. A five percent variation in OPEX results in a \$5.5 million variation in pre-tax NPV and \$3.6 million to the post-tax NPV. A five percent variation in CAPEX results in a \$0.8 million variation the pre-tax NPV and \$0.6 million to the post-tax NPV. This analysis is based on an eight percent discount rate and a variable commodity price per pound.



# Figure 16. Pre-tax NPV Sensitivity to Price, OPEX and CAPEX



# Figure 17. Post-Tax NPV Sensitivity to Price, OPEX and CAPEX



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#### 20.0 ADJACENT PROPERTIES

Adjacent Properties refers to non-URE uranium properties of interest in close proximity to the Property and should not be confused with the term Adjoining Projects referring to projects which are a part of the Property. There have been several historical conventional uranium mills and mines and one historical ISR project (Bison Basin Project) in the Great Divide Basin (Figure 2). Most significant of these is the Sweetwater Mine and Mill, now owned by Rio Tinto Americas, Inc. (Figure 2). The facility lies about three and one-half miles south of the southwestern-most boundary of the Lost Creek Project and consists of a compasitor of a compasitor of a compasitor of a compasitor. Company. Original estimates for forscources were as much as 15 million pounds at an average grade of 0.046 percent eU<sub>3</sub>O<sub>8</sub> (Sherborne, et al., 1981). This is an historical estimate dorived before Committee for Mineral Reserves International Reporting Standards were developed, including under NI 43-101, and reliability of the estimate has not been independently verified. Production ceased in approximately 1982 after yielding 1.29 million pounds of U<sub>3</sub>O<sub>8</sub>.

In addition to historic mines, there are numerous exploration projects held by other companies in the GDB. None of these projects is slated for production soon and their owners are not currently seeking permits to mine. The most relevant project is the Jab/Antelope Project located just north of the Lost Creek Property. The Jab/Antelope Project was recently acquired by Uranium Energy Corporation.

21.0 OTHER RELEVANT DATA AND INFORMATION

There is no other relevant data or information to include.

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#### 22.0 INTERPRETATION AND CONCLUSIONS

This Report for the Property has been prepared for URE and its subsidiary, LC, by WWC, in accordance with the guidelines set forth in S-K 1300. Its objective is to disclose current mineral resources for the Property, and to evaluate the possible economic viability of the Property.

The Lost Creek Project is in production. However, as of December 31, 2021, operations consisted primarily of maintaining minimum bleed requirements in the wellfields due to depressed uranium prices. The plant and wellfields remain fully operational in order to take advantage of improving uranium prices. Construction of the Lost Creek plant and installation of MU1 was initiated in October 2012. Production operations in MU1 within the HJ Horizon began on August 2, 2013. From the beginning of operations through December 31, 2021, 2.735 million pounds U<sub>3</sub>O<sub>8</sub> have been produced and captured. All the wells to support 13 HHs of MU1 and the first three HHs of MU2 have been completed.

Additionally, amendments to the license and permits have been obtained or are expected to be obtained in 2022 for authorization to commence production operations at the LC East Project and recover uranium from that Project and additional HJ horizon mine units at the Lost Creek Project.

#### 22.1 Conclusions

The QP has weighed the potential benefits and risks presented in this Report and have found the Property to be potentially viable and meriting further operations, production, evaluation, and exploration.

#### 22.2 Risk Assessment

#### 22.2.1 Resource and Recovery

Bench-scale tests have been performed on various core samples from the Property and production in MU1 began in August 2013 and continues to date in MU1 and MU2. The most significant potential risks to meeting the production results presented in this Report will be associated with the success of the wellfield operation, recovery of uranium from the targeted host sands, and disposal of wastewater.

The estimated quantity of recovered uranium used in this Report is based primarily on the recovery data from wellfield operations to date. The recovery factor of 80 percent, used here, is also relatively typical of industry experience for wellfield recovery. As stated earlier, recoveries in some of the production units have exceeded resource estimates. The QP can provide no assurance that recovery of the resources seen in early production will be demonstrated in future mine units. This Report is based on the assumptions and information presented herein.

Another potential concern is reduced hydraulic conductivity in the formation due to chemical precipitation or lower hydraulic conductivities than estimated. Early production data supports lower-than-anticipated injection rates that are offset by higher-than-expected production grades. The risks associated with these potential issues have been minimized to the extent possible by extensive delineation, site hydraulic studies, and permitting of future wastewater capacity.





Production rates may also be limited by wastewater disposal capacity. The two operational DDWs installed to date are operated intermittently to support production operations. Two additional DDWs have been permitted and one is modeled to be installed in the future to support operations. To alleviate disposal capacity risks URE has begun treating bleed water with reverse osmosis and subjected the resultant permeate to a radium removal process prior to re-injecting in Class V wells. This disposal method has been successful thus far and has increased URE's disposal capacity.

The resources contained within the HJ horizon in the northern extremes of the LC East Project are shallow and portions of the aquifer is unconfined. The limited hydraulic head over the resources may make ISR extraction of HJ mineralization difficult in this area. As shown on Figure 9, only a very small portion of the HJ resources is located in the northern portion of LC East. The reduced head above the resource only affects a very small percentage of the LC East resources and is not expected to significantly impact total recoveries. Furthermore, there is currently no planned HJ RA in this portion of LC East and potential mining activity here will be focused in the KM Horizon, which remains under suitably confined groundwater conditions.

#### 22.2.2 Markets and Contracts

The marketability of uranium and acceptance of uranium mining are subject to numerous factors beyond the control of URE. The price of uranium may experience volatile and significant price movements over short periods of time. Factors beyond our control affect the market, including demand for nuclear power; changes in public acceptance of nuclear power generation; political and economic conditions in uranium mining, producing and consuming countries; costs and availability of financing of nuclear plants; changes in governmental regulations; global or regional consumption patterns; speculative activities and increased production due to new extraction developments and improved production methods; the future viability and acceptance of small modular reactors or micro-reactors and the related fuel requirements for this new technology; reprocessing of spent fuel and the re-enrichment of depleted uranium tails or waste; and global economics, including currency exchange rates, interest rates and expectations of uraries of or incidents of war, civil unrest or terrorism, at nuclear facilities are likely to also impact the conditions of uranium mining and the use and acceptance of nuclear errors.

Unlike other commodities, most uranium does not trade on an open market. Contracts are negotiated privately by buyers and sellers. Changes in the price of uranium can have a significant impact on the economic performance of the Property. As discussed previously, a five percent change in the spot commodity price results in a \$21.8 million change to the NPV (pre-income tax) at a discount rate of eight percent This economic analysis assumes U<sub>3</sub>O<sub>8</sub> production is sold at available price pre pound for the life of the Property ranging from \$50.80 to \$66.04. This price is based on the annual average of the projections prepared by four independent financial firms: from expert market analysts at institutions including VIII Capital Corp. (2021); Cantor Fitzgerald Canada Corporation (2021); H.C. Wainwright & Co. (2021); and UxC, LLC (2021) (See also Chapter 16). The QP believes these estimates were appropriate for use in the evaluation.





## 22.2.3 Operations

Some operational risks such as reagents, power, labor and/or material cost fluctuations exist in the Property operation and could impact the OPEX and Property economic performance. These potential risks are generally considered to be addressable either though wellfield modifications or plant optimization. The plant has been constructed as a batch precipitation and drying operation, which allows for process variations and enhanced control.

The IX and elution processes have been, and are being used not only at Lost Creek, but at other ISR facilities in Wyoming, Texas, and Nebraska. The process does not use any unusual methods and the reagents for the process are readily available from regional sources. Process optimization to minimize the use of reagents, minimize loss of product and ensure proper product quality is ongoing.

Health and safety programs have been implemented to control the risk of on- and off-site exposures to uranium, operational incidents and/or process chemicals. Standard industry practices exist for this type of operation and novel approaches to risk control and management are not required.



#### 23.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

The QP finds the Property is potentially viable based on the assumptions contained herein. There is no certainty that the mineral recovery or the economics presented here will be realized. The following recommendations are limited due to the fact that this Report describes the Property which, at this time, is primarily focused on production and development activities, including the final aspects of permitting for the LC East Project. Additional operational refinements are ongoing as part of routine operation activities, and exploration activities and engineering studies related to the MMT and EMT have largely concluded. Wellfield development and permitting activities, below, are not conditional on one another and should continue concurrently.

#### 23.1 Continued Wellfield Development

To realize the full potential benefits described in this Report, all aspects of operations and further wellfield development should be continued as market conditions warrant. Wellfields must be developed in advance of future production including further development of MU2 and MU1 as well as future wellfield in other RAs. Data obtained from wellfield development should be used to continue to reconcile and improve the Property mineral resource estimate. Wellfield development costs are based upon operations to date and are included in the OPEX and CAPEX estimates and financial projections presented herein.

URE should continue to advance other adjoining projects as necessary to mine uranium at the Property.

URE should continue with its pre-construction design and engineering work related to wastewater management processes and procedures with the goal of concentrating and minimizing RO brine production and maximizing permeate output. Further costs for this continued design and engineering work are estimated to be \$0.2 million.

#### 23.2 Continued Permitting

URE should complete the permit amendment process for the remaining required permit and approvals for additional HJ production at Lost Creek and production from the HJ and KM horizons at LC East.

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# 25.0 RELIANCE ON INFORMATION PROVIDED BY THE REGISTRANT

For this Report, the QP has relied on information provided by URE regarding property ownership, title and mineral rights in light of reviews by mineral title specialists retained from time to time by URE, regulatory and environmental information, capital expenditures, operating expenditures and estimated commodity sales prices. Additionally, this Report was prepared by the QP with reliance on reports and information from others as cited throughout this Report and as referenced in Chapter 16.0 (Market Studies) and Chapter 24.0 (References).

# 26.0 DATE AND SIGNATURE PAGES

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# LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS

AEA	Atomic Energy Act
AEC	U.S. Atomic Energy Commission
ALARA	As Low As Reasonably Achievable
API	American Petroleum Institute
BGS	Below Ground Surface
BLM	U.S. Bureau of Land Management
CAPEX	Capital Expenditures
COC	Chain of Custody
COGEMA	COGEMA Mining, Inc.
CPS	Counts per Second
cu.	Cubic
DEF	Disequilibrium Factor
District	Shirley Basin Mining District
DOE	U.S. Department of Energy
e-log	Electric Log
EA	Environmental Assessment
EMP	Electron Microprobe
EPA	U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
eU <sub>3</sub> O <sub>8</sub>	U <sub>3</sub> O <sub>8</sub> Content from Gamma Log
Ft.	Feet
FTE	Full Time Equivalent
Getty	Getty Oil Company
gpm	Gallons per Minute
GT	Grade x Thickness
Hazen	Hazen Research, Inc.
HDPE	High Density Polyethylene
ICP-MS	Inductively Coupled Plasma Mass Spectrometry
IML	Inter-Mountain Labs, Inc.
IRR	Internal Rate of Return
ISL	In-situ Leach
ISR	In-Situ Recovery
IX	Ion Exchange
kV	Kilovolt
kWh	Kilowatt Hours
Lbs.	Pounds
MU	Mine Unit
NI 43-101	National Instrument 43-101
NPV	Net Present Value
NWS	National Weather Service
OPEX	Operating Expenditures
Petrotomics	Petrotomics Company
PFN	Prompt Fission Neutron
PMC	Pathinder Mines Corporation
The Project	Shirley Basin ISR Uranium Project
PVs	Pore Volumes
QP	Third-Party QP Firm WWC Engineering
Redox	Reduction-Uxidation Interface
Keport	Technical Report Summary

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# LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS (Continued)

S-K 1300	Regulation S-K, Subpart 1300 "Modernization of Property Disclosures for Mining Registrants"
SEO	Wyoming State Engineer's Office
SP	Spontaneous Potential
Teton	Teton Exploration
Tidewater	Tidewater Oil Company
Twdr	Tertiary Wind River Formation
Twr	Tertiary White River Formation
$U_3O_8$	Uranium Oxide or Yellowcake
UIC	Underground Injection Control
UII	Utah International Inc.
URE	Ur-Energy Inc.
Utah	Utah Mining Corporation
Utah CM	Utah Construction and Mining Company
WDEQ	Wyoming Department of Environmental Quality
WDEQ-AQD	Wyoming Department of Environmental Quality Air Quality Division
WDEQ-LQD	Wyoming Department of Environmental Quality Land Quality Division
WDEQ-URP	Wyoming Department of Environmental Quality Uranium Recovery Program
WWC	Western Water Consultants, Inc. d/b/a/ WWC Engineering
XRD	X-ray Diffraction

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## 1.0 EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This independent Technical Report Summary (Report) for the Shirley Basin ISR Uranium Project (the Project) has been prepared for Ur-Energy Inc. (URE) and its subsidiary, Pathfinder Mines Corporation (PMC), under the supervision of Western Water Consultants, Inc., d/b/a WWC Engineering (WWC), pursuant to Regulation S-K Subpart 1300, "Modernization of Property Disclosures for Mining Registrants" (S-K 1300). This Report identifies and summarizes the scientific and technical information and conclusions reached concerning the initial assessment to support disclosure of minineral resources on the Project. The objective of this Report is to evaluate the technical and economic viability of the Project using the most current scientific, engineering and cost information available.

This Report analyzes the planned development of a commercial satellite uranium in-situ recovery (ISR) operation at the Project, combined with existing processing operations at URE's Lost Creek Mine in Sweetwater County, Wyoming. The evaluation uses current operational information to develop capital (CAPEX) and operating (OPEX) cost estimates for the proposed wellfields, the satellite ion exchange (IX) plant and associated infrastructure. CAPEX and OPEX estimates are provided in this Report along with an economic analysis based on these costs and projected revenue from the recovery and sale of uranium.

The Project area geology is well understood. Shirley Basin is a small structural basin formed during the Laramide Orogeny of Late Cretaceous to Early Paleogene age. During this orogeny, basement uplifting within the surrounding Granite and Shirley Mountains to the west and southwest and within the Laramite Mountains to the east and northeast formed a broad, shallow, southward-plunging basin. Within this basin, post-Laramide Paleogene sediments were unconformably deposited onto an eroded surface of mid Cretaceous strata. These Cretaceous sediments dip approximately 2-12° to the southwest. The Paleogene sediments dip approximately 1° to the north. Coarse-grained arkosic sandstones of the Eocene-age Wind River Formation are the primary host rocks for uranium depositis in Shirley Basin. The uranium mineralization occurs as roll front type deposits formed where uranium precipitated from oxidizing groundwater when it contacted reduced host rock.

URE currently controls approximately 3,536 acres of property interests in the general area of the Project which is located in central southeast Wyoming, approximately 40 miles south of the city of Casper (Figure 1). The fully permitted area (2,605 acres) of the Project consists of 1,770 acres of mineral lands controlled by URE. Together with the mineral rights held by URE, described in greater detail below, the Company controls 280 acres of additional surface access rights necessary to develop the Project. The Project lies within the northern portion of the historic Shirley Basin Mining District (District), the second largest uranium producing district in Wyoming with over 51 million pounds of  $U_3O_8$  production from 1960 through 1992. The initial uranium discovery within this remote basin was made by Teton Exploration in 1955. URE's Shirley Basin land holdings were largely established by Utah Mining Corporation in 1957 by staking unpatented mining claims and leasing State of Wyoming and private mineral rights. After several mergers and corporate name changes, all interests were conveyed to what is now PMC in 1976. PMC was purchased by COGEMA Mining, Inc. (COGEMA) in the 1980s. URE, through a U.S. subsidiary, acquired PMC in 2013.

After the cessation of open pit uranium mining operations at Shirley Basin in 1992, two historical resource areas on the Project were identified as potentially suitable for ISR mining. These two areas are the FAB Resource Area or FAB Trend and the Area 5 Resource Area.

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Figure 1. Location Map









PMC had completed over 3,200 drill holes (1.2 million ft. of drilling) in the delineation of these two resource areas, resulting in an approximate 100-ft. grid of drill holes throughout. These resources are primarily located within the "Main" and "Lower" Sands of the Eocene-age Wind River Formation.

In 2014, URE completed a confirmation drilling campaign within the FAB and Area 5 Resource Areas. The primary goals of the program were:

- · Confirmation of the location and nature of mineralization as reported by historical PMC data;
- · Stratigraphic investigation to confirm lithology and to confirm overlying and underlying hydrogeological confinement; and
- Collection of core for leach testing and analysis of uranium, mineralogy, trace metals, disequilibrium, permeability, porosity and density.

Based upon data from the above-described historical and confirmation drilling, a Technical Report on Resources and a Preliminary Economic Assessment were prepared (Shirley Basin Uranium Project, Carbon County, Wyoming, USA, dated August 27, 2014 and Preliminary Economic Assessment Shirley Basin ISR Project, Carbon County, Wyoming, USA, dated January 27, 2015) pursuant to Canadian National Instrument 43-101 (NI 43-101).

These reports documented the Project's mineral resource estimate of 8.816 million pounds eU<sub>3</sub>O<sub>8</sub> in the Measured and Indicated categories. Due to the high density drilling at the Project, all resources were classified as Measured or Indicated. There are no resources in the Inferred category. The current mineral resources at the Project are listed in Table 1.

#### Table 1. Shirley Basin Uranium Project Resource Summary

	MEASURED			INDICATED		
RESOURCE AREA	AVG GRADE % eU <sub>3</sub> O <sub>8</sub>	SHORT TONS (X 1000)	POUNDS U <sub>3</sub> O <sub>8</sub> (X 1000)	AVG GRADE % eU <sub>3</sub> O <sub>8</sub>	SHORT TONS (X 1000)	POUNDS U <sub>3</sub> O <sub>8</sub> (X 1000)
FAB TREND	0.280	1,172	6,574	0.119	456	1,081
AREA 5	0.243	195	947	0.115	93	214
TOTAL	0.275	1,367	7,521	0.118	549	1,295
MEASURED & INDICATED			0.230	1,915	8,816	

Notes:

2. Based on grade cutoff of 0.020 % eU\_3O\_8 and a grade x thickness (GT) cutoff of 0.25 GT.

3. Measured and Indicated mineral resources as defined in 17 CFR § 229.1300.

4. All reported resources occur below the historical, pre-mining static water table.

5. Average grades are calculated as weighted averages.

6. The point of reference for mineral resources is in-situ at the Project.

7. Mineral resources that are not mineral reserves do not have demonstrated economic viability.

To develop the above-described uranium resources, infrastructure, including wellfields, a satellite IX plant and liquid waste disposal facilities, will need to be constructed at the Project. Three mine units (MU) are planned. Within a production wellfield, the most fundamental component of mine development and production is the production pattern. A pattern consists of one production well and injection wells which feed lixiviant to it. Injection wells are commonly shared by multiple production wells. Header houses serve multiple patterns and function as both distribution points for injection flow and collection points for production flow from the production wells. The satellite IX plant feeds injection lixiviant to the header houses for distribution to the injection wells and receives and processes production flow from the header houses.

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<sup>1.</sup> Sum of Measured and Indicated tons and pounds may not add to the reported total due to rounding.





Economic analysis is based on a conceptual wellfield design which assumes pattern sizing based on a combination of 5-spot and line drive configurations. Pattern sizing is also based on a consistent injection to production well spacing of approximately 70 ft., which is the distance the lixiviant will flow between wells. Based on the conceptual wellfield design it is estimated that there will be a total of 1,130 patterns project wide which are divided into three mining units: MU1, MU2 and MU3. The total cumulative pattern area accounting for the stacked nature of the roll fronts for the Project is approximately 234 acres. This conceptual wellfield design requires 2,261 injection wells and 1,130 production wells for a total of 3,391 wells. In addition, 222 monitor wells would be required for the theoretical wellfield design, including 132 perimeter monitor ring wells and 90 interior monitor wells. The average well depth for the Project is estimated to be 321 ft.

Using the estimated CAPEX, OPEX and closure costs presented herein, a cash flow statement is provided in Table 17. The statement assumes no escalation, no debt, no debt interest or capital repayment and no depreciation.

This Report includes tax estimates for state severance taxes, county ad valorem taxes and property taxes, all of which are directly attributable to the Project. Wyoming has no state income tax however, before and after federal income tax estimates are included. Ur-Energy USA Inc., the parent company of PMC, files consolidated federal tax returns in the United States. Ur-Energy USA Inc. does not anticipate paying federal income taxes until the existing, and any future, tax loss carry forwards are utilized. In addition, reclamation costs can be deducted in the early years of the Project, thus also pushing out any tax liability.

The sale price for the produced uranium is assumed to vary based on an annual average of the projections prepared by VIII Capital Corp.; Cantor Fitzgerald Canada Corporation; H.C. Wainwright & Co.; and UxC, LLC (See Chapters 16 and 24). The revenue for the cash flow estimate was developed using the GT contour mineral resource estimate for the Project, and further assumes that, based on an 80% recovery factor of those pounds potentially under pattern, approximately 6.4 million pounds of U<sub>3</sub>O<sub>8</sub> will be recovered from the Project's currently identified Mineral Resources.

The CAPEX cost estimates presented herein are based on personnel and capital equipment requirements, as well as wellfield layouts, process flow diagrams, tank and process equipment and buildings at URE's Lost Creek Mine which were used to estimate costs at the Project. The Project has pre-mining development and capital costs of \$33.1 million including: total plant capital of \$21.5 million, initial wellfield installation cost of \$8.0 million, labor costs of \$3.3 million, and operating costs of \$0.3 million. Remaining CAPEX costs are for sustaining capital requirements at the mine site and are primarily associated with replacement equipment used in future operations of the plant and the wellfields. The sustaining capital cost is estimated to be \$0.9 million. The sustaining capital estimate is based on the actual previous purchases of the same equipment and/or vendor prices. There is no contingency included in the capital estimates as they are based on purchases at URE's Lost Creek Mine adjusted using the Consumer Price Index updated to December 2021.

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OPEX estimates were developed by evaluating each process unit operation and the associated required operating services (power, water, air, waste disposal), infrastructure (offices, shops and roads), salary plus benefit burden, and environmental control (heat, air conditioning, monitoring). The OPEX estimate is based on URE's permitting and development plan, deliverables, process flow sheets, process design, materials balance and project manpower schedule. The annual OPEX and closure cost summary is provided in Table 16.

The Net Present Value (NPV) calculations assume that cash flows occur in the middle of the accounting periods. The NPV is calculated from the discounted cash flow model and is based on the CAPEX, OPEX and closure cost estimates, a variable future uranium price and the anticipated construction and production schedule. The Project is estimated to generate net cash flow over its life, before income tax, of \$202.6 million and \$143.1 million after tax. Payback is estimated during the fourth quarter of 2027. The Project has a calculated before tax Internal Rate of Return (IRR) of 102.8% and a before tax NPV of \$134.6 million applying an eight percent discount rate. When income taxes are included in the calculation, the after-tax IRR is 80.7 percent and the after tax NPV is \$94.1 million applying an eight percent discount rate. The estimated cost of uranium produced is \$33.23 per pound including severance taxes plus all operating and capital costs, with an estimated operating cost of \$15.95 per pound.

The Project is estimated to generate net earnings over its life, before income tax, of \$202.6 million. URE utilized costing data for both CAPEX and OPEX available from the Lost Creek Mine, the costing numbers used in this analysis are therefore believed to be reliable. However, since the final detailed designs for the Project are not yet complete, and initial purchases and contracts have not been made for the project, the predicted level of accuracy of this Report is estimated at +/- 10 percent subject to the assumptions herein.

#### **Cautionary Statement:**

This Technical Report Summary is preliminary in nature and includes mineral resources. Mineral resources that are not mineral reserves do not have demonstrated economic viability. There is increased risk and uncertainty to commencing and conducting production without established mineral reserves that may result in economic and technical failure which may adversely impact future profitability. The estimated mineral recovery used in this Technical Report Summary is based on site-specific laboratory recovery data as well as URE personnel and industry experience at similar facilities. There can be no assurance that recovery of mineral resources at this level will be achieved. There is no certainty that the preliminary economic assessment will be realized.

WWC has assumed that URE's operations at the Project will be conducted in conformance with applicable laws, regulations, and requirements of the various federal and state agencies. It is also assumed that organization and management controls have been and will continue to be established to ensure compliance with applicable regulations and implement URE's policies for providing a safe working environment including the philosophy of maintaining radiation exposures as low as reasonably achievable (ALARA).

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WWC has weighed the potential benefits and risks presented in this Report and have found the Project to be potentially viable and meriting further evaluation and development. There is no certainty that the mineral recovery or the economic analysis presented in this Report will be realized. In order to advance the Project to the full potential benefits described in this Report, positive results are required on the following recommended activities as discussed in Chapter 23.0.

- URE should continue with its work on advancing the project toward construction of facilities and installation of wellfields. The pre-mining development and capital costs to construct facilities and install wellfields, included in Table 15, are estimated to be \$33.1 million. These activities and related costs are assumed to occur in 2025 and 2026 for the purposes of the economic analysis included here. The costs for construction design and management are included in this amount.
- URE should continue with its pre-construction design and engineering work related to wastewater management processes and procedures with the goal of concentrating and minimizing RO brine production and maximizing permeate output. Further costs for this continued design and engineering work are estimated to be \$0.2 million.
- URE should work to expand the permit boundary into Sections 3 and 4 of T27N, R78W to allow recovery of Mine Unit 2 resources that may not be fully recovered due to proximity to the proposed perimeter monitor well ring. Costs for the permit revision are estimated to be \$25,000 and will require U.S. Department of Energy consent to the operation and reclamation plans.





# 2.0 INTRODUCTION

## 2.1 Registrant

This independent Report was prepared for URE by WWC. The Project is located in Carbon County, Wyoming, USA. URE is incorporated in Canada with principal executive offices located at 10758 West Centennial Road, Suite 200, Littleton, CO 80127. The Report has been prepared for URE in accordance with the guidelines set forth under Regulation S-K, Subpart 1300 "Modernization of Property Disclosures for Mining Registrants" (S-K 1300). The purpose of this Report is to report mineral resources and assess the potential economic viability of ISR operations at the Project.

# 2.2 Terms of Reference

PMC is a wholly owned subsidiary of URE. The Project is operated by PMC and this Report has been prepared for URE to report mineral resources and assess the potential economic viability of ISR operations at the Project.

## 2.3 Information Sources and References

The information and data presented in this Report was gathered from various sources listed in Chapters 24 and 25. Technical information was provided to WWC by URE and includes data from other professional consultants and follows generally accepted uranium ISR practices. Mineral resource estimates are based on information presented in the Technical Report on Resources, Shirley Basin Uranium Project, Carbon County, Wyoming, USA. That NI 43-101 report is dated August 27, 2014 and was prepared by WWC.

Units of measurement unless otherwise indicated are feet (ft.), miles, acres, pounds (lbs.), and short tons (2,000 lbs.). Uranium production is expressed as pounds  $UO_8$ , the standard market unit. ISR refers to in-situ recovery, sometimes also termed in-situ leach (ISL). Unless otherwise indicated, all references to dollars (\$) refer to United States currency.

## 2.4 Inspection of the Property by Each Qualified Person

WWC professionals have visited the site following the completion of confirmation drilling by URE in 2014. WWC professionals visited the site on January 28, 2022, and on February 1, 2022. The purpose of these visits was to observe the geography and geology of the Project site, verify work done at the site by URE, observe the potential locations of Project components, confirmation drilling and other site activities, and confirm existing site infrastructure.

## 2.4.1 QP Qualifications

Completion of this Report was under the direction and supervision of WWC. WWC is a third-party QP Firm (QP) as defined by Regulation S-K 1300. Additionally, WWC has approved the technical disclosure contained in this Report.

# 2.5 Previous Technical Report Summaries

URE has not previously filed a Technical Report Summary on the Project under S-K 1300 regulations. Additional reports meeting Canadian National Instrument 43-101 standards have been previously prepared (WWC, 2015).





## 3.1 Location and Size

URE controls approximately 3,536 acres of property interests in the area of the Project which is located in central southeast Wyoming, approximately 40 miles south of the city of Casper. Within the Project, the fully permitted area (2,605 acres) consists of 1,770 acres of mineral lands controlled by URE. Together with the mineral rights held by URE, described in greater detail below, the Company controls 280 acres of additional surface access rights necessary to develop the Project. As shown in Figure 1, the Project is in an unpopulated area located in the northeastern portion of Carbon County, Wyoming USA. It is centered at approximately 42 degrees, 22 minutes north latitude and 106 degrees, 11 minutes west longitude, in Township 28 North, Range 78 West, within the 6<sup>th</sup> principal meridian.

## 3.2 Mineral Tenure

The Project is located in the northern portion of the second largest uranium producing district in Wyoming, with over 51 million pounds of  $U_5O_8$  production from 1960 through 1992. Surface mining ceased in 1992 and the mined areas underwent extensive reclamation activities (i.e., backfilling of pits, re-contouring of overburden piles, re-vegetation, etc.). Figure 2 illustrates the results of this reclamation. Most of the old mine areas are now rolling grasslands, with five pit lakes occupying the lowlands.



Figure 2. Photo from FAB Trend Looking Northeast Over Reclaimed PMC Pit 3

The permitted Project area includes 1,770 acres of mineral rights to locatable minerals held by the Company. This total consists of 1,330 acres of U.S. lode mining patents (nine patents), 370 acres of federal unpatented lode mining claims (29 claims), and 70 acres (two tracts) of fee minerals. Table 2 summarizes the relevant mineral title position of URE within the permitted Project area.







The surface of all unpatented lode mining claims is controlled by the U.S. Bureau of Land Management (BLM), with URE possessing the right to use as much of the surface as is necessary for exploration and mining of the claims, subject to compliance with all federal, state and local laws and regulations. Surface use on BLM-administered federal lands is governed by federal regulations.

# Table 2. Shirley Basin Project Mineral Title Position

Property	US Patent Number, Claim Name or Legal Location	Acres
9 Lode Mining Patents	1198523, 1207111, 1207112, 1231199, 49-69-0017, 49-69-0020, 49-69-0025, 49-73-0072, and 49-73-0073	1,330 acres
29 Unpatented Lode Mining Claims	DOE 1, DOE 2, DOE 14, DOE 15, DOE 16, DOE 17, DOE 26, DOE 27 and DOE 28; LMB 8, LMB 10, LMB 12, LMB 160 and LMB 162; COKE 1, COKE 3, COKE 4 and COKE 5; A5-1, A5-2, A5-3, A5-4 and A5-5; FGAP 1, FGAP 2 and FGAP 3; LMB 234, LMB 235 and LMB 236	370 acres
Fee Minerals (2 tracts)	Portions of Sections 20, Township 28 North, Range 78 West, 6 <sup>th</sup> Principal Meridian (e.g., SENE, Section 20; N1/2NWSE and NWNESE Section 20)	70 acres
Total Mineral Acres: 1,770 acres		

# 3.3 Title to Property

URE, through its wholly owned subsidiary PMC, owns the patented lands at the Project and controls the federal unpatented lode mining claims, and other real property interests which make up the balance of the Project (Figure 3), and through which legal access to the Project is provided. The mineral interests for the lands on which reported resources are located are 100% owned or controlled by URE, subject to the royalty interests described below.

Title to the unpatented mining claims is subject to rights of *pedis possessio* against all third-party claimants as long as the claims are maintained. The unpatented mining claims do not have an expiration date. Affidavits have been timely filed with the BLM and recorded with the Carbon County Clerk's Office attesting to the payment of annual maintenance fees to the BLM as those fees are established by law from time to time. In addition to routine periodic land status reviews by company personnel, formal mineral title reports are prepared from time-to-time for URE by mineral title attorneys.





Figure 3. Property, Access and Infrastructure Map







#### 3.4 Royalties, Taxes and Fees

There are no production royalties at the FAB Resource Area.

Within Area 5, approximately 202 acres are subject to a formulaic royalty interest which totals approximately 0.5%. On two other tracts at Area 5 (30 acres in the southern portion and 40 acres in the southeastern portion), uranium and associated minerals are subject to different formulaic royalties which are approximately 1%. Currently, there is no known mineral resource on these 70 acres. A 0.5% royalty was included for the resources in Area 5. Additionally, certain use fees are in place on some lands in Area 5, based upon an annual disturbance-level calculation.

URE is also required to pay various state and local taxes related to production and the assessed value of the property. These taxes are in the form of severance, ad valorem gross products, and personal and real property taxes. The economic analyses presented herein also provide the results of the analyses for before income tax and after income tax, which includes U.S. federal and Illinois state income taxes. There is no State of Wyoming income tax, and all sales are assumed to take place in Illinois where the conversion facility is located. There is no state income tax in Wyoming. Maintenance fees will be paid to the BLM on an annual basis, pursuant to the existing regulations, for the unpatented mining claims held at the Project.

# 3.5 Significant Encumbrances or Risks to Perform Work on the Property

## 3.5.1 Environmental Liabilities

The environmental liability for the Project falls under the jurisdiction of the State of Wyoming, Department of Environmental Quality (WDEQ) Land Quality Division (LQD).

The current cost estimate to reclaim the work that has been completed at the Shirley Basin ISR Mine to date is only \$12,477.

The current cost estimate to reclaim the disturbance resulting from conventional mining is \$7.89 million, and URE maintains a reclamation bond to cover these costs. This estimate, approved by the LQD, includes third-party costs for applying topsoil, demolition of the existing buildings, removal of roads, correction of the slope failure on the south end of Pit Lake 8, final seeding, and other miscellaneous reclamation work.

The cost to reclaim the tailings facility is estimated to be \$2.7 million, for which URE currently maintains a surety bond for reclamation. This estimate includes the third-party costs for closure of an 11e.(2) byproduct material disposal cell that URE operates at the facility, revegetation, long-term monitoring and other miscellaneous costs. Water seepage from the tailings facility has impacted shallow groundwater at the toe of the tailings impoundment dam. In response to this seepage, PMC submitted an Alternate Concentration Limit Plan to the U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC), which was subsequently approved and is currently under the jurisdiction of the WDEQ-LQD. To date, the water quality in the shallow aquifer is well within the approved range with no trends of concern; therefore, no further restoration is required or anticipated. There are no other known environmental liabilities associated with the Project.





## 3.5.2 Existing and Required Permits

In May 2021, the URP granted a Source and 11e.(2) Byproduct Materials License (WYSUA-2010) and the LQD issued a Permit to Mine (PT0846) to recover uranium at the Project. These two authorizations, together with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) aquifer exemption for the Class III Underground Injection Control (UIC) area, were the final major authorizations required at Shirley Basin to be approved to construct and commence production operations at the Project. In April 2020, the BLM issued its final decision regarding an Environmental Assessment (EA) on the Project and approving the Plan of Operations for the Project. Accordingly, all major permits and authorizations required to operate the Project, are in place and include the following:

- · BLM issued a Record of Decision on April 27, 2020.
- WDEQ has issued several permits including:
  - Permit PT0846, which includes an aquifer exemption, was granted on May 4, 2021. (EPA aquifer exemption received April 2021.)
  - URP issued a Source and 11e.(2) Byproduct Material License WYSUA-2020 on May 4, 2021 which authorizes up to 6,500 gallons per minute from wellfield production and up to 2,000,000 pounds of dried U<sub>3</sub>O<sub>8</sub> product though no CPP is proposed for the Project at this time.
  - · Air Quality Permit P0027097 was issued on November 24, 2020.
  - WYPDES Permit WY0096466 was granted on December 31, 2019.

Additional minor permits/authorizations that will be required before operations begin include the following. Each of these is routine, and may commonly be obtained in days or weeks:

- Approval by WDEQ-LQD of the Hydrologic Test Report assessing: aquifer conditions, monitor well locations and depths, pattern areas and depths, soil survey results, road and topsoil locations, baseline water quality data and potential between adjacent mine units;
- Construction Storm Water NPDES Permits (WDEQ Title 35-11) are obtained annually under a general permit based on projected construction activities;
- · Industrial Stormwater NPDES Permit (WDEQ Title 35-11) An Industrial Stormwater NPDES will be required for the plant area;
- A Class V UIC permit (WDEQ Title 35-11) will be applied for following installation of an approved site septic system during facility construction; and
- · Wyoming State Engineer's Office (SEO) groundwater appropriations will be applied for prior to the installation of water supply wells at the Project.

The Project lies within Carbon County, Wyoming. Carbon County regulates certain land use and aspects of proposed operations including the septic system and building. Carbon County issued a letter on August 14, 2020 stating the in situ project is in accordance with the current zoning resolution. Therefore, no zoning amendment will need to be pursued.

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## 3.5.3 Significant Factors and Risks That May Affect Access, Title or Right to Perform Work

There are ongoing reclamation and surface stabilization activities associated with historical mining. Although the Project does not lie within designated sage-grouse core area, there is a sage-grouse lek within two miles of the Area 5 Resource Area which will continue to be monitored.

Wind turbines, if built on top of a mineralized area, have the potential to limit the mineral owner's ability to access a mineral resource. While there is ongoing wind energy development in Wyoming, there is likely only a slight risk of wind development in Shirley Basin moving north towards the Project. The nearest wind turbine is approximately seven miles to the south of the Project (U.S. Geological Survey 2022). The annual average wind speed at 80 meters at the Project would be suitable for commercial wind development (U.S. Department of Energy 2022). However, given the historical mining areas and the general topography of the area, it seems unlikely commercial wind development would seek to encroach on the Project area. This risk is non-existent on property owned by PMC. While such development could pose an issue on BLM managed lands, it is noted that there is a smaller amount of the mineral acreage directly involved in recovery areas at the Project which is BLM mining claims and, therefore, again, such a risk is viewed to be extremely slight. Furthermore, the current BLM Wind Energy Program Policies and Best Management Practices (Amendment 1) specifies that "[1] to the extent possible, wind energy projects shall be developed in a manner that will not prevent other land uses, including mineral extraction, livestock grazing, recreational use, and other ROW uses." (BLM, 2005).

No other significant factors and risks have been identified that may affect access, title, or the right or ability to perform work on the Project.

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## 4.0 ACCESSIBILITY, CLIMATE, LOCAL RESOURCES, INFRASTRUCTURE AND PHYSIOGRAPHY

### 4.1 Physiography

The Project is located in the northeastern portion of the Shirley Basin, which is a high, intermontane basin encompassing approximately 500 square miles in south-central Wyoming. The Basin lies within the Wyoming Basin Physiographic Province within the Rocky Mountain System and is situated between the Central and Southern Rocky Mountain Provinces (Dyman et al. 2005). It is bounded on the north and east by the Laramie Range, on the west by the Granite Mountains and on the southwest by the Shirley Mountains.

Elevations in the District range from approximately 6,900 to 7,300 ft. Topography is dominated by low rolling hills mildly dissected by minor ephemeral drainages. This is locally modified by overburden dumps and mine pits from past operations which may diverge from natural ground level by as much as 250 ft. Most pits and dumps in the District have been re-contoured and revegetated.

Vegetation in the Project is dominated by cool season perennial grasses and sagebrush. The grasses are a combination of native species and re-vegetated species in reclaimed areas of historical mining. The sagebrush (*Artemisia tridentata*) is generally short and stunted but is well adapted to the cold winter temperatures and limited precipitation that characterize the Shirley Basin. Other vegetation identified at the Project includes perennial forbs, cushion plants, semi-shrubs, cacti, shrubs and lichens.

## 4.2 Means of Access

The Project area is served by Wyoming Highway 487 as depicted on Figure 1. Wyoming Highway 487 is a state maintained, two-lane, sealed asphalt road providing year around access. Access to

this highway from the north (Casper) is via Wyoming Highway 220, and access from the south (Laramie or Rawlins) is via US Highway 30/287. Once on the Project, there is a crown-and-ditched gravel access road to the former mill site area. The proposed access to the ISR production areas will require upgrading approximately 1.9 miles of an existing graded access road which is reached by Carbon County Road 2 (Shirley Ridge Road). In addition to the designated routes, there are a number of tertiary or "two-track" roads that traverse the area for recreation and grazing access, as well as various other uses, including mineral exploration. The nearest airport to the Project is Casper-Natrona County International Airport located just north and west of Casper, Wyoming. Both Laramie and Rawlins also have smaller regional airports. The BNSF Railroad runs through Casper, and the Union Pacific railroad runs through Medicine Bow.

# 4.3 Proximity to Population Centers

The Project is in a remote area. The nearest town is Medicine Bow with a population of 245 people (U.S. Census 2020), located about 32 miles south of the Project. Casper is approximately 40 miles north of the Project. Casper, with a population of 59,038 (U.S. Census 2020), has well-established infrastructure and service industry capabilities and is a source of experienced mining personnel. The city of Laramie with a population of 31,407 (U.S. Census 2020) is located approximately 78 miles south-southeast of the Project. Rawlins, Wyoming, with a population of 8,221 (U.S. Census 2020) is located approximately 66 miles to the southwest. Federal and Wyoming highways connect all these cities and towns to the Project (see Figure 1).

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# 4.4 Climate and Operating Season

The climate of the Shirley Basin ranges from arid in the central portions to semi-arid along the flanks. There is a National Weather Service (NWS) meteorological station (Shirley Basin station number 488192) approximately one mile from the Permit Area that collected data for the period of record from 1978 to 2016. The average annual precipitation measured at this station was 10.57 inches. Temperatures range from moderate in the summer to harsh in the winter. As recorded at the Shirley Basin station, average maximum temperatures in the summer (June, July and August) range from  $71.8^{\circ}$  to  $80.1^{\circ}$  Fahrenheit (F), while average minimum temperatures in the winter (December, January and February) range from  $1.6^{\circ}$  to  $3.3^{\circ}$  F. Additionally, a meteorological station was installed within the Permit Area in 2014 which collected temperature, humidity, incoming solar radiation, wind speed, and wind direction. The data collected by this station are generally within range of the long term averages at the NWS station. Due to the high elevation of Shirley Basin, summers are short, but the weather is favorable for working throughout the year. However, there can be periods of time when exploration and drilling activities on the Project will be affected by winter weather, spring storms or adverse ground conditions.



## 4.5 Property Infrastructure

Site infrastructure is excellent. A well-graded road traverses the Project and provides access from the south and will be upgraded. The former mill facility has been dismantled and disposed of; however, several support facilities remain, including a modular field office building and a large, heated wash and lubrication bay which is currently used for storage and equipment maintenance. A regional power transmission line (69 kV) passes through the northern portions of the Project. Also, an existing energized power line leads to a substation near the field office, and from there a currently inactive powerline (power poles only) extends to the FAB Trend. A licensed active waste disposal site for 11e.(2) byproduct material is currently operating adjacent to the fully reclaimed tailings complex. Heavy equipment on site for that operation includes a D-9 buildozer and a medium sized backhoe.

Water supply needs are currently limited to drilling water, which is supplied by well WW22 and is capable of producing over 25 gallons per minute (gpm). Several backup water wells are also present but have not been utilized to date. The existing water wells currently installed at the Project are capable of providing sufficient supply for domestic and other potential operational requirements. Additional new and appropriately sited water source wells will be considered for future site use. Also, water impounded in the reclaimed mine pits is suitable for use in drilling and other non-potable uses would be available pending construction of approach ramps.

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# 5.0 HISTORY

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The District is the second largest uranium producing district in Wyoming. It has a rich mining history that includes the first commercial uranium ISR operation in the United States and the earliest development of roll front geologic concepts. Over 51 million pounds of uranium were produced from this District from 1960-1992, including over 28 million pounds produced from the lands currently controlled by URE.

The initial uranium exploration and early discoveries within this remote basin were made by Teton Exploration (Teton) in 1954 - 1955. However, this remained largely unknown to the public until 1957 when a land rush swept the region. Utah Mining Corporation (Utah) acquired a large land position in search of additional resources to feed its Lucky Mc mill in the Gas Hills Uranium District. Utah's position focused on the northern portions of the District.

Other significant early operators in the District were Tidewater Oil Company (Tidewater) later, Getty Oil Company (Getty), Petrotomics Company (Petrotomics) and Kerr-McGee Nuclear. These companies focused primarily in the southern portions of the District. Petrotomics started an open pit mine/mill operation in 1962 just south of the Utah property and operated through 1985. All of Kerr-McGee Nuclear's production was processed through the Petrotomics mill. In addition, ore from the Jenkins Mine operated by the Uranium Supply Services Corporation in the southern portion of the District was processed at the Petrotomics mill.

## 5.1 Prior Ownership and Ownership Changes

Most of the initial land acquisition throughout what is now the Project was conducted by Utah and Tidewater (particularly Tidewater in the western FAB Resource Area) in the late 1950s. Area 5 and the eastern FAB Resource Area were initially acquired by Utah from third parties who had located unpatented lode claims. By 1963, Utah had acquired title and interest to the unpatented lode claims from various third parties, and after doing so, merged with Utah Construction and Mining Company (Utah CM). In 1968, Utah CM patented the lode claims, which make up the majority of the Area 5 and eastern FAB Resource Areas. In 1973, Utah CM conveyed its interests to Utah International Inc. (UII). In 1976, UII conveyed its interest to Lucky Mc Uranium Corporation, which subsequently changed its name to Pathfinder Mines Corporation (PMC). PMC was purchased by COGEMA in the 1980s, and, in 2013, URE acquired PMC.

With respect to portions of the FAB Resource Area, Tidewater initially located unpatented lode claims, then sought and received patents (early 1960s). Tidewater then merged with Getty, who received additional patents for lode and mill site claims (1973), which completes the interests in the western FAB Resource Area. In 1984, Getty conveyed its interest to Getty Mining Company, which subsequently conveyed the interest to Petrotomics. In 1985, Petrotomics deeded all its interest in what is now the FAB Resource Area to PMC. Additionally, PMC controls 29 unpatented lode mining claims within the FAB and Area Five Resource Areas. In 2005, PMC acquired a 100% interest on 70 contiguous acres from two mineral and surface fee owners southeast of, and contiguous to, the Area 5 Resource Area.





# 5.2 Exploration and Development by Previous Owners and Operators

Utah's exploration operations at Shirley Basin were well managed and extremely efficient. After staking mining claims, Utah immediately commenced a successful exploratory drilling program in July 1957. Utah's first ore-hole was drilled in August 1957 in what is now Pit 3, followed by an extensive exploration drilling program. Sufficient reserves were soon discovered to warrant development, and in June 1959 underground mine construction was started in what is now the northern portions of Pit 2. Production by Utah/PMC over the years was by three different methods. Initial mining was by underground methods, with the ore shipped to Utah's Lucky Mc mill in the Gas Hills. However, underground mine dewatering proved difficult. Consequently, underground activities were abandoned in 1963 and replaced by the first successful commercial ISR operation in the U.S., employing acid leach methods. In 1970, production demands caused Utah to switch to open pit mining. All mining past that point was by open pit mining. A mill to process the ore on site was commissioned in 1971.

Prior to acquisition by URE more than 9,400 exploration and development rotary drilled holes were drilled and logged by Utah/PMC and Petrotomics within or near the current Project area. Most had been drilled prior to 1984 as delineation holes for past mined open pits and as regional exploration holes; however, more than 3,200 holes were drilled within the current FAB Trend and Area 5. Pre-stripping of portions of the FAB Trend had been initiated adjacent to Pit 8, and also at the east end of the trend adjacent to Pit 3. Pre-stripping had progressed to approximately 50-75 ft. in depth by the time mining ceased.

# 5.3 Significant Historical Mineral Resource and Mineral Reserve Estimates

When PMC open pit operations in the District ceased in 1992, substantial mineral resources remained in the ground. COGEMA formed an ISL Resource Assessment Group in 1994 to evaluate remaining resources in the Project and their suitability for ISR. The primary resource area was identified as the FAB Resource Area or FAB Trend, which is primarily located in the southern portions of Sections 33, 34 & 35, Township 28 North, Range 78 West (Figure 4). This resource represents the connecting mineral trend within the Main Sand between past production in the Pit 2/8 complex and Pit 3. The Pit 2/8 complex produced approximately 18 million lbs. of  $U_3O_8$  and Pit 3 produced approximately 7 million lbs.  $U_3O_8$ . A second area (Area 5 Resource Area), located in the northwest portion of the Project (Figure 4), was also evaluated by the ISL Resource Assessment Group.





In annual uranium reserve summary reports from 1994 to 1998, COGEMA identified approximately 7 million lbs. of  $U_3O_8$  in the FAB Trend and Area 5 as resources that could potentially be mined by solution methods. These earlier resource estimates are relevant as they provide an indication of the mineralization in the area; however, they do not differentiate resources in terms of currently recognized resource categories (Measured, Indicated and Inferred), and they do not meet the professional definition standards and guidelines for the reporting of exploration information, mineral resources and mineral reserves for the purpose of S-K 1300. URE has not treated this historical estimate as current mineral resources or mineral reserves, and it is superseded by the current mineral resource estimate in this Report.



# Figure 4. Shirley Basin Project Resource Areas

In 2010, AREVA (formerly COGEMA) completed a more comprehensive resource evaluation for the FAB Trend and Area 5. Termed a "GT Layer Resource Model," it was largely a geostatistical approach based on mineralized intercept data from historical delineation drill holes completed in the two resource areas. GT values for mineralized holes were accumulated per each 10-ft. elevation slice. The resulting GT values were contoured for each elevation slice using a kriged or distance-weighted average GT contour method, and the sub-total resources for each slice were calculated. The totals listed in Table 3 represent the total of all slices and include some mineralization in the White River Formation. No geological interpretation was involved. The estimation was done using multiple GT cutoffs for both the FAB and Area 5 Resource Areas.



# Table 3. 2010 Historical PMC Shirley Basin Project Resource Summary

GT Cutoff		0.01	0.10	0.25	0.50	1.00
FAB Area	lbs U <sub>3</sub> O <sub>8</sub>	15.81M	12.43M	9.28M	6.25M	3.43M
	Avg GT	0.025	0.359	0.631	1.035	1.784
	Avg Grade	0.030%	0.138%	0.218%	0.322%	0.493%
Area 5	lbs U <sub>3</sub> O <sub>8</sub>	2.58 M	1.47M	0.80M	0.35M	0.10M
	Avg GT	0.022	0.239	0.450	0.772	1.334
	Avg Grade	0.016%	0.106%	0.188%	0.275%	0.461%
Total Resource	lbs. U <sub>3</sub> O <sub>8</sub>	18.39M	13.90M	10.08M	6.60M	3.53M

Note: These resources were not modeled using GT contouring methods. URE believes that the kriging methods used to develop these resources were not appropriate and may have inflated the resources. This data is provided for informational purposes only and URE does not treat these estimates as mineral resource or mineral reserves.

This historical resource estimate is relevant as it provides an indication of the magnitude of remaining resources in the FAB and Area 5 Resource Areas. However, not all of the resources in this historical estimate should be considered as suitable for ISR production. Also, this historical resource estimate does not differentiate resources in terms of currently recognized resource categories (Measured, Indicated and Inferred), and does not meet the professional definition standards and guidelines for the reporting of exploration information, mineral resources and mineral reserves for the purpose of S-K 1300. URE has not treated this historical estimate (Table 3) as current mineral resources or mineral reserves, and it is superseded by the current mineral resource estimate in this Report.

# 5.4 Production

No production has taken place within the District since 1992. Prior to that time, based on internal PMC reports, a combined 51,263,100 lbs.  $\&0_8$  were mined from the District. Of this total, PMC (and its predecessor company - Utah) produced 28,263,100 lbs.  $U_3O_8$ . PMC's total production was the result of a combination of underground mining, ISR operations and open pit mining within property currently controlled by URE. Historical production within the District is shown in Table 4.

# Table 4. Shirley Basin Historical Uranium Production (1960-1992)

Company	Method	Pounds U <sub>3</sub> O <sub>8</sub>
Utah	Underground	1,200,000
Utah	ISR	1,500,000
Utah/PMC	Open Pit	25,563,100
Petrotomics	Open Pit	22,000,000



Homestake/Others	Open Pit	1,000,000
	Total	51,263,100





Underground Mining - Utah began underground mine construction in June 1959. Underground methods were selected because portions of the reserves were too deep for open pit mining under the

small production quotas allocated at the time by the U.S. Atomic Energy Commission (AEC). The first ore was produced in March 1960. The ore was transported to Utah's Lucky Mc mill in the Gas Hills Uranium District for processing. Unstable mining conditions, attributed to the unconsolidated nature of the ore sands and high flow of groundwater, resulted in high mining costs. Near the end of this mining phase, 4,000-5,000 gpm had to be pumped from the mine to maintain the operation. Underground drifting stopped in November 1963 when the decision was made to switch to solution mining. A total of 110,000 tons of ore were mined from underground operations containing 1.2 million lbs.  $U_3O_8$ .

<u>ISR Operations</u> – It was recognized early in the underground mining phase that the troublesome issues related to unconsolidated permeable host sands and high groundwater flow could be positive factors for ISR. For this reason, research into ISR began in 1961. This research focused on the site hydrological conditions, optimum geometry of wellfield patterns and production/injection well designs.

Commercial ISR operations commenced in 1963 and continued into 1970, when dewatering associated with open pit mining stopped operations. These were the first commercial ISR operations in the U.S. and were considered technologically and economically successful. Produced mining solutions were pumped to a uranium recovery plant on the property, containing ion exchange, elution and stripping columns. A uranium slurry from this plant was concentrated and shipped to the Lucky Mc mill for final processing. A total of 1.5 million lbs. U <sub>3</sub>O<sub>8</sub> were produced through ISR methods.

Open Pit Mining – In November 1968, Utah announced plans to initiate large-scale open pit mining operations and to construct a 1,800 ton/day mill on its Shirley Basin property. Overburden stripping began in 1969 and, in July 1970, ISR production was halted. The mill first began processing ore from open pit operations in 1971. Production came from three large open pits: Pits 2, 3 and 8. Pit 3 and most of Pit 2 were on ground initially acquired by Utah. Pit 8 was on ground acquired from Petrotomics. All historical underground workings and the area mined by ISR were eventually removed by open pit mining within Pit 2. PMC's open pit mining operations were terminated in 1992 and produced a total of 25,563,100 lbs. U<sub>3</sub>O<sub>8</sub>.





# 6.0 GEOLOGICAL SETTING, MINERALIZATION, AND DEPOSIT

## 6.1 Regional Geological Setting

The Shirley Basin is a small structural basin with a complex structural history. The latest and most prominent structural events were associated with the Laramide Orogeny of Late Cretaceous to Early Paleogene age. During this orogeny, basement uplifting within the surrounding Granite and Shirley Mountains to the west and southwest and within the Laramide Mountains to the east and northeast formed a broad, shallow, southward-plunging basin. Within this basin, post-Laramide Tertiary sediments were unconformably deposited on an eroded surface of mid Cretaceous strata. These Cretaceous sediments dip approximately 2-12° to the southwest.

# 6.2 Shirley Basin Stratigraphy

Cenozoic and Mesozoic sediments present on the surface and in the sub-surface at Shirley Basin are illustrated stratigraphically on Figure 5. The following summarizes the geologic formations, from shallowest to deepest, below, above and including the host sandstones of the Eocene-age Wind River Formation.

<u>Quaternary</u> – Thin sequences of alluvial sediments occur along intermittent and perennial stream drainage systems. These fine-grained sediments have been eroded from Tertiary and Cretaceous rocks.

<u>Arikaree Formation (Miocene), fluvial and lacustrine</u> – This formation consists of alternating beds of fine to medium-grained, calcareous, light-gray, tuffaceous sandstones; lenticular conglomerates; and fresh-water limestones. The maximum thickness of this formation is 180 ft. While the Arikaree is not present within the District, exposures on the periphery of the structural basin have been described by Harshman, 1972.

<u>White River Formation (Oligocene), fluvial and lacustrine</u> – This thick sequence of tuffaceous sediments has a maximum thickness of 750 ft. An upper member consists of tuffaceous siltstones, interbedded with coarse-grained sandstone and boulder conglomerates. A lower member is predominately tuffaceous siltstones, but contains sequences of claystones, sandstones, conglomerates and fresh-water limestone. Locally, the White River Formation contains small concentrations of uranium mineralization.

<u>Wagon Bed Formation (Eocene), fluvial and lacustrine</u> – Where present, it consists of interbedded coarse-grained arkosic sandstones, silicified siltstones and claystones, and fresh-water limestones. The maximum observed thickness of this formation is 155 ft. It is not present in the Project area, having been removed by erosion prior to deposition of the White River Formation.

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Figure 5. Stratigraphic Column







<u>Wind River Formation (Eocene)</u>, fluvial – This formation is the primary host for uranium deposits in the Shirley Basin and consists of sequences of medium to coarse-grained arkosic sandstones, interbedded with claystone shale, clayey siltstones and thin lignites. Locally, there are intervals of boulder conglomerates, although these have not been observed within the Project area. The maximum thickness of this formation ranges from 450-550 ft.

<u>Steele Shale (Cretaceous), marine</u> – This is the youngest Cretaceous formation recognized in the Shirley Basin. This formation consists of thin-bedded, dark gray clay shale and some siliceous, medium-grained, light-gray sandstones. The Steele Shale is soft and easily eroded. It has an estimated thickness of 1,500-2,000 ft. This formation has been removed by pre-Tertiary erosion in the Project area and is present only in the far northeastern portion of the District.

Niobrara Formation (Cretaceous), marine – This formation consists of dark gray to black locally calcareous shale, interbedded with thin limey sandstones. Total estimated thickness of this formation is 900 ft.

<u>Frontier Formation (Cretaceous), marine</u> – The majority of the formation consists of gray to dark gray, thin-bedded carbonaceous shale. The top of the Frontier Formation is represented by the Wall Creek Sandstone member. This member consists of a series of fine to medium-grained sandstones, interbedded with dark gray shale. The sands are cemented with calcium carbonate and are very resistive to erosion. They have also been a prolific oil producer throughout Wyoming. Thickness is approximately 110 ft. Total estimated thickness of the Frontier Formation (including the Wall Creek Sandstone) is 900 ft.

# 6.3 Project Geology

In the Project area, the primary hosts for uranium mineralization are arkosic sandstones of the Eocene-age Wind River Formation. This formation was unconformably deposited on gently-dipping shales and sandstones of the Cretaceous-age Niobrara and Frontier Formations. The White River Formation unconformably overlies the Wind River Formation and outcrops on the surface throughout most of the Project, with thicknesses ranging from a thin veneer in the FAB Resource Area to over 250 ft. in Area 5 (see Figure 6).

The Wind River sediments in the Project area were deposited as part of a large fluvial depositional system. The lithology of the Wind River Formation is characterized by thick, medium to coarsegrained, arkosic sandstones separated by thick claystone units. Sandstones and claystones are typically 20 - 75 ft. thick. Minor thin lignite and very carbonaceous shale beds occur locally. These fluvial sediments are located within a large northwest-trending paleochannel system with a gentle 1° dip to the north (Bailey and Gregory 2011).

The average thickness of the Wind River Formation within the Project area is approximately 230 ft. (see Figure 7). The two most dominant sandstones are named the Main and Lower Sands as shown on Figure 8 (cross section locations are shown on Figure 6, 16 & 17).

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Figure 6. Geology Map







Figure 7. Type Log





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Figure 8. Geologic Cross Sections







The Lower Sand represents the basal sand unit of the Wind River Formation and in places lies directly above the underlying Cretaceous formations. The Main Sand typically lies approximately 15 - 25 ft. above the Lower Sand. Locally, the two sands merge where the intervening claystone unit is absent. Typical thickness of the Lower Sand ranges from 25 - 50 ft. and that of the Main Sand from 40 - 75 ft. Less dominant sands are common within the Wind River Formation. One in particular has been referred to as the Upper Sand and is present within much of the FAB Trend, lying approximately 25 ft. above the Main Sand. Claystone units are normally at least 10 ft. thick and commonly are 20 - 50 ft. thick.

The average depth to the top of the Main Sand in the FAB Trend is approximately 270 ft. and the average depth to the base of the Lower Sand is 400 ft. Area 5 is down-dip; therefore, the units are slightly deeper. The average depth to the top of the Main Sand in Area 5 is approximately 360 ft. and the average depth to the base of the Lower Sand is 490 ft.

Regional alteration systems related to roll front development followed the Wind River Formation depositional patterns. Two major alteration systems developed, one in the Lower Sand and one in the Main Sand. Major historical ore bodies in the southern portions of the District were mainly in the Lower Sand and lower alteration system, while those in the central and northern portions of the District were in both the Lower and Main Sands. PMC's Pit 3 was mined only in the Main Sand. Pits 2 and 8 were mined in both sands and both alteration systems.

Mineralized core of the Main Sand, collected during URE's 2014 confirmation drilling program, was described by geologists as medium- to coarse-grained, friable sandstone, clean, uncemented but weakly to moderately compacted. Laboratory testing of physical parameters of these core samples yielded an average horizontal permeability (to air) of 3,319 millidarcies, and an average porosity of 26.8%. In addition, similar testing of an overlying claystone unit yielded a vertical permeability of 4.56 millidarcies, and a sample from the underlying claystone unit had a vertical permeability of 0.93 millidarcy. The results of these initial tests indicate conditions are suitable for uranium ISR, a high permeability host aquifer confined by low permeability aquitards.

Bulk density analyses were also conducted on two core samples from the Main Sand. These analyses yielded an average tonnage factor (density) of 15.7 cubic (cu.) ft. per ton for the host sandstone. This compares favorably to the historical PMC tonnage factor of 16.0 cu. ft. per ton, which was used in URE's current resource estimate.

Chemical analyses for trace metals and accessory minerals of 33 samples collected from the two 2014 core holes were performed by Inter-Mountain Labs, Inc. (IML) now Pace Analytical. Trace metal analysis was done using inductively coupled plasma mass spectrometry (ICP-MS) methods employing 3-acid digestion (nitric, hydrochloric and hydrogen peroxide: EPA Method 3050). All samples represent approximately one-foot intervals and were collected from within, or adjacent to, mineralized intervals. Results for selected analytes which could potentially impact uranium ISR or processing are listed Table 5 below.





## Table 5. Summary of Select Analytical Results from Shirley Basin Core

Analyte	Average Concentration
As	9.5 ppm
Мо	10.4 ppm
РЬ	15.8 ppm
Se	2.9 ppm
V	71.0 ppm
C(org)	0.17%
CaCO <sub>3</sub>	1.88%

None of the analytes shows contents which would impede uranium recovery. Vanadium values are elevated; however, vanadium recovery during bottle roll leach tests was very low.

Petrographic and mineralogical analyses were conducted by Hazen Research, Inc. (Hazen) on behalf of PMC in 2014 on two mineralized core samples. The samples were selected from two core holes, each testing the "nose" environment of separate roll fronts in the Main Sand within the FAB Trend. Uranium analysis by Hazen showed the grade of sample FAB-8C 248.5 to be  $0.26\% U_3O_8$ , near the average grade for the FAB Trend. Sample FAB-9C 344.4 is of higher grade at  $0.70\% U_3O_8$ . Mineralogical analysis was performed on polished sections using QEMSCAN technology. Selected portions of the samples were also analyzed by x-ray diffraction (XRD).

Table 6 lists the semi-quantitative abundance analysis of the minerals identified in the two samples. The results are consistent with that of a clean uranium bearing arkosic sandstone. The main minerals are quartz, potassium-rich feldspar, and clay minerals (possibly swelling). The clay fraction varied from 9% to 14% (by mass). Clay mineralogy was not identified but is likely mostly smectite with some kaolin. Pyrite content is lower than expected, at 0.9% to 1.5%. Carbonate (calcite) content is variable. Sample FAB-8C 248.5 contained very little carbonate, while FAB-9C 344.4 was locally calcite cemented, showing a total of 6.1% carbonate. Uranium mineralization is not prevalent in calcite-rich zones. Microscopic estimation of porosity for both samples is 25%.

Other minerals identified in the sand include mica or clinochlore (or both) and trace levels of zircon, epidote, titanite (sphene), and calcium sulfate (probably gypsum). The "miscellaneous" and "unidentified" categories in Table 6 include minerals that occur at very low levels or analysis points that could not be positively identified.

Uranium mineralogy was identified as uraninite  $[UO_2]$ , possibly with coffinite  $[U(SiO_4)_{1-x}(OH)_{4x}]$ , occurring in an undiscernible crystal morphology smaller than  $l\mu$ m. The uranium minerals are mainly finely disseminated and adhered to clays that occur in the interstitial spaces between quartz and feldspar grains. They also occur in clay-rich coatings on quartz and feldspar grains, as fracture fillings in the sand grains, in weathered or altered grains of feldspar, and locally as inclusions within pyrite grains.





## Table 6. Semi-quantitative Mineral Abundance Analysis

Sample	FAB-8C 248.5	FAB-9C 344.4	
Mineral	Analysis, mass%		
Uraninite	0.001	0.09	
Uraninite or coffinite with clay	3.9	9.3	
Quartz	47	38	
Feldspar	31	32	
Mica or clinochlore	2.1	2.8	
Clay (Mg–Ca–K–Fe–Al silicate)	14	9	
Pyrite	0.9	1.5	
Carbonate	0.1	6.1	
Zircon	0.03	0.01	
Epidote	0.4	0.1	
Titanite	0.02	0.03	
Ca-sulfate	0.001	0.2	
Miscellaneous	0.3	0.8	
Unidentified	0.1	0.1	
Total	100	100	

Figure 9 is a backscatter electron photomicrograph of a polished section from sample FAB-9C 344.4. It illustrates the presence of uranium associated with interstitial clay and with clay-rich coatings on sand grains.

The results of the Hazen petrographic analyses indicate that the mineralogical characteristics of the FAB Trend should be amenable to uranium ISR and are similar in most respects to those of other Wyoming deposits which have been successfully mined by ISR methods.

# 6.4 Significant Mineralization

All uranium mineralization at the Project occurs as roll front deposits. Virtually all significant mineralization, including the past production, is hosted by the Main Sand or the Lower Sand. Limited uranium mineralization has also been encountered in the less pervasive upper Wind River Formation sandstones and in sandstones of the overlying White River Formation. These upper sandstones, however, are viewed as marginal targets and evaluation to date has been limited.

Each of the primary host sands is occupied by a regional roll front alteration system which closely follows the depositional patterns established by Wind River-age fluvial paleo channels. The alteration systems, in turn, develop multiple stacked roll fronts at their terminal ends or lateral edges, such that the Main Sand has as many as ten distinct roll fronts and the Lower Sand up to five roll fronts.







Figure 9. Backscatter Electron Photomicrograph - Uranium Mineralization (Bright) Associated with Clays Surrounding Quartz and Feldspar Grains

The FAB Trend is the primary target for potential uranium ISR. Mineralization occurs primarily in the Main Sand and represents an arcuate trend which links past Main Sand production in Pits 2/8 to that in Pit 3. (see Figure 10). The trend represents a composite of multiple stacked roll front mineral horizons spanning a length of approximately 11,000 ft. (2 miles) and varying in width from 250-1,000 ft. Mineralization occurs within a 200-ft. depth interval, ranging from 200-400 ft. Within a given roll front, mineralization exhibits strong horizontal continuity parallel to the orientation of the reduction-oxidation (redox) interface.

Mineralization in Area 5 is also a target for ISR. Mineralization in Area 5 is hosted in both the Main and Lower Sands near the northern terminus of those regional alteration tongues. Resources occur in two loosely defined, north-south oriented trends which are located along the lateral flanks of the alteration tongues. The western flank contains the highest occurrences of mineralization. The eastern trend is less defined and holds fewer resources. The western trend is approximately 3,000 ft. long by 1,000 ft. wide, and the eastern trend is approximately 2,500 ft. long by 500 ft. wide. Together, the two trends represent a resource area approximately 3,000 ft. long by 2,000 ft. Similar to the FAB Trend, each sand hosts multiple stacked roll fronts. Depth to mineralization in the Main Sand in Area 5 ranges from 380-500 ft. and from 470-530 ft. in the Lower Sand. Geometry of the individual roll fronts in this area is very similar to that described above for the FAB Trend.






# Figure 10. Mineralized Trends

# 6.5 Deposit

Uranium mineralization identified throughout the District occurs as roll front-type deposits. Because of the extensive uranium exploration activities conducted in the Shirley Basin during the early years of the U.S. uranium industry (the late 1950s through early 1960s), many of the fundamental concepts of the roll front model were developed by early Shirley Basin geologists studying the underground and open pit workings. Harshman, 1972, provides a detailed analysis of the geology and uranium deposits of the Shirley Basin area.

The photograph shown in Figure 11 was taken in one of the Shirley Basin open pits and illustrates a cross sectional view of a roll front. In this case, the roll front has migrated from left to right. The crescent shape configuration of the mineralization within the sand is clearly evident. Oxidized sand is observed to the left of the roll. Colors in this photo are distorted due to the age of the photo.



In the western U.S. and south Texas, roll front-type deposits have been successfully produced through ISR mining for nearly 60 years. The formation of roll front deposits is largely a groundwater process that occurs when uranium-rich, oxygenated groundwater interacts with a reducing environment in the subsurface and precipitates uranium. The most favorable host rocks for roll fronts are permeable sandstones within large aquifer systems. Interbedded mudstone, claystone and siltstone are commonly present and aid in the formation process by focusing groundwater flux. The geometry of mineralization is dominated by the classic roll front "C shape or crescent configuration at the alteration interface as shown conceptually in Figure 12. The highest grade portion of the front occurs in a zone termed the "nose" within reduced ground just ahead of the alteration front. Ahead of the nose, at the leading edge of the solution front, mineral quality gradually diminishes to barren within the "seepage" zone. Trailing behind the nose, in oxidized (altered) ground, are weak remnants of mineralization referred to as "tails" which have resisted re-mobilization to the nose due to association with shale, carbonaceous material or other lithologies of lower permeability. Tails are generally not amenable to ISR because the uranium is typically found within strongly reduced or impermeable strata, therefore making it difficult to leach.





Figure 11. Photo of Shirley Basin Roll Front

There are two potential sources of the uranium for the District: (1) leaching of uraniferous Oligocene volcaniclastics which once covered the region and (2) weathering and leaching of uraniferous Archean granite of the Laramie and Shirley Mountains (north, east and southwest of the District) which also represent the provenance of the arkosic sands within the Wind River Formation in the District.

Oxygenated surface water passing through the overlying thick sequences of volcaniclastic material may have leached metals, including uranium. These metal-enriched fluids may have also leached additional uranium from the granitic content of the arkosic sands which compose the aquifers. The enriched, oxidizing fluids subsequently entered the regional groundwater systems within the basin and migrated down-gradient through the aquifers as large oxidizing geochemical cells referred to as solution fronts.

Uranium precipitated in the form of roll front deposits at the leading edge of the geochemical cells where it encountered reducing geochemical environments within the host sands. Mineral quality was enhanced where groundwater flux was focused horizontally by paleochannels or vertically by aquitards. Continuity of these conditions produced a significant accumulation of uranium at the redox interface. Renewed supply of oxygen to the system allowed slow migration of the uranium deposit down-dip over geologic time.





Figure 12. Conceptual Uranium Roll Front Deposit



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The oxidized mineralizing solutions typically carry and precipitate other metals in addition to uranium. At Shirley Basin, Harshman (1974) documented the deposition of vanadium, selenium and epigenetic iron as pyrite in close association with the uranium roll front.

The reducing environment in the host sand is generally the result of carbonaceous material within the formation or leaked reductant gases originating from deep hydrocarbon sources. Pyrite is inherently associated with both and is a significant indicator of a reducing environment. Reduced sands are typically light to medium gray and represent the regional framework prior to mineralization. The reducing environment is subsequently altered by the passage of the oxidizing solution front. Alteration typically involves oxidation of pyrite and other iron-bearing minerals to limonite/goethite, or locally hematite, and destruction of carbonaceous material. As a result, altered (oxidized) sands in Shirley Basin are typically yellowish green, pale yellow, tan and, less commonly, reddish brown in color.

Mineralization within a roll front varies considerably in size and shape, but is generally long, narrow and sinuous in map view. The total length of a mineral trend may extend for several miles. Commonly, a deposit or mineral trend will consist of a composite of multiple roll fronts. Typical width of an individual roll front is generally 25-50 ft. However, in the case of multiple fronts, the composite width may be several hundred feet across. Typical thickness of an individual roll front is roughly 5-25 ft. and the composite thickness of multiple fronts may be as much as 70 ft.

Roll front development in the District was the product of two large, regional geochemical alteration systems, or tongues, each occupying either the Main Sand or the Lower Sand of the Wind River Formation. Multiple individual roll fronts developed at the terminal ends and also along the lateral perimeters of these regional tongues.





### 7.0 EXPLORATION

Since acquiring the Project, URE performed no exploration, other than the confirmatory drilling program and pump tests described below. An extensive review of historical PMC drill hole data, however, was undertaken by URE in order to estimate existing uranium resources within the property boundaries. Over 3,200 drill holes in the FAB and Area 5 Resource Areas were evaluated.

This evaluation included the use of historical down-hole electric logs, lithology logs, drill hole location maps, summaries of mineralized drill hole intercepts and survey coordinates for drill holes.

### 7.1 Drilling

7.1.1 Historic Drilling

Prior to acquisition by URE more than 9,400 exploration and development rotary drilled holes were drilled and logged by Utah/PMC and Petrotomics within or near the current Project area. Most had been drilled prior to 1984 as delineation holes for past mined open pits and as regional exploration holes; however, more than 3,200 holes were drilled within the current FAB Trend and Area 5.

#### 7.1.2 Ur-Energy Confirmation Drilling

In 2014 URE completed a limited confirmation drilling program within the FAB and Area 5 Resource Areas. The primary goals of the program were:

- Confirmation of the location and nature of mineralization as reported by historical PMC data;
- · Stratigraphic investigation to confirm lithology and to confirm overlying and underlying hydrogeological confinement; and
- · Collection of core for leach testing and analyses of uranium, mineralogy, trace metals, disequilibrium, permeability, porosity and density.

The confirmation drilling program consisted of 14 near-vertical rotary drill holes, including two core holes for a total drilling footage of 6,588 ft. (see Table 7). In the FAB Trend, drilling consisted of eight rotary holes and the two core holes (see Figure 16). The remaining four rotary holes were drilled in Area 5 (see Figure 17). All drilling was mud-rotary type conducted by contracted drill rigs. The drill rigs were truck-mounted, water well-style rigs rated to depths of 1,000-1,500 ft. The non-core holes served a dual purpose of mineral confirmation and stratigraphic investigation. All were positioned in locations intended to approximate that of selected historical drill holes with the goal of replicating reported mineralization. In addition, the lithology of overlying and underlying clay units was evaluated as potential aquitards for ISR. The total depth of these holes extended at least 60 ft. below the mineralized zones to evaluate the lithology and hydrogeological characteristics of underlying Wind River claystones and Cretaceous shales.





 Table 7. Summary of URE Confirmation Drilling Results

Resource Area	# Holes	Total Drilled Depth (ft.)	Avg Depth (ft.)	# Holes with Potentially Economic Mineral	# Mineral Intercepts (gamma)	# PFN Logged Holes	# PFN Logged Intercepts
FAB	10	4,260	426	8	9	6	8
Area 5	4	2,328	582	2	4	1	2
Total	14	6,588		10	13	7	10

The rotary drill hole data confirmed the presence and nature of the uranium mineralization and substantiated the validity of historical PMC data. Open-hole gamma and prompt fission neutron (PFN) logging of the confirmation drill holes verified the presence of high-grade roll front uranium mineralization in locations identified by historical PMC data and exhibited similar grade and thickness values. The majority of the mineral intercepts were interpreted as encountering the "nose" portion of the roll front system within the targeted sandstone. Deviation surveys were conducted on these near-vertical drill holes, revealing an average bottom-hole deviation of only 3.19 ft. As shown in Table 8, the gamma results include a total of 13 intercepts containing mineralization which meets or exceeds criteria defined by URE as potentially economic for the Project (i.e.,  $GT \ge 0.25$  with a minimum grade cutoff of 0.020% eU<sub>3</sub>O<sub>8</sub>). The PFN results on 10 of these logged gamma intercepts show an average Disequilibrium Factor (DEF) of 1.03, indicating that the uranium mineralization is at or near chemical equilibrium and confirms that measurement of mineralization by gamma methods is a valid tool at the Project.

### Table 8. Summary of Mineralized Intercepts – URE Confirmation Drilling

Hole No.	Depth (ft.)	Thickness (ft.)	Grade (eU <sub>3</sub> O <sub>8</sub> <sup>(1)</sup> )	GT (gamma)	GT (PFN)
A5-002	427.5	9.5	0.067%	0.64	
A5-004	403.0	6.5	0.147%	0.96	1.03
A5-004	415.0	6.5	0.059%	0.39	0.38
A5-004	528.5	11.0	0.039%	0.43	
FAB-002	311.5	8.0	0.502%	4.02	3.27
FAB-004	223.5	6.0	0.056%	0.34	0.33
FAB-004	255.0	12.0	0.230%	2.76	2.30
FAB-005	242.0	12.5	0.321%	4.01	4.51
FAB-006	331.0	19.0	0.160%	3.04	
FAB-007	312.0	9.0	0.224%	2.02	2.01
FAB-007	322.0	7.0	0.076%	0.53	0.62
FAB-008C	242.0	13.0	0.225%	2.93	3.32
FAB-009C	331.0	19.0	0.189%	3.59	4.02

(1) % eU<sub>3</sub>O<sub>8</sub> is a measure of gamma intensity from a decay product of uranium and is not a direct measurement of uranium. Numerous comparisons of eU<sub>3</sub>O<sub>8</sub> and chemical assays of Shirley Basin core samples, along with historical mining experience, indicate that eU<sub>3</sub>O<sub>8</sub> is a reasonable indicator of the chemical concentration of uranium.

The drilling results also provided valuable information regarding the distribution and character of the Main and Lower Sands of the Wind River Formation. Hydrogeological confinement above the host sandstones is provided by competent overlying Wind River Formation shale, generally in excess of 20 ft. thick, and underlying confinement is provided by both Wind River and Cretaceous shales, which, in combination, are typically in excess of 800 ft. thick.





The seven best intercepts had GTs ranging from 2.02 to 4.01, with an average grade of 0.24% eUO8. Included within these mineralized intercepts are several significantly higher grade intervals:

- 2.5 ft. of 1.02% eU<sub>3</sub>O<sub>8</sub> (hole FAB-002)
- 2.5 ft. of 0.74% eU<sub>3</sub>O<sub>8</sub> (hole FAB-004)
- 2.5 ft. of 0.67% eU<sub>3</sub>O<sub>8</sub> (hole FAB-005)

The two core holes were approximately 10 ft. offsets of two URE non-core holes which were representative of the mineral character in the FAB Trend. Mineralization in the two core holes exhibited continuity of grade and thickness with mineralization encountered in the offset rotary drill holes. Coring was done only in selected intervals for the purpose of collecting undisturbed samples for various types of analyses. A total of 64.9 ft. was cored. Average core recovery for the two holes was 80.3%. All holes were logged from surface to total depth by a geophysical logging unit owned and operated by URE. Both core holes were PFN logged in addition to gamma logging. Coring provided 33 samples on one-foot intervals which were sent to laboratories for various chemical analyses and testing of physical properties.

All 14 drill holes and core holes were plugged and abandoned in accordance with LQD regulations. The holes were cemented from the bottom of the hole to the surface. After the cement dried and settled, the holes were topped-off with bentonite chips to within 10 ft. of the surface. A cement cap was placed from a depth of 10 ft. to 2 ft. from the surface. The remaining 2 ft. of hole was filled with soil.

No drilling, sampling or recovery factors were recognized that could materially impact the accuracy and reliability of the resource estimates presented in this Report.

#### 7.1.3 Geological Logging

Standard operating procedure for all previous operators was for the driller or his helper to collect cuttings samples on 5-ft intervals and lay those samples out on the ground in rows of 20 samples (100 ft). The site geologist examined the cuttings in the field and recorded lithology and geochemical alteration (redox state), which assists in roll front mapping.

Geological logging of uranium exploration holes relies heavily on interpretation of gamma and electrical logs. All holes, by all operators, were probed using a calibrated downhole gamma ray detector to determine  $eU_3O_8$  as well as provide lithological information. Most holes had electrical logs that provided, resistivity, gamma, SP (spontaneous potential), single point resistance, and neutron logs, all of which are useful for either grade estimation (gamma) or lithology correlation (all logs). Neutron logs are used primarily for porosity estimation. Hard and electronic copies of lithological and geophysical logs are stored by URE in their Casper, Wyoming office.

#### 7.1.4 Drill Holes Used in Mineral Resource Estimation

All drillholes in URE's database that had geological or geophysical logs were used to support modeling the redox front and the mineral resource estimate.

Drill holes for which no, or questionable, geological or geophysical data were available were excluded from the mineral resource estimate.

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### 7.1.5 Material Results and Interpretation

Drilling was done using methods that were common to the industry at the time the holes were drilled and are still widely used for uranium exploration. Samples of drill cuttings are not sampled for any type of analysis so no factors relating to sampling of cuttings impact the mineral resource estimate.

Core was sampled for disequilibrium, metallurgical, geochemical and hydrogeological studies. Core drilling methods were and are consistent with industry practices at the time the program was conducted. Sampling was consistent with best practices in the uranium industry. There are no factors relating to core sampling that might impact the mineral resource estimate.

The mineralization is nearly flat lying with dips of approximately 1°. Drill intercept thicknesses are thus essentially equivalent to true thickness.

### 7.1.6 QP Statements Concerning Drilling Results

Considering the number of drill holes and associated data, the QP did not review all of the drilling information relative to the Project. Rather, the QP reviewed select logs from the FAB Trend and Area 5 and evaluated the quality and nature of the work done by URE and previous owners. In the opinion of the QP, work was conducted using standard industry practices and procedures meeting regulatory requirements in place at the time the work was conducted.

#### 7.2 Hydrogeology

### 7.2.1 Hydrogeology

Within the Project area, groundwater occurs in three different geologic strata: the surficial alluvial sediments along Spring Creek, the underlying White River Formation and the underlying Wind River Formation. Only the White River and Wind River Formations are present in the proposed ISR mining areas.

The White River Formation consists of a series of arkosic sand and clay layers aggregating to 150 to 200 ft. in thickness. This formation is exposed at the surface across most of the project area and receives direct aquifer recharge via precipitation. Within the Project area, the White River Formation shields the underlying Wind River Formation from direct recharge. However, due to the Wind River Formation's shallow northeasterly dip, the formation outcrops about 0.75 mile south of the FAB Trend where direct recharge occurs.

Underlying the White River Formation, the uppermost Wind River Formation is characterized by a 50 to 80 ft. thick silt and clay sequence containing scattered lenses of arkosic sands and thin limestone beds. As cited by Jacob and Fisk (1961), Robert E. Melin comments, and the drill data confirm, that these arkosic sands are "discrete channel deposits rather than extensive sheets" and therefore, hydraulically separate.

The 50 to 80 ft. thick silty clay layer acts as an aquitard between the White River Formation and underlying Wind River Formation sands.





For hydrogeologic discussion purposes, the Wind River Formation is subdivided into three zones: the Lower Sand, Main Sand and Upper Sand. Uranium mineralization is found in all three zones. Melin again states that "the bottom most member of the Wind River Formation is a clay lying on an eroded Cretaceous surface overlain by as much as 100 ft. of conglomeratic arkose," which is commonly called the "Lower or Basal Sand." (as cited by Jacob, 1961). This is overlain by up to 50 ft. of clay, which is overlain by another conglomeratic arkosic sand as much as 75 ft. thick (commonly called the "Main Sand"). Quoting Melin, "In much of Section 28, south of the Utah shaft, the ore-bearing unit is medium to very coarse-grained, and is locally pebbly, and locally contains carbonized wood. The unit becomes silty west, and it wedges out against Cretaceous formations to the northeast. Near the shaft (Pit 2 area) the lower part is conglomeratic and uncommonly clean and is highly permeable. The upper part is medium-grained and silty, carbonaceous in places, moderately to heavily cross-bedded, and affected locally by slumping shortly after deposition." Jacob and Fisk (1961).

Jacob and Fisk (1961) state that "the Main Sand is overlain by a silty clay layer approximately 15 ft. thick that has been eroded through in places before deposition of the overlying arkose layer, which is up to 30 ft. thick." This arkosic layer is called the "Upper Sand."

Pump test results (1980s) indicated that the surficial aquifer is hydraulically separate from the underlying White River Formation. Various historical hydrologic studies as well as URE's pump tests have demonstrated that the White River and underlying Wind River Formations are also hydrologically separated. Further confirmation of this separation is evident by the measured head differences whereby the static water level in the Wind River is lower than the level in the overlying White River Formation, thus creating a vertical downward gradient. The 2014 static water level in the Main Sand is 57 to 105 ft. above the top of the sand in the FAB Resource Area and 188 to 211 ft. above the op of the sand.

Within the mineralized horizons in the Wind River Formation, the Upper, Main and Lower Sand horizons are all in direct contact one place or another in Area 5 and the FAB Trend, thus in direct hydrologic communication in these areas.

According to Harshman (1972), the groundwater flow direction in the White River and Wind River Formations was to the southeast prior to the commencement of open pit mining. However, as the result of years of open pit mining, pit lakes at the Sullivan/Walker, Jenkins, Petrotomics and Pathfinder properties were created. The pit lakes have altered the natural groundwater flow direction and gradient as they continue to fill and equilibrate with the surrounding aquifers.

#### 7.2.2 Main Sand Hydraulic Properties

Numerous hydrogeologic investigations of the Project have been conducted over the years that generated an abundance of aquifer characteristics data. Between 1959 and 1991, consultants for PMC performed 24 single and/or multiple well pump tests throughout the Project. Pump test results indicated that flow characteristics of the Main Sand vary considerably across the FAB Resource Area. Transmissivity values ranged from 2,000 to 5,200 gpd/ft. in the Pit 3 area, increasing westward from 5,000 to 10,000 gpd/ft. in the Pit 2/8 area. Typical storage coefficient values range from 2 x  $10^{-2}$  to 1 x  $10^{-4}$ . The transmissivity variability is likely attributable to different fluvial depositional environments: one that created a deeper, coarser-grained primary paleo-stream channel traversing through what is now Pit 2/8, versus a secondary paleo-side tributary comprised of finer-grained sediments that traversed through the Pit 3 area.





In 2014, URE conducted five Main Sand pump tests: four located in the FAB Trend and one in Area 5. The test durations ranged from four hours for a single well test to 51 hours for multiple well tests. Transmissivity values ranged from 2,500 to 3,500 gpd/ft. in the eastern FAB resource area, increasing westward from 5,500 to 8,300 gpd/ft. in the Pit 2/8 area (western FAB). Area 5 transmissivity values were less variable, ranging from 2,460 to 2,560 gpd/ft. Storage coefficient values ranged from  $1.53 \times 10^{-4}$  to  $1.17 \times 10^{-3}$ . A representative storage coefficient for both Resource Areas is  $1.8 \times 10^{-4}$ .

In summary, current pump test results are consistent with and validate historical test results. Utah successfully operated an ISR mine from 1963 to 1970 in the Pit 2 area. The hydrogeological data obtained by URE also indicate that the FAB and Area 5 Resource Areas are amenable to solution mining. Furthermore, sufficient head is available within the Main Sand to conduct ISR operations.

#### 7.2.3 Historical Drill Holes

The five pump tests conducted in 2014 were all completed in areas with extensive historical drilling activities which could represent potential avenues of leakage between aquifers. However, there was no observed communication between the Wind River sandstones and the overlying White River Formation during the URE pump tests. This is due to the presence of a thick (up to 80 ft.) Wind River Formation claystone, which overlies the Wind River host sandstones.

There is a high content of bentonite clay in this claystone unit, causing it to swell and quickly create a natural seal. During the 2014 drilling program, down-hole electric logs of the drill holes had to be conducted within one to two hours of drilling completion or the bore hole would swell to the point that the hole could not be re-entered. This swelling characteristic has created an effective barrier to groundwater migration between the Wind River and White River Formations. This natural sealing of historical drill holes, in combination with historic hole abandonment, will eliminate intra-formational groundwater movement during pump testing and planned ISR mining on the Project.

#### 7.2.4 QP Comment on Results

The numerous historic and modern pump test results provide sufficient characterization of Project hydrogeology to demonstrate that the Project has sufficient geologic confinement and transmissivity for ISR operations.

In the opinion of the QP, adequate aquifer testing has been conducted to characterize the Project for regulatory and high-level operational purposes. The permit to mine requires additional, mine unit scale aquifer tests to confirm past work and demonstrate communication to perimeter monitor wells along with production zone confinement.

#### 7.3 Geotechnical Data, Testing, and Analysis

In 2021, URE contracted with Inberg-Miller Engineers, a well-respected engineering and surveying company with greater than 50 years' experience in Wyoming to complete geotechnical drilling, testing, and analysis for the proposed plant foundation and two westernmost proposed holding ponds. The final report, issued in September 2021, indicated the "proposed uranium processing facility can be constructed at the site." The report further stated that "the proposed two-story office building connected with the maintenance shop, and the plant building can be supported on conventional shallow foundations...." Additional geotechnical work will be required after operations begin if it becomes necessary to construct additional holding ponds.

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### 8.0 SAMPLE PREPARATION, ANALYSIS AND SECURITY

All mineralization at the Project occurs at depth and does not outcrop. Therefore, investigation of the mineralization is accomplished solely by means of drilling. Similarly, "sampling" of mineralization is accomplished by one or more of three methods derived from the drilling activities, including: down-hole geophysical logging, coring, and drill cuttings. These are described in the following subsections.

### 8.1 Down-hole Geophysical Logging

All holes drilled on the Project by URE, and its predecessors have been geophysically logged using a down-hole electronic probe. This is standard practice for the U.S. uranium industry. There are two basic types of logs for uranium measurement, gamma logs and PFN logs. A discussion of these follows.

#### Gamma Logs:

Gamma logs provide an indirect measurement of uranium content in the host rock. They detect the gamma irradiated by a daughter product of uranium decay  $\tilde{\ell}^{14}$  Bi) under the presumption that chemical equilibrium exists between the source uranium and its progeny. A vehicle-mounted electronic probe is lowered down the hole to total depth and then the natural gamma radiation of the formation is measured as the probe is drawn to the surface. Modern logging instruments collect gamma radiation measurements on 0.1-ft. depth intervals. An industry standard U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) algorithm is used by the logging unit software to convert the gamma ray readings, measured in counts per second (cps), into mineral grade reported as equivalent percent uranium (% eU<sub>3</sub>0<sub>8</sub>). The results are reported in 0.5-ft. increments. Mineralized thickness from gamma logs is considered an accurate representation of the true thickness because the strata are essentially horizontal and drill holes are nearly vertical. Mineralized intervals (intercepts) are then defined by applying these pre-established grade cutoffs to the report:

- · <u>Thickness</u> of each mineralized zone (ft.) exceeding grade cutoff,
- <u>Average grade</u> within the thickness interval (% eU<sub>3</sub>O<sub>8</sub>),
- · <u>Depth</u> (below ground surface [bgs]) to the top of the intercept (ft.), and
- . GT (Grade x Thickness): Calculated as the average grade multiplied by thickness for each intercept interval (%-ft., but usually expressed without units).

Gamma logs are customarily accompanied by SP and Single-Point Resistance (Res) or multi-point resistivity curves. In combination, SP and Resistance curves are commonly referred to as an electric log (E-Log) and are used to interpret formation lithology.

Historical logging by Utah/PMC was done by company-owned and operated units. Log formats that were employed by Utah/PMC varied considerably over the years. Despite the variation in this historical down-hole gamma data, the overall quality of the data was sufficient to successfully guide PMC mining efforts for over 30 years and to allow consistent mapping of subsurface sandstones and mineralized intervals.





URE geophysical logging data were obtained using a Company-owned and operated logging unit which employs technology originally developed by GeoInstruments, Inc. of Nacogdoches, Texas. Down-hole measurements include gamma logs, Res, SP, and hole deviation. Quality control on the logging unit is performed by calibration of the logging unit at the Casper, Wyoming DOE test pit (a known source concentration) no less than once a month during periods of drilling activity. Calibration is performed using industry established procedures. URE maintains detailed calibration records. When retained by URE, logging contractors are required to calibrate using the same test pit and method and on a similar schedule.

#### PFN Logs:

The PFN tool provides a direct down-hole analysis of true uranium content by means of in-place fission  $of^{235}U$  initiated by the emission of high energy neutrons. It is used by URE to verify the grades of mineral intercepts previously reported by gamma logging. PFN logging is accomplished by a down-hole probe in much the same manner as gamma logs; however, only the mineralized interval plus a buffer interval above and below are logged. After review of the gamma log from each drill hole, the URE field geologists determine if any intercepts warrant PFN logging based on the GT of the gamma intercepts (GT  $\ge 0.10$ ). Quality control for the PFN is performed at the DOE test pit in a manner similar to that described previously for the gamma tool and records are maintained by URE.

Comparison of the gamma and PFN values yields a DEF reported as the ratio of GT values PFN  $GT \div Gamma$  GT. Thus, a value greater than 1.0 indicates chemical enrichment compared to gamma, and a value less than 1.0 represents chemical depletion (Rosholt, 1959).

#### 8.2 Coring

In the U.S. uranium industry, coring is typically performed on only a small percentage of drill holes. The primary purposes for collecting core have been to provide relatively undisturbed samples for chemical analyses and host rock physical properties. Chemical analyses typically are conducted to evaluate uranium disequilibrium as well as to evaluate trace elements and constituents of interest. Physical properties of interest are typically permeability, porosity and density. Cored intervals are normally limited to geologically selected intervals. Rarely are holes cored from surface to total depth.

Utah/PMC drilled more than 58 core holes within the FAB Trend, Area 5 and the mined open pits. Some evaluation reports and memos are in the historical files, but complete records of these activities are not available; however, it is understood that most of the chemical analyses were conducted by in-house laboratories at either the Lucky Mc or Shirley Basin mill sites. Records indicate that, based on the results of these coring studies, a DEF of 1.066 (slightly enriched with respect to chemical uranium) was uniformly applied to all down-hole gamma logging intervals by Utah/PMC.





Core samples were obtained from two core holes drilled by URE within the FAB Trend in 2014. Core holes were located as close offsets of URE confirmation holes that showed mineral intercepts of interest. Select intervals within the holes were cored by means of a mud-rotary drilling rig employing a 10-ft. long, split-tube core barrel. Core recovery for the two holes was 80.3%. URE-specified field procedures for handling of core included:

- · Core was measured after removal from core barrel to determine percentage of core recovery;
- · Core was described in detail by URE geologists;
- · Core was photographed in the field;
- Core was scanned in the field on 0.5-ft. intervals with a hand-held scintillometer to identify sections of higher radioactivity for sampling. The scintillometer results were also
  employed at a later date to provide a detailed depth correlation and comparison between the gamma log and driller's core depths. Depth correlation accuracy of approximately 0.5 ft.
  is normally obtained; and
- · Core was then vacuum sealed in plastic bags.

Samples selected for laboratory chemical analyses were later cut in 1-ft. intervals, split by hand longitudinally and bagged by URE employees for shipping. In addition, selected samples were tested for specific gravity, permeability and other physical features, as well as leach amenability. Samples for leach testing were vacuum sealed again immediately after selection and prior to shipping to the lab.

#### 8.3 Drill Cuttings

During drilling of all holes, cuttings are collected at 5-ft. depth intervals. Detailed descriptions of each of these samples are then documented by the Company's field geologists. Drill cutting samples are valuable for lithologic evaluation, confirmation of E-Log interpretation, and for description of redox conditions based on sample color. Identifying redox conditions in the host formation is critical for the interpretation and mapping of roll fronts. Note, however, that cuttings samples are not analyzed for uranium content because there is considerable dilution and mixing that occurs as the cuttings are flushed to the surface. In addition, the samples are not definitive with regard to depth due to variation in the lag time between cutting at the drill bit and when the sample is collected at the surface.

#### 8.4 Analyses and Security

After collection and documentation in the field, core samples derived from URE's drilling at the Project were delivered to IML (now Pace Analytical) for chemical and gamma analyses for uranium, as well as analyses for associated elements. At the time of sample analysis, IML was, and continues to be under their new ownership, an independent, commercial laboratory in Sheridan, Wyoming and considered to be qualified to secure, handle and analyze samples in accordance with industry standards. IML has an industry-standard, internal QA/QC system including routine equipment calibration and the use of standards, blanks, duplicates and spikes. The lab is licensed by the NRC, is EPA-certified and accredited by the National Environmental Laboratory Accreditation Program. EPA Method 200.8 was used for radionuclide analyses and EPA Method ASA9 29-2.2 was used for the analyses of organic compounds. For multi-element analysis, results were obtained using ICP-MS using EPA Method 6010C. For these analyses, core samples were subjected to a three-acid digestion (EPA Method 3050).





Physical properties of the core (porosity, permeability and density) were measured by Weatherford Laboratories of Casper, Wyoming (now Stratum Reservoir). Weatherford Laboratories is an independent lab that provides rock property analyses, geochemical testing and specialized core testing services to the oil and gas industry worldwide. Testing procedures were performed in accordance with standards presented in the American Petroleum Institute (API) Report 40 – Recommended Practices for Core Analysis. Two samples from the mineralized Main Sand of the Wind River Formation (the primary host rock for the Project) were submitted for analyses, along with a core sample from the overlying and underlying clay horizons.

Hazen was contracted to perform mineralogical studies on two selected core samples. This work consisted of three separate analyses:

- 1. X-Ray Diffraction (XRD) analysis Each sample was analyzed by XRD to determine the major mineral constituents.
- Electron Microprobe (EMP) analysis Each as-received sample was mounted in a polished section for EMP analysis to characterize the uranium minerals in terms of their mode of occurrence, textural features, specific associations, and intergrowth relationships.
- 3. QEMSCAN analysis For quantitative mineralogy, each polished section was subjected to QEMSCAN analysis, which provides a detailed mineral abundance analysis.

Data from historical sampling were obtained from Utah/PMC records. Procedural details are unavailable, but because these companies were considered to be reputable exploration/production companies, previous samples are assumed to have been collected, secured and analyzed in accordance with standard industry practices at the time.

#### 8.5 Quality Control Summary

URE maintains quality control procedures associated with its coring program:

- · Scanning the core with a scintillometer to provide a detailed depth correlation and comparison between the gamma log and driller's core depths;
- · Vacuum sealing core in plastic bags to prevent contamination and oxidation;
- · Completing a Chain of Custody (COC) Record for all core samples sent to laboratories for analyses;
- · Obtaining a signature on the COC Record (along with instructions) from the URE employee who relinquished the samples to the laboratory;
- · Receiving a signed COC Record from the laboratory with the signature of the individual who received the samples;
- · Validation of laboratory quality control procedures which typically include method blanks of low metal concentrations and spikes of known metal concentrations;
- · Evaluation and comparison of results against previous analysis and other projects (outlier test or similar, i.e., "red face check"); and
- · Reference samples and subsequent analysis sent to other laboratories.

Other quality control procedures included the detailed logging of drill cuttings by URE geologists to gain an understanding of redox conditions within host sandstones and the consistent calibration of both the in-house gamma logging and PFN logging units at the Casper, Wyoming DOE test pit.

#### 8.6 Opinion on Adequacy

In the opinion of the QP, URE sample collection methods, preparation, security and analytical procedures used by contract laboratories are adequate and typical of the U.S. uranium industry.



### 9.0 DATA VERIFICATION

Drilling data used to support this Report come from historical drilling activities by previous operators and those conducted by URE since acquisition of the Project. The tabulations of mineral intercepts compiled by URE are consistent with the original down-hole gamma logs and the geophysical operator's mineral intercept calculations. URE has verified historical drill data by conducting confirmation drilling and coring in the Project adjacent to historical exploration holes with results which validate the historical data (see Figure 13). The tabulations of mineral intercepts compiled by URE have been confirmed by the QP to be consistent with the original down-hole E-Logs and the geophysical operator's mineral intercept estimates.

Furthermore, historical mineral intercept data collected by previous operators on the Project have been evaluated and selectively checked for accuracy. For those historical drill holes with gamma log interpretation sheets and down-hole probe K-factors (calibration factors), a selective confirmation of uranium intercept grade and thickness was performed by re-calculation, using standard methods established by the AEC. For those historical drill holes with gamma log interpretation sheets and no K-factors, a selective review of the process used for conversion from cps on gamma logs to percentage  $eU_3O_8$  was made. In these cases, the previous operators had developed a conversion factor, which included dead time correction, a water factor, a DEF and a K-factor that were applied to the cps values from the gamma log in order to derive a percentage of  $eU_3O_8$ .

After a review of that data, it is the QP's opinion that the historical mineral intercept data are valid, do not require re-calculation and are suitable for resource estimation in this Report.



Figure 13. Photo of URE Confirmation Drilling

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### 10.0 MINERAL PROCESSING AND METALLURGICAL TESTING

Previous mineralogical studies by Utah/PMC and Harshman (1972), consisting of thin sections and polished sections of Shirley Basin mineralization, show the primary uranium mineral in these deposits to be uraninite (UO<sub>2</sub>). It is found coating sand grains, filling interstitial spaces between sand grains and filling fractures within sand grains. Uraninite is a common uranium mineral in sedimentary-hosted roll front deposits and is soluble in the bicarbonate lixiviants used in modern ISR operations. As previously discussed URE collected core samples from uranium mineralization for additional mineralogical studies.

Preliminary analyses using a down-hole PFN logging tool indicate that the uranium mineralization from URE's confirmation drilling program is at or near chemical equilibrium. PFN logging provides a direct measurement of chemical uranium, and a positive DEF of 1.03 was determined for the 2014 confirmation drill holes that were logged with this method. Utah/PMC analyzed sufficient uranium mineralization at its Shirley Basin mining operation to assign a positive DEF to its historical ore reserve calculations. This DEF, as shown on many down-hole gamma logs, was 1.066 as discussed in Chapter 8.2. A complete and meaningful comparison between PFN results and ICP-MS analyses was not possible due to the 20% core loss on URE's confirmation drilling program.

There is a suite of trace metals that is commonly precipitated along with uranium in roll front deposits. Harshman (1974) published diagrams showing the relationship between various trace metals and uranium at several uranium mining districts, including the District. These diagrams show a strong correlation between uranium and pyrite (FeS<sub>2</sub>), along with minor correlations between uranium and vanadium, arsenic and selenium. As expected, ICP-MS analytical results on 33 individual samples for iron (Fe) and sulfur (S) were high, confirming the strong relationship between uranium and FeS<sub>2</sub>. Iron values averaged 1.2% and sulfur values averaged 1.1%. The minor relationships were also confirmed with vanadium averaging 71 mg/kg, arsenic averaging 9.5 mg/kg and spleteted in only one sample with a value of 18 mg/kg. These trace metals are common and expected in sedimentary roll front deposits and should not have a significant effect on potential economic extraction.

Energy Laboratories of Casper, Wyoming performed duplicate analyses for chemical uranium and 11 other analytes on four randomly selected core samples using the same analytical testing methodologies. The results from Energy Laboratories compared favorably with those from IML. Not surprisingly, there were variations seen in analytes with very low concentrations; however, average chemical uranium values were very close. On a composite basis, the relative percent difference in uranium values between the two labs was only 3.6%.

Energy Laboratories is independent of PMC and URE and has been accredited by the National Environmental Laboratory Accreditation Council, the NRC, Multi-Agency Radiological Laboratory Analytical Protocols via the USEPA, U.S. Department of Defense, U.S. Geological Survey, U.S. Department of Energy, NRC, U.S. Food and Drug Administration, and the National Institute of Standards and Technology.

Historical metallurgical testing was performed in 1980 by In-situ Consulting, Inc. on behalf of PMC on sandstone core samples collected in the northwestern portion of Area 5. Core was gathered from two mineralized intervals, one in the Main Sand and the other from the Lower Sand. A composite of these intervals was then compiled and used for metallurgical testing. The average uranium grade of the composite sample was not recorded. No historical metallurgical testing was performed on mineralization within the FAB Trend.





Six sealed bottle-roll tests were conducted by PMC on splits of the composite sample. Four of the tests employed an ammonium carbonate lixiviant and are therefore not currently considered of relevance. The other two tests used a sodium carbonate lixiviant with either oxygen or hydrogen peroxide as the oxidant. The results of these tests are shown in Table 9. Uranium extraction rates ranged from 91.8% to 93.5%; however, tabulation of these test results were related to *hours* of leaching rather than to*pore volumes*, as is currently standard. The QP did note that the testing period represented the equivalent of approximately 50 pore volumes (PVs).

#### Table 9. Leach Test Results, 1980 – Area 5

Sample ID	Sodium Carbonate (Na <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub> ) Concentration	Oxidant Concentration or Pressure	рН	Uranium Recovery
SX-816C	3,000 mg/L	O <sub>2</sub> 100 psi	10.4	91.8 %
SX-816C	3,000 mg/L	H <sub>2</sub> O <sub>2</sub> 1,000 mg/L	10.4	93.5 %

In 2014 URE submitted ten core samples to IML for agitation leach (bottle-roll) testing. The samples were obtained from core-hole FAB-8C located in the eastern portion of the FAB Trend. The core samples were from mineralized sand in the Main Sand occurring in a "nose" roll front environment. The samples consisted primarily of gray, medium to coarse-grained sandstone, locally with minor to moderate amounts of carbonaceous fragments and minor to abundant fresh pyrite. All of the samples represented a reduced geochemical environment. Core recovery within this interval was 87%. Some of the mineral intercept was not recovered.

- The gamma log of FAB-8C showed the target mineral intercept to be:
- 13.0 ft. of 0.225% eU<sub>3</sub>O<sub>8</sub> at 242.0 ft. / GT 2.93
- The PFN log for the same intercept showed:
- 14.0 ft. of 0.237% U3O8 at 241.5 ft. / GT 3.32

The 10 one-foot interval core samples were composited and homogenized by IML to create a composite representative of a 12 ft. mineralized depth interval (driller's depths 242ft-254ft.). The chemical analysis of the composite sample is shown in Table 10. Core samples from the mineralized interval showed an average dry bulk density of 2.07 grams per cubic centimeter and 27% porosity. The uranium content of the composite sample was determined to be 0.266% which corresponds closely to the average grade (0.23%) of Measured plus Indicated Resources within the Project. Trace metal contents (As, Mo, Se, V) are low to very low. Sulfur and  $SO_4$  contents are noticeably higher.

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### Table 10. Core Composite Sample Geochemistry

Analyte	Concentration in mg/kg
Uranium (ICP-MS)	2,660
Arsenic	9.0
Molybdenum	15.4
Selenium	<5
Thorium	8
Vanadium	80
Sulfate	26,130
Sulfur	8710
Moisture	14.4%

Native groundwater for the testing was drawn from well WI-3, which is completed in the Main Sand in the south-central portion of the FAB Trend. Analysis of the groundwater is shown in Table 11.

### Table 11. Natural Groundwater – Chemistry

Analyte	Result	Units
pH	6.9	s.u.
Electrical Conductivity	247	µmho/cm
Alkalinity	45	mg/L
Bicarbonate	55	mg/L
Calcium	21	mg/L
Arsenic	<0.005	mg/L
Molybdenum	<0.005	mg/L
Selenium	<0.005	mg/L
Sulfur	20.7	mg/L
Sulfate	62.1	mg/L
Uranium (ICP-MS)	0.0068	mg/L
Vanadium	0.016	mg/L

Seven bottle roll leach tests were performed at ambient pressure on splits of the composite. The objective of the testing was to analyze several chemical lixiviant combinations to provide information on uranium recovery relative to the various lixiviants. The testing was not designed to approximate in situ conditions but intended only to provide indications of the reaction rates. Three variables were evaluated during the tests:

Water character: Concentration of HCO<sub>3</sub>: Strength of Oxidant (H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>): Natural groundwater or distilled 500, 1,000 mg/L, 1,500 or 2,000 mg/L 250 or 500 mg/L

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The initial plan called for testing to proceed to 30 PVs. At 30 PVs the testing was extended to 60 PVs, and then once again to 90 PVs. Testing was halted at 90 PVs. The final test results after tails analyses of the tested material are shown in Table 12 and in the recovery curves illustrated in Figures 14 and 15. Bumps in the Head Grade curves in Figure 15 at 35 PVs and 65 PVs are due to short delays between the testing stages (at 30 PVs), which allowed for greater reaction time relative to the next subsequent sampling.

### Table 12. Bottle Roll Leach Test Results – 2014

Sample ID	Solution Base	Bicarbonate (NaHCO3) (mg/L)	Peroxide (H <sub>2</sub> O <sub>2</sub> ) (mg/L)	Uranium Recovery* %	Average Solution Concentration ppm
FAB-8C Test #1	Native Groundwater	Natural	250	8.1%	20.3
FAB-8C Test #2	Native Groundwater	1,000	250	78.3%	210.5
FAB-8C Test #3	Native Groundwater	1,500	250	86.9%	261.4
FAB-8C Test #4	Native Groundwater	2,000	250	89.6%	264.3
FAB-8C Test #5	Native Groundwater	2,000	500	90.0%	257.5
FAB-8C Test #6	Distilled Water	500	500	28.8%	87.3
FAB-8C Test #7	Distilled Water	1,000	500	66.0%	192.0

\*Uranium recovery after 90 PVs except for Test 4, which was terminated after 85 PVs.

These results show that the core is leachable under ambient laboratory conditions using native groundwater from the host sandstones. Bicarbonate content appears to be the most significant parameter. Reasonable recoveries can be achieved with lixiviant concentrations equal to or greater than 1,000 mg/L bicarbonate and 250 mg/L peroxide, and optimum recoveries can be achieved with a higher bicarbonate concentration of 2,000 mg/L. The percent recovery of uranium shown in Table 12 is based on 90 PVs. The recovery of arsenic, selenium and vanadium from these solutions was very low.

In the economic analysis of this Report, uranium production is based on an average wellfield head grade of 37 mg/L (ppm). This estimated head grade is conservatively lower than the average solution concentration encountered in the agitation leach (bottle-roll) testing (Table 12).

The QP considers the metallurgical and physical test work and results to date to be adequate to support general process design and selection. Pump testing and core analysis demonstrates that the aquifers have sufficient porosity, permeability and transmissivity to support ISR operations. Equilibrium testing demonstrates that, in general, positive equilibrium exists which indicates that uranium is present where gamma data suggest it is present and at the grade indicated by the probe data. Laboratory leach testing demonstrates that the uranium can be solubilized using a carbonate and oxygen based lixiviant.

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Figures 14 & 15. Uranium Recovery (%) Recovery Curves







### 11.0 MINERAL RESOURCE ESTIMATE

The mineral resources for the Project reported in this section have been estimated utilizing the GT contour method. The GT contour method is well accepted within the uranium ISR industry and is suited to guide detailed mine planning and estimates of recoverable mineral resources for roll front-type deposits such as those found in the Project.

### **11.1 Assumptions**

Resources within the Project are identified recognizing that roll front mineralization occurs in long, narrow, sinuous bodies which are found adjacent and parallel to alteration (redox) fronts. These commonly occur in multiple, vertically stacked horizons, each of which represents a unique resource entity. Resource classification requires horizontal continuity within individual horizons. Accumulation of resources in a vertical sense (i.e., accumulating multiple intercepts per drill hole) is not valid in ISR applications. Individual roll front mineral horizons are assumed to be no wider than 50 ft. unless sufficient information is available to establish otherwise.

In addition, certain assumptions were incorporated throughout all estimates:

- 1. The unit density of mineralized rock is 16.0 cu. ft. per ton, based on numerous core density measurements by PMC.
- 2. All geophysical logs are assumed to be calibrated per normally accepted protocols, and grade calculations are accurate.
- 3. All mineral classified as a resource occurs below the historical, pre-mining static water table.

### 11.2 Reasonable Prospects of Economic Extraction

Based on the depths of mineralization, average grade, thickness, GT, and selected cutoffs below, it is the QP's opinion that the mineral resources at the Project have a reasonable prospect of economic extraction by ISR methods using a variable long-term price ranging from \$63.04 to \$66.04 as discussed in Chapter 19. The sale price for the produced uranium is assumed to vary based on an annual average of the projections prepared by VIII Capital Corp., November 4, 2021; Cantor Fitzgerald Canada Corporation, October 18, 2021; H.C. Wainwright & Co., September 29, 2021; and UxC, LLC, December 6, 2021 (See Chapter 16).

### 11.3 Cutoff Selection

Mineral reportable as resources must be below the historical, pre-mining static water level and meet the following cutoff criteria:

Minimum Grade: 0.020% eU<sub>3</sub>O<sub>8</sub>.

Grade measured below this cutoff is considered as zero value.

Minimum GT (Grade × Thickness): 0.25.

Intercepts with GT values below this cutoff are mapped exterior to the GT contours employed for resource estimation, given zero resource value and, therefore, excluded from reported resources.

Minimum Thickness: No minimum thickness is applied but is inherent within the definition of GT (Grade × Thickness).





The cutoffs used in this Report are typical of ISR industry standard practice and represent appropriate values relative to current ISR operations. Experience at other ISR operations including URE's experience at its Lost Creek Mine have demonstrated that grades below 0.020% can technologically be successfully leached and recovered, given supporting economics. Due to the nature of roll front deposits and production well designs, the incremental cost of addressing low grades is minimal (given the presence of higher grades). Furthermore, a GT cutoff of 0.25 is representative of past ISR operations insimilar geologic and economic conditions. Definition of the term potentially economic as applied by URE is subjective and employed simply to identify higher quality mineralization which could potentially be pursued for production.

#### **11.4 Resource Classification**

Resource estimates were prepared using parameters relevant to the proposed mining of the deposit by ISR methods. The methodology relies on detailed mapping of mineral occurrences to establish continuity of intercepts within individual host sandstone units. The mineral resource estimates in this Report were reviewed and accepted by the QP.

URE employs a conservative resource classification system which is consistent with established professional standards and guidelines for reporting mineral resources for the purposes of S-K 1300. Mineral resources are identified as Measured, Indicated and Inferred based on the density of drill hole spacing, both historical and recent, and continuity of mineralization within the same mineral horizon (roll front).

In simplest terms, to conform to each classification, resources determined using the GT contour method must meet the following criteria:

- 1. Meet the 0.020% grade cutoff;
- 2. Occur within a singular mineral horizon (roll front);
- 3. Fall within the mapped 0.25 GT contour; and
- 4. Extend no farther from the drill hole than the radius of influence specified below for each category.

Employing these considerations, mineral which meets the above criteria is classified as a resource and assigned a level of confidence based on the following drill spacing guidelines:

 $\frac{\text{Measured:}}{\leq 100 \text{ ft.}}$  (i.e., mineral on trend, within the 0.25 GT contour, and which does not extend beyond 100 ft. from any given drill hole with potentially economic mineralization)  $\frac{\text{Indicated:}}{100 - 200 \text{ ft.}}$  (i.e., mineral on trend, within the 0.25 GT contour, and which extends from 100-200 ft. from any given drill hole with potentially economic mineralization)  $\frac{\text{Inferred:}}{200 - 400 \text{ ft.}}$  (i.e., mineral on trend, within the 0.25 GT contour, and which extends from 200-400 ft. from any given drill hole with potentially economic mineralization)





URE's mineral resources are contained in the designated FAB and Area 5 Resource Areas. PMC's historical drilling had focused on these designated resource areas to support future open pit mining operations. This drilling consisted of a 100-ft. grid throughout the FAB and most of Area 5 Resource Areas and included multiple drill hole fences at 10-ft. to 50-ft. spacing. Due to the very high density drilling within the resource areas, all resources were classified as Measured or Indicated. There are no mineral resources estimated in the Inferred category.

#### 11.5 Methodology

#### **Fundamentals**

The Project resources are defined by utilizing both historical and URE drilling information. The basic unit of mineral identity is the<u>mineral intercept</u>, and the basic unit of a mineral resource is the <u>mineral horizon</u>, which is generally synonymous to a roll front. Mineral intercepts are assigned to named mineral horizons based on geological interpretation by URE geologists founded on knowledge of stratigraphy, redox, and roll front geometry and zonation characteristics. Resources are derived and reported per mineral horizon (i.e., per roll front). In any given geographic area, resources in multiple mineral horizons may be combined into a <u>resource area</u>.

#### **Mineral Intercepts**

Uranium intercepts are derived from drill hole gamma logs and represent where the drill hole has intersected a mineralized zone. Calculation of uranium content detected by gamma logs is traditionally reported in terms of mineral grade as  $eU_3O_8\%$  on 0.5-ft. depth increments. A mineral intercept is defined as a continuous thickness interval in which the uranium concentration meets or exceeds the grade cutoff value, which is 0.020% for the Project. Uranium values below the cutoff grade are treated as zero value with regard to resource estimation. A mineral intercept is defined in the following terms:

- · <u>Thickness</u> of the mineralized interval that meets cutoff criteria,
- · <u>Average Grade</u> of mineral within that interval, and
- <u>Depth</u> below ground surface (bgs) to the top of that interval.

In addition, a GT value is assigned to each mineral intercept. GT is a convenient and functional single term used to represent the overall quality of the mineral intercept. It is employed as the basic criterion to characterize a potentially economic intercept, which at the Project is defined as  $GT \ge 0.25$ . Intercepts which do not make the potentially economic GT cutoff are excluded from the resource calculation but may be taken into consideration when drawing GT contours. As noted above, use of the term "potentially economic" by URE is applied in a generic sense and has no direct relation to any associated commodity price.

Each intercept is assigned to a stratigraphic and mineral horizon by means of geological evaluation. The primary criterion employed in assignment of mineral intercepts to mineral horizons is roll front correlation. Depth and elevation of intercepts are secondary criteria which support correlation. The evaluation also involves interpretation of roll front zonation (position within the roll front) by means of gamma curve signature, redox state, lithology, stratigraphic relationship and relative mineral quality. Mineral intercept data and associated interpretations are stored in a drill hole database inventoried per drill hole and mineralized horizon. This database includes mineral intercept data from approximately 2,482 historic and current drill holes. Using GIS software, this database is employed to generate map plots displaying GT values and interpretive data for each mineral horizon of interest. These maps become the basis for GT contouring as described below.





#### GT Contouring and Resource Estimation

For the map plots of GT values mentioned above, the GT contour lines are drafted honoring all GT values. Contours are carefully drawn by URE geologists to reflect knowledge of roll front geology and geometry. The GT contour maps thus generated for each mineral horizon form the foundation for resource calculation. In terms of geometry, the final product of a GT-contoured mineral horizon typically represents a mineral body that is fairly long, narrow, sinuous, and which closely parallels the redox front boundary. The following parameters are employed to characterize the mineral body:

Thickness:	Average thickness of intercepts assigned to the mineral horizon (inherent in GT values)
Grade:	Average grade of mineral intercepts assigned to the mineral horizon (inherent in GT values)
Depth:	Average depth of mineral intercepts below surface assigned to the top of the mineral horizon
Area:	Defined as the area interior to the 0.25 GT contour lines, more specifically:
Width:	Defined by the plan-view breadth of the 0.25 GT contour boundaries. Where sufficient data are unavailable (i.e, wide-spaced drilling) the width is assumed to be no greater than 50 ft.
Length:	Defined by the endpoints of the 0.25 GT contour boundaries. Where sufficient data are unavailable, length is limited to 400 ft. (i.e., 200 ft. on either side of a drill hole containing potentially economic intercept(s) – Indicated Resource category).

For resource estimation, the area of a mineral horizon is further partitioned into banded intervals between GT contours, to which the mean GT of the given contour interval is applied. Area values for each contour interval are then determined by GIS software and resources are then calculated for each contour interval employing the following equation.



Where:	
POUNDS	= Resources (lbs.)
AREA	= Area measured within any given GT contour interval (ft. <sup>2</sup> )
GT	= Mean GT within any given contour interval (%-ft.)
20	= Conversion constant: grade percent and tons to unit lbs.
	(1% of a ton)
TF	= Tonnage Factor: Rock density, a constant (=16.0 cu. Ft./ton) (enables conversion from volume to weight)





In map-view, resources for any given mineral horizon commonly occur in multiple "pods" rather than as a single, continuous body. Individual pods are then compiled per mineral horizon, summed and categorized by level of confidence (Measured or Indicated). The resource calculation process is streamlined using the same GIS software in which the mapping and GT contouring took place.

As is evident, the GT contour method for resource estimation is dependent on competent roll front geologists for accurate correlation and accurate contour depiction of the mineral body. Uranium industry experience has shown that the GT contour method remains the most dependable for reliable estimation of resources for roll front uranium deposits.

### **11.6 Resource Estimation Auditing**

The resource estimate detailed herein was evaluated for quality control and assurance using the following methods.

- 1. Random historical log files from PMC and others within the FAB and Area 5 Resource Areas were examined in detail to confirm gamma interpretations as well as grade calculations.
- 2. Multiple historical logs were reviewed to confirm geologic and grade continuity in both the FAB Trend and Area 5 Resource Areas.
- 3. Drilling density as depicted on maps and observed in the field was evaluated to demonstrate that the uranium mineralization at the Project was consistent with resource definitions.
- 4. Gamma and PFN probe calibration logs were reviewed.
- Detailed examination of significant resource bearing roll front systems was conducted in collaboration with URE geologists to confirm log interpretations, continuity of mineralization and nature of GT contour development.
- 6. Random mineralized pods within the resource model were evaluated to confirm the area assigned to the particular GT contour.
- Resource classification methods and results were reviewed against standard industry practices and professional standards, including CIM resource definitions (Canadian Institute of Mining, Metallurgy and Petroleum (Definition Standards, 2014)), for at least 25 pods of mineralization.

In summary, the QP accepts PMC and URE interpretations as having been properly done and as reasonable representations of the mineral present. These interpretations provide a reasonable basis for the calculation of uranium mineral resources at the Project.

#### **11.7 Summary of Resources**

Mineral resources are summarized in Table 1 and also in Table 13. In the latter table, the estimated mineral resources are listed by Resource Area and mineral horizon. Individual mineral horizons are related to the stratigraphy at the Project as illustrated in Figure 7 and consist of mineralized trends (roll fronts) in the 1) White River Formation (Twr) sandstones and 2) Wind River Formation (Twdr) sandstones. The Wind River sandstones are further split into the Upper, Main and Lower sand units.



# Table 13. Shirley Basin Project – Resource Summary by Mineral Horizon

			FAB							
			Measured		Indicated			Measured+Indicated		
Mineral	Interval	Avg. Grade (%e U <sub>3</sub> O <sub>8</sub> )	Short Tons	Pounds $U_3O_8$	Avg. Grade (%e U <sub>3</sub> O <sub>8</sub> )	Short Tons	Pounds $U_3O_8$	Avg. Grade (%e U <sub>3</sub> O <sub>8</sub> )	Short Tons	Pounds U <sub>3</sub> O <sub>8</sub>
Tw	/r	0.101	01 71,273 143,818 0.060 10,		10,940	13,156	0.095	82,214	156,975	
	Upper	0.180	44,434	159,761	0.136	30,461	82,768	0.162	74,895	242,529
Twdr	Main	0.297	972,857	5,779,880	0.115	374,445	859,718	0.246	1,347,302	6,639,598
	Lower	0.294	83,288	490,433	0.158	39,845	125,834	0.250	123,133	616,266
		0.280	1,171,853	6,573,891	0.119	455,691	1,081,476	0.235	1,627,544	7,655,368

			Area 5							
		Measured			Indicated			Measured+Indicated		
Mineral Interval		Avg. Grade (%e U <sub>3</sub> O <sub>8</sub> )	Short Tons	Pounds U <sub>3</sub> O <sub>8</sub>	Avg. Grade (%e U <sub>3</sub> O <sub>8</sub> )	Short Tons	$\begin{array}{c} Pounds \\ U_3O_8 \end{array}$	Avg. Grade (%e U <sub>3</sub> O <sub>8</sub> )	Short Tons	$\begin{array}{c} Pounds \\ U_3O_8 \end{array}$
Tw	r									
	Upper									
Twdr	Main	0.250	152,128	762,143	0.116	71,084	164,769	0.208	223,212	926,912
	Lower	0.217	42,591	184,647	0.112	21,830	48,791	0.181	64,421	233,438
		0.243	194,719	946,790	0.115	92,914	213,559	0.202	287,633	1,160,350

			Project Total								
			Measured			Indicated			Measured+Indicated		
Mineral Interval		Avg. Grade (%e U <sub>3</sub> O <sub>8</sub> )	Short Tons	Pounds $U_3O_8$	Avg. Grade (%e U <sub>3</sub> O <sub>8</sub> )	Short Tons	Pounds U <sub>3</sub> O <sub>8</sub>	Avg. Grade (%e U <sub>3</sub> O <sub>8</sub> )	Short Tons	Pounds $U_3O_8$	
Tw	r	0.101	71,273	143,818	0.060	10,940	13,156	0.095	82,214	156,975	
	Upper	0.180	44,434	159,761	0.136	30,461	82,768	0.162	74,895	242,529	



Twdr	Main	0.291	1,124,986	6,542,023	0.115	445,528	1,024,48	0.241	1,570,514	7,566,509
	Lower	0.268	125,878	675,080	0.142	61,676	174,624	0.227	187,554	849,704
		0.275	1,366,572	7,520,682	0.118	548,606	1,295,036	0.230	1,915,177	8,815,717

Notes:

- Twr Tertiary White River Formation Twdr Tertiary Wind River Formation Sum of Measured and Indicated tons and pounds may not add to the reported total due to rounding. Based on grade cutoff of 0.020% eU308 and a grade x thickness cutoff of 0.25 GT. Measured and Indicated Mineral Resources as defined in 17 CFR § 229.1300. Resources are reported as of December 31, 2021.

- All reported resources occur below the historical, pre-mining static water table.
- Sandstone density is 16.0 cu. ft./ton.
- 1. 2. 3. 4. 5. 6. 7. 8. 9. The point of reference for mineral resources is in-situ at the Project.
- 10. Mineral resources that are not mineral reserves do not have demonstrated economic viability.

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The current mineral resource estimate for the Project has a total of 8.816 million lbs. in the Measured and Indicated categories. This total consists of 7.521 million lbs. of Measured Resources and 1.295 million lbs. of Indicated Resources. There are no reported Inferred Resources because of the high drilling density at the site. Historical delineation drilling was conducted on a 100-ft. grid, including multiple drill hole fences with drill holes spaced as close as 10-50 ft. The average depth to the top of these resources is 312 ft. bgs.

There are numerous reasons that mineralization was interpreted as Measured Resources at the Project. First, the drill spacing used to categorize the Measured Resource category is less than or equal to the well spacing in a typical 5-spot production pattern (100 ft. spacing from injector to injector) described in Chapter 13.2.2 which enabled a detailed wellfield design to be completed. Second, as shown on the geologic cross sections, (Figure 8) the sub-surface geology at the Project is very well known with correlatable aquifers, consistent host sandstone intervals and reliable aquitards across the resource areas. Third, as shown in the map of mineralized trends, roll front picture, and roll front conceptual model (Figures 10, 11, and 12) mineralization occurs along the redox interface and the oxidized sands have different coloration than the reduced sands. These color variations are visible in drill cuttings and are used to map the redox interface and to guide drilling and wellfield design. Finally, the roll front deposit model used globally was developed at the Shirley Basin Mine in the early 1960s (Bailey & Gregory, 2011). This combination of drillhole spacing, well known subsurface geology, well understood deposit model, and the variety of data collected lead WWC to conclude that the mineralization in areas with drillhole spacing of less than or equal to 100 ft. ft the definition for Measured Resources.

Figure 16 illustrates the location of resources as defined by outlines of the 0.25 GT contour mineral pods and trends for the FAB Trend, and Figure 17 shows the same for Area 5. Figure 8is a pair of cross sections that illustrates the mineralization and strata in both the FAB and Area 5 Resource Areas. Note the change in the original topography, due to pre-stripping in areas adjacent to historical open pit mining operations.

### 11.8 Mineral Resource Estimate Risk

To the extent known, there are no current environmental, permitting, legal, title, taxation, socio-economic, marketing, or political factors which could materially affect the accessibility of the estimated resources.

Potential future risks to the accessibility of the estimated resource may include further consideration of the designation of the greater sage-grouse as an endangered species by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. The Project is not within a greater sage-grouse core area as defined by the State of Wyoming, (Governor's Executive Orders 2019-3 and 2020-1) and therefore there are no stipulations or restrictions on the Project. However, URE intends to work closely with the Wyoming Game and Fish Department and the BLM to mitigate any potential impacts on greater sage-grouse in adjacent areas.

As is typical for mineral resource estimates, there is risk of improper interpretation of geological data such as grade or continuity. Improper geological data interpretation could impact the estimated resource estimate, either positively or negatively. URE has expended considerable effort to ensure the accuracy and validity of drilling and mineral data used as the foundation of the resource estimates. Additionally, geologists contributing to this Report are thoroughly trained and experienced in understanding the nature of roll front uranium deposits to ensure realistic and accurate interpretations of the extent of mineralization.

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Figure 16. FAB Trend Resources




Figure 17. Area 5 Resources









# 12.0 MINERAL RESERVE ESTIMATES

There are no current mineral reserves on the Project.

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# **13.0 MINING METHODS**

The mining method addressed in this Report is ISR. There is no excavation of ore and no mining dilution with this method. Only minerals that can be taken into solution are recovered.

# 13.1 Mineral Deposit Amenability

URE plans to use the ISR mining technique at the Project. The District was the site of the first successful, commercial ISR operations in the U.S. From 1963-1970, 1.5 million lbs.  $L_{08}$  were produced through ISR methods. This historical production demonstrated the host Wind River Formation sandstones and the hydrological conditions of the site to be suitable for ISR production.

ISR is employed because this technique allows for the low cost and effective recovery of roll front mineralization. An additional benefit is that ISR is relatively environmentally benign when



compared to conventional open pit or underground recovery techniques. ISR does not require the installation of tailings facilities or significant surface disturbance.

This mining method utilizes injection wells to introduce a lixiviant into the mineralized zone. The lixiviant is made of native groundwater fortified with oxygen as an oxidizer, sodium bicarbonate as a complexing agent, and carbon dioxide for pH control. The oxidizer converts the uranium compounds from a relatively insoluble +4 valence state to a soluble +6 valence state. The complexing agent bonds with the uranium to form uranyl carbonate, which is highly soluble. The dissolved uranyl carbonate is then recovered through a series of new production wells and piped to a processing plant where the uranyl carbonate is removed from the solution using ion exchange. The groundwater is re-fortified with the oxidizer and complexing agent and sent back to the wellfield to recover additional uranium.

In order to use the ISR technique, the mineralized body must be saturated with groundwater, transmissive to water flow, and amenable to dissolution by an acceptable lixiviant. While not a requirement, it is beneficial if the production zone aquifer is relatively confined by overlying and underlying aquitards so it is easier to maintain control of the mining lixiviant. In addition to numerous historical monitor wells, URE completed 13 monitor wells at the Project in 2014 to determine the elevation of the water tables. The natural hydrostatic pressure within the Main and Lower Sands causes the water to rise in the well casing to approximately 145 to 240 ft. bgs. The Main and Lower Sands are completely saturated at the Project. Five hydrogeologic pump tests were performed within the Project in 2014 to demonstrate that the Main and Lower Sands are sufficiently transmissive to allow the lixiviant to flow through the production zone and dissolve the uranium mineral. The transmissivity of these sands measured during these pump tests ranged from 2,460 to 8,300 gpd/ft. This range of transmissivities is consistent with the rates at other successful ISR operations. Production well flow rates observed to date confirm aquifer characteristics are suitable for ISR.

Several agitation leach (bottle-roll) tests have been carried out on core samples from the Project to ensure leachability with an acceptable lixiviant. Test results show that recoveries of approximately 80% can be expected.





#### 13.2 Conceptual Wellfield Design

The most fundamental component of ISR mine development and production is the production pattern. A pattern consists of one production well and the injection wells which feed lixiviant to it. Injection wells are commonly shared by multiple production wells. Header houses serve multiple patterns and function as both distribution points for injection flow and collection points for production flow from the production wells. The processing plant feeds injection lixiviant to the header houses for distribution to the injection wells and receives and processes production flow from the header houses.

### 13.2.1 Revised Resources

The total resource base was evaluated based on physiographic and depth criteria to judge whether it is addressable with current ISR methods. The evaluation determined that portions of the total mineral resource are not addressable using current ISR methods. For the purpose of this Report, those portions of the mineral resource were excluded from economic consideration. These excluded resources may still be available to non-conventional ISR techniques and other mining methods.

#### Groundwater Table

For ISR operations, it is necessary that the uranium resources be located below the static water table. Within the Project, all resources within the Wind River Formation meet this important criterion,

being at least 20-40 ft. below the water table. However, some of the resources within the overlying White River Formation are located at or very near the static water table and therefore have insufficient hydraulic head for ISR production. This was identified by evaluating monitoring results from 13 monitor wells drilled by URE throughout the Project area for the purpose of measuring water levels and conducting pump tests. As a result, all the White River resources, totaling 156,975 lbs., have been removed from consideration as economically mineable resources.

#### Topography

Some resources have been removed from consideration as economically mineable resources due to adverse topographic conditions. Reclamation of the historical open pit mines did not involve complete backfilling. Rather, the pit walls were sloped and partially backfilled and the pit floors were allowed to flood, creating pit lakes as exist today. Locally the pit walls remain quite steep. Portions of the mineral resource in the western regions of the FAB Trend extend too close to pit lakes or occur on pit slopes too steep to efficiently construct ISR production patterns. Resources in these areas totaling 710,821 lbs. consequently have been removed from consideration as economically mineable resources.

The total resource base has been reduced by 867,796 lbs. due the above factors to yield a minable resource estimate of 7,947,921 lbs. UO8.

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Traditionally, the industry standard wellfield pattern is a 5-spot configuration consisting of four injection wells 100 ft. apart squarely placed around a central production well, resulting in a pattern of approximately 10,000 sq./ft. in area with an injection to production well distance of approximately 70 ft. However, in practicality, patterns are designed to best fit the sinuosity of the target mineral trends, and thus in most cases are not perfectly square. Furthermore, where fronts are narrow, it is prudent to combine 5-spots with other pattern configurations such as "line-drives" for maximum layout efficiency. (A line-drive pattern is a sequence of two injection wells feeding a single production well and has a much smaller area. The line-drive patterns are normally linked together following the roll front trend). It is anticipated that incorporating line-drive configurations along with modified 5-spots into the wellfield design will result in an average pattern size of approximately 9,000 sq. ft. for the Project. This average pattern size was used in conjunction with the total acreage associated with the resources that may potentially be mined to estimate the total number of patterns needed for the Project. This approach to estimating preliminary wellfields is comparable to the work done at URE's operating Lost Creek Mine.



In plan-view, patterns will be designed to overlay mapped roll fronts. Well completion intervals in each pattern will be carefully evaluated using available data to optimize lixiviant flow paths through targeted resources. Typically, patterns are planned to target up to two or three individually mapped and vertically stacked roll fronts. Targeting more would result in an undesirably thick and inefficient well completion interval. Operational experience has demonstrated the optimum injection/production well completion thickness to be between 10 and 25 ft. Consequently, the multiple individually mapped fronts in portions of the Project results in the "stacking" of wellfield areas. This occurs when two or more mining completions are planned for the same pattern area in an overlapping fashion. This is due to multiple mineralized horizons or the presence of more mineralized thickness than can be efficiently mined with a single well completion. Stacking occurs in approximately 30 percent of the total anticipated wellfield area. Therefore, the plan view composite acreage of the resources that may potentially be mined (180 acres) was multiplied by an estimated approximately 234 acres. Using this area, 1,130 patterns are estimated for the Project using an average pattern area of 9,000 sq. ft.

The Project-wide wellfield area has been divided into three mine units: MU1 and MU2 in the FAB Trend and MU3 in Area 5. Figures 18 and 19 illustrate the distribution of resources within the three mine units. A general description of the dimensions of each mine unit follows. MU1 is approximately 5,500 ft. long, varies in width from 500 to 1,800 ft. and has a composite wellfield area of approximately 83 acres. MU2 is approximately 5,400 ft. long, varies in width from 300 to 3,000 ft. and has a composite wellfield area of approximately 06 acres. MU3 is approximately 3,300 ft. long and 1,800 ft. wide with a composite wellfield area of approximately 45 acres. Within these mine units 2,261 injection wells and 1,130 production wells are estimated, using a 2:1 injection to production well ratio, for a total of 3,391 wells (Table 14). The average estimated well depth and completion thickness for the Project are approximately 3 reduction in development costs.





Figure 18. Mine Units – FAB Trend





Figure 19. Mine Unit – Area 5









It should be noted that due to the location of existing permit boundary along the southern border of Section 33, T28N, R78W there would be a reduction of approximately 261,728 lbs. of mineral resource that would be unable to be recovered due to the 250 ft. buffer required between mining wells and perimeter monitor wells. A permit revision that moves the permit boundary to the south, would enable the installation of perimeter monitor wells with a sufficient buffer to prevent loss of mineral resource. URE will pursue negotiations with the surface owner to the south in order to revise the permit boundary. The mineral resource estimate in this Report assumes that these pounds are recovered as there is virtually no risk that the permit revision would be denied by WDEQ-LQD. The number of patterns estimated for each mine unit is then used to calculate an average resource per pattern and an average recoverable resource of 5,624 lbs./pattern.

## Table 14. Development Summary by Mine Unit

| Mine Unit     | Resource<br>Area | Resource<br>(lbs. x 1000) <sup>1</sup> | Recoverable<br>Resource<br>(lbs. x 1000) | Average<br>lbs./Pattern | Average<br>Recoverable<br>lbs./Pattern | Injection<br>Wells | Production<br>Wells | Header<br>Houses | Average Well<br>Depth (ft.) <sup>2</sup> | Monitor<br>Wells |
|---------------|------------------|--|--|-------------------------|--|--------------------|---------------------|------------------|--|------------------|
| MU1           | FAB Trend        | 3,246                                  | 2,597                                    | 8,126                   | 6,501                                  | 799                | 399                 | 16               | 276                                      | 81               |
| MU2           | FAB Trend        | 3,541                                  | 2,833                                    | 6,878                   | 5,503                                  | 1,030              | 515                 | 21               | 298                                      | 98               |
| MU3           | Area 5           | 1,160                                  | 928                                      | 5,366                   | 4,293                                  | 432                | 216                 | 9                | 461                                      | 43               |
| Project Total |                  | 7,948                                  | 6,358                                    | 7,030                   | 5,624                                  | 2,261              | 1,130               | 46               | 321                                      | 222              |

<sup>1</sup> Sum of pounds may not add to the reported total due to rounding.

Project totals reflect weighted average.

#### 13.2.3 Monitor Wells

The planned monitor well network associated with the mine units is based on applicable regulatory requirements and guidance set forth by the WDEQ and the URP. In total, 222 monitor wells are estimated to be required, including 132 perimeter monitor ring wells and 90 interior monitor wells.

Perimeter monitor wells will surround each mine unit at an estimated spacing of 500 ft. from each other and 500 ft. from the nearest production pattern (Figures 18 and 19). Locally, an alternative closer spacing of perimeter monitor wells is assumed in areas where production patterns are planned near existing pit lakes or backfill, both resulting from past mining operations. These areas exhibit hydrologic conditions that are anticipated to require a more robust monitor well network with spacing of 250 ft. from each other and 250 ft. from the nearest production pattern.

Monitor wells interior to the wellfield are also required for every four acres of pattern area. These interior wells typically consist of a suite of three monitor wells: one completed in the overlying aquifer, one in the underlying aquifer and one in the production zone. However, in the Project area the Wind River production zone is underlain by thick Cretaceous marine shales and consequently no underlying aquifer has been identified. Therefore, the interior monitor wells are assumed to consist of only overlying and production zone monitor wells. These wells will be placed in pairs evenly distributed through each mine unit, with each pair composed of one of each type of well.



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#### 13.2.4 Mining Schedule

The mine life sequence can be described as development, production and groundwater restoration followed by surface reclamation (Figure 20). Construction activities which include development drilling, wellfield construction, and the installation of initial monitor wells will occur first and is anticipated to take approximately nine months. Annual production is estimated to be approximately one million pounds per year. Restoration and reclamation activities are scheduled to start soon after production is completed in a given mine unit. Final decommissioning will occur simultaneously with reclamation of the last production area. The schedule shown below has been prepared for the purpose of facilitating the preparation of the accompanying economic analysis. The actual timing on which URE makes a decision to commence construction will be dependent on a variety of market factors.

### Figure 20. Life of Mine Schedule



# 13.3 Piping

Pipelines transport the wellfield solutions to and from the planned satellite IX plant. The flow rates and pressures of the individual well lines are monitored in the header houses. Flow and pressure of the field production systems are also monitored and controlled as appropriate at the header houses. High density polyethylene (HDPE), PVC, stainless steel, or equivalent piping is used in the wellfields and will be designed and selected to meet design operating conditions. The lines from the satellite IX plant, header houses, and individual well lines will be buried for freeze protection and to minimize pipe movement.

Header houses are used to distribute lixiviant injection fluid to injection wells and collect pregnant solution from production wells. Each header house is connected to two trunk lines, one for receiving barren lixiviant from the satellite IX plant and one for conveying pregnant solutions to the satellite plant. The header houses include manifolds, valves, flow meters, pressure gauges, instrumentation and oxygen for incorporation into the injection fluid, as required. Each header house may service up to 75 wells (injection and production) depending on pattern geometry.

# 13.5 Wellfield Reagents and Electricity

The evaluation presented in this Report assumes, based on the production schedule and plan at full satellite flow, the use of the following reagents and electricity in the wellfields and satellite plant on an annual basis:

| Oxygen         | 53    | million standard cu. ft.     |
|----------------|-------|------------------------------|
| Carbon dioxide | 1,661 | tons                         |
| Electricity    | 8.8   | million kilowatt-hours (kWh) |

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# 13.6 Mining Fleet Equipment and Machinery

This evaluation includes the cost of the required equipment and machinery to support the installation and operation of wellfields, a 6,000 gpm satellite IX plant and post-mining reclamation activities. A summary listing of this initial equipment and machinery includes: two (2) ½-ton pickup trucks; 13 ½-ton pickup trucks; four (4) 1 ton trucks; one (1) logging truck; one (1) well testing truck; one (1) pulling unit; two (2) vacuum trucks; two (2) resin trailers; three (3) cementers; one (1) grouter; five (5) units – heavy equipment; three (3) forklifts; one (1) tractor with various implements; one (1) hose reel; four (4) frac tanks; two (2) portable generators; and various hand tools, radios and computers.

# 13.7 Mining Fleet Personnel

This evaluation includes the cost of the personnel required to operate the wellfield, satellite IX plant, and mine administration. The wellfield department will have up to 35.5 full time equivalent



(FTE) positions which include all personnel required for drilling, casing, logging, operations, and reclamation. The satellite plant department will have up to 11 FTE positions which would include personnel required to operate and maintain the satellite plant. The mine administration will require seven FTE positions to oversee mine operations, safety, and technical support staff. These FTE positions represent the total over the life of the Project and will not occur simultaneously. The maximum number of FTE positions at any one time is anticipated to be 48.5.



14.0 PROCESSING AND RECOVERY METHODS

ISR operations consist of four major solution circuits, and because the Project is anticipated to be a satellite to URE's Lost Creek Mine, only the first major solution circuit will be located at the Project. Loaded resin will be contract transported to the Lost Creek Mine, where the remainder of the processing will be completed. The four major solution circuits are:

- 1. Uranium recovery/extraction circuit (IX);
- 2. Elution circuit to remove the uranium from the IX resin;
- 3. Yellowcake precipitation circuit; and the
- 4. Dewatering, drying and packaging circuit.

Figure 21 presents a simplified process flow diagram illustrating the relationship between the Project satellite facility and the Lost Creek Mine.

#### **14.1 Satellite Operations**

Production fluid containing dissolved uranyl carbonate from the wellfields is pumped to the satellite IX plant for beneficiation as described below.

IX Circuit – The IX circuit will be housed in a metal building which will also house the resin transfer equipment as well as the restoration circuit. Uranium liberated from the underground deposits is extracted from the pregnant solution in the 6,000 gpm IX circuit. Subsequently, the barren lixiviant is reconstituted to the proper bicarbonate strength, as needed, and pH is corrected using carbon dioxide prior to being pumped back to the wellfield for reinjection. A low-volume bleed is permanently removed from the lixiviant flow in order to maintain an inward hydraulic gradient to the wellfields. The bleed is treated by RO to remove metals and salts (e.g., calcium, solium, sulfate) and the clean permeate is either reused in the process or recycled to suitable aquifers. This clean permeate is of better quality than the native groundwater. Brine will be disposed of in evaporation ponds and excess permeate will be disposed of in historical pit lakes at the site.

Associated with the satellite operations will be office, construction, maintenance, warehouse and drilling support buildings.

#### 14.2 Transportation

Once the IX resin is loaded to a point where it is no longer economically capturing uranium from the production solution, the IX resin column is taken offline and the loaded resin is moved to a trailer. The resin typically will be shipped in 500 cu. ft. loads and will have the majority of the water drained off prior to shipping. Bulk pneumatic trailers are planned to transport the resin to and from the Lost Creek Mine processing plant approximately 32 miles north of Wamsutter, Wyoming. The mode of hauling is proposed to be a contract carrier licensed to haul radioactive materials in the State of Wyoming. An example of such a carrier would be RSB Logistics who is currently contracted to haul the end product, yellowcake, from Lost Creek Mine to Metropolis, Illinois for final processing.





There are two possible routes from the Project to the Lost Creek Mine. The preferred route is south on Wyoming Highway 487, west on U.S. Highway 30/287 continuing west on Interstate 80, then north on the Wamsutter – Crooks Gap road to the Lost Creek Mine. The total length for this route is approximately 175 miles. The alternate route is north on Wyoming Highway 487, west on Wyoming Highway 220, continuing northwest on Wyoming Highway 287 then south on the Wamsutter – Crooks Gap road. The total length for this route is approximately 160 miles. While this route is shorter by 15 miles, it is the lesser traveled trucking route of the two.

Once the truck delivers the loaded trailer to Lost Creek Mine, a trailer with barren resin will be immediately returned to the Project satellite facility.

#### 14.3 Energy, Water, Process Materials, and Personnel

Estimates used in the evaluation presented in this Report assume the annual consumption of approximately 57,700 gallons of propane and 8.8 million kWh of electricity to heat and light the satellite plant and operate the process equipment and wellfields.

Chemicals that are anticipated to be used in the plant processes at the full design flow rate and the assumed annual consumption rates include:

| Soda ash                    | 1.53 | million lbs./year    |
|-----------------------------|------|----------------------|
| Resin (make-up/replacement) | 100  | cu. ft./year or less |

The soda ash will be stored, used and managed to ensure worker and environmental safety in accordance with standards developed by regulatory agencies and vendors. It will be stored in a silo outside the satellite plant and blown pneumatically or augered into the facility for mixing into bicarbonate, which will then be added into the injection lixiviant. Additional resin will only be purchased and added as necessary if resin is lost or damaged during normal operating processes. Under normal operating conditions, the resin is anticipated to last the life of the project or longer. For this Report, due to the potential wear associated with the trucking of resin, the cost of an additional 100 cu. ft. of resin each year was factored into the analysis.

Consumptive water usage for the satellite plant is based on the wellfield bleed and RO plant brine production rates which are described in more detail in Chapter 14.4.

Personnel requirements over the life of the Project will vary ranging from a low of four FTE positions in 2025 to a high of 48.5 FTE positions when the Project is in full production in 2027 through 2032. Personnel requirements are described in more detail in Chapter 13.7.

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# Figure 21. Process Flow Diagram



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# 14.4 Liquid Disposal

Typical ISR and restoration operations generate limited quantities of wastewater that cannot be returned to the production aquifers. The wastewater will be derived from: wellfield production bleed, satellite processes and wastewater treatment reject. The production bleed is a net withdrawal of water that generates an area of low hydrostatic pressure within the mining zone. Water surrounding the mining zone flows toward the area of low pressure thereby preventing mining solutions from migrating away from the mining zone toward protected waters. The wellfield production bleed rate is estimated at 0.5 to 1.5% of the total mine unit flow rate. The wastewater flow rate from the satellite plant will be minimal, on the order of 1 gpm, because the facility will house only the IX circuit without the elution, precipitation, filtration or drying circuits. The wastewater from restoration is related to initial purging of the production area (known as groundwater sweep, or GWS) and the untreatable brine related to multiple volumes of groundwater treated using RO where the permeate is reinjected. Because of the various degrees of wastewater treatment and concentration planned at the satellite facility, the rate of brine generated will average approximately 6 gpm, all of which will be evaporated in the two (2) onsite ponds. The permeate generated from all these operations will pass through a radium IX resin before being disposed in the historic pit lakes pursuant to URE's WYPDES permit (WY0096466). An average of 48 gpm of permeate recycling is expected over the production and restoration life of the project.

#### 14.5 Solid Waste Disposal

Solid wastes consist of empty packaging, miscellaneous pipes and fittings, tank sediments, solids related to wastewater concentration, used personal protective equipment and domestic trash. These materials are classified as contaminated or non-contaminated based on their radiological characteristics.

Non-contaminated solid waste is waste which is not contaminated with radioactive material or contaminated waste which can be decontaminated and re-classified as non-contaminated waste. This type of waste may include trash, piping, valves, instrumentation, equipment and any other items which are not contaminated or which may be successfully decontaminated. Current estimates are that the site will produce approximately 700 cubic yards of non-contaminated solid waste per year. Non-contaminated solid industrial waste will be collected in designated areas at the Project site and disposed of within the permitted, on-site industrial solid waste land fill. Non-contaminated solid household waste will be shipped by a contractor to a local land fill.

Contaminated solid waste consists of solid waste contaminated with radioactive material that cannot be decontaminated. This waste will be classified as 11e.(2) byproduct material as defined by federal and state regulations. This byproduct material consists of solids generated through concentration of wastewater, filters, personal protective equipment, spent resin, piping, etc. URE owns a licensed, 11e.(2) byproduct material disposal site at Shirley Basin which can receive these materials. It is estimated that the Project will produce approximately 90 cubic yards of 11e.(2) byproduct material as waste per year. This estimate is based on the waste generation rates of similar uranium ISR facilities.





## **15.0 INFRASTRUCTURE**

#### 15.1 Roads

Four types of roads will be used for access to the Project and its production areas. They include primary access roads, secondary access roads, temporary wellfield access roads, and well access roads. The Project area is served by Wyoming Highway 487 as depicted on Figure 1. Wyoming Highway 487 is a state maintained, two-lane, sealed, asphalt road providing year around access. Access to this highway from the north (Casper) is via Wyoming Highway 220, and access from the south (Laramie or Rawlins) is via US Highway 30/287. Once on the Project, there is a crown-and-ditched gravel access road to the former mill site area (Figure 3). The proposed access to the ISR production area will require upgrading approximately 1.9 miles of an existing graded access road which is reached by Carbon County Road 2, Shirley Ridge Road. In addition to the designated routes, there are a number of tertiary or "two-track" roads that traverse the area for recreation and access to wells.

Snow removal and periodic surface maintenance will be performed as needed. The secondary access roads are used at the Project to provide access to the wellfield header houses. The secondary access roads are constructed with limited cut and fill construction and may be surfaced with small sized aggregate or other appropriate material.

The temporary wellfield access roads are for access to drilling sites, wellfield development, or ancillary areas assisting in wellfield development. When possible, URE will use existing two-track trails or designate two-track trails where the land surface is not typically modified to accommodate the road. The temporary wellfield access roads will be used throughout the mining areas and will be reclaimed at the end of mining and restoration.

#### 15.2 Electricity

A regional power transmission line (69 kV) passes through the northern portions of the Project. Also, an existing energized power line leads to a substation with transformer bank near the field office, and from there a currently inactive power line (poles only) extends to the FAB Trend. The line was originally installed to serve the Pathfinder Mine. Service to the area is through High Plains Electric. On-site power will be owned by PMC and will be constructed by contract overhead power electricians. Prior to operation of the Project, the substation will be upgraded and new lines run to the proposed satellite plant and wellfields. Power lines from header houses to production wells will be placed underground using direct burial wire.

#### **15.3 Holding Ponds**

Up to six holding ponds will be used to contain process wastewater and brine. It is anticipated the ponds will be built immediately east of the planned plant site (shown on Figure 18). Each of the earthen banked ponds will be designed to be approximately 295 by 385 ft., as measured from centerline, crest to crest. The ponds will have a triple lined containment system, two synthetic liners and a single clay liner, with leak detection between the synthetic liners. The rigorous procedures established at the Lost Creek Mine to ensure proper inspection, operation, and maintenance of the holding ponds will be employed at the Project.

#### 15.4 Water

There are existing water wells located at the Project capable of providing sufficient supply for domestic and other potential operational requirements. Well WW22 is currently used as a supply well and is capable of producing over 25 gpm. There are several backup water wells that are installed but have not been utilized to date. Additional new and appropriately sited water source wells will be considered for future site use. Water impounded in the reclaimed mine pits is also suitable for use in drilling and would be available pending construction of approach ramps.





## **16.0 MARKET STUDIES**

Unlike other commodities, uranium does not trade on an open market. Contracts are negotiated privately between buyers and sellers. Sales contracts vary in quantity and duration from spot market transactions, typically one-time, near-term deliveries involving as little as 25,000 lbs.  $U_3O_8$ , to long term sales agreements covering deliveries over multiple future years with quantities in the hundreds of thousands to millions of pounds of  $U_3O_8$ . This economic analysis assumes a variable price per pound for  $U_3O_8$  over the life of the Project ranging from \$63.04 in 2027 up to \$66.04 per pound starting in 2030.

The future price assumptions were created by taking the simple average (mean) of the annual price projections prepared by four independent financial firms: VIII Capital Corp., Cantor Fitzgerald Canada Corporation, H.C. Wainwright & Co. and UxC, LLC. Each of the projections was independently prepared and reflects the individual, proprietary projections of each firm regarding future uranium prices. The projections were prepared by the firm as of the date of the specific reports (VIII Capital Corp., November 4, 2021; Cantor Fitzgerald Canada Corporation, October 18, 2021; H.C. Wainwright & Co., September 29, 2021; and UxC, LLC, December 6, 2021. See also Chapter 24 References). In certain cases, the price projections provided by the firms did not extend through 2033, which is the final year used in the economic analysis. In that circumstance, the final year of that firm's price projection was used in calculating the average for all subsequent years, ensuring that four different values were averaged for each year in the economic analysis.

The QP believes these estimates are appropriate for use in the evaluation, and the results support the assumptions herein.

URE has not entered into any uranium supply contracts that are tied to production from the Project. The price projection model includes components reflective of URE's market strategy of blending both Long Term and Spot Market sales. The anticipated sales prices are considered within the sensitivities in this Report. The income from the estimated production at the anticipated sales price is included in the cash flow estimate.

The marketability of uranium and acceptance of uranium mining is subject to numerous factors beyond the control of URE. The price of uranium may experience volatile and significant price movements over short periods of time. Factors beyond our control affect the market, including demand for nuclear power; changes in public acceptance of nuclear power generation; political and economic conditions in uranium mining, producing and consuming countries; costs and availability of financing of nuclear plants; changes in governmental regulations; global or regional consumption patterns; speculative activities and increased production due to new extraction developments and improved production methods; the future viability and acceptance of small modular reactors or micro-reactors and the related fuel requirements for this new technology; reprocessing of spent fuel and the re-enrichment of depleted uranium tails or waste; and global economics, including currency exchange rates, interest rates and expectations of inflation. Any future accidents, or threats of or incidents of war, civil unrest or terrorism, at nuclear facilities are likely to also impact the conditions of uranium mining and the use and acceptance of nuclear energy. The economic analysis and associated sensitivities are within the range of current market variability.

During the construction phase of the plant, several contracts will be required with various construction related venders. No construction contracts have been entered into at the date of this Report. Operational purchasing agreements will be required with the primary chemical suppliers. None of these agreements has been entered into. Finally, agreements will be required with a transportation company for the transport of loaded resin from the Project to the Lost Creek Mine for processing of yellowcake and transport of the yellowcake to the conversion facility.





#### 17.0 ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES, PERMITTING, AND PLANS, NEGOTIATIONS, OR AGREEMENTS WITH LOCAL INDIVIDUALS OR GROUPS

#### **17.1 Environmental Studies**

Extensive environmental studies, including geology, surface hydrology, sub-surface hydrology, geochemistry, fisheries, wetlands, air quality, vegetation, wildlife, archeology, meteorology, background radiometrics, and soils were conducted for various permitting actions. The geology, hydrology, meteorology, and radiometric studies were performed by URE professionals and staff, while the remaining studies were performed by contracted experts. Permitting commenced following the completion of all baseline field work. All major authorizations to construct and operate the Project have been received. At this time, there are no known environmental factors which could materially impact the ability to recover uranium resources and to maintain permitted authorizations.

#### 17.2 Waste Disposal and Monitoring

#### 17.2.1 Waste Disposal

Non-household waste generated from an ISR facility generally consists of water from the wellfield and processing plant and solid waste generated from the plant. Both types of waste are classified as 11e.(2) byproduct material pursuant to the Atomic Energy Act (AEA). During production, the wastewater will be treated by RO and radium IX resin. The brine will be disposed of in evaporation ponds, while the excess permeate will be disposed of into the historic pit lakes pursuant to the WYPDES permit (WY0096466).

The solid 11e.(2) waste generated on-site will consist of solids related to wastewater concentration, personal protective equipment, filters, and used process equipment. The 11e.(2) byproduct material will be disposed of in the on-site tailings facility, which is operated under a URP license as a commercial disposal facility.

#### 17.2.2 Site Monitoring

Once mining begins there will be considerable site monitoring to ensure protection of the environment and protection of employees and the public from radionuclide effluent. Each mine unit will be surrounded laterally and vertically with a series of monitor wells to ensure mining solutions do not migrate out of the mining zone. The wells will be sampled twice per month with the results compared against pre-determined upper control limits.

Significant environmental monitoring for radionuclide effluents will also take place during mining and reclamation. Nine sites have been pre-selected for monitoring gamma radiation and radon levels. Sampling devices will be replaced each quarter during operations and continue through groundwater restoration. Additionally, five sites have been selected for monitoring the concentration of airborne radionuclides. The air filters in the devices are changed out about every two weeks and quarterly composites are submitted to a contract laboratory for analysis. The laboratory results will be compared against baseline values to determine if any upward trending is occurring. The radionuclide concentration in local soils, surface water and vegetation will also be monitored to determine if mine effluent is causing impacts.

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Finally, wildlife monitoring will continue throughout the life of the mine and will cover a variety of species including greater sage-grouse, big game, migratory birds, fish, lagomorphs, songbirds and other species deemed to be of concern by permitting agencies. Third-party contractors will be utilized to perform wildlife monitoring.

## 17.3 Permitting

Several significant federal, state, and county authorizations must be obtained prior to construction and operation of an ISR project. The Project has received all major environmental permits. See Chapter 3.5.2 for a description of the permits that have been received or are in process.

#### 17.4 Social or Community Impact

The Project is proximate to the communities of Casper and Medicine Bow. Casper is approximately 40 miles north of the Project and has a population of 59,038 people according to the 2020 census. Medicine Bow is located 32 miles south of the site and has a population of 245 people (U.S. Census 2020). URE expects to hire site personnel from these communities as well as from other small, more distant communities. Employment will likely have a positive impact on these communities not only through direct payroll, but through primary and secondary purchases of goods and services.

The immediate area around the facility is very sparsely populated. The nearest home is approximately 2.7 miles from the Project. The next nearest home is greater than nine miles away.

URE has committed to significant monitoring and regulatory oversight in support of its mining activities. These commitments assist in protecting the mining area and its surrounding resources. In addition, a surety bond is in place to ensure the proper restoration and reclamation of existing infrastructure. The surety will be updated annually during the life of the Project to account for changes in reclamation liability. Nuisance and hazardous conditions which could affect local communities are not expected to be generated by the facility. The level of traffic in the region will increase slightly but the impact to local roads is expected to be minor.

#### 17.5 Mine Closure Cost

Throughout the life of the mine URE will be required to annually assess the reclamation liability and submit the estimate to the URP, BLM, and LQD for review and approval. Upon approval by the agencies, a surety instrument sufficient to cover the reclamation liability must be established and maintained. Upon complete facility reclamation, the remaining surety would be returned to URE. The current facility surety amounts, which are intended to cover the cost of reclaiming historical activities, are presented in Chapter 3.5.1.

# 17.5.1 Well Abandonment / Groundwater Restoration

Groundwater restoration will begin as soon as practicable after uranium recovery in each wellfield is completed (as determined by project economics). If a depleted wellfield is near an area that is being actively mined, a portion of the depleted area's restoration may be delayed to limit interference with the ongoing recovery operations.

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Restoration completion assumes up to six PVs of groundwater will be extracted and treated by RO. Following completion of successful restoration activities, the injection and production wells will be plugged and abandoned in accordance with LQD regulations. Monitor wells will also be abandoned following verification of successful groundwater restoration.

#### 17.5.2 Demolition and Removal of Infrastructure

Simultaneous with well abandonment operations, the trunk and feeder pipelines will be removed, tested for radiological contamination, segregated as either solid 11e.(2) or non-11e.(2) byproduct material, then chipped and disposed of in the appropriate on-site disposal facilities. The header houses will be disconnected from their foundations, decontaminated, segregated as either solid 11e.(2) or non-11e.(2) byproduct material, and disposed of on-site in the appropriate disposal facilities or recycled. The processing equipment and ancillary structures will be demolished, tested for radiological properties, segregated and either scrapped or disposed of on-site in the appropriate disposal facilities based on their radiological properties.

#### 17.5.3 Site Grading and Revegetation

Following the removal of wellfield and plant infrastructure, site roads will be removed, and the site will be re-graded to approximate pre-development contours and the stockpiled topsoil placed over disturbed areas. The disturbed areas will then be seeded.

### **17.6 Adequacy of Current Plans**

In the QP's opinion the current plans to address any environmental compliance, permitting, or local individual or group issues meet the requirements set forth by regulatory agencies are adequate.



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# **18.0 CAPITAL AND OPERATING COSTS**

Capital Costs (CAPEX) and Operating Costs (OPEX) are based on the geological evaluation of the resource as described in Chapter 11.0 and the installation of conceptual production patterns, header houses, pipelines, powerlines, fences, roads, and other infrastructure to produce 80% of the resource as described in Chapter 13.1. The estimated costs for the Project are based on the costs for materials and services at the Lost Creek Mine as well as capital purchases escalated against the Consumer Price Index or the gross domestic product: implicit price deflator adjusted to December 2021 (CPI, 2021 & FRED, 2021). OPEX costs include the drilling and installation of the mine units as well as all operating costs such as chemicals, labor, utilities and maintenance. OPEX costs are most sensitive to wellfield costs – which may increase if well spacing needs to be reduced or additional injection/production wells are required. In addition, a shortage of drilling rigs and the increased OPEX costs.

#### 18.1 Capital Cost Estimation (CAPEX)

CAPEX costs were developed based on the current designs, quantities and unit costs. The cost estimates presented herein are based on personnel and capital equipment requirements, as well as wellfield layouts, process flow diagrams, tank and process equipment and buildings at URE's Lost Creek Mine in Sweetwater County, Wyoming. The Project has pre-mining development and capital costs of \$33.1 million, which are detailed on Table 15.

### Table 15. Summary of CAPEX Cost Estimation

| Initial Capital (\$ million)        |                             |  |  |  |  |  |
|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------|--|--|--|--|--|
| Total Plant Capital                 | \$21.5                      |  |  |  |  |  |
| Pre-Mining Development (\$ million) |                             |  |  |  |  |  |
| Labor                               | \$ 3.3                      |  |  |  |  |  |
| Wellfield Drilling                  | \$ 4.0                      |  |  |  |  |  |
| Wellfield Construction              | \$ 4.0                      |  |  |  |  |  |
| Operating Cost                      | \$ 0.3                      |  |  |  |  |  |
|                                     | Total CAPEX \$ 33.1 million |  |  |  |  |  |

After the start of mining, subsequent mine unit drilling and installation costs are considered in the OPEX category. The only items in the CAPEX category for the remainder of the mine life are in the sustaining capital category. These will include replacement of pickup trucks, resin trailers, a backhoe, a forklift and routine replacement of hand tools, 2-way radios, computers and generators used in sampling. The sustaining capital cost is estimated to be \$0.9 million. The sustaining capital estimate is based on purchases of the same equipment and/or vendor pricing adjusted utilizing the Consumer Price Index or the gross domestic product: implicit price deflator to December 2021 (CPI, 2021 & FRED, 2021). Since costs from Lost Creek Mine are current and wellfield and satellite plant designs at the Project are expected to be similar to Lost Creek Mine, no additional contingency was applied to the CAPEX costs for the purposes of this Report.





#### 18.2 Operating Cost Estimation (OPEX)

The OPEX costs have been developed by evaluating and including each process unit operation and the associated required operating services (power, water, air, waste disposal), infrastructure (offices, shops and roads), salary and benefit burden, and environmental control (heat, air conditioning, monitoring). Also included are the wells to mine MUs 1, 2 and 3. The annual OPEX and the closure cost summary for the plant is provided in Table 16. Total OPEX costs, including selling, production and operating costs have been estimated at \$101.4 million, or approximately \$15.95 per pound. The costs are based on the current agreements, contracts and costs at the operating Lost Creek Mine and therefore have no contingency attached. The prices for the major items identified in this Report have been sourced in the U.S. Major cost categories considered when developing OPEX costs include wellfield, plant and site administration costs as detailed in Table 16.

#### 18.2.1 Wellfield Development Costs

The first series of header houses will be brought online sequentially until the nominal plant throughput (approximately 5,500 to 6,000 gpm), or such other targeted production level as may be determined from time to time is attained. The remainder of MU1 and additional areas will be developed in such a way as to allow for plant capacity to be maintained.

The wellfield development costs include both wellfield drilling and wellfield construction activities and were estimated based on current wellfield designs including the number, location, depth and construction material specifications for wells and header houses and the hydraulic conveyance (piping) system associated with the wellfields. Additionally, trunk and feeder pipelines, electrical service, roads and wellfield fencing are included in the cost estimates. The wellfield development estimate is based on costs from vendors, contractors, labor wages and equipment rates used to drill and construct at the Lost Creek Mine. No contingency is included given that wellfield development is ongoing at Lost Creek Mine and all the costs are current. The estimated wellfield development cost of the Project is \$53.0 million or \$8.33 per pound and is contained annually in the Cash Flow Statement provided in Table 17.

#### 18.3 Accuracy of the CAPEX and OPEX Estimates

The CAPEX and OPEX costs described herein are based on actual costs incurred by URE at the Lost Creek Mine; weather, labor, and general operating conditions at the Lost Creek Mine are similar enough to conditions at Shirley Basin that the costs are not expected to vary significantly between the sites. As such, no contingency was applied for this analysis. Given the advanced level of drilling data available and detailed planning completed to date, the accuracy of this analysis is estimated at +/- 10%.

#### 18.4 Risk

There are a number of risks associated with the assumptions made to develop these estimates which are described in more detail within Chapter 22.3. The estimates included in this analysis are based on actual costs from operations at the Lost Creek Mine, which to some degree de-risks the estimates. The approach taken in this estimate was to utilize cost data that have been obtained in previous years and then escalate the cost data by inflation factors published by U.S. government agencies to current values. Perhaps the biggest risk with this approach is that the inflation factors for various items may vary more than estimated. At the time of this analysis the economy is still recovering from supply disruptions caused by COVID-19. The supply demand imbalance has resulted in the prices of some items inflating faster than other items. As supply balances out with demand, the QP anticipates prices for all products will equilibrate to published inflation rates. There is some risk that short term run ups in prices for specific items is not transitory and the higher prices become more permanent.

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| Life of Mine<br>Operating                  | 2025    | ,            | 2026        | 2027         | 2028           | 2020           | 2020          | 2021         | 2022         | 2022          | 2024          | 2025        | 2026       | 2027       | 2028       | Totals     | \$/<br>Bound |
|--|---------|--------------|-------------|--------------|----------------|----------------|---------------|--------------|--------------|---------------|---------------|-------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|--------------|
| Costs                                      | 2023    |              | 2020        | 2027         | 2028           | 2029           | 2030          | (\$000s exc  | 2032         | 2033          | 2034          | 2033        | 2030       | 2037       | 2038       | Totais     | rounu        |
| Salarias (9000s except cost per pound unu) |         |              |             |              |                |                |               |              |              |               |               |             |            |            |            |            |              |
| and Wages                                  |         |              |             |              |                |                |               |              |              |               |               |             |            |            |            |            |              |
| (Plant)                                    | \$      | - \$         | - \$        | (1.319.4) \$ | (1.439.4) \$   | (1.439.4) \$   | (1.439.4) \$  | (1.439.4) \$ | (1.439.4) \$ | (1.414.3) \$( | (1.319.2) \$( | 1.092.7) \$ | (492.3) \$ | (389.0)\$  | (194.5) \$ | (13.418.4) | \$ (2.11)    |
| Salaries                                   | -       | -            | +           | (-,,,+       | (-,,+          | (1,12)11)4     | (1,12,11)4    | (1,12))‡     | (-,,)+       | (-,,+,        | (-,,-)+(      | -,-,-,-,+   | (.,,)+     | ()+        | (-,)+      | (,,        | , + ()       |
| and Wages                                  |         |              |             |              |                |                |               |              |              |               |               |             |            |            |            |            |              |
| (Wellfield)                                | \$      | - \$         | - \$        | (1,942.8)\$  | (2,119.4)\$    | (2,119.4)\$    | (2,119.4)\$   | (2,058.7)\$  | (2,015.4)\$  | (1,507.2)\$   | (630.8)\$     | (630.8)\$   | (350.9)\$  | (138.6)\$  | (138.6)\$  | (15,771.9) | \$ (2.48)    |
| Wellfield                                  |         |              |             |              |                |                |               |              |              |               |               |             |            |            |            |            |              |
| costs                                      |         |              |             |              |                |                |               |              |              |               |               |             |            |            |            |            |              |
| (excludes                                  |         |              |             |              |                |                |               |              |              |               |               |             |            |            |            |            |              |
| closure                                    |         |              |             |              |                |                |               |              |              |               |               |             |            |            |            |            |              |
| related)                                   | \$      | - \$         | - \$        | (1,092.1)\$  | (1,181.5)\$    | (1,407.0)\$    | (1,509.4)\$   | (1,569.9)\$  | (1,126.0)\$  | (1,216.6)\$   | (710.1)\$     | (316.7)\$   | - \$       | - \$       | - \$       | (10,129.3) | )\$ (1.59)   |
| Processing                                 |         |              |             |              |                |                |               |              |              |               |               |             |            |            |            |            |              |
| Plant Costs                                |         |              |             |              |                |                |               |              |              |               |               |             |            |            |            |            |              |
| (excludes                                  |         |              |             |              |                |                |               |              |              |               |               |             |            |            |            |            |              |
| closure<br>related)                        | ¢       | ¢            | ¢           | (26660)\$    | (2 4 9 1 0) \$ | (2 770 1) \$   | (2 547 2) \$  | (2 452 2) \$ | (2 002 1) \$ | (2 810 2) \$  | (700.1)\$     | (47.1) \$   | (72.5) \$  | (26.8) \$  | (26.9) \$  | (24 706 2  | \$ (2.80)    |
| Product                                    | ¢       | p            | - ,5        | (3,000.0)\$  | (3,401.9)\$    | (3,770.1)\$    | (3,347.3)\$   | (3,433.3)\$  | (2,995.1)\$  | (2,010.5) \$  | (790.1)\$     | (47.1) \$   | (73.3) \$  | (30.8) \$  | (30.8) \$  | (24,700.2) | )\$ (3.09)   |
| Shinning                                   |         |              |             |              |                |                |               |              |              |               |               |             |            |            |            |            |              |
| Costs &                                    |         |              |             |              |                |                |               |              |              |               |               |             |            |            |            |            |              |
| Conversion                                 |         |              |             |              |                |                |               |              |              |               |               |             |            |            |            |            |              |
| Facility                                   |         |              |             |              |                |                |               |              |              |               |               |             |            |            |            |            |              |
| Fees                                       | \$      | - \$         | - \$        | (362.8)\$    | (338.3)\$      | (354.3)\$      | (329.9)\$     | (303.0)\$    | (292.0)\$    | (270.1)\$     | (50.2)\$      | - \$        | - \$       | - \$       | - \$       | (2,300.6   | )\$ (0.36)   |
| Land                                       |         |              |             |              |                |                |               |              |              |               |               |             |            |            |            |            |              |
| Holding &                                  |         |              |             |              |                |                |               |              |              |               |               |             |            |            |            |            |              |
| Surface                                    |         |              |             |              |                |                |               |              |              |               |               |             |            |            |            |            |              |
| Impact                                     |         |              |             |              |                |                |               |              |              |               |               |             |            |            |            |            |              |
| Costs                                      | \$ (12  | .6) \$       | (12.6)\$    | (12.6)\$     | (12.6)\$       | (12.6)\$       | (12.6)\$      | (12.6)\$     | (18.6)\$     | (18.6)\$      | (18.6)\$      | (18.6)\$    | (18.6)\$   | (18.6)\$   | - \$       | (199.2)    | )\$ (0.03)   |
| Wyoming                                    |         |              |             |              |                |                |               |              |              |               |               |             |            |            |            |            |              |
| URP Fees                                   | \$(116. | 0)\$         | (116.0)\$   | (116.0)\$    | (116.0)\$      | (116.0)\$      | (116.0)\$     | (116.0)\$    | (116.0)\$    | (116.0)\$     | (116.0)\$     | (116.0)\$   | (116.0)\$  | (116.0)\$  | - \$       | (1,508.0)  | )\$ (0.24)   |
| Insurance                                  | @ (27.1 | <b>-</b>     | 1.51(0) \$  | (002.0.*     | (1.0(2.5) *    | (1.201.0) *    | (1 200 2) *   | (1.420.5).*  | (1.115.0) *  | (1.0(0.0) *   | 1 0 0 1 7 *   | 10(50 *     | 1 457 4 *  | 0 705 0 A  | 1 410 0 0  | (0.500.5)  | . (0.41)     |
| & Bonding                                  | \$(3/1. | <u>/)\$(</u> | 1,516.8)    | (993.6) \$   | (1,263.5) \$   | (1,321.8) \$   | (1,380.2) \$  | (1,438.5) \$ | (1,115.2) \$ | (1,268.8) \$  | 1,231.7 \$    | 1,265.0 \$  | 1,457.4 \$ | 2,/05.8 \$ | 1,419.9 \$ | (2,590.5   | (0.41)       |
| Subtotal                                   | \$(500. | 2)\$(        | 1,045.4) \$ | (9,505.3)\$  | (9,952.6) \$   | (10,540.6) \$( | 10,454.2) \$( | (10,391.4)\$ | (9,115.6)\$  | (8,621.8)\$(  | (2,403.3)\$   | (956.8)\$   | 406.1 \$   | 2,006.9 \$ | 1,050.0 \$ | (/0,624.1  | ) \$(11.11)  |
|  |         |              |             |              |                |                |               |              |              |               |               |             |            |            |            |            |              |



Table 16. Annual Operating Costs (OPEX) Summary


| Closure     |             |           |           |           |                                       |             |             |              |                |              |              |          |               |             |               |           |
|-------------|-------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|---------------------------------------|-------------|-------------|--------------|----------------|--------------|--------------|----------|---------------|-------------|---------------|-----------|
| costs (less |             |           |           |           |                                       |             |             |              |                |              |              |          |               |             |               |           |
| wages)      | \$ - \$     | - \$      | - \$      | (163.4)\$ | (1,371.0)\$                           | (1,341.5)\$ | (1,768.9)\$ | (1,700.3)\$  | (2,349.2) \$(  | 1,601.1) \$( | 1,357.7) \$( | 1,729.0) | \$(4,823.7)\$ | (4,823.7)\$ | (23,029.5) \$ | \$ (3.62) |
| Home        |             |           |           |           |                                       |             |             |              |                |              |              |          |               |             |               |           |
| Office      |             |           |           |           |                                       |             |             |              |                |              |              |          |               |             |               |           |
| Support     |             |           |           |           |                                       |             |             |              |                |              |              |          |               |             |               |           |
| and         |             |           |           |           |                                       |             |             |              |                |              |              |          |               |             |               |           |
| Allocated   |             |           |           |           |                                       |             |             |              |                |              |              |          |               |             |               |           |
| Overhead    | \$(466.8)\$ | (583.5)\$ | (583.5)\$ | (583.5)\$ | (583.5)\$                             | (583.5)\$   | (583.5)\$   | (583.5)\$    | (583.5)\$      | (583.5)\$    | (583.5)\$    | (583.5)  | \$ (583.5)\$  | (291.8)\$   | (7,760.6) \$  | \$ (1.22) |
| Subtotal    | \$(466.8)\$ | (583.5)\$ | (583.5)\$ | (746.9)\$ | (1,954.5)\$                           | (1,925.0)\$ | (2,352.4)\$ | (2,283.8) \$ | (2,932.7) \$(2 | 2,184.6) \$( | 1,941.2) \$( | 2,312.5) | \$(5,407.2)\$ | (5,115.5)\$ | (30,790.0) \$ | 5 (4.84)  |
|             |             | (         | ·         |           | · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · |             |             |              | ^              |              |              |          | ·             | <u> </u>    |               | <u> </u>  |

# Total \$(967.0) \$(2,228.9) \$(10,088.8) \$(10,699.5) \$(12,495.1) \$(12,379.2) \$(12,743.7) \$(11,399.4) \$(11,554.5) \$(4,587.8) \$(2,898.0) \$(1,906.4) \$(3,400.3) \$(4,065.5) \$(101,414.1) \$(15.95) \$(12,916.4) \$(10,916.4) \$(2,216.4) \$(10,916.4) \$(2,216.

- 1. For the purposes of this economic analysis, development activities and related costs are assumed to begin in year 2025 followed by operations and related costs. The actual timing on which URE makes a decision to commence construction will be dependent on a variety of market factors.
- 2. Wellfield operating costs include power, maintenance, chemicals and other wellfield operating costs.
- Closure costs assume no salvage value for materials and equipment.
- Land holding costs include 70 claims at \$165 each annually.
- Regulatory fees are now handled through the State of Wyoming Uranium Recovery Program at an average rate of \$116,000 per year.
- Shipping costs are based on 35,000 pounds U3O8 per truckload and shipments from Lost Creek to Metropolis, Illinois.
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   5.
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   7.
   8. Bonding requires a 2.5% premium to be paid and 30% collateral to be posted. The posted collateral is returned as closure work is completed and the bonding requirement is reduced. Closure costs are based on WDEQ approved formulas and previously approved surety submittals.

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Table 17. Cash Flow Statement

| Description                           | 2025 |      | 2026  |      | 2027     | 2028     | 3     | 2029        | 2030        | 2031        | 2032             | 2033               | 2034             | 2035        | 2036        | 2037 | 2038 |      | Totals    | \$ /<br>Pound     |
|---------------------------------------|------|------|-------|------|----------|----------|-------|-------------|-------------|-------------|------------------|--------------------|------------------|-------------|-------------|------|------|------|-----------|-------------------|
| Pounds<br>produced                    |      | _    | 8,051 | 1,   | 068,460  | 944,     | 796   | 998,181     | 905,153     | 872,081     | 772,110          | 694,706            | 94,800           | -           | -           |      | -    | _    | 6,358,337 |                   |
| Pounds sold                           |      | -    | -     | 1,   | 000,000  | 900,     | 000   | 1,000,000   | 900,000     | 800,000     | 800,000          | 800,000            | 158,337          | -           | -           |      | -    | -    | 6,358,337 |                   |
| Average<br>price per<br>pound<br>sold | \$   | - \$ | -     | \$   | 63.04    | \$ 64    | 4.15  | \$ 64.98    | \$ 66.04    | \$ 66.04    | \$ 66.04         | \$ 66.04           | \$ 66.04         | s -         | <i>s</i> -  | - \$ | - \$ | - \$ | 65.13     |                   |
|                                       |      |      |       |      |          |          |       |             |             |             |                  |                    |                  |             |             |      |      |      |           |                   |
| Sales                                 | \$   | - \$ | -     | \$ 6 | 63,040.0 | \$ 57,73 | \$5.0 | \$ 64,980.0 | \$ 59,436.0 | \$ 52,832.0 | \$ 52,832.0      | \$ 52,832.0        | \$10,456.6       | s -         | \$ -        | - \$ | - \$ | - \$ | 414,143.6 | \$ 65.13          |
| Royalties                             | \$   | - \$ | -     | \$   | -        | \$       | -     | <u>\$</u> - | <u>\$</u> - | <u>\$</u> - | <u>\$ (36.2)</u> | <u>\$ (207.4</u> ) | <u>\$ (27.7)</u> | <u>\$ -</u> | <u>\$</u> - | \$   | - \$ | - \$ | (271.3)   | <u>\$ (0.04</u> ) |
| Net sales                             | \$   | - \$ | -     | \$ 6 | 53,040.0 | \$ 57,73 | 85.0  | \$ 64,980.0 | \$ 59,436.0 | \$ 52,832.0 | \$ 52,795.8      | \$ 52,624.6        | \$10,428.9       | \$-         | <b>\$</b> - | - \$ | - \$ | - \$ | 413,872.3 | \$ 65.09          |



| Operating<br>costs (see<br>Table 12)<br>Wyoming | \$  | (967.0)\$          | (2,228.9) \$  | (10,088.8) \$( | (10,699.5)\$ | (12,495.1) \$( | 12,379.2) \$( | 12,743.7) \$(        | 11,399.4) \$(                           | 11,554.5)\$  | (4,587.8) \$( | (2,898.0) \$( | 1,906.4) \$(3         | 3,400.3) \$(4,         | ,065.5) \$(1        | 01,414.1) \$(15.95)              |
|---|---|--------------------|---------------|----------------|--------------|----------------|---------------|----------------------|---|--------------|---------------|---------------|-----------------------|------------------------|---------------------|----------------------------------|
| severance<br>tax                                | s   | - \$               | - \$          | (1 379 6) \$   | (1 231 9) \$ | (1 315 9) \$   | (1 210 8) \$  | (1.056.5) \$         | (1.059.4) \$                            | (1 004 8) \$ | (125 4) \$    | - \$          | - \$                  | - \$                   | - \$                | (8 384 4) \$ (1 32)              |
| Carbon  | Ŷ   | Ŷ                  | Ŷ             | (1,27)10)4     | (1,2011)) 0  | (1,515.5) ¢    | (1,21010) \$  | (1,000.0) \$         | (1,00))¢                                | (1,00110)0   | (12011) ¢     | Ψ             | Ŷ                     | Ψ                      | Ψ                   | (0,0011) \$ (1.02)               |
| County ad<br>valorem tay                        | x \$  | - \$               | - \$          | (2,210.0)\$    | (1,973.5)\$  | (2,108.0)\$    | (1,939.6)\$   | (1,692.5)\$          | (1,697.1)\$                             | (1,609.7)\$  | (200.8)\$     | - \$          | - \$                  | - \$                   | - \$ (              | (13,431.1) \$ (2.11)             |
| Wellfield                                       |   | ¢                  | ¢             | (5.544.0) @    | (0.050.0).6  | (0.110.0.¢     | (7,520,7) 0   | (0.(15.0) \$(        | 11.007.1).0                             | (2017.7) 0   |               | ¢             | ¢                     | ¢                      | <b>.</b>            | (52.0(4.0) @ (0.22)              |
| developme                                       | nt \$   | - \$               | - \$          | (5,544.0)\$    | (8,250.8)\$  | (8,110.6)\$    | (7,538.7)\$   | (8,615.9) \$(        | 11,087.1)\$                             | (3,817.7)\$  | - \$          | - \$          | - \$                  | - \$                   | - \$ (              | 52,964.9) \$ (8.33)              |
| property ta:                                    | x \$  | - \$               | (55.6)\$      | (269.8)\$      | (233.7)\$    | (192.5)\$      | (148.3)\$     | (109.8)\$            | (70.9)\$                                | (37.2)\$     | (4.6)\$       | (0.0)\$       | (0.7)\$               | (0.7)\$                | (0.7)\$             | (1,124.5) \$ (0.18)              |
| Working   |   |                    |               |                |              |                |               |                      |   |              |               |               |                       |                        |                     |                                  |
| capital   | ¢   | ¢                  | ¢             | (( 204 0) ¢    | (111.0) @    | (92.0) ¢       | (10(0))       | ((010 \$             | ¢                                       | (( 594 0) @  | 27249 0       | 2 9 40 2 0    | ¢                     | ¢                      | ¢                   | ¢                                |
| changes   | \$  | - 2                | - 3           | (0,304.0) \$   | (111.0) \$   | (83.0) \$      | (106.0) \$    | 0,004.0 \$           | - 3                                     | (0,584.0) \$ | 2,/34.8 \$    | 3,849.2 \$    | - 3                   | - 3                    | - 3                 | - 5 -                            |
| Project   |   |                    |               |                |              |                |               |                      |   |              |               |               |                       |                        |                     |                                  |
| cash flo  | w \$  | (967.0) \$         | (2,284.5) \$  | 37,243.9 \$    | 35,234.5 \$  | 40,674.8 \$    | 36,113.5 \$   | 35,217.7 \$          | 27,481.8 \$                             | 28,016.7 \$  | 8,245.0 \$    | 951.2 \$(1    | 1,907.1) \$(3         | 8,401.1) \$(4,         | ,066.2) \$ 2        | 36,553.3 \$ 37.20                |
|   |   |                    |               |                |              |                |               |                      |   |              |               |               |                       |                        |                     |                                  |
| Pre-mine<br>developme                           | nt \$(  | 1,544.1)\$         | (8,548.4)\$   | (1,501.5)\$    | - \$         | - \$           | - \$          | - \$                 | - \$                                    | - \$         | - \$          | - \$          | - \$                  | - \$                   | - \$ (              | (11,594.0) \$ (1.82)             |
| Initial   |   |                    |               |                |              |                |               |                      |   |              |               |               |                       |                        |                     |                                  |
| capital   | \$  | (900) \$           | (20,558)\$    | - \$           | - \$         | - \$           | - \$          | - \$                 | - \$                                    | - \$         | - \$          | - \$          | - \$                  | - \$                   | - \$ (              | 21,457.6) \$ (3.37)              |
| capital   | s   | - \$               | (10.5).\$     | (11.7) \$      | (98.0) \$    | (47)           | (2637)\$      | (98.0) \$            | (266.1) \$                              | (61.9).\$    | (7.6) \$      | (88.4) \$     | (134)\$               | - \$                   | - \$                | (923.9) \$ (0.15)                |
| Capital   | Ψ   | ψ                  | (10.5) @      | (11.7) \$      | (70.0) @     | <u>(1.7)</u>   | (205.7) \$    | ()0.0) \$            | (200.1) \$                              | (01.) \$     | (7.0) \$      | (00.1) \$     | (15.1) \$             | φ                      | Ψ                   | ()25.5) @ (0.15)                 |
| Net casl<br>flow<br>before                      | h   |                    |               |                |              |                |               |                      |   |              |               |               |                       |                        |                     |                                  |
| tax   | \$(   | 3,410.7) <u>\$</u> | (31,401.4) \$ | 35,730.7 \$    | 35,136.5 \$  | 40,670.1 \$    | 35,849.8 \$   | 35,119.7 <u></u> \$2 | 27,215.7 \$                             | 27,954.8 \$  | 8,237.5 \$    | 862.9 \$(1    | 1,920.5) <u>\$(</u> 3 | 3,401.1) <u>\$(4</u> , | <u>,066.2) § 2</u>  | <u>802,577.8</u> <u>\$ 31.86</u> |
| Endonal   |   |                    |               |                |              |                |               |                      |   |              |               |               |                       |                        |                     |                                  |
| income tax                                      | s   | - \$               | - \$          | (3 512) \$     | (6 246) \$   | (7 408) \$     | (6 396) \$    | (6 243) \$           | (4 583) \$                              | (4 738) \$   | (1.617)\$     | (181) \$      | - \$                  | - \$                   | - \$ (              | (40 924 9) \$ (6 44)             |
| State   | -   | · ·                |               | (*,**=)*       | (0,2.0) +    | (,,)+          | (0,270)4      | (*, ) +              | (,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,, | (1,120)4     | (-,)+         | (101) #       | Ť                     |                        | ÷ (                 | (,) + ()                         |
| income tax                                      | \$  | - \$               | - \$          | (1,589) \$     | (2,826) \$   | (3,351) \$     | (2,894) \$    | (2,824) \$           | (2,073) \$                              | (2,144) \$   | (731) \$      | (82) \$       | - \$                  | - \$                   | - \$ (              | (18,513.6) \$ (2.91)             |
| Not oos   | L.  |                    |               |                |              |                |               |                      |   |              |               |               |                       |                        |                     |                                  |
| flow  | 1   |                    |               |                |              |                |               |                      |   |              |               |               |                       |                        |                     |                                  |
| after ta  | <u>x \$(</u>  | 3,532.9) <u>\$</u> | (32,857.2) \$ | 30,554.1 \$    | 26,059.5 \$  | 29,910.1 \$    | 26,546.9 \$   | 26,047.9 <u>\$</u> 2 | 20,546.1 \$                             | 21,070.0 \$  | 5,889.2 \$    | 595.3 \$(1    | 1,921.2) <u>\$(</u> 3 | 3,401.1) <u>\$(4</u> , | .066.2) <u>\$</u> 1 | 43,139.3 \$ 22.51                |
|   | _   |                    |               |                |              |                |               |                      |   |              |               |               |                       |                        |                     |                                  |
| <ol> <li>For the<br/>URE 1</li> </ol>           | . For the purposes of this economic analysis, development activities and related costs are assumed to begin in year 2025 followed by operations and related costs. The actual timing on which URE makes a decision to commence construction will be dependent on a variety of market factors. |                    |               |                |              |                |               |                      |   |              |               |               |                       |                        |                     |                                  |

Production is based on an 80% recovery of the under-pattern resource. 2.

Uranium sales price is the annual average of the projections of VIII Capital Corp., November 4, 2021; Cantor Fitzgerald Canada Corporation, October 18, 2021; H.C. Wainwright & Co., September 29, 2021; and UxC, LLC, December 6, 2021, as further discussed in Chapter 16. 3.

Wellfield development includes wellfield drilling and wellfield construction costs.

4. 5. 6. 7. Working capital changes are primarily related to annual cash flow timing differences in accounts receivable and accounts payable and totals to zero. The NPV and IRR calculations are based on Year 2023 to Year 2035.

Due to extensive drilling on the project prior to purchase, no exploration drilling is planned.





### **19.0 ECONOMIC ANALYSIS**

Cautionary Statement: This Preliminary Economic Assessment and Technical Report Summary is preliminary in nature and includes mineral resources. Mineral resources that are not mineral reserves do not have demonstrated economic viability. There is increased risk and uncertainty to commencing and conducting production without established mineral reserves that may result in economic and technical failure which may adversely impact future profitability. The estimated mineral recovery used in this Preliminary Economic Assessment and Technical Report Summary is based on site-specific laboratory recovery data as well as URE personnel and industry experience at similar facilities. There can be no assurance that recovery of mineral resources at this level will be achieved. There is no certainty that the preliminary economic assessment will be realized.

#### **19.1 Assumptions**

The economic assessment presented in this Report is based on geological evaluation and mapping of production areas, determining which areas are not viable for production activities due to hydrologic or topographic features and obtaining an 80% recovery of the remaining resources, as described in Chapter 16.3.1, within the FAB and Area 5 Resource Areas.

A cash flow statement has been developed based on the CAPEX, OPEX and closure cost estimates and the production schedule. The sales price for the produced uranium is assumed at a variable price per pound for the life of the Project ranging from \$63.04 to \$66.04 per pound. This price is based on the annual average of the projections of reports prepared by VIII Capital Corp., November 4, 2021; Cantor Fitzgerald Canada Corporation, October 18, 2021; H.C. Wainwright & Co., September 29, 2021; and UxC, LLC, December 6, 2021 (See Chapter 16).

Uranium recovery from the mineral resource is assumed based on an estimated wellfield recovery factor of 80% of the resource, as described in Chapter 16.3.1. The production rate assumes an average solution uranium grade (head grade) of approximately 37 mg/L. The sales for the cash flow are developed by applying the recovery factor to the resource estimate for the Project. The total production over the life of the Project is estimated to be 6.4 million lbs.  $U_3O_8$ .

#### **19.2 Cash Flow Forecast and Production Schedule**

The NPV assumes cash flows take place in the middle of the periods and is calculated based on a discounted cash flow. The production estimates and OPEX distribution used to develop the cash flow are based on the production and restoration models developed by URE and incorporated in the cash flow (Table 17). The cash flow assumes no escalation, no debt interest or capital repayment. It also does not include depreciation. Assuming URE pursues the schedule shown in Chapter 13.2.4 above, the estimated payback is in the fourth quarter of 2027, with net cash flow before income tax over the life of the Project estimated to be \$202.6 million and \$143.1 million after tax. It is estimated that the Project has a before tax IRR of 102.8 percent and an NPV of \$134.6 million applying an eight percent discount rate. The estimated cost of uranium produced is \$33.23 per pound including severance taxes plus all operating and capital costs. The NPV for three discount rates has been calculated and is presented in Table 18. The estimated IRR is also presented.





# 19.3 Taxation

The current Wyoming severance tax rate for uranium is 4.0 percent, but after the well head deduction it is approximately 2.0 percent of gross sales. The ad valorem tax rate for uranium is approximately eight percent, but after the well head deduction it is approximately 3.2 percent of gross sales. In aggregate and based on the taxable portion of the product, the total tax averages approximately 5.3 percent of gross sales. At the federal level, profit from mining ventures is taxable at corporate income tax rates. For mineral properties, depletion tax credits are available on a cost or percentage basis, whichever is greater.

#### Table 18. NPV Versus Discount Rate and IRR

| Discount Rates and IRR | Units     | Before Income Tax | After Income Tax |
|------------------------|-----------|-------------------|------------------|
| 5%                     | US\$ 000s | \$156,291         | \$109,868        |
| 8%                     | US\$ 000s | \$134,551         | \$94,132         |
| 10%                    | US\$ 000s | \$122,042         | \$85,051         |
|                        |           |                   |                  |
| IRR                    | %         | 102.8%            | 80.7%            |

The Project economic analysis includes tax estimates for state severance taxes, county ad valorem taxes and property taxes, all of which are directly attributable to the Project. Wyoming has no state income tax. Calculations are included for both before and after Federal income tax estimates. Ur-Energy USA Inc. does not anticipate paying federal income taxes until the estimated tax losses carried forward are utilized. In addition, reclamation costs can be deducted in the early years of the Project, thus also extending the time before any possible tax liability.



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#### 20.0 ADJACENT PROPERTIES

Adjacent Properties refers to non-URE both historic and currently held mineral properties in close proximity to the Project. Several mineral properties adjacent to or in close proximity to the Project contain unconfirmed uranium resources. Additionally, there are several past producing properties in the Shirley Basin. The three distinct portions of the Shirley Basin can be identified as follows: East Shirley Basin, Central Shirley Basin and West Shirley Basin. All past production has taken place in the East Shirley Basin region. URE's Project is located in the northern portion of the East Shirley Basin area. The historical Petrotomics mine and mill complex, now in perpetual care with the U.S. Department of Energy, is immediately south of the Project. Uranium One Americas, Inc. (now owned by Uranium Energy Corporation) controls a large exploration project, consisting of unpatched mining claims and State of Wyoming leases, in the southern portion of this area.

Cameco controls the majority of the Central Shirley Basin area through unpatented mining claims and a State of Wyoming lease. On its website, Cameco identifies 4.4 million lbs. of Measured and Indicated Resources, averaging 0.126% U<sub>3</sub>O<sub>8</sub> on this property (Cameco 2021). Uranium Energy Corporation also holds some unpatented mining claims in this area and controls a small exploration project in the West Shirley Basin, consisting of unpatented mining claims.

This Report addresses only property and deposits controlled by URE and not the described Adjacent Properties. The QP believes that any information available on resources on the Adjacent Properties would not necessarily be indicative of the mineralization present at the Project.



# 21.0 OTHER RELEVANT DATA AND INFORMATION

There is no other relevant data or information to include.

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# 22.0 INTERPRETATION AND CONCLUSIONS

This independent Report for the Project has been prepared in accordance with the guidelines set forth in S-K 1300 and NI 43-101. Its objective is to disclose the mineral resources estimate and the potential viability of ISR operations at the Project.

#### 22.1 Conclusions

The QP has weighed the potential benefits and risks presented in this Report and have found the Project to be potentially viable and meriting further evaluation and development.

#### 22.2 Sensitivity Analysis

The Project is sensitive to changes in the price of uranium as shown in Figures 22 and 23. A five percent change in the estimated commodity price results in a \$13.4 million change to the before tax NPV and \$9.3 million to the after tax NPV at a discount rate of eight percent. This analysis is based on a variable commodity price per pound. The Project is also somewhat sensitive to changes in OPEX costs. A five percent variation in OPEX results in a \$5.1 million variation in the before tax NPV and \$2.4 million to the after tax NPV. The Project is least sensitive to changes in CAPEX. A five percent variation in CAPEX results in a \$1.5 million variation in the before tax NPV and \$1.6 million variation in the after tax NPV.

#### Figure 22. Before Tax NPV Sensitivity to Price, OPEX and CAPEX



Figure 23. After Tax NPV Sensitivity to Price, OPEX and CAPEX



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22.3 Risk Assessment

#### 22.3.1 Resource and Recovery

This Report is based on the assumptions and information presented herein. The QP can provide no assurance that recovery of the resources presented herein will be achieved. Bench-scale tests have been performed on various core samples from the Project. The most significant potential risks to meeting the production results presented in this Report will be associated with the success of the wellfield operation and recovery of uranium from the targeted host sands. The estimated quantity of recovered uranium used in this Report is based primarily on the recovery data from site-specific, bench-scale testing of mineralized samples. The recovery factor of 80%, used herein, is relatively typical of industry experience for wellfield recovery. A potential problem that could occur in the wellfield recovery process is unknown or variable geochemical conditions resulting in uranium recovery rates from the mineralized zones that are significantly different from previous bench-scale tests.

The Upper Sand has approximately 20 ft. of hydraulic head above the top of the sand, which may present a challenge for recovery of a small portion of the resources in the planned Mine Unit 2 area. It should be noted that less than three percent of the overall resource base targeted for recovery is hosted within the Upper Sand. An alternate oxidant, such as hydrogen peroxide, which was approved in the original permit and license, may need to be considered with shallower resource recovery within the Upper Sand. The costs associated with alternative oxidants are not currently included in this Report.

The proposed perimeter monitor well rings surrounding some of the planned mine units have monitor wells located on adjoining lands. As wellfield planning progresses, adjustments to pattern layouts and/or resources under pattern may be required.

Other potential concerns are reduced hydraulic conductivity in the formation due to chemical precipitation during production, lower natural hydraulic conductivities than estimated, high flare and/or recovery of significant amounts of groundwater, the need for additional injection wells to increase uranium recovery rates, variability in the uranium concentration in the host sands and discontinuity of the mineralized zone confining layers. The risks associated with these potential issues have been minimized to the extent possible by extensive delineation and hydraulic studies of the site.

Adequate disposal capacity for wastewater is always a risk to be considered when planning a uranium ISR facility. Use of the three-stage RO facility and holding ponds, and the disposal of permeate into the historic pit lakes is planned to address the disposal of wastewater and brine at the Project. The Project may also dispose of sludge in the on-site 11e.(2) byproduct disposal facility.

#### 22.3.2 Markets and Contracts

The marketability of uranium and acceptance of uranium mining are subject to numerous factors beyond the control of URE. Factors beyond our control affect the market, including demand for nuclear power; changes in public acceptance of nuclear power generation; political and economic conditions in uranium mining, producing and consuming countries; costs and availability of financing of nuclear plants; changes in governmental regulations; global or regional consumption patterns; speculative activities and increased production due to new extraction developments and improved production methods; the future viability and acceptance of small modular reactors or micro-reactors and the related fuel requirements for this new technology; reprocessing of spent fuel and the re-enrichment of depleted uranium tails or waste; and global economics, including currency exchange rates, interest rates and expectations of inflation. Any future accidents, or threats of or incidents of war, civil unrest or terrorism, at nuclear facilities are likely to also impact the conditions of uranium mining and the use and acceptance of nuclear energy.









Unlike other commodities, uranium does not trade on an open market. Contracts are negotiated privately by buyers and sellers. Changes in the price of uranium can have a significant impact on the economic performance of the Project. A five percent change in the spot commodity price results in a \$13.4 million change to the before tax NPV at a discount rate of eight percent. This analysis assumes the variable pricing utilized in the cash flow analysis is varied by five percent throughout the "sales life" of the Project.

This Report assumes  $U_3O_8$  production is sold at a variable price per pound for the life of the Project ranging from \$63.04 to \$66.04. This price is based on the annual average of the price projections prepared by four independent financial firms: from expert market analysts at institutions including VIII Capital Corp. (2021); Cantor Fitzgerald Canada Corporation (2021); H.C. Wainwright & Co. (2021); and UxC, LLC (2021) (See also Chapter 16). The QP believes these estimates were appropriate for use in the evaluation.

#### 22.3.3 Operations

Some operational risks such as reagents, power, labor and/or material cost fluctuations exist in the Project implementation and could impact the OPEX and Project economic performance. These potential risks are generally considered to be addressable either though wellfield modifications or plant optimization. The satellite plant risk is minimized in that it is only an IX plant used to capture the uranium on IX resin. Any issue with precipitation and drying can be dealt with at the Lost Creek Mine, which was constructed as a batch precipitation and drying operation, which allows for process variations and enhanced control. Furthermore, the Lost Creek Mine is a proven production facility with more than eight years of operation, so there is little risk that the Lost Creek plant cannot successfully process loaded IX resin from the Project.

The IX capture, trucking of resin and elution processes have been, and are being used at other ISR facilities in Wyoming and Texas. The process does not use any unusual methods and the reagents for the process are readily available from regional sources. Initial process optimization will be required to minimize the use of reagents, minimize loss of product and ensure proper product quality.

Health and safety programs will be implemented to control the risk of on-site and off-site exposures to uranium, operational incidents and/or process chemicals. Standard industry practices exist for this type of operation and novel approaches to risk control and management will not be required.

The continuing political and legal issues surrounding the 2015 decision to not list the greater sage-grouse as endangered and the BLM Resource Management Plans regarding the species are complex. At this time, it is unknown whether greater geographic restrictions related to the species will be introduced and implemented, but it is not anticipated any such restrictions would impede operations at the Project which is not in designated core area. This is particularly true because approved operations typically continue to have the right to mine when such additional regulatory controls are implemented. It is possible that additional stipulations may be introduced by state or federal agencies.

#### 22.3.4 Social and/or Political

As with any uranium project in the USA, there will undoubtedly be some social/political/environmental opposition to development of the Project. The Shirley Basin is relatively remote. As such, there are very few people that could be directly impacted by the Project. In addition, the Project is the site of extensive historical uranium mining with significant long-term impacts. Wyoming is known to be friendly to mining and has a well-established, robust regulatory framework. The Shirley Basin permitting process concluded following three opportunities for public comment and received no substantive negative comments. The Project has strong local support, including from local ranchers. While ever present with permitting projects, social, political, or environmental opposition to the Project is not likely to be a major risk.

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#### 23.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

The QP finds the Project is potentially viable based on the assumptions contained herein. The Project is located in an area of extensive historical mining and the scale and quality of the ISR Mineral Resources indicate favorable conditions for future extraction from the Project. There is no certainty that the mineral recovery or the economic analyses presented in this Report will be realized. In order to realize the full potential benefits described in this Report, the following activities are recommended, at a minimum, and as market conditions warrant.

URE should continue with its work on advancing the project toward construction of facilities and installation of wellfields. The pre-mining development and capital costs to construct facilities and install wellfields, included in Table 15, are estimated to be \$33.1 million. For the purpose of the economic analysis included in this Report, these activities and related costs are assumed to occur in 2025 and 2026. The costs for construction design and management are included in this amount.

URE should continue with its pre-construction design and engineering work related to wastewater management processes and procedures with the goal of concentrating and minimizing RO brine production and maximizing permeate output. Further costs for this continued design and engineering work are estimated to be \$0.2 million.

URE should work to expand the permit boundary into Sections 3 and 4 of T27N, R78W to allow recovery of Mine Unit 2 resources that may not be fully recovered due to proximity to the proposed perimeter monitor well ring. Costs for the permit revision are estimated to be \$25,000 and will require U.S. Department of Energy consent to the operation and reclamation plans.





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# 25.0 RELIANCE ON INFORMATION PROVIDED BY THE REGISTRANT

For this Report, the QP has relied on information provided by URE regarding property ownership, title and mineral rights in light of reviews by mineral title specialists retained from time to time by URE; regulatory status and environmental information including liabilities on the Project; capital expenditures and operating expenditures (including utilizing operational and financial analyses based upon the URE's operating Lost Creek Mine); and estimated commodity sales prices. Additionally, this Report was prepared by the QP with reliance on reports and information from others as cited throughout this Report and as referenced in Chapter 16.0 and Chapter 24.0.

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# 26.0: DATE AND SIGNATURE PAGES

# CERTIFICATE OF AUTHOR

Western Water Consultants, Inc., d/b/a WWC Engineering (WWC), of 1849 Terra Avenue, Sheridan, Wyoming, USA do hereby certify that:

- WWC is an independent, third-party engineering firm comprised of mining experts, such as professional geologists, professional mining engineers and certified environmental scientists.
- WWC has read the definition of "qualified person" set out in S-K 1300 and certify that by reason of education, professional registration, and relevant work experience, WWC professionals fulfill the requirements to be a "qualified person" for the purposes of S-K 1300.

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