

## INSPIRATION MINING MOBILIZES CREW FOR DRILLING AT ROTTENSTONE NORTH GOLD-COPPER PROJECT IN NORTHERN SASKATCHEWAN

Vancouver, British Columbia--(Newsfile Corp. - May 8, 2026) - **Inspiration Mining Corp. (CSE: ISP) (OTCID: ISPNF) (WKN: A40GPX)**("Inspiration" or the "Company") wishes to announce that crews have been mobilized to the drill site and drilling is expected to commence in the coming days on its Rottenstone North Gold-Copper Project (the "**Project**") in Northern Saskatchewan. The Company plans to test VMS-style copper-zinc-lead-silver-gold targets along the southeastern boundary of the Project.

Drill holes have been planned based on geophysical anomalies and regional structural corridors interpreted to be on strike or sub-parallel with Ramp Metals' Rush VMS-style copper-zinc-silver discovery. Inspiration's drill targets were prioritized based on regional geology and structural interpretation, coincident regional geophysics and remote-sensing (satellite) derived anomalies, and proximity to known mineralized trends in the area.

***"These are very exciting days for exploration companies," stated Charles Desjardins, CEO. "We are about to commence drilling and we are very confident in our geological setting and our systematic approach to our drill locations. We have done the home work and our direct neighbour Ramp Metals Inc. has hit 9-9 VMS in their holes drilled on trend and beside our property. (see map) Management is very optimistic about what this drill program will encounter. The coming days and weeks are the most important and transformative time in the Company's history."***

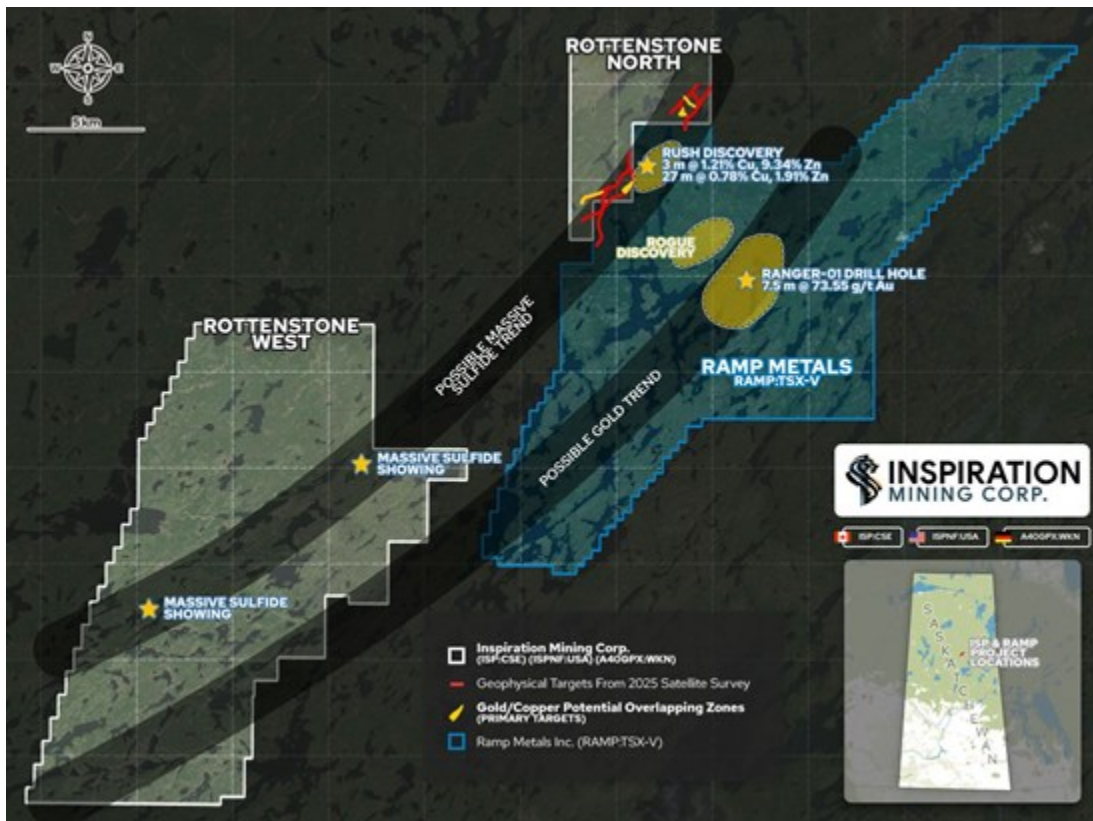
Inspiration is one of the largest landholders in the region, in what is rapidly emerging as one of Canada's most exciting new Volcanogenic Massive Sulphide (VMS) and gold exploration districts. The Company has a 100% ownership in about 35,500 hectares (87,700 acres) in the Rottenstone Gold / Copper Camp. The Project is strategically positioned along trend with recent discoveries including Ramp Metals Inc.'s Rush Target, and the Company is armed with cutting-edge satellite data identifying multiple gold-copper targets/trends on the Project.

The Rottenstone North Project (4,512 ha), along with the acquisition of the Rottenstone West Project (31,011 ha) in August, 2025 (Inspiration news release August 22, 2025), brings the total coverage of this exciting new VMS-gold district and trend to 35,500 hectares.

The Rottenstone North and West gold and base metal projects are located immediately west and southwest of Ramp Metals Inc.'s discoveries on its copper-gold sulphide targets at Rush (Ramp Metals' news release February 20, 2014) and Ranger (Ramp Metals' news release June 17, 2024).

Inspiration's Rottenstone properties are located along similar northeast-southwest-trending geological structures that host multiple high-grade showings in the region, including 73.55 g/t Au over 7.5 metres at the Ranger showing (Ramp Metals' news release June 17, 2024) and 0.80% Cu over 21.0 m that included 1.50% Cu over 3.0 metres at the Rush VMS discovery (Ramp Metals' news release April 22, 2026).

Notably, historical work on the Rottenstone West project identified multiple massive sulphide occurrences as early as the 1950s. These areas remain untested by modern exploration methods, presenting compelling targets for new discoveries within a top-tier mining jurisdiction, as ranked by the Fraser Institute (Annual Survey of Mining Companies (2025), 2026)



**Figure 1: Location of Inspiration's Rottenstone North and West properties relative to the property of Ramp Metals, along with the interpreted massive sulphide and gold trends in the district.**

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In July 2025, Inspiration announced promising results from an Advanced Atomic Mineral Resonance Tomography ("AMRT") satellite survey that targeted specific areas of the Rottenstone North Gold-Copper Project (Company news release July 11, 2025). The AMRT survey identified numerous high-priority gold and copper targets along the eastern property boundary of the Project that are parallel and on trend with Ramp's Rush Target copper-gold-silver discovery, located just a few kilometres away. Inspiration's planned drilling program will test several of these targets.

Management cautions that past results or discoveries on properties in proximity to Inspiration may not necessarily be indicative of the presence of mineralization on the Company's properties.

### National Instrument 43-101 Disclosure

Dr. Scott Jobin-Bevans, P.Geo. (APEGS No. 82498), an independent adviser to the Company, is a qualified person as defined by NI 43-101, Standards of Disclosure for Mineral Projects. Dr. Jobin-Bevans has reviewed and approved the

technical content in this news release.

### **About Inspiration Mining Corp.**

Inspiration Mining Corp. is engaged in the business of mineral exploration and the acquisition of mineral property assets in Canada. Its objective is to locate and develop properties of merit and to conduct exploration on the Company's properties. For more information, please refer to the Company's information available on SEDAR+ ([www.sedarplus.ca](http://www.sedarplus.ca)).

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