

# **News Release**

## Final Environmental Impact Statement filed for the Ambler Access Road

March 27, 2020 - Vancouver, British Columbia – Trilogy Metals Inc. (TSX/NYSE American: TMQ) ("Trilogy Metals", "Trilogy" or the "Company") is pleased to report the public release of the Final Environmental Impact Statement ("EIS") by the United States Bureau of Land Management ("BLM") for the Ambler Mining District Industrial Access Project or AMDIAP (Ambler Access Road).

### Ambler Mining District Industrial Access Project ("AMDIAP")

On March 27, 2020, the BLM, the lead federal agency for the permitting of the AMDIAP, released the Final EIS for the AMDIAP. This follows on the Draft EIS completed on August 23, 2019.

The final step in the permitting process for the AMDIAP is the issuance of the Record of Decision by the BLM and the issuance of the Clean Water Act (CWA) Section 404 permit from the United States Army Corp. of Engineers. The Company expects these two items to be issued concurrently within the next couple of months.

For more information on the Final EIS please visit the BLM website at <u>https://www.blm.gov/alaska</u>.

James ("Jim") Gowans, interim President and CEO of Trilogy Metals commented, "I would like to congratulate the BLM for getting the Final EIS over the line. The completion of the Final EIS marks a critical milestone for the permitting process of the Ambler road which will unlock the incredible mineral potential of the Ambler Mining District. Trilogy, through its joint venture company, Ambler Metals LLC, is already discussing the next steps for the financing and development of the road with the Alaska Industrial Development Export Authority ("AIDEA"). The mandate of AIDEA is to advance economic growth and diversification in Alaska by providing various means of financing and investment."

#### **About Trilogy Metals**

Trilogy Metals Inc. is a metals exploration and development company which holds a 50 percent interest in Ambler Metals LLC which has a 100 percent interest in the UKMP in northwestern Alaska. On December 19, 2020 South32, which is a globally diversified mining and metals company, exercised its option to form a 50/50 joint venture with Trilogy. The UKMP is located within the Ambler Mining District which is one of the richest and most-prospective known copper-dominant districts located in one of the safest geopolitical jurisdictions in the world. It hosts world-class polymetallic VMS deposits that contain copper, zinc, lead, gold and silver, and carbonate replacement deposits which have been focused on two deposits in the Ambler mining district - the Arctic VMS deposit and the Bornite carbonate replacement deposit. Both deposits are located within land package that spans approximately 172,636 hectares. The Company has an agreement with NANA Regional Corporation, Inc., a Regional Alaska Native Corporation that provides a framework for the exploration and potential development of the Ambler mining district in cooperation with local communities. Our vision is to develop the Ambler mining district into a premier North American copper producer.

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