

# **ADDITIONAL URANIUM MINERALIZATION IN DRILL LOGS**

# **Azarga Identifies Resource Expansion Potential in Drill Logs at Gas Hills**

**OUR TAKE:** Azarga announced that it has identified additional uranium mineralization through the analysis of historic data at its 100%-owned Gas Hills Uranium Project in Wyoming, USA. The potential to add resources at Gas Hills at very low cost through the review of historic drill logs is positive news for the Company and a boost to Azarga's future plans for this potential satellite ISR project to the flagship Dewey Burdock ISR project approximately 250 miles east in South Dakota (Figure 1).

Adding scale (resources) at the Gas Hills project can only increase the chance of successfully evolving into a future ISR mine. Today's results expand the envelope of uranium mineralization at the project and have the potential to report to a future resource estimate. Azarga remains one of our 'top picks' in the uranium space and we view the current share price as a great entry point in a rising uranium price environment.

#### **KEY HIGHLIGHTS**

- Azarga's efforts at Gas Hills have most recently focused on proving up the potential for ISR amenability. The analysis of the historic data set confirms that mineralization occurs in the sandstone-hosted roll-front deposit setting with resources below the water table. Sufficient hydraulic head and permeability will be important in determining ISR amenability of the new mineralization. Importantly, work to-date on other similarly situated resource areas of Gas Hills suggests that three of the primary deposits are likely to have the required ingredients for success as an ISR mine (located within a confined aquifer with sufficient hydrostatic head, sufficient hydraulic conductivity and permeability). Further technical work (ongoing) is required to fully understand and de-risk the ISR potential of Gas Hills.
- ◆ Potential to grow resources at Gas Hills. The most recent Gas Hills' resource estimate includes 7.3 Mlb U₃Oଃ (avg. 0.076% U₃Oଃ, all-categories NI 43-101, June 2017, Table 1). Since the latest resource update, Azarga has carried out hydraulic conductivity and permeability testing at the project with reassuring results that compare very favourably with other successful regional ISR deposits (Table 2). This data adds confidence that certain deposits at the project will prove to be ISR amenable.
- ♦ A large group of intercepts identified make the cut: From analysis of historic drill logs, Azarga has identified 147 mineralized drill holes containing 173 intercepts averaging 0.137% U₃O<sub>8</sub> with an average thickness of 5.3 ft., meeting the 0.2 grade-thickness (GT) cut-off and a 0.02% U₃O<sub>8</sub> grade cut-off. These intercepts are contained within the sandstone-hosted roll-fronts located below the water table within the Company's existing mineral leases/permits, meaning there is a higher probability these identified areas will have the technical characteristics necessary for ISR extraction.

#### **RECOMMENDED ACTION**

## We recommend accumulating shares at current price on improving fundamental picture

Attractive entry point in rising uranium price environment. Azarga shares have rebounded significantly (+100%) from the late March lows that spared almost no one. We still see significant upside from the current level as short term uranium price indicators continue to move positively. The uranium market was already in primary supply deficit before COVID and the major production cuts which have taken place in response will accelerate the absorption of excess inventory accumulated through years of oversupply. The longer major production centres remain off-line, the more the fundamental supply/demand picture improves. In addition, COVID seems to have interrupted an evolving US-specific political situation. The US Nuclear Fuel Working Group report appeared to be close to public disclosure before the massive impact of COVID became apparent and rightfully shifted resources and focus. This report was expected to contain recommendations that would support a robust domestic uranium mining industry in the U.S. We see Azarga as perfectly positioned to benefit from this potential catalyst.

HAVMOOD ESTIMATES (LIST)

KET STATISTICS AND WETRICS		HATWOOD ESTIMATES (USD)				VALUATION
52-Week High/Low YTD Performance Dividend Yield Shares O/S Market Capitalization Cash	\$0.28/\$0.07 -25% NA 186.1m \$27.9M \$0.2M	Revenue (\$M) EBITDA (US\$M)	2019A \$0.0 (\$1.9)	2020E \$0.0 (\$3.4)	2021E \$0.0 (\$3.5)	Our \$0.50/share target is primarily based on an NPV <sub>10%</sub> on the Dewey Burdock project, assuming a US\$70/lb uranium price. Including credit for its other projects and corporate adjustments, we apply a 0.6x P/NAV multiple to arrive at our target.
Debt Enterprise Value Daily Volume (3 mos.) Currency	\$0.210 Nil \$27.7M 121,780 C\$ unless noted					

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VALUATION

Table 1. Gas Hills Resource (June 2017 NI 43-101)

Class	Cut-off	Tons (x1,000) <sup>(1)</sup>	Weighted Average Grade (% eU <sub>3</sub> O <sub>8</sub> )	Pounds eU <sub>3</sub> O <sub>8</sub> (x1,000) <sup>(1)</sup>
Indicated	0.10 GT	2,407	0.098	4,729
Inferred	0.10 GT	2,324	0.054	2,529

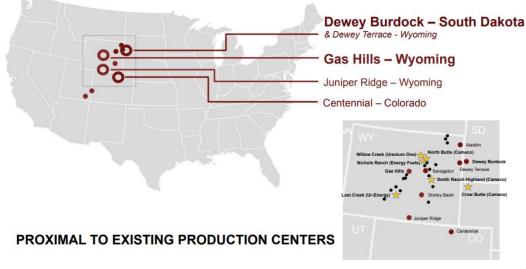
Source: Azarga Uranium

Table 2. Hydraulic Conductivity and Permeability Testing

Project Name and Owner	Hydraulic Conductivity Range (feet/day)	Permeability Range (darcy)
Gas Hills; Azarga Uranium	1.0 to 5.7	0.8 to 2.7
Gas Hills (Peach); Cameco	0.5 to 6.0	0.3 to 2.89
Lost Creek; Ur-Energy	0.27 to 2.78	0.13 to 1.3

Source: Azarga Uranium

**Figure 1. Uranium Project Locations** 



Source: Azarga Uranium



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UR (Sell)	0.0%	0	0.0%
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