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Midland Exploration Inc. (MD-V)

Midland, in partnership with Barrick, commences an exploration program for gold on the Lewis Project

On July 23, 2026, Midland, in partnership with Barrick Gold Inc., announced the commencement of an exploration program on the Lewis Project, in the Abitibi region. The Lewis Project is subject to an option agreement signed with Barrick in November 2025. Recall on November 17, 2025, Midland had announced the signing of a definitive option agreement with Barrick for the Lewis Gold Property (see: https://www.linkedin.com/posts/eric-lemieux-9468715_quebec-abitibi-gold-activity-7396224208147492864-bs3r?utm_source=share&utm_medium=member_desktop&rcm=ACoAAAEcwYBYv9IQ3WvRNLu2lPkWSB479Ajztl). The Lewis Project is located ~15 km ESE of Waswanipi (<https://waswanipi.com/>) and ~10 km east of the former Lac Shortt mine, which historically produced 2.7 Mt @ of 4.6 g/t Au. It consists of 154 exclusive exploration rights ("EER") covering an area of about 8,600 ha. It is located ~60 km SW of the town of Chapais in NW Abitibi and covers an area characterized by a regional flexure proximal to the Guercheville-Opawica Deformation Zone. The Nelligan deposit, of Iamgold (<https://www.iamgold.com/English/operations/exploration/joint-ventures/default.aspx>) is

located ~70 km NW and is host to 106.4 Mt of inferred resources @ 0.96 g/t Au (for 5.16 M oz. Au) and 102.9 Mt of indicated resources @ 0.85 g/t Au (for 3.12 M oz. Au).

Barrick sizing it: The 2026 exploration program, designed by Barrick as project operator, aims to refine the geological and structural knowledge on the Lewis Project to further evaluate its potential for gold mineralization at the project scale. The program includes geological mapping combined with structural data measurements to improve the geological understanding of the Lewis Project. Systematic geological mapping traverses are planned to cover the Lewis with an emphasis on the known deformation corridor, with a planned total of about 76 linear km of traverse coverage. The field data should aid in targeting for orogenic and magmatic-hydrothermal style gold mineralization. The Red Giant and Golden Nest Showings shall also be revisited. Recall Midland had announced on February 6, 2024 the commencement of a small drilling program on Lewis (<https://www.linkedin.com/pulse/midland-exploration-inc-md-v-announces-commencement-maiden-lemieux-2ntne/?trackingId=Ff8nL2ICQQmcgQPEkTZ7vA%3D%3D>).

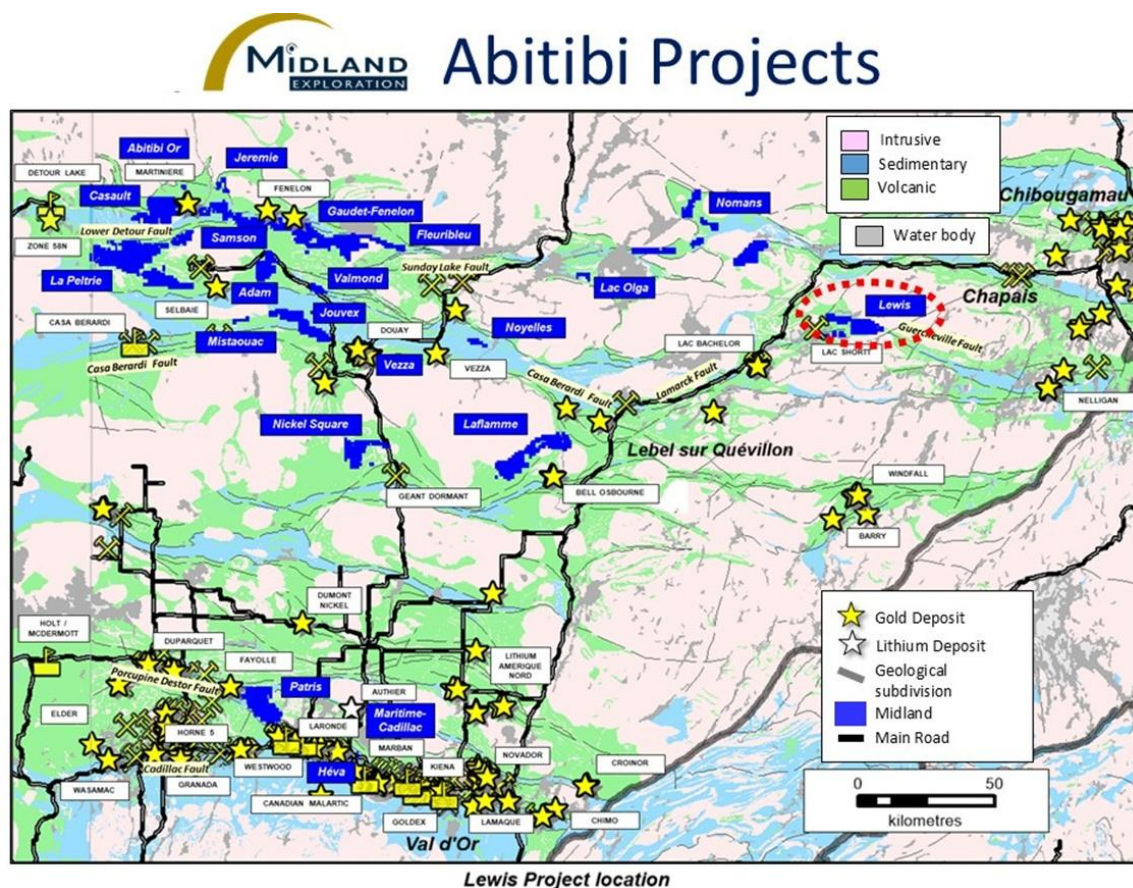
The drilling campaign, commenced in early in February 2024, was to consist of 4 drill holes for an expected total of 725 m. However, warm winter weather had permitted Midland only to complete 2 holes for 399.4m. Drill hole LEW-24-01 obtained 0.106 g/t Au over 5m while hole LEW-24-02 obtained 0.304 g/t Au over 4m below the Golden Nest Showing. Two metallic assemblages are interpreted, one of Au-As the other Ag-As-Zn-Pb-Au of perhaps volcanogenic origin.

Next steps: A second phase of exploration consisting of a till sampling survey is planned for September. A total of 167 till sample sites are planned at a spacing of 300 m along lines spaced at 1,000 m and oriented

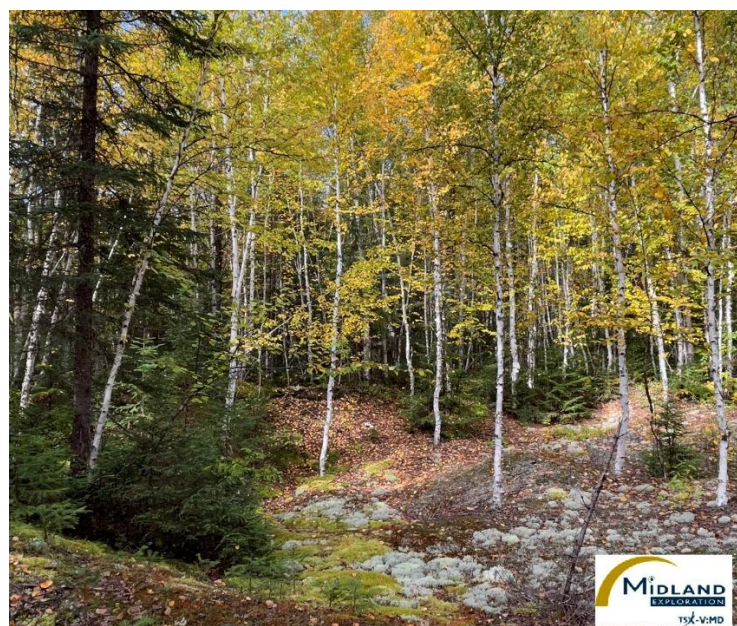
perpendicular to the regional SW glacial ice flow direction. The till sampling shall evaluate the deformation corridor for signatures or dispersal trails for gold mineralization. Midland continues to apply the prospector-generator and partnership model.

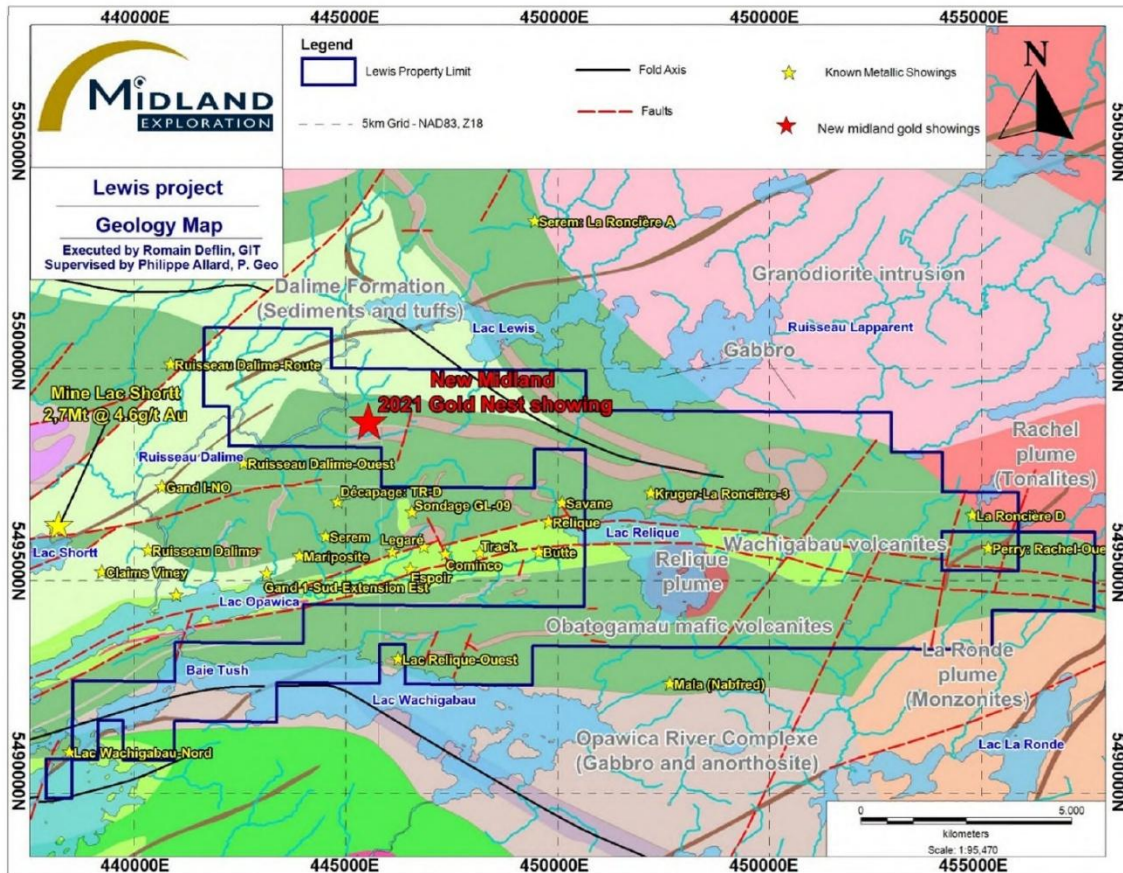
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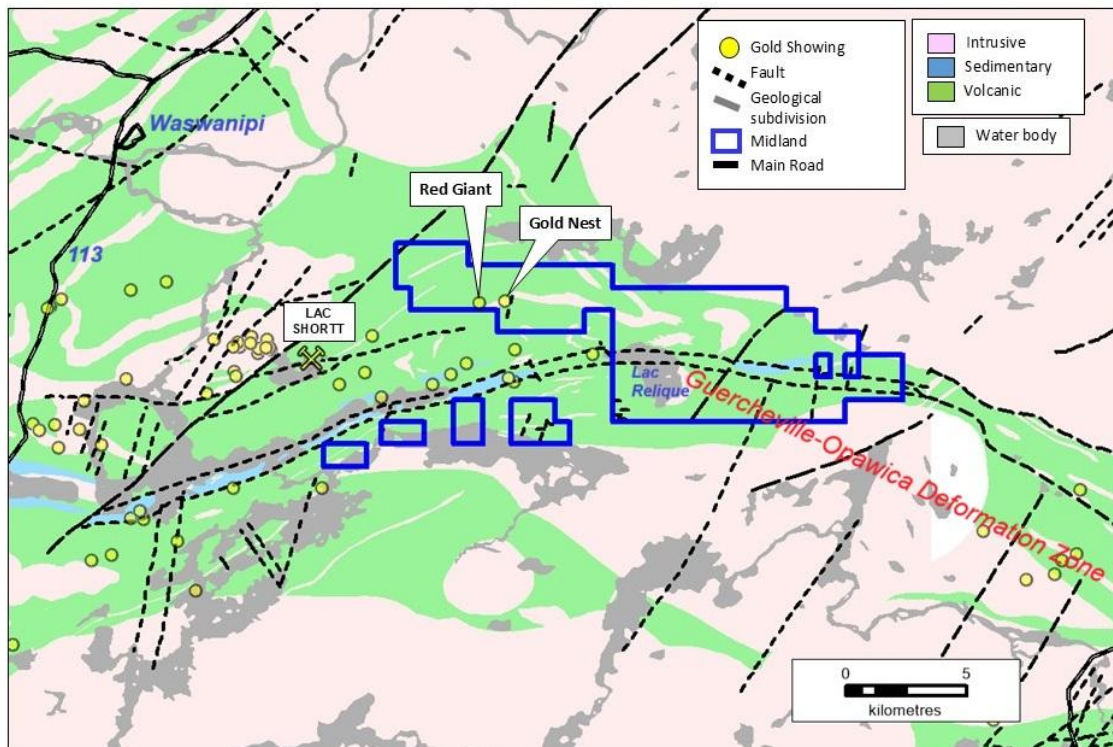




Historic showing and geology of Lewis property region.

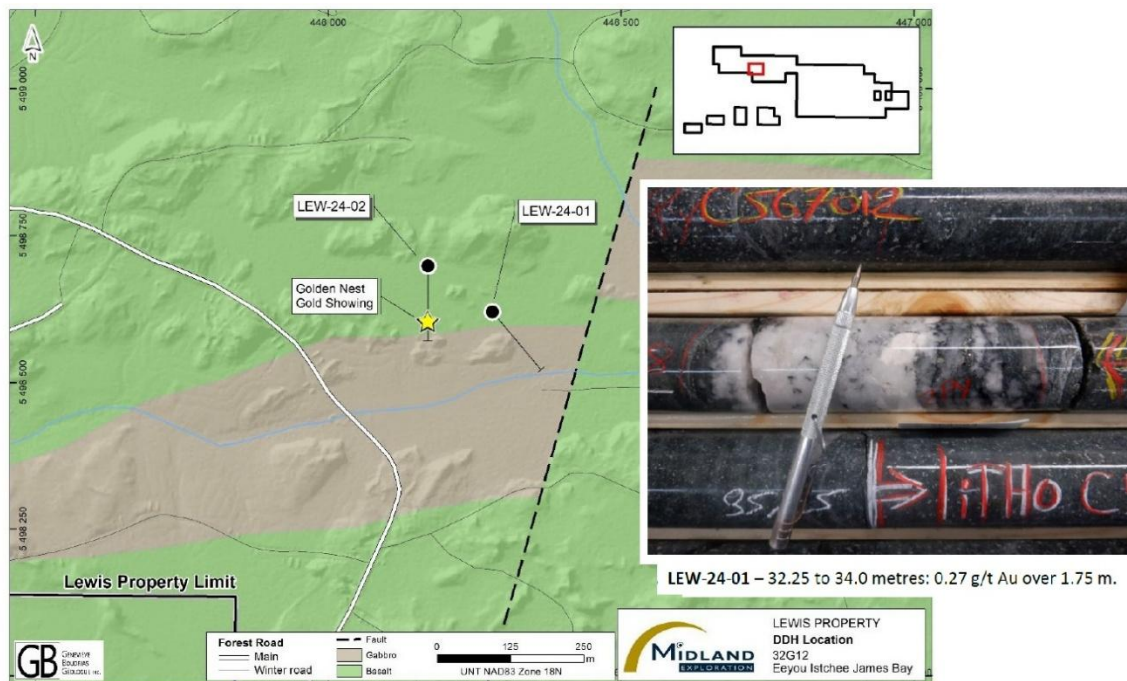


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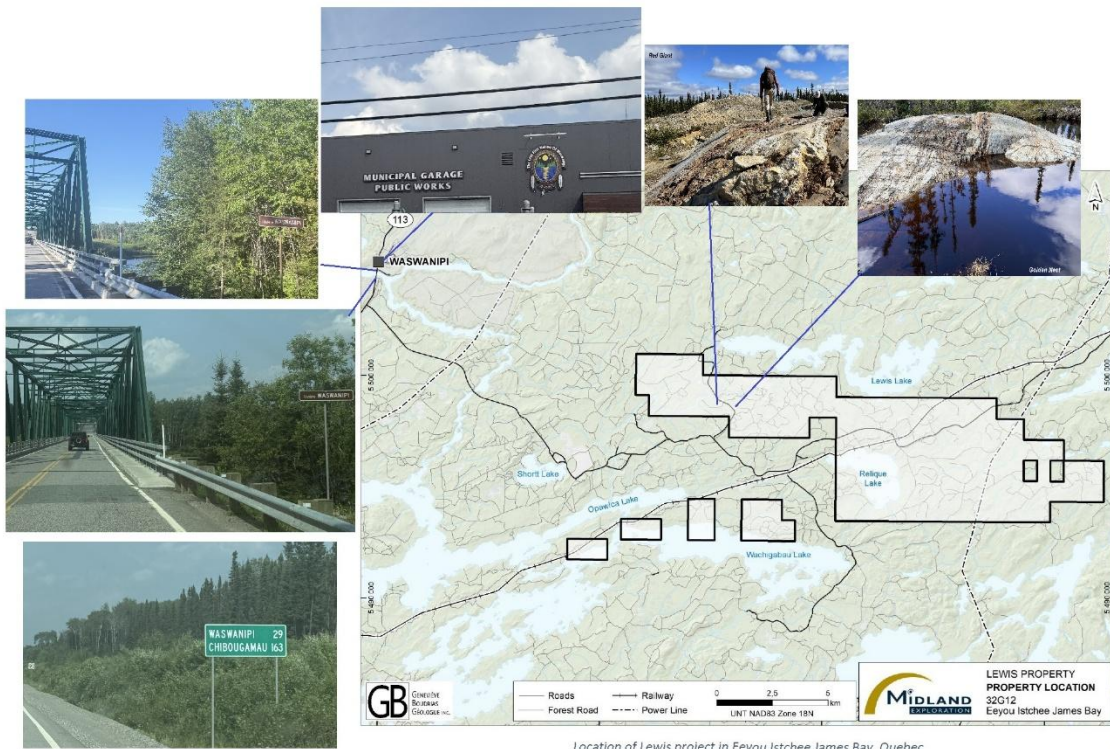
Lewis property outline

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Location of the 2024 drill holes

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