

Driving Growth - Appointment of New Technical Director for Elizabeth Hill Project

Highlights

- Sergei Smolonogov appointed Technical Director – Growth & Development
- 25+ years' global experience in gold, copper and base-metals exploration and mine geology
- Key technical leader in advancing the Rupice Ag-Pb-Zn-Au-Cu deposit (Adriatic Metals) from discovery through to production
- Former GM Growth at Adriatic Metals and Exploration & Development Manager for KAZ Minerals (Peschanka Cu-Au porphyry)
- Strengthens WCE's capability to accelerate high-grade resource expansion at Elizabeth Hill
- Appointment supports the Company's strategy to unlock district-scale silver potential across the Elizabeth Hill–Munni Munni corridor

West Coast Silver Limited (ASX: WCE) ("West Coast Silver" or "the Company") is pleased to announce the appointment of Mr Sergei (Serge) Smolonogov as Technical Director – Growth & Development, effective immediately. This appointment strengthens the Company's technical capability at a pivotal stage as drilling continues at the flagship Elizabeth Hill Silver Project.

About Sergei Smolonogov

Mr Smolonogov is a Licensed to Registered Professional Geologist with more than 30 years' experience across Australia, Africa, Europe, Russia and North America. His background includes senior leadership roles at Adriatic Metals, KAZ Minerals and Barrick, where he contributed significantly to the advancement of structurally controlled, high grade mineral systems from discovery through to feasibility and production. He brings extensive expertise in resource growth, structurally driven targeting, mine geology and project development.

Strategic Fit with Elizabeth Hill

Mr Smolonogov's appointment materially enhances West Coast Silver's technical depth as the Company advances systematic drilling and resource growth at Elizabeth Hill. Recent drilling has confirmed high grade, near surface silver mineralisation with strong continuity and expansion potential. His experience is expected to improve targeting precision, increase drilling efficiency and accelerate resource growth across the broader mineralised system.

Role and Technical Focus

Mr Smolonogov will lead technical efforts aimed at:

- Applying advanced structural interpretation to identify high grade shoots
- Enhancing drill targeting efficiency and success
- Driving systematic step out and depth extension drilling
- Integrating historical and modern datasets into updated geological models
- Supporting the transition from exploration into resource definition and development

This appointment also aligns with the Company's objective of unlocking district scale silver potential across the Elizabeth Hill–Munni Munni corridor.

Executive Director Bruce Garlick commented:

“Serge’s appointment significantly strengthens our technical capability at a critical stage of growth for West Coast Silver. Recent drilling has returned exceptional results, including 27m at 1,314 g/t Ag (Diamond Hole 14)¹, underscoring the high-grade and near-surface nature of mineralisation at Elizabeth Hill. Serge’s experience in advancing high-grade systems from discovery to development will be instrumental in accelerating resource growth and unlocking the broader district-scale potential.”

Mr Smolonogov added:

“Elizabeth Hill presents a compelling high-grade opportunity with clear scope for expansion along strike and at depth. I look forward to applying a systematic, structurally driven approach to further unlock value across the project and surrounding district.”

About The Elizabeth Hill Project

Elizabeth Hill is one of Australia’s historically highest-grade silver mines, having produced 1.2 Moz of silver from just 16,830 tonnes of ore at an average grade of 2,194 g/t Ag. Mining ceased in 2000 due to low silver prices (US\$5/oz). The deposit remains open at depth, and the consolidated 180 km² land package hosts significant potential for additional Elizabeth Hill–style discoveries along the Munni Munni fault system. The project sits within a Tier-1 mining jurisdiction, with potential future processing optionality at the nearby Radio Hill facility (third-party owned, with no agreement currently in place

This ASX announcement has been authorised for release by the Board of Directors of West Coast Silver Limited. For further information, please contact:

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¹ Refer West Coast Silver ASX announcement “Bonanza Silver Hits at Elizabeth Hill” dated 4 February 2026.