

# Low-Carbon Nickel. Made in Canada.

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#### BAPTISTE PROJECT

## Low-Carbon Nickel. Made in Canada.

Large Resource, Long Life	Low Projected Costs	High-Value, Strategic Nickel Product	Value Drivers
<ul> <li>Projected to be among world's 10 largest nickel mines by annual output</li> <li>35-year mine life with significant expansion potential</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Potential for lowest quartile operating costs (US\$2.74/lbNi)</li> <li>Low capital intensity compared to recent global nickel mines</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>High-grade nickel product (63% Ni) with low impurities</li> <li>Suited for direct feed to stainless steel and/or for EV battery market</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Potential for lowest quartile operating costs (US\$2.74/ lb Ni)</li> <li>Low-carbon nickel production (2.4 t CO<sub>2</sub>/t Ni)</li> </ul>
			<ul> <li>Nickel and cobalt</li> </ul>
Conventional Mining & Processing	The Green Choice for Nickel	Excellent Location	production for the EV battery market

#### DECAR NICKEL DISTRICT

## Unique Opportunity to Develop a Fully Integrated Nickel Operation

#### STRATEGIC PRODUCT

- High-value, clean Ni product bypasses smelters to achieve high payability
- Direct integration into both the stainless steel and EV battery markets
- Low-carbon footprint

#### STRATEGIC LOCATION

#### Multiple transport options to customers in Asia and North America:

- Accessible Site With Existing Infrastructure
  - Road accessible
  - Rail alignment within 5 km of site
- Sea Transport
  - Established deep water ports at Prince Rupert and Vancouver

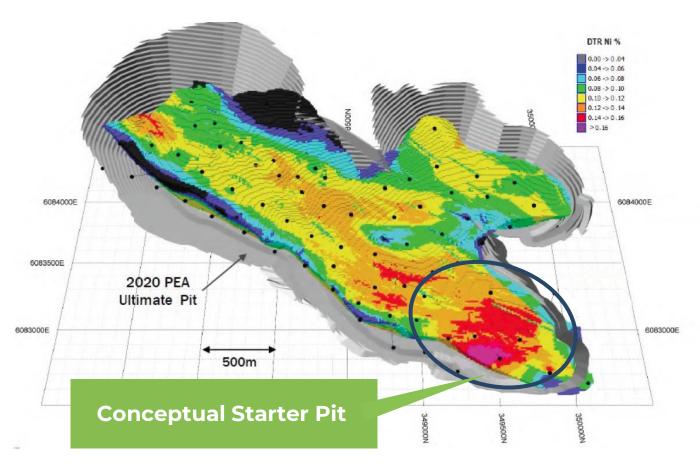
- Rail Network
  - Multiple rail routes and service providers to easily connect throughout the entirety of North America
  - Existing rail network to multiple deep water ports





### BAPTISTE DEPOSIT 2022 Mineral Resource Estimate

- 2022 mineral resource model incorporates the results of step-out drilling completed in 2017 in the Southeast Zone and 2021 in-fill drilling
- Significantly improves Baptiste mine plan by incorporating near-surface higher-grade tonnage in starter pit, crystallizes 6% increase in DTR Ni grade vs. 2020 PEA estimate



\* Davis Tube Recoverable Nickel"; 0.06% cutoff

2022 mineral resource estimate prepared by Richard Flynn, P.Geo of NMC using ordinary kriging within grade shell domains and inverse distance squared in dike domains.. See FPX news release, November 14, 2022.

Mineral resources are not mineral reserves and do not have demonstrated economic viability. There is no certainty that all or any part of the mineral resources will be converted into mineral reserves. The estimate of mineral resources may be materially affected by environmental permitting, legal, title, taxation, sociopolitical, marketing or other relevant issues.

		Grade				Contained Metal			
Category	Tonnes (Mt)	DTR Ni (%)	Total Ni (%)	DTR Co (%)	DTR Fe (%)	DTR Ni (kt)	Total Ni (kt)	DTR Co (kt)	DTR Fe (Mt)
Indicated	1,815	0.129	0.211	0.0035	2.40	2,435	3,828	64.4	43.5
Inferred	339	0.131	0.212	0.0037	2.55	444	720	12.5	8.6



# What is Awaruite Nickel?

Not a Sulphide, Not a Laterite

#### Serpentinized Ultramafic Host Rock

- Present in host rock at placement: Ni & Co
- <u>Not</u> present at placement: Sulphur
- <u>Very</u> homogenous Total Ni grade
- Serpentinization mobilized Ni, Co, & Fe

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#### What's Different About Awaruite?

- More physical characteristics to utilize in mineral processing = easier to recover
- Higher characteristic resolution vs. background gangue

bsence of Sulphur		Nickel Sulphide Mineralization	Awaruite Nickel Mineralization
Had sulphur been present, sulphide minerals would have formed	Nickel content	25-65%	76%
Without sulphur, <b>awaruite</b> (Ni <sub>3</sub> Fe) formed	Ferromagnetic		×
	Conventional flotation response	•	×
	Density (specific gravity)	4.6 - 5.8	7.2+



#### BAPTISTE PROJECT FLOWSHEET

## **Advantages of Two-Stage Process**

#### Simple, two-stage process

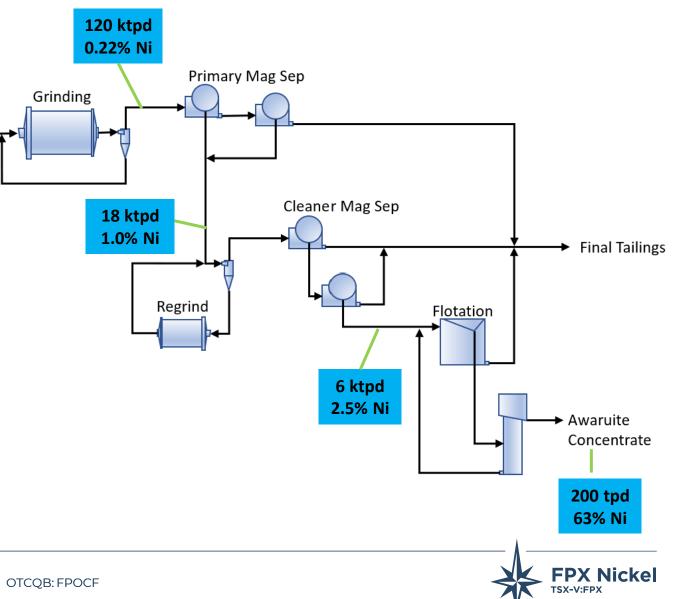
- Magnetic separation
- Conventional flotation

#### High recoveries, high grade product

- 85% recovery of DTR Ni grade
- Ni concentrate grading 63% Ni and 30% Fe
- By-product iron ore concentrate

#### Clean process, clean products

- Non acid-generating host rock
- Products have high metal content, low impurities



### DECAR NICKEL DISTRICT Clean, High-Value Nickel Product

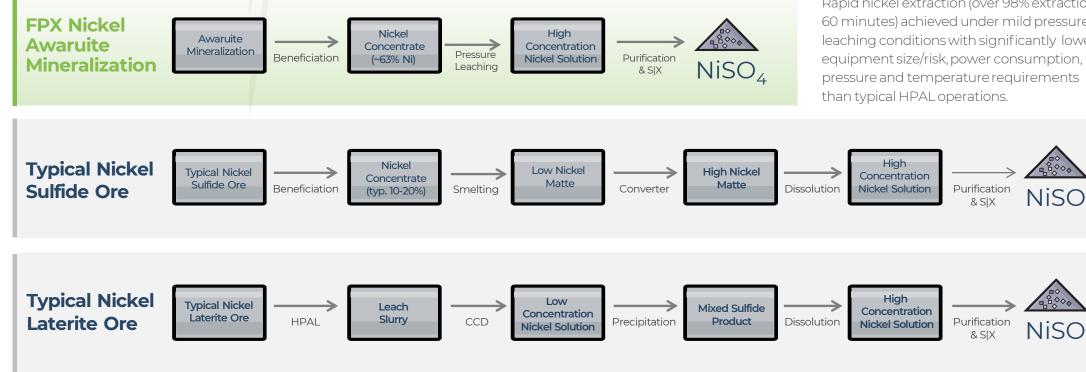
PREMIUM NICKEL PRODUCT SUITABLE FOR STAINLESS STEEL MARKET AND EV BATTERY MARKET



**FPX Nickel** 

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## BAPTISTE PROJECT FPX's Competitive Edge for Battery-Grade Nickel Sulphate (NiSO<sub>4</sub>)



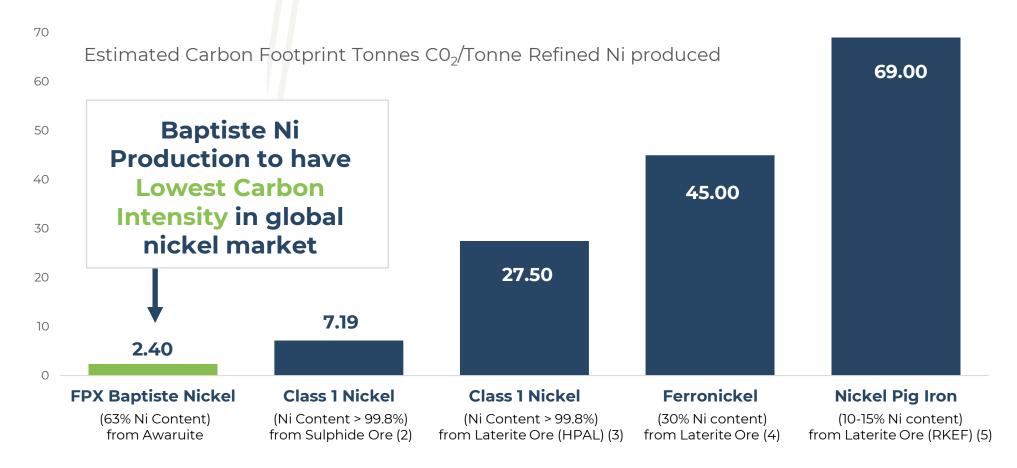
Baptiste's Awaruite mineralization promotes a simple 3-stage process with the potential to be more efficient than the typical 5-stage processes required to convert sulphide and laterite ores into nickel sulphate.

Rapid nickel extraction (over 98% extraction in 60 minutes) achieved under mild pressure leaching conditions with significantly lower equipment size/risk, power consumption, pressure and temperature requirements

**FPX Nicke** 

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## BAPTISTE PROJECT The Green Choice For Nickel

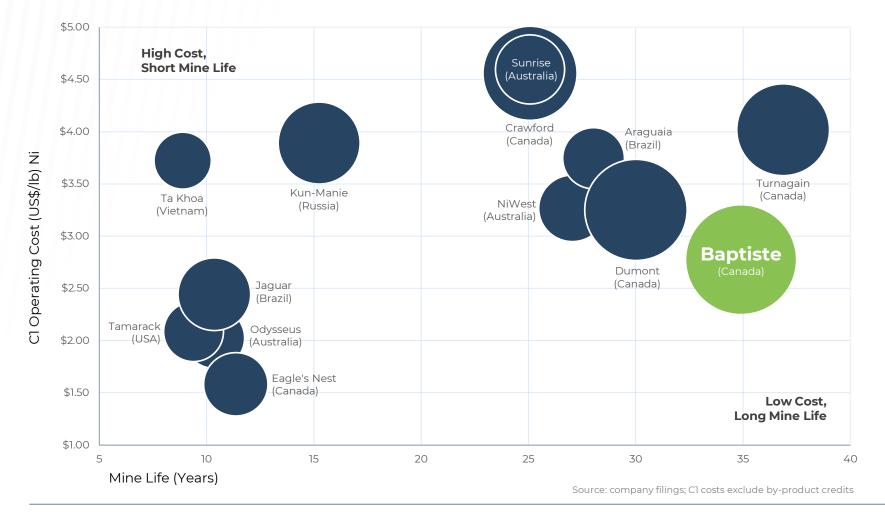


Source: 1 FPX analysis based on September 2020 PEA; 2 "Life Cycle Assessment of Nickel Products" (Mistry et al., 2016); 3 "Assessing the Energy and Greenhouse Gas Footprints of Nickel Laterite Processing" (Norgate et al., 2010); 4 "Ferronickel Life Cycle Data" (Nickel Institute, 2020), 5 "Energy Consumption and Greenhouse Gas Emissions of Nickel Products" (Wei et al.,



# **Overview of Global Nickel Projects**

BAPTISTE STANDS OUT AS A LARGE, LOW COST, LONG MINE LIFE NICKEL ASSET



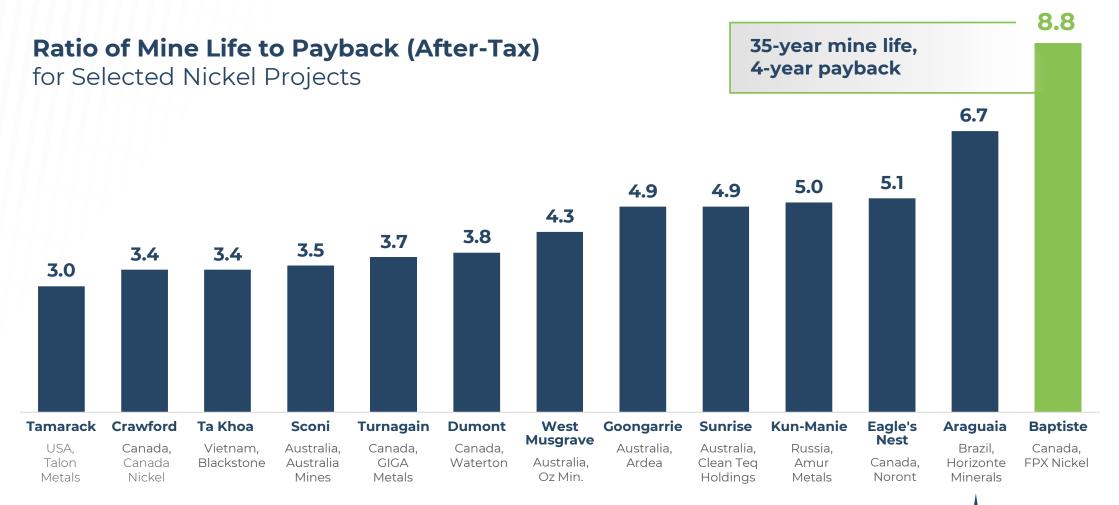
Global Nickel Projects Ranked by Size, C1 Operating Cost & Mine Life

Size corresponds to scale of average annual nickel production



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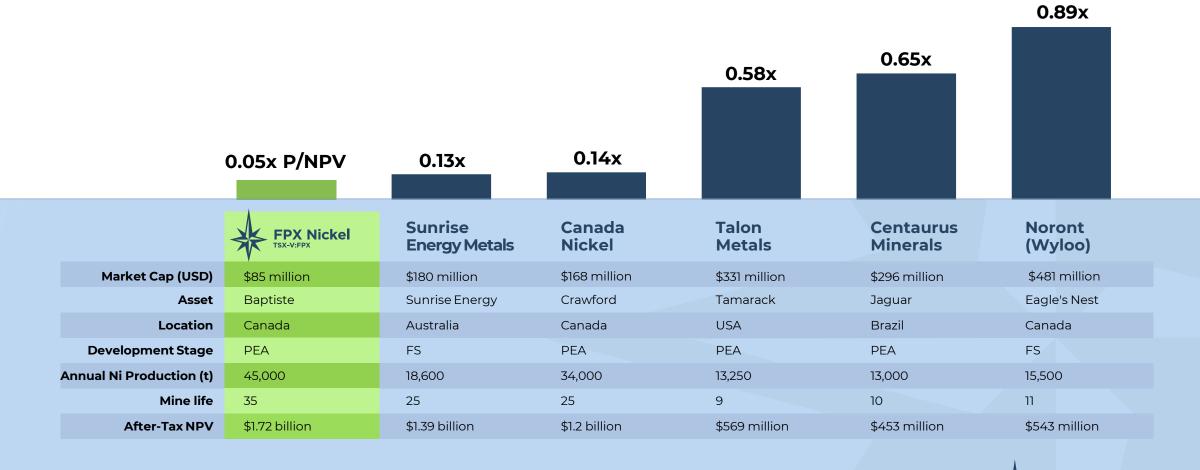
DECAR'S BAPTISTE PROJECT RANKS HIGHLY AMONG GLOBAL NICKEL PROJECTS





## **Price to Asset Value Comparisons**

#### **P/NPV for Nickel Project Developers**





# **Share Structure & Financial Position**

 Capital Structure
 TSX-V: FPX | OTCQB: FPOCF

 52-week Range: C\$ 0.35 -C\$ 0.96

 Shares Outstanding: 241.2 M (basic) ; 259.0 M (diluted)

 Market Capitalization (basic): C\$115 million

 Cash and working capital: ~C\$18.5 million

 No debt
 Fully Funded for 2023 activities



# FPX (TSX-V): 2020-2022 Price Chart (C\$/share)



