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## GOVERNOR DOUG DUCEY MEETS WITH SANTA CRUZ COUNTY HERMOSA PROJECT PRESIDENT FOR UPDATE

South32 Hermosa Project President Pat Risner met with Arizona Governor Doug Ducey early this week to provide an update on the project's progress in Santa Cruz County.

Mr. Risner joined South32 in April 2019 to lead the Hermosa Project, a base-metals development option that includes the zinc-lead-silver Taylor deposit. With exploration still underway, the project is also nearing completion of a multimillion-dollar voluntary project to remediate unlined tailings from historic mining operations in the area.

Governor Ducey visited Hermosa after the South32 acquisition last year and spoke about the project's potential to have a tremendous impact on job-creation in the state.

Governor Ducey is chair of the Arizona-Mexico Commission (AMC), which is hosting its annual summit this week in Phoenix. South32 is a sponsor of this event that brings together industry leaders and policymakers from Arizona and Mexico for discussions aimed at increasing economic vitality in Arizona and the border region.

*Photo (attached) Caption: Left to right, Hermosa VP of Community and Government Affairs Greg Lucero, Governor Doug Ducey, and Hermosa President Pat Risner]*

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### About South32

South32 is a globally diversified mining and metals company. We produce bauxite, alumina, aluminium, energy and metallurgical coal, manganese, nickel, silver, lead and zinc at our operations in Australia, Southern Africa and South America. We are also the owner of a high-grade zinc, lead and silver development option in North America and have several partnerships with junior explorers with a focus on base metals. Our purpose is to make a difference by developing natural resources, improving people's lives now and for generations to come, and to be trusted by our owners and partners to realise the potential of their resources.

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