

# AuTECO Minerals Ltd

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## Auteco Minerals appoints new chief operating officer to bolster exploration strategy

Auteco Minerals Ltd (ASX:AUT) (OTCMKTS:MNXXMF) has appointed experienced mining executive Darren Cooke as its new chief operating officer to lead the campaign to grow the company's 1-million-ounce resource at the Pickle Crow Gold Project in Canada.

Cooke is a geologist with over 20 years' experience across Australia and North America, having held senior positions with global miners including Barrick Gold Corp (NYSE:GOLD) (TSE:ABX) (FRA:ABR) (ETR:ABR), Newmont Corporation (NYSE:NEM) (TSE:NGT) (FRA:NMM) (VIE:NEWM) and Northern Star Resources Ltd (ASX:NST) (OTCMKTS:NESRF) (NYSE:STIC).

His roles have spanned regional and near-mine exploration, operational geology, long-term strategic planning and corporate development.

### "Strengthens Pickle Crow strategy"

Auteco executive chairman Ray Shorrocks said: "Darren's experience will be invaluable as the company continues to build on the company's rapid exploration success, which has underpinned a substantial high-grade resource (1 million ounces at 11.3 g/t) at the Pickle Crow Gold Project.

"Darren's skills and experience complement our existing team and strengthen our strategy to unlock the huge potential at Pickle Crow.

"Our chief geologist, Marcus Harden, has laid the perfect foundations and with the appointment of Darren, the company has a first-class technical team to drive resource growth over the next six months."

### "Potential to grow resource"

Cook has a strong track record of discovery and delivering resource and reserve growth.

In his previous role as the geology and long-term planning manager for Northern Star's Kalgoorlie assets, he led the teams which significantly extended the mine life of the operations, underpinned by the discovery and development of the Pegasus and Millennium deposits at Kundana (+2 million ounces) and the Velvet deposit at Kanowna Belle.

He said: "I look forward to working with the highly experienced Auteco team to fully define and unlock the immense potential of the Pickle Crow region.

"Million-ounce gold resources grading more than 10 g/t in Tier one mining jurisdictions are rare.

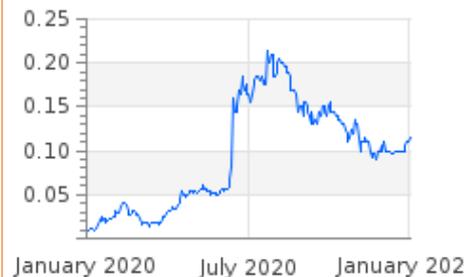
"What makes Pickle Crow so exciting is the relative lack of modern exploration combined with the impressive pipeline of exploration targets that have the potential to significantly grow the resource base."

A 45,000-metre drilling program is currently underway at Pickle Crow to advance resource growth.

**Price:** 0.105

**Market Cap:** \$164.55 m

### 1 Year Share Price Graph



### Share Information

**Code:** AUT

**Listing:** ASX

**52 week High Low**  
0.235 0.008

**Sector:** Gold & silver

**Website:** [www.autecominerals.com.au](http://www.autecominerals.com.au)

### Company Synopsis:

Auteco Minerals Ltd (ASX:AUT) is focused on advancing high-grade gold resources at the Pickle Crow Gold Project in the world-class Uchi sub-province of Ontario, Canada.

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