

Copper, gold, pending drill results and money in the bank – Kodiak Copper has them all

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It's been a while since I've had a close look at the copper chart and, in my opinion, it doesn't look too bad right now. Like almost everything, we've seen a significant price decline since April of this year, and despite a brief rally in late May, the commodity has since been taken to the woodshed and didn't stop hemorrhaging until mid-July. Since then, it looks like copper may have put in a bottom at roughly US\$3.20/lb and held that level again in late September. It is currently attempting to climb back above the 50 day moving average which would be a positive signal, but before I get too excited about copper I'd like to see it punch back above US\$3.70/lb. From there it looks like it has limited overhead resistance until the US\$4.10/lb threshold after which it could go for a run back to the US\$4.70/lb range. But cresting US\$4.10/lb probably needs a lot of positive economic news over the next few months. Regardless, it looks like we've got a decent support level at US\$3.20/lb suggesting there could be more upside than downside from current levels.



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This begs the question of where to look if you want exposure to copper. The company with the most recent exciting news is probably [Kodiak Copper Corp.](#) (TSXV: KDK | OTCQB: KDKCF). The latest news regarding the Company's most advanced asset, the 100% owned [MPD copper-gold porphyry project](#) in the prolific

Quesnel Trough in south-central British Columbia, Canada, appears to be very encouraging. The 147 square kilometer MPD project has all the hallmarks of a large, multi-centered porphyry system. Kodiak has made the Gate Zone discovery of high-grade mineralization within a wide mineralized envelope, and MPD hosts several other targets with similar discovery potential.

Last week Kodiak announced the [latest results for five drill holes](#) from their fully funded 25,000 meter 2022 drill program, and there were some pretty interesting numbers.

[Highlights](#) include:

- MPD-22-006 intersected 117 meters of 0.69% Cu, 0.46 g/t Au, and 2.22 g/t Ag (1.03% CuEq) within 735.4 meters of 0.24% Cu, 0.14 g/t Au and 0.71 g/t Ag (0.34% CuEq).
- MPD-22-008 intersected 59.9 meters of 0.33% Cu, 0.25 g/t Au, and 1.77 g/t Ag (0.52% CuEq) within 585 meters of 0.18% Cu, 0.09 g/t Au and 0.71 g/t Ag (0.25% CuEq).
- MPD-22-005 extended the Gate Zone mineralization to depth and intersected 190.2 meters of 0.19% Cu, 0.12 g/t Au, and 1.07 g/t Ag (0.29% CuEq) within 715.2 meters of 0.13% Cu, 0.07 g/t Au and 0.65 g/t Ag (0.19% CuEq).

All of this relates to the Gate Zone. Porphyry mineralization at Gate has been traced down to 900 m depth, across a width of 350 m (east-west) and over 1 km in length (north-south). In addition, the Company reported holes MPD-22-013 and MPD-22-017 which intersected a new mineralized trend northeast of, and adjacent to Gate called the Prime Zone. The new Prime Zone trend has been drilled down to 550 m depth, across 200 m width (east-west) and over 400 m length (north-south).



Source: Kodiak Copper [Sept 29, 2022 Press Release](#)

With over 700 m of mineralization, can you say bulk tonnage? Plus, I was looking at this and thinking to myself that I've seen some junior gold explorers with numbers that aren't as good as just the gold components in these drill results. But perhaps that's not what a company called Kodiak Copper wants me to fixate on. Instead, we'll look at what catalysts lie ahead for the company over the next weeks and months.

Drilling for 2022 is on schedule and Kodiak has completed 33 holes totaling 21,300 meters as of September 26. Drilling has transitioned to testing high priority targets in the Dillard area and the program will continue evaluating additional copper-gold drill targets across the MPD property throughout the fall. A new 3D Induced Polarization (3D IP) geophysical survey is currently underway which will be completed this month, covering nine square kilometers and extending southward from the Gate Zone to the Man and Dillard target areas. The latter is important because the extension of the Gate Zone and delineation of the new Prime Zone confirm that recent 3D IP surveys are an effective tool for targeting host geology and discovering prospective porphyritic mineralization on the MPD Project.

Anyone who has read my articles in the past knows I'm always on the lookout for drill results. A previous [corporate update](#) stated that Kodiak had completed 29 holes totaling 19,150 meters as of September 9. This indicates that there are plenty of drill results still to come. Additionally, at the end of June Kodiak still had almost C\$14 million in cash to continue unlocking the secrets of the MPD Property. With a market cap of C\$30.5 million it would seem there is plenty of leverage to copper prices at Kodiak.