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ANNUAL REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934 For the fiscal year ended: June 30, 2010 or

TRANSITION REPORT PURSUANT TO SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934 For the transition period from: ______ to _____

Commission File Number 0-16097

GOLDEN RIVER RESOURCES CORPORATION (Exact name of Registrant as specified in its charter)

Delaware (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation or Organization)

98-0079697 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

Level 8, 580 St Kilda Road Melbourne, Victoria, 3004, Australia (Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code)

> 011 (613) 8532 2860 (Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

N/A (Former name or former address, if changed since last report)

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act: None

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(g) of the Act:

Title of each class

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is a well-known seasoned issuer, as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act.

o Yes x No

Indicate by check mark if the registrant is not required to file reports pursuant to Section 13 or Section 15(d) of the Act.

o Yes x No

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant (1) has filed all reports required to be filed by Section 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 during the preceding 12 months (or for such shorter period that the registrant was required to file such reports), and (2) has been subject to such filing requirements for the past 90 days.

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has submitted electronically and posted on its corporate website, if any, every Interactive Data file required to be submitted and posted pursuant to Rule 405 of Regulation S-T (§232.405 of this chapter) during the preceding 12 months (or for any such shorter period that the registrant was required to submit and post such file).*The registrant has not yet been phased into the interactive data requirements.

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Yes o

No

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Indicate by check mark if disclosure of delinquent filers pursuant to Item 405 of Regulation S-K (§229.405 of this chapter) is not contained herein, and will not be contained, to the best of registrant's knowledge, in definitive proxy or information statements incorporated by reference in Part III of this Form 10-K or any amendment to this Form 10-K.

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a large accelerated filer, an accelerated filer, a non-accelerated filer, or a smaller reporting company.

Large accelerated filer	0	Accelerated filer	0
Non-accelerated filer	0	Smaller reporting company	х

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is a shell company (as defined in Rule 12b-2 of the Act).

o Yes x No

State the aggregate market value of the voting and non-voting common equity held by non-affiliates computed by reference to the price at which the common equity was last sold, or the average bid and asked price of such common equity, as of the last business day of the registrant's most recently completed second fiscal quarter.

The aggregate market value based on the average bid and asked price on the over-the-counter market of the Registrant's common stock, ("Common Stock") held by non-affiliates of the Company was US\$781,795 as at December 31, 2009.

There were 243,593,440 outstanding shares of Common Stock as of September 28, 2010.

APPLICABLE ONLY TO REGISTRANTS INVOLVED IN BANKRUPTCY PROCEEDINGS DURING THE PRECEDING FIVE YEARS:

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant has filed all documents and reports required to be filed by Section 12, 13 or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 subsequent to the distribution of securities under a plan confirmed by a court.

o Yes o No

DOCUMENTS INCORPORATED BY REFERENCE

Not Applicable

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PART I

Item 1 Business

General

Our name is Golden River Resources Corporation and we sometimes refer to ourselves in this Annual Report as "Golden River Resources", the "Company" or as "we," "our," or "us." We changed our name from Bay Resources Ltd to Gold River Resources in March 2006. We are an exploration stage mining company. Our objective is to exploit our interest in the mineral claims in Nova Scotia and Nunavut, Canada which are in the Slave Craton and in the Committee Bay Greenstone Belt. Our principal exploration target is for gold and we are seeking to determine whether adequate gold reserves are present on the property covered by our claims to develop an operating mine. We are in the initial stages of our exploration program on the Slave and Committee Bay properties and have not yet identified any ore reserves. There are some base metal ore reserves on the Nova Scotia properties

We hold the interests in Nova Scotia through our subsidiary, Acadian Mining Corporation, a Canadian corporation ("Acadian"), in which we held a 68.7% interest at June 30, 2010 (71.5% as of the date of this Report); in the Slave Craton directly; and our wholly owned subsidiary named "Golden Bull Resources Corporation" (formerly 4075251 Canada Inc.) holds the interests in the Committee Bay Greenstone Belt. Our wholly-owned subsidiary is referred to in this Annual Report as "Golden Bull".

We sometimes refer to our claims collectively in this Annual Report as either the "Fifteen Mile Stream", "Beaver Dam", "Tangier", "Goldenville", "Forest Hill" and "Scotia Mine" which are all properties owned by Acadian; "Slave Properties" h by us or the "Committee Bay Properties" held by Golden Bull. Our claims are registered in the Mining Recorders Office in the relevant Districts of Canada and give us the right to explore and mine minerals from the property covered by the claims.

We were incorporated in the State of Delaware on February 1, 1973. We commenced our mineral exploration activities in 2002. Prior thereto, we were engaged in a number of other business activities that have been discontinued. Our executive offices are at Level 8, 580 St. Kilda Road, Melbourne, Victoria 3004 Australia and we have an office at 1 Yonge Street, Suite 1801, Toronto, Ontario M5E 1W7, Canada. Our website location is www.goldenriverresources.com. Information included on our website shall not be deemed to be incorporated in this Annual Report. Our wholly owned subsidiary, Golden Bull, was incorporated on May 27, 2002 in the Province of Ontario, Canada and is licensed to do business in the Northwest Territories and Nunavut Canada.

Currency

Prior to July 1, 2009, the Company's functional and reporting currency was the Australian dollar and its subsidiary, Golden Bull Resources Corporation's functional currency was the Canadian dollar. However, as a result of the purchase of the controlling interest in Acadian Mining Corporation in Canada in July 2009, the Company determined that its fiscal 2010 revenue and expenses were going to be primarily denominated in Canadian dollars (CDN\$). ASC Topic 830 "Foreign Currency Matters" states that the functional currency of an entity is the currency of the primary economic environment in which the entity operates. Accordingly the Company determined that from July 1, 2009 the functional and reporting currency of the Company was the Canadian dollar. Assets, liabilities and portions of equity were translated at the rate of exchange at July 1, 2009 and portions of equity were translated at historical exchange rates. Revenue and expenses were translated at actual rates. Translation gains and losses were included as part of accumulated other comprehensive loss.

Restatement of comparative numbers was made for the change in functional and reporting currency. The change was adopted prospectively beginning July 1, 2009 in accordance with ASC Topic 830.

References to dollars are to Canadian dollars (CDN\$) unless otherwise indicated as being Australian dollars (A\$) or United States dollars (US\$). For the convenience of the reader, the Canadian Dollar figures for the year ended June 30, 2010 have been translated into United States Dollars (US\$) using the rate of exchange at June 30, 2010 of CDN\$1.00=US\$0.9542.

History of the Company

Our predecessor corporation, Bayou Oil, was incorporated under the laws of Minnesota in 1973 and since that time it had a number of activities that have been ceased.

On February 13, 1998, we incorporated a 100% owned subsidiary, Baynex.com Pty Ltd (formerly Bayou Australia Pty Ltd), a corporation incorporated under the laws of Australia.

On June 29, 1999 we undertook a reverse stock split on a 1:20 basis and amended our Articles of Incorporation to amend the par value of our shares from US\$0.15 cents to US\$0.0001 cents per share. On September 27, 1999 we changed our name from Bayou International, Ltd to Baynet, Ltd.

In May 2000, we commenced work on the development of a B2B mining portal however, this was abandoned as it was considered uneconomic.

On August 21, 2000 we incorporated a new wholly owned subsidiary, Bay International Pty Ltd (now known as Bay Resources (Asia) Pty Ltd), a corporation incorporated under the laws of Australia. In October 2000, we changed our name to Bay Resources Ltd, and in March 2006, we changed it to Golden River Resources Corporation.

During fiscal 2001, we conducted a due diligence review of St. Andrew Goldfields Ltd ("St. Andrew") with a view to taking a substantial investment in St. Andrew. Following the conclusion of the review, we decided not to proceed with the investment.

In May 2002, we incorporated a new wholly owned subsidiary, Golden Bull Resources Corporation ("Golden Bull") (formerly 4075251 Canada Inc.), a corporation incorporated under the laws of Canada. Golden Bull is the vehicle that will be used by the Company to undertake exploration activities for gold on the Committee Bay Properties in Canada.

During the 2002 fiscal year we continued to expand our gold exploration business by:

- (i)entering into an agreement to explore for gold on Tahera's extensive property interests on the Slave Craton in northern Canada; and
- (ii) making application via Golden Bull, for properties in the highly prospective Committee Bay Greenstone Belt in Nunavut, Canada.

In October 2002 we entered into an agreement (via our wholly owned subsidiary Bay Resources (Asia) Pty Ltd) with the Tibet Bureau of Geology and Minerals Exploration Development, China to earn a minimum 51% interest in the Xigaze copper belt running in a 200 kilometre east-west trend either side of Lhasa. However, in February 2003 we decided to withdraw from these arrangements as a result of further hurdles being placed before us by the Chinese authorities that were not known at the time of entering into the agreement.

In April 2008 the Company deregistered 100% owned inactive subsidiaries Baynex.com Pty Ltd and Bay Resources (Asia) Pty Ltd, both companies incorporated under the laws of Australia.

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On March 17, 2009, the Company announced that it had reached agreement with Acadian (TSX: ADA) to subscribe in a private placement transaction for up to 338,111,334 common shares ("Offering") in Acadian for aggregate gross investment of up to CDN\$10 million. The Offering was contemplated to close in two or more tranches. Following closing of all tranches, Golden River will hold 68.45% of Acadian.

The closing of the first tranche, for an aggregate of CDN\$1.0 million (38,111,334 shares) was subject to receipt of the required regulatory approvals, including the approval of the Toronto Stock Exchange which occurred in early June 2009. The Company held a 19.9% interest in Acadian at June 30, 2009.

The remaining CDN\$9 million of the Offering (300,000,000 shares at CDN\$0.03 per share) closed in several tranches upon the receipt of all necessary regulatory approvals, approval of the shareholders of Acadian and the satisfaction of certain other conditions precedent, including completion of due diligence by the Company. Acadian obtained approval from its shareholders at its annual meeting in June 2009. Throughout July to October 2009, further closings for an aggregate of CDN\$9 million occurred. In July 2010, the Company subscribed for a further 49,233,866 shares in Acadian at a cost of CDN\$1,477,016 taking its interest in Acadian to 71.5%.

In early July 2009, the Company announced that it had closed a transaction to purchase from RAB Special Situations (Master) Fund Limited ("RAB") the special warrant to purchase 10,000,000 shares of Common Stock in the Company for no additional consideration expiring on June 9, 2016; and the warrant to purchase 20,000,000 shares of Common Stock in the Company at an exercise price of \$0.1542 per share (\$0.0364541, per share as adjusted) expiring on April 30, 2011, held by RAB, for an aggregate purchase price of US\$500,000. Closing occurred in early July 2009. Following settlement of the purchase, the Company cancelled the Special Warrant to purchase 10,000,000 shares of Common Stock in the Company for no additional consideration expiring on June 9, 2016, and the Warrant to purchase 20,000,000 shares of Common Stock in the Company for no additional consideration expiring on June 9, 2016, and the Warrant to purchase as adjusted) expiring on April 30,000,000 shares of Common Stock in the Company at an exercise price of \$0.1542 per share (\$0.0364541, per share (\$0.0364541, per share as adjusted) expiring on April 30,000,000 shares of Common Stock in the Company for no additional consideration expiring on June 9, 2016, and the Warrant to purchase as adjusted) expiring on April 30, 2011.

During the fiscal year ended June 30, 2010, the Company entered into a subscription agreement with Northern Capital Resources Corp ("NCRC") whereby NCRC would subscribe for 85 million shares at an issue price of US\$0.10 per share to raise US\$8.5 million. Subsequent to June 30, 2010, NCRC purchased an additional US\$1.4 million in the Company's shares at the same purchase price The proceeds have been utilized to help fund the acquisition of shares in Acadian and for working capital purposes. The Company's Chairman, Chief Executive Officer and President, Mr. Joseph Gutnick, is the Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of NCRC and certain companies with which Mr. Gutnick is associated own approximately 45.67% of the outstanding common stock of NCRC. In addition, Legend International Holdings, Inc. ("Legend"), of which Mr. Gutnick is the Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, owns 26.08% of NCRC. NCRC currently holds approximately 92.02% of the outstanding common stock of the Company.

Effective May 10, 2010, the Company closed a transaction to purchase mineral properties in the Slave Craton of Northern Canada in accordance with terms originally agreed to in June 2008. Since 2002, the Company has held the rights to undertake gold and base metal exploration on the Slave Properties held by Tahera Diamond Corporation ("Tahera") in Northern Canada, subject to entering into a separate access agreement each time Golden River Resources wished to undertake exploration. Under the transaction closed with Tahera, the Company has purchased these properties for a consideration of CDN\$86,000 and the issue to Tahera of 3,000,000 shares of common stock in the Company. Tahera has retained rights to all diamond mineralization within the properties. As a result of the transaction, Golden River Resources now has unfettered access to these properties.

On September 2, 2010, the Board of Directors of the Company and the holder of a majority of the outstanding shares of Common Stock approved a reverse stock split of the Common Stock of 10:1 and approved the mailing of an Information Statement to stockholders in relation to the reverse stock split. The Information Memorandum will be mailed to stockholders on or about September 30, 2010 and is effective 21 days after mailing.

It is the policy of our Board of Directors that we will not engage in any activities which would subject us to registration and reporting requirements of the Investment Company Act of 1940.

SEC Reports

We file annual, quarterly, current and other reports and information with the SEC. These filings can be viewed and downloaded from the Internet at the SEC's website at www.sec.gov. In addition, these SEC filings are available at no cost as soon as reasonably practicable after the filing thereof on our website at www.goldenriverresources.com. These reports are also available to be read and copied at the SEC's public reference room located at Judiciary Plaza, 100 F Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20549. The public may obtain information on the operation of the public reference room by calling the SEC at 1-800-SEC-0330.

DESCRIPTION OF BUSINESS

Introduction

We are an exploration stage company engaged in the identification, acquisition, exploration and development of mining prospects believed to have gold mineralization. The main objective is to explore, identify, and develop commercially viable prospects over which we have rights that could produce revenues. These types of prospects may also contain mineralization of metals often found with gold, such as platinum and silver and other 'base metals' (copper, nickel, lead, zinc) which also may be worth processing. Exploration and development for commercially viable mineralization of any metal includes a high degree of risk which careful evaluation, experience and factual knowledge may not eliminate, and therefore, we may never produce any revenues.

We hold interests in Nova Scotia via our investment in Acadian; in the Slave Craton directly; and Golden Bull holds the interests in the Committee Bay Greenstone Belt. We are in the initial stages of exploration programs and have not yet identified any ore reserves.

Please note that the Glossary in Appendix A to the Annual Report contains definitions for the geological and other specialized terms used in this section.

Acadian Mining Corporation

On March 17, 2009, we entered into an Agreement with Acadian to complete a private placement. On completion, Golden River Resources held a 68.7% interest in Acadian. Since June 30, 2010, we have increased our interest in Acadian to 71.5%.

Cautionary Note to U.S. Investors Regarding Canadian Mining Terminology

As a Canadian public company listed on the Toronto Stock Exchange, Acadian is required to publicly disclose in Canada information about its mining properties in compliance with Canadian National Instrument 43-101-Standards of Disclosure for Mineral Projects ("NI43-101") and the Canadian Institute of Mining, Metallurgy and Petroleum (the "CIM") – CIM Definition Standards on Mineral Resources and Mineral Reserves, adopted by the CIM Council, as amended.

The terms "mineral reserve", "proven mineral reserve" and "probably mineral reserve" are Canadian mining terms as defined in accordance with NI 43-101. These definitions differ from the definitions in the United States Securities and Exchange Commission ("SEC") Industry Guide 7 ("SEC Industry Guide 7") under the Securities Act. Under SEC Industry Guide 7 standards, a "final" or "bankable" feasibility study is required to report reserves, the three-year historical average price is used in any reserve or cash flow analysis to designate reserves and the primary environmental analysis or report must be filed with the appropriate governmental authority.

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In addition, the terms "mineral resource", "measured mineral resource", "indicated mineral resource" and "inferred mineral resource" are defined in and required to be disclosed by NI 43-101; however, these terms are not defined terms under SEC Industry Guide 7, are normally not permitted to be used in reports and registration statements filed with the SEC and have not been included in this Report. In addition, disclosure of "contained ounces" in a resource is permitted disclosure under Canadian regulations; however, the SEC normally only permits issuers to report mineralization that does not constitute "reserves" by SEC standards as in place tonnage and grade without reference to unit measures and such unit measures have not been included in this Report.

Acadian - Gold Assets

Acadian is focused on exploring and developing a large portfolio of gold properties in Nova Scotia, Canada totalling approximately 66,000 hectares. Five of these are advanced properties with Canadian National Instrument 43-101 compliant gold mineralized material, two of which are being explored/developed as potential bulk tonnage-open pit deposits.

Acadian's principal gold activities are focused on exploring and developing its five advanced properties, Beaver Dam, Forest Hill, Goldenville, Tangier and 15 Mile stream, and to a lesser extent on its other gold properties. The advanced properties collectively host measured and indicated mineralized material of 626,000 ounces of mineralized material as follows:

Property	Threshold	Tonnes	Grade g/t
Beaver Dam	0.3 g/t/3m	9,080,000	1.53
	above 200m		
	1.0 g/t3m	10,400,000	1.51
	below 200m		
Forest Hill	3.5 g/t/1.2m	225,000	14.91
		383,000	11.93
Goldenville	3.5 g/t/1.2m	63,000	14.72
		385,000	12.38
Tangier	3.5 g/t/1.2m	134,000	9.67
		271,000	12.08
15 Mile Stream	0.7 g/t	3,800,000	1.66

Gold Mineralized Material - Tonnage And Grade (Cut)

Introduction

Acadian is a Halifax-based corporation continued under the Canada Business Corporations Act. Acadian is engaged in the exploration, acquisition and development of gold, lead, zinc and barite properties primarily in the Province of Nova Scotia. Its current focus is to explore and develop its large portfolio of gold properties in Nova Scotia totaling approximately 66,000 hectares. Five of these are advanced properties with National Instrument 43-101 compliant gold mineralized materials, two of which (Beaver Dam and Fifteen Mile Stream) are being explored/developed as potential bulk tonnage-open pit deposits.

Acadian's wholly-owned subsidiary, ScoZinc Limited ("ScoZinc"), owns the lead-zinc property and mill known as the Scotia Mine situate in Gays River, Nova Scotia. The Scotia Mine was put into operation in 2007 and operated as an open pit mine. As a result of falling zinc and lead prices in 2008, mining operations were ceased on March 24, 2009 and the mine was placed on care and maintenance status. ScoZinc applied for, and was granted, protection under Canada's Creditors Arrangement Act ("CCAA") on December 22, 2008. The protection was subsequently extended to

May 22, 2009 and, on May 28, 2009, following the creditor's endorsement of ScoZinc's proposed plan of arrangement ("Plan"), the Supreme Court of Nova Scotia ratified the Plan. ScoZinc completed the Plan in accordance with its terms on July 9, 2009.

Acadian is now focused on developing five advanced gold properties, Beaver Dam, Fifteen Mile Stream, Tangier, Forest Hill and Goldenville, which form the core holdings of the Scotia Goldfields project. Each of the five advanced properties host gold mineralized materials described in the Technical Reports prepared in compliance with National Instrument 43-101, Standards of Disclosure for Mineral Projects ("NI 43-101"). Acadian is bringing a new approach to the development of Nova Scotia gold deposits by pursuing a multiple mine, central processing, managing and servicing strategy.

To date, Acadian has 7 material properties:

- (i) Beaver Dam gold property, located in Halifax County, Nova Scotia;
- (ii) Fifteen Mile Stream gold property, located in Halifax County, Nova Scotia;
- (iii) Tangier gold property, located in Halifax County, Nova Scotia;
- (iv) Forest Hill gold property, located in Guysborough County, Nova Scotia;
- (v) Goldenville gold property, located in Guysborough County, Nova Scotia;
- (vi) ScoZinc lead-zinc property, located in Gays River, Nova Scotia; and
- (vii) Getty lead-zinc property, located in Hants County, Nova Scotia

Each of the material properties is described below.

Beaver Dam

Introduction

Beaver Dam is the primary focus of Acadian's gold program as it is potentially a key property in Acadian's central processing and servicing strategy. The Beaver Dam property consists of 36 contiguous mineral exploration claims held 100% by Acadian under exploration license 05920 and covers approximately 582.5 hectares of surface area in Halifax County, Nova Scotia, approximately 135 km east of the provincial capital city of Halifax.

The Beaver Dam property has been the focus of extensive past exploration, including surface diamond drill holes completed on the property since 1977, and underground development and bulk sampling completed in the late 1980s.

The current Beaver Dam Technical Report effective date of July 16, 2007, discloses an updated mineralized material estimate for the Beaver Dam deposit based all complied historical data and exploration and metallurgical results completed by Acadian during the 2005 and 2006 drill programs. This includes 238 historic and underground drill holes and 133 diamond drill holes drilled by Acadian. In addition, the results for 6 NQ diamond drill holes from the 2007 drill program and metallurgical results for 3 PQ diamond drill holes from the 2006 drill program were not included in this mineralized material estimate. A three dimensional block model was developed for the deposit using Gemcom Surpac 6.0 modeling software. Mineralized materials were estimated by inverse distance cubed methodology with a minimum block grade threshold of 0.30g/t and high grade capping of composites at 14g/t or 25g/t depending on the spatial domain. Results of the mineralized material estimation program are presented below and are considered compliant with Canadian NI 43-101.

Property Description and Location

The Beaver Dam gold property is 100% owned by Acadian and comprises 36 contiguous mineral exploration claims held by Acadian under exploration License 05920. The property covers approximately 582.5 hectares of surface area in Halifax County, Nova Scotia, approximately 135 km east of the provincial capital city of Halifax.

Tabulation of Acadian Exploration Licenses at Beaver Dam

Current	NTS	Tract	Claims	No. of Claims	Renewal Date
License	Sheet				
No.					
05920	11 E 2 A	59	JKLM NOPQ	8	
	11 E 2 A	60	EFGHJKLMNOPQ	12	
	11 E 2 A	61	ABCDEFGH	8	
	11 E 2 A	62	ABCDEFGH	8	