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PACIFIC RIDGE ANNOUNCES AGM RESULTS AND EXPLORATION PLANS

Vancouver, B.C. – June 16, 2017 – Pacific Ridge Exploration Ltd. (TSX Venture: PEX) ("Pacific Ridge" or the "Company") reports on the results of its Annual General Meeting held June 15, 2017. Gerald Carlson, Gordon Davis, Blaine Monaghan and Bruce Youngman were elected to the board.

Douglas Proctor retired from his role as Director and Chair of the Audit Committee after 10 years of service to the Company. The board would like to thank Doug for his wisdom and sage advice.

The directors are pleased to welcome Blaine Monaghan to the board. Mr. Monaghan has had a successful record with a number of exploration companies including True Gold Mining Inc., acquired by Endeavour Mining Corp., Canplats Resources Corp., acquired by Goldcorp Inc., Western Prospector Group Ltd., acquired by a subsidiary of China Nuclear National Corp. and Wheaton River Minerals Ltd., which merged with Goldcorp in 2005. Mr. Monaghan holds a bachelor of arts degree from Simon Fraser University, a diploma in public relations from the Public Relations Institute of Ireland and has completed the Canadian Securities Course.

At the Annual General Meeting, shareholders also ratified the Company's rolling stock option plan and reappointed PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP, Chartered Accountants as auditors of the Company.

The Company also reports that it has granted 383,000 incentive stock options to certain directors and officers of the Company. The options have an exercise price of \$0.06 per share and a term of five years.

2017 Exploration Plans

The Company is commencing an active field season exploring its Yukon project portfolio. It plans a program of geological mapping, prospecting, soil sampling and geophysical surveys at its recently acquired *OGI Zinc* project. It will then carry out a program of mapping and soil sampling at its new *RC Gold* acquisition. A soil geochemical program is planned for its White Gold district *Eureka Dome* project. Four Nines Gold will be completing a program of data compilation, geological mapping, trenching and geochemical sampling on the Company's *Mariposa Gold* project, also in the White Gold district.

The Company will be providing regular updates as this program progresses.

On behalf of the Board of Directors,

"Gerald G. Carlson"

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The technical information contained within this News Release has been reviewed and approved by Gerald G. Carlson, Ph.D., P.Eng., President and CEO of Pacific Ridge and Qualified Person as defined by National Instrument 43-101 policy.

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