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**WESTERN POTASH CORP. ACCELERATES PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS  
PROJECT EVALUATION**

Vancouver, April 6, 2010 - Western Potash Corp. (the “Company”) (TSX.V: WPX, FSE: AHE) is pleased to announce that further to the company’s news regarding the detection of hydrocarbons on the Milestone property reported in the February 2, 2010 news release, the board has approved an initial Petroleum and Natural Gas (“P&NG”) exploration and evaluation program. The initial program will entail the evaluation of 3-D seismic data, as well as the evaluation of soils for regional distribution of hydrocarbons.

In conjunction with its potash resource upgrade program the Company recently completed a \$3 million, comprehensive 3-D seismic acquisition program. The Company will use this data not only in its potash program but also it will utilize this data to evaluate the hydrocarbon trap setting and to determine the extent of the hydrocarbon hosting formations.

In addition, the P&NG exploration program includes the collection of surface soil samples to evaluate the regional distribution of hydrocarbons. To carry out this work, the Company has engaged ChemTerra International Consultants Ltd (“CTI”) to conduct a regional soil gas sampling program using CTI’s Geochemical Exploration Lead (“GEL”) procedure. The GEL Technology, developed in recent years by CTI, applies numerical unmixing techniques to discriminate individual gas sources in the soil. By using the GEL technique, areas of active hydrocarbon reservoir seepage may be recognized, quantified and spatially outlined. The Company reports that 553 soil gas samples, covering 83 line-km, have been collected and are currently being analyzed by CTI. Results of the geochemical sampling program are expected within 3 weeks.

In order to plan further P&NG exploratory work, the soil gas data will be integrated with the existing 2D seismic data, the recently acquired 3D seismic data, the existing well logs and the chip sample data. All data will be evaluated for P&NG potential and to spot P&NG exploration well locations (within privately held lands currently under lease). Drill programs will be designed to evaluate multiple P&NG zones in each well, with the goal to delineate proven hydrocarbon reserves. The company expects that an initial drill program could commence near the end of the second quarter, once well licenses are approved and road restrictions due to spring weather are removed.



Western Potash Corp. is a mineral exploration company engaged in the evaluation, exploration and development of potash mineral properties in Western Canada. The Company intends to define and develop a world-class potash deposit in an ecologically sustainable, economically efficient and socially responsible manner.

The in-house qualified persons for the purposes of NI 43-101 guidelines are J. Patricio Varas, P. Geo and Dean Pekeski, P. Geo, both of whom have reviewed and approved the contents of this news release. The contents of this news release were also reviewed and approved by J. R. Briton, P. Geol., P. Eng., a Qualified Person under NI 51-101 Rules and Policies.

For more information on Western Potash Corp.'s projects, please visit the Company's website at: [www.westernpotash.com](http://www.westernpotash.com)

ON BEHALF OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

"J. Patricio Varas"

J. Patricio Varas  
President and CEO

This news release contains Forward Looking Statements regarding our intentions and plans. Forward looking statements in this news release include that the board has approved an initial Petroleum and Natural Gas ("P&NG") exploration and evaluation program; that the initial program will entail the evaluation of 3-D seismic data, as well as the evaluation of soils for regional distribution of hydrocarbons; that the Company completed a comprehensive 3-D seismic program; that the Company will use this data in its potash program but also to evaluate the hydrocarbon trap setting and to determine the extent of the hydrocarbon hosting formations; that in addition, the P&NG exploration program includes the collection of surface soil samples to evaluate the regional distribution of hydrocarbons; that the Company has engaged ChemTerra International Consultants Ltd ("CTI") to conduct a regional soil gas sampling program; that the Company reports that 553 soil gas samples, covering 83 line-km, have been collected and are currently being analyzed by CTI; that results of the geochemical sampling program are expected within 3 weeks; that in order to plan further P&NG exploratory work, the soil gas data will be integrated with the existing 2D seismic data, the recently acquired 3D seismic data, the existing well logs and the chip sample data; that all data will be evaluated for P&NG potential and to spot P&NG exploration well locations; that drill programs will be designed to evaluate multiple P&NG zones in each well, with the goal to delineate proven hydrocarbon reserves; that the company expects that an initial drill program could commence near the end of the second quarter. It is the Company's policy not to update forward looking statements. Various factors may prevent or delay our plans, including but not limited to, contractor availability and performance, weather, access, mineral prices and success and failure of the exploration and development carried out at various

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stages of the program. Readers should review risk factors applicable to junior mining exploration companies generally to understand the variety of risks that can affect the Company.

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