



Western Plains Petroleum Ltd.

Western Plains Petroleum Stock Option Grants

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CALGARY, ALBERTA – Western Plains Petroleum Ltd. (TSXV:WPP) (“**Western Plains**” or the “**Company**”) announces that its Board of Directors have approved the granting of stock options to acquire an aggregate of 1,700,000 common shares of the Company to the executive officers, directors and consultants of the Company. The immediately vesting stock options were granted in accordance with the Company’s stock option plan and are exercisable for a period of five (5) years at an exercise price of \$0.21 per share.

The stock options (and the common shares issuable thereunder) are subject to a four month hold period, expiring April 15, 2011, in accordance with the policies of the TSX Venture Exchange (the “**Exchange**”) and applicable securities laws. The stock option grants are subject to receipt of final approval from the Exchange.

About Western Plains Petroleum Ltd.

Western Plains is a Lloydminster, Alberta, based junior heavy oil producer with interests located in the Lloydminster area in both Saskatchewan and Alberta. The common shares of the Company trade on the TSX Venture Exchange under the symbol WPP.

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