
DIAMOND DRILLING COMMENCES AT WODGER

HIGHLIGHTS

- Diamond drilling underway at the highly prospective Wodger VMS Prospect
- EM conductors identified from recent surface EM survey are coincident with significant Copper mineralisation
- Initial 400m diamond hole designed to test the northern EM plate positioned down-dip from aircore hole WRAC109 (**25m @ 1.1% Cu**)
- DHEM survey scheduled to enhance follow-up drill target testing



Figure 1: Diamond drill rig at Wodger

RNI NL (ASX:RNI) (to be renamed Auris Minerals Limited) is pleased to advise that access approvals have been granted and a diamond drilling programme has commenced at the high-priority Wodger prospect in the Bryah Basin.

Surface Moving-Loop Electromagnetic (MLEM) surveys were conducted over all prospects at the Forrest Project¹ (Figure 3) to enhance targeting (refer ASX announcement 15 March 2017). While several discrete conductive zones were identified at Forrest and Big Billy two weak EM responses were identified at the Wodger Prospect. These EM responses were processed by Southern Geoscience Consultants and are coincident with significant copper mineralisation defined from previous aircore drilling (refer ASX announcement 9 March 2017).

This initial 400m diamond hole (Appendix 1 – Table 1) has been designed to test the northern-most EM conductor while evaluating the stratigraphic and structural controls on the oxide mineralisation at depth. The diamond hole will be drilled beneath the down-dip projection of 25m @ 1.1% Cu (WRAC109) (Figure 2) to test the modelled plate which is believed to be the fresh sulphide source.

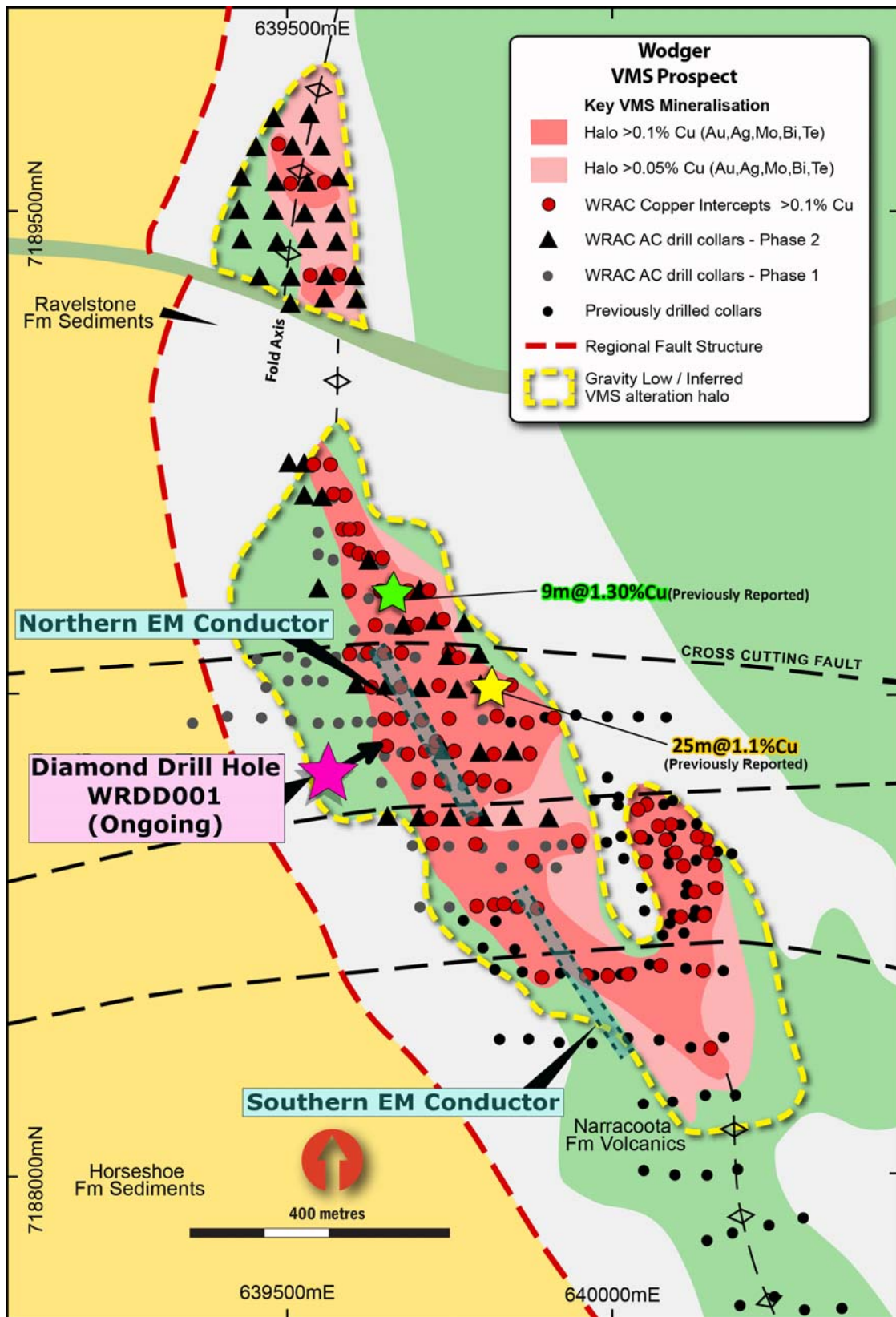


Figure 2 Diamond drill hole WRDD001 (ongoing) in relation to modelled EM conductors (projected to surface) and significant oxide copper mineralisation defined from previous drilling - Wodger Prospect.

Based on the information received from this hole, RNI has the ability to expand the drilling programme to test the second southern-most EM conductor as well as other geological, geochemical or geophysical targets.

While providing valuable structural and lithological information, this diamond hole will also form the platform for a high powered Down-Hole Electromagnetic (DHEM) survey to enhance follow-up drill target testing.

This initial drilling will take approximately two weeks to complete with a further 4-6 weeks for the receipt and analysis of assay results.

RNI Executive Director, Debbie Fullarton said “We are very excited that diamond drilling has commenced at Wodger and look forward to the data that this programme will provide.”

Corporate Update

Further to the ASX announcement on 7 April 2017 RNI's Board is currently progressing negotiations over competing transactions proposals and will provide all shareholders with an update on these proposals in due course. However no assurance can be given that a proposal or any other transaction will materialise.

For and on behalf of the Board.

**DEBBIE FULLARTON
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**

Notes

1. The Forrest Project tenements (Figure 3) have the following outside interests:
 - i. RNI 80%; Fe Ltd 20% (Fe Ltd (ASX:FEL) interest is free carried until a Decision to Mine)
 - ii. Westgold Resources Ltd (ASX:WGX) own the gold rights over the RNI interest.

ABOUT RNI NL

RNI NL is exploring for high-grade VMS copper-gold discoveries in Western Australia's highly-prospective Bryah Basin region and recently acquired Chunderloo area.

RNI has consolidated a 1,433km² copper-gold exploration portfolio in the Bryah Basin divided into five well-defined project areas – Forrest, Doolgunna, Morck's Well, Cashmans and Horseshoe Well. The Company's exploration focus is on VMS horizons identified at the Forrest-Wodger-Big Billy trend, the Cuba and Orient-T10 prospects

RNI's recent Chunderloo Mining Tenement acquisition consists of three mining leases that account for 14.05km² of highly prospective VMS tenure which currently holds a non-JORC compliant copper-gold resource of 22,000t @ 5.4g/t Au and 1.6% Cu at the Chunderloo Project (The estimates are historical estimates and are not reported in accordance with the JORC code. A competent person has not done sufficient work to classify the historical estimates as mineral resources or ore reserves in accordance with the JORC code and it is uncertain that following evaluation and/or further exploration work that the historical estimates will be able to be reported as mineral resources or ore reserves in accordance with the JORC Code).

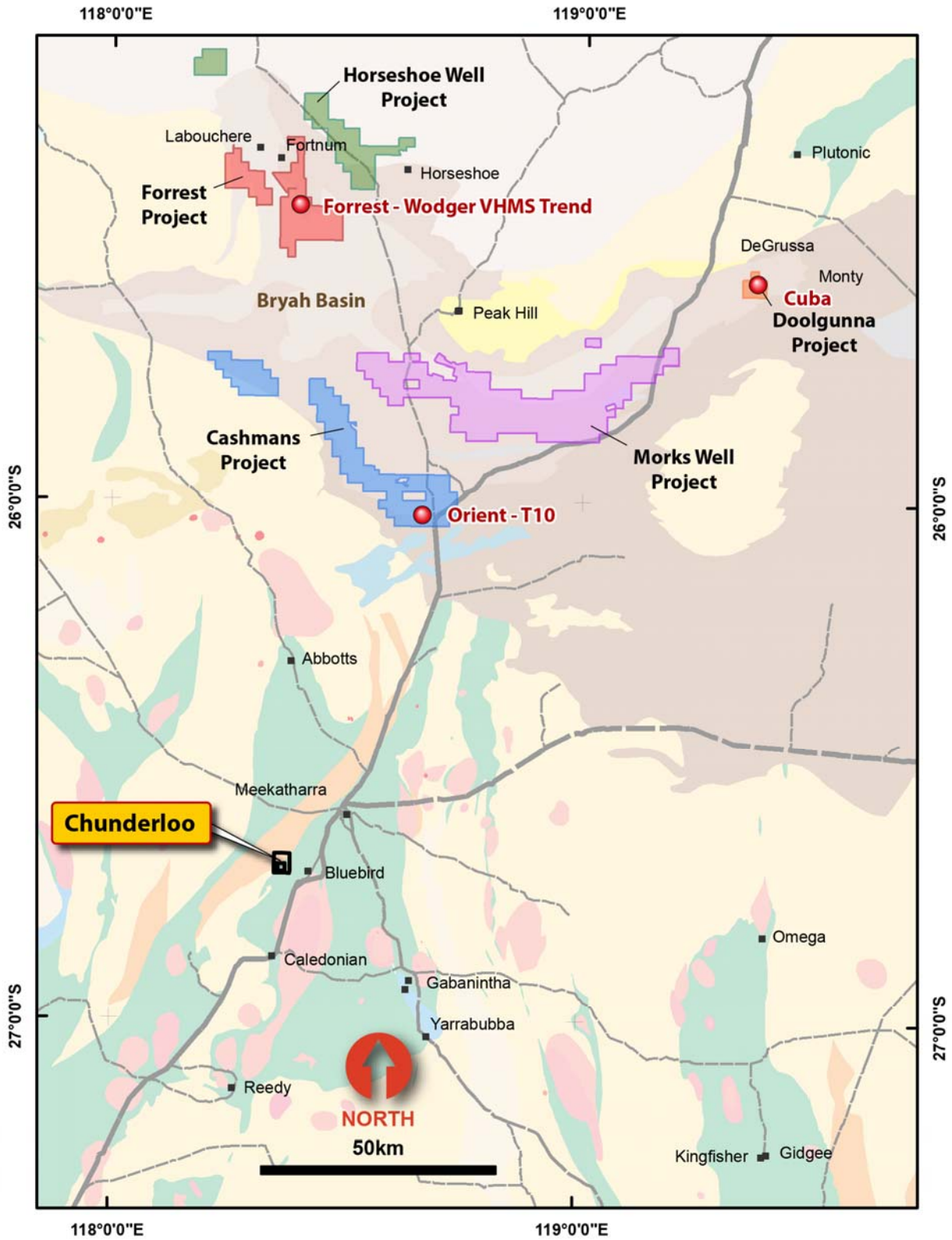


Figure 3 RNI's copper-gold exploration and mining portfolio with highly prospective target locations.

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Information in this announcement that relates to exploration results is based on and fairly represents information and supporting documentation prepared and compiled by Richard Pugh BSc (Hons) who is a Member of the Australasian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy.

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Mr Pugh is Exploration Manager for RNI NL. Mr Pugh has sufficient experience which is relevant to the style of mineralisation and type of deposit under consideration and to the activity which he is undertaking to qualify as a Competent Person as defined in the 2012 Edition of the Australasian Code for Reporting Exploration Results, Mineral Resources and Ore Reserves. Mr Pugh consents to the inclusion in the announcement of the matters based on this information in the form and context in which it appears.

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**Appendix 1: Wodger Diamond Drilling
Table 1: Drill Collar Information**

Prospect	Hole_ID	Hole Type	MGA94_50			Dip	Azimuth	EOH Depth
			East	North	RL			
Wodger	WRDD001	DDH	639560	7188620	530	-60	60	400*

**Drilling is currently ongoing so the EOH depth reported is planned EOH depth*

**FORREST PROJECT UPDATE
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JORC Code, 2012 Edition
Table 1**

**Section 1 Sampling Techniques and Data
(Criteria in this section apply to all succeeding sections.)**

Criteria	JORC Code explanation	Commentary
Sampling techniques	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Nature and quality of sampling (e.g. cut channels, random chips, or specific specialised industry standard measurement tools appropriate to the minerals under investigation, such as down hole gamma sondes, or handheld XRF instruments, etc.). These examples should not be taken as limiting the broad meaning of sampling.</i> • <i>Include reference to measures taken to ensure sample representivity and the appropriate calibration of any measurement tools or systems used.</i> • <i>Aspects of the determination of mineralisation that are Material to the Public Report.</i> • <i>In cases where 'industry standard' work has been done this would be relatively simple (e.g. 'reverse circulation drilling was used to obtain 1 m samples from which 3 kg was pulverised to produce a 30 g charge for fire assay'). In other cases more explanation may be required, such as where there is coarse gold that has inherent sampling problems. Unusual commodities or mineralisation types (e.g. submarine nodules) may warrant disclosure of detailed information.</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No drill results are reported in this announcement <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Ground Geophysics (MLEM)</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A ground moving-loop EM (MLEM) survey was completed by Vortex Geophysics, using 200m x 200m x 2 turn TX loops with 100m station spacing along E-W lines. Vertical Z-component and horizontal X-component (along-line) and Y-component (along-line) were collected. • Survey QC parameters were reviewed by independent supervising geophysicists from Southern Geoscience Consultants Pty Ltd. The same data was reviewed and independently verified by geophysicist Stephen Mudge from Vector Research Pty Ltd.
Drilling techniques	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Drill type (e.g. core, reverse circulation, open-hole hammer, rotary air blast, auger, Bangka, sonic, etc.) and details (e.g. core diameter, triple or standard tube, depth of diamond tails, face-sampling bit or other type, whether core is oriented and if so, by what method, etc.).</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No drilling results are reported in this announcement
Drill sample recovery	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Method of recording and assessing core and chip sample recoveries and results assessed.</i> • <i>Measures taken to maximise sample recovery and ensure representative nature of the samples.</i> • <i>Whether a relationship exists between sample recovery and grade and whether sample bias may have occurred due to preferential loss/gain of fine/coarse material.</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No drilling results are reported in this announcement

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Logging	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Whether core and chip samples have been geologically and geotechnically logged to a level of detail to support appropriate Mineral Resource estimation, mining studies and metallurgical studies. Whether logging is qualitative or quantitative in nature. Core (or costean, channel, etc.) photography. The total length and percentage of the relevant intersections logged. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Diamond drilling is ongoing and will be reported upon completion of the hole.
Sub-sampling techniques and sample preparation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> If core, whether cut or sawn and whether quarter, half or all core taken. If non-core, whether riffled, tube sampled, rotary split, etc. and whether sampled wet or dry. For all sample types, the nature, quality and appropriateness of the sample preparation technique. Quality control procedures adopted for all sub-sampling stages to maximise representivity of samples. Measures taken to ensure that the sampling is representative of the in situ material collected, including for instance results for field duplicate/second-half sampling. Whether sample sizes are appropriate to the grain size of the material being sampled. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Diamond drilling is ongoing and will be reported upon completion of the hole.
Quality of assay data and laboratory tests	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The nature, quality and appropriateness of the assaying and laboratory procedures used and whether the technique is considered partial or total. For geophysical tools, spectrometers, handheld XRF instruments, etc., the parameters used in determining the analysis including instrument make and model, reading times, calibrations factors applied and their derivation, etc. Nature of quality control procedures adopted (e.g. standards, blanks, duplicates, external laboratory checks) and whether acceptable levels of accuracy (i.e. lack of bias) and precision have been established. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Diamond drilling is ongoing and will be reported upon completion of the hole.
Verification of sampling and assaying	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The verification of significant intersections by either independent or alternative company personnel. The use of twinned holes. Documentation of primary data, data entry procedures, data verification, data storage (physical and electronic) protocols. Discuss any adjustment to assay data. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Diamond drilling is ongoing and will be reported upon completion of the hole. <p>Ground Geophysics Survey – MLEM</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> All primary analytical data was recorded digitally and sent in electronic format to Southern Geoscience Consultants for quality control and evaluation

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Location of data points	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Accuracy and quality of surveys used to locate drill holes (collar and down-hole surveys), trenches, mine workings and other locations used in Mineral Resource estimation. Specification of the grid system used. Quality and adequacy of topographic control. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Diamond Drill Hole WRDD001 was located using a handheld Garmin GPS 64S MLEM station positions were recorded with a handheld GPS with an expected accuracy of +/- 5m horizontal and +/- 10m vertical. Grid system used: MGA94 zone 50 Topography is flat so had no bearing on collar location.
Data spacing and distribution	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Data spacing for reporting of Exploration Results. Whether the data spacing and distribution is sufficient to establish the degree of geological and grade continuity appropriate for the Mineral Resource and Ore Reserve estimation procedure(s) and classifications applied. Whether sample compositing has been applied. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Diamond drilling is ongoing and will be reported upon completion of the hole.
Orientation of data in relation to geological structure	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Whether the orientation of sampling achieves unbiased sampling of possible structures and the extent to which this is known, considering the deposit type. If the relationship between the drilling orientation and the orientation of key mineralised structures is considered to have introduced a sampling bias, this should be assessed and reported if material. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Alpha and beta measurements will be taken on the core throughout the drill program and results from this work will be reported upon the holes' completion
Sample security	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The measures taken to ensure sample security. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Diamond drilling is ongoing and will be reported upon completion of the hole.
Audits or reviews	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The results of any audits or reviews of sampling techniques and data. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sampling techniques will be reviewed by Dr Nigel Brand. Surface geophysical data was reviewed and quality controlled by Southern Geoscience Consultants in Perth. The results of this work was also verified and validated by Stephen Mudge from Vector Research Pty Ltd.

Section 2 Reporting of Exploration Results

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Mineral tenement and land tenure status	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Type, reference name/number, location and ownership including agreements or material issues with third parties such as joint ventures, partnerships, overriding royalties, native title interests, historical sites, wilderness or national park and environmental settings. The security of the tenure held at the time of reporting along with any known impediments to obtaining a licence to operate in the area. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tenements E52/1659 & E52/1671 are owned RNI 80%, Fe Ltd 20% (ASX: FEL). Interest is free carried until a decision to mine. Westgold Resources Limited (ASX: WGX) own the gold rights over the RNI interest. The native title heritage group and Traditional Owners of the land are The Nharnuwangga, Wajarri and Ngarla People.

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Exploration done by other parties	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Acknowledgment and appraisal of exploration by other parties. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Exploration RAB drilling across the tenure in 1989 by Homestake Australia Ltd defined a broad gold anomaly deemed the Wodger Prospect. Due to the low gold tenor and the fact that no other elements were analysed for the project was relinquished. In 2014 a regional review of historic drilling encountered malachite in the historic RAB drill chips and now forms part of RNI's key exploration VMS prospect.
Geology	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Deposit type, geological setting and style of mineralisation. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Wodger, Big Billy and Forrest all sit within the Ravelstone Formation turbiditic sediments which sit above the Narracoota Fm Volcanics as part of the Bryah Basin package. The style of mineralisation and stratigraphic horizon is identical to the Horseshoe Lights deposit (re-mobilised VMS deposit) that sits 25km north-east of the Big Billy, Wodger and Forrest VMS prospects.
Drill hole Information	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> A summary of all information material to the understanding of the exploration results including a tabulation of the following information for all Material drill holes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> easting and northing of the drill hole collar elevation or RL (Reduced Level – elevation above sea level in metres) of the drill hole collar dip and azimuth of the hole down hole length and interception depth hole length. If the exclusion of this information is justified on the basis that the information is not Material and this exclusion does not detract from the understanding of the report, the Competent Person should clearly explain why this is the case. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Refer Appendix 1 – Table 1 Note that the end of hole depth is stated as planned as the current drill programme is ongoing and the hole may be extended.
Data aggregation methods	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> In reporting Exploration Results, weighting averaging techniques, maximum and/or minimum grade truncations (e.g. cutting of high grades) and cut-off grades are usually Material and should be stated. Where aggregate intercepts incorporate short lengths of high grade results and longer lengths of low grade results, the procedure used for such aggregation should be stated and some typical examples of such aggregations should be shown in detail. The assumptions used for any reporting of metal equivalent values 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No assays have been reported as drilling is ongoing

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	<i>should be clearly stated.</i>	
Relationship between mineralisation widths and intercept lengths	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>These relationships are particularly important in the reporting of Exploration Results.</i> • <i>If the geometry of the mineralisation with respect to the drill hole angle is known, its nature should be reported.</i> • <i>If it is not known and only the down hole lengths are reported, there should be a clear statement to this effect (e.g. 'down hole length, true width not known').</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No assay results have been reported
Diagrams	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Appropriate maps and sections (with scales) and tabulations of intercepts should be included for any significant discovery being reported These should include, but not be limited to a plan view of drill hole collar locations and appropriate sectional views.</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Maps are included in the ASX announcement
Balanced reporting	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Where comprehensive reporting of all Exploration Results is not practicable, representative reporting of both low and high grades and/or widths should be practiced to avoid misleading reporting of Exploration Results.</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The accompanying document is considered to be a balanced report with a suitable cautionary note
Other substantive exploration data	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Other exploration data, if meaningful and material, should be reported including (but not limited to): geological observations; geophysical survey results; geochemical survey results; bulk samples – size and method of treatment; metallurgical test results; bulk density, groundwater, geotechnical and rock characteristics; potential deleterious or contaminating substances.</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ground gravity surveys across the greater Big Billy, Wodger and Forrest VMS prospects has delineated three gravity low areas proximal to known VMS mineralisation. At Wodger, the gravity low is measures at 1,500m long and 250m wide with a density contrast of 0.5 g/cc. These areas are interpreted to be hydrothermally altered and the source of the VMS anomalism. <p>This announcement contains results of ground geophysical surveys as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Moving Loop EM (Vortex Geophysics) Configuration: Slingram (-200m offset) TX loop:200m x 200m x 2 turn TX Current: 100 Amp Dipole Moment = 8M (NIA) Receiver: SMARTem 24 Sensor: Fluxgate B field Components: Bz, Bx and By • Results (Wodger Prospect) The modelled conductors at Wodger were observed in the mid-time data around the 3 to 10msec (after TX turn-off), and are positive-negative-positive cross-overs in the Z component which are indicative of sub-vertical conductors in the

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		<p>slingram configuration data. Both EM plates have been modelled at starting at around 230m vertical depth, with WRDD001 having an intersecting depth with the northern plate of 350 metres. This is regarded though as a guide/rough estimate due to the slingram configuration method.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The re-processing of the ground gravity, airborne magnetic and radiometric surveys were completed by Stephen Mudge from Vector Research Pty Ltd. This work, in relation to the MLEM at Forrest, Wodger and Big Billy has defined several conductive trends that require first pass aircore drilling.
Further work	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <i>The nature and scale of planned further work (e.g. tests for lateral extensions or depth extensions or large-scale step-out drilling).</i> <i>Diagrams clearly highlighting the areas of possible extensions, including the main geological interpretations and future drilling areas, provided this information is not commercially sensitive.</i> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Additional RC drilling, diamond drilling and DHEM at Wodger (pending results from WRDD001) First pass aircore drilling at Big Billy (conductive EM trend defined from recent MLEM survey) Additional aircore drilling at Forrest (conductive EM trend defined from recent MLEM survey)