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# BLUEBIRD HIGH-GRADE COPPER-GOLD DISCOVERY

 Tennant Creek

> THE BARKLY PROJECT TENNANT CREEK NORTHERN TERRITORY, AUSTRALIA

• Alice Springs



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## Barkly Project and the Bluebird Cu-Au Discovery: World-Class Location



- The Barkly Project and the Bluebird discovery are located at the eastern end of Tennant Creek Mineral Field (TCMF), which produced 5.5Moz of gold and 700kt of copper from 1934 to 2005<sup>1</sup>.
- The Barkly Project is located 40km east of Tennant Creek on the eastern margin of the Paleo-Proterozoic Warramunga Province.
- Largest deposits include Warrego (6.75Mt @ 6.6 g/t Au, 1.9% Cu)<sup>1</sup> and Peko (3.7Mt @ 4% Cu, 3.5 g/t Au)<sup>1-</sup>20km west of Bluebird, hosted by ironstone within Warramunga Fm.
- Bluebird is a greenfields copper-gold discovery in an area of deep weathering / shallow cover.
- The geology of Bluebird is similar to the Warrego and Peko deposits, being associated with deformed and altered ironstone within the Warramunga Formation.



<sup>1</sup>Portergeo.com.au/database/mineinfo. Tennant Creek - Gecko, Warrego, White Devil, Nobles Nob, Juno, Peko, Argo

# Barkly Project (Bluebird Discovery) – 5km Gravity Target Corridor



- Barkly Project includes 5km strike-length, east-west trending gravity high (ironstone), intersected by ENE-WSW trending structures associated with mineralisation.
- Bluebird Cu-Au discovery hosted by a ENE-WSW trending structure which has intersected and offset the gravity feature/ironstone.
- Multiple geophysical targets associated with gravity highs, magnetic anomalies and IP resistivity lows, represent untested potential for further copper-gold discoveries.





## **Bluebird Copper-Gold Discovery**



- Bluebird is a 'blind' discovery under 40m to 60m of weathered (saprolitic) Warramunga Formation.
- Host rocks are folded interbedded siltstone, sandstone, and mudstone of the Warramunga Formation.
- Mineralisation associated with east-west trending ironstones localised in the hinge zones of D<sub>1</sub> folds, which are interpreted to have formed early during the *Tennant deformational event*<sup>2</sup>.
- Thick, high-grade, copper-gold-bismuth mineralisation introduced during the *First Hydrothermal Event*<sup>3</sup> into dilational zones where D<sub>2</sub> faulting and brecciation has developed in shallow plunging D<sub>1</sub> fold axes<sup>3</sup>.
- Mineralisation includes free gold with intense hematite and/or chlorite alteration and primary and/or secondary copper sulphides (including chalcocite and/or chalcopyrite) as well as bismuth sulphides (e.g. wittichemite - Cu<sub>3</sub>BiS<sub>3</sub>).

<sup>2</sup> Huston DL, Bolger C and Cozens G, 1993. A comparison of mineral deposits at the Geko and White Devil deposits: implications for ore genesis in the Tennant Creek District, Northern Territory, Australia. *Economic Geology* 88, 1198–1225.

<sup>3</sup> Donnellan N, 2013. Chapter 9 - Warramunga Province: in Ahmad M. and Munson T.J. (compilers). 'Geology and mineral resources of the Northern Territory.' Northern Territory Geological Survey, Special Publication 5. 5

# Bluebird Longitudinal View – Thick, High-Grade, Cu-Au Intersections

- Drilling to date has defined high-grade copper-gold mineralisation from 60m to over 250 m depth over a 500m strike length – open in all directions.
- Thick, high-grade, copper-gold intersections to date include:
- BBDD0026: 18.0m @ 2.66% Cu, 11.08 g/t Au incl.
  5.0m @ 6.11% Cu, 12.45 g/t Au<sup>4</sup>
- BBDD0018: 30.5m @ 6.2% Cu, 6.8 g/t Au incl.
  17.8m @ 5.2% Cu, 11.5 g/t Au<sup>5</sup>
- BBDD0012: 63m @ 2.1% Cu, 4.6 g/t Au incl.
  27.55m @ 3.6% Cu, 10.0 g/t Au<sup>6</sup>
- New drilling is designed to extend the Bluebird footprint to the east, west and at depth and ultimately define a substantial high-grade copper-gold Mineral Resource.

<sup>4</sup> 19/07/2023. "Drilling Doubles Strike Length of Bluebird Copper-Gold Discovery".
 <sup>5</sup> 08/02/2023. "Spectacular Drill Hit 30.5m 2 6.2% Cu, 6.8 g/t Au".
 <sup>6</sup> 17/08/2022. "Bonanza 63m @ 2.1% Copper and 4.6 g/t Gold Intersection at Bluebird".

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## **Bluebird Gravity Model – Potential to Triple the Strike Length**





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## **Drill-Targeting Breakthrough - IP Resistivity Detects Mineralisation**





- Bluebird discovery crosssection 448,320mE on IP resistivity<sup>7</sup> shows correlation with mineralisation.
- Step-out IP resistivity<sup>8</sup> has highlighted targets at Bluebird East and West with potential to triple the strike-length<sup>9</sup>.
- New drilling set to commence.





<sup>7</sup> 25/08/2022. Tennant Minerals (ASX. TMS): "Standout Geophysical Targets to Replicate Bluebird Cu-Au Discovery".
 <sup>8</sup> 24/01/2023. Tennant Minerals (ASX. TMS): "Mineralised Structures at Key Copper-Gold Targets"
 <sup>9</sup> 01/09/2023. Tennant Minerals (ASX. TMS): "New bluebird Drilling to Target Triple the Strike Length"

## But there's more - Babbler Project, Cu-Au Targets Under-Cover



- Babbler tenement EL30701, immediately south of Bluebird.
- Warramunga Formation, the host of Bluebird and other Tennant Creek Cu-Au deposits, under sedimentary/volcanic cover (Ooradidgee Formation).
- Previous drilling includes 3m @ 2.6 g/t Au, 10m @ 0.8 g/t Au and 0.3m @ 310 g/t Au in structures overlying basement targets?
- Magnetic anomalies identified that may be in underlying Warramunga or overlying sedimentary/volcanic sequence.
- Detailed gravity completed<sup>10</sup>. Modelling to define gravity (ironstone) anomalies in Warramunga Formation, representing targets for new copper-gold deposits.
- Drilling planned during next program (potentially NT Govt. supported).
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## **Babbler Project Magnetics and Gravity Defines Key Drill-Targets**





## Barkly Project – Next Steps Towards Development (12 to 18 months)



### • New drilling:

- To test and define shallow eastern extensions.
- To test Bluebird East and Bluebird West targets – aiming to triple the mineralised footprint.
- To test other targets e.g. Babbler.
- Metallurgical testwork on key drillholes.
- Mineral Resource estimation when sufficient size for potential standalone project.
- Initial development studies, environmental baseline studies.
- Feasibility studies and permitting.



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