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1. SUMMARY AND RECOMMENDATIONS

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2.2. Tenement Details

Tenement details are shown in Table 1 below.

EPM	BIM	BLOCK	SUB-BLOCK
15996	CLON	19	b c d e f g h i k
15996	CLON	20	a b f g h l m n
15996	NORM	3402	z
15996	NORM	3403	v w x y z

Table 1: Tenement details

2.3. Location and Access

Conquest EPM15996 is located 30km south-southeast of Mt Gordon as shown in Figure 1. Access is via station tracks leading from the Mt Gordon road. The EPM is located on the MAMMOTH MINES (6758), ALSACE (6858) and PROSPECTOR (6857) 1:100,000 sheets that form part of the CAMOOWEAL (SE5413), DOBBYN (SE5414) and CLONCARRY (SF542) 1:250,000 map sheets.

The map datum used for all survey work is the Australian Geodetic Datum (AGD84) using Universal Transverse Mercator Zone 54 (UTM54) map projection.

3. GEOLOGY

The geology is described in previous annual reports such as Little (2005) as follows:

"EPM15996 is underlain by rocks from the Haslingden Group and the Crystal Creek Block (Figure 2). The Crystal Creek Block comprises Mount Isa Group sediments preserved in a down faulted block. The Haslingden Group is represented by quartzite, sandstone and basalt of the Eastern Creek Volcanics (ECV). The southern boundary of the Crystal Creek Block is marked by the Mount Robert/Lake Julius Fault, which juxtaposes Mount Isa Group sediments (Moondarra Siltstone, Breakaway Shale and Native Bee Siltstone) against sediments and basalts of the ECV's. Similarly to the north, the Crystal Creek Block is bound against ECV's along the Crystal Creek Fault. Structurally the Crystal Creek region is complex, with folding, block faulting and refolding. Outcropping Haslingden Group rocks preserve a regional north-south structural fabric, which conflicts with the tight upright east-west trending folds preserved in adjacent Mount Isa Group rocks."

Previous work has shown that the Mount Isa Group units exhibit widespread Pb/Zn anomalism throughout the Crystal Creek Block with strong Cu anomalism along the bounding faults. The area is considered prospective for both stratiform sediment-hosted Pb/Zn deposits and Mount Isa/Mammoth-style breccia Cu deposits.

4. PREVIOUS EXPLORATION

The Crystal Creek Block has an extensive exploration history. The following exploration activities have been reported for areas covering all or part of EPM15996.

Date	Tenement – Company – Activity	CR Numbers
1966	AtP 296M – Kern County Land Co. - Regional grid mapping - Soil/rock chip geochem - RAB drilling (17 holes/1219m) - No significant mineralisation	2577, 2082, 2083

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1971	<p>Surprise Creek, Crystal Creek. – Pickands Mather & Co. Int.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Regional stream sediments - 23MLs in Crystal Creek transferred to Triako Mines N.L. 1972 - Follow up auger sampling - Minor IP, SP 	
1974	<p>AtP 1400 – Consolidated Gold Fields Aust. Ltd.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Photogeological mapping (1:25000, 1:2500, 1:500, 1:250) - Ground magnetics - Input EM (Mount Close) - Costeaining (7, 1121m) - Stream sediment - Diamond drilling (2 holes) 	5192, 5641, 6037, 6142
1974, 1975	<p>AtP 1339 – Consolidated Gold Fields Aust. Ltd</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Photogeological mapping, Mount Robert 1:25000, 1:5000) - Diamond drilling (2 holes) - Found Cu in fault breccia 	5191
1977 to 1981	<p>AtP 1804M – Esso Exploration and Production Aust. Inc.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Joint Venture – Triako + 23ML - Geological and photogeological mapping - Aeromagnetic survey - Rock chip sampling - Percussion drilling and diamond drilling - False colour Landsat imagery interpretation - Withdrew 1981 	6718, 7496, 7675, 8199, 8417, 9909
1983 to 1986	<p>AtP 3421M – Getty Oil Development Co. Ltd.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Rab (bedrock) drilling, two anomalous zones in central and southern sub-basins - Rock chip sampling - Aerial photography (colour) - Geological mapping - Percussion and diamond drilling - Petrography - Best Pb/Zn drill results, uneconomic, at the Egret prospect, southern sub-basin 	12425, 12927, 13821, 13822
1987	<p>AtP 3421 – Ausminco Pty Ltd</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Purchased Getty interests 	15838

Date	Tenement – Company – Activity	CR Numbers
1990 – 1995	EPMs 7336 and 7730, subsequently EPM 9890 MIM Exploration <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Drainage sampling - Recon soil lines - Airborne EM (Questem) survey - Gridded soil lines - Confirmed base metal anomalies along the Mount Robert Fault 	23338
1996-2007	EPMs 10970 and 11803 Aberfoyle Resources, Western Metals and Birla Mt Gordon <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Reprocessing and imaging of MIM AEM - Ground EM at Mount Robert East, Mount West, South Edge and Caroline prospects - 1,370 surface geochemistry samples (max 82,500ppm Cu in soil, max 405ppm Cu in stream sediment, max 161,000ppm Cu in rock chip) - Statistical analysis of stream sediment data - Hyperspectral data collection and interpretation - Reprocessing and imaging of IKONOS satellite high-resolution multispectral, near-infrared imagery - Reconnaissance and prospect geological mapping - Drilling: 11 RC and diamond drill holes at Caroline prospect and 1 diamond drill hole at Aslan prospect - Petrological study of one drill hole at Caroline prospect 	
2008-2010	EPM 15996 Birla Mt Gordon <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - DHTEM on 2 holes - 1 DD hole. 445.7m No significant intercepts 	

Table 2: Previous company exploration, 1956-2010

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Exploration work completed during the reporting period includes:

- *Drill access track reconstruction.*

5.2. Drill Access Track Reconstruction

A drill program (3 holes, 700m) was proposed at the Caroline prospect to test for extensions to historic drill results. The historic drill access tracks were re-established during the reporting period but the drill program had to be postponed as a landholder compensation agreement was not concluded during the reporting period thus drill pads and sumps could not be constructed.

6. CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

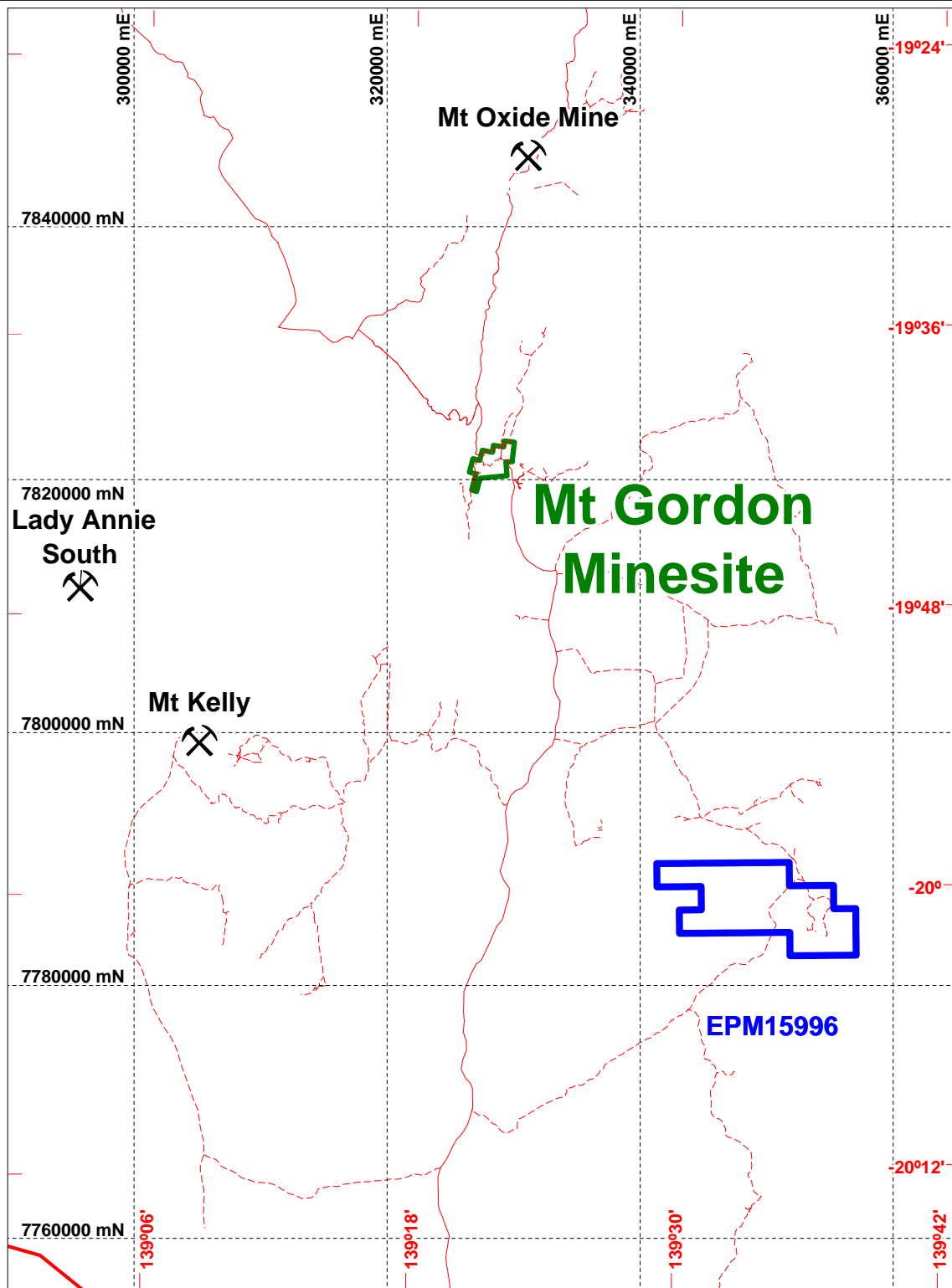
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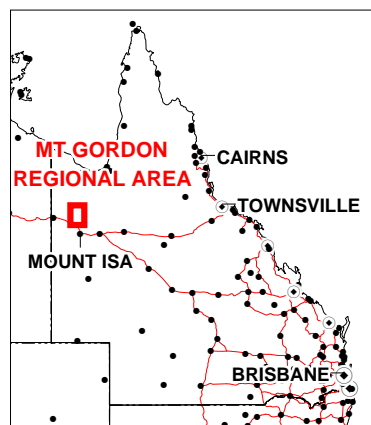
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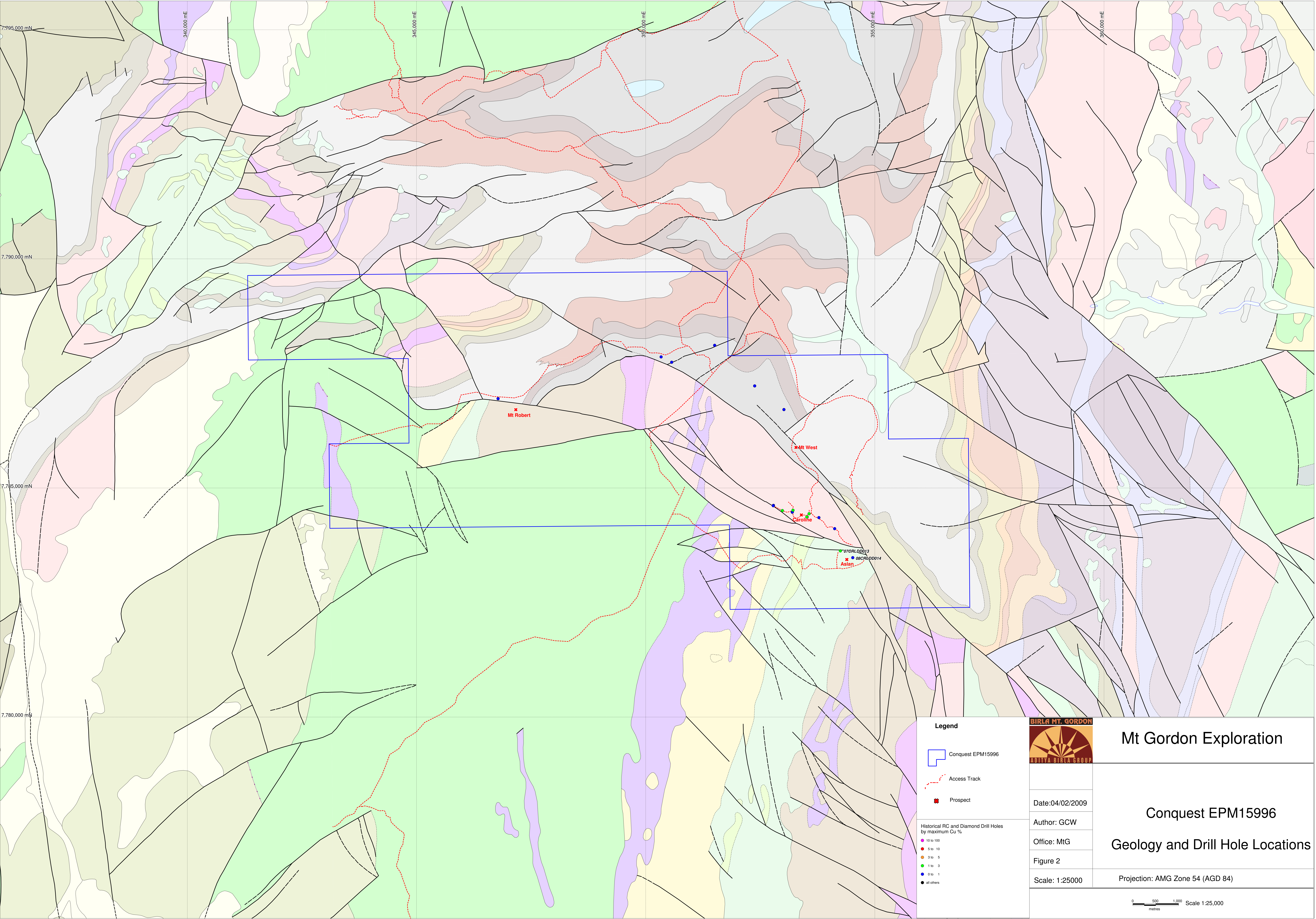
TENEMENT LOCATION PLAN EPM15996 Conquest

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Projection : AMG Zone 54 (AGD84)



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Figure 2

Scale: 1:25000

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Geology and Drill Hole Locations

Projection: AMG Zone 54 (AGD 84)

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