





Northern Territory Government Co-funding secured and McArthur Basin Exploration update

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Highlights

Borroloola West Joint Venture Project - Copper/Zinc/Lead/Cobalt/Silver

- Co-funding obtained from the Northern Territory Department of Industry and Primary Resources covering 50% of direct diamond drilling costs at the Mariner, Berjaya, and Coppermine Creek Prospects.
- Ground Electromagnetic (EM) Survey over Coppermine Creek completed with results due within two weeks.
- Diamond drilling planned to commence in July designed to test for major primary copper and zinc-lead mineralisation.
- Aircore drilling program planned to commence in August at Lorella to test for primary and oxide copper mineralisation.

The Borroloola West Joint Venture ("BWJV") consists of 12 exploration licences and 1 mining licence (1,817 km²), and lies west and northwest of the world class McArthur River zinc-lead mine and Teck Australia Pty Ltd's zinc-lead resource at the world class Teena deposit (figure 1). The parties to the BWJV are 51% Pacifico Minerals Limited ("Pacifico" or "Company") (ASX code: PMY) and 49% Sandfire Resources NL ("Sandfire") (ASX code: SFR).

Pacifico is pleased to report it has secured co-funding from the Northern Territory Government. The funding, with a maximum value of \$165,000, will be provided through the Northern Territory's Geophysics and Drilling Collaborations program and will cover 50% of the planned direct drilling costs at the Mariner, Berjaya and Coppermine Creek Prospects. The Geophysics and Drilling Collaborations Program forms part of the Creating Opportunities for Resource Exploration (CORE) initiative and aims to increase the intensity of exploration drilling and geophysics in areas of the Northern Territory.

The Managing Director of the Company, Mr Simon Noon, made the following comments:

"Exploration is progressing well at our Borroloola West project. The Ground EM survey has been completed on schedule and planning is well underway for a diamond drilling program in July. In terms of funding, we are very fortunate to have secured the cofunding support of the Northern Territory Government for three of our copper and zinc drill targets"



The ground EM Survey over Coppermine Creek has been completed on schedule and the results are currently being processed and modelled. A copper mineralised horizon has been identified by surface mapping and drilling at Coppermine Creek within the gently dipping Amelia Dolomite unit. It is expected that the ground EM survey will identify zones of higher conductivity that could be reflecting the thicker zones of highest grade copper mineralisation, to be targeted by the upcoming diamond drilling.

The upcoming diamond drilling program at the Coppermine Creek, Mariner and Berjaya prospects will commence once the ground EM at Coppermine Creek has been processed and drill targets further defined. At Mariner and Berjaya, drill targets for sediment hosted zinc—lead have been established by geological modelling of surface mapping and sampling data, together with previous RC and diamond drill hole information.

An aircore drilling program (2,000m) at the Lorella prospect is now planned for August due to delays in obtaining NT Mine Management Plan (MMP) approval for the program. Aircore drilling will test strike extensions of the mineralisation, both for indications of significant down-dip primary sulphide copper mineralisation and for oxide copper mineralisation. Preliminary metallurgical test work for acid and non-acid leaching is to be carried out prior to the drilling program to ascertain if the oxide copper material at Lorella might be economically viable.

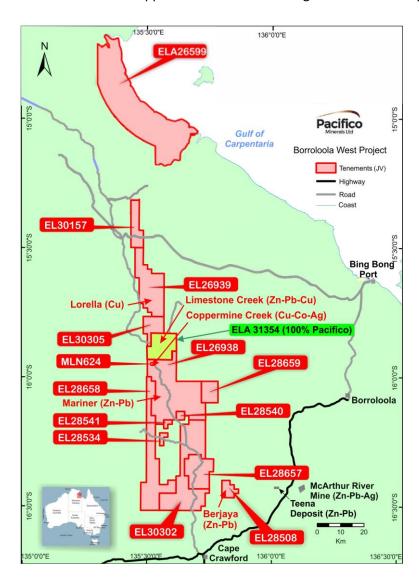


Figure 1: Borroloola West Project Tenements and Location of prospects



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About Pacifico Minerals Ltd

Pacifico Minerals Ltd ("Pacifico") (ASX: PMY) is a Western Australian based exploration company with interests Australia and Colombia. In Australia the company is focussed on advancing the Borroloola West project in the Northern Territory. The Borroloola West Project covers an outstanding package of ground north-west of the McArthur River Mine (the world's largest producing zinc – lead mine) with high potential for the discovery of world class base metal deposits. In Colombia the company is focussed on advancing its Berrio Gold Project. Berrio is situated in the southern part of the prolific Segovia Gold Belt and is characterised by a number of operational, artisanal-scale adits. The project is 35km from the Magdalena River which is navigable to the Caribbean Sea and has excellent infrastructure in place including hydro power, sealed roads, a water supply and telecommunications coverage.

Competent Person Statement

The information in this announcement that relates to the Borroloola West Project is based on information compiled by Mr David Pascoe, who is a Member of the Australian Institute of Geoscientists. Mr Pascoe is contracted exclusively to Pacifico Minerals Limited. Mr Pascoe 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 of Exploration Results, Mineral Resources and Ore Reserves". Mr Pascoe consents to the inclusion in this announcement of the matters based on information in the form and context in which it appears.



Section 1 Sampling Techniques and Data

Criteria	JORC Code explanation	Commentary
Sampling techniques	 Nature and quality of sampling (eg 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. Include reference to measures taken to ensure sample representivity and the appropriate calibration of any measurement tools or systems used. Aspects of the determination of mineralisation that are Material to the Public Report. In cases where 'industry standard' work has been done this would be relatively simple (eg '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 (eg submarine nodules) may warrant disclosure of detailed information. 	No new sampling
Drilling techniques	 Drill type (eg core, reverse circulation, open-hole hammer, rotary air blast, auger, Bangka, sonic, etc) and details (eg 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). 	No new drilling
Drill sample recovery	 Method of recording and assessing core and chip sample recoveries and results assessed. Measures taken to maximise sample recovery and ensure representative nature of the samples. 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. 	No new drilling
Logging	 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. 	No new drilling
Sub-sampling techniques and sample preparation	 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 	



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	 appropriateness of the sample preparation technique. Quality control procedures adopted for all subsampling 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. 	No new drilling
Quality of assay data and laboratory tests	 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 (eg standards, blanks, duplicates, external laboratory checks) and whether acceptable levels of accuracy (ie lack of bias) and precision have been established. 	No new drilling
Verification of sampling and assaying	 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. 	No drill intersections quoted
Location of data points	 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. 	 No new drilling
Data spacing and distribution	 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. 	Only exploration drilling,
Orientation of data in relation to geological structure	 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. 	No drill intersections quoted



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Sample security	The measures taken to ensure sample security.	 No new sampling
Audits or reviews	 The results of any audits or reviews of sampling techniques and data. 	 None required at this preliminary exploration stage.



Section 2 Reporting of Exploration Results (Criteria listed in the preceding section also apply to this section.)

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Mineral tenement and land tenure status	 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. 	 The Borroloola West JV Project consists of EL's 26939, 30305, 26938, 28659, 28540, 28541, 28534, 28658, 30302, 28657, 28508, MLN 624 and ELA 26599. The Borroloola West Project is a joint venture with Sandfire. Pacifico is the operator. Some of the licence areas are covered by the Limmen National Park and permissions for exploration have been obtained from both the traditional owners and the Parks and Wildlife Commission. Berjaya (EL28508) lies on McArthur River Station and permissions for exploration have been obtained from the traditional owners and Glencore. Granted licences - no known security of tenure issues or anticipated impediments to operate in the area.
Exploration done by other parties	Acknowledgment and appraisal of exploration by other parties.	 Various companies have explored the area now covered by the Borroloola West Project including Sandfire Resources NL, Carrington Mines Ltd, Mount Isa Mines Ltd and BHP Exploration Pty Ltd.
Geology	Deposit type, geological setting and style of mineralisation.	The Borroloola West Project is considered prospective for sediment hosted massive sulphide zinc lead silver deposits and structurally controlled or stratabound copper deposits in the Proterozoic sedimentary sequence. Manganese deposits may be present in Cretaceous sediments. Diamonds may occur in concealed kimberlitic pipes.
Drill hole Information	 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: 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 	No new drilling



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	from the understanding of the report, the Competent Person should clearly explain why this is the case.	
Data aggregation methods	 In reporting Exploration Results, weighting averaging techniques, maximum and/or minimum grade truncations (eg 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 reporting of metal equivalent values should be clearly stated. 	No analyses or drill intersections reported
Relationship between mineralisation widths and intercept lengths	 These relationships are particularly important in the reporting of Exploration Results. If the geometry of the mineralisation with respect to the drill hole angle is known, its nature should be reported. If it is not known and only the down hole lengths are reported, there should be a clear statement to this effect (eg 'down hole length, true width not known'). 	No analyses or drill intersections reported
Diagrams	 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. 	 A location map is provided (figure 1). More detailed maps and sections are shown in ASX Announcement of 23/11/16
Balanced reporting	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.	No analyses or drill intersections reported
Other substantive exploration data	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.	No other substantive exploration data
Further work	 The nature and scale of planned further work (eg tests for lateral extensions or depth extensions or large-scale step-out drilling). Diagrams clearly highlighting the areas of possible extensions, including the main geological interpretations and future drilling areas, provided this information is not commercially sensitive. 	 Aircore drilling and diamond drilling planned.