

# ASX Announcement 12 November 2018 Corporate and Project Update

Dark Horse Resources Limited (ASX:DHR; **DHR**, **Dark Horse** or **Company**) is pleased to provide an update in relation to the Company's business strategy and plans, together with its recent Argentine exploration activities as follows (refer **Figure 1**):

- Las Tapias Lithium Spodumene;
- > San Luis Lithium Spodumene;
- San Jorge Lithium Brine;
- > Argentine Gold.

# **Business Strategy and Plans**

Notwithstanding the commercially disappointing results from the 2018 drilling program at the Las Tapias lithium spodumene project, Dark Horse remains committed to its Argentinean-focused business strategy and plans. That is, the Company continues to explore its current large suite of lithium and gold projects (as outlined in brief below) and to review new project opportunities presented to it via various business and industry connections. Dark Horse's primary objectives are to:

- > define substantial lithium resources, mine spodumene and brine, and produce high grade lithium products for the domestic and international battery and electronic markets; and
- discover and define several multimillion ounce gold deposits and the production of gold doré.

Additionally, the Company continues to sponsor and support the initiatives of Dark Horse Energy Pty Ltd, as it progresses discussions in relation to various power generation opportunities.

Dark Horse's 32% holding in Lakes Oil NL is a passive investment, which we believe will ultimately create significant wealth for the Company. The Company does not presently intend to dispose of this holding.

# **Explorations Projects and Activities**

## **Las Tapias Lithium Spodumene Project**

The Company has concluded discussions with the Las Tapias project owner to delay the terms of the Pampa Litio SA Exploration Agreement with Option-to-Purchase for a period of one year, whilst it works on its plans to increase spodumene resources to support a spodumene mining and processing operation. The Company will pay a holding fee to the vendor of U\$2,000 per month during this time.

As stated in ASX release 9 October 2018, Dark Horse is working with an Argentine mining and processing company who currently mine feldspar and quartz from pegmatites in the region for use in the local and export ceramics industries. Under an Agreement being negotiated with the Argentinean company, DHR will have exclusive access to the spodumene in the mining licences for mining, processing and sale of spodumene products. Exploration on the properties is expected to commence before the end of 2018.



# San Luis Lithium Spodumene Projects

The Company has temporarily ceased field exploration throughout its large suite of exploration licences whilst it awaits the San Luis Mining Authority to issue permits for drilling. The latest communication with the Authority indicates this should occur before the end of 2018. The Company believes that it has satisfied the criteria for the granting of the permits.

# San Jorge Lithium Brine Project

Dark Horse is carrying out the legal due diligence on the San Jorge Project and is finalising the Definitive Agreement with the vendor (**Figure 2**). Thirteen (13) exploration licences have been successfully certified, but the remaining two (2) require some additional time for the vendor to complete. The Company has agreed to a 45-day extension to the due diligence period to allow sufficient time for this to occur.

Dark Horse has prepared an aggressive exploration program to fully test the lithium potential of the salar which would commence immediately following finalisation and satisfaction of all due diligence activities, and contract execution.

## **Argentine Gold Projects**

The Company has implemented exploration programs within its suite of gold properties in Santa Cruz and Rio Negro as described in ASX release 9 October 2018. Substantial epithermal veins and structures have been observed at Cachi and in some of the DHR-PROAR licences (Figure 3). Rock chip samples have been collected and sent to a laboratory for analysis. Results will be reported once received and evaluated. Several photographs of the veins and associated rocks are shown below from the Rosita Norte lease (Photo 1) and Canadon Agustin lease (Photo 2).

The Company will continue to update the market as fieldwork progresses, and as results become available.

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### **Competent Persons Statement**

The information herein that relates to Exploration Targets and Exploration Results is based on information compiled by Mr Neil Stuart, who is a Fellow of The Australasian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy. Mr Neil Stuart is a Director of Dark Horse Resources Ltd.

Mr Stuart has more than five years experience which is relevant to the style of mineralisation and type of deposit being reported 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, Minerals Resources and Ore Reserves' (the JORC Code). This public report is issued with the prior written consent of the Competent Person(s) as to the form and context in which it appears.

### **About Dark Horse Resources**

Dark Horse Resources Ltd is an Australian, publicly listed mineral resource company (ASX: DHR), with a particular focus on Argentina, where it has invested in lithium and gold projects, with objectives to:

- ➤ Define substantial lithium resources, mine spodumene and brine, and produce high grade lithium products for the domestic and international battery and electronic markets.
- > Discover and define several multimillion ounce gold deposits and the production of gold doré.

Dark Horse also has a power generation subsidiary, Dark Horse Energy and a substantial holding (33%) in Australian-based and ASX-listed oil and gas exploration company Lakes Oil NL (ASX:LKO).

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Figure 1 - Location of Dark Horse's Argentine mineral projects.



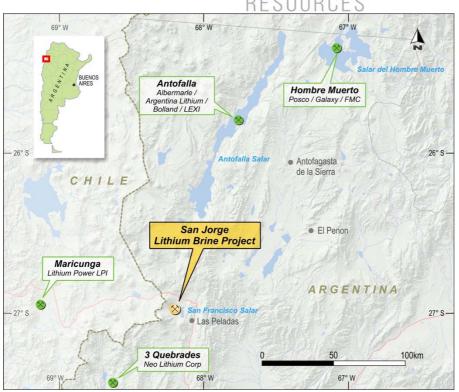


Figure 2 – Location of the San Jorge Lithium brine Project in Catamarca, northern Argentina.



Figure 3 – Location of the Los Domos, Cachi and DHR-PROAR gold properties in Santa Cruz, southern Argentina.





Photo 1 - Francesca epithermal vein in the Rosita Norte licence.







Photo 2 - Silicified structures surrounded by strong hydrothermal alteration in the Canadon Agustin licence.