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**Rare Earths in a Sand Pit** 

# **ARKMINES**

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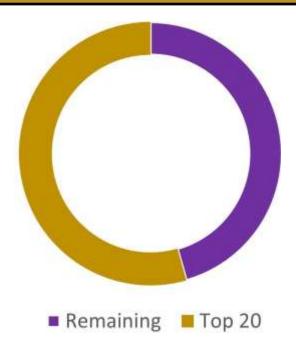
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## **Corporate snapshot**

Overview				
ASX Code	АНК			
Shares on Issue	55m			
Share price	~\$0.19			
Options on issue	15,172,500			
Market capitalisation	\$10.00M			
Cash balance (approx.)	\$3.01M			



op 20 shareholders	areholders
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Name	Position	Experience	
Roger Jackson	Executive Chairman	30+ years in exploration, development and mining operations	
Benjamin Emery	Executive Director	10+ years in development and monetizing mineral projects	
lan Mitchell	Non-Executive Director	45+ experience years practicing law with 30+ years in the minerals sector	



#### Share price and volume

## **ARK** MINES LTD.

**A RARE EARTH ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT** 

## SANDY MITCHELL

THE ONLY INLAND SURFACE **EXPRESSED PLACER DEPOSITS TO HOST RARE** EARTHS ON THE ASX

**HOSTS ALL THE RARE EARTHS, PLUS HEAVY MINERAL, NIOBIUM AND PHOSPHATE** 

**SAFE JURISDICTION, EASE OF PERMITTING** 

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UNDERPINNED BY A TEAM WITH MINE DEVELOPMENT, **COMMODITIES TRADING, AND EXPLORATION SKILLS** 

#### **PROJECT WITH LOW START-UP CAPEX LOW OPERATIONAL COST** AND NEAR-TERM DEVELOPMENT POTENTIAL WITH THE LOWEST

## THE PROJECT HAS ACCESS TO QUALITY NEARBY **INFRASTRUCTURE, FAVOURABLE REGULATORY REGIME,**

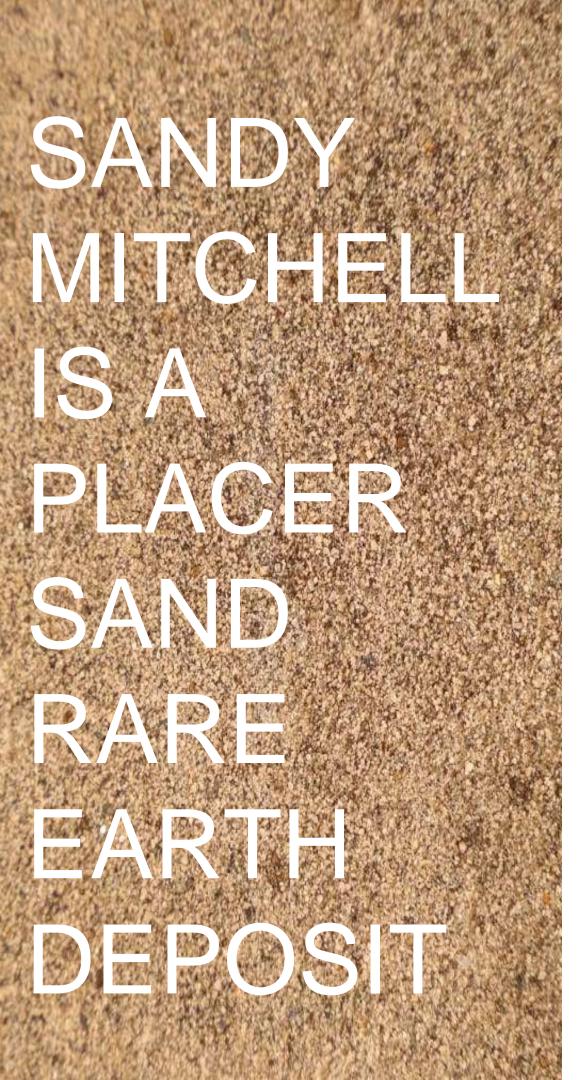
## Sandy Mitchell REE HM Project location



300km west of Cairns and 100km North of Chillagoe

Sits on only one station – 750,000 acres in size





#### THE SANDY MITCHELL PROJECT

- earths) and Zirconium's and Titanium's and Niobium
- 503.5ppm with highest grades of 1175.4ppm;
- 1048 ppm.
- highest grades of 129.3 ppm.
- highest grades of 269.7 ppm.
- and up to 25% Nd Pr
- > Extensive historical metallurgical work undertaken by Jogmec in 2010
- Rare Earths are amenable to panning a concentrate
- $\succ$  Low-cost, fast start up, straightforward beneficiation by gravity processing
- > Landholder Access Agreements in place

#### MAJOR NEW RARE EARTH MINERAL PROVINCE FOR QUEENSLAND

- $\succ$  Immense growth potential Current drilled < 1% of the radiometric anomaly
- Further Exploration and Resource Definition Drilling is well advanced

> 147km<sup>2</sup> EPM 28013 'Sandy Mitchell' – an advanced Rare Earths Project in North Queensland > The sand hosts grains of mostly monazite (light rare earths) but also Xenotime (heavy rare

> Total Rare Earth Oxides plus Yttrium and Scandium average grades for every metre assayed

Light Rare Earth average grade for every metre assayed 454.3 ppm with the highest grades of

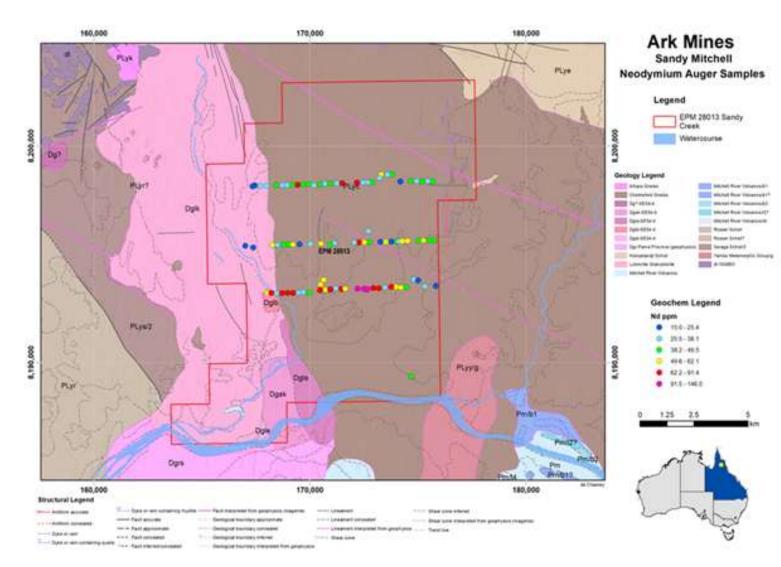
> Heavy Rare Earth plus Yitrium average grade for every meter assayed 49.2 ppm with the

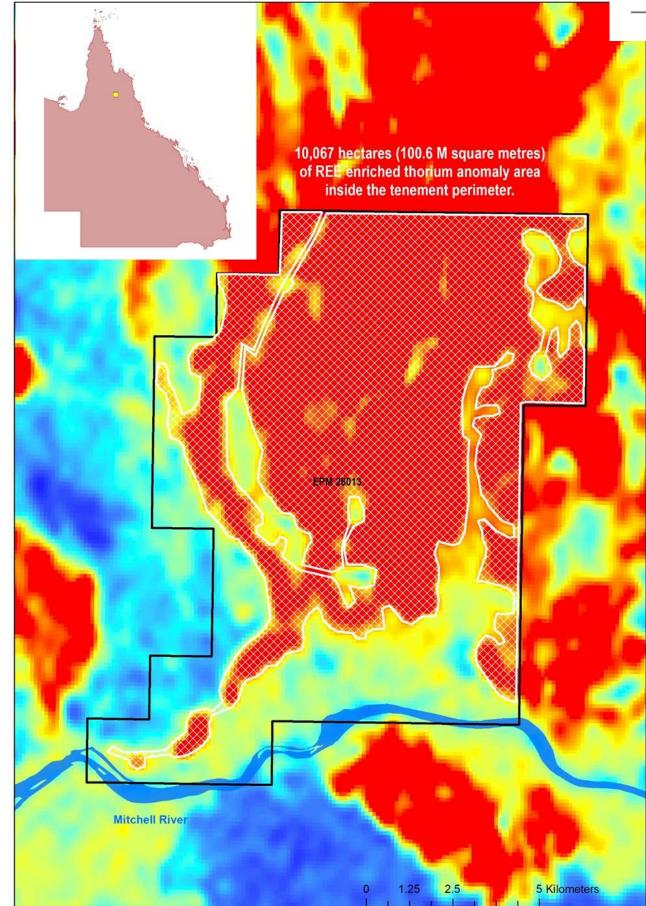
> Magnetic Rare earth Oxides average grade for every metre assayed 109.4 ppm with the

> Very high historical TREO grades including high grade pan concentrates of up to 30% TREO,

## SCALE

- The size of the thorium anomaly correlating with REE enriched alluvial sands within the Project tenement is 10,067 ha.
- Sands with Heavy Minerals and Rare Earths are eroded from Sandstones to the North. These sandstones were paleao beach settings where the rare earths and Heavys were sorted through wave actions.
- The tenement is 147km<sup>2</sup> and a further 138 km 2 has been pegged to the North.
- The anomalous rare earth historical augur drilling shows and anomalous area of 35km 2. (refer to the figure below)







## **CONTINUOUS REHABILATION AT SANDY MITCHELL**



#### LOW IMPACT MINING

- ✓ No Drill and Blast
- ✓ No overburden
- ✓ No clay to deal with
- Only 10m deep
- ✓ At 10m you can selectively mine
- ✓ No tails dam
- ✓ No waste piles

#### LOW ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

- ✓ No Chemicals
- **No Salts No Acids**
- Simple digging
- $\checkmark$
- $\checkmark$
- $\checkmark$



#### Sparse grass with some small trees

In situ processing with gravity only No impact on farm country – subsidence The landform will be the same after mining as before Rehabbed to the Landholder liking by only seeding the ground down

# Well advanced compared to other rare earth projects

#### PLACER DEPOSITS HAVE DISTINCT ADVANTAGES OVER HARD ROCK ADD CLAY-BASE RARE EARTH PROJECTS

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	Ionic Clays	Hard Rocks	PLACER (SANDY MITCHELL)	
CAPEX	Reasonable	Capex Heavy, Overburden/strip development costs, Mining costs high	<ul> <li>Capex lite and utilizing low-cost skid-mounted gravity plant</li> <li>to deliver a concentrate</li> <li>Mining cost and operating cost – negligible</li> </ul>	
<b>企</b> Scale	Typically, smaller tonnage	Typically require significant scale for economic viability	Potential to be massive tonnage	
<b>Exploration</b>	Resources can be defined inexpensively and rapidly given shallow drilling using aircore, auger, push-tube core	Similar to other hard rock base metals requiring substantial drilling, geochemistry, geophysics etc	Resources can be defined inexpensively and rapidly given shallow drilling using aircore, auger, push-tube core	
Mining	Stripping and progressive rehabilitation. Many have overburden and some strip ratio	Drill and blast with significant mining fleet. Higher strip ratios or expensive underground mining and development	<ul> <li>Stripping and progressive rehabilitation. No Overburden</li> <li>Zero strip ratio. Mined with a wheeled loader only</li> </ul>	
<u>پَّة</u> Permitting	Due to water processing and chemicals Environmental challenges will need to be met	Significant environmental impact	Simple in situ gravity processing with the sand put back where it was moved from	
C Processing	Simple metallurgy; clay is washed with a desorption agent to recover REEs	Strong acids and salts with high temperature +/- pressure. Radioactive tailings	Simple metallurgy; Gravity and magnetic in-situ processing, no water, continuous rehabilitation Nature has already done our crushing and grinding Mineral sands bi-product	





# **Combined company investment highlights**

