



## Nova & Polar Bear update

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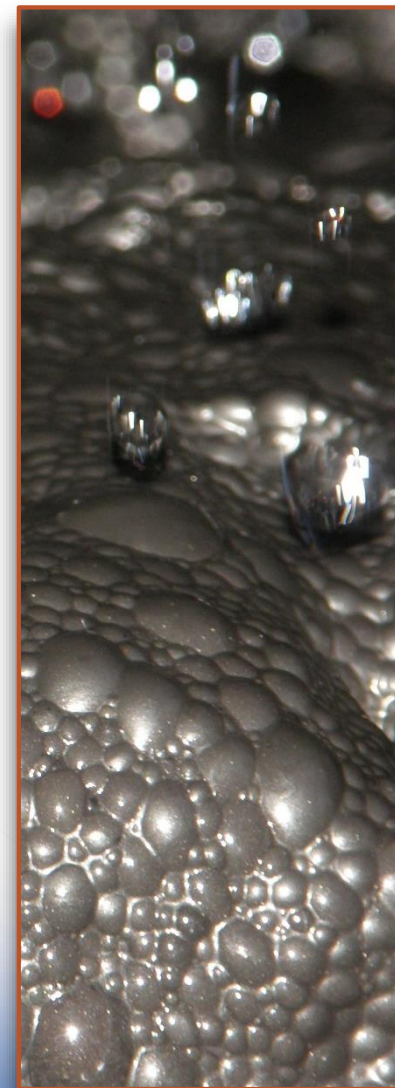
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# Discovery, 100% ownership, DFS, equity funding, native title agreement & mining lease completed



Milestone	Date (actual/forecast)
Discovery	July 2012
Maiden Resource	May 2013
Scoping Study	Sep 2013
Ongoing funding (\$84m placement)	Nov 2013
Sign deal for 100% ownership (Creasy deal)	Feb 2014
Restart exploration drilling	May 2014
Agree key terms for native title deal	May 2014
Complete Definitive Feasibility Study	June 2014
Raise equity component of project funding	July 2014
Sign definitive Native Title agreement	Aug 2014
Grant Mining Lease	Aug 2014
Obtain other permitting	Estimated 4 <sup>th</sup> Qtr 2014
Conclude financing & first offtake agreement	By Dec 2014
Start development	Early 2015, subject to items above
<i>Next discoveries.....?</i>	<i>Taipan, deep EM conductors?</i>





# Capital structure and metrics – well positioned with cash to fund development & explore



Shares on issue  
(incl 70 million escrowed shares) 411.5 m

Share options on issue  
(Avg ex price ~A\$1.38) 18.4 m

Performance shares 2.2 m

Net cash  
(as of end July 2014) A\$244.0 m

Debt Nil

Market capitalisation  
(at A\$3.15, undiluted by options) A\$1,296 m

Enterprise value  
(ditto) A\$1,052 m

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EMA (25)

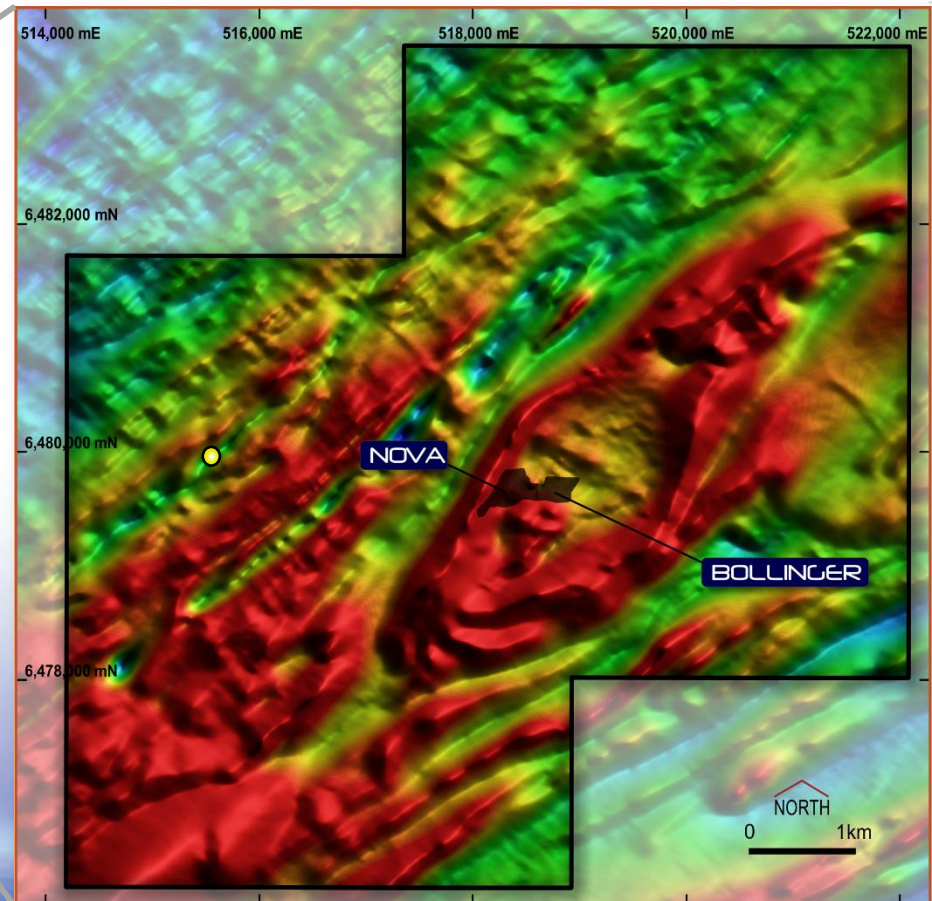
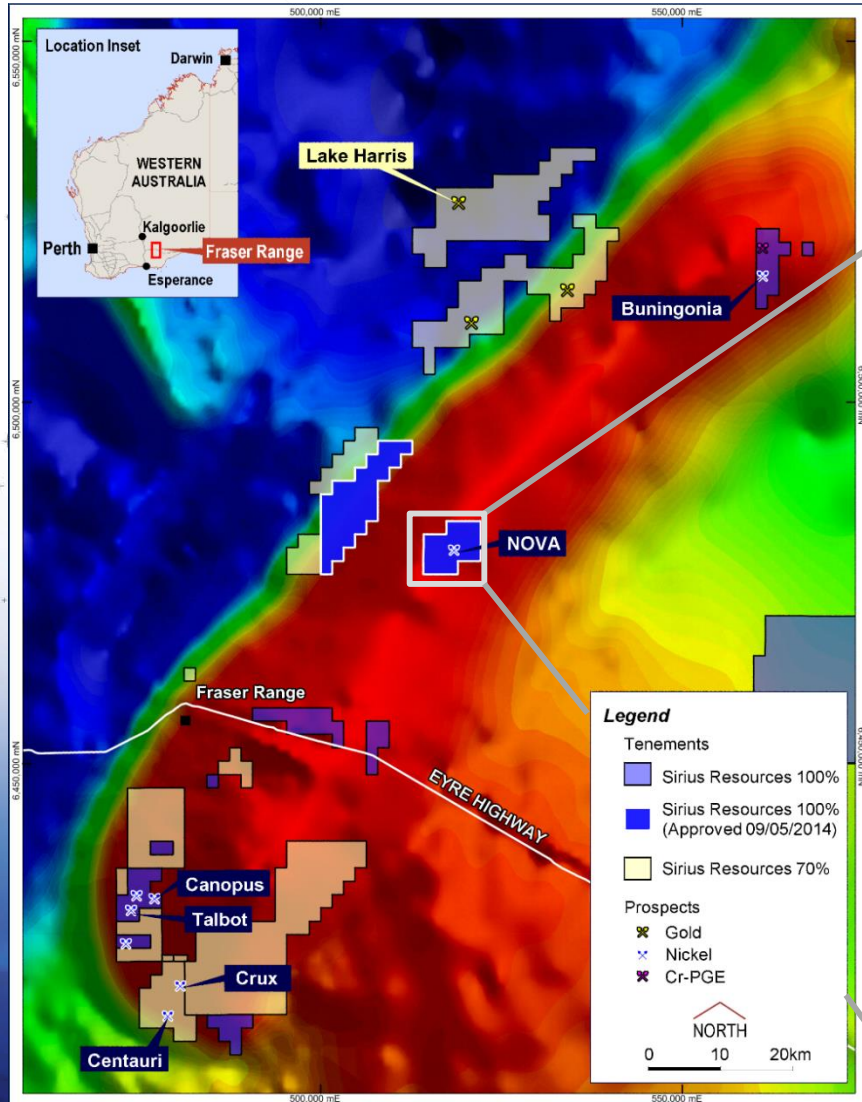
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## Substantial holders

Mark Creasy	35.0%
National Australia Bank	5.3%
JCP Investments	5.1%
Commonwealth Bank	5.0%

Strategic asset, strategic position, strategic product





# Strategic asset, strategic position, strategic product



1. Initial mine life of 10 years + 2 years development
2. Producing up to 26ktpa nickel and 11ktpa copper in concentrate
3. Estimated C1 cash cost of A\$1.66/lb\* nickel (US\$1.50\*) & all-in sustaining cost of A\$2.32/lb\* nickel (US\$2.09\*) in lowest quartile globally and lowest in Australia
4. Estimated capital cost of A\$473 million – much less than laterite projects
5. Low risk: robust Mineral Resource and proven processing technology
6. Well funded with \$244 million cash
7. Mining Lease granted and operational permitting process underway
8. Commanding ground position in new belt
9. Controls 100% of planned processing infrastructure, centrally located in belt
10. Will produce very clean concentrates with exceptionally good Fe:MgO ratios – ideal for blending with and unlocking value from poorer quality material - therefore important for smelters
11. Debt finance and offtake advancing – strong competition & good terms
12. Exploration intensifying – early nickel success at Polar Bear



# A major underground mine development

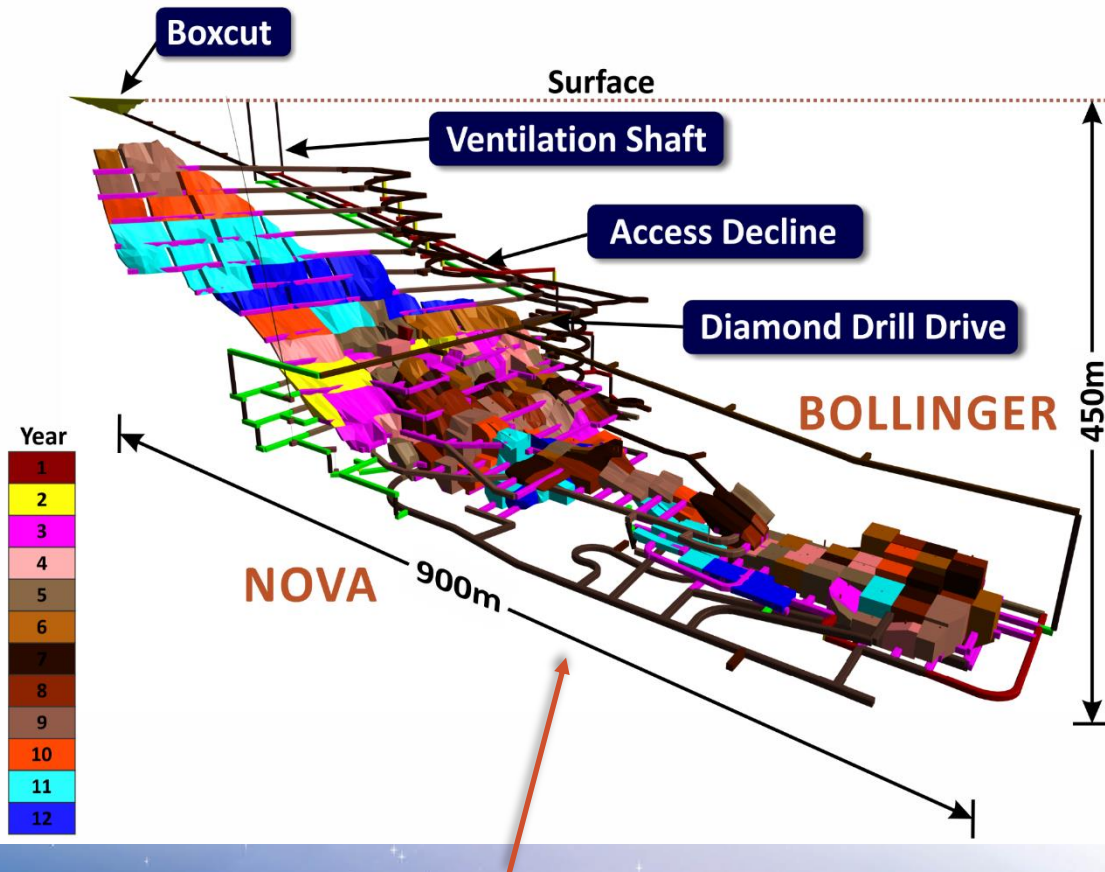


Photo on right is interior of the Met Life building in New York, measuring 20 x 20 x 45m high from viewpoint – smaller than each planned Nova stope measuring up to 25 x 25 x 70m high



# A financially robust project - the driver for growth and shareholder return



- Low estimated average C1 cash cost and all-in sustaining cost of nickel in concentrate positions Sirius in lowest quartile of global nickel producers and minimises downside risk
- In other words, more than 75% of nickel mines worldwide would have to be losing money before Nova does
- This makes Nova more “cycle-proof” than most nickel mines
- On the basis of most nickel price forecasts and a US\$:A\$ exchange rate of 0.90, Nova is estimated to generate significant revenue and net cash flow over its planned 10 year life, as follows:

Source	Nickel/lb	Revenue	Net cashflow
Consensus as per scoping study and DFS	US\$10.00	A\$4.5 billion	A\$2.73 billion
Wood Mackenzie	US\$11.79	A\$5.3 billion	A\$3.50 billion





# On track for start of development and construction in early 2015



## **Permitting**

progressing various permitting processes for mine development – aim is to be fully permitted by end December

## **Project financing**

finalising debt finance – aim to have financial close by end December

## **Construction readiness**

most major development contracts at tender review stage

## **Offtake**

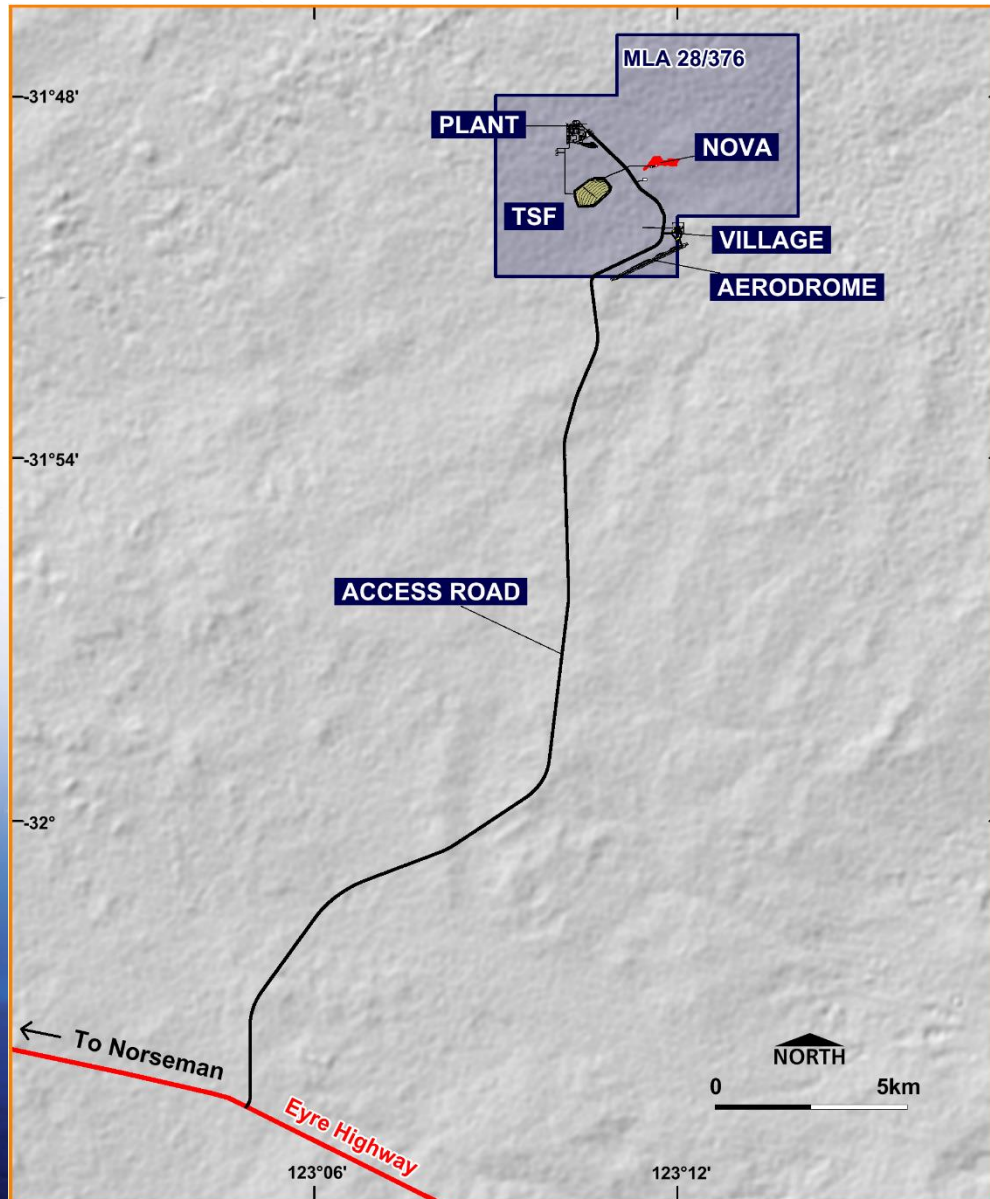
advanced discussions – aim to have one offtake contract finalised by end December

## **Exploration**

continuing to test deep EM conductors at Nova and increasing nickel exploration at Polar Bear



# Project location and infrastructure



- Mine, plant, TSF, village and airstrip all on 47 square kilometre mining lease application
- Water sources on mining lease application
- Sealed airstrip capable of taking 100 seat jets
- 34 kilometre long sealed access road to ensure inbound delivery of essential supplies and outward shipment of product is not affected by adverse weather conditions
- Connects to Eyre Highway (the trans-Australia highway) and onwards to smelters or ports



# A globally significant nickel sulphide development with access to the world

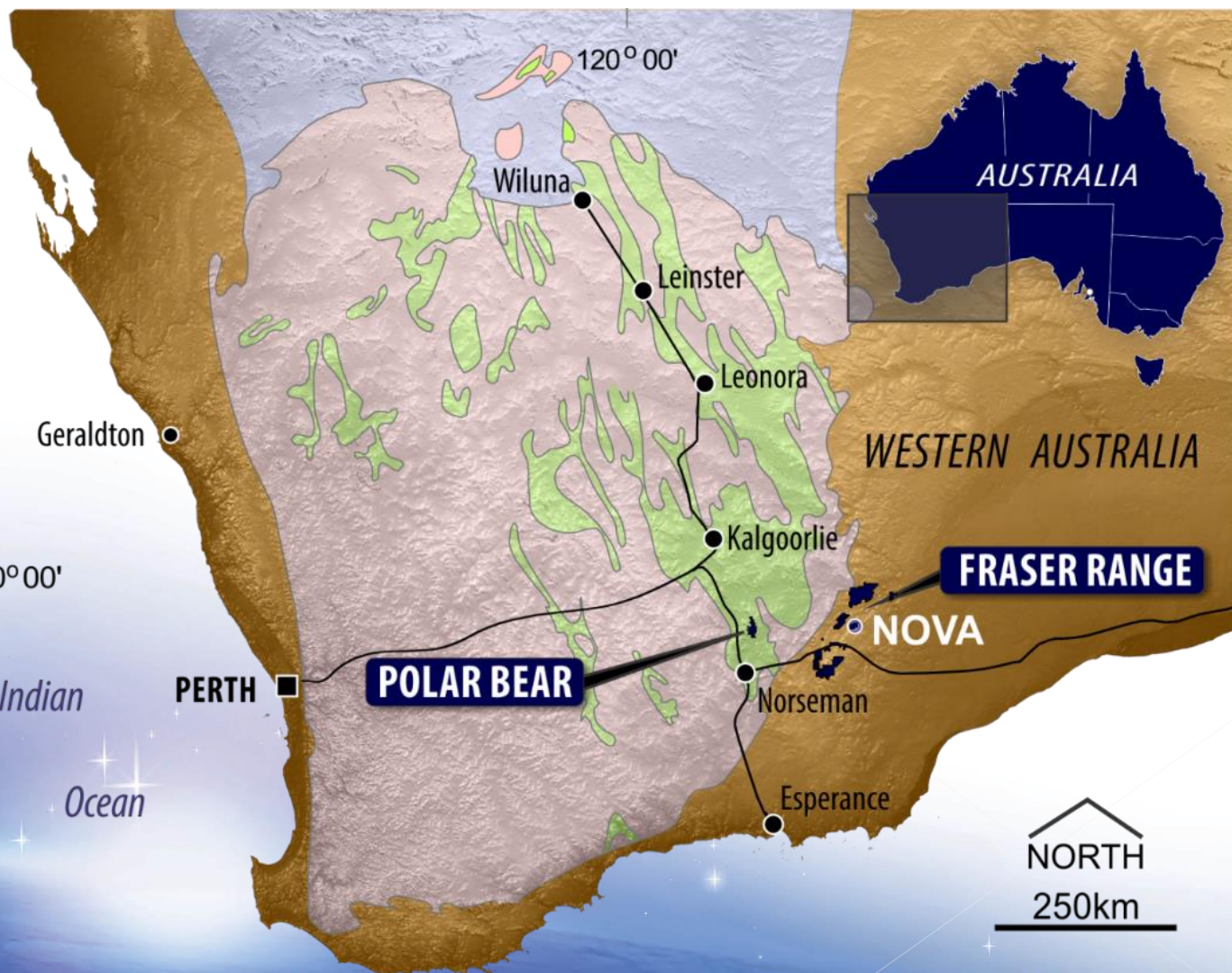


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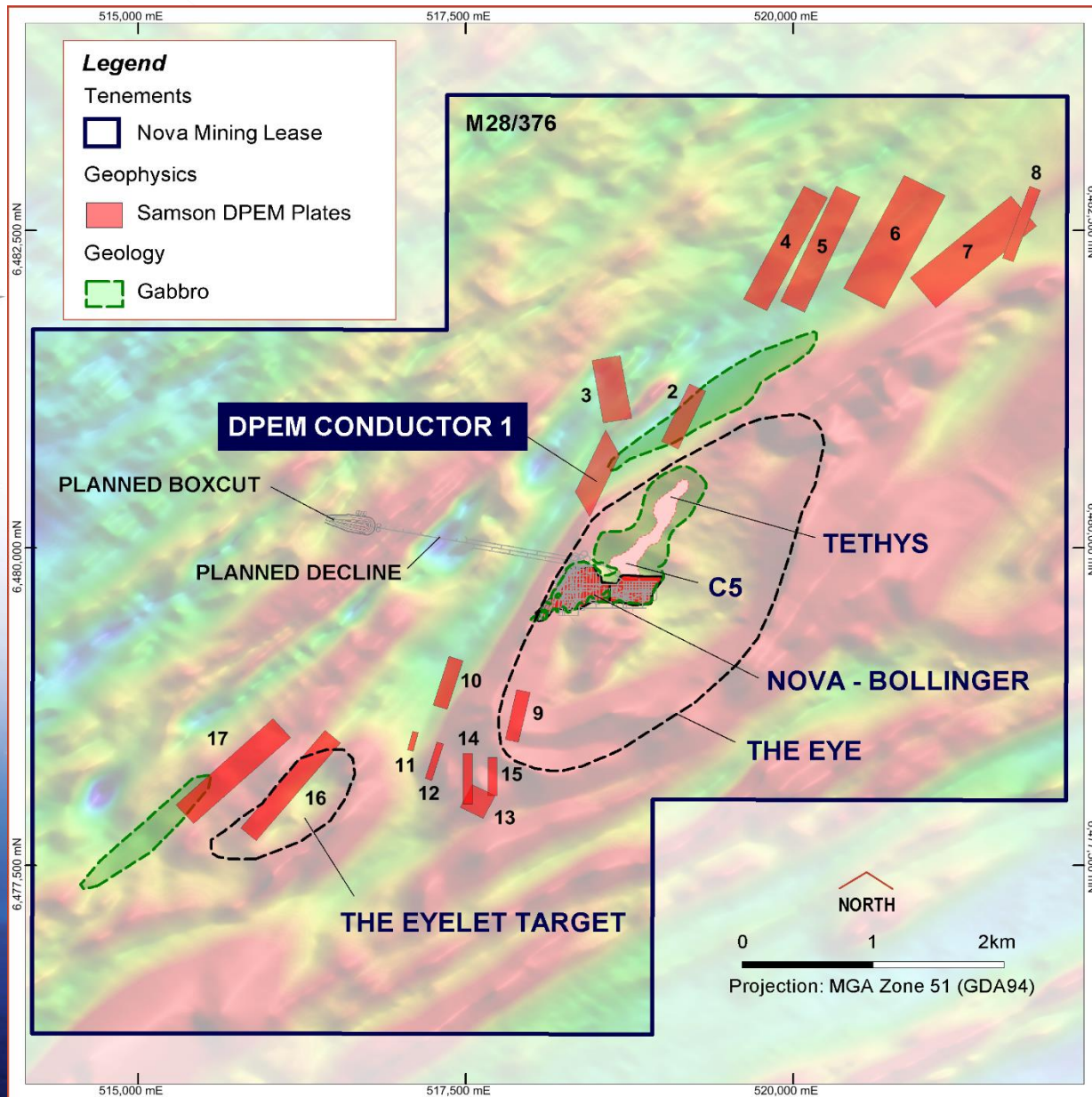
350 kilometres to either Kalgoorlie or Esperance

Within easy reach of local and global customers

Workforce from Perth (FIFO) and if possible Kalgoorlie, Esperance and Norseman (bus commute)



# Exploration - Nova

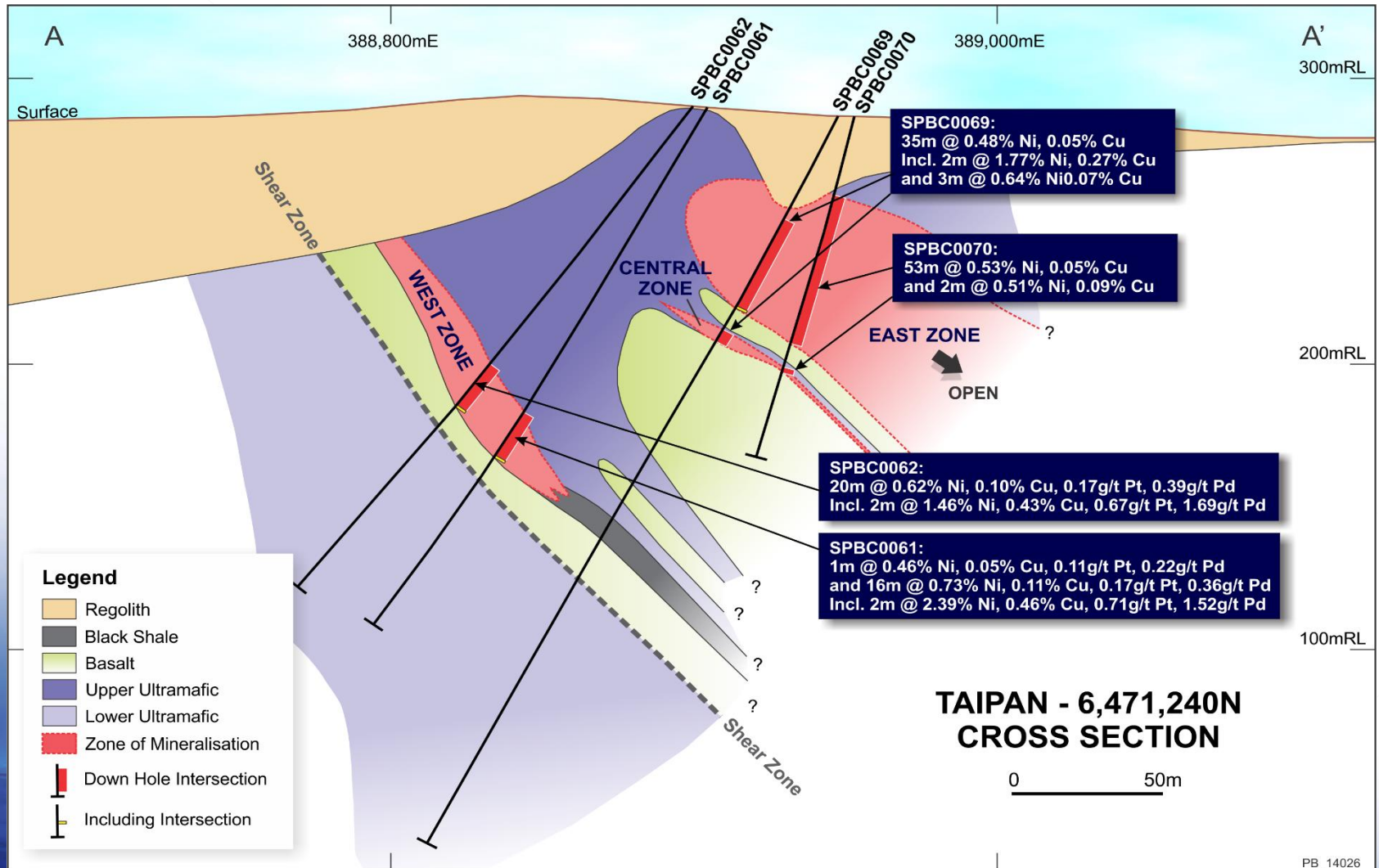


- DPEM1 conductor tested – barren pyrite and graphite
- Confirms Samson is an effective technique for locating deep EM conductors
- 1 down, 16 to go - many more to be tested systematically – drilling ongoing



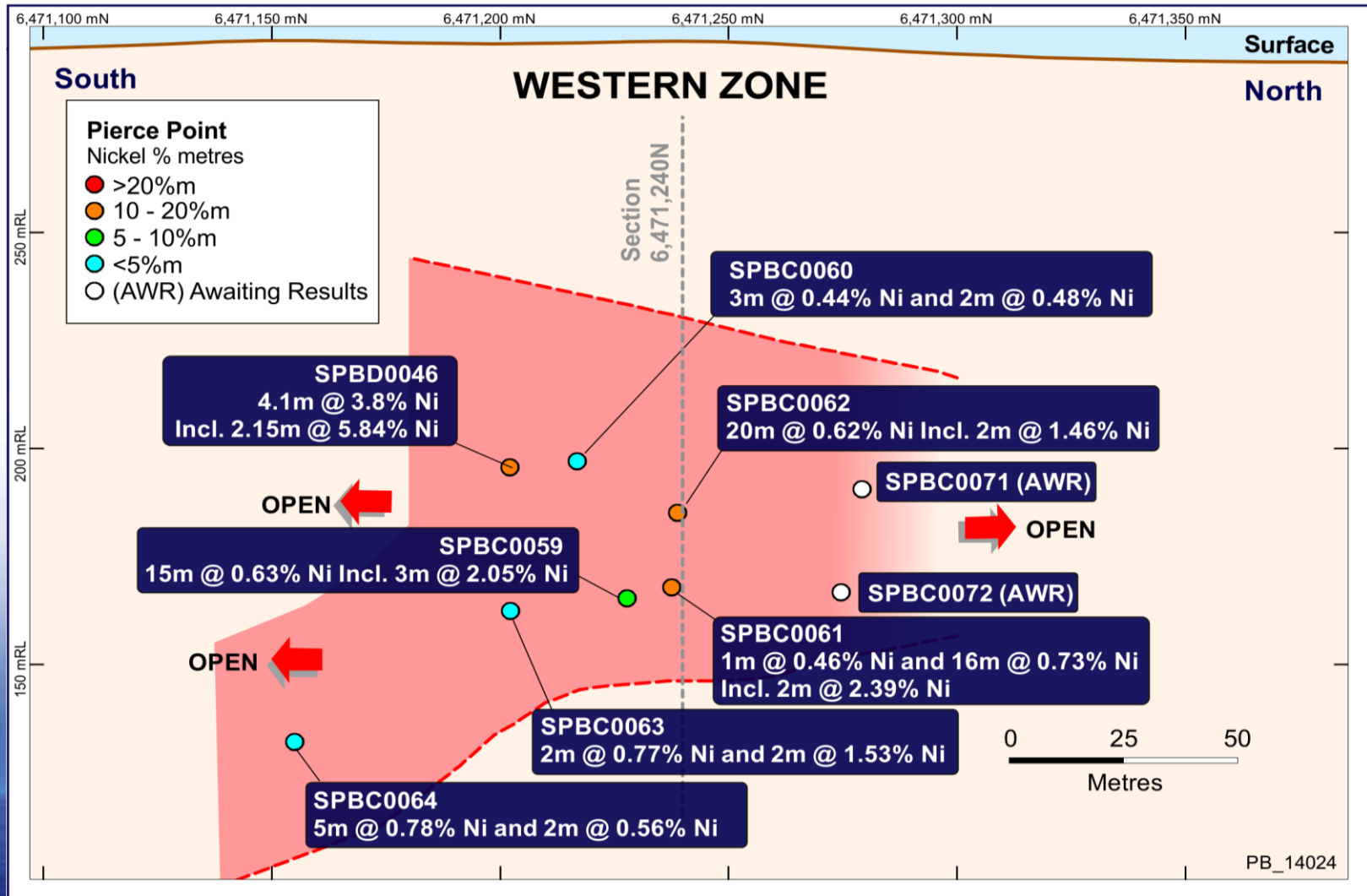
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Cross section showing original Taipan zone (West zone)  
and new thick zone of disseminated sulphide (East zone)



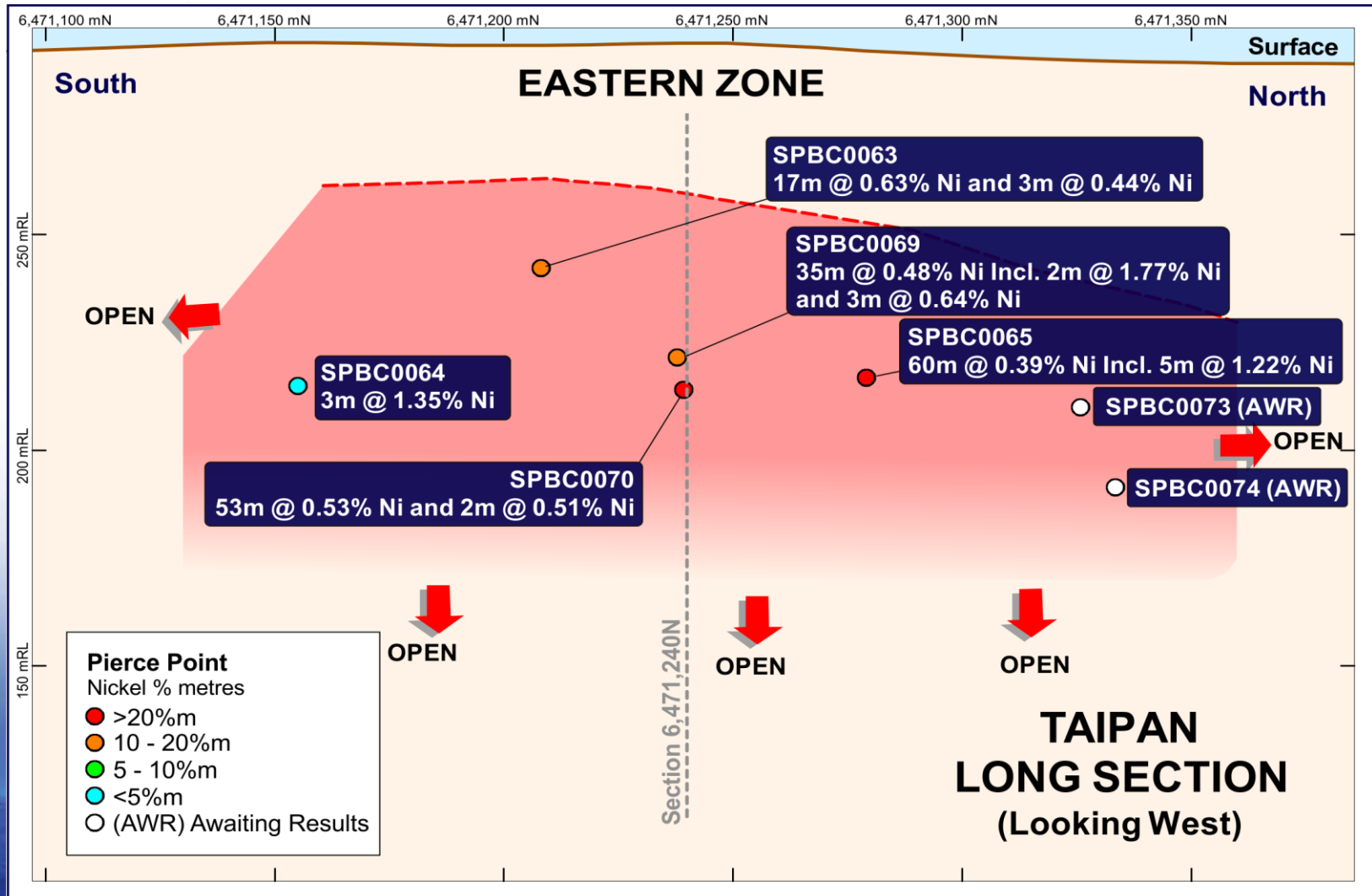
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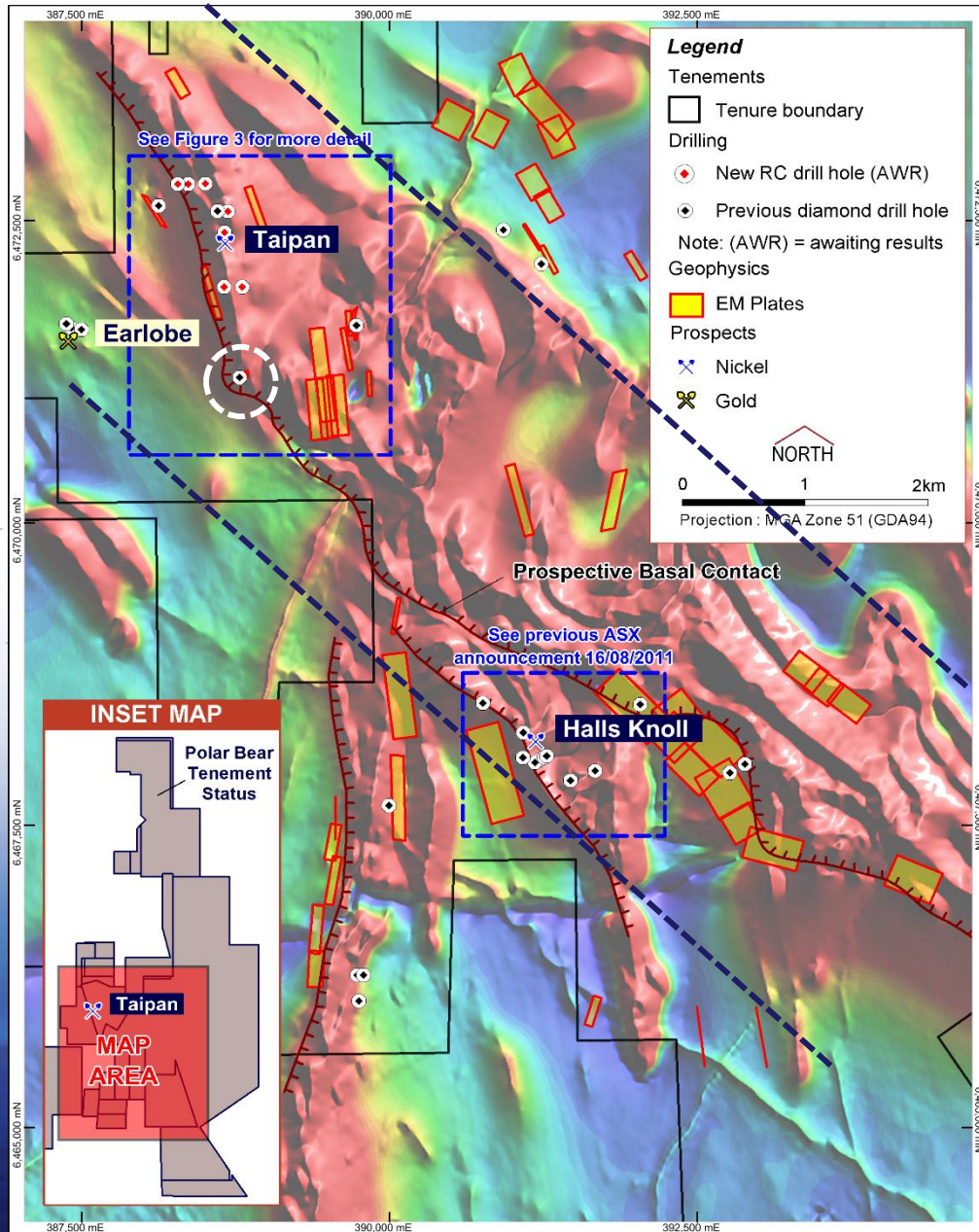




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Significant strike length and width of prospective stratigraphy (dashed blue lines)

90% of the prospective stratigraphy is hidden beneath salt lake & unexplored

Nearly every hole in this stratigraphy has intersected nickel sulphide mineralisation

Significant amounts of nickel sulphide have been intersected in early drilling at Taipan (see previous slides)

Taipan East and West zones form a very small part of the prospective stratigraphy (dashed circle)

A 1,000 hole reconnaissance drilling program will commence soon



## Summary – 2014 to date and the next 6 months



- Obtained 100% ownership and control of Nova via the purchase of Mark Creasy's 30%
- Completed Definitive Feasibility Study with very favourable outcomes
- Completed Native Title agreement and Mining Lease granted
- Discovered Taipan
- Completed \$189 million capital raising
- Permitting, financing, offtake and contract tender processes "live" and on track for completion in December
- Start of development and construction on track for early 2015
- First activities will comprise concurrent construction of the village, road, airstrip and TSF, and the start of mining the boxcut and decline
- First ore is expected in Q2 2016 and first concentrate Q4 2016
- Exploration continuing with numerous targets to test at Nova and Polar Bear

