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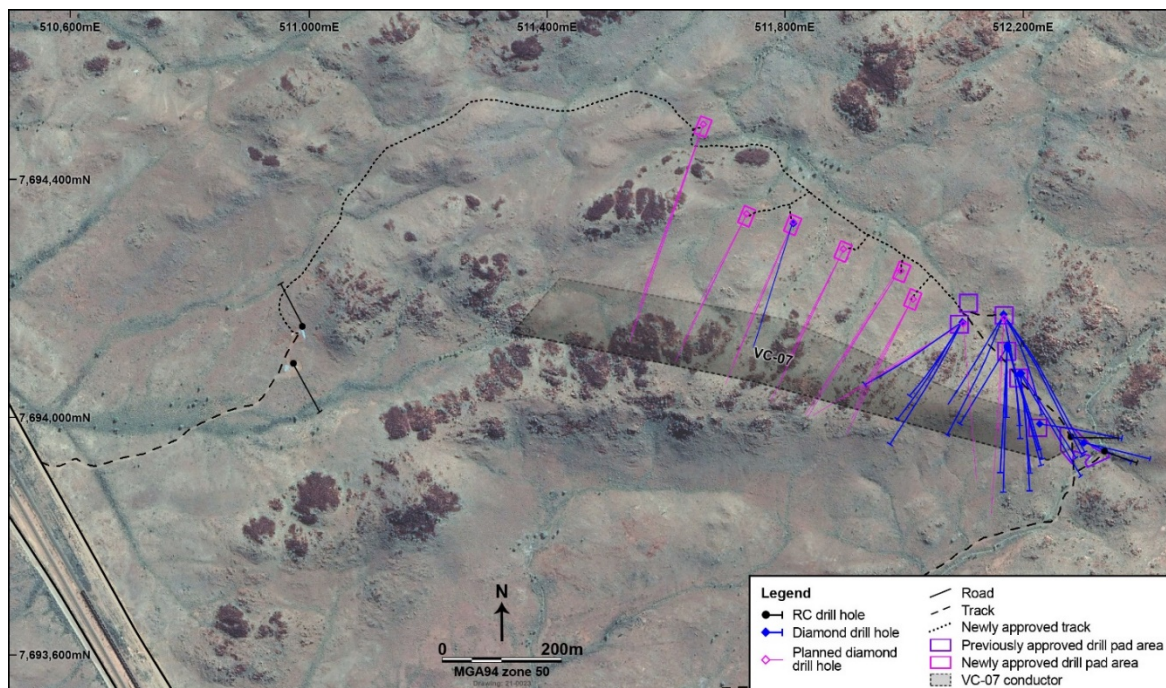
# ANDOVER VC-07 RECEIVES HERITAGE APPROVALS

## Full Mineral Resource Drill-Out Accelerating

- Archaeological and ethnographical heritage surveys have been completed for all proposed access tracks and drill sites at VC-07
- Mineral resource drill-out of VC-07 Ni-Cu deposit is now proceeding to completion
- Two diamond rigs currently operating at VC-07:
  - one focused on drilling the western strike extension; and
  - the other on infill drilling for mineral resource definition
- Third diamond rig scheduled to commence drilling at Andover in late-April

**Azure Minerals Limited** (ASX: AZS) ("Azure" or "the Company") is pleased to announce that Azure and representatives of the Traditional Owners of the Andover country have worked together to complete archaeological and ethnographical surveys for ground disturbing and clearing activities at the VC-07 prospect in the Andover Nickel-Copper Project (60% Azure / 40% Creasy Group).

The completion of the heritage surveys, together with approval of an updated Program of Work by the Department of Mines, Industry Regulation and Safety, has enabled the Company to prepare all proposed drill sites and access tracks required for Azure to complete a comprehensive drill-out of the VC-07 nickel-copper (Ni-Cu) sulphide deposit and produce a JORC-compliant Mineral Resource Estimate.



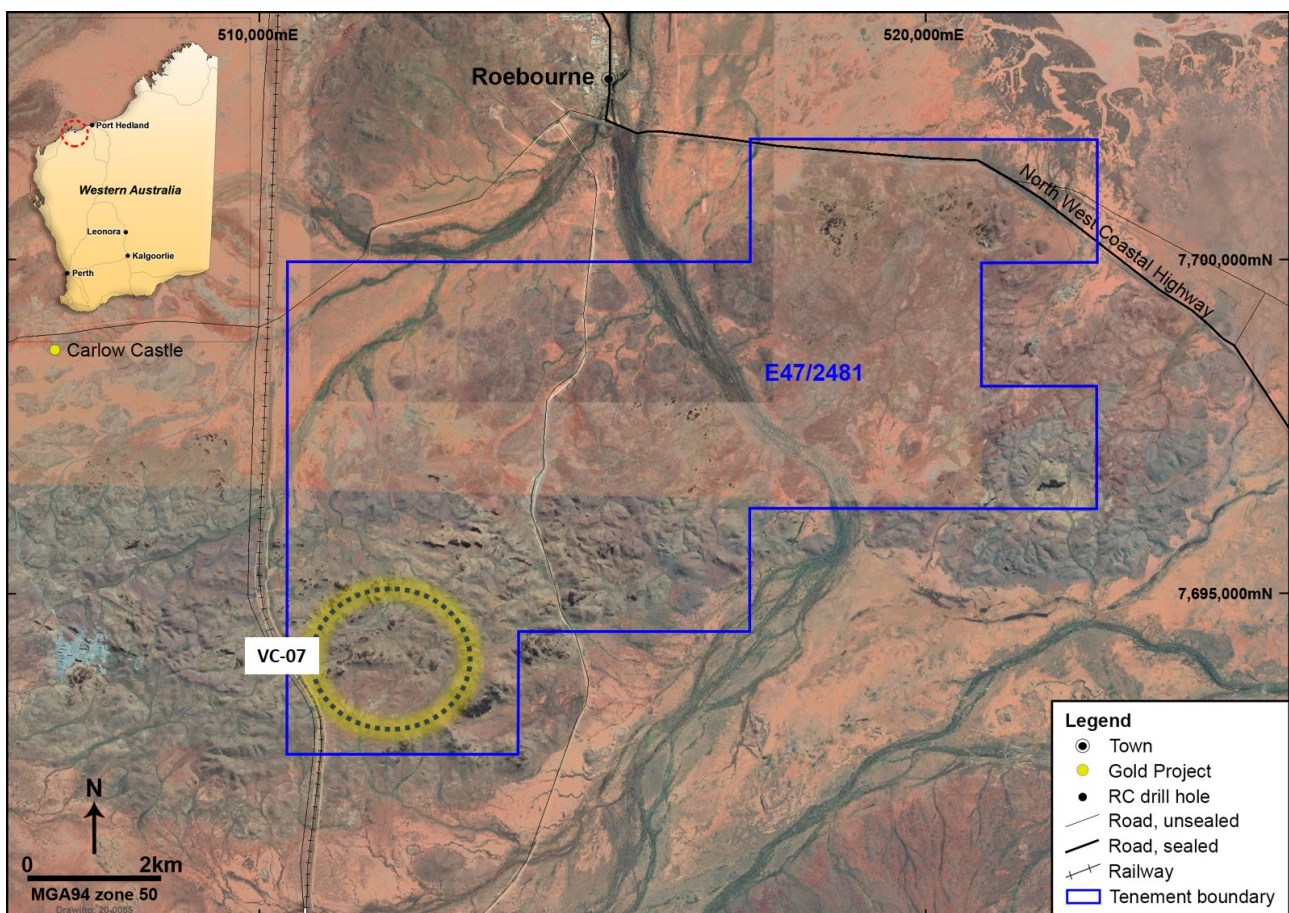
**Figure 1: Aerial image of Andover VC-07 location showing newly approved drill sites (pink squares) and access tracks (black dashed traces) and planned drill holes in pink.**

To ensure full compliance with the *Aboriginal Heritage Act 1972 (WA)*, the wishes of the Traditional Owners, and Azure's Code of Conduct, Azure commissioned an archaeological and ethnographic work program clearance heritage survey over the proposed Stage 2 drilling area.

The archaeological / ethnographic heritage survey was conducted to a work program clearance standard, which aims to:

- identify any archaeological and ethnographic heritage values within the requested survey area;
- provide Azure with preliminary boundaries of any areas of cultural value within the work program;
- negotiate deviations around areas of cultural sensitivity where possible so that Azure can proceed with works that will not impact those heritage places; and
- provide Azure with relevant and informed heritage management recommendations for heritage values identified within requested survey area.

As a result of the work clearance survey, the areas required for Azure's Stage 2 drilling program were assessed as being **archaeologically and ethnographically clear for works to proceed**.



**Figure 2: Andover Ni-Cu Project showing VC-07 Ni-Cu sulphide prospect**

### **MOVING FORWARD**

A 30,000m diamond drilling program is in progress (with approximately 11,000 metres completed to date) to define a mineral resource of nickel-copper sulphide mineralisation represented by the VC-07 electromagnetic conductor. This body is interpreted to extend east-west over a 1,050m strike length with a down-dip extent of at least 300m-400m and remains open to depth.



These dimensions highlight the potential of this body to represent a substantial nickel-copper sulphide deposit and the drilling program planned for 2021 is focused on defining a JORC-compliant mineral resource estimate. Initial drilling is defining the along-strike and depth extents of the mineralisation, to be followed by closer-spaced, in-fill drilling to assess internal continuity and variability. Planned drill sites and hole collar locations are shown in Figure 1.

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