

## JUNE 2022 QUARTERLY REPORT

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- West African Resources is on track to meet 2022 production guidance of 220,000 to 240,000 ounces gold at ASIC of US\$1,040 to US\$1,100 per ounce
  - 64,114 oz gold production at an all-in sustaining cost of US\$959/oz
  - 66,409 oz unhedged gold sales at an average price of US\$1,887/oz
  - A\$120 million of operating cashflow, before final 2021 income tax payment of A\$79 million
  - A\$222 million cash balance at end of Q2, with no senior secured debt
  - Outstanding near-mine exploration drilling results at MV3 included:
    - 13m at 5.3 g/t gold
    - 14m at 3.0 g/t gold
    - 15m at 5.8 g/t gold
    - 4m at 14.4 g/t gold
    - 24m at 2.1 g/t gold
    - 14m at 3.5 g/t gold
  - No significant social, health or safety incidents; over 11.8 million hours worked LTI free
  - Next quarter objectives:
    - Report Kiaka feasibility study and ESIA updates
    - Continue Kiaka early works construction program
    - Report additional MV3 exploration results
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West African Executive Chairman and CEO Richard Hyde commented:

*“Sanbrado continued its strong performance in Q2 2022 generating A\$120 million of operating cashflow before final 2021 income tax payment of A\$79m. The Company closed the quarter with A\$222 million cash on hand.*

*“We look forward to releasing the Kiaka feasibility study results in mid Q3. We also expect to release additional exploration results from the MV3 prospect, which is shaping up as an outstanding open pit opportunity 6km northwest of our Sanbrado mine.”*

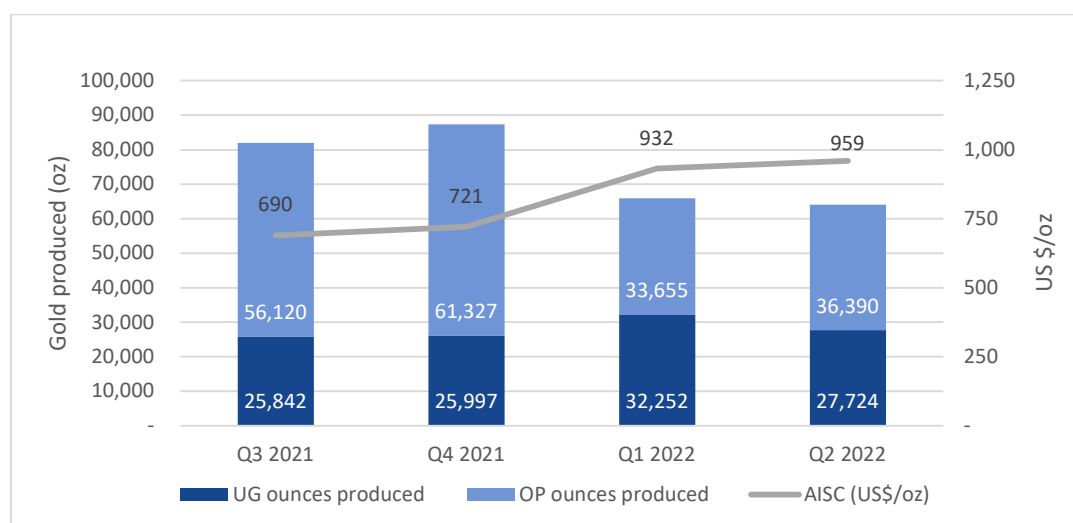
*“The Company remains well on track to meet 2022 production guidance of 220,000 to 240,000 ounces gold at ASIC of US\$1,040 to US\$1,100 per ounce.*

## Overview

Unhedged gold mining company West African Resources Limited (ASX: WAF) is pleased to present its activity report for the quarter ended 30 June 2022 ('Q2').

### Sanbrado

Production in Q2 from the Company's 90% owned Sanbrado Gold Operations was 64,114 ounces at an all-in sustaining cost (AISC) per ounce for Q2 of US\$959. Unhedged gold sales of 66,409 ounces averaged US\$1,887 per ounce. The quarter production result compared well against the annual production plan, and the Company remains on track to meet 2022 production guidance of 220,000 to 240,000 ounces gold at ASIC of US\$1,040 to US\$1,100 per ounce.



## Operations

### Health and safety

There were no significant health or safety incidents during the quarter. Sanbrado has achieved over 11.8 million hours worked and 40 continuous months LTI free.

During the quarter Sanbrado's emergency, response and training (ERT) team played a lead role in the recovery operation at Trevali's Perkoa lead-zinc mine in western Burkina Faso, where sadly eight lives were lost due to a mine flooding event following heavy rain. Our ERT and member of our operations team provided de-watering, mechanical operations, emergency response recovery and rescue support to Trevali's site team. We are very proud our team, who have been recognised by Trevali's mine site team, Byrncut Mining Offshore management and Government of Burkina Faso representatives for their extraordinary efforts.

WAF Management and ERT Team Members involved with the Perkoa Mine Recovery



### **Underground mining**

Underground mined ounces were 13.5% below the previous quarter reflecting 19.6% lower tonnes mined in this phase of the mine plan, offset by higher ore grade of 10.3 g/t. During the quarter 759m of underground development was completed. The decline was developed a further 103m in Q2, increasing the vertical depth by 14m to 418m below surface.

### **Open pit mining**

Ounces mined from open pits were 14.8% below the previous quarter with 19.6% lower ore tonnes mined reflecting consistent total tonnes moved at a higher strip ratio in the quarter. The open pit ore grade of 1.6 g/t was slightly above the previous quarter.

### **Processing**

Gold produced in Q2 was marginally down on the previous quarter, to 64,114 ounces reflecting 12.9% higher throughput offset by a 12.1% lower blended head grade and slightly lower recovery. Closing ROM stockpile inventory contained 53,389 ounces of gold.

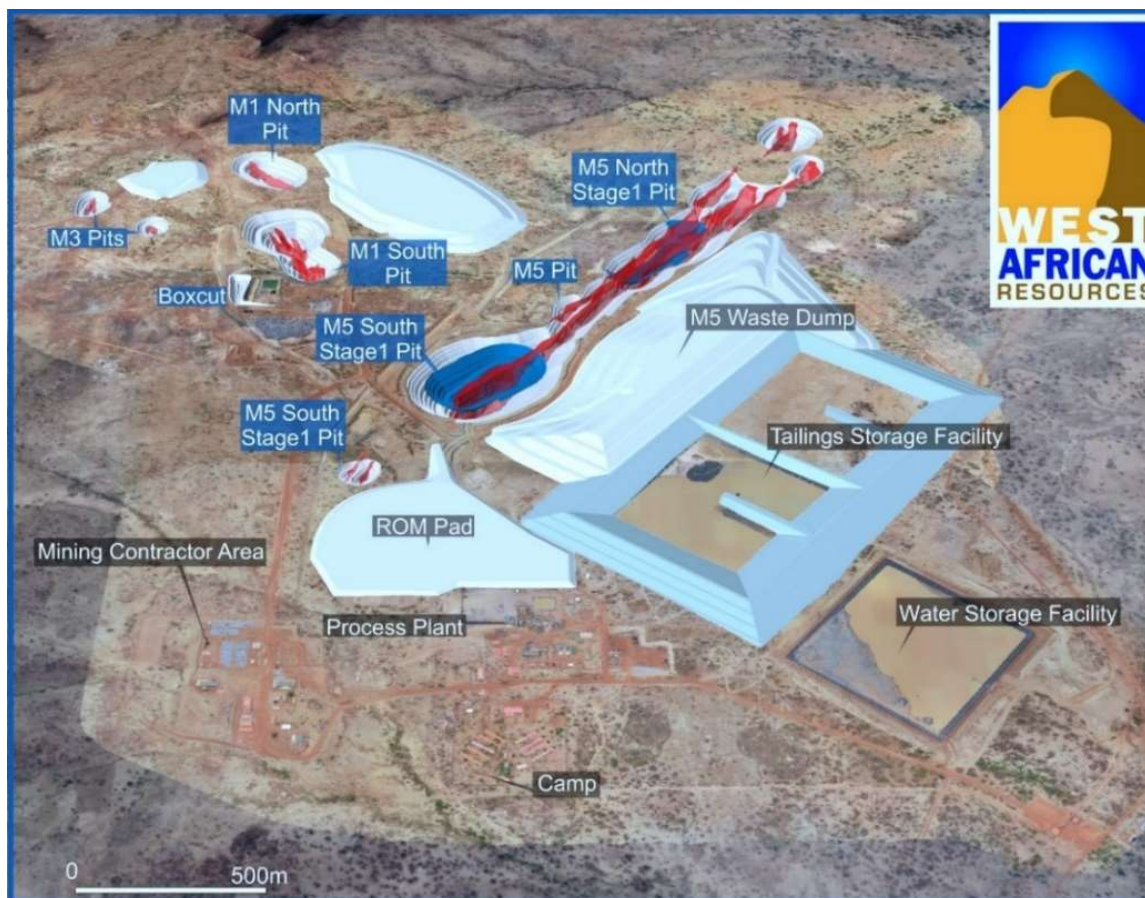
### **Capital expenditure**

Sustaining capital expenditure was consistent with the previous quarter and mainly comprised continuing work on the TSF expansion. Capital development expenditure was up 55.2%, mainly reflecting budgeted higher open pit waste stripping costs in the quarter.

<b>SANBRADO PHYSICALS</b>	<b>Unit</b>	<b>Q3 2021</b>	<b>Q4 2021</b>	<b>Q1 2022</b>	<b>Q2 2022</b>	<b>YTD 2022</b>
<b>OP mining</b>						
Total movement	BCM '000	2,332	2,363	2,271	<b>2,210</b>	4,481
Total movement	kt	5,741	6,071	5,753	<b>5,458</b>	11,212
Strip ratio	w:o	4.3	5.2	6.0	<b>7.2</b>	6.5
Ore mined	kt	1,090	979	823	<b>662</b>	1,485
Mined grade	g/t	1.9	1.9	1.5	<b>1.6</b>	1.5
Contained gold	oz	68,303	58,404	39,807	<b>33,925</b>	73,732
<b>UG mining</b>						
Ore mined	kt	87	119	110	<b>88</b>	198
Mined grade	g/t	10.0	9.5	9.6	<b>10.3</b>	9.9
Contained gold	oz	28,055	36,256	33,754	<b>29,199</b>	62,952
<b>Processing</b>						
Ore milled	kt	834	796	717	<b>810</b>	1,527
Head grade	g/t	3.2	3.6	3.0	<b>2.7</b>	2.8
Recovery	%	94.6%	95.1%	94.6%	<b>92.7%</b>	93.7%
Gold produced	oz	81,962	87,324	65,907	<b>64,114</b>	130,021
Gold poured	oz	82,131	86,383	66,423	<b>61,939</b>	128,362
Gold sold	oz	95,067	86,516	57,152	<b>66,409</b>	123,561
<b>Ore stockpiles</b>						
Stockpile ore	kt	1,430	1,733	1,949	<b>1,889</b>	
Stockpile grade	g/t	1.1	1.0	0.9	<b>0.9</b>	
Stockpile contained gold	oz	52,636	55,525	59,400	<b>53,389</b>	



Figure 1: Sanbrado Gold Operation Layout



### Financial and corporate

The AISC per ounce of US\$959 was 2.9% higher in Q2, with 16.2% higher ounces sold partially offset by higher costs in absolute terms reflecting the drawdown in product inventories (versus a build of inventory in the prior quarter) and higher open pit capital development. WAF sold 66,409 gold ounces in Q2 at an average price of US\$1,887 per ounce and the Company remains unhedged.

WAF's cash balance increased by A\$10 million to A\$222 million at the end of Q2. A\$41 million of cash was generated from operating activities in the quarter, A\$25 million was used in investing activities, and A\$10 million was used in financing activities. Significant operating cash flow items in Q2 included A\$79 million of 2021 Burkina Faso income tax payments and A\$14 million of Burkina Faso government VAT refunds. Financing activities in Q2 included A\$7 million of profit distributions paid to the government of Burkina Faso for their 10% interest in Sanbrado.

Notional net cash decreased by US\$17 million in Q2 to US\$165 million, which represents US\$152 million of cash-on-hand, plus 12,050 ounces of unsettled gold bullion, less US\$9.5 million of loans from suppliers.

In Q3 2022, WAF expects to make the final US\$45 million payment to B2 Gold to acquire 90% of the 6.8Moz gold Kiaka project (remaining 10% held by the government of Burkina Faso).

FINANCIAL SUMMARY (A\$'000)		Q3 2021	Q4 2021	Q1 2022	Q2 2022	YTD 2022
Gold revenue		229,767	214,499	145,396	175,139	320,535
OP mining cost		23,344	18,984	18,390	16,542	34,932
UG mining cost		10,081	10,613	8,652	9,016	17,667
Processing cost		16,246	17,266	17,978	19,492	37,470
Site administration cost		7,893	8,799	7,524	7,129	14,653
Change in inventory		7,122	(1,925)	(7,315)	1,149	(6,166)
Royalties & production taxes		12,098	13,782	9,619	10,471	20,089
Refining and by-product		(34)	34	(41)	(117)	(158)
<b>Adjusted operating cost</b>		<b>76,749</b>	<b>67,554</b>	<b>54,806</b>	<b>63,681</b>	<b>118,488</b>
Rehabilitation		768	850	436	422	857
Capital development <sup>1</sup>		5,747	10,622	10,621	16,484	27,105
Sustaining capex		2,085	2,501	3,445	3,541	6,986
Sustaining leases		1,106	1,545	1,694	2,492	4,186
Corporate & share-based payments		1,767	2,187	2,091	2,429	4,987
<b>All-in sustaining cost</b>		<b>88,656</b>	<b>85,287</b>	<b>73,559</b>	<b>89,049</b>	<b>162,608</b>
Growth and development		-	1,218	9	147	157
Exploration non-sustaining		2,785	2,608	3,667	4,788	8,455
Capex non-sustaining		1,377	-	7,018	2,808	9,826
<b>All-in cost</b>		<b>92,818</b>	<b>89,112</b>	<b>84,253</b>	<b>96,793</b>	<b>181,046</b>
<b>Unit cost summary <sup>2</sup></b>	<b>Unit</b>					
Adjusted operating cost	A\$/oz	807	781	959	959	959
All-in sustaining cost	A\$/oz	933	986	1,287	1,341	1,316
All-in cost	A\$/oz	976	1,030	1,474	1,458	1,465
Average sales price	A\$/oz	2,417	2,479	2,544	2,637	2,594
Average FX rate used	A\$/US\$	0.7400	0.7310	0.7241	0.7154	0.7194
Adjusted operating cost	US\$/oz	597	571	694	686	690
All-in sustaining cost	US\$/oz	690	721	932	959	947
All-in cost	US\$/oz	722	753	1,067	1,043	1,054
Average sales price	US\$/oz	1,789	1,812	1,842	1,887	1,866
<b>Cash, bullion, and borrowings at quarter end</b>						
Cash and cash equivalents	US\$m	94.0	133.1	159.2	152.9	
Bullion awaiting settlement	US\$m	16.3	13.4	32.2	21.9	
Project debt facility	US\$m	(92.9)	-	-	-	
Supplier loan facility	US\$m	(9.5)	(9.5)	(9.5)	(9.5)	
Notional net (debt)/cash	US\$m	7.9	137.0	181.9	165.3	
Price used for bullion awaiting settlement		US\$1,743	US\$1,820	US\$1,942	US\$1,817	

Table notes:

1 Capital development includes underground capital development, open pit stripping, and capitalised reserve extension drilling.

2 'Adjusted operating cost', 'all-in sustaining cost' (AISC), and 'all-in cost' are performance metrics recommended by the World Gold Council and are calculated by ounce of gold sold.

3. Amounts in the table are unaudited.

## Growth

### Kiaka

During the quarter WAF continued early works at Kiaka including upgrading site access roads and sterilisation drilling programs over areas selected for site infrastructure. The Kiaka feasibility study update was nearing completion at the end of the quarter. The Company is targeting release the feasibility summary and results in mid-Q3 2022.

### MV3 Near Mine Exploration (Sanbrado)

During the quarter exploration drilling continued at the MV3 prospect located 6km northwest of Sanbrado. Drilling at MV3 East has returned extensive gold mineralisation associated with mylonitic zones and silica-sericite alteration. MV3 is shaping up as a potential satellite open pit for the Sanbrado operation. Mineralisation has been intercepted in drilling over a strike length of 800m. Significant results from WAF's ongoing drilling program include:

- MAK22-DD001: 14m at 3.5 g/t Au from 184m
- MAK22-DD003: 2.5m at 16.1 g/t Au from 150m
- MAK22-RC002: 2m at 19.9 g/t Au from 40m
- MAK22-RC004: 8m at 3.6 g/t Au from 80m
- MAK22-RC005: 11m at 2.5 g/t Au from 72m
- MAK22-RC007: 14m at 3 g/t Au from 113m
- MAK22-RC033: 13m at 5.3 g/t Au from 110m
- MAK22-RC034: 4m at 15.1 g/t Au from 79m
- MAK22-RC035: 2m at 31.8 g/t Au from 83m
- MAK22-RC038: 13m at 2.5 g/t Au from 50m
- MAK22-RC041: 24m at 2.1 g/t Au from 13m
- MAK22-RC043: 14m at 2.8 g/t Au from 106m
- MAK22-RC050: 15m at 5.8 g/t Au from 91m
- MAK22-RC051: 12m at 1.9 g/t Au from 46m
- MAK22-RC054: 3m at 9.9 g/t Au from 68m
- MAK22-RC064: 4m at 14.4 g/t Au from 125m

Drilling to date at MV3 East has focussed on areas that are accessible beneath historic artisanal workings (50 – 120m downhole). Infill drilling is currently focussing on mineralisation near surface (0 – 50m). Diamond drilling down plunge of high-grade ore shoots is expected to commence in Q3 2022.

During the quarter 5 wide-spaced lines of RC drilling were completed at the MV3 Main prospect. Results so far have returned broad low-grade results with intermittent narrow results above 0.5 g/t Au. While results are not that significant to date, they confirm a source for the auger anomaly.

Location plans and representative sections for recent drilling at MV3 are presented below (Figures 2 – 7).

### Regional Exploration (Markoye South)

Regional exploration was limited during the quarter due to the annual wet season.

Figure 2: Project Locations

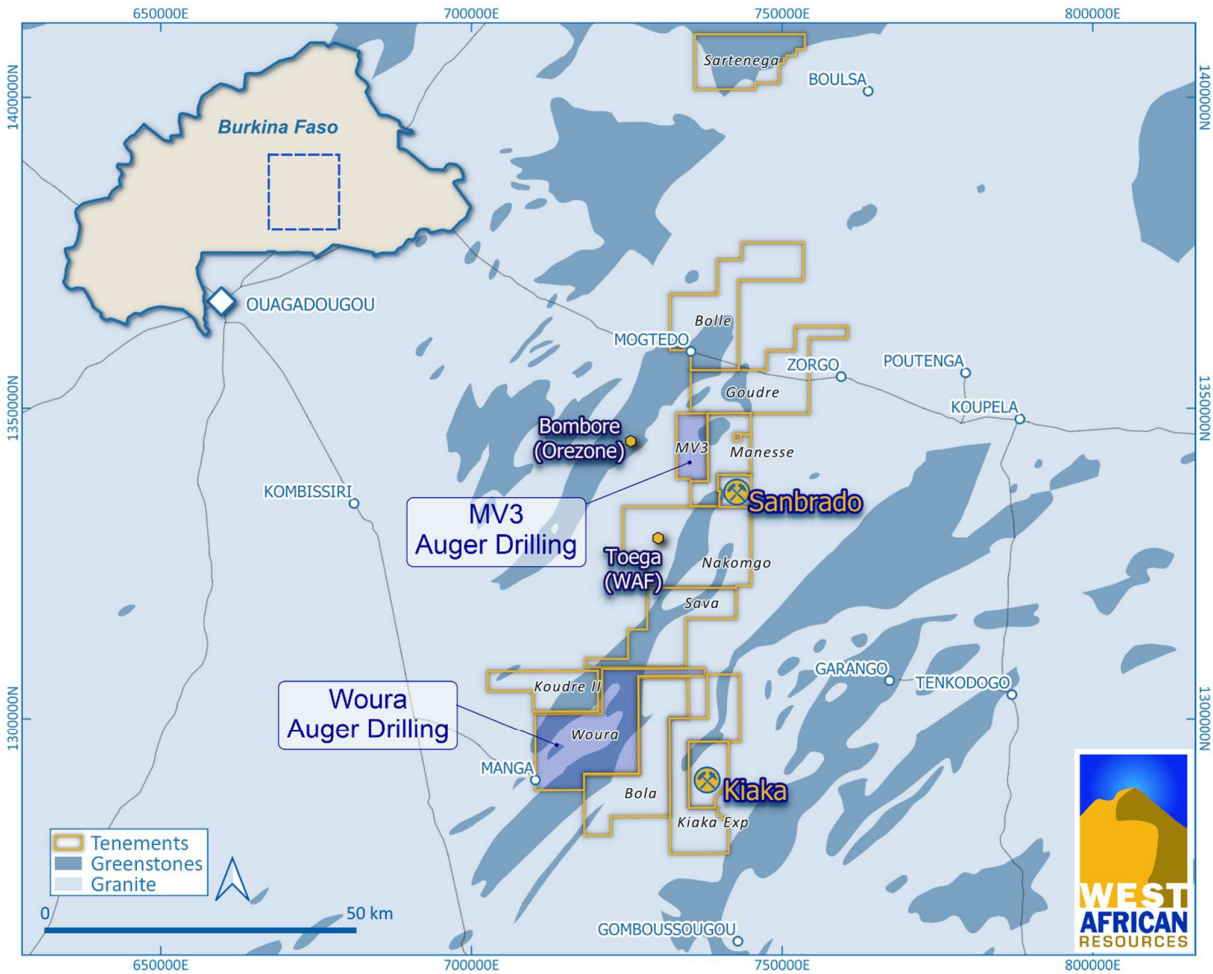




Figure 3: MV3 Exploration Summary Plan

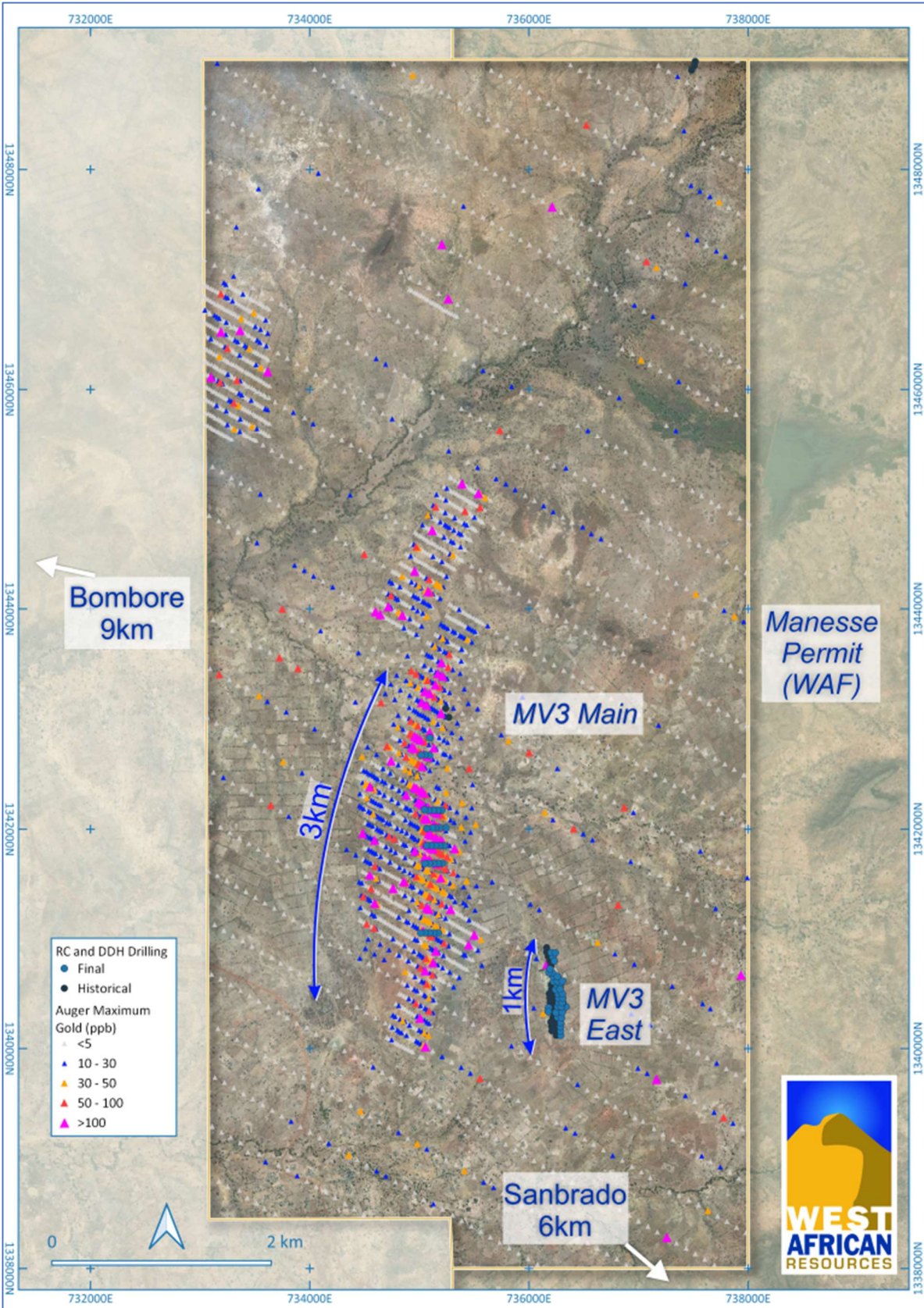




Figure 4: MV3 East Drillhole Location Plan

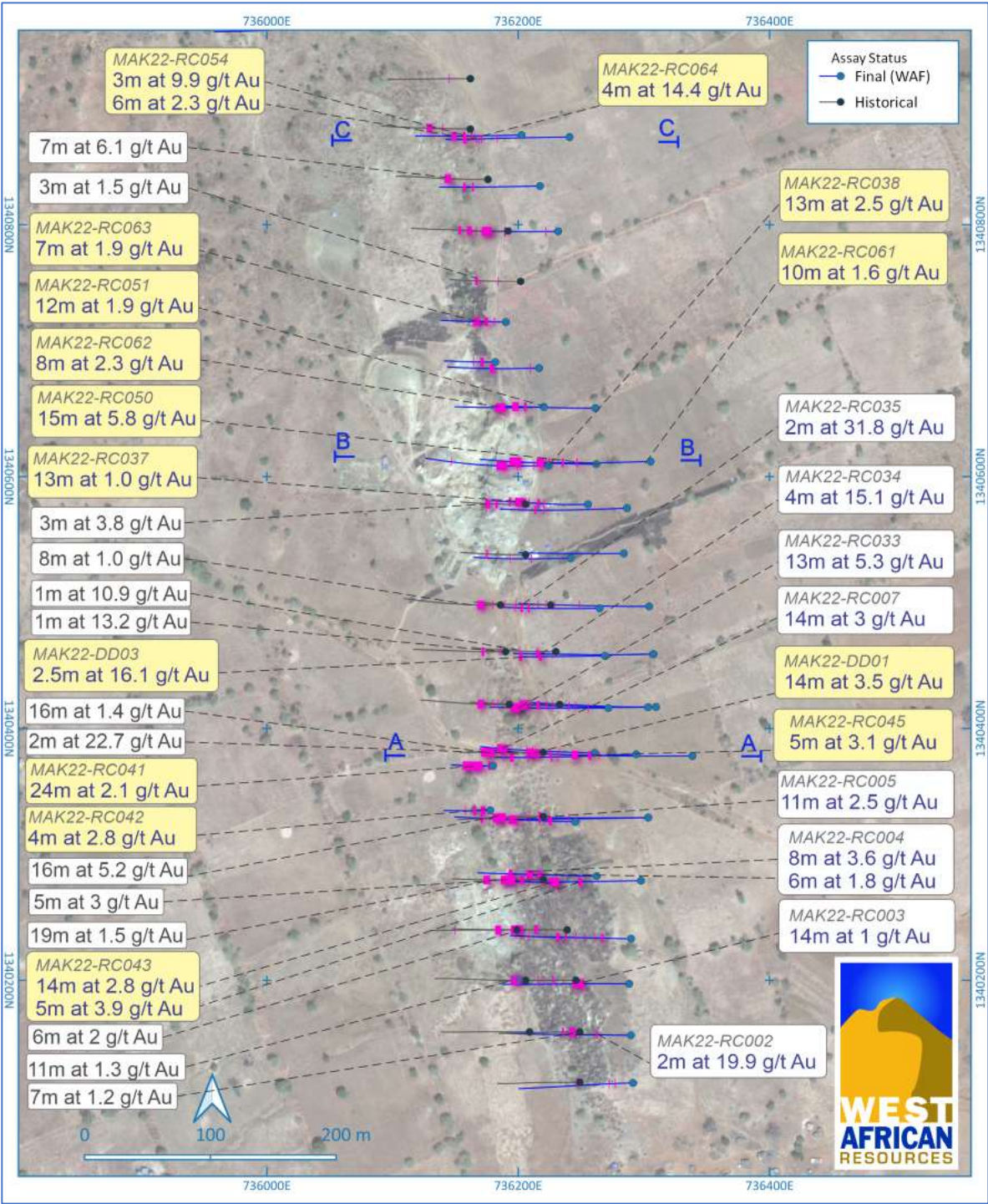


Figure 5: MV3 East cross-section 0330mN (Section A)

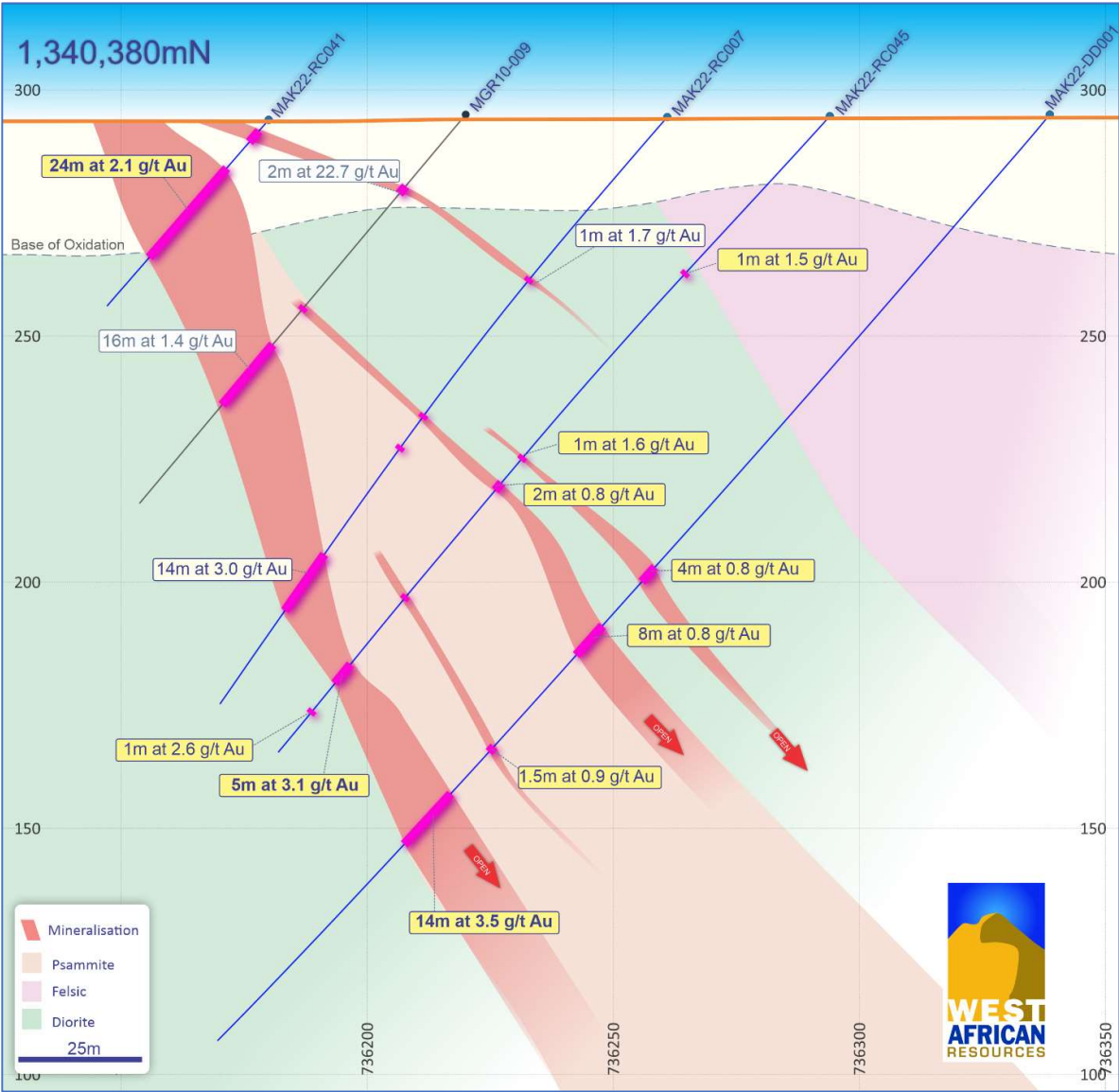


Figure 6: MV3 East cross-section 0380mN (Section B)

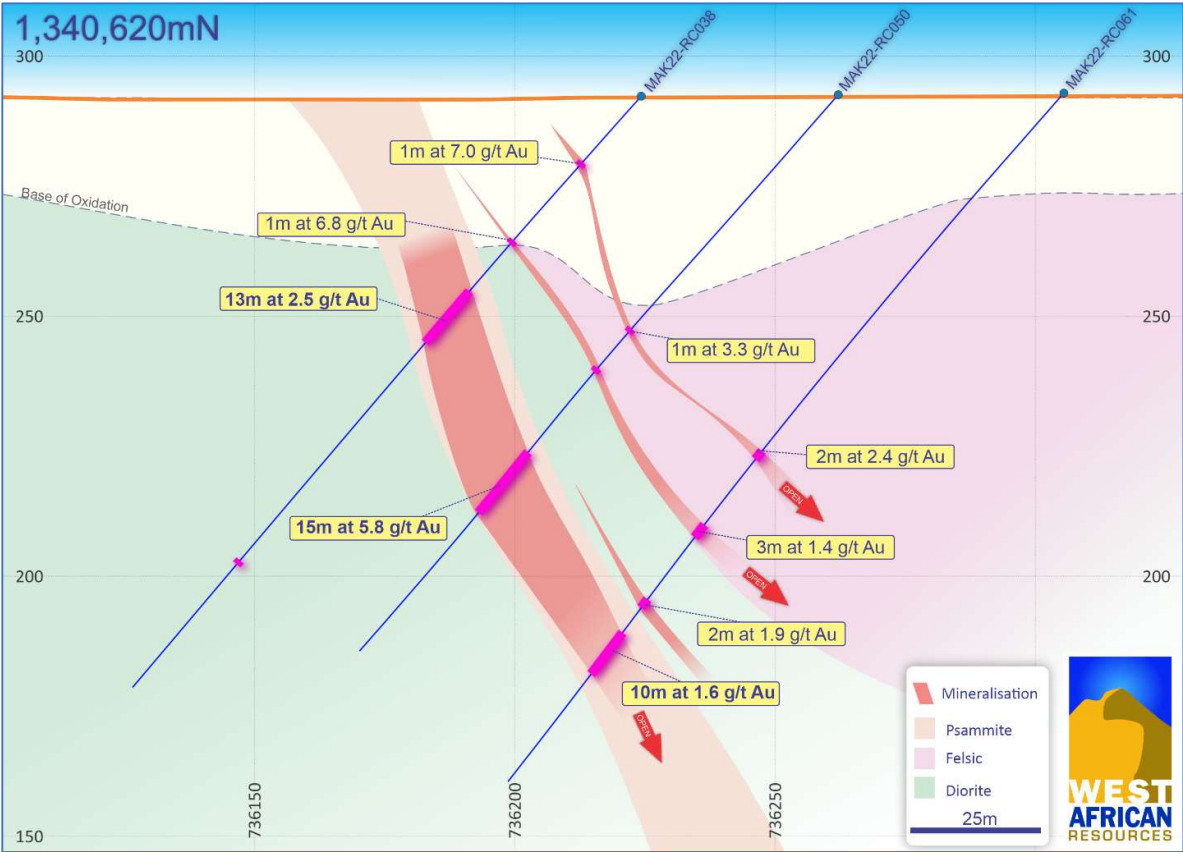
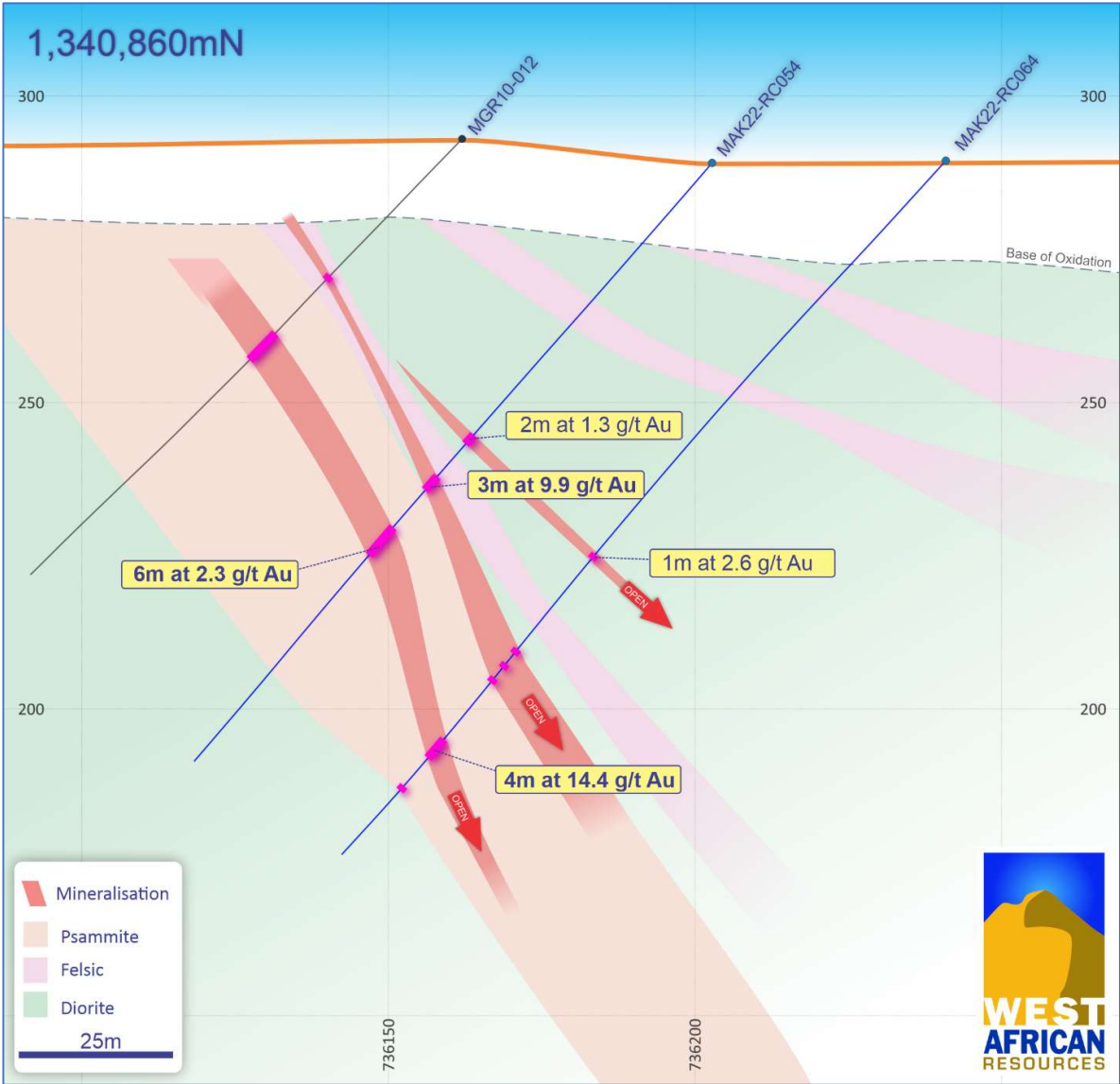


Figure 7: MV3 East cross-section 0420mN (Section C)





## Environmental Performance and Social Investment

### Environmental Performance

Areas of activity during the quarter included ongoing environmental monitoring of air quality, greenhouse gas emissions, noise, vibration, water quality of resettlement community boreholes and mine site potable water, cyanide levels in the tailings storage facility and geochemical characterisation of fresh and waste rock.

Construction of an onsite nursery covering 900m<sup>2</sup> was completed, which includes a 250m<sup>2</sup> seedling production greenhouse and modified storage containers with shelves for the storage of seeds, tools and chemicals. Local seed collection was also carried out during the quarter. Local seeds will be used in vegetation trials for revegetation projects around the mine, and rehabilitating over-grazed areas surrounding Sanbrado.

### Social Investment

A key activity this quarter for the Sanbrado community relations team included training programs for local women in French language, sewing and weaving. The Company also conducted and supported vocational training programs for local people in building, electrical and masonry trades, as well as vehicle driving courses. Donations of food and livestock for breeding purposes were also made to vulnerable people in the local area.



Food donations to vulnerable people



Local women in French language courses

## COVID-19

Continuous operations were maintained at Sanbrado during Q2, with management having implemented measures to manage COVID-19 risks for the foreseeable future. The COVID-19 situation remained stable in Burkina Faso during Q2 with low numbers of daily infections in the country. The Company is maintaining its vigilance in following health guidelines related to hygiene, masks, testing, monitoring, and isolation for staff, contractors, and site visitors.

In addition to our preventive measures at Sanbrado, our community relations team continues to deliver COVID-19 education programs in the local region. This program complements the Company's ongoing health education campaigns on the primary illnesses and diseases present in the surrounding communities including malaria, hepatitis B, HIV/AIDS and as well as programs on family planning, women's health, and road safety.

This announcement was authorised for release by Mr Richard Hyde, Executive Chairman and CEO.

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**Table 1 – WAF Mineral Resources by deposit, 31 December 2021**

	Cutoff	Measured Resource			Indicated Resource			Inferred Resource			Total Resource		
		Tonnes	Grade	Contained Au	Tonnes	Grade	Contained Au	Tonnes	Grade	Contained Au	Tonnes	Grade	Contained Au
		g/t	t	g/t	oz	t	g/t	oz	t	g/t	oz	t	g/t
M1 South	0.5	20,000	5.5	4,000	60,000	3.6	7,000	0	0.5	0	80,000	4.2	11,000
M1 South UG	1.5	800,000	13.4	346,000	1,600,000	7.3	370,000	250,000	5.9	48,000	2,620,000	9	760,000
M1 South Deeps	1.5							2,060,000	12.4	820,000	2,060,000	12.4	820,000
M5	0.5	2,910,000	1.2	114,000	32,000,000	1.2	1,200,000	17,000,000	1.1	570,000	51,560,000	1.1	1,900,000
M1 North	0.5	60,000	2.0	4,000	480,000	2.1	32,000	400,000	2.0	26,000	940,000	2.0	62,000
M3	0.5	160,000	1.7	8,000	30,000	2.1	2,000	0	0	0	190,000	1.7	11,000
Sanbrado Stockpile		1,730,000	1.0	56,000							1,710,000	1.0	53,000
Toega	0.5				13,130,000	1.7	698,000	8,350,000	2.1	569,000	21,000,000	1.8	1,300,000
Kiaka	0.5				169,300,000	1.0	5,236,000	51,570,000	0.9	1,539,000	220,870,000	1.0	6,775,000
Total		5,700,000	2.9	532,000	217,000,000	1.1	7,540,000	79,000,000	1.4	3,600,000	302,000,000	1.2	11,600,000

**Table 2 – Sanbrado Ore Reserves by deposit, 31 December 2021**

	Proved			Probable			Proved + Probable		
	Tonnes	Grade	Contained Au	Tonnes	Grade	Contained Au	Tonnes	Grade	Contained Au
	t	g/t	oz	t	g/t	oz	t	g/t	oz
M1 South UG	1,000,000	8.5	290,000	1,100,000	5.9	200,000	2,100,000	7.1	490,000
M1 South	50,000	5.1	9,000	0	0.0	0	50,000	5.1	10,000
M1 North	53,000	1.9	3,000	320,000	2.1	21,000	370,000	2.0	24,000
M5	2,500,000	1.3	100,000	10,000,000	1.4	420,000	12,000,000	1.4	530,000
M3	140,000	1.2	5,300	30,000	1.1	1,000	170,000	1.2	6,300
Toega				9,700,000	1.9	580,000	9,700,000	1.9	580,000
ROM Stockpile	1,700,000	1.0	56,000				1,700,000	1.0	56,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>5,600,000</b>	<b>2.6</b>	<b>460,000</b>	<b>21,000,000</b>	<b>1.9</b>	<b>1,200,000</b>	<b>26,000,000</b>	<b>2.0</b>	<b>1,700,000</b>

Summary of Tenements in Burkina Faso as at 30 June 2022								
Tenement Name	Registered Holder	% Held	Tenement Number	Grant Date	Expiry Date	Tenement Type	Tenement Area km2	Geographical Location
<b>Goudré****</b>	Wura Resources Pty Ltd SARL	100%	No 2018-186/MMC/SG/DGCM	05/09/2018	23/03/2021	EL	175	Ganzourgou Province
<b>Manessé II</b>	Tanlouka SARL	100%	N2020-254/MMC/SG/DGCM	13/11/2020	12/11/2023	EL	86.9	Ganzourgou Province
<b>Bollé*</b>	Wura Resources Pty Ltd SARL	100%	No 17 – 223//MMC/SG/DGCM	21/11/2017	20/11/2020	EL	205.5	Ganzourgou Province
<b>Diakora***</b>	Jean Donessoune	100%	No 2017-140/MMC/SG/DGCM	07/09/2017	06/09/2020	EL	58.7	Comoe Province
<b>Dounougou***</b>	Jean Donessoune	100%	No 2017-139/MMC/SG/DGCM	07/09/2017	06/09/2020	EL	132.6	Comoe Province
<b>Tieradeni I***</b>	Jean Donessoune	100%	No 2017-138/MMC/SG/DGCM	07/09/2017	06/09/2020	EL	141.5	Comoe Province
<b>Nakomgo</b>	Kiaka Gold SARL	100%	No 2021-187/ MEMC/SG/DGCM	24/10/2020	23/10/2023	EL	249.2	Bazega and Ganzourgou Provinces
<b>Mankarga V3</b>	Jacques Teegawèndé Zongo	100%	No 2020-170/ MMC/SG/DGCM	16/07/2020	15/07/2023	EL	52.6	Ganzourgou Province
<b>Woura</b>	Steven Lewis Pingdwende Kinda	100%	No. 2019-101/MMC/SG/DGCM	29/05/2019	28/05/2022	EL	237.8	Zoundweogo and Boulgou Provinces
<b>Bola</b>	Wend-Dinmadegre Narcisse Kabore	100%	No 2019-55/MMC/SG/DGCM	15/05/2019	14/05/2022	EL	202.0	Zoundweogo and Boulgou Provinces
<b>Koudre II</b>	Kalilou Ghislain Diasso	100%	No 2019-187/MMC/SG/DGCM	04/11/2019	03/11/2022	EL	91.0	Zoundweogo Province
<b>Sanbrado</b>	Somisa SA (SOCIETE DES MINES DE SANBRADO SA)	90%	Décret No 2017 – 104/PRES/PM/MEMC/MINEFID/MEEVCC Arrêté No 2018-139/MMC/SG/DGMG	13/03/2017	12/03/2024	ML	25.9	Ganzourgou Province
<b>Kiaka</b>	Kiaka SA	90%	Décret No 2016 – 590/PRES/PM/MEMC/MINEFID/MEEVCC	08/07/2016	07/07/2036	ML	54.0	Zoundweogo Province
<b>Sana</b>	Kiaka Gold SARL	100%	No 2021-186/ MEMC/SG/DGCM	24/10/2020	23/10/2023	EL	143.4	Zoundweogo and Ganzourgou Provinces
<b>Kiaka II</b>	Kiaka Gold SARL	100%	No 2020-313/MMC/SG/DGCM	24/10/2020	23/10/2023	EL	179.9	Zoundweogo and Boulgou Provinces
*Bollé Permit renewal has been approved and paid, waiting on the arrêté. ***Diakora, Dounougou and Tieradeni I permit renewals have been approved. Waiting on arrêté approvals pending ****Goudre permit. Applied for an exceptional renewal. Process is in progress.								

There were no changes to tenement holdings during the quarter ended 30 June 2022.

## Competent Person's Statement

Information in this announcement that relates to exploration results is based on, and fairly represents, information and supporting documentation prepared by Mr Richard Hyde, a director and employee of the Company. Mr Hyde is a Member of the Australian Institute of Geoscientists and a member of the Australian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy. Mr Hyde has sufficient experience which is relevant to the style of mineralisation and types of deposits under consideration and to the activity which he is undertaking to qualify as a Competent Person (or "CP") as defined in the 2012 Edition of the Australasian Code for Reporting of Exploration Results, Mineral Resources and Ore Reserves. Mr Hyde has reviewed the contents of this announcement and consents to the inclusion in this announcement of all technical statements based on his information in the form and context in which they appear.

Information in this announcement that relates to mineral resources (excluding M1 South Deeps) is based on, and fairly represents, information and supporting documentation prepared by Mr Brian Wolfe, an independent consultant specialising in mineral resource estimation, evaluation, and exploration. Mr Wolfe is a Member of the Australian Institute of Geoscientists. Mr Wolfe 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 (or "CP") as defined in the 2012 Edition of the Australasian Code for Reporting of Exploration Results, Mineral Resources and Ore Reserves. Mr Wolfe has reviewed the contents of this announcement and consents to the inclusion in this announcement of all technical statements based on his information in the form and context in which they appear.

Information in this announcement that relates to mineral resources for the M1 South Deeps is based on, and fairly represents, information and supporting documentation prepared by Mr Neil Silvio, an employee and Resource Geologist of the Company. Mr Silvio is a Member of the Australian Institute of Geoscientists. Mr Silvio 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 (or "CP") as defined in the 2012 Edition of the Australasian Code for Reporting of Exploration Results, Mineral Resources and Ore Reserves. Mr Silvio has reviewed the contents of this announcement and consents to the inclusion in this announcement of all technical statements based on his information in the form and context in which they appear.

Information in this announcement that relates to open pit ore reserves is based on, and fairly represents, information and supporting documentation prepared by Mr Stuart Cruickshanks, a fulltime employee of the Company. Mr Cruickshanks is a Fellow of the Australian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy. Mr Cruickshanks 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 (or "CP") as defined in the 2012 Edition of the Australasian Code for Reporting of Exploration Results, Mineral Resources and Ore Reserves. Mr Cruickshanks has reviewed the contents of this announcement and consents to the inclusion in this announcement of all technical statements based on his information in the form and context in which they appear.

Information in this announcement that relates to underground ore reserves is based on, and fairly represents, information and supporting documentation prepared by Mr Andrew Fox, a specialist mining consultant. Mr Fox is a Member of the Australian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy. Mr Fox 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 (or "CP") as defined in the 2012 Edition of the Australasian Code for Reporting of Exploration Results, Mineral Resources and Ore Reserves. Mr Fox has reviewed the contents of this announcement and consents to the inclusion in this announcement of all technical statements based on his information in the form and context in which they appear.

## Forward Looking Information

All statements other than statements of historical fact included in this announcement including, without limitation, statements regarding future plans and objectives of the Company, are forward-looking statements. When used in this announcement, forward-looking statements can be identified by words such as 'anticipate', 'believe', 'could', 'estimate', 'expect', 'future', 'intend', 'may', 'opportunity', 'plan', 'potential', 'project', 'seek', 'will' and other similar words that involve risks and uncertainties.

These statements are based on an assessment of present economic and operating conditions, and on a number of assumptions regarding future events and actions that, as at the date of this announcement, are expected to take place. Such forward-looking statements are not guarantees of future performance and involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties, assumptions and other important factors, many of which are beyond the control of the Company, its directors and management of the Company that could cause the Company's actual results to differ materially from the results expressed or anticipated in these statements.

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