# **ANDOVER:**

# THE PROJECT THAT KEEPS ON DELIVERING



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Azure acknowledges the Ngarluma people as the Traditional Custodians of the lands on which we operate the Andover Project. We recognise the unique cultural heritage of Aboriginal people and their continued connection to lands, waters and communities. We pay our respects to all Aboriginal people, and to Elders past, present and emerging.

## **Corporate Snapshot**

#### **CAPITAL STRUCTURE AND FINANCIALS**

310,735,721 Shares

Market Capitalisation:
A\$70M (@ 17 October 2022)

Options: Cash: ~\$10.6M (@ 30 June 2022)

5,250,000 @ 20.5c - 65c Debt: Nil

#### **MAJOR SHAREHOLDERS**

Deutsche Balaton	17.3%			
Creasy Group	16.2%			
Lowell Resources Fund	1.6%			
Harmanis Holdings	1.6%			
Resource Capital Funds	1.3%			
Directors & Management	1.5%			
Top 20	<b>51.2</b> %			

#### **DIRECTORS**

Brian Thomas Chairman

Tony Rovira Managing Director

Hansjörg Plaggemars Non-Executive Director

Annie Guo Non-Executive Director

#### **KEY MANAGEMENT**

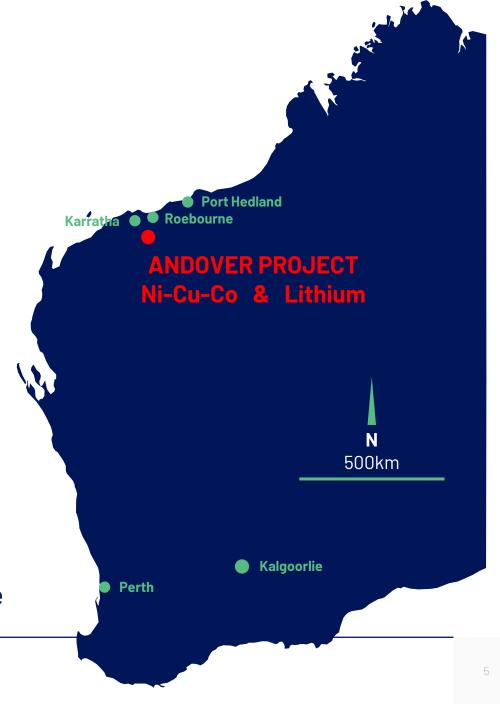
Brett Dickson CFO and Company Secretary
Graham Leaver Exploration Manager
James Dornan Project Development Manager



## ANDOVER PROJECT

## **Andover** (Azure 60% / Creasy Group 40%)

- Acquired in July 2020
- Excellent success with traditional exploration methods
- Four Ni-Cu-Co sulphide discoveries drilled to date
- Widespread lithium-rich pegmatites discovered
- Pipeline of targets more discoveries to come
- Favourable location with excellent infrastructure available







## Defining a new mineral province in WA's Pilbara

- Mineral-rich landholding: +108km²
- +191 diamond drill holes: +85,000m in 2 years
- Maiden Ni-Cu-Co Mineral Resource Estimate delivered
- Abundant spodumene-bearing pegmatites discovered

- Dual-pathway growth strategy focused on exploration and project development studies
- Potential for hub-and-spoke Ni-Cu-Co mining and processing operation
- Well-funded for ongoing exploration & development work programs













## **Excellence in exploration**

- Dedicated highly skilled team focused solely on the Andover Project
- Developing a robust geological understanding of the deposit-forming processes and associated geochemical and geophysical signatures
- Leveraging that advanced understanding to identify new prospects through an extensive geological mapping and geochemical sampling program





## Boots on the ground = exploration success

• Extensive outcrop accelerates exploration and increases understanding of the geology

- Traditional ore search methodology
  - Geology mapping
  - Geochemistry surface sampling
  - Geophysics electromagnetics
  - Drilling diamond core
- Pipeline of targets to be drilled
  - Nickel, copper & cobalt
  - Lithium







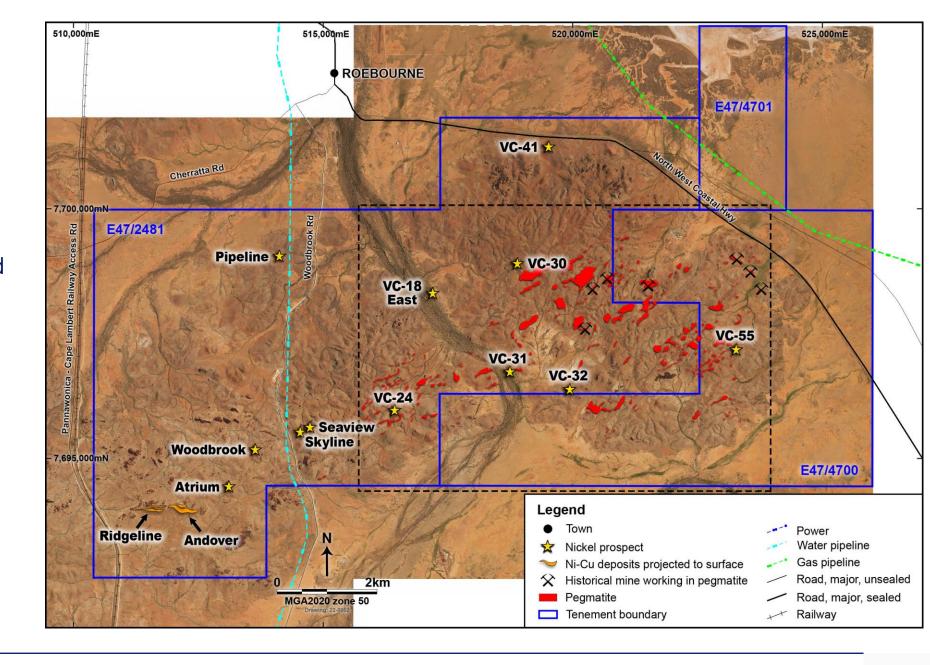
## Lithium

Pegmatite-hosted

+150 pegmatite bodies confirmed

Principal lithium mineral is spodumene

Historically mined for beryl, tin & tantalum







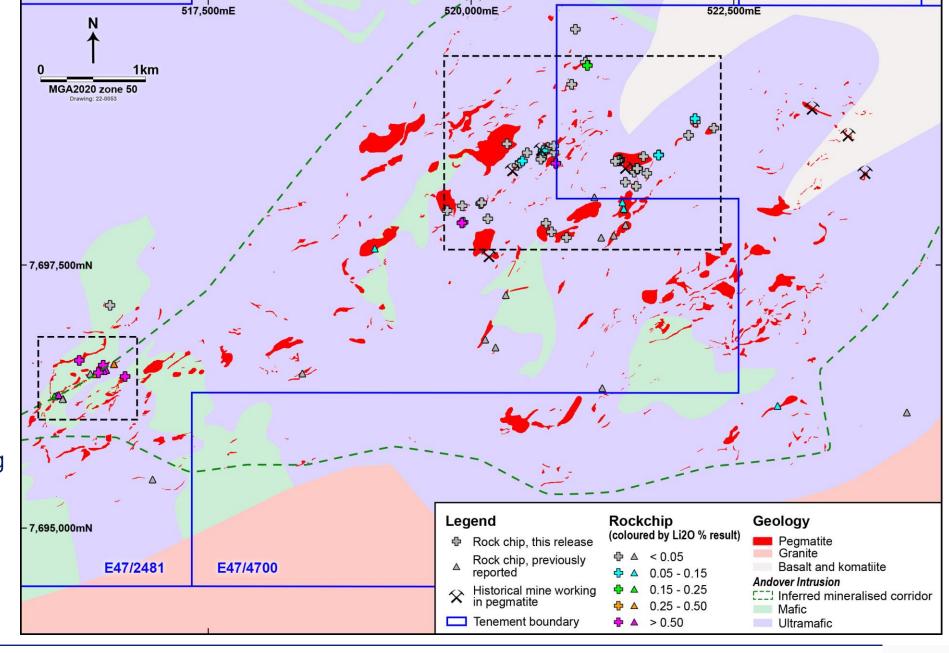
## Lithium

Excellent early stage results from rock chip sampling\*:

- 3.32% Li<sub>2</sub>0
- 2.65% Li<sub>2</sub>0
- 1.62% Li<sub>2</sub>0
- 1.31% Li<sub>2</sub>0
- 1.19% Li<sub>2</sub>0
- 1.13% Li<sub>2</sub>0

Follow-up exploration ongoing

**Drilling planned** 



\* ASX: 12 & 19 October 2022





## **Andover Nickel-Copper-Cobalt Deposit**

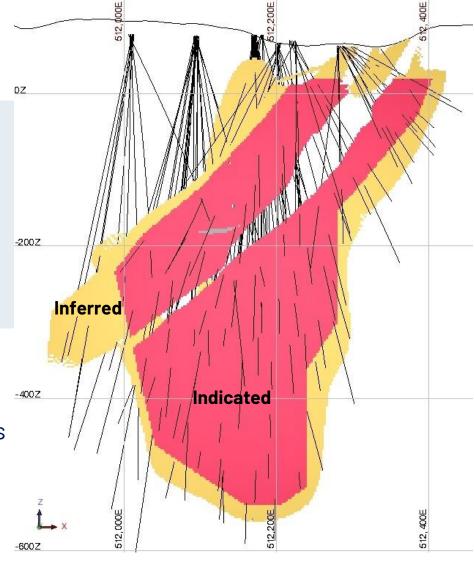
## 4.6Mt @ 1.11% Ni, 0.47% Cu and 0.05% Co (1.41% NiEq)

Containing: **51,700t of Ni, 21,700t of Cu and 2,290t of Co** 

2022 Mineral Resource Estimate (JORC 2012)\*

#### Deposit underpinned by:

- Robust resource: >80% Indicated category
- Excellent internal continuity and consistency of widths and grades
- Sulphides start at ~20m below surface
- Mineralised zone:  $\sim$ 300m long x >550m deep and open at depth
- Optimal shape for underground mining



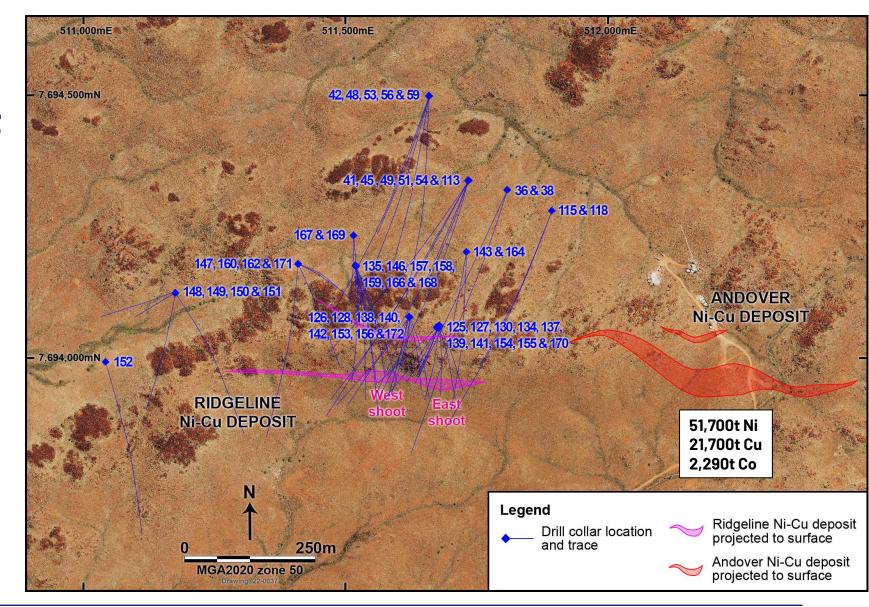
\* ASX: 30 March 2022 and refer to Appendix A





## Ridgeline: The next nickel deposit

- 200m from Andover Deposit
- Blind deposit with strong EM
- Two high-grade massive Ni-Cu-Co sulphides shoots
- Mineral Resource due in early 2023
- Very positive metallurgical results
  - High grade concentrates
  - Excellent metal recoveries







## Ridgeline: Higher nickel grades\*

#### ANDD0045:

4.5m @ 3.95% Ni, 0.80% Cu & 0.16% Co

#### ANDD0128:

4.9m @ 3.50% Ni, 1.34% Cu & 0.17% Co

#### ANDD0134:

6.3m @ 3.59% Ni, 0.21% Cu & 0.17% Co

#### ANDD0138:

3.3m @ 2.80% Ni, 0.55% Cu & 0.13% Co

#### ANDD0159:

2.9m @ 3.13% Ni, 0.46% Cu & 0.12% Co

\* ASX: 15 March 2022







## **Only Scratching the Surface**

# Relatively simple and straightforward exploration:

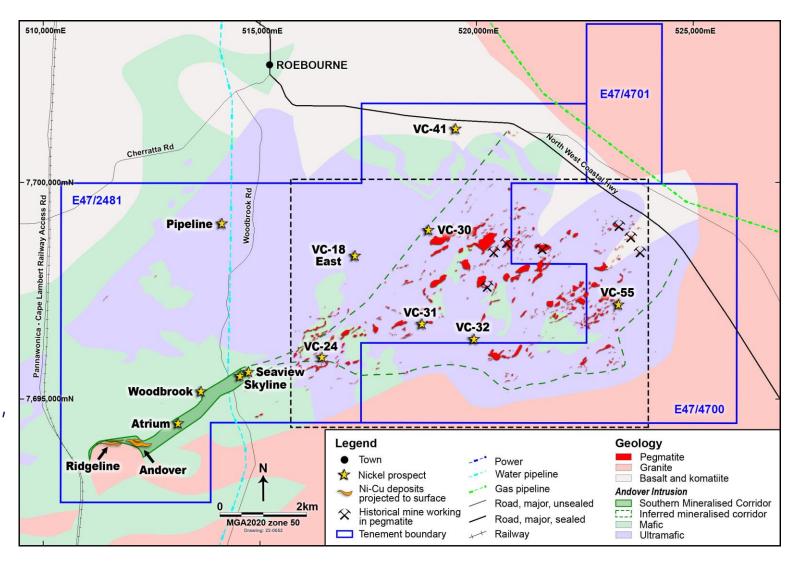
Outcropping nickel, copper and lithium mineralisation

#### 4 Ni-Cu-Co discoveries to date:

- Andover
- Ridgeline
- Seaview
- Skyline
- + targets at Atrium, Woodbrook, Pipeline, VC-24, VC-30, VC-31 & VC-32

### **Abundant pegmatites = multiple Li targets:**

 Early-stage exploration ongoing with drilling planned







## **Dual pathways to project development**

#### **EXPLORATION & RESOURCE DEFINITION**

- Andover Deposit Mineral Resource Estimate completed
- Ridgeline Deposit MRE pending
- Drilling continuing on new mineralised zones
- Regional exploration identifying new targets & preparing for drilling

#### PROJECT DEVELOPMENT

- Metallurgical testwork
- Geotechnical study
- Mining studies
- Mineral processing and tailings storage
- Infrastructure and logistics
- Community, heritage and environment

Potential for a major nickel-copper sulphide mining and processing operation Strategic view: Multiple deposits feeding a centralised processing plant





## Creating Long-Term Value Across all Stakeholder Groups

Developing Andover using best practice ESG principles.

Opportunity for long-term positive relationships with the local Roebourne and West Pilbara communities.

Infrastructure expected to be established within or near Roebourne and designed to provide long term community benefits.

Employing local where possible with major contractors encouraged to do similar.

Ensuring that the project meets the highest environmental standards expected of modern mining projects.

Produce high purity metal concentrates with low carbon intensity and traceability from the mine to the end-product.





# Developing Andover into a major nickel producer



## **Dual pathway strategy**

- Successful exploration & discovery: Nickel-Copper & Lithium
- Fast-tracking project development studies



## Leveraged for success

- Strong balance sheet
- Exposure to high-value battery metals
- Supportive and reputable major shareholders



## Strong management and technical team

- Successful history of nickel discovery
- Mine development skillset







### **Maiden Mineral Resource Estimate**

**Andover Deposit - Mineral Resource Estimate (JORC 2012)\*** 

4.6Mt @ 1.11% Ni, 0.47% Cu and 0.05% Co (1.41% NiEq)

Containing: 51,700t of Ni, 21,700t of Cu and 2,290t of Co

Including high-grade resource: 2.0Mt @ 1.41% Ni, 0.49% Cu & 0.06% Co (1.78% NiEq)

Classification	Tonnes	Ni	Cu	Со	S	NiEq	Ni Metal	Cu Metal	Co Metal
	Mt	%	%	%	%	%	kt	kt	kt
Indicated	3.8	1.16	0.47	0.05	8.23	1.51	44.0	17.9	2.06
Inferred	0.9	0.89	0.44	0.04	6.33	1.20	7.7	3.8	0.37
Total	4.6	1.11	0.47	0.05	7.87	1.41	51.7	21.7	2.29
Andover Mineral Resource Estimate by classification reported above a 0.5% Ni cut-off									
High Grade	2.0	1.41	0.49	0.06	9.85	1.78	28.8	10.0	1.28
High-grade resource component reported above a 0.9%% Ni cut-off									

\* ASX: 30 March 2022



### **Mineral Resource Estimate - Notes**

#### Notes:

- Mineral Resources are reported in accordance with the Australasian Code for Reporting of Exploration Results, Mineral Resources and Ore Reserves (The Joint Ore Reserves Committee Code JORC 2012 Edition).
- Data is reported to significant figures and differences may occur due to rounding.
- Mineral Resources have been reported above a cut-off grade of 0.5 % nickel.
- The NiEq calculation represents total metal value for each metal summed and expressed in equivalent nickel grade and tonnes. Commodity prices assumed in the calculation are US\$: nickel \$19,366.6/t; copper \$9,089.8/t; cobalt \$63,107.9/t.
- The following metallurgical recovery assumptions are based on metallurgical test work and Azure considers they have a reasonable prospect to be achieved: 79% nickel recovery; 70% copper recovery; 68% cobalt recovery.
- NiEq equation = Ni(%)+(Cu(%)x((Cu\$/txCurecoveryx0.01)/(Ni\$/txNirecovery))+(Co(%)x((Co\$/txCorecoveryx0.01)/(Ni\$/txNirecovery))

