## **ASX Announcement**

# Alma Commits to Stage 2 of the Briggs Copper Project

## HIGHLIGHTS

- Alma Metals Limited (ASX: ALM) (Alma) has achieved the Stage-1 Earn-In requirements to reach an initial 30% interest in Canterbury's Briggs, Mannersley and Fig Tree Hill joint venture in Queensland.
- Alma has also committed to Stage-2 of the Earn-In agreement<sup>1</sup>, whereby it can reach a 51% joint venture interest by sole-funding a further A\$3 million of assessment activity by 30 June 2026.
- The Briggs copper project contains an Inferred Resource of 415Mt at 0.25% Cu and 31 ppm Mo at a 0.20% Cu cut-off grade.
- Drilling is ongoing, targeting potential extensions of the Briggs deposit to validate the broader Exploration Target, as well as assessing higher-grade zones within the existing Inferred Resource.

Canterbury Resources Limited (**Canterbury** or **Company**) is pleased to announce that Alma Metals Limited (**Alma**) has achieved the Stage-1 Earn-In requirements to reach an initial 30% interest in the Briggs, Mannersley and Fig Tree Hill joint venture in Queensland (**Project**). This milestone has been met more than 9-months ahead of the deadline through cumulative project expenditure of A\$3 million during the Option and Stage-1 Earn-In periods.

Work programs funded by Alma to date include:

- Detailed soil sampling over the Briggs porphyry copper-molybdenum deposit, outlining a 2,300m x 1,200m copper anomaly.
- A twelve-hole RC percussion drilling program completed in the December 2021 quarter<sup>2</sup>.
- Preliminary metallurgical test work which found that high copper recoveries could be achieved through conventional crushing, grinding and flotation<sup>3</sup>.
- A diamond drilling program completed in May 2023<sup>4</sup>.
- An update to the Mineral Resource Estimate (**MRE**) which delivered an Inferred Resource of 415Mt at 0.25% Cu and 31ppm Mo at a 0.20% Cu cut-off grade<sup>5</sup>.
- Estimation of an Exploration Target of 480Mt to 880Mt at 0.20% to 0.30% Cu and 25ppm to 40ppm Mo (excluding the Inferred Resource) (Exploration Target) <sup>6</sup>. The potential tonnage and grade of the exploration target is conceptual in nature and there has been insufficient exploration to estimate a Mineral Resource. It is uncertain if further exploration will result in an increase in the Mineral Resource Estimate.

These work programs and the associated MRE update have given Alma confidence that Briggs is a highly significant copper deposit with over one million tonnes of contained copper metal. It represents a potentially economic development opportunity that Alma believes is worth pursuing.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Refer to ASX release dated 18 August 2021 for Earn-In details.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Refer to ASX release dated 18 February 2022.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Refer to ASX release dated 11 April 2022.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Refer to ASX release dated 15 June 2023.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Refer to ASX release dated 6 July 2023.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Refer to ASX release dated 6 July 2023.

Alma has therefore exercised its right to enter Stage-2 of the Earn-In and can reach a 51% joint venture interest through further exploration and evaluation funding of A\$3 million by 30 June 2026.

Alma has already commenced a core drilling program as part of the Stage-2 Earn-In program. This drilling is designed to partially validate the Exploration Target<sup>7</sup> and to test higher-grade zones within the Briggs Central portion of the Inferred Resource (see Figure 1).

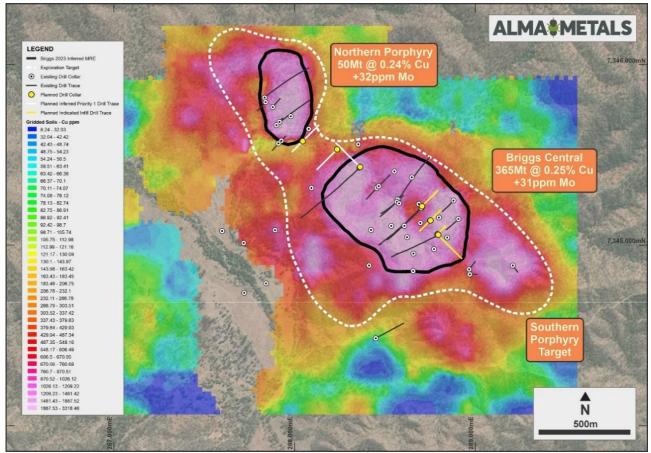


Figure 1 Planned drilling on gridded copper in soils. White drill traces are holes planned to validate the Exploration Target, testing the gap between the Northern Porphyry and Briggs Central. Yellow traces are holes designed to test higher grade positions within Briggs Central.

### Briggs, Mannersley and Fig Tree Hill Project Background

Alma is sole-funding exploration under an Earn-In Joint Venture Agreement and can earn up to a 70% interest from Canterbury via a staged Earn-In on the Briggs, Mannersley and Fig Tree Hill Project in Central Queensland (see Figure 2 for location).

The Project includes the Briggs copper-molybdenum deposit, where an Inferred Mineral Resource of 415Mt at 0.25% Cu and 31ppm Mo has been defined<sup>8</sup>. The Project is situated approximately 60km west of the deepwater port of Gladstone, and less than 15km to the north of a regionally significant road, rail and power corridor providing excellent infrastructure and logistics connections to the port.

Previously released preliminary metallurgical test-work has shown that high copper recoveries (92-95% recovery) are possible through standard crushing, grinding and flotation to produce viable concentrate grades<sup>9</sup>.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> This exploration target must be read in conjunction with the cautionary statement on page 1 of this announcement.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> Refer to ASX release dated 6 July 2023.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> Refer to ASX release dated 12 May 2022.

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Further drilling to expand the Inferred Resource and to evaluate higher grade zones within the Inferred Resource is underway.

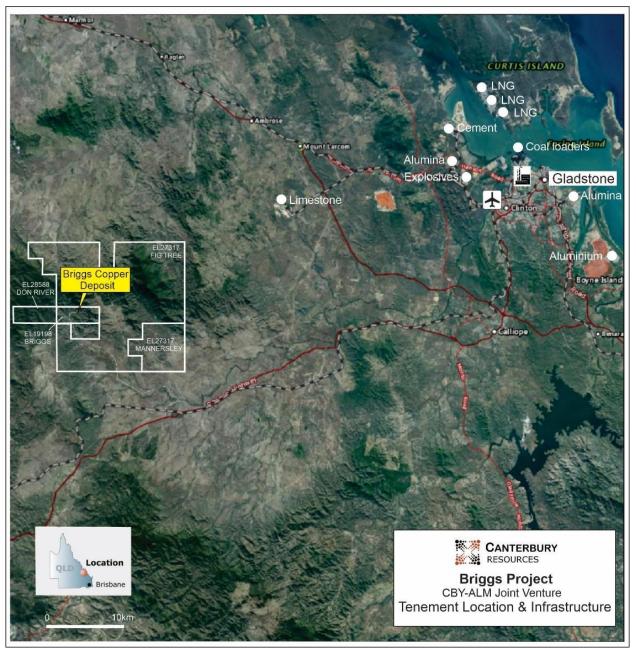


Figure 2 Regional plan showing the proximity of Briggs to key infrastructure elements in and around Gladstone.

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The information in this report that relates to Exploration Targets, Exploration Results and Mineral Resources is based on information compiled by Dr Frazer Tabeart (Executive Director of Alma Metals Limited) who is a member of the Australian Institute of Geoscientists and Mr Michael Erceg (Executive Director of Canterbury Resources Limited), who is a member of the Australian Institute of Geoscientists and Mr Michael Erceg (Executive Director of Canterbury Resources Limited), who is a member of the Australian Institute of Geoscientists and a Registered Professional Geologist. Dr Tabeart and Mr Erceg have sufficient experience which is relevant to the style of mineralisation and type of deposits under consideration and to the activity being undertaken to qualify as Competent Persons as defined in the 2012 Edition of the 'Australasian Code for Reporting of Exploration Results, Mineral Resources and Ore Reserves'. Dr Tabeart and Mr Erceg consent to the inclusion in the report of the matters based on their information in the form and context in which it appears.

There is information in this announcement extracted from:

- (i) the Mineral Resource Estimate for the Briggs Central Copper Deposit, which was previously announced on 6 July 2023, and
- (ii) exploration results and an Exploration Target which were previously announced on 18 July 2023.

The Company confirms that it is not aware of any new information or data that materially affects the information included in the original market announcements and, in the case of estimates of Exploration Targets and Mineral Resources, that all material assumptions and technical parameters underpinning the estimates in the relevant market announcement continue to apply and have not materially changed. The company confirms that the form and context in which the Competent Person's findings are presented have not been materially modified from the original market announcement.

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### ABOUT CANTERBURY RESOURCES LIMITED

Canterbury Resources Limited (ASX: CBY) is an ASX-listed resource company focused on creating shareholder wealth by generating and exploring potential Tier-1 copper-gold projects in the southwest Pacific.

It has a strong portfolio of projects in Australia and Papua New Guinea that are prospective for porphyry copper-gold and epithermal goldsilver deposits.

The Company is managed by an experienced team of resource professionals, with a strong track record of exploration success and mine development in the region. It periodically forms partnerships with other resource companies to defray risk and cost. Joint venture partners currently comprise Rio Tinto, Alma Metals and Syndicate Minerals.

Canterbury's portfolio includes multiple projects that are at the advanced exploration phase. Each project provides potential for the discovery and/or delineation of large-scale copper (±gold, ±molybdenum) resources.

Briggs

Total

Briggs



0.25

Project	Deposit	Category	Cut-off	Mt	Au (g/t)	Cu (%)	Au (Moz)
Wamum	Idzan Creek	Inferred	0.2g/t Au	137.3	0.53	0.24	2.34
Wamum	Wamum Creek	Inferred	0.2% Cu	141.5	0.18	0.31	0.82

0.2% Cu

415.0

Current Mineral Resource Estimates<sup>10</sup> (100% basis) are:

Inferred

Cu (kt) 327 435

1,038

1,800

3.16

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> Refer to ASX releases dated 25 November 2020 and 6 July 2023.