## **ASX Announcement**

**Barton Gold** 

15 July 2024

# Barton Allocated \$1,488,500 in JMEI Tax Credits

Available for distribution to new eligible investors before 30 June 2025

## **HIGHLIGHTS**

- Up to \$1,488,500 in refundable tax offsets / franking credits available to eligible investors
- Offsets / franking credits apply to new shares issued during the 2024 / 2025 financial year

Barton Gold Holdings Limited (ASX:BGD, FRA:BGD3, OTCQB:BGDFF) (Barton or Company) is pleased to announce that it has been advised by the Australian Taxation office (ATO) that its application for the 2024/25 financial year's Junior Minerals Exploration Incentive (JMEI) scheme has been successful.

The ATO has confirmed that JMEI credits of \$1,488,500 - the maximum possible for financial year 2024/45 - have been allocated to the Company for distribution to eligible acquirors of new shares.

## The IMEI Scheme

Australian resident shareholders who acquire newly issued Barton shares (for example, in a placement) between 1 July 2024 and 30 June 2025 are entitled to receive JMEI credits (Eligible Investors).

The JMEI scheme enables eligible exploration companies to create eligible refundable tax credits to distribute to Eligible Investors, who will generally be entitled to refundable tax offsets (in the case of individual shareholders or superannuation funds) or franking credits (in the case of corporate investors).

The credits that can be issued to any given investor are limited to the amount paid by an Eligible Investor to acquire new shares, multiplied by Barton's corporate tax rate. Credits are issued proportionally to each Eligible Investor's investment, so streaming of exploration credits to particular investors is not permitted.

Investors should be aware that Barton cannot guarantee that Eligible Investors will receive the maximum number of JMEI credits available, as the actual number received by each Eligible Investor for the 2024/25 financial year will depend on several factor including (but not limited to):

- the total number of new Barton shares issued between 1 July 2024 and 30 June 2025;
- the amount of allowable 'greenfields' exploration expenditure incurred by Barton during that time;
- Barton's tax loss for the 2024/25 financial year, and
- each shareholder's individual circumstances.

For further information about the JMEI scheme, please refer to the Australian Taxation office website <u>here</u>.

## Commenting on the Barton's award of JMEI credits, Barton MD Alex Scanlon said:

"We thank the ATO and the Australian Federal Government for their extensive support of Barton's work in South Australia. Barton has a considerable track record of generating non-dilutive sources of funding, now exceeding \$10 million during the past three years, and Federal Government programs have been a significant contributor.

"Barton is presently very well capitalised with over \$10 million cash and has no plans to raise any new capital, however Barton's prospective ability to distribute these JMEI credits offers considerable value to our investors."

Authorised by the Board of Directors of Barton Gold Holdings Limited.

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#### **About Barton Gold**

Barton Gold is an ASX, OTCQB and Frankfurt Stock Exchange listed Australian gold developer targeting future gold production of 150,000oz annually, with ~1.6Moz Au JORC Mineral Resources (52.3Mt @ 0.94 g/t Au), multiple advanced exploration projects and brownfield mines, and 100% ownership of the only regional gold mill in the renowned central Gawler Craton of South Australia.\*

#### Tarcoola Gold Project

- Existing brownfield open pit mine within trucking distance of Barton's processing plant
- Under-explored asset with untapped scale potential

## Tunkillia Gold Project

- 1.5Moz Au Mineral Resources (51.3Mt @ 0.91 g/t Au)\*
- District-scale structures with advanced satellite targets

#### <u>Infrastructure</u>

- 650ktpa CIP process plant, mine village, and airstrip
- Tarcoola ~40 person lodging to support mine operations
- Tunkillia camp to support dedicated project team



## **Competent Persons Statement & Previously Reported Information**

The information in this announcement that relates to the historic Exploration Results and Mineral Resources as listed in the table below is based on, and fairly represents, information and supporting documentation prepared by the Competent Person whose name appears in the same row, who is an employee of or independent consultant to the Company and is a Member or Fellow of the Australasian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy (AuslMM), Australian Institute of Geoscientists (AlG) or a Recognised Professional Organisation (RPO). Each person named in the table below has sufficient experience which is relevant to the style of mineralisation and types of deposits under consideration and to the activity which he has undertaken to quality as a Competent Person as defined in the JORC Code 2012 (JORC).

Activity	Competent Person	Membership	Status
Tarcoola Mineral Resource (Stockpiles)	Dr Andrew Fowler (Consultant)	AusIMM	Member
Tarcoola Mineral Resource (Perseverance Mine)	Mr Ian Taylor (Consultant)	AusIMM	Fellow
Tarcoola Exploration Results (until 15 Nov 2021)	Mr Colin Skidmore (Consultant)	AIG	Member
Tarcoola Exploration Results (after 15 Nov 2021)	Mr Marc Twining (Employee)	AusIMM	Member
Tunkillia Exploration Results (until 15 Nov 2021)	Mr Colin Skidmore (Consultant)	AIG	Member
Tunkillia Exploration Results (after 15 Nov 2021)	Mr Marc Twining (Employee)	AusIMM	Member
Tunkillia Mineral Resource	Mr Ian Taylor (Consultant)	AusIMM	Fellow
Challenger Mineral Resource	Mr Dale Sims (Consultant)	AusIMM / AIG	Fellow / Member

The information relating to historic Exploration Results and Mineral Resources in this announcement is extracted from the Company's Prospectus dated 14 May 2021 or as otherwise noted in this announcement, available from the Company's website at <a href="https://www.bartongold.com.au">www.bartongold.com.au</a> or on the ASX website <a href="https://www.asx.com.au">www.asx.com.au</a>. The Company confirms that it is not aware of any new information or data that materially affects the Exploration Results and Mineral Resource information included in previous announcements and, in the case of estimates of Mineral Resources, that all material assumptions and technical parameters underpinning the estimates in the Prospectus continue to apply and have not materially changed. The Company confirms that the form and context in which the applicable Competent Persons' findings are presented have not been materially modified from the previous announcements.

### **Cautionary Statement Regarding Forward-Looking Information**

This document may contain forward-looking statements. Forward-looking statements are often, but not always, identified by the use of words such as "seek", "anticipate", "believe", "plan", "expect", "target" and "intend" and statements than an event or result "may", "will", "should", "could", or "might" occur or be achieved and other similar expressions. Forward-looking information is subject to business, legal and economic risks and uncertainties and other factors that could cause actual results to differ materially from those contained in forward-looking statements. Such factors include, among other things, risks relating to property interests, the global economic climate, commodity prices, sovereign and legal risks, and environmental risks. Forward-looking statements are based upon estimates and opinions at the date the statements are made. Barton undertakes no obligation to update these forward-looking statements for events or circumstances that occur subsequent to such dates or to update or keep current any of the information contained herein. Any estimates or projections as to events that may occur in the future (including projections of revenue, expense, net income and performance) are based upon the best judgment of Barton from information available as of the date of this document. There is no guarantee that any of these estimates or projections will be achieved. Actual results will vary from the projections and such variations may be material. Nothing contained herein is, or shall be relied upon as, a promise or representation as to the past or future. Any reliance placed by the reader on this document, or on any forward-looking statement contained in or referred to in this document will be solely at the readers own risk, and readers are cautioned not to place undue reliance on forward-looking statements due to the inherent uncertainty thereof.

<sup>\*</sup> Refer to Barton Prospectus dated 14 May 2021 and ASX announcement of today's date. Total Barton attributable JORC (2012) Mineral Resources include 833koz Au (26.9Mt @ 0.96 g/t Au) in Indicated and 754koz Au (25.4Mt @ 0.92 g/t Au) in Inferred categories.