



ASX Announcement

30<sup>th</sup> October 2024

## Devon Pit Gold Mine - Fully Permitted and Mine Ready Lake Carey Gold Project

### HIGHLIGHTS

- The last of the regulatory approvals for mining, the Native Vegetation Clearing Permit, at the Devon Pit Gold Mine has now been received, Mining Proposal, water abstraction and discharge licences have previously been approved
- The Devon Pit Gold Mine is now fully permitted for mining operations to commence
- Previous studies<sup>1</sup> indicate a potential:
  - Project cash flow surplus (pre-tax) up to **A\$50.4M over 16 months** (at A\$3,000/oz)
  - Production of **250kt at 5.25g/t Au** for a recovered **~39koz** (93% recovery)
- In July 2024 a resource of 82koz @ 5.2g/t was declared at Devon
- Discussions with a number of potential financing, mining and processing parties are advancing
- The 100% Matsa owned Devon Pit Gold Mine is within the wider Lake Carey Gold Project hosting a global gold resource of almost 1Moz

### CORPORATE SUMMARY

#### Directors

Paul Poli - Executive Chairman

Pascal Blampain

Andrew Chapman

#### Shares on Issue

650.087 million

#### Unlisted Options

96.15 million @ \$0.07 - \$0.10

#### Top 20 shareholders

Hold 65.34%

#### Share Price on 29<sup>th</sup> October 2024

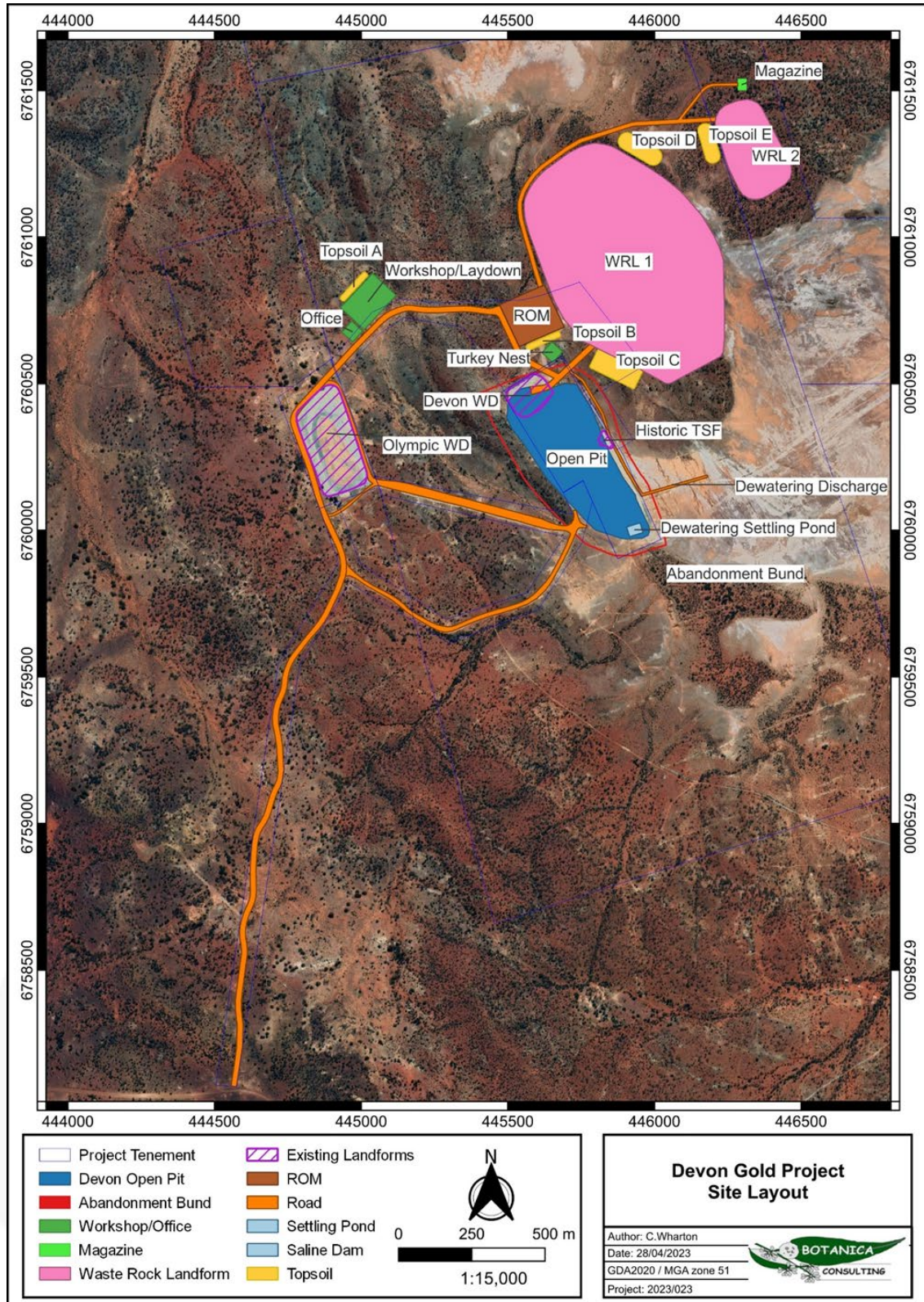
5.0 cents

#### Market Capitalisation

A\$32.50 million

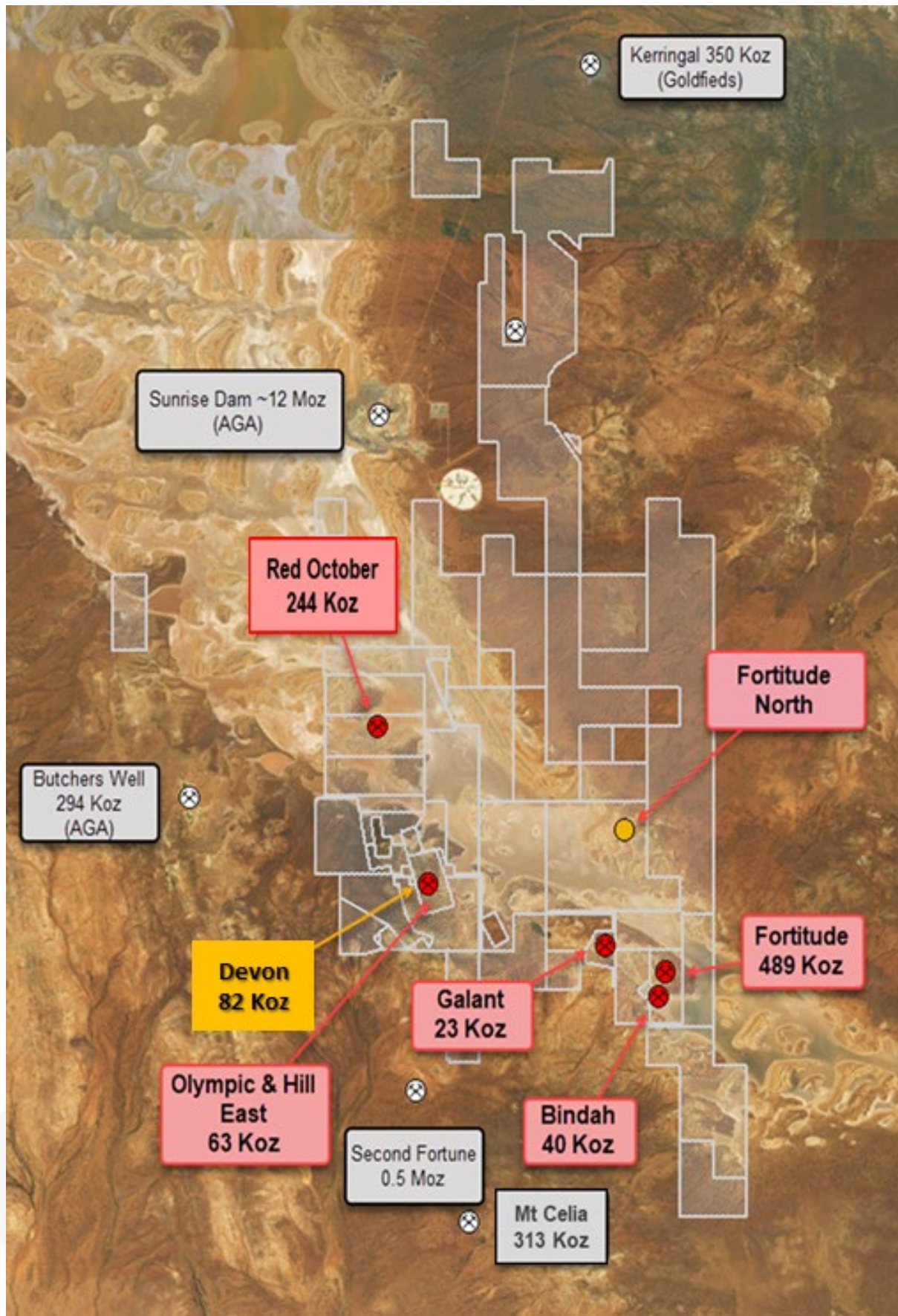
<sup>1</sup> ASX Announcement 17 May 2023 – Strong Upside in Updated Scoping Study Devon Project

Matsa Resources Limited ("Matsa", "Company") is pleased to advise that the Devon Pit Gold Mine (Figure 1) is now fully permitted for mining operations to commence following receipt of the Native Vegetation Clearing Permit ("NVCP") from the Department of Water and Environmental Regulation ("DWER"), being the last of the regulatory permits required to commence mining. The Devon Pit Gold Mine is located within Matsa's flagship Lake Carey Gold Project south of Laverton (Figure 2).



**Figure 1: Devon Open Pit Gold Mine proposed layout for mining**





**Figure 2: Matsa's Lake Carey Gold Project and Devon Pit Gold Mine**

## Matsa Executive Chairman Mr Paul Poli commented:

*"This is a great milestone for both Matsa and the Devon Pit Gold Mine. It's another step closer to getting mining underway at Devon. Our discussions with mining contractors, processing operators and financiers are advancing well and we remain confident we could be on the ground at Devon by the end of the year and mining in earnest during the first quarter of 2025.*

*This project is expected to deliver strong cashflows to the Company and with today's gold price in excess of \$4,100/oz (AUD), there has never been a better time to be mining and producing gold. The Matsa team is really looking forward to seeing this mine get into production after their hard work and I am pleased to say things seem to be falling into place nicely.*

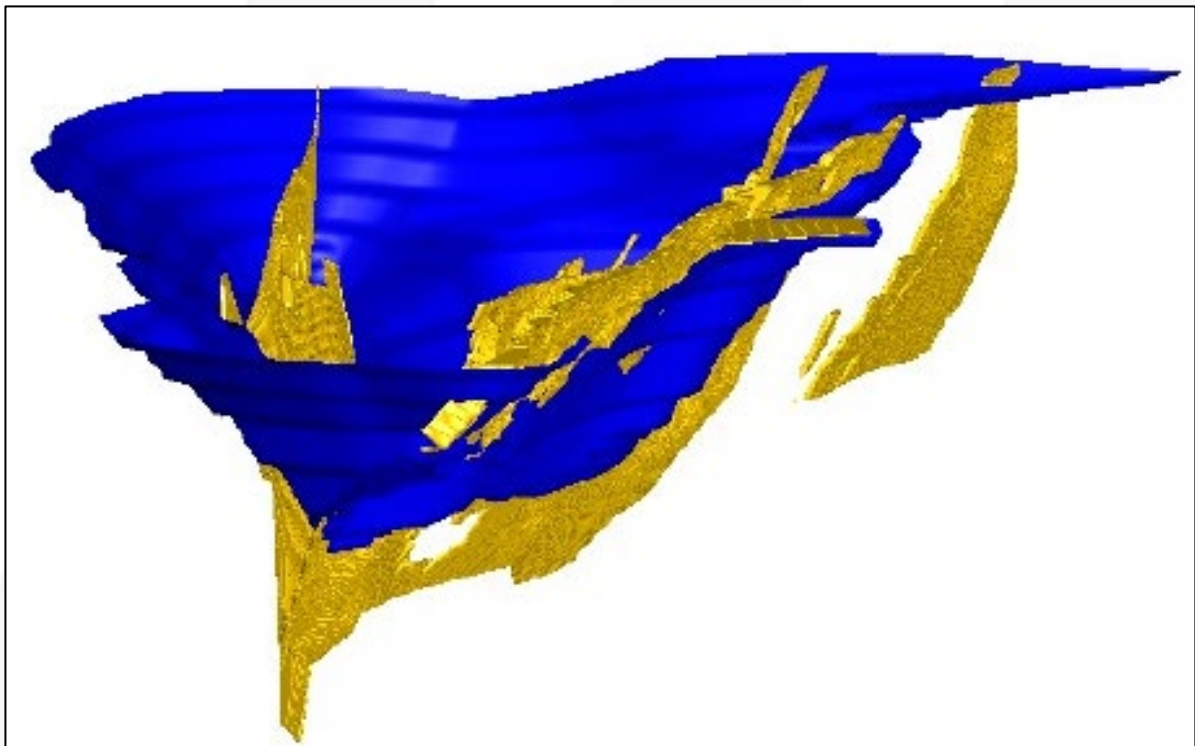
*We are busy working through final mining schedules and expect to have detailed operating plans and potential haulage delivery schedules for a 3<sup>rd</sup> party ore processor in the coming weeks.*

*We look forward to continue providing updates on the Devon Pit Gold Mine, as well as Lake Carey in general, as new information continues to build the picture."*

## About Devon Pit Gold Mine

The Devon Pit Gold Mine is a high-grade open pit development project which hosts a Mineral Resource of 488kt at 5.2g/t for 82koz Au with 92% of the Mineral Resource within the JORC (2012) Indicated category (refer Table 2).

Matsa is targeting a near-term restart of the mine (Figures 1 and 3), which lies on granted mining leases with existing road infrastructure in place.



**Figure 3:** August 2023 optimised pit shell (in blue) and Devon Resource (in gold)

## Current and Past Mineral Resource Estimates

The Devon Pit current and historical estimates are tabled below and the 2021, 2023 & 2024 models showing excellent accord.

Company	Tonnes ('000T)	Au (g/t)	Ounce ('000 Oz)
<b>MATSA 2024</b>	<b>488</b>	<b>5.2</b>	<b>82</b>
MAT/LGA (under JV) 2023	467	4.59	69
Matsa 2021	443	4.55	65
^GME Jan 2016	308	4.03	40
*GME Jan 2015	502	3.00	48
*^Peebles 1997	249	7.15	55
*^Haoma/CGMA JV 1987	240	12.9	99

*\* pre-mining of Devon open pit, ^ non-JORC estimates (GME Annual Reports)*

## Permitting Status

All regulatory approvals and permitting is now in place:

Item	Purpose	Status	Comment
Tenements		Granted mining (and miscellaneous) leases	Valid to December 2034
Haulage	Allows ore haulage on public roads	Shire approvals obtained	Menzies and Leonora shires
Mining Proposal	Approval for construction of infrastructure and undertake mining activities	Approved	Approved 9 July 2024
Mine Closure Plan	Defines rehabilitation and closure prescriptions	Approved	Approved 9 July 2024
Clearing permit	Authorises clearing of native vegetation for project development	Approved	Approved 25 October 2024
Water abstraction licence	Enables extraction and use of water from project	Approved	Valid to 14 January 2030
Works approval	Permit to construct premises	Approved	Consent given July 2023
Operating licence	Licence to operate premises		To be submitted once dewatering commissioned
Mining Operations Notice	Allows mining of an operation		To be issued once mining contractor appointed

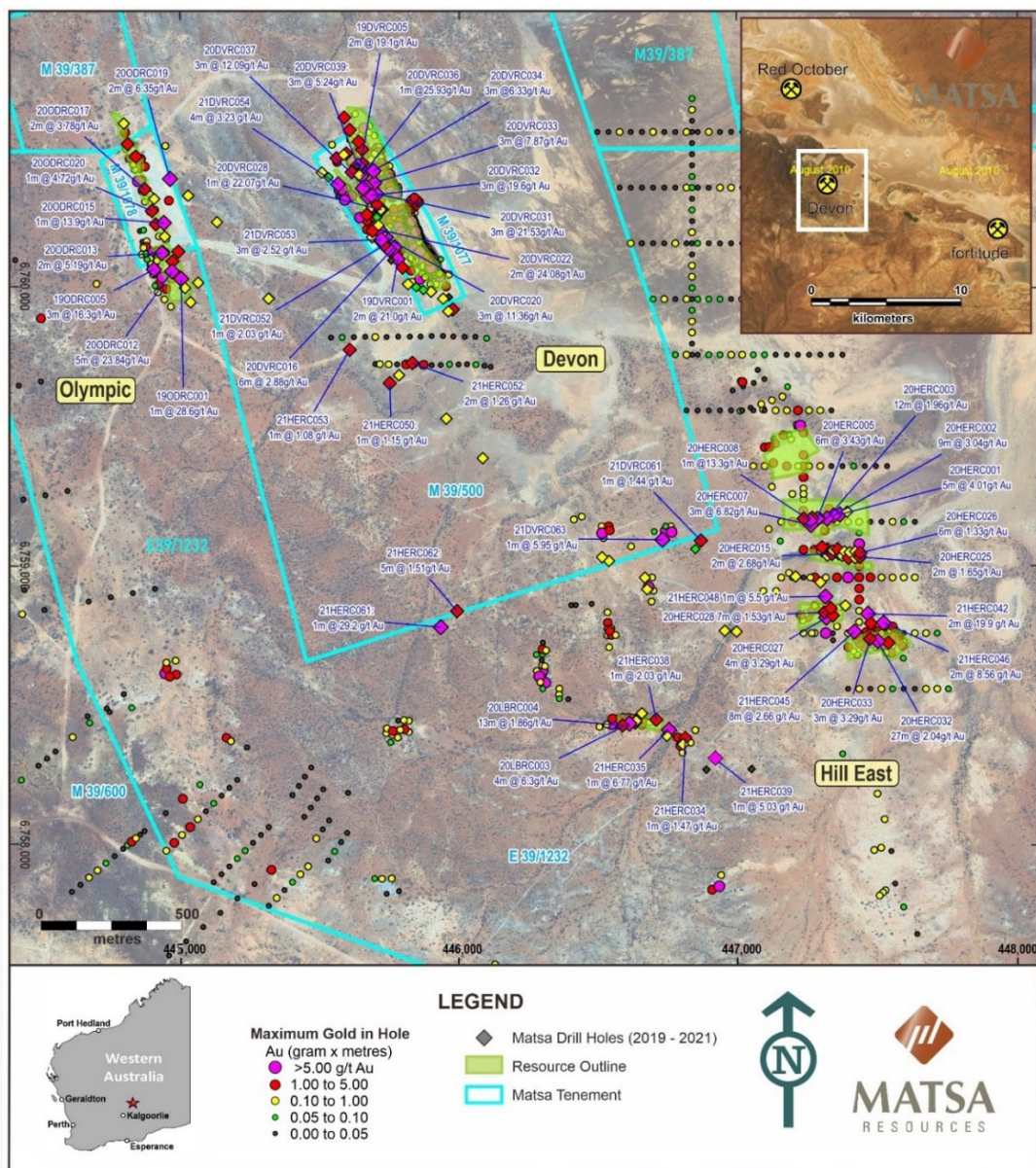


## Exploration and Development Synergies with Hill East and Olympic

Development of the Devon Pit Gold Mine could provide synergies with the satellite deposits of Hill East (48koz) and Olympic (25koz) where resources have been defined and exploration upside remains significant (Figure 4).

Some of the more significant results for Hill East<sup>2</sup> include:

5m @ 4.01 g/t Au from 6m	20HERC001
9m @ 3.04 g/t Au from surface	20HERC002
12m @ 1.96 g/t Au from 2m	20HERC003
6m @ 3.43 g/t Au from 15m	20HERC005
2m @ 7.14 g/t Au from 7m	20HERC007
and 3m @ 6.82 g/t Au from 15m	
27m @ 2.04 g/t Au from 2m	20HERC032



**Figure 4: Devon MRE, satellite deposits of Hill East and Olympic with drilling and soil sampling results**

<sup>2</sup> ASX Announcement 29 April 2021 - Increase in Resources to 654,000 Oz Lake Carey Gold Project

## NEXT STEPS

Key next steps to advance the Devon Pit Gold Mine to a mining operation include:

- Finalise mining, milling and financing contracts and arrangements
- Finalise detailed mining and ore haulage schedules
- Commence site preparations once contracts have been signed

## MINERAL RESOURCES

The global Mineral Resource Estimate for the Lake Carey Gold Project remains at **949,000oz @ 2.5g/t Au** as outlined in Table 2 below.

	Cutoff g/t Au	Measured (‘000t) g/t Au	Indicated (‘000t) g/t Au	Inferred (‘000t) g/t Au	Total Resource (‘000t) g/t Au (‘000 oz)
<b>Red October</b>					
Red October UG	2.0	105 8.4	608 5.4	635 5.4	1348 5.6 244
<b>Red October Subtotal</b>		<b>105 8.4</b>	<b>608 5.4</b>	<b>635 5.4</b>	<b>1348 5.6 244</b>
<b>Devon</b>					
Devon Pit (OP)	1.0	18 4.4	450 5.3	21 5.4	488 5.2 82
Olympic (OP)	1.0	- -	- -	171 2.8	171 2.8 15
Hill East (OP)	1.0	- -	- -	748 2.0	748 2.0 48
<b>Devon Subtotal</b>		<b>- -</b>	<b>450 5.3</b>	<b>940 2.2</b>	<b>1407 3.2 145</b>
<b>Fortitude</b>					
Fortitude	1.0	127 2.2	2,979 1.9	4,943 1.9	8,048 1.9 489
Gallant (OP)	1.0	- -	- -	341 2.1	341 2.1 23
Bindah (OP)	1.0	- -	43 3.3	483 2.3	526 2.4 40
<b>Fortitude Subtotal</b>		<b>127 2.2</b>	<b>3021 2.0</b>	<b>5,767 1.9</b>	<b>8,915 1.9 553</b>
<b>Stockpiles</b>		<b>- -</b>	<b>- -</b>	<b>191 1.0</b>	<b>191 1.0 6</b>
<b>Total</b>		<b>232 5.0</b>	<b>4,079 2.8</b>	<b>7,342 2.2</b>	<b>11,861 2.5 949</b>

**Table 2: Lake Carey Resource\***

\*Matsa confirms that it is not aware of any new information or data that materially affects the Resource as stated. All material assumptions and technical parameters underpinning the Mineral Resource estimate continue to apply and have not changed since the last release. There have been no changes in the above table since the last release.

### Production Target

Matsa confirms that all material assumptions underpinning the Production Target continue to apply and that there have been no material changes since the last release.

This ASX announcement is authorised for release by the Board of Matsa Resources Limited.

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### Competent Person Statement

#### Exploration results

The information in this report that relates to Exploration results is based on information and compiled by Pascal Blampain, who is a Member of the Australasian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy and the Australian Institute of Geoscientists. Mr Blampain serves on the Board and is a full time employee, of Matsa Resources Limited. Mr Blampain has sufficient experience which is relevant to the style of mineralisation and the type of ore deposit under consideration and the activities undertaken to qualify as a Competent Person as defined in the 2012 Edition of the ‘Australasian Code for Reporting of Exploration Results, Mineral Resources and Ore Reserves’. Mr Blampain consents to the inclusion in the report of the matters based on his information in the form and context in which it appears.