

HIGH PRIORITY COPPER TARGETS IDENTIFIED

HIGHLIGHTS

- Stateline Claim Block, part of the Company's 100% owned Phoenix Copper Project, is located southwest along strike from the currently producing 740Mlb Lisbon Valley Copper Mine (LVCC) within the world-class Lisbon Valley Mining District, Utah, Colorado, USA^{1,6}.
- **Four (4) High Priority Targets** considered prospective for sediment hosted copper mineralisation have been identified in the Stateline Claim Block.
- **Target 1** contains outcropping copper mineralisation 2km east of LVCC's Flying Diamond Copper Deposit². It presents as a priority drill target.
- Under **FAST-41** permitting process the present US government has recently approved ten mining projects in the pre-production phase including the Lone Wolf Deposit at LVCC, a 267Mlb copper resource operated by LVCC and lying ~5km NW of the Stateline Claim Block^{2,3}.
- The existing strong copper market is predicted to be poised for a bullish long-term trajectory, driven by the energy transition's escalating demand⁴.

NEXT STEPS

- Exploration is ongoing with mapping, stream sediment, soil and rock sampling programs in progress to prioritise targets for **drilling in quarter 3 of 2025**.

The Company's CEO Lyle Thorne commented,

*"Exploration on our 100% owned Phoenix Copper project is continuing to deliver exciting targets with the recently completed structural and geological interpretation identifying **four (4) high priority targets** in the Stateline Claim Block. Geological reconnaissance of **Target 1** located outcropping copper mineralisation along strike on the same structure hosting known copper deposits, confirming the success of the Company's exploration rationale.*

This work complements the previous targeting on the CC Claim Block increasing potential priority targets for the maiden drill program. Exploration is ongoing at CC and Stateline Claim Blocks with the aim of drill testing the most promising targets in quarter 3 of 2025."



Diablo Resources Ltd (ASX:DBO) is pleased to present the results of geological and structural targeting on its 100% of the Stateline Claim Block, part of the Phoenix Copper Project. The Project lies in a prolific copper producing region with the State of Utah that produced 700 Mlbs of copper in 2023, ranking it as the 2nd largest copper producing state in the USA⁶.

In April 2025, the Federal Permitting Improvement Steering Council (Permitting Council) identified ten critical mineral projects as FAST-41 Transparency Projects² on the Federal Permitting Dashboard. Inclusion on the Dashboard is intended to streamline approvals for qualifying projects by enhancing interagency coordination to facilitate a more efficient permitting process with increased transparency. The Lisbon Valley Copper mine is one of the ten. The LVCC submitted a Plan of Operations Modification to the Bureau of Land Management to expand open pit and beneficiation operations, including the Lone Wolf Deposit and to initiate the extraction of copper through a method of in-situ recover into an adjoining area. Additions would include a new open pit, waste rock storage area, process ponds, and in-situ recovery wells^{2,3,5}. As these changes take hold, companies like Diablo who are actively exploring copper projects in Utah's Lisbon Valley, are well-positioned in a shifting U.S. copper strategy.

OVERVIEW

The Stateline Claim Block is located in southwestern USA, approximately 70km southwest of Moab and straddling the Utah/Colorado border. Access is year-round utilizing sealed and maintained gravel roads.

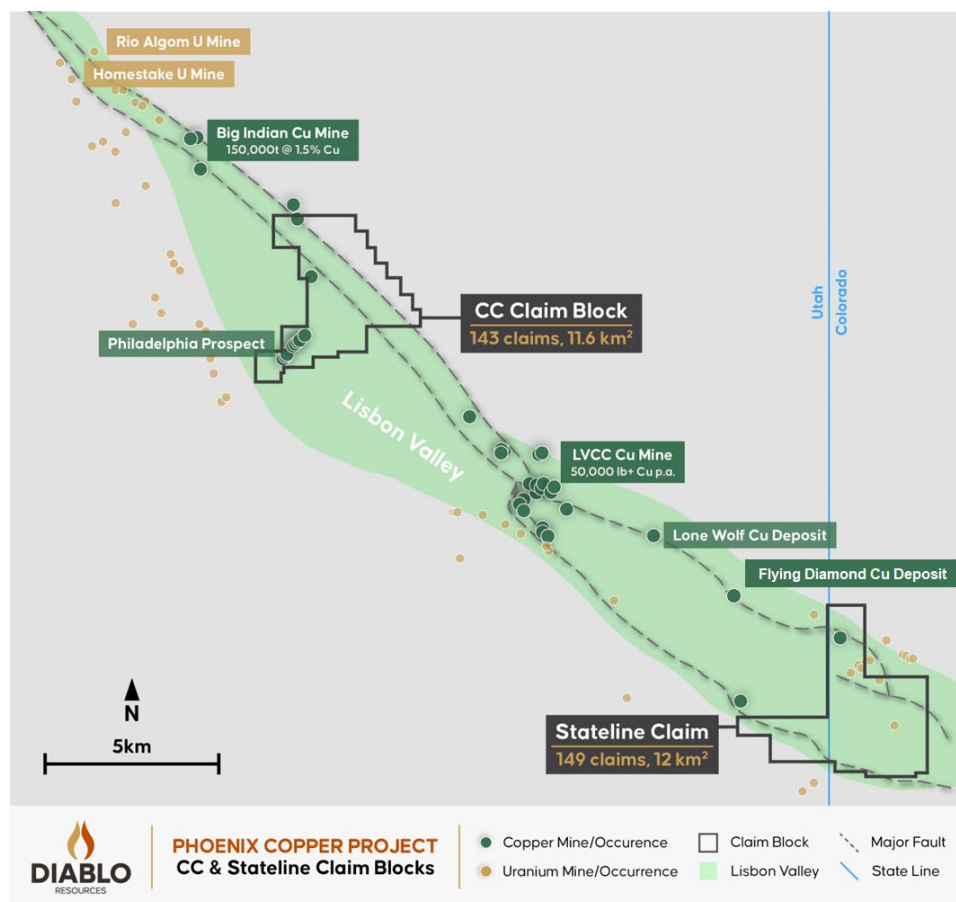


Figure 1 – Phoenix Copper Project – Location Plan

Little recent copper exploration has been completed within the project targeting known copper mineralisation in this highly mineralised district. The staked claim blocks were identified by the DBO team to host copper mineralisation on strike extensions and within the similar geological settings as being mined at the Lisbon Valley Copper Mine.

STATELINE CLAIM BLOCK

The **Stateline Claim Block** is located ~10 km southeast of the LVCC operations. It consists of 149 unpatented lode claims for 2,980 acres (12km²) staked on Bureau of Land Management (BLM) administered Federal lands (Figures 1 & 2).

Geological / Structural Interpretation and Targeting

The Stateline Claim Block covers the southeast portion of the Lisbon Valley localised on the southeastern limit of known copper mineralisation within the valley. The geology is defined by the regional bounding faults with the WNW trending Flying Diamond Fault (FDF) in the north of the claim block and a similar parallel fault in the south of the claim block.

The Flying Diamond Deposit lies on the northern bounding fault 2km west of the Stateline project boundary and the Lone Wolf Deposit a further 3km west on the same structure (Figures 1, 2 & 3).

The Lone Wolf Deposit has a published 60Mt resource containing 12.1Kt (267Mlbs) of recoverable copper⁵. No resource figures are publicly available for the Flying Diamond Deposit.

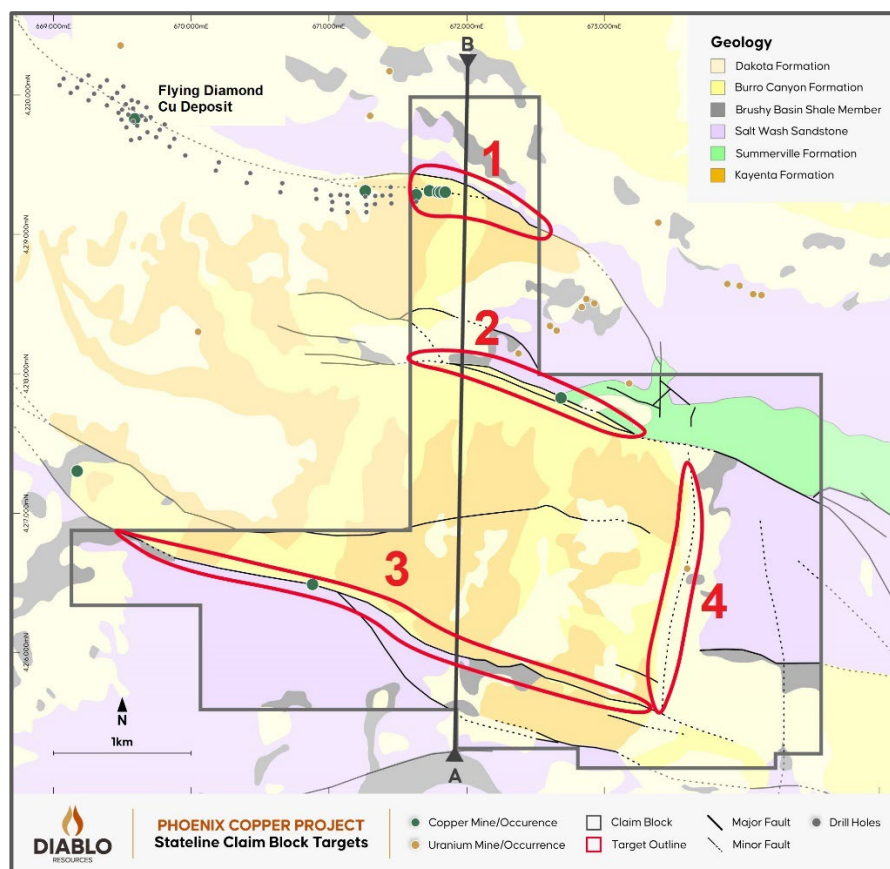


Figure 2 – Geological / Structural Interpretation and Targeting

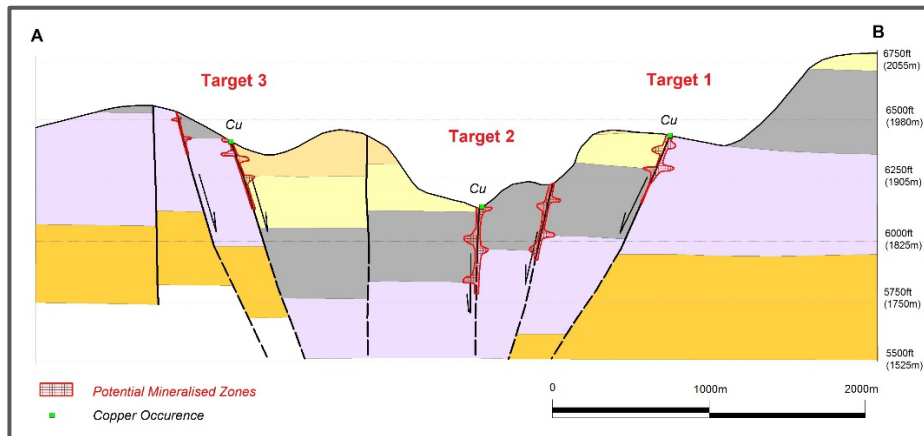


Figure 3 – Cross Section Stateline Claim Block, Looking West

Recently completed geological / structural interpretation on the Stateline Claim Block **identified 4 priority Targets** considered highly prospective for sediment hosted copper mineralisation (Figures 1, 2 & 3).

Targets in order of priority are summarized below:

Target 1: is located in the northern portion of the claim block, 2km east along strike from the Flying Diamond Deposit, and 5km east along strike from the Lone Wolf Deposit. Mineralisation in this area is closely associated with the northern valley bounding structure.

Recent geological mapping identified copper mineralisation (malachite) in sandstone and conglomerate associated with the fault. It can be traced for over 100m before being obscured by scree (Figure 4). A total of 15 rock samples were collected and dispatched for analysis. Results are awaited.

In addition, drill holes (circa 2005) and remnant drill spoil containing fragments of copper mineralisation were observed near the western claim boundary, 100m west of the previously described copper mineralisation (Figure 3).



Figure 4 - Target 1, copper mineralised outcrop (photos left & centre). Sample ST-10 right.

Target 2: covers a fault parallel to and 1,300m to the south of that described in Target 1. Minor malachite float was observed associated with the fault in altered sandstone and mudstones.

Target 3: covers the entire WSW trending basin margin fault, host to the GTO deposit 7km to the northwest currently in production at LVCC. Handheld XRF readings indicate anomalous copper readings associated with the fault.



Target 4: covers the interpreted southern strike extension of the northern bounding fault truncating the Dakota and Burro Canyon Formations to the east. The area is covered by recent alluvium/colluvium. A recorded adit, possibly used for uranium exploration lies near the interpreted fault.

EXPLORATION - NEXT STEPS

- Soil, stream sediment and rock sampling in conjunction with geological mapping is ongoing at the Phoenix Project, with sample results awaited.
- **The intent is to drill test priority targets in Q3 of 2025.**

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This announcement has been authorised for release by the Board.

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