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The Company has concluded it has a reasonable basis for providing the forward looking statements that relate to the Bibra Feasibility Study that are included in this presentation, the details of this study are outlined in an ASX announcement dated 23 October 2017, which has bee prepared in accordance with the JORC code (2012) and ASX Listing Rules.

The Company confirms that all material assumptions underpinning the production target and forecast financial information contained in the Company's ASX announcement released on 23 October 2017 continue to apply and have not materially changed

#### COMPETENT PERSON'S STATEMENT

The information in this report that relates to Exploration Results or Mineral Resources is based on information compiled or reviewed by Mr. Michael Martin who is Chief Geologist and a full time employee of the Company. Mr. Michael Martin is a current Member of the Australian Institute of Geoscientists and has sufficient experience, which is relevant to the style of mineralisation and types of deposit under consideration and to the activities undertaken, to qualify as a Competent Person as defined in the 2012 Edition of the "Australasian Code of Reporting of Exploration Results, Mineral Resources and Ore Reserves". Mr. Martin consents to the inclusion in the report of the matters based on the information in the form and context in which it appears.

The information in this report that relates to Ore Reserves for Karlawinda is based on information compiled by Quinton de Klerk. Mr de Klerk is an employee of Cube Consulting PL and is a Fellow of the Australian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy (FAusIMM, #210114). Mr de Klerk has sufficient experience that is relevant to the style of mineralisation and type of deposit under consideration and to the activity currently being undertaken to qualify as a Competent Person as defined in the 2012 Edition of the "Australasian Code of Reporting of Exploration Results, Mineral Resources and Ore Reserves". Mr. de Klerk consents to the inclusion in this report of the matters based on the information in the form and context in which it appears.

Capricorn Metals confirms that it is not aware of any new information or data that materially affects the information included in the previous ASX announcements on Resources (10/4/2017) and Metallurgy (19/6/2017) and, in the case of estimates of Mineral Resources, Ore Reserves, Plant operating costs and Metallurgy, all material assumptions and technical parameters underpinning the estimates in the relevant market announcements continue to apply and have not materially changed. The Company confirms that the form and context in which the Competent Persons' findings are presented have not materially changed from previous market announcements.



### Corporate

Corporate Information							
ASX Code	CMM						
Shares on Issue	747.9M						
Share Price as at 16 <sup>th</sup> February 2018	\$0.074						
Market Cap 16 <sup>th</sup> February 2018	~\$55.4M						
Cash as at Dec 2017	\$10.3M						
Unlisted options	55.7M						

#### **Board of Directors**

#### Heath Hellewell (BSc (Hons)) - Executive Chairman

- Geologist with +23 years experience in gold, base metals and diamonds
- Co-founding Executive Director of Doray Minerals, and previous senior positions with Independence Group, Resolute Mining and DeBeers Australia
- Co-winner of the 2014 AMEC "Prospector of the Year" award

#### Stuart Pether (BEng) - Non-Executive Director

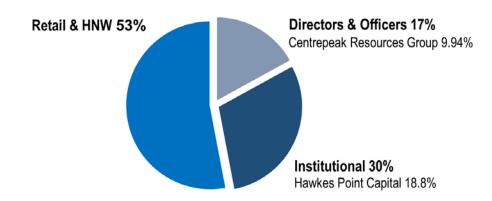
- Mining Engineer with +25 years' experience
- Vice President, Project Development with Evolution Mining
- Previous senior positions with Kula Gold, Catalpa Resources, CBH Resources, PacMin Mining, Dominion Mining and Western Mining Corporation

#### Peter Langworthy (BSc (Hons)) - Non Executive Director

- Geologist with 28 years' experience in mineral exploration and project development in Australia and Indonesia
- Senior management roles with WMC Resources, PacMin Mining, Jubilee Mines and Talisman Mining
- Part of the corporate team responsible for the growth of Jubilee Mines until it was taken over by Xstrata for \$23/share

#### Debra Bakker (MAppFin., BBus. (FinAcc), Grad Dip FINSIA, GAICD) – Non Executive Director

- Project financier with more than 25 years' experience in the resources industry.
- Previously senior positions with Commonwealth Bank of Australia, Standard Bank London Group and Barclays Capital
- Currently the Western Australian Representative for Auramet Trading and a non-executive director for Access Housing Australia, Non-executive Director of Independence Group



#### Senior Management

#### Peter Thompson (BSc (Hons) MSc) - Chief Operating Officer

- Geologist with extensive experience in gold, nickel and copper
- Previous senior roles with WMC, Anaconda Nickel, Jubilee Mines, St Barbara, Beaconsfield Gold and Central Asia Resources
- Significant experience in operating deep underground gold and heap leach start-up operations

#### Jonathan Shellabear(BSc (Hons) MBA) - Chief Financial Officer

- 30 years' experience as a senior corporate executive and investment banker specialising in the mining sector
- Senior investment banking positions with NM Rothschild & Sons, Deutsche Bank and Resource Finance Corporation
- Former Managing Director of Dominion Mining ad Heron Resources

#### Michael Martin (BSc (Hons)) - Chief Geologist

- 21 years' experience as a Geologist in exploration, resource estimation and development and mine geology
- Senior positions with Pacmin Mining, Sons of Gwalia, Jubilee Mines, Xstrata and Talisman Mining



# Karlawinda, A Straight-Forward Mining Project With Considerable Upside

- 1. Positive Feasibility Study stand-alone gold project
  - Bibra Deposit Ore Reserve 713,000oz (Aug 2017)<sup>1</sup> based on previous 1.1Moz Resource (Apr 2017)
  - Single low strip ratio open pit
  - Firm "base case" economics:
    - ~100,000oz/pa at an average AISC A\$1025/oz over an initial 6.5 years
- 2. Premier "low risk" mining jurisdiction permitting well advanced
- 3. Targeting first gold production mid-2019 debt financing process underway
- 4. Ongoing Resource growth from active exploration programs
  - 38.3Mt @ 1.1 g/t Au for 1,326,000oz (Nov 2017)<sup>1</sup>
  - 100% Growth in resource base since acquisition (Feb 2016)
- 5. Ongoing project optimisation
  - Guaranteed Maximum Price, EPC tender process (Mar 2018) significant capex savings
  - Optimised processing flow sheet (Mar 2018) operational and cashflow benefits
  - Reserve upgrade Q2 2018 (May 2018) additional mine life
  - Pit redesign and reschedule (May 2018) *improved cashflows*
  - Optimised project power solution (Sept 2018) significant opex savings
- 6. Proven geological endowment minimal previous exploration
  - 1400km<sup>2</sup> of 100% owned exploration and mining tenements
  - Large scale K3/Francopan prospect yet to be evaluated

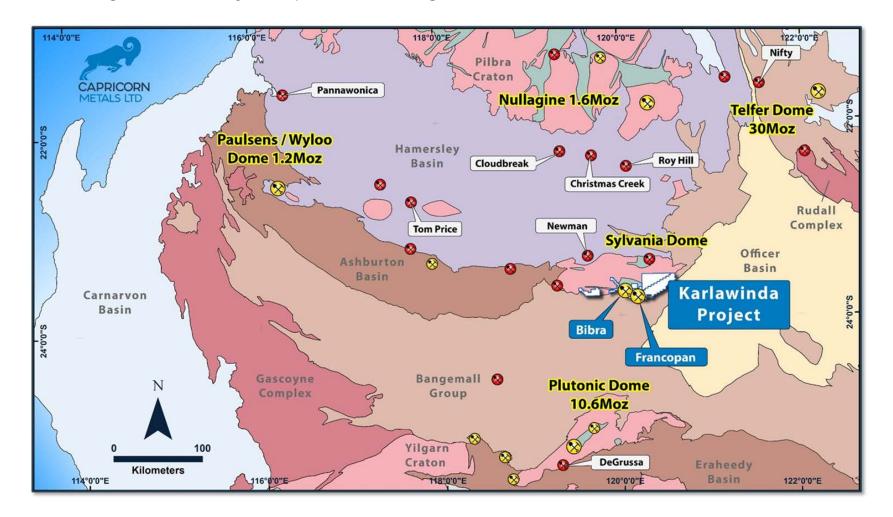


1. Capricorn report that it is not aware of any new information or data that materially affects the information included in the Reserve announcement dated 7th August 2017 or the Resource announcement dated 17<sup>th</sup> November 2017 and that all material assumptions and technical parameters underpinning the estimates in the relevant market announcement continue to apply and there have been no adverse material changes.



## Capricorn Orogen - Regional Geology

Karlawinda – A new gold discovery in a premier mining district



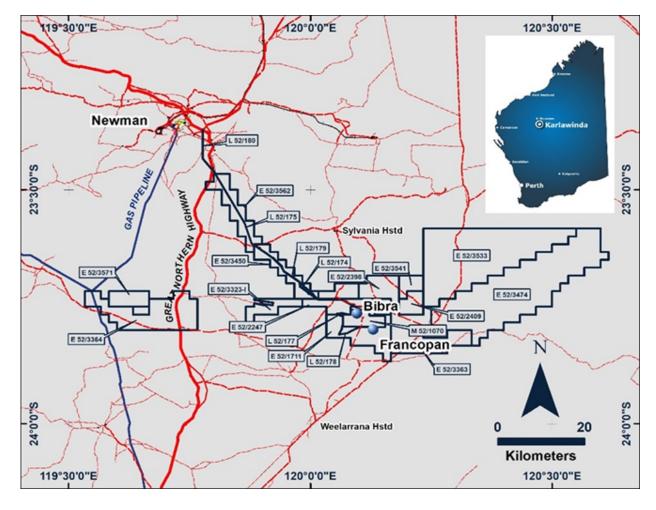


### Karlawinda, First Class WA Location

### Premier mining jurisdiction



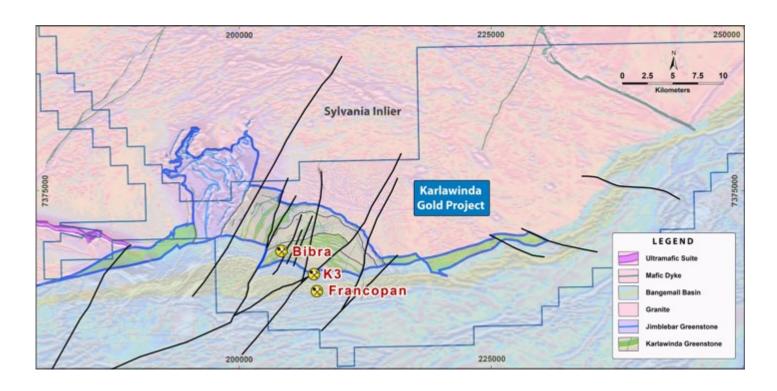
- 60km south east of Newman in Western Australia
- 1400km<sup>2</sup> of 100% owned exploration and mining tenements
- Road access via the Great Northern Hwy and Coobina Mine Road
- 45 minute drive to services and logistics
- Multiple flights per day Perth to Newman
- Mining engineering, suppliers, services
- Granted Mining Lease, NT Access Agreement and NVCP





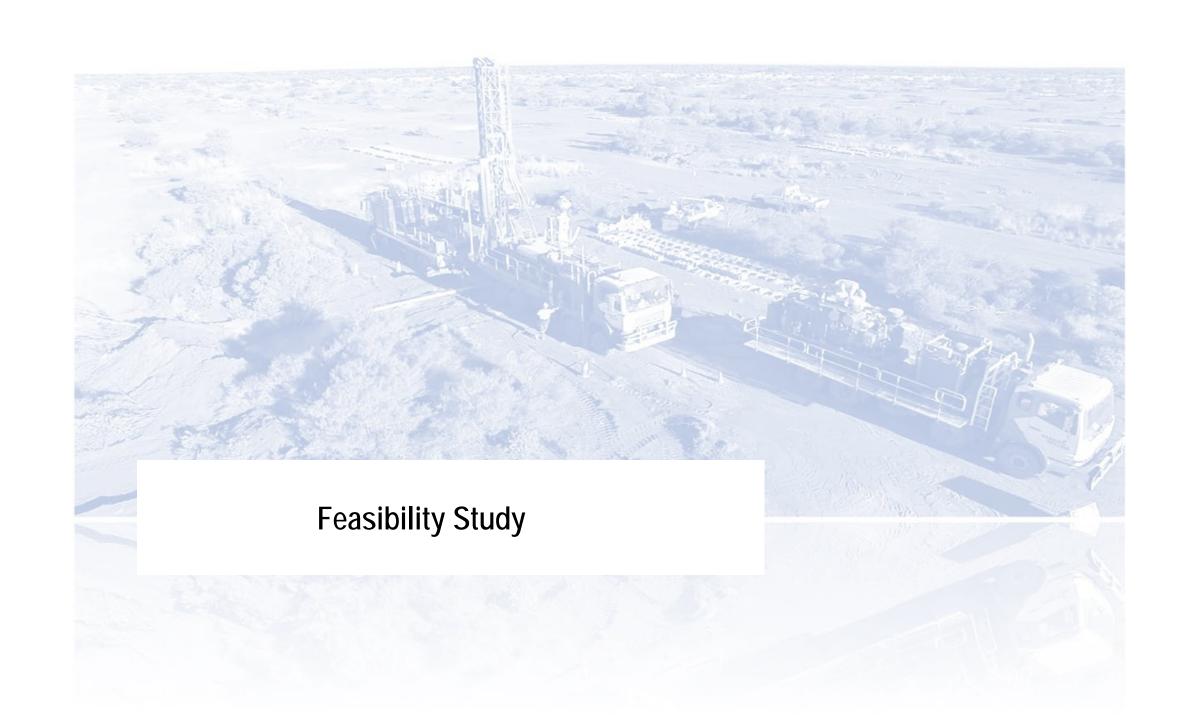
## Karlawinda, Project Geology

Unlocking the potential of a new gold camp



- First-mover opportunity in emerging Archaean greenstone belt
  - Analogous with Plutonic Dome (+10Moz)
  - Long-lived structural domain, with key major structures
- Proven camp-scale multi million ounce potential, partially obscured by thin 1-10m of sand cover
- Limited early stage exploration outside the immediate Bibra Deposit – K3/Francopan proven scale potential
- Operationally and logistically simple exploration, development and production
- Geological understanding starting to crystallise into further discovery





### A Compelling Opportunity in the Australian Gold Sector

### De-risked by Feasibility Study (Oct 2017)

#### Bibra Deposit – Current Open Pit Ore Reserve (Aug 2017)

Ore Reserve 21Mt @ 1.06 g/t Au for 713,000oz (Probable)

- Ore Reserve conversion rate 70% at A\$1500/oz
- Ore Reserve based on previous 1.1M oz Resource (Apr 2017)
- Current Resource of 1.3M oz (Nov 2017)

#### Firm "Base Case" Project Economics

3.0Mtpa plant to produce 100,000oz pa over an initial 6.5 year mine life (based on current Ore Reserves)

- Project revenue of A\$1,091M, pre-tax operating surplus of A\$413M
- AISC of A\$1025/oz over LOM
- NPV<sub>(8)</sub> (pre tax) of A\$144M, IRR 31%, ~3 year payback

#### **Capital Expenditure Estimate**

Total initial plant and infrastructure capex estimate of \$A133.3M (plus contingency of A\$13.1M)

- 3.0Mtpa CIP processing plant A\$90.7M
- Plant Infrastructure A\$8.7M
- Other Infrastructure A\$20.5M
- Owners Costs A\$13.4M

Mining fleet equipment leasing of \$40M implemented over three Quarters at start of production (mid 2019)



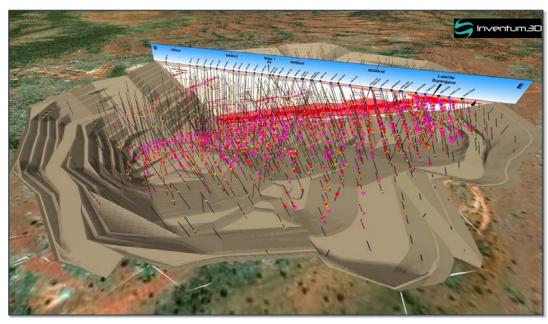


**Updated Ore Reserve estimate in May 2018** 

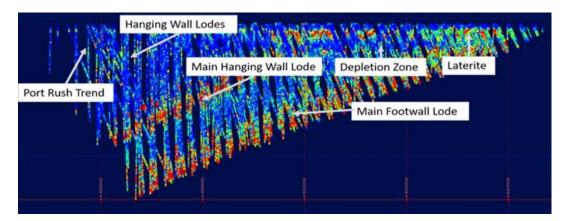
## Bibra Gold Deposit

### Predictable mineralised system

- Bibra Deposit currently defined over a 2km strike length
- Drilled +800m down-dip and remains open
- Broad ore zones up to 50m wide
- Mineralisation best developed in large dilational shoots within a shear/fold system
  - Biotite, carbonate, magnetite alteration
  - Silica, pyrite, gold mineralisation
  - Amphibolite facies metamorphic overprint
- Large laterite and oxide zone near surface



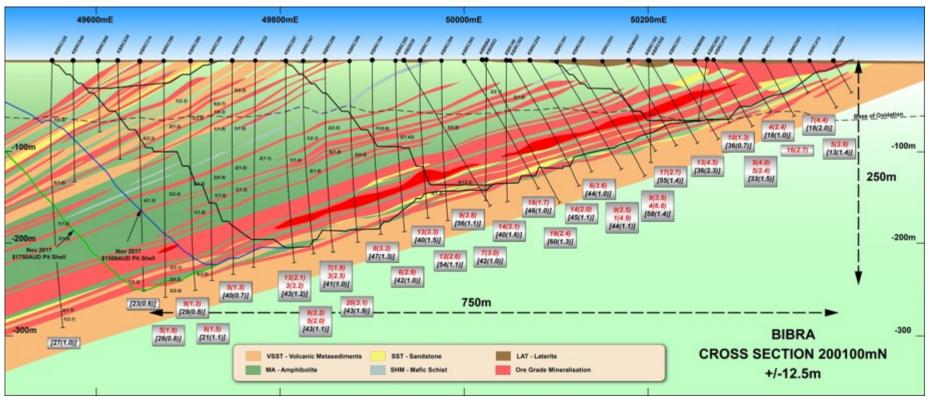


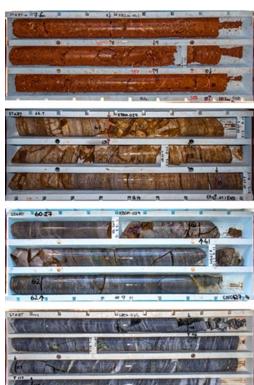




## Bibra Gold Deposit

## Continuous shoots down plunge



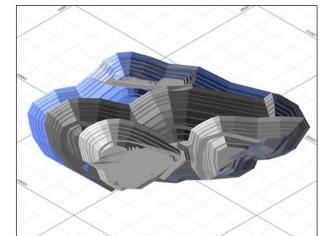


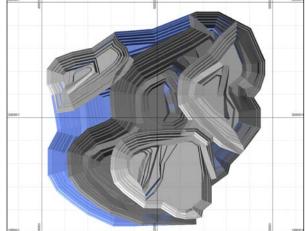


### Open Pit Mining

### Bibra Deposit- Large tonnage, low strip ratio

- Single large-scale, multi-staged open pit (1km x 1km)
- Very attractive stripping ratios:
  - LOM 4.7:1





- Higher value, near surface laterite and oxide ore in Stage One
- Thick, continuous and consistent ore zones
- Comfortable mining rates, consistent material movement
- Favourable geotechnical conditions, HW overall slope ~47°, FW ~25°

Opportunity with additional Reserves to optimise mining schedule and significantly enhance project value

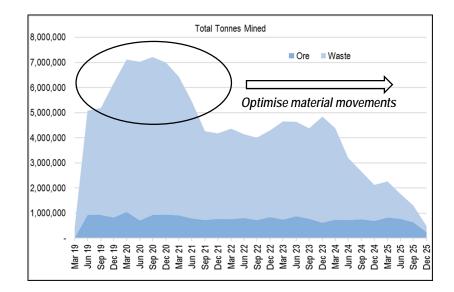
Pit Stage	Tonnes	Grade (g/t Au)	Ounces	Strip Ratio (Waste : Ore)
1A	554,000	0.9	16,000	5.4 : 1
1B	1,630,000	1.2	63,000	3.1 : 1
1C	2,892,000	1.05	98,000	2.4 : 1
2	8,172,000	1.03	271,000	4.9 : 1
3	7,777,000	1.06	266,000	5.5 : 1
TOTAL	21,025,000	1.06	713,000	4.7 : 1

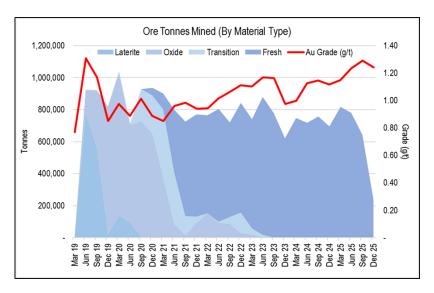


### Open Pit Mining

#### Bibra Deposit- Contract/Owner Operator FS assumptions

- Contract grade control
  - RC -10m x 10m, 5m x 8m
- Contract drill and blast
  - 5m benches, 10m benches in some areas of bulk waste
  - Detailed fragmentation studies to:
    - Optimise powder factors and blast patterns
    - Ensure material delivered to crusher is optimal
- Owner operator load and haul is the FS assumption due to:
  - Material operating cost savings
  - Simple large-scale, single open pit mine
  - Broad ore zones
  - Consistent scheduled material movement over LOM
  - Attractive new equipment leasing opportunities
  - Service and supply logisitics due to proximity to Newman



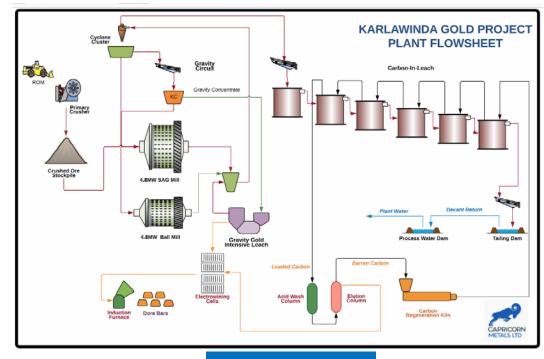




### Metallurgy & Processing

### Conventional processing, high recoveries

- Conventional 3Mtpa CIP circuit
  - 3.7Mtpa throughput in first 2 years (oxide)
  - Single stage crushing
  - 6.5MW SAG with upgrade to SAB (SABC) with ~2.5MW ball mill after 2 years
  - "Trade-off" studies underway
- 92.6% LOM recovery, with 45% gravity recoveries in primary ore
  - Coarse grind size (P80 150µm oxide and 120µm primary)
  - Low reagent consumptions



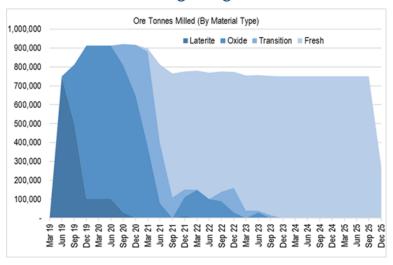
Optimised Flowsheet

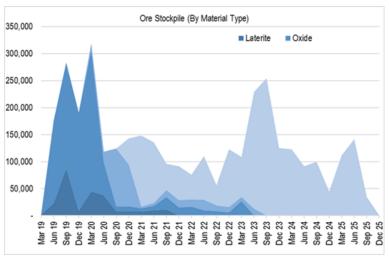
Optimised comminution circuit to reduce operating risk and increase flexibility



## Metallurgy & Processing

## Conventional Processing, High Recoveries





				Recovery Testwork				
Test	Ore Type	Units Grade (g/t)		Scoping Study Recovery (%) (P80 grind size)	FS (June 2017) Recovery (%) (P80 grind size)			
	Laterite	%	1.4	-	< 10			
	Oxide	%	1.0	-	25			
Gravity	Transition	%	1.0	-	45			
	Fresh	%	1.1	24	45			
	Laterite         %         1.4           Oxide         %         1.0		Laterite		1.4	92.1 (125 µ)	94.1 (150 µ)	
			1.0	89.0 (125 µ)	92.8 (150 µ)			
Overall	Transition	%	1.0	90.0 (125 μ)	91.8 (150 µ)			
	Fresh	%	1.1	91.4 (106 µ)	92.5 (106 μ)*			
Average		%	1.09	90.4	92.6			

<sup>\*</sup>primary ore subsequently optimised to 120µ with no recovery impact

Comminution Testwork									
Test	Ore Units Scopia			FS					
SMC (A*b)	Oxide		87	89					
	Fresh		28	30					
BBWI	Oxide	kWh/t	16.7	13.0					
	Fresh	kWh/t	15.8	14.5					
UCS	Fresh	Мра	150	54					
Abrasion Index	Oxide	g	0.08	0.07					
	Fresh	g	0.25	0.23					



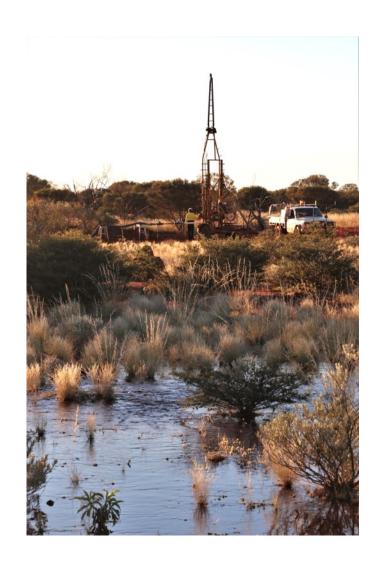
### Infrastructure

### Standard West Australian gold mine

- Long-term power purchase agreement (BOO).
  - Current FS assumption is:
    - Onsite gas-fired power station
    - Fuelled by LNG
- Integrated Waste Landform (IWL) Tailings Storage facility (TSF)
- New 31km access road linking site to all weather unsealed shire road (Coobina Road) and Great Northern Highway
- Borefield water abundant and excellent quality
- Second-hand accommodation camp (with potential Newman residential option)
- FIFO via Newman airport (60km by road)

Optimised project power solution to provide operating cost savings





## **Capital Cost Summary**

Item	Feasibility Study (September 2017)
	(A\$)
Processing Plant (EPC) (3.7Mtpa oxide/ 3.0Mtpa primary ore)	\$90.7M
Plant Infrastructure (EPC) (Plant buildings and workshops, borefield)	\$8.7M
Other Infrastructure (TSF, accommodation village, access road, communications)	\$20.5M
Owners Costs (temporary construction facilities, capital spares, first fills, personnel costs, insurance, establishment costs)	\$13.4
Estimated Capital Costs	\$133.3M
Contingency allowance	\$13.1M
Total Capital Cost Estimate (includes rounding adjustments)	\$146.3M

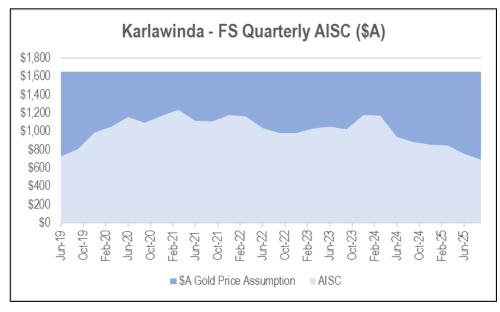
- EPC tender process underway
- Guaranteed Maximum Price (GMP) contract
- Selection of preferred EPC contractor March 2018

Formal competitive tender process expected to deliver significant savings on capital cost estimates



# **Operating Cost Summary**

Item	LOM Cost (A\$M)	LOM Cost / Tonne (processed) (A\$/t)	LOM Cost / Ounce (recovered) (A\$/oz)
Mining	\$290.9	\$13.8	\$440.1
Processing & Maintenance	\$251.9	\$12.0	\$381.1
General & Admin.	\$54.3	\$2.6	\$82.2
Realisation Costs	\$3.0	\$0.1	\$4.5
Sustaining Capital (incl. closure costs)	\$22.8	\$1.1	\$34.5
	\$622.9	\$29.6	\$942.4
Royalties & Charges	\$54.8	\$2.6	\$82.9
AISC	\$677.7	\$32.1	\$1025.3







## **Project Financing**

### Conventional debt and equity Project Financing

- Combination of Debt (55-65%) and Equity (35-45%)
- Debt process to be finalised and completely de-risked prior to equity
  - Formal process underway, debt solution by June 2018
  - Preference is for traditional bank project financing
  - Prudent gold hedging to underwrite debt facility
- Sensible approach to equity at the "right time"
  - Underpinned by supportive long term shareholders
  - Ongoing exploration and project optimisation to crystallise value





## **Premier Mining Jurisdiction**

Permitting progressing to schedule

- Myiyaparli Heritage Agreement
- Mining Lease M52/1070
- NVCP- Mine Area
- 5C Water Licence (April 2018)
- Works Approvals and Mining Proposal (June 2018)





## Timeline

### A simple, straightforward development and growth opportunity

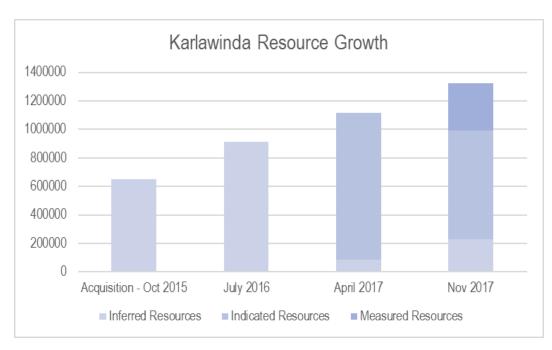
Timeline	meline 2016				20	17		2018				2019				
	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4
Scoping Study																
Resource Drilling																
Mining Lease Application																
Native Title Agreement																
Feasibility Study																
Decision to Proceed																
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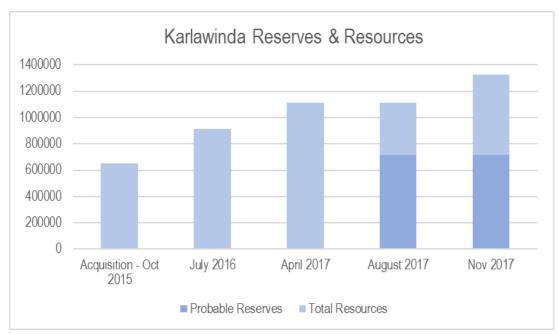




### Resource and Reserve Growth

### A simple, straightforward development and growth opportunity



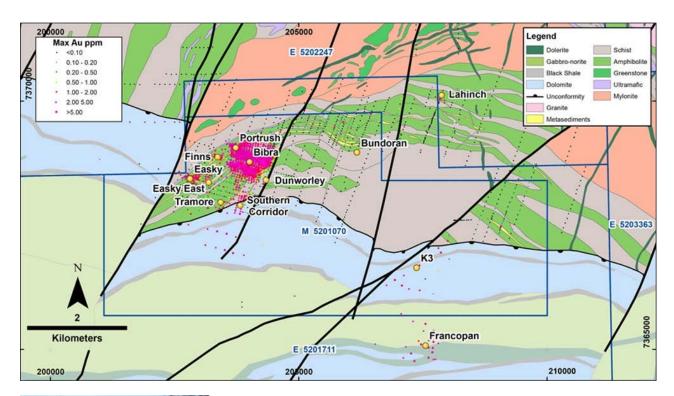




### **Exploration**

### Unlocking the potential of a new gold camp

- Camp-scale multi million ounce potential
- Limited early stage exploration outside the immediate Bibra Deposit
  - K3 Prospect, up-plunge projection of Francopan
    - 26m @ 1.08 g/t Au from 132m
    - 21m @ 1.31 g/t Au from 230m
  - Francopan, wide-spaced drilling, high grade zones
    - 37m @ 1.9 g/t Au incl. 8m @ 5.1 g/t Au from 179m
    - 81m @ 1.2 g/t Au incl. 15m @ 3.0 g/t Au from 400m





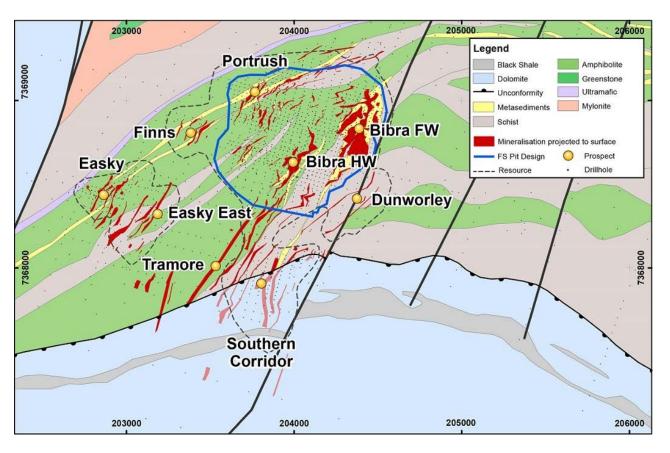




### Bibra Gold Deposit

### Predictable, structurally controlled mineralised system

- Major Archaean mineralised system comprising multiple large scale ore zones
- Broad "shoots" developed as low angle mineralised zones
- Multiple trends only partially drill tested
- Shoots are continuous down plunge

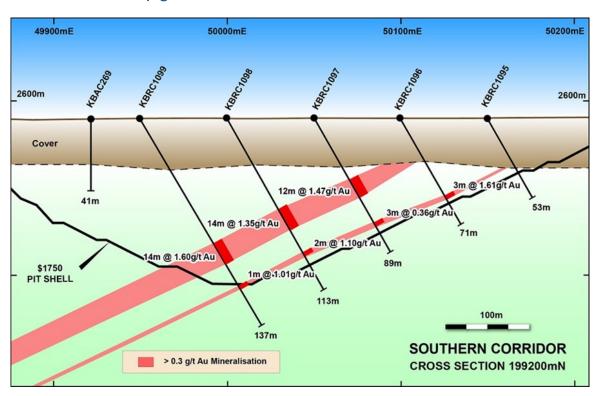




## Reserve ExpansionTargets

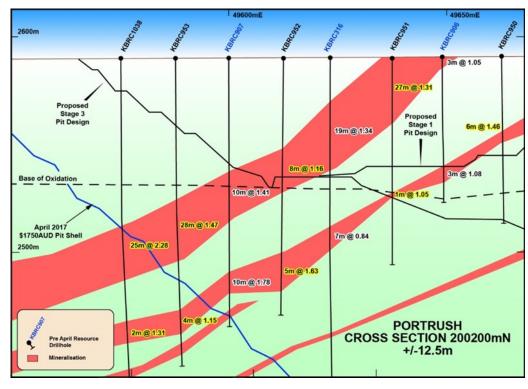
### Southern Corridor

Resource upgrade and evaluation



### Portrush Zone

Near surface extensions

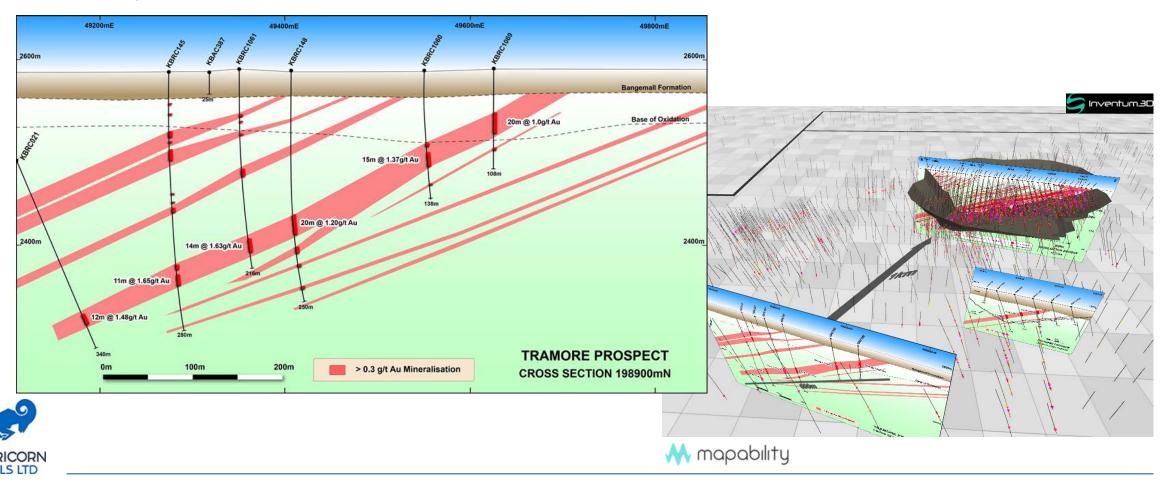




# Resource Growth Target

### Tramore

Potential major new zone – Oxide potential

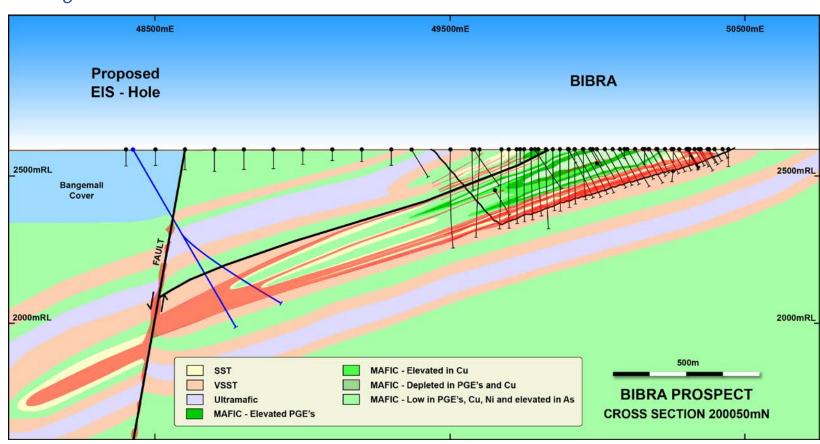


# Conceptual Upside

## Bibra Gold Deposit

Geological understanding crystallising

- Litho-geochemical studies provide the catalyst for recent breakthroughs in geological interpretation
- Large scale geological concepts to be tested by government co-funded drilling (commencing Feb 2018)



# Key Investment Takeaways

### A compelling opportunity in the Australian gold sector

- Karlawinda Gold Project is an economically robust Western Australian gold development opportunity
- Straight forward development pathway
  - Single large open pit mine (from surface)
  - CIP processing
  - Ongoing optimisation
- High impact extensional exploration opportunities adjacent to existing Ore Reserves
- Camp-scale multi million ounce potential from multiple known mineralised systems and new targets









### Resource – Karlawinda Project

### November 2017 upgrade

1.25

334

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#### BIBRA GOLD DEPOSIT JORC OPEN PIT RESOURCE ESTIMATE (as of November 2017) **MEASURED** INDICATED **INFERRED** TOTAL **Tonnes** Grade Ounces Tonnes Grade Ounces **Tonnes** Grade Ounces Tonn Grade (Mt) (g/t) (Moz) (Mt) (g/t) (Moz) (Mt) (g/t)(Moz) (g/t) es (Mt)

BIBRA GOLD DEPOSIT JORC OPEN PIT RESOURCE ESTIMATE BY DOMAIN (as of November 2017)										
DOMAIN Tonnes Grade (g/t Au) Ounces										
Laterite	Laterite 1,503,732 1.4 67,355									
Oxide – upper saprolite	Oxide – upper saprolite 2,877,007 1.0 86,244									
Lower saprolite	Lower saprolite 4,493,495 1.0 137,279									
Transitional										
Fresh										
TOTAL	38,274,757	1.1	1,326,160							

765

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#### Notes on the November 2017 Mineral Resource Estimate:

- Discrepancy in summation may occur due to rounding.
- The mineralisation has been wireframe modelled using a 0.3g/t Au assay cutoff grade. The Mineral Resource estimate has been reported above a block grade of 0.5g/t Au.
- The Mineral Resource has been constrained by a A\$1750/ounce optimised pit shell.
- Ordinary kriging was used for grade estimation utilising Surpac software v6.6.2
- Grade estimation was constrained to blocks within each of the mineralised wireframes.
- See ASX announcements dated 4<sup>th</sup> July 2016 and 10<sup>th</sup> April 2017 for previous resource announcements.
- See ASX announcement dated 7<sup>th</sup> August 2017 for previous Ore Reserve announcement.

#### **Drilling Techniques**

In total 143,943 metres of drilling has been completed within the constraints of the Bibra resource consisting of 85 diamond holes (12,211m/9%) and 880 Reverse Circulation drillholes (131,732m/91%). The drilling database consists of good quality RC and diamond drillholes with holes drilled at approximate spacings of 25m x 25m in the measured category area, 25m x 50m in the indicated category area and 50m x 50m to 100m x 100m in the inferred category area. Deeper holes and wider spaced drilling targeting along strike, downdip and down plunge extensions of the Bibra mineralisation has also been completed outside of the classified resource area and included in the model. However, currently this material remains unclassified/not reported and is target for future resource development drilling.



Date

Nov

2017

38.3

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227

Ounces

(Moz)

1.326

### Reserve – Bibra Deposit

### August 2017

BIBRA GOLD DEPOSIT JORC (2012) ORE RESERVE ESTIMATE (as of AUGUST 2017)											
	PROVEN				PROBABLE			TOTAL			
DATE	DATE Tonnes Grade Ounces Tonnes						Tonnes	Grade	Ounces		
	(Mt)	(g/t Au)	(Moz)	(Mt)	(g/t Au)	(Mt)	(g/t Au)	(Moz)			
AUGUST 2017			-	21	1.06	0.713	21	1.06	0.713		

- A\$1500/ounce Pit Constraint
- 0.4 g/t 0.47g/t Au lower cut (dependent on ore type)
- 70% Conversion
- 5 x 6.25 x 2.5 (SMU)
- Mining dilution applied results in:
  - 11% reduction in ore tonnes
  - 2% reduction in in-situ grade
  - 13% reduction in contained metal

#### Notes on the November 2017 Mineral Resource Estimate:

- Discrepancy in summation may occur due to rounding.
- The mineralisation has been wireframe modelled using a 0.3g/t Au assay cut-off grade. The Mineral Resource estimate has been reported above a block grade of 0.5g/t Au.
- The Mineral Resource has been constrained by a A\$1750/ounce optimised pit shell.
- Ordinary kriging was used for grade estimation utilising Surpac software v6.6.2.
- Grade estimation was constrained to blocks within each of the mineralised wireframes.
- See ASX announcements dated 4th July 2016 and 10th April 2017 for previous resource announcements.
- See ASX announcement dated 7th August 2017 for previous Ore Reserve announcement.



