

# **ASX/MEDIA ANNOUNCEMENT**

16<sup>th</sup> December 2009 ASX Code: "WDR"

# **Fast Facts**

ASX code WDR
Cap Structure Dec 09
Issued Shares 107Mil
Market Cap A\$M73
Cash + Investments A\$M2.4

# FIELDWORK COMMENCES AT THE EAST ROVER GOLD/COPPER PROJECT, NORTHERN TERRITORY

### **Directors**

Mick Billing Chairman
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Mick Ashton Director
Graham Bubner Director
David Cloke Director

# **Key Highlights**

- Access track construction underway
- Initial drilling planned for mid January 2010
- Eight magnetic targets to be tested
- Joint venture with TNG Ltd
- WDR earning 51% stake
- WDR has right to earn 80% by spending an additional \$850,000 on exploration

# **Company Highlights**

- Iron Ore
  - Roper Bar JV & Mountain Creek project (NT)
  - Hematitic iron ore
  - Total Inferred Mineral Resource 104Mt @ 39% Fe including potential DSO of 7Mt @ 59% Fe(Roper Bar JV)
  - Low Impurities
  - Aggressive exploration planned
  - Proximity to coast and markets
- Gold / Copper
  - East Rover Project near Tennant Creek (NT)

# Rover 4 - Adl Res SHOWING MAGNETIC SIGNATURE OF PRIORITY DRILL TARGETS 2009 Rever 1 - Westgold C1 EL 25581 F6 F1 F2 F1 F2 F1 F3 FKilometres

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Western Desert Resources Limited (ASX code "WDR") and TNG Ltd (ASX code "TNG") are pleased to announce that field work has commenced on the East Rover gold/copper project near Tennant Creek in the Northern Territory.

Access tracks are currently being cleared for the planned drilling programme which is due to commence in mid January 2010. All necessary Governmental and Aboriginal clearances have been completed. Reverse Circulation drilling will be used to test eight magnetic targets within the northern portion of EL25581. There is a good chance that magnetic ironstone and associated gold/copper mineralisation will be intersected in these drillholes.

The joint venture partners have been encouraged by the recent exploration successes in the area announced by Westgold Resources Ltd and Adelaide Resources Ltd at the Rover 1 prospect, located approximately 700m west of the north west corner of EL25581 (see Figure 1 below). Adelaide Resources recently announced (9<sup>th</sup> December) an intersection of 55m at 3.4%Cu within ironstone at Rover 1. Westgold Resources Ltd has previously announced significant intersections within the same ironstone body including 135m at 1.9%Cu, 128m at 1.2%Cu and 7m at 185g/t Au. The Rover 1 ironstone has a significant magnetic signature which is typical of Tennant Creek-style ore bodies.

WDR has a farm-in agreement with TNG over two granted exploration licences (EL24471 and EL25581) and two exploration licence applications south of Tennant Creek in the Northern Territory (Figure 2). The agreement requires WDR to spend \$500,000 to earn a 51% interest in the tenements. WDR should complete the initial spend shortly. WDR can then elect to spend an additional \$850,000 over 30 months to earn a further 29% share for a total 80% interest in the tenements.

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# **Competent Person's Statements**

The information in this report that relates to Exploration Results, Mineral Resources and Ore Reserves is based on information compiled by John Fabray who is a member of the Australasian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy. Mr Fabray is a full time employee of Western Desert Resources Ltd and has sufficient experience relevant to the styles of mineralisation under consideration and to the subject matter of the report to qualify as a Competent Person as defined in the 2004 edition of the Australasian Code for the Reporting of Exploration Results, Mineral Resources and Ore Reserves (JORC code). Mr Fabray consents to the inclusion in the report of the matters based on his information in the form and context in which they occur.

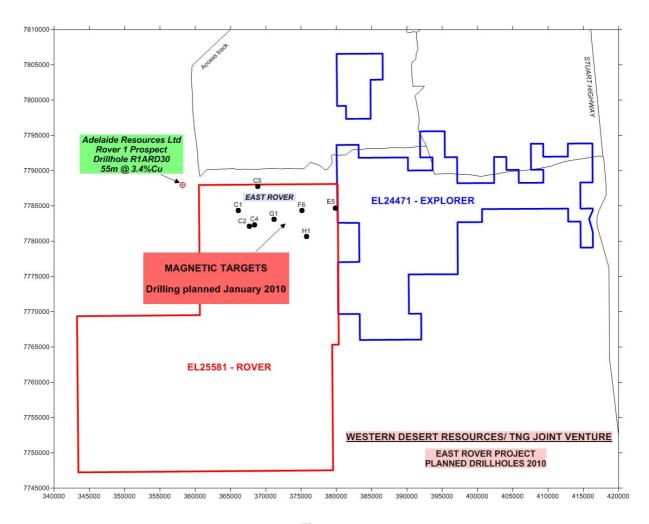


Figure 1

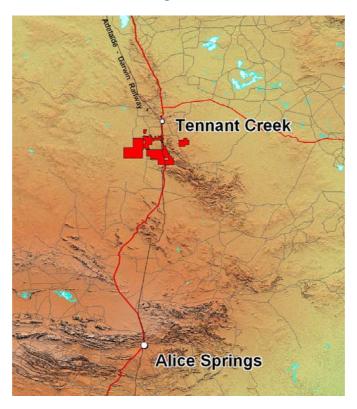


Figure 2