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## FURTHER HIGH-GRADE ROCK CHIP ASSAYS RETURN UP TO 63.1 G/T GOLD AT TRUNKY CREEK GOLD PROJECT IN NSW

*High-grade gold rock chips within quartz veins over historical workings highlight new drill target zones*

### HIGHLIGHTS

- Additional gold mineralisation confirmed by Argent's second rock chip reconnaissance program over the Trunkey Creek Project Gold Project in NSW, situated approximately 9km SE of the Kempfield Polymetallic Project.
- Rock chip sampling program returned high-grade **gold assays up to 63.1 g/t Au**, including highlights of:
  - **63.1g/t Au** in sample 3001227
  - **55.8 g/t Au** in sample 3001131
  - **35.7 g/t Au** in sample 3001273
  - **20.4 g/t Au** in sample 3001269
  - **16.35 g/t Au** in sample 3001242
  - **14.95 g/t Au** in sample 3001280
- Trunkey Creek Mineral Field consists of extensive historical gold workings across several NNE trending quartz veins **over a zone of 5.5 km in length by 500 m wide**, which historically produced over 2,900 oz of gold.
- Re-interpretation of historical Induced Polarisation (IP) traverse over the Trunkey Creek Project has identified significant chargeable (detects sulphides) and resistive (detects quartz/silica zones) IP anomalies.
- Sub-parallel main quartz reefs have been mapped **30m to 50m apart over a 2km strike length**. The distribution of shafts along the reef indicates two main centres of mineralisation.
- Ground IP survey has delineated high resistivity zones within a **3.8 km length by 500m wide** area with anomalies coinciding with historical gold workings.
- The resistive trends may represent silica rich veins, prospective for gold mineralisation. The gold mineralisation is reportedly associated with sulphides in the quartz veins which should return chargeable responses where present.

Argent Minerals Limited (ASX: ARD) ("Argent" or "the Company") is pleased to announce gold assay results from the rock chip sampling programme at its 100%-owned Trunkey Creek Gold Project in NSW, which provide further confirmation of surface gold mineralisation.

#### Argent Managing Director Mr Pedro Kastellorizos commented:

*"We are extremely pleased to have received further high-grade geochemical results, highlighting significant gold mineralisation potential at Trunkey Creek. These gold rock chip assays, returning grades up to 63.1g/t Au, in conjunction with locating historical mine workings, demonstrate the project's exploration upside. The detailed ground IP interpretation has clearly defined extensive high resistivity zones (potential quartz veins)*

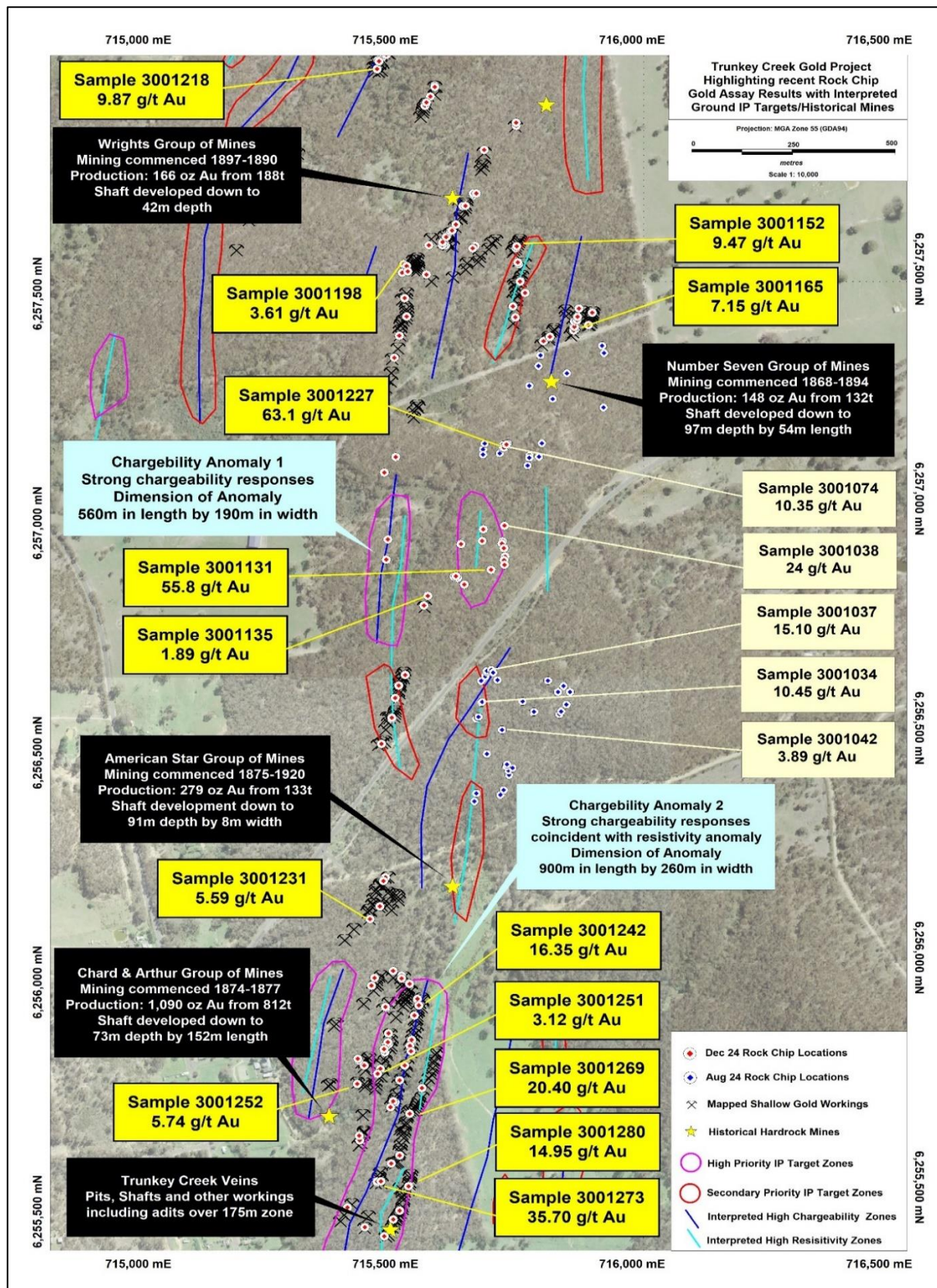
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and chargeability zones (potential sulphides) which have excellent potential for hosting gold mineralisation. These zones have been defined as “stand up” targets and will be systematically tested by drilling.



**Figure 1 – Trunkey Creek highlighting the December 2024 high-grade gold rock chip results within untested IP Anomalies**

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## Gold Mineralisation

The Trunkey Creek mineral field extends for approximately **5.5km in length and varies in width, generally around 250m** but widening to 500m in areas. Hard rock workings predominantly strike north, and are hosted in bedding and/or cleavage parallel structures. The quartz veins host the gold mineralisation at Trunkey Creek.

The recent reconnaissance program concentrated on verifying the accuracy of the historical gold workings across a 2km strike zone along geological mapping of the main quartz reefs exposure over the whole strike length. The distribution of historical shafts along the reef indicates two main centres of mineralisation.

During the fieldwork programme, 160 rock chip samples were collected within various lithological units, quartz veins and mined out mullock dumps. Notable high-grade gold mineralisation in the central portion of Trunkey Creek includes **63.1g/t Au** in sample 3001227, **55.8 g/t Au** in sample 3001131, **35.7 g/t Au** in sample 3001273, **20.4 g/t Au** in sample 3001269 and **16.35 g/t Au** in sample 3001242.

The mineralised structures/veins, hosted in slate, are steeply dipping to the west and exhibit arkosic and chloritic alteration. There are multiple veins/structures side by side even within one set of workings. The sample location and summary of high-grade results are illustrated in Figure 1. Table 1 contains location and assay data for all 160 samples collected.



**Figure 2** – Gold mineralisation within ferruginous rusty quartz vein yielding **63.10g/t Au** from sample 3001227



**Figure 3** – Gold mineralisation within chloritic- quartz vein yielding **55.80 g/t Au** from sample 3001131

Gold mineralisation occurs with pyrite in the quartz and patchy trace arsenopyrite and galena. The historical workings are generally shallow, extending less than 30m deep and typically not worked below the water table. The stamper battery was seen suggesting free-milling gold, but its use may have been limited to the oxidised zone only. The worked veins appear to be limonitic stained and fractured vein quartz. In many cases solution

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cavities and box work textures indicate that the mineralised veins were quartz-carbonate-sulphide veins. Almost all hard rock workings strike just east of north and are hosted in bedding parallel structures. Workings are often continuous along strike for up to 500m.

### IP Re-Interpretation Work

As part of the evaluation of Trunkey Creek, Core Geophysics Pty Ltd was engaged to complete a re-interpretation of the Gradient Array IP survey originally conducted by Golden Cross Operation Pty Ltd in 1996. The survey was centred over the historic Trunkey Creek mining field over a 4km by 1.3km area. Resistivity readings were carried out on 100m spaced lines and 20m stations, with chargeability collected on 200m spaced lines and 20m stations (*ASX Announcement 31 May 2022: New Gold Drill Targets Identified at Trunkey Creek*).

One of the strongest chargeability responses is semi-coincident with the resistivity anomaly which lies immediately east of the township (Refer to Figure 1 – Chargeability Anomaly 2). Another 2 strong chargeability responses are evident at the southern boundary and in the north-west of the survey area also (Refer to Figure 1). Several discrete linear resistivity trends are evident which provide some correlation to the historical mining operations. The resistive trends may represent silica rich veins prospective for gold mineralisation at Trunkey Creek. The gold mineralisation is reportedly associated with sulphides in the quartz veins which should return chargeable responses where present.

Coincident resistive and chargeable anomalies and trends represent priority targets for follow up investigations. **A total of 6 high priority IP targets have a good correlation to historical workings and have been delineated for drill testing.**

### Trunkey Gold Project Area

The Trunkey Creek Project is located over the township of Trunkey Creek approximately 38km southwest of Bathurst and approximately 9km south-east of the Kempfield Project in NSW. The areas were first discovered in 1851 and worked from 1852 to 1880, and then again from 1887 to 1908. By 1873 there were 2,500 people at Trunkey Creek and nearby Tuena with many rich veins being mined for gold.



**Figure 4 – Trunkey Creek Historical Shallow Gold Workings**

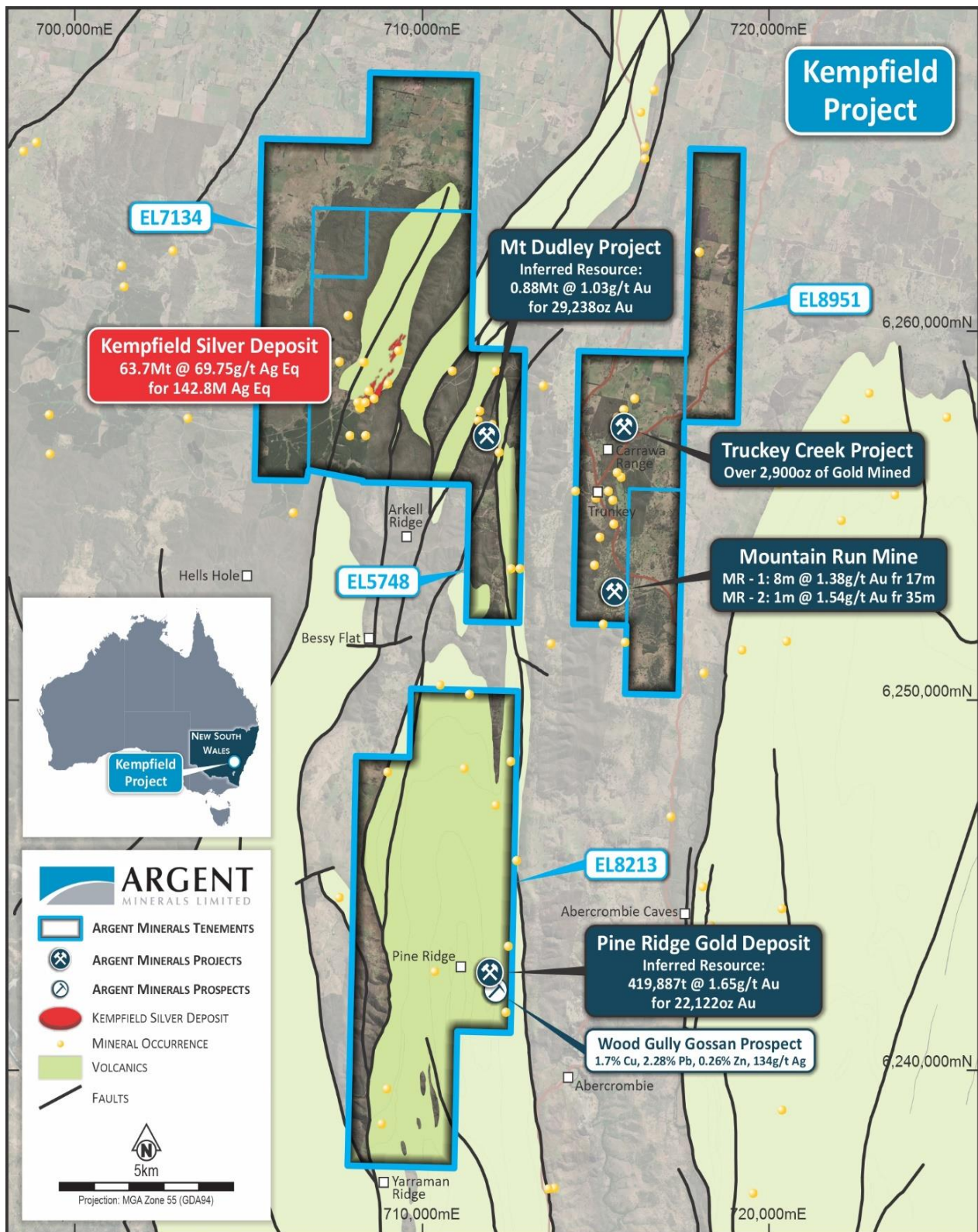
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**Figure 5 –Kempfield Project Location Map highlighting surrounding nearby Resources in relation to Trunkey Creek**

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*The information in this report that relates to Exploration Targets and Exploration Results is based on information compiled by Pedro Kastellorizos. Mr. Kastellorizos is the Managing Director/CEO of Argent Minerals Limited and is a Member of the AusIMM of whom have sufficient experience relevant to the styles of mineralisation under consideration and to the activity being reported 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. Kastellorizos has verified the data disclosed in this release and consent to the inclusion in this release of the matters based on the information in the form and context in which it appears.*

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Table 1: Trunkey Creek Project rock chip locations and results

Sample ID	MGA55_E	MGA55_N	Au (ppm)
3001124	715718	6256968	0.47
3001125	715714	6256934	0.01
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3001235	715493	6255998	0.04
3001236	715510	6255988	0.01
3001237	715525	6255971	0.01

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3001242	715545	6255923	16.35
3001243	715536	6255901	0.14
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**JORC Code, 2012 Edition – Table 1 report**
**Section 1 Sampling Techniques and Data**

(Criteria in this section apply to all succeeding sections)

Criteria	JORC Code explanation	Commentary
<b>Sampling techniques</b>	<p><i>Nature and quality of sampling (eg cut channels, random chips, or specific specialised industry standard measurement tools appropriate to the minerals under investigation, such as down hole gamma sondes, or handheld XRF instruments, etc). These examples should not be taken as limiting the broad meaning of sampling. Include reference to measures taken to ensure sample representivity and the appropriate calibration of any measurement tools or systems used.</i></p> <p><i>Aspects of the determination of mineralisation that are Material to the Public Report.</i></p> <p><i>In cases where ‘industry standard’ work has been done this would be relatively simple (e.g., ‘reverse circulation drilling was used to obtain 1 m samples from which 3 kg was pulverised to produce a 30 g charge for fire assay’). In other cases, more explanation may be required, such as where there is coarse gold that has inherent sampling problems. Unusual commodities or mineralisation types (e.g., submarine nodules) may warrant disclosure of detailed information.</i></p>	<p>160 rock chip samples were collected in during the reconnaissance field trip over Trunk Creek areas.</p> <p>Rock chip samples representative of outcrops with samples collected from mineralised and non-mineralised rocks.</p> <p>All rock chip samples weight varies from 1 kg to 2 kg based on various outcrops.</p> <p>ALS used industry standard method using Fire Assay (AA26 Fire Assay method) using a 25g charge is used to analyse gold.</p> <p>All samples were collected by geologists on site with samples dispatched to ALS Labs in Orange.</p> <p>Individual samples were bagged in calcio bags and sent to ALS Labs with all samples photographed and documented.</p> <p>Samples completed is appropriate for early-stage exploration.</p>
<b>Drilling techniques</b>	<p><i>Drill type (e.g., core, reverse circulation, open-hole hammer, rotary air blast, auger, Bangka, sonic, etc) and details (e.g., core diameter, triple or standard tube, depth of diamond tails, face-sampling bit or other type, whether core is oriented and if so, by what method, etc).</i></p>	<p>N/A – No drilling was undertaken.</p>
<b>Drill sample recovery</b>	<p><i>Method of recording and assessing core and chip sample recoveries and results assessed. Measures taken to maximise sample recovery and ensure representative nature of the samples.</i></p> <p><i>Whether a relationship exists between sample recovery and grade and whether sample bias may have occurred due to preferential loss/gain of fine/coarse material.</i></p>	<p>N/A – No drilling was undertaken.</p>
<b>Logging</b>	<p><i>Whether core and chip samples have been geologically and geotechnically logged to a level of detail to support appropriate</i></p> <p><i>Mineral Resource estimation, mining studies and metallurgical studies.</i></p> <p><i>Whether logging is qualitative or quantitative in nature. Core (or costean, channel, etc) photography.</i></p>	<p>N/A – No drilling was undertaken.</p> <p>All rock chip samples were logged for a combination of geological and geotechnical attributes in their entirety including as appropriate major &amp; minor lithologies, alteration, vein minerals, vein percentage, sulphide type and percentage, fractures, shears, colour, weathering, hardness, grain size.</p> <p>The Project areas is currently classified as early stage of exploration and no Mineral Resource estimation is applicable.</p>

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	<i>The total length and percentage of the relevant intersections logged.</i>	
<b>Sub-sampling techniques and sample preparation</b>	<p><i>If core, whether cut or sawn and whether quarter, half or all core taken.</i></p> <p><i>If non-core, whether riffled, tube sampled, rotary split, etc and whether sampled wet or dry.</i></p> <p><i>For all sample types, the nature, quality and appropriateness of the sample preparation technique.</i></p> <p><i>Quality control procedures adopted for all sub-sampling stages to maximise representivity of samples.</i></p> <p><i>Measures taken to ensure that the sampling is representative of the in-situ material collected, including for instance results for field duplicate/second-half sampling.</i></p> <p><i>Whether sample sizes are appropriate to the grain size of the material being sampled.</i></p>	<p>The rock chip samples were collected from outcrop in the field.</p> <p>No field duplicates for rock chip samples were collected during this sampling exercise and no sub-sampling is needed for compositing.</p>
<b>Quality of assay data and laboratory tests</b>	<p><i>The nature, quality and appropriateness of the assaying and laboratory procedures used and whether the technique is considered partial or total.</i></p> <p><i>For geophysical tools, spectrometers, handheld XRF instruments, etc, the parameters used in determining the analysis including instrument make and model, reading times, calibrations factors applied and their derivation, etc.</i></p> <p><i>Nature of quality control procedures adopted (e.g., standards, blanks, duplicates, external laboratory checks) and whether acceptable levels of accuracy (i.e., lack of bias) and precision have been established.</i></p>	<p>The samples were collected by a highly experienced geologist in which the samples were selected based on geological observation in the field.</p> <p>Gold Analysis was undertaken by AA26 Fire Assay method which included drying and pulverising to 85% passing 75um with detection limit of 0.01 ppm</p> <p>Acceptable levels of accuracy for all data referenced in this ASX announcement have been achieved given the purpose of the analysis (first pass exploration).</p>
<b>Verification of sampling and assaying</b>	<p><i>The verification of significant intersections by either independent or alternative company personnel.</i></p> <p><i>The use of twinned holes.</i></p> <p><i>Documentation of primary data, data entry procedures, data verification, data storage (physical and electronic) protocols.</i></p> <p><i>Discuss any adjustment to assay data.</i></p>	<p>Rock chip samples areas were documented in the field by qualified geologist with photos taken from each site.</p> <p>All samples were collected by GPS and validated through aerial photography.</p> <p>All field data was collected then transferred into a computer database.</p>
<b>Location of data points</b>	<p><i>Accuracy and quality of surveys used to locate drill holes (collar and down-hole surveys), trenches, mine workings and other locations used in Mineral Resource estimation.</i></p> <p><i>Specification of the grid system used.</i></p> <p><i>Quality and adequacy of topographic</i></p>	<p>All rock chip locations were recorded with a handheld GPS with +/- 5m accuracy</p> <p>GDA94, Zone 55 was used</p>

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	<i>control.</i>	
<b>Data spacing and distribution</b>	<i>Data spacing for reporting of Exploration Results. Whether the data spacing and distribution is sufficient to establish the degree of geological and grade continuity appropriate for the Mineral Resource and Ore Reserve estimation procedure(s) and classifications applied. Whether sample compositing has been applied.</i>	<p>No Mineral Resource is being considered in this report.</p> <p>Data spacing and distribution was dependant on the identification of mineralisation observed in outcrops. This was not a systematic rock chip sampling program based on a grid.</p> <p>The locations of the samples are provided in Table 1 and illustrated in Figure 2.</p> <p>There is insufficient data to determine any economic parameters or mineral resources.</p>
<b>Orientation of data in relation to geological structure</b>	<p><i>Whether the orientation of sampling achieves unbiased sampling of possible structures and the extent to which this is known, considering the deposit type.</i></p> <p><i>If the relationship between the drilling orientation and the orientation of key mineralised structures is considered to have introduced a sampling bias, this should be assessed and reported if material.</i></p>	<p>Rock chip sampling has been conducted in selective manner targeting precious mineralisation from outcrops.</p> <p>Based on the early stage of exploration, the surface grab sampling across the mineralisation over the quartz veins, and slates from the Kangaloolah Volcanics achieves an unbiased sampling of possible structures.</p>
<b>Sample security</b>	<i>The measures taken to ensure sample security.</i>	Sub-samples will be stored on site prior to being transported to the laboratory for analysis. The sample pulps will be stored at the laboratory and will be returned to the Company and stored in a secure location.
<b>Audits or reviews</b>	<i>The results of any audits or reviews of sampling techniques and data.</i>	No audits or reviews have been undertaken

## Section 2 Reporting of Exploration Results

(Criteria listed in the preceding section also apply to this section)

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<b>Mineral tenement and land tenure status</b>	<p><i>Type, reference name/number, location and ownership including agreements or material issues with third parties such as joint ventures, partnerships, overriding royalties, native title interests, historical sites, wilderness or national park and environmental settings.</i></p> <p><i>The security of the tenure held at the time of reporting along with any known impediments to obtaining a licence to operate in the area.</i></p>	<p>Exploration Licence Trunkey Creek, NSW held by Argent (Kempfield) Pty. Ltd. is located approximately 9 kilometres south-west of the township of Trunkey and 65 kilometres south from Bathurst. The tenement was granted on the 12 December 2013 and is a 100% wholly owned subsidiary of Argent Minerals Limited. There are no overriding royalties other than the standard government royalties for the relevant minerals.</p> <p>The Company's Exploration Licences is in good standing and expires 12 December 2022.</p> <p>There are no other material issues affecting the tenements. All granted tenements are in good standing and there are no impediments to operating in the area.</p>
<b>Exploration done by other parties</b>	<i>Acknowledgment and appraisal of exploration by other parties.</i>	The area was first discovered in 1851 and worked from 1852-1880 and then again from 1887 to 1908. A number of companies have held exploration licences over the area since then, the most significant being CRA who held EL2682 and completed detailed mapping and sampling over part of the area.

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		<p>Plutonic Operations Ltd drilled 6 RC holes between 1994 – 1995 for a total of 481m. From 1991-1999, Golden Cross Operations worked on the current tenure with literature reviews and base map compilation including soil geochemical surveys and a VLF EM survey completed in 1993. This established that anomalous gold values are largely contained by the area of known workings. Detail mapping of the old workings and rock chip sampling was undertaken in 1995.</p> <p>In 1996, a 26-line km grid expanded the mapping and conducted an IP and resistivity survey over the area which highlighted a number of anomalies and trends as outlined in the announcement</p>
<b>Geology</b>	<i>Deposit type, geological setting, and style of mineralisation.</i>	<p>The deposit is considered to be of Orogenic gold - quartz vein hosted gold type placing it with the Hill End, Hargraves, Trunkey Creek and Mt Dudley group of deposits. The deposit model is consistent with Slate Belt Gold Type Deposits similar to Tuena and Hill End in NSW.</p> <p>Trunkey Creek is situated in the Hill End Synclinal Zone which is bounded nearby to the west by the Copperhania Thrust. Along with the underlying Crudine and Mumbil Groups these rocks are folded into the Trunkey Creek Syncline.</p> <p>The gold mineralisation is in the form of near vertical to steep westerly dipping quartz veining along faults parallel to bedding surfaces within schistose carbonaceous shales and phyllites.</p>
<b>Drill hole Information</b>	<p><i>A summary of all information material to the understanding of the exploration results including a tabulation of the following information for all Material drill holes:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ <i>easting and northing of the drill hole collar</i></li> <li>○ <i>elevation or RL (Reduced Level – elevation above sea level in metres) of the drill hole collar</i></li> <li>○ <i>dip and azimuth of the hole</i></li> <li>○ <i>down hole length and interception depth</i></li> <li>○ <i>hole length.</i></li> </ul> <p><i>If the exclusion of this information is justified on the basis that the information is not Material and this exclusion does not detract from the understanding of the report, the Competent Person should clearly explain why this is the case.</i></p>	<p>No drilling has been undertaken over Trunkey Creek by Argent Minerals Ltd</p> <p>The announcement is highlighting areas rock chip locations and assay results.</p> <p>No Drilling results are reported in this announcement</p>
<b>Data aggregation methods</b>	<i>In reporting Exploration Results, weighting averaging techniques, maximum and/or minimum grade truncations (e.g., cutting of high grades)</i>	<p>No averaging or aggregating of rock chip results was undertaken.</p> <p>All individual results have been reported.</p>

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	<p>and cut-off grades are usually Material and should be stated.</p> <p>Where aggregate intercepts incorporate short lengths of high-grade results and longer lengths of low-grade results, the procedure used for such aggregation should be stated and some typical examples of such aggregations should be shown in detail.</p> <p>The assumptions used for any reporting of metal equivalent values should be clearly stated.</p>	
<b>Relationship between mineralisation widths and intercept lengths</b>	<p>These relationships are particularly important in the reporting of Exploration Results.</p> <p>If the geometry of the mineralisation with respect to the drill hole angle is known, its nature should be reported.</p> <p>If it is not known and only the down hole lengths are reported, there should be a clear statement to this effect (e.g., 'down hole length, true width not known').</p>	<p>All reported rock chip values are not true width as this is considered grass roots exploration.</p> <p>The nature and dip of the mineralisation are still being evaluated and is currently unknown.</p>
<b>Diagrams</b>	<p>Appropriate maps and sections (with scales) and tabulations of intercepts should be included for any significant discovery being reported. These should include, but not be limited to a plan view of drill hole collar locations and appropriate sectional views.</p>	<p>Figure 1 and Tables 1 have been presented within the announcement outlining locations of rock chip samples sites.</p>
<b>Balanced reporting</b>	<p>Where comprehensive reporting of all Exploration Results is not practicable, representative reporting of both low and high grades and/or widths should be practiced to avoid misleading reporting of Exploration Results.</p>	<p>All assays result for significant economic elements for samples are included in Table 1 of the announcement.</p> <p>The reporting balances is considered as early exploration results.</p>
<b>Other substantive exploration data</b>	<p>Other exploration data, if meaningful and material, should be reported including (but not limited to): geological observations; geophysical survey results; geochemical survey results; bulk samples – size and method of treatment; metallurgical test results;</p>	<p>Metallurgical, groundwater, and geotechnical studies have not commenced as part of the assessment of the project.</p>

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	<i>bulk density, groundwater, geotechnical and rock characteristics; potential deleterious or contaminating substances.</i>	
<b>Further work</b>	<i>The nature and scale of planned further work (eg tests for lateral extensions or depth extensions or large-scale step-out drilling).            Diagrams clearly highlighting the areas of possible extensions, including the main geological interpretations and future drilling areas, provided this information is not commercially sensitive.</i>	At this stage, RAB or RC drilling programme may be implemented during the next quarter.

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