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EXPLORATION UPDATE**1. Commencement of RC Drilling Rebecca Project**

Apollo Consolidated Limited (ASX: AOP, **Company**) advises that reverse circulation (RC) drilling activity has started at its 100% owned Rebecca Gold project.

The project is located 150km east of Kalgoorlie in the Pinjin area of the southern Laverton Tectonic Zone, Western Australia. The area is considered to have good gold prospectivity as demonstrated by widespread soil anomalism and bedrock mineralisation located by Apollo and previous explorers. Regionally the Laverton Tectonic Zone is seen as one of the key Goldfields mineralised corridors, and it hosts a number of multi-million ounce gold deposits in the area south of Laverton. Apollo owns a 250 square km tenement position at Rebecca, where the combined ground position offers a mix of advanced and greenfield structural targets.

RC drilling has commenced today on infill and extensional targets at the Bombora prospect (Figure 1). Drilling here by previous explorers located strong bedrock anomalism in broad zones of disseminated sulphides in a gneissic host rock. The area is characterised by transported overburden and was only identified through RAB and RC drilling.

Only three traverses of RC drilling at 100m line-spacing have been completed in the past (Figure 2). Each traverse returned significant gold intercepts and the system is interpreted to be open to the north, south and at depth. The Company is conducting an initial program of 8 RC holes to scope the lode continuity and strike extensions of the prospect.

Depending on progress at Bombora additional drillholes may also be drilled at the Duke prospect located south of Bombora (Figure 1).

2. Update West African Projects

The Company also advises that geochemical activities continue at its Bredie and Kapa permits in Burkina Faso, with almost 3,000 soil samples dispatched to assay labs this month.

In Cote d'Ivoire the Company is hopeful that consideration of exploration licence applications will commence over the wet season. The Ivorian Government review process is understood to be at or near completion and the Ministry has recently commenced renewing existing licences. Apollo holds rights to over 3,000km of exploration permit applications in the country and will recommence its exploration activities on grant of permits. The applications cover a number of high-quality targets, including drill-ready geochemical and trench anomalies on the Seguela property.

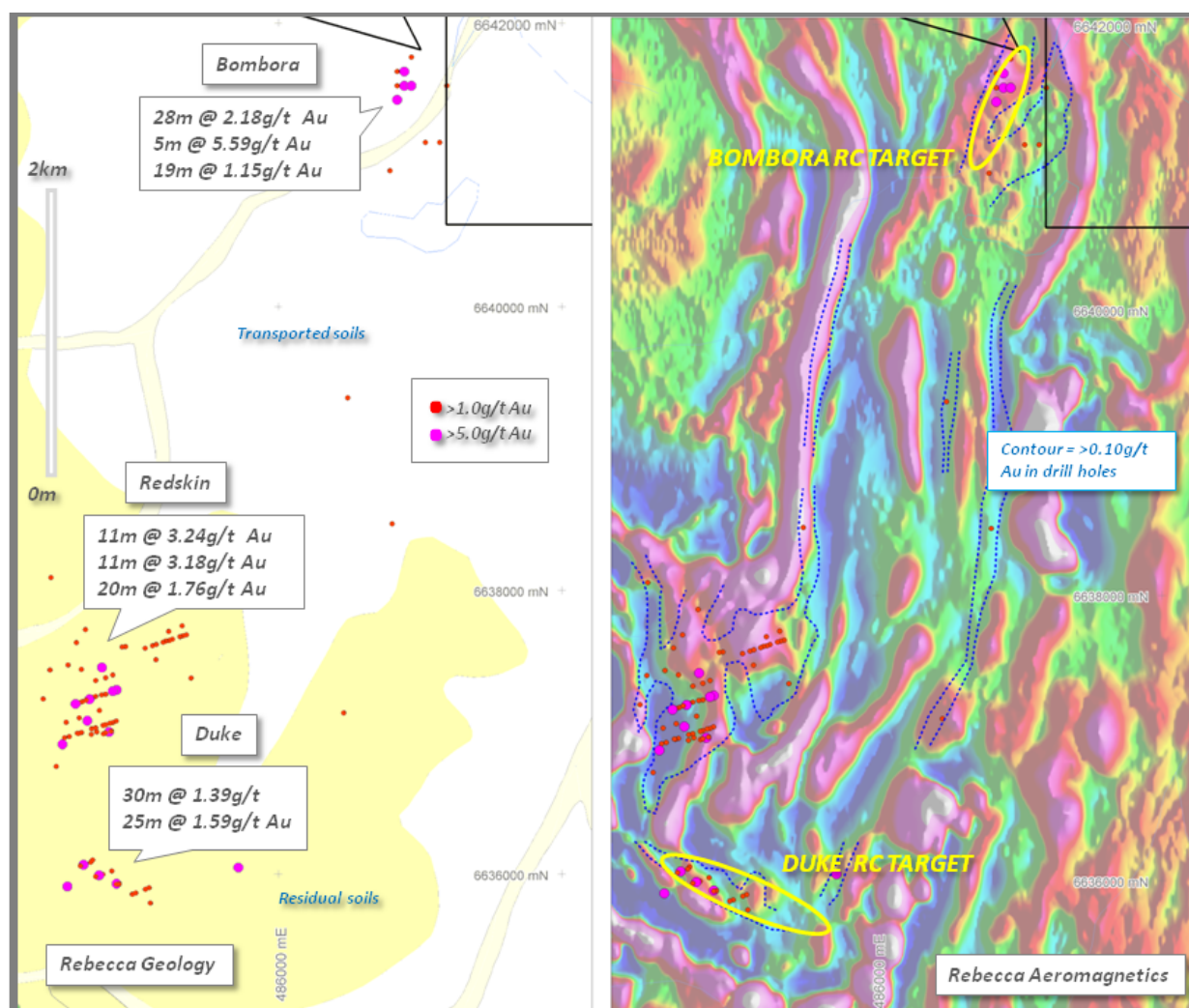


Figure 1. Rebecca Gold Project – Previous Drill Results and RC Targets 2012

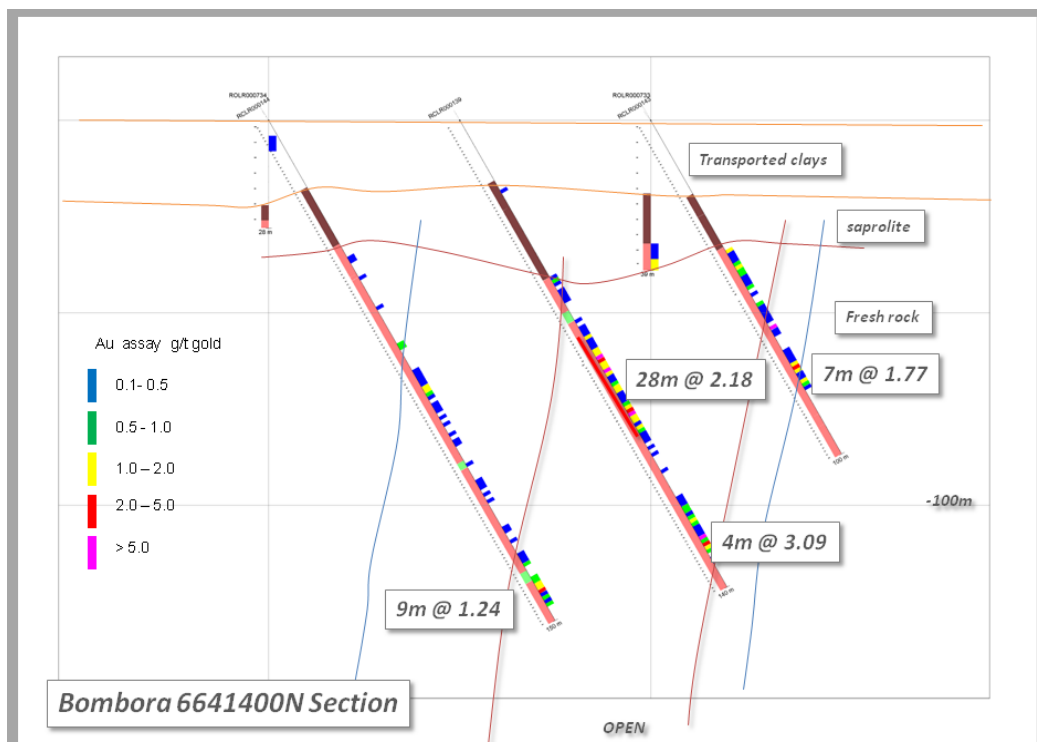
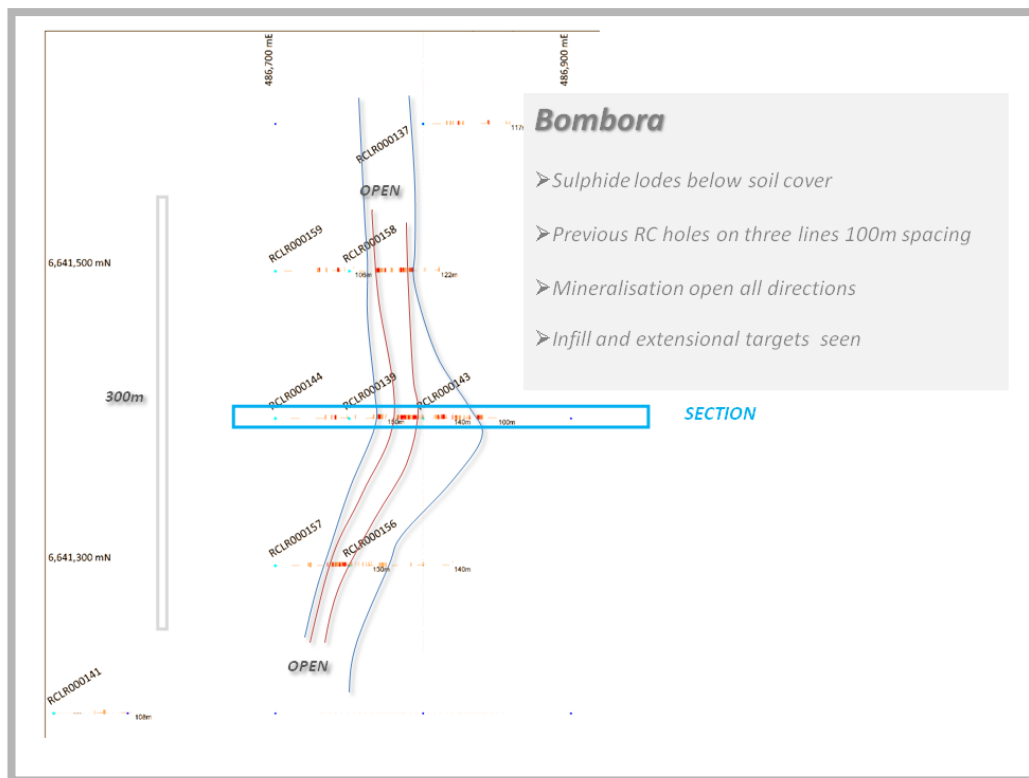


Figure 2. Bombora Prospect – Plan View and Cross Section Previous Drilling

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