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DIAMOND DRILLING COMMENCES AT BIG SANDY LITHIUM PROJECT

HIGHLIGHTS

- Drilling commenced at the Big Sandy Lithium Project, Arizona USA
- 37 HQ diamond holes planned for approximately 3,700m
- Following up significant high grade results from first drilling program

Hawkstone Mining Limited (ASX:HWK) (“Hawkstone”, “the Company”) is pleased to announce that it has commenced drilling after recent approval from the Bureau of Land Management (“BLM”) for a 37 hole diamond drill program. This program follows the successful maiden drilling program conducted in 2018 that identified high grade results across the Northern Mineralised Zone.

BIG SANDY LITHIUM CLAY PROJECT – DRILLING APPROVAL

The aim of this program is to complete 37 diamond drill holes for approximately 3,700m to test the lateral extents of clay hosted lithium mineralisation in the Northern Mineralised Zone where drilling and geological mapping defined a mineralised zone measuring 3,000m x 1,000m (Figure 1).

The significant intercepts returned from the maiden drill program in this zone included:

- 43.8m @ 2,089 ppm Li from 8.2m (DDH6/6A)
- 22m @ 2,020 ppm Li from 8.0m and 11.0m @ 2,013 ppm Li from 36.0m (DDH7).

This zone is bounded by the basin (graben) margin to the east as defined by basalt flows intersected in DDH 5 and 8 and in outcrop in river cuts. The western margin was defined by surface geological mapping with the alteration associated with the lithium mineralisation appearing to decrease to the west. Drilling is required to confirm this observation. The southern limit of the mineralised zone is the granite/gneiss island and DDH2 defines the northern boundary.

Mr Paul Lloyd, Managing Director, commented:

“Since the acquisition of Big Sandy we have now both confirmed there is significant lithium mineralisation throughout the project and that lithium can successfully be extracted using a known and proven metallurgical process, with metallurgical recoveries of up to 95% Li achieved within a 7 hour period.

It is with great anticipation that we commence this second drill program that is designed to quantify the extent of the lithium mineralisation within the Northern Mineralised Zone. With 37 diamond holes to be drilled over an area of 500m by 700m, pending results, the Company’s objective will be to move quickly to delineate a maiden resource.”

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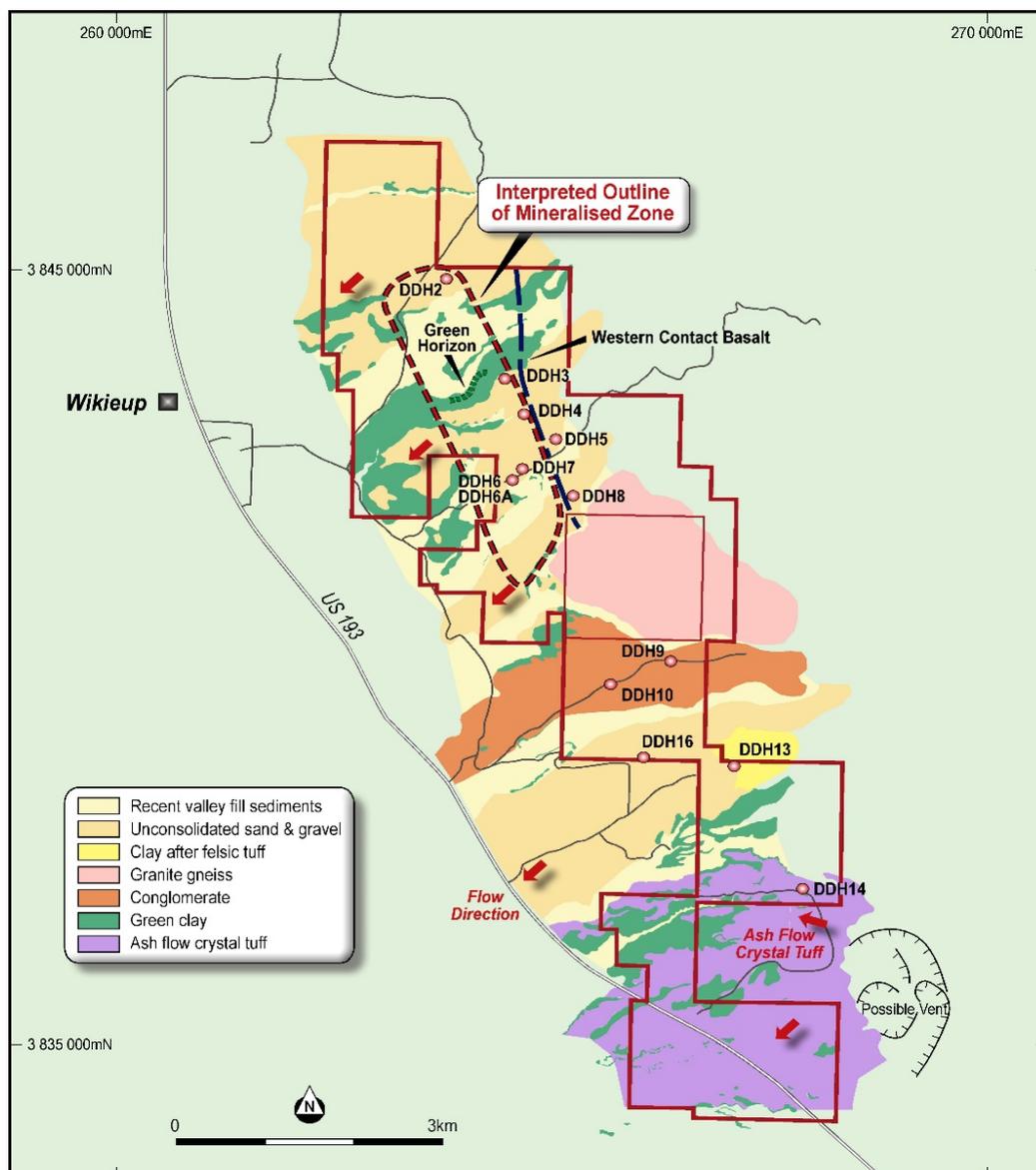


Figure 1 – Big Sandy Claims & Geology

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