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## **NEW DRILLING CAMPAIGN UNDERWAY AT HIGH GRADE**

### **YUINMERY COPPER – GOLD PROJECT IN W.A.**

A new drilling campaign designed to further prove up one of Western Australia's more recent high grade copper gold discoveries, has commenced this week in the State's central mid north.

Perth-based Empire Resources Ltd (ASX Code: **ERL**) announced today that a twin reverse circulation (RC) and diamond core drilling program had commenced on its promising Yuinmery project, south of Sandstone in Western Australia.

The schedule includes three diamond holes on the Just Desserts prospects as well as an equally deep hole on the C Zone target at Yuinmery, backed by a selection of RC drill targets and precollaring work.

The work is the first major drill campaign on Yuinmery since the Company announced a JORC compliant Indicated resource estimate of 1,070,000 tonnes grading 1.82% copper and 0.78 g/t gold from shallow drilling of the project's Just Desserts prospect - a volcanogenic massive sulphide (VMS) copper-gold style of mineralization.

Empire's Managing Director, Mr David Sargeant, said the potential to readily upgrade Yuinmery's potential was significant as the mineralisation remained open at depth and along strike.

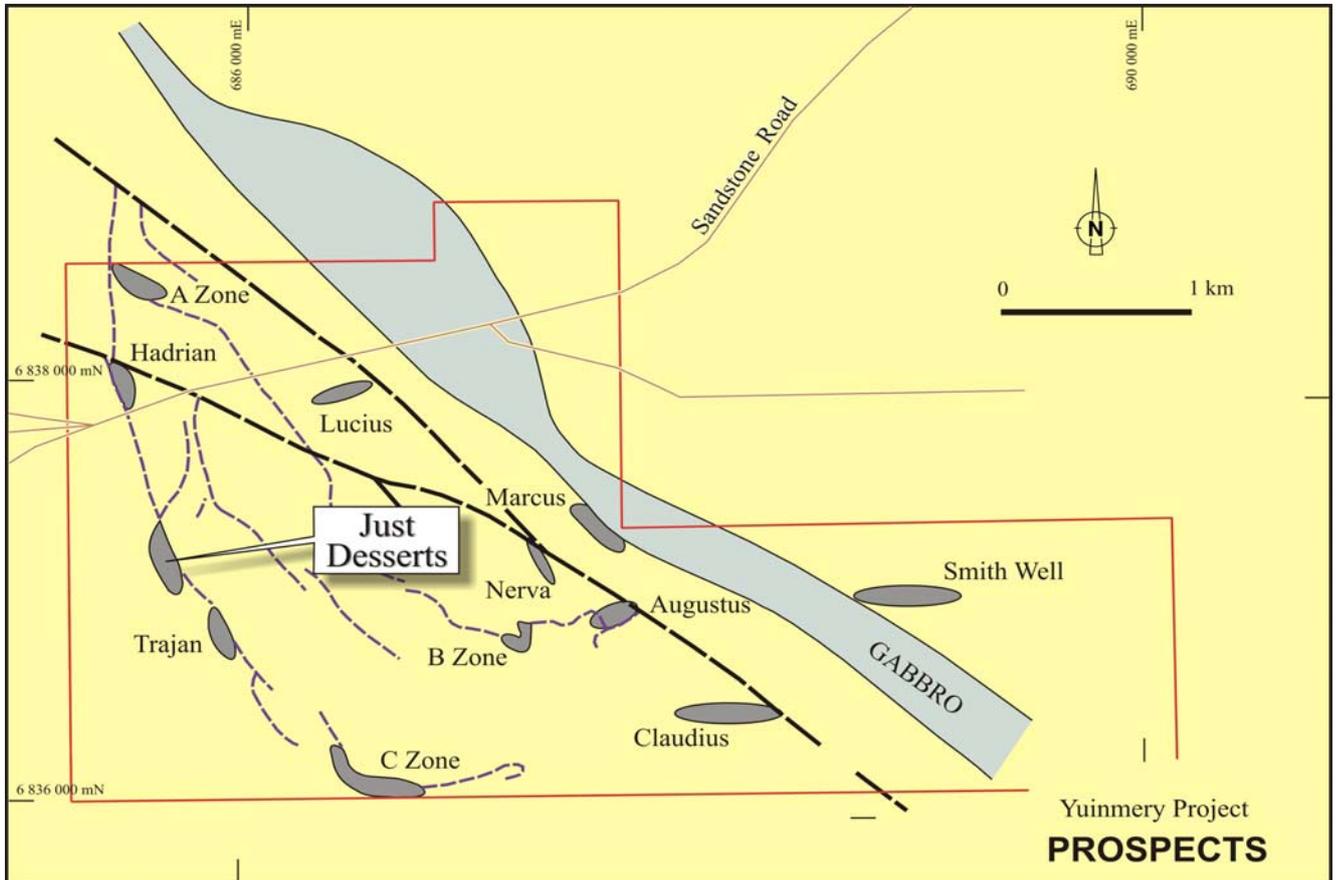
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The information in this report concerning the Mineral Resource for the Just Desserts prospect has been estimated by Mr Peter Ball B.Sc who is a director of DataGeo Geological Consultants and is a member of the Australasian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy (AIMM). Peter has sufficient experience which is relevant to the style of mineralization and type of deposit under consideration and qualifies as a Competent Person as defined in the 2004 Edition of the "Australasian Code for Reporting of Exploration Results, Mineral Resources and Ore Reserves". Peter consents to the inclusion in the public release of the matters based on his information in the form and context in which it appears.



Copper – gold prospects within the Yuinmery Project