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PATRONUS COMMENCES MAIDEN GOLD DRILLING PROGRAM IN THE NORTHERN TERRITORY

2,000m RC drilling program underway at the 234koz Fountain Head Gold Project

Highlights

- Following the completion of Patronus' recent merger with PNX Metals, the Company has commenced drilling at the 234,000oz Fountain Head Gold Project in the Northern Territory.
- 2,000m of Reverse Circulation (RC) resource extension and exploration drilling planned to test targets along strike and down-dip of the existing 79,000oz Glencoe resource.
- Fountain Head and Glencoe are on granted Mineral Leases, with the Mine Management Plan for Fountain Head expected to be received during December Quarter – representing a key approval for project development.
- Patronus' Iron Blow and Mt Bonnie volcanic hosted massive sulphide (VHMS) deposits (also on granted Mineral Leases) are within a 10km radius of Fountain Head.

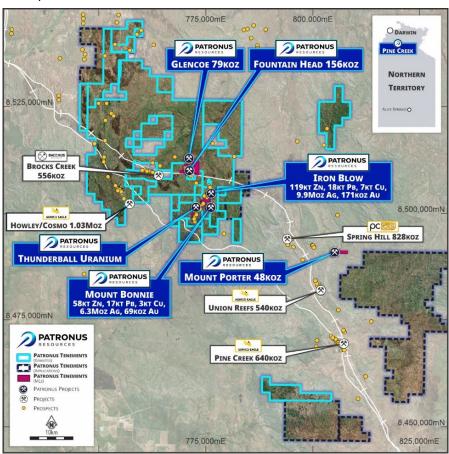


Figure 1 Location image of PTN's gold and base metal Resources in the Northern Territory.



Patronus Resources (ASX: PTN or "the Company") is pleased to advise that, following the completion of its merger with PNX Metals Limited (PNX) on 11 September 2024 (see PTN ASX release 11 September 2024) it has commenced its first-ever drill program in the Northern Territory with 2,000m of Reverse Circulation (RC) drilling underway at the Glencoe gold deposit in the Pine Creek district.

Glencoe forms part of the 234koz Mineral Resource Estimate (MRE) at the Fountain Head Gold Project, a key component of Patronus' expanded Northern Territory portfolio. With the completion of the merger, Patronus is now undertaking a significant work program in the NT, including RC and diamond drilling programs which have been planned and scheduled to allow exploration to continue through the Top End's wet season.

The current RC program is targeting five high-grade domains outside the existing MRE identified by PNX (see PNX ASX release 16 December 2022), particularly those related to high-grade gold in quartz veins oblique to the main anticline-related lodes.

Diamond drilling is also scheduled, subject to the timely receipt of Government approvals, at Patronus' Thunderball uranium and Fountain Head deposit. Drilling at Thunderball will include the deep drill-hole cofunded by the NT Government, targeting the deep, down-plunge extent of the high-grade uranium lodes (see PNX ASX release 14 June 2024). Other drill targets at Thunderball include immediate extensions of the mineral resource and new nearby targets. At Fountain Head, the priority target is the down-dip extent of the Tally Ho lodes, where high-grade gold intercepts (including 15.2m @ 59.88g/t Au from 139m in THRD069 – see PNX ASX release 14 June 2018) sit outside the current optimised pit shapes.

Commenting on the commencement of drilling in the NT, Patronus Resources CEO John Ingram said: "This marks an exciting milestone for Patronus with the commencement of exploration activities on our underexplored Northern Territory assets. Expanding the existing gold resources at the Fountain Head Gold Project and testing of high-priority regional gold targets are the key areas of focus for Patronus, with an updated MRE planned for 2025.

"We are also looking forward to progressing uranium exploration in the Pine Creek district, where we hope to be drilling before the end of the year subject to receipt of approvals."

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ABOUT PATRONUS RESOURCES LTD

Patronus Resources (ASX: PTN) is a leading West Australian and Northern Territory gold, base metals and uranium development and exploration company, with a combined gold Mineral Resource of more than **1.2Moz gold**. In September 2024, PTN completed a merger with PNX Metals via a Scheme of Arrangement, which saw the strategic integration of PNX's NT gold, base metals and uranium projects into the company. Patronus's key focus in WA is its 100% owned Cardinia Gold Project (CGP) located in the highly prospective North-Eastern Goldfields region of Western Australia. The CGP has a 0.9 Moz gold Mineral Resource defined in both oxide and deeper primary mineralisation at East Cardinia and Mertondale. The Northern Territory Project boasts more than 1,500 square kilometres of prime tenure in the Pine Creek Orogen, which hosts significant gold and world class uranium deposits. Patronus has a current gold MRE of 0.3Moz at its Fountain Head Project and 177kt zinc, 37kt lead,16Moz silver and 0.2Moz gold at its Iron Blow and Mt Bonnie base metals projects.

With a proven track record of monetisation of assets and a strong balance sheet, PTN is poised to deliver strong growth to PTN shareholders throughout this period of transformational growth.

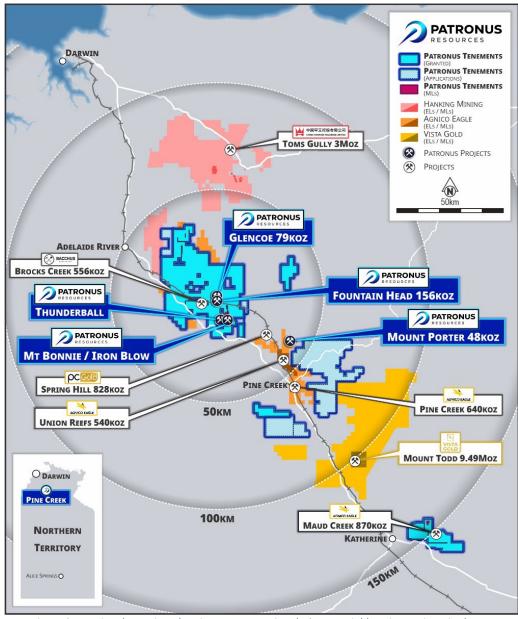


Figure 2 – Regional overview showing PTN tenure in relation to neighbouring projects in the NT.



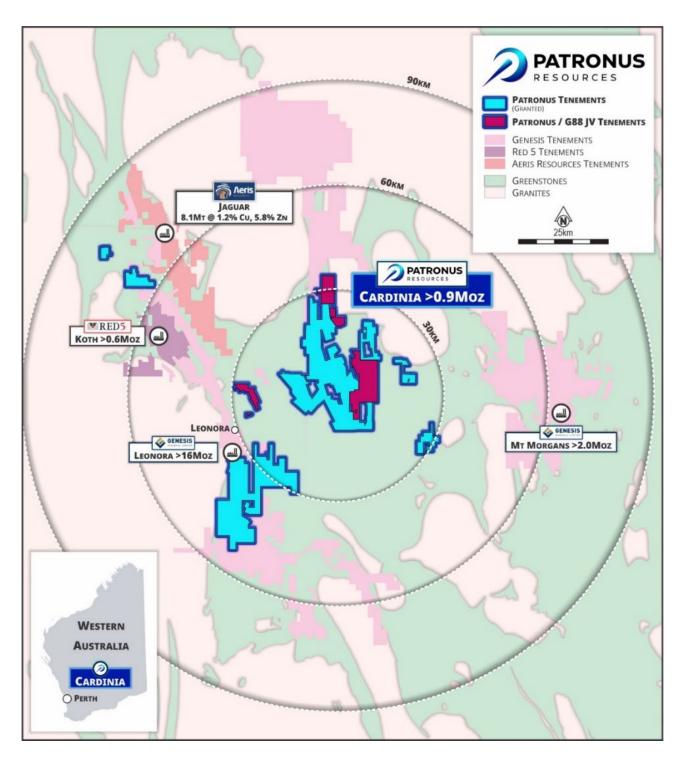


Figure 3 – Regional overview showing PTN tenure in relation to neighbouring production centres at Leonora.



Mineral Resources - Gold

	Measured			Indicated			Inferred			TOTAL		
Project Area	Tonnes (Mt)	Grade (g/t Au)	Ounces ('000)	Tonnes (Mt)	Grade (g/t Au)	Ounces ('000)	Tonnes (Mt)	Grade (g/t Au)	Ounces ('000)	Tonnes (Mt)	Grade (g/t Au)	Ounces ('000)
Mertondale				'	'						'	
Mertons Reward	-	-	-	0.9	2.15	62	2.0	0.65	41	2.9	1.11	103
Mertondale 3-4	-	-	-	1.3	1.85	80	1.0	0.95	32	2.4	1.46	112
Tonto	-	-	-	1.9	1.14	68	1.1	1.24	45	3.0	1.17	113
Mertondale 5	-	-	-	0.5	1.59	27	0.9	1.20	34	1.4	1.35	62
Eclipse	-	-	-	-	-	-	8.0	0.97	24	8.0	0.97	24
Quicksilver	-	-	-	-	-	-	1.2	1.08	42	1.2	1.08	42
Mertondale U/G	-	-	-	0.0	2.41	1	0.0	2.67	1	0.0	2.55	1
Mertondale Total	-	-	-	4.6	1.60	237	7.0	0.97	220	11.7	1.22	457
Cardinia East												
Helens	-	-	-	1.4	1.46	64	1.3	1.35	57	2.7	1.41	121
Helens East		-	-	0.4	1.71	24	1.0	1.50	46	1.4	1.57	70
Fiona		-	-	0.2	1.32	10	0.1	1.05	3	0.3	1.25	13
Rangoon	-	-	-	1.3	1.29	56	1.5	1.35	65	2.8	1.32	121
Hobby	-	-	-	0.0	0.00	0	0.6	1.26	23	0.6	1.26	23
Cardinia Hill	-	-	-	0.5	2.21	38	1.6	1.11	59	2.2	1.38	97
Cardinia U/G	-	-	-	0.0	2.56	1	0.4	2.41	29	0.4	2.41	29
Cardinia East Total	-	-	-	3.9	1.53	193	6.4	1.36	282	10.4	1.42	475
TOTAL WA				8.6	1.56	430	13.5	1.16	501	22.1	1.31	932
Fountain Head												
Fountain Head	-	-	-	0.9	1.40	41	1.1	1.60	56	2.0	1.50	96
Tally Ho	-	-	-	0.9	2.00	59	-	-	-	0.9	2.00	59
Glencoe	0.4	1.32	18	1.2	1.13	43	0.5	1.18	18	2.1	1.18	79
Subtotal Fountain Head	0.4	1.32	18	3.0	1.47	143	1.6	1.43	74	5.0	1.44	234
Mt Porter												
Mt Porter	-	-	-	0.5	2.30	40	0.5	1.90	8	0.70	2.20	48
TOTAL NT	0.4	1.32	18	3.5	1.2	183	2.1	1.21	82	5.7	1.53	282
TOTAL RESOURCES	0.4	1.32	18	12.1	1.57	613	15.6	1.17	583	27.8	1.36	1,214

The information in this table that relates to the Mineral Resources for Mertondale and Cardinia East have been extracted from the Company's ASX announcement on 3 July 2023 titled "Cardinia Gold Project Mineral Resource Passes 1.5Moz" and are available at www.asx.com. Mineral Resources reported in accordance with JORC 2012 using a 0.4 g/t Au cut-off within AUD2,600 optimisation shells¹. Underground Resources are reported using a 2.0 g/t cut-ff grade outside AUD2,600 optimisation shells. The information in this table that relates to the Mineral Resources for Fountain Head and Tally Ho have been extracted from the ASX announcement of PNX Metals Limited (PNX) on 16 June 2020 titled "Mineral Resource Update at Fountain Head" and are reported utilising a cut-off grade of 0.7 g/t Au and can be found at www.asx.com reported under the ASX code 'PNX'. The information in this table that relates to the Mineral Resources for Glencoe have been extracted from the PNX ASX announcement on 30h August 2022 titled "Glencoe Gold MRE Update" and are reported utilising a cut-off grade of 0.7g/t Au and can be found at www.asx.com reported under the ASX code 'PNX'. The information in this table that relates to the Mineral Resources for Mt Porter have been extracted from the PNX ASX announcement titled "PNX acquires the Mt Porter Gold Deposit, NT" on 28h September 2022 and are reported using a cut-off grade of 1.0 g/t Au and can be found at www.asx.com under the ASX code 'PNX'. The information in this table that relates to the Mineral Resources for Fountain Head, Tally Ho, Glencoe and Mt Porter was also reported in the Scheme Booklet dated 17 July 2024 issued by PNX for the scheme of arrangement between PNX and the shareholders of PNX for the acquisition of PNX by the Company. The Scheme Booklet was released to ASX on 18 July 2024 and can be found at www.asx.com under the ASX codes 'PTN' and 'PNX'The Company confirms that it is not aware of any new information or data that materially affects the information included in the original market announcements and that all material assumptions and technical parameters underpinning the estimates in the relevant market announcements referenced in this release continue to apply and have not materially changed. The Company confirms that the form and context in which the Competent Persons findings are presented have not been materially modified from any of the original announcements.



Mineral Resources - Base Metals

Iron Blow Mineral Resource

JORC Classification	Tonnes		Grade							
3010 Classification	(Mt)	Zn (%)	Pb (%)	Cu (%)	Ag (g/t)	Au (g/t)	ZnEq (%)	AuEq (g/t)		
Indicated	2.08	5.49	0.91	0.30	143	2.19	13.39	10.08		
Inferred	0.45	1.11	0.18	0.07	27	1.71	4.38	3.30		
TOTAL	2.53	4.71	0.78	0.26	122	2.10	11.79	8.87		
Contained Metal		119kt	18kt	7kt	9.9Moz	171koz	298kt	722koz		

Iron Blow Mineral Resources by JORC Classification as at 03 May 2017 estimated utilising a cut-off grade of 1.0 g/t AuEq. See ASX:PNX release 'Hayes Creek Mineral Resources Exceed 1.1Moz Gold Equivalent' 3 May 2017 for details.

Mt Bonnie Mineral Resource

JORC Classification	Tonnes		Grade							
3010 Glassification	(Mt)	Z n (%)	Pb (%)	Cu (%)	Ag (g/t)	Au (g/t)	ZnEq (%)	AuEq (g/t)		
Indicated	1.38	3.96	1.15	0.23	128	1.41	9.87	8.11		
Inferred	0.17	2.11	0.87	0.16	118	0.80	6.73	5.53		
TOTAL	1.55	3.76	1.12	0.22	127	1.34	9.53	7.82		
Contained Metal		58kt	17kt	3kt	6.3Moz	69koz	147kt	389koz		

Mt Bonnie Mineral Resources by JORC Classification as at 08 February 2017 estimated utilising a cut-off grade of 0.5 g/t Au for Oxide/Transitional Domain, 1% Zn for Fresh Domain and 50g/t Ag for Ag Zone Domain. See ASX:PNX release 'Upgrade to Mt Bonnie Zinc-Gold-Silver Resource, Hayes Creek' 9 February 2017 for details.

Hayes Creek Mineral Resource (Iron Blow + Mt Bonnie)

JORC Classification	Tonnes		Grade							
SONO Classification	(Mt)	Zn (%)	Pb (%)	Cu (%)	Ag(g/t)	Au (g/t)	ZnEq (%)	AuEq (g/t)		
Indicated	3.46	4.88	1.01	0.27	137.00	1.88	11.99	9.29		
Inferred	0.62	1.39	0.37	0.10	52.00	1.46	5.03	3.91		
TOTAL	4.08	4.35	0.91	0.25	124.00	1.81	10.93	8.47		
Contained Metal		177kt	37kt	10kt	16Moz	238koz	445kt	1,110koz		

Notes: Due to effects of rounding, totals may not represent the sum of all components. Metallurgical recoveries and metal prices have been applied in calculating zinc equivalent (ZnEq) and gold equivalent (AuEq) grades.

At Iron Blow a mineralisation envelope was interpreted for each of the two main lodes, the East Lode (Zn-Au-Ag-Pb) and West Lode (Zn-Au), and four subsidiary lodes with a 1 g/t AuEq cut-off used to interpret and report these lodes. At Mt Bonnie Zn domains are reported above a cut-off grade of 1% Zn, gold domains are reported above a cut-off grade of 0.5 g/t Au and silver domains are reported above a cut-off grade of 50 g/t Ag. To assess the potential value of the total suite of minerals of economic interest, formulae were developed to calculate metal equivalency for Au and Zn. Metal prices were derived from average consensus forecasts from external sources for the period 2017 through 2021 and are consistent with those used in PNX's recently updated Mt Bonnie Mineral Resource Estimate. Metallurgical recovery information was sourced from test work completed at the Iron Blow deposit, including historical test work. Mt Bonnie and Iron Blow have similar mineralogical characteristics and are a similar style of deposit. In PNX's opinion all the metals used in the equivalence calculation have a reasonable potential to be recovered and sold. PNX has chosen to report both the ZnEq and AuEq grades as although individually zinc is the dominant metal by value, the precious metals are the dominant group by value and will be recovered and sold separately to Zn.

The formulae below were applied to the estimated constituents to derive the metal equivalent values: Gold Equivalent (field = "AuEq") (g/t) = (Au grade (g/t) * (Au price per ounce/31.10348) * Au recovery) + (Ag grade (g/t) * (Ag price per ounce/31.10348) * Ag recovery) + (Cu grade (%) * (Cu price per tonne/100) * Cu recovery) + (Pb grade (%) * (Pb price per tonne/100) * Pb recovery) + (Zn grade (%) * (Zn price per tonne/100) * Zn recovery) / (Au price per ounce/31.10348 * Au recovery)



Zinc Equivalent (field = "ZnEq") (%) = (Au grade (g/t) * (Au price per ounce/31.10348) * Au recovery) + (Ag grade (g/t) * (Ag price per ounce/31.10348) * Ag recovery) + (Cu grade (%) * (Cu price per tonne/100) * Cu recovery) + (Pb grade (%) * (Pb price per tonne/100) * Pb recovery) + (Zn grade (%) * (Zn price per tonne/100) * Zn recovery) / (Zn price per tonne/100 * Zn recovery)

	Unit	Price	Recovery Mt Bonnie	Recovery Iron Blow
Z n	US\$/t	\$ 2,450	80%	80%
Pb	US\$/t	\$ 2,100	60%	60%
Cu	US\$/t	\$ 6,200	60%	60%
Ag	US\$/troyoz	\$ 2,050	70%	80%
Au	US\$/troyoz	\$ 1,350	55%	60%

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