

# **ASX Announcement**

# HOPES HILL DIAMOND DRILLING COMMENCES

## **Highlights:**

- Diamond core rig mobilised to site to test deeper targets and provide enhanced geological structural knowledge of the Hopes Hill mineralisation.
- ~2,500 metres of diamond drilling has commenced, starting with two deep diamond drill holes to allow for geophysical surveys.
- Down hole electromagnetic (DHEM) geophysical surveys to target any significant off-hole conductors that could be indicative of pyrrhotite-rich gold mineralisation, a known effective exploration method for Southern Cross mineralisation.
- DHEM geophysical surveys are scheduled to be completed early next quarter, the first time this has been conducted within the Hopes Hill area.
- The two holes are being co-funded through the WA Department of Energy, Mines, Industry Regulation and Safety (DEMIRS) under the prestigious Exploration Incentive Scheme (EIS)<sup>1</sup>.
- The rate of reverse circulation (RC) drilling increased, focusing on extending advanced highgrade targets across the +4km Hopes Hill trend including Hopes Hill Central, Hopes Hill North, Hopes Hill South and Irene Betty.



Figure 1: Commencement of Diamond Drilling at Hopes Hill project.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Refer to ASX announcement dated 29 April 2025.



#### Golden Horse Managing Director, Nicholas Anderson said:

"The mobilisation of a diamond core rig to site marks an important step forward in our exploration strategy at Hopes Hill. This phase of drilling is designed to build on the encouraging results we've already achieved, targeting mineralisation at greater depths than previously tested and providing us with valuable structural and geological insight to support future resource growth.

"In combination with ongoing RC drilling, this campaign will focus on extending known high-grade zones across the +4km Hopes Hill trend. We remain confident in the potential of Hopes Hill and look forward to updating shareholders as results are received and interpreted."

Golden Horse Minerals (**ASX: GHM**) is pleased to announce a diamond coring rig has been mobilised to its flagship Hopes Hill gold project, located near Southern Cross in the Yilgarn region, Western Australia.

The initial diamond drilling campaign consists of ~2,500 metres with two EIS co-funded diamond drill holes to undertake deeper testing and provide enhanced geological structural knowledge of the Hopes Hill mineralisation. Subsequently, diamond drilling will be undertaken to better characterise the mineralisation (e.g. geology, mineralisation, bulk density and structure) and to infill existing RC drill holes all aimed at compiling the drilling density and validated drill database necessary for future mineral resource estimation.

In addition, the Company plans to use the holes for down-hole electromagnetic (**DHEM**) geophysical surveys to target any significant off-hole conductors that could be indicative of the pyrrhotite-rich gold mineralisation at Hopes Hill. The DHEM surveys are scheduled for mid-July 2025 with an aim of substantially increasing the area of potential mineralisation tested by each drill hole.

The two diamond drill holes were co-funded under the Western Australian Government's prestigious Exploration Incentive Scheme (EIS).<sup>2</sup>

In addition, RC drilling will continue at Hopes Hill with a focus on extending advanced high-grade targets across the +4km Hopes Hill trend including Hopes Hill Central, Hopes Hill North, Hopes Hill South and Irene Betty. The RC drilling rig is now operating seven days per week, resulting in an approximate 50% increase in productivity.

Golden Horse has so far completed 54 RC drill holes for over 12,000m since January 2025.

For and on behalf of the Board.

Nicholas Anderson Managing Director & CEO

This announcement was approved for release by the Board of Golden Horse Minerals Limited.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Refer to ASX announcement dated 29 April 2025.



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#### About Golden Horse Minerals

Golden Horse Minerals Limited (ASX: GHM) is a gold exploration company in Western Australia's Southern Cross region. The Company has consolidated in excess of 1,900km<sup>2</sup> of tenure within the Southern Cross Greenstone Belt, a prolific gold producing region of Western Australia supported by the mining town of Southern Cross. The Company is exploring for extensions at a series of historic gold mines in addition to developing new high-priority prospects which are yet to be tested with the drill bit.

For further information, please visit the Golden Horse Minerals website: https://goldenhorseminerals.com/.

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