

# Great Boulder secures interest in highly prospective WA copper-nickel project

Due diligence confirms high-tenor nickel mineralisation at Winchester, potential high-value blend to compliment Great Boulder's Yamarna project

## Highlights

- Great Boulder has formally executed a joint venture agreement with Ausgold over the Winchester project, 40km north of Great Boulder's Yamarna project (Mt Venn and Eastern Mafic) in WA
- Great Boulder is earning up to 75% of Winchester through the expenditure of \$500k over 4 years (~\$100k already spent)
- Great Boulder's due diligence, including RC drilling and petrography, confirmed the presence of high-grade/tenor nickel (pentlandite) and copper (chalcopyrite) mineralisation
- Prospective mafic-ultramafic units only tested at the Target 1 prospect; Winchester project remains largely untested
- Aircore geochemistry program to start this week and ground gravity survey to commence shortly
- Extension of Term granted for the primary tenement (E38/2129) with tenement applications along strike to the north and south

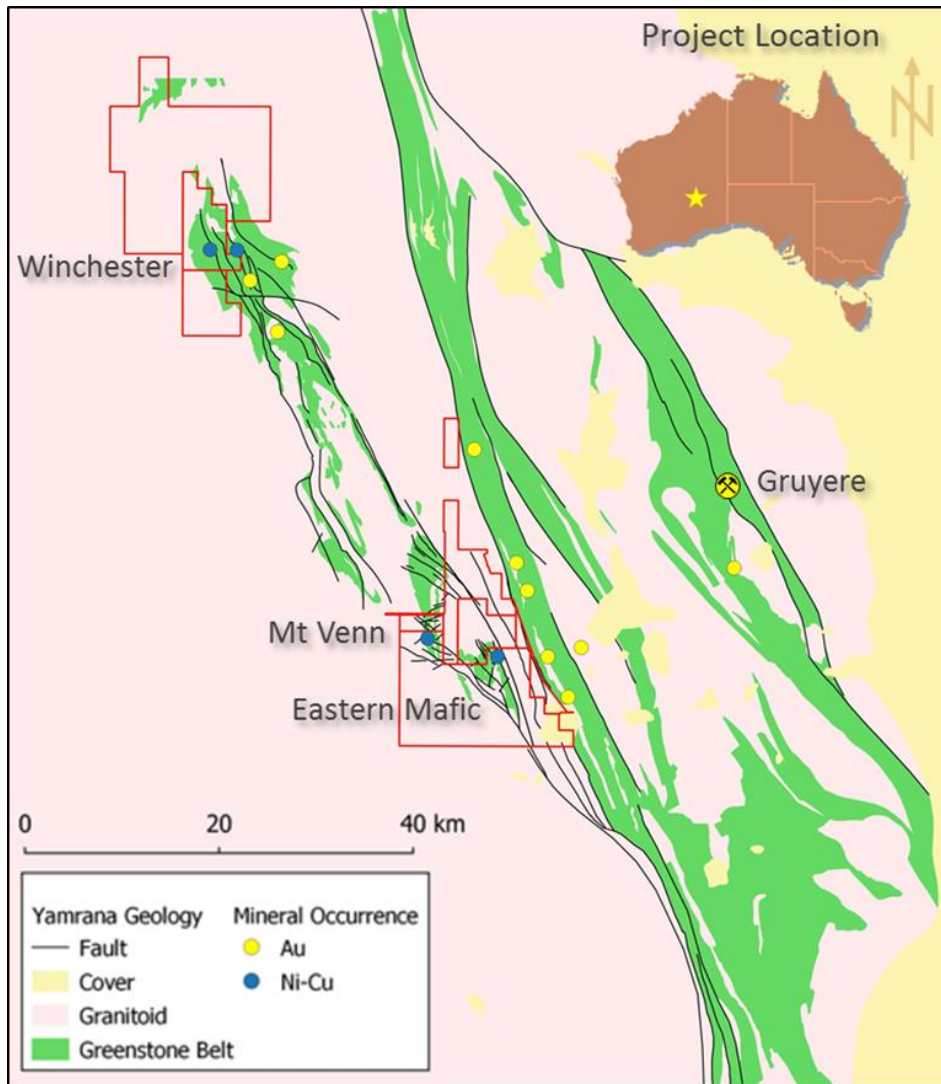
Great Boulder Resources (ASX: GBR) is pleased to announce it has finalised the Winchester JV Agreement with Ausgold Limited (ASX: AUC), covering exploration of the highly prospective Winchester nickel-copper project in WA.

Ausgold previously identified shallow copper and nickel sulphide mineralisation from RC drilling at the Winchester project. Significant results include:

- 20m @ 0.7% Cu, 0.4% Ni and 0.02% Co from 39m (YMRC003)
- 17m @ 0.7% Cu, 0.2% Ni, and 0.02% Co from 92m (YMRC009)
- 19m @ 0.6% Cu, 0.3% Ni, and 0.02% Co from 106m (YMRC010)
  - **including 10m @ 0.8% Cu, 0.4% Ni, 0.03% Co**

Great Boulder completed two RC holes in October 2018 that confirmed the continuity of nickel-copper sulphide mineralisation. Significant results include:

- 7m at 1.1% Cu, 0.2% Ni, 0.01% Co from 123m (18WNRC001)
- 13m at 0.9% Cu, 0.3% Ni, 0.02% Co from 138m (18WNRC002)
  - **including 5m at 1.1% Cu, 0.7% Ni, 0.04% Co, 0.10g/t PGE**



**Figure 1.** Location map showing Great Boulder's Yamarna Project (Mt Venn and Eastern Mafic) and the Winchester JV project area

Petrography and geochemistry samples taken from Great Boulder RC drilling confirm the high nickel-tenor of the sulphide mineralisation, with pentlandite observed in both drill holes.

Based on the recent metallurgical testwork from Mt Venn, the high nickel-tenor at Winchester makes it particularly attractive as a blend for Great Boulder's Yamarna project, as does its potential to host higher grade nickel sulphide mineralisation.

Great Boulder Managing Director Stefan Murphy said the Winchester project could play an important role in the Company's strategy to establish a substantial copper-nickel-cobalt operation.

"The Winchester project represents part of a large igneous province with magmatic sulphide mineralisation now identified over a vast area," Mr Murphy said.

"Only a very small area has been drill tested at Winchester and the presence of high-grade copper and nickel mineralisation, confirmed through petrography, is extremely promising.

"Combining Winchester with our Mt Venn and Eastern Mafic deposits at Yamarna is an important step in building a consolidated copper-nickel-cobalt business for the region."

Ausgold's Managing Director, Matthew Greentree, said the Company is pleased to formalise the Joint Venture with Great Boulder, ensuring the highly prospective Winchester Project is advanced by a focused nickel-copper exploration program over the next two years.

"Great Boulder has shown a commitment to exploration in the region and has committed to spend \$500K to earn 75% of the Yamarna project.

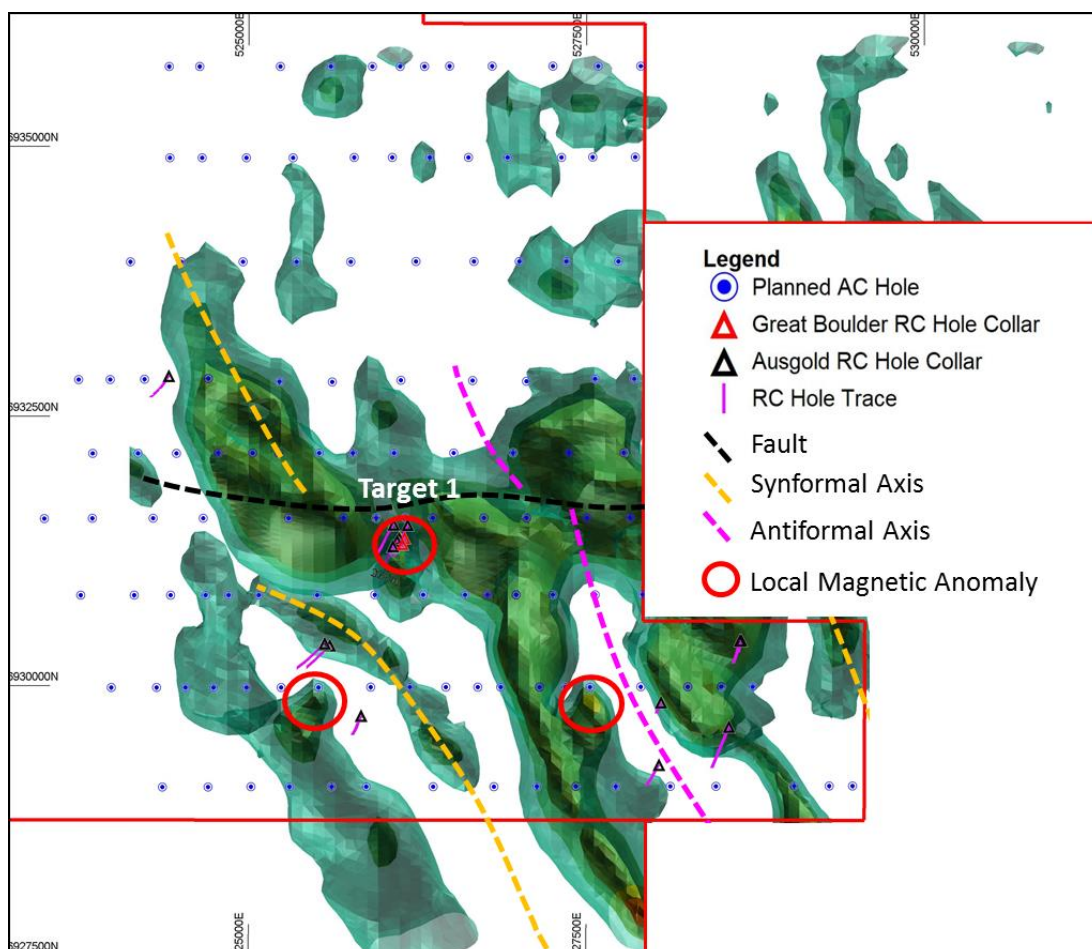
"The Joint Venture is structured so Ausgold retains a 25% free-carried interest through to a decision to mine, allowing Ausgold to focus its funds on its 100%-owned Katanning Gold Project, where the Company continues to have exploration success and is progressing towards a mine development of the 1.04 Moz gold Resource."

## EXPLORATION PLAN

Exploration activities are now underway at Winchester with a 3,400m aircore geochemistry drilling program commencing this week and a tenement wide ground gravity survey to start in the coming weeks.

The geochemistry and gravity data will be used in conjunction other geophysical data to map prospective intrusions and identify nickel-copper mineralisation.

Recent field mapping and a review of previous RC drilling at Winchester has highlighted that most drill holes (away from Target 1) have not intersected the prospective mafic-ultramafic units. A follow-up RC drill program will be planned once the aircore drilling and gravity survey are completed.

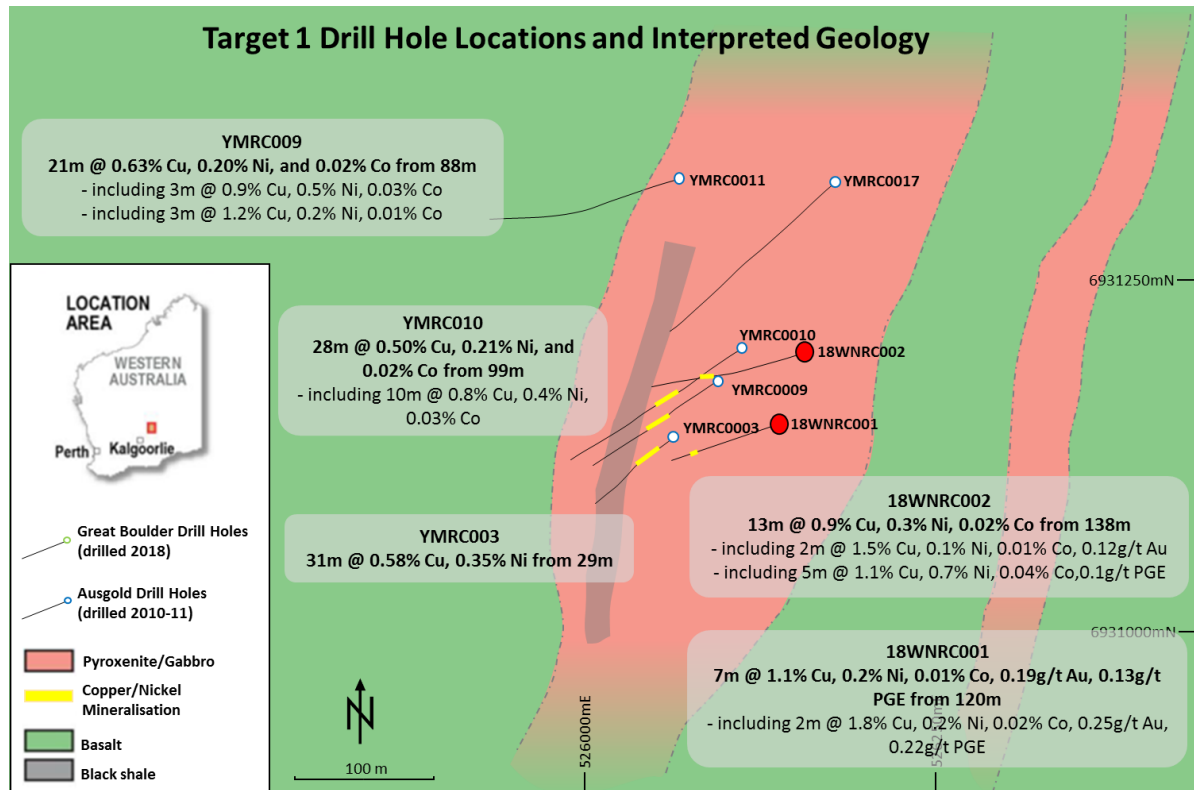


**Figure 2.** Planned aircore drilling, showing magnetic inversion model and previous RC drilling



## PETROGRAPHY

A petrographic report and geochemistry analysis commissioned by Great Boulder on samples taken from drill holes 18WNRC001 and 002 confirmed the presence of high-tenor nickel sulphides in mafic-ultramafic host rocks at the Target 1 prospect (Figure 3).

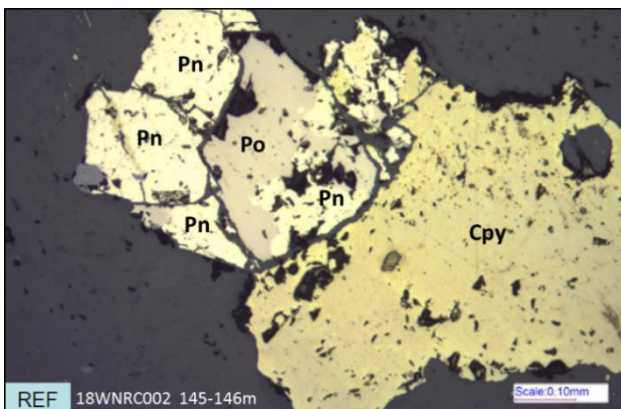


**Figure 3.** Location of drill holes 18WNRC001 and 002 from the Target 1 prospect, Winchester project.

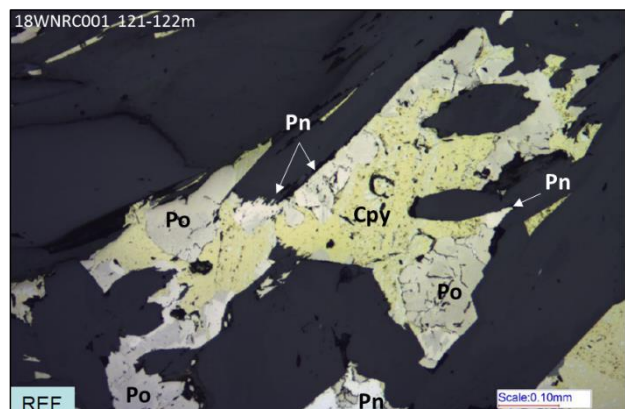
Petrographic examination shows the sulphides in the mafic-ultramafic host rocks have a typically mafic magmatic signature, dominated by pyrrhotite, with minor chalcopyrite and pentlandite. Nickel is associated with the pentlandite and pyrrhotite sulphide phases.

The sulphide distribution in all rocks examined reflects remobilisation of the original sulphide, most likely during peak metamorphism (upper greenschist).

The consistent presence of minor but significant pentlandite in these magmatic sulphides is encouraging for exploration, as it implies the original magmatic sulphide may have been a nickel rich MSS sulphide, rather than a later, more Cu-rich ISS sulphide.



**Figure 4:** Pyrrhotite, chalcopyrite and blocky pentlandite crystals and flames in pyrrhotite



**Figure 5:** Sulphide patch in amphibolite composed of chalcopyrite, pyrrhotite and small spots of pentlandite

## TRANSACTION STRUCTURE

The Winchester Joint Venture project comprises granted tenement E38/2129 and application E38/3311.

Under the terms of the Joint Venture, Great Boulder will issue Ausgold 1,500,000 GBR shares which are under staged voluntary escrow periods of 3 to 9 months.

Great Boulder can earn a 51% interest in the Winchester project by spending \$250,000 on exploration over two years, and an additional 24% (75% in total) by spending an additional \$250,000 (\$500,000 in total) over four years. Great Boulder has currently spent approximately \$100,000 at Winchester.

Upon Great Boulder meeting the minimum expenditure milestone, Ausgold will retain a 25% free-carried interest in the Winchester project to a decision to mine

In addition to the Joint Venture, Great Boulder has applied for a tenement immediately to the south of E38/2129 which hosts the strike extension of the mafic-ultramafic complex.

## Competent Person's Statement

Exploration information in this Announcement is based upon work undertaken by Mr Stefan Murphy whom is a Member of the Australasian Institute of Geoscientists (AIG). Mr Stefan Murphy has sufficient experience that is relevant to the style of mineralisation and type of deposit under consideration and to the activity which he is undertaking to qualify as a 'Competent Person' as defined in the 2012 Edition of the 'Australasian Code for Reporting of Exploration Results, Mineral Resources and Ore Reserves' (JORC Code). Mr Stefan Murphy is an employee of Great Boulder and consents to the inclusion in the report of the matters based on their information in the form and context in which it appears.

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Appendix 1 – Summary of Winchester Significant RC Drill Intersections

18WMRC001										
From	To	Interval	Cu % (max graph 1%)	Ni % (max graph 1%)	Co ppm (max graph 1000ppm)	Au ppm (max graph 1ppm)	PGE ppm (max graph 1ppm)			
122	123	1	0.20	0.09	123	0.06	0.02			
123	124	1	0.64	0.14	137	0.13	0.13			
124	125	1	0.70	0.14	124	0.15	0.13			
125	126	1	0.85	0.17	140	0.19	0.05			
126	127	1	2.04	0.23	160	0.35	0.23			
127	128	1	1.58	0.23	173	0.14	0.21			
128	129	1	0.95	0.11	130	0.18	0.09			
129	130	1	0.71	0.10	131	0.18	0.04			
130	131	1	0.11	0.08	116	0.03	0.02			
131	132	1	0.11	0.08	122	0.02	0.05			
132	133	1	0.15	0.12	147	0.03	0.02			

18WMRC002										
From	To	Interval	Cu % (max graph 1%)	Ni % (max graph 1%)	Co ppm (max graph 1000ppm)	Au ppm (max graph 1ppm)	PGE ppm (max graph 1ppm)			
128	129	1	0.20	0.10	104	0.00	0.01			
129	130	1	0.18	0.08	85	0.01	0.00			
130	131	1	0.09	0.05	69	0.01	0.00			
131	132	1	0.20	0.09	93	0.01	0.02			
132	133	1	0.13	0.14	122	0.00	0.02			
133	134	1	0.13	0.09	101	0.01	0.00			
134	135	1	0.36	0.25	181	0.05	0.04			
135	136	1	0.17	0.19	150	0.02	0.02			
136	137	1	0.09	0.07	85	0.01	0.00			
137	138	1	0.05	0.05	80	0.00	0.00			
138	139	1	1.59	0.10	104	0.07	0.03			
139	140	1	1.47	0.10	100	0.18	0.09			
140	141	1	0.29	0.04	57	0.01	0.00			
141	142	1	0.22	0.05	57	0.01	0.00			
142	143	1	0.44	0.26	169	0.03	0.04			
143	144	1	0.35	0.23	145	0.03	0.04			
144	145	1	1.16	0.71	431	0.05	0.12			
145	146	1	1.02	0.63	376	0.05	0.21			
146	147	1	0.97	0.79	462	0.04	0.05			
147	148	1	1.10	0.80	456	0.07	0.06			
148	149	1	1.39	0.35	235	0.08	0.05			
149	150	1	0.50	0.10	82	0.03	0.01			
150	151	1	0.88	0.17	134	0.09	0.07			

YMRC003						
From	To	Interval	Cu % (max graph 1%)	Ni % (max graph 1%)	Co ppm (max graph 1000ppm)	
29	30	1	0.22	0.21	180	
30	31	1	0.17	0.18	155	
31	32	1	0.14	0.20	185	
32	33	1	0.50	0.42	340	
33	34	1	0.43	0.33	305	
34	35	1	0.31	0.21	170	
35	36	1	0.33	0.22	180	
36	37	1	0.24	0.20	230	
37	38	1	0.23	0.17	195	
38	39	1	0.34	0.18	155	
39	40	1	1.32	1.05	555	
40	41	1	0.62	0.63	195	
41	42	1	0.34	0.46	135	
42	43	1	0.40	0.45	115	
43	44	1	0.37	0.43	145	
44	45	1	0.38	0.41	115	
45	46	1	0.66	0.46	210	
46	47	1	0.41	0.23	200	
47	48	1	0.33	0.23	195	
48	49	1	0.28	0.23	160	
49	50	1	0.70	0.49	315	
50	51	1	0.88	0.31	190	
51	52	1	0.92	0.33	225	
52	53	1	0.97	0.36	225	
53	54	1	0.70	0.25	215	
54	55	1	0.56	0.23	140	
55	56	1	0.71	0.24	170	
56	57	1	0.55	0.45	315	
57	58	1	2.46	0.72	600	
58	59	1	1.18	0.27	240	
59	60	1	0.33	0.17	110	

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YMRC009						
From	To	Interval	Cu % (max graph 1%)	Ni % (max graph 1%)	Co ppm (max graph 1000ppm)	
88	89	1	0.50	0.25	190	
89	90	1	0.26	0.08	85	
90	91	1	0.17	0.14	135	
91	92	1	0.33	0.07	80	
92	93	1	0.56	0.21	170	
93	94	1	0.48	0.16	135	
94	95	1	0.50	0.28	200	
95	96	1	0.63	0.19	155	
96	97	1	0.74	0.12	125	
97	98	1	0.33	0.09	105	
98	99	1	0.51	0.10	110	
99	100	1	1.14	0.24	210	
100	101	1	0.76	0.71	460	
101	102	1	0.70	0.46	320	
102	103	1	0.42	0.14	105	
103	104	1	0.65	0.13	115	
104	105	1	0.38	0.24	170	
105	106	1	0.97	0.24	185	
106	107	1	1.14	0.12	115	
107	108	1	1.46	0.16	135	
108	109	1	0.54	0.10	80	

YMRC010						
From	To	Interval	Cu % (max graph 1%)	Ni % (max graph 1%)	Co ppm (max graph 1000ppm)	
99	100	1	0.36	0.13	140	
100	101	1	0.29	0.12	135	
101	102	1	0.13	0.07	85	
102	103	1	0.09	0.06	90	
103	104	1	0.06	0.07	110	
104	105	1	0.12	0.05	85	
105	106	1	0.20	0.05	75	
106	107	1	0.46	0.21	180	
107	108	1	0.39	0.14	135	
108	109	1	0.40	0.15	150	
109	110	1	0.44	0.17	160	
110	111	1	0.40	0.21	170	
111	112	1	0.44	0.21	155	
112	113	1	0.19	0.06	65	
113	114	1	0.49	0.24	175	
114	115	1	0.74	0.23	175	
115	116	1	1.13	0.26	195	
116	117	1	0.88	0.16	135	
117	118	1	0.63	0.14	115	
118	119	1	0.52	0.32	225	
119	120	1	0.96	0.33	245	
120	121	1	0.56	1.18	740	
121	122	1	0.95	0.53	345	
122	123	1	1.12	0.36	260	
123	124	1	0.85	0.27	220	
124	125	1	0.61	0.13	120	
125	126	1	0.43	0.09	90	
126	127	1	0.07	0.02	40	