

## Aruma Commences Maiden Drilling Program at Fiery Creek Copper Project in Mt Isa Copper Belt

### Highlights

- **9-hole - 1,400m Phase RC drilling has commenced** at the Fiery Creek Copper Project in the Mt Isa copper belt, in northern Queensland
- Drilling is **targeting copper-silver-antimony mineralisation at the priority Piper Prospect** as part of Aruma's systematic approach to discover new Cu-Ag-Sb deposits at the Project
- **The program is designed to test;**
  - **Two significant induced polarisation (IP) conductors** identified in Aruma's recently completed geophysical survey program<sup>1</sup>; and
  - **A prominent north-south gravity feature** also identified in the geophysical survey program<sup>1</sup>.
- **The IP conductors and gravity feature are coincident with;**
  - High-grade copper-silver and antimony rock chip sampling results including; **20.93% Cu, 31.3 g/t Ag, 10,883ppm Sb, and 0.91% Zn<sup>2</sup>**; and
  - Historical drill results, which revealed broad zones of highly anomalous Cu including; **44m at 0.2% Cu from 30m, 26m at 0.14% Cu from 74m, and 8m at 0.34% Cu from 48m<sup>3</sup>**
- Drilling at the Piper Prospect is expected to be completed in the current month and results will be released when available

**Aruma Resources Limited (ASX: AAJ) (Aruma or the Company)** is pleased to announce it has commenced its maiden drilling program at the Company's 100% owned at the Fiery Copper Project in the Mt Isa copper belt, in northern Queensland.

The Fiery Creek Project is a core exploration focus for Aruma, and drilling has commenced at the Company's initial priority target, the Piper Prospect, in the in the north-west region of the Project.

Drilling is planned to consist of a 1,400m reverse circulation (RC) program for a total of approximately nine holes (Figure 1).

Heritage surveys and landowner consent have previously been completed. Access tracks and drill pads have been established, and drilling contractors have mobilised to site. Drilling is expected to be completed in the current month and results will be released when available.

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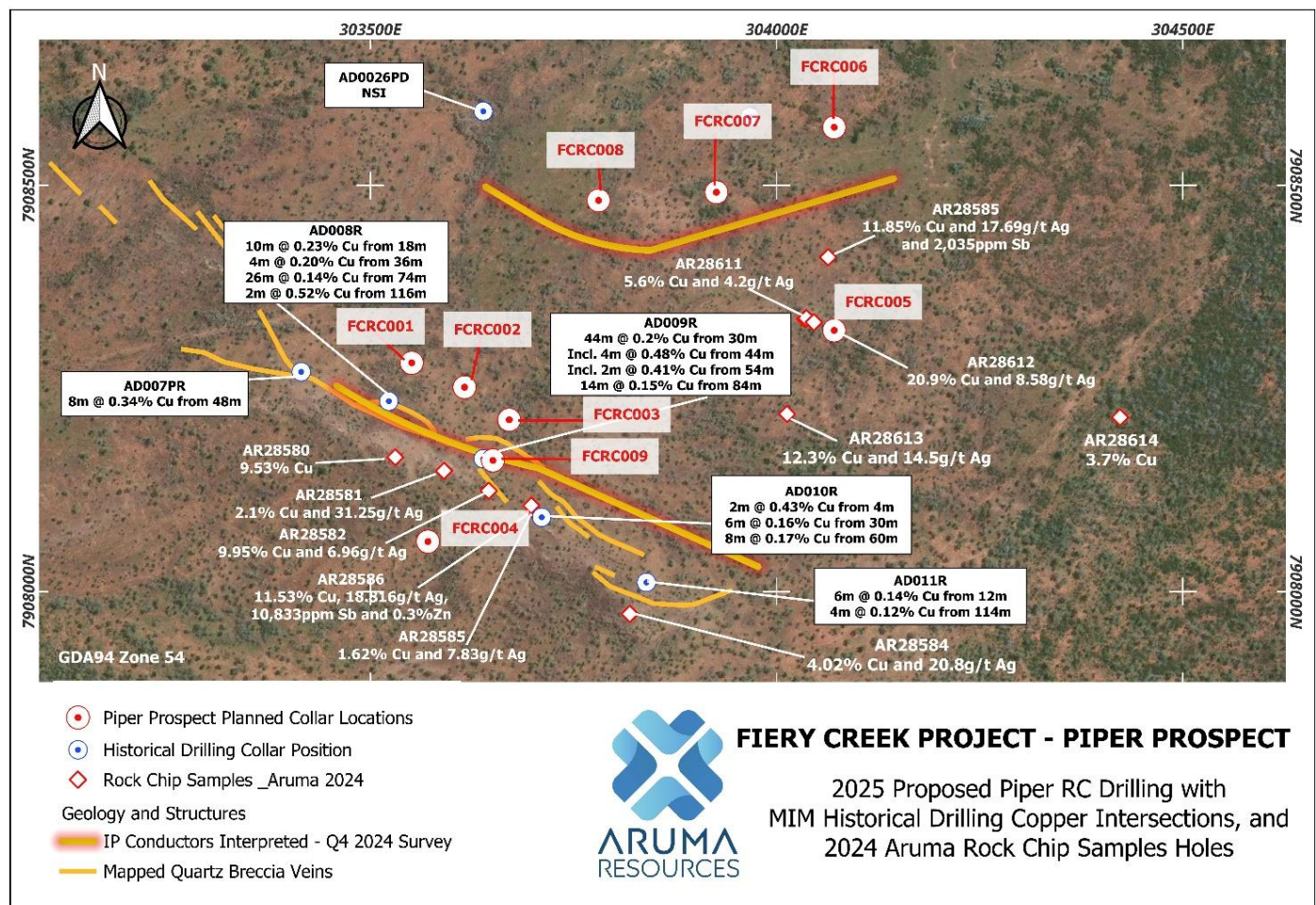
Drilling is targeting copper-silver-antimony mineralisation as part of Aruma's systematic approach to discovering new copper-silver-antimony deposits within the Fiery Creek Project area.

The program is designed to test;

- Two induced polarisation (IP) conductors – a southern and northern conductor – identified in Aruma's recently completed geophysical survey program<sup>1</sup>; and
- A north-south gravity feature identified in a gravity survey undertaken in the recent geophysical survey program<sup>1</sup>.

These positive outcomes from the Company's geophysical surveys are coincident with high-grade copper-silver and antimony rock chip sampling results from Aruma's exploration at Fiery Creek, including **20.93% Cu, 31.3 g/t Ag, 10,883 ppm Sb and 0.91% Zn<sup>2</sup>** and historical drill results, which revealed broad zones of highly anomalous copper mineralisation, including<sup>3</sup>;

- **44m at 0.2% Cu from 30m in AD009R**
- **26m at 0.14% Cu from 74m in AD008R**
- **14m at 0.15% Cu from 84m in AD009R**
- **10m at 0.23% Cu from 18m in AD008R**
- **8m at 0.34% Cu from 48m in AD007PR**

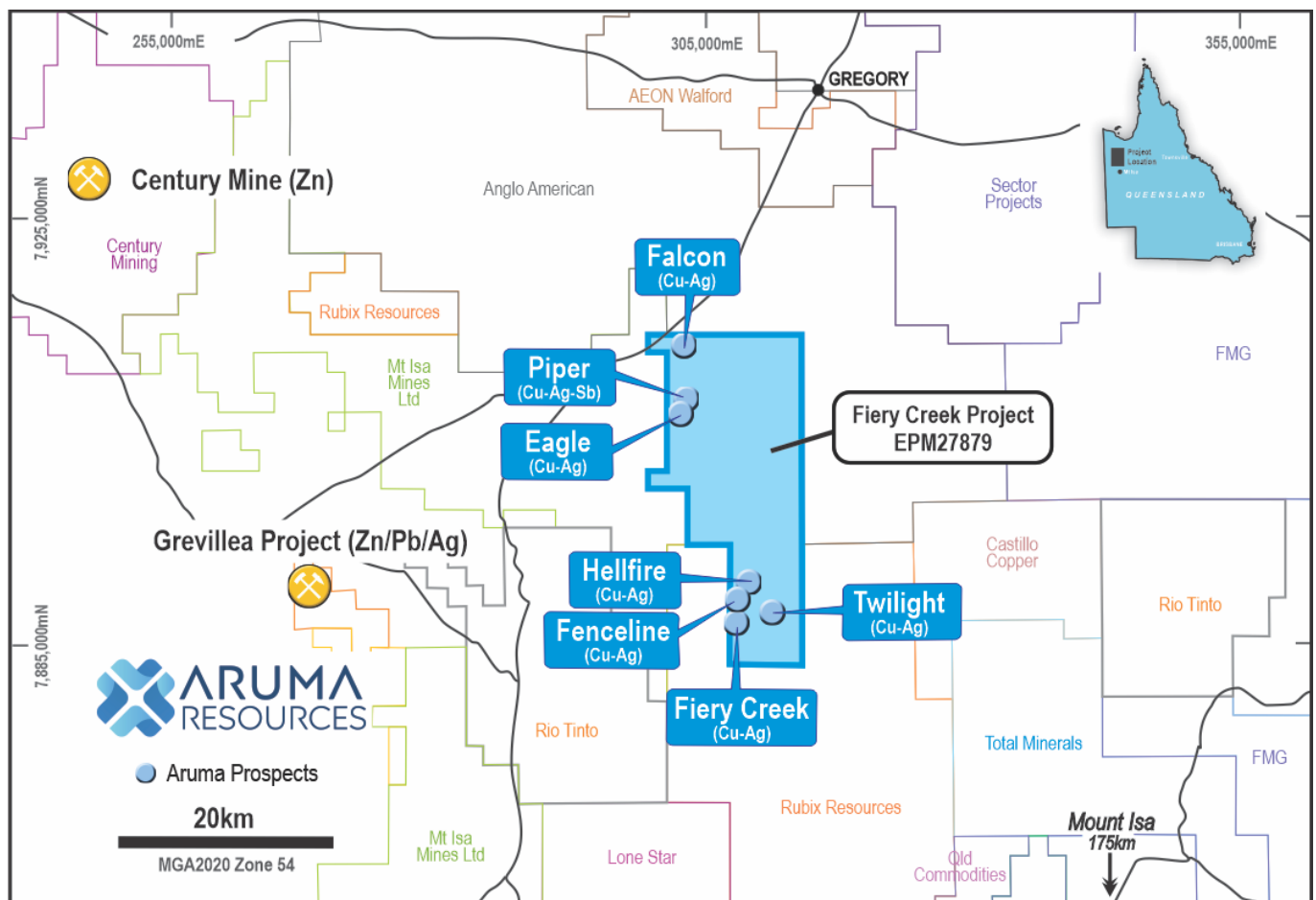


**Figure 1:** Planned RC drill hole locations for maiden drilling program at Piper Prospect, Fiery Creek Project.

**Aruma Resources managing director Grant Ferguson said:**

*"The commencement of the maiden reverse circulation drilling program at the Piper Prospect within the Fiery Creek Project in Northern Queensland marks an exciting milestone for Aruma Resources. This program is designed to test for copper-silver-antimony mineralisation, targeting high-grade surface rock chip samples that coincide with two identified induced polarisation (IP) conductors and a prominent gravity anomaly. This drilling represents a significant step in evaluating the mineral potential of this underexplored region, building on our systematic exploration approach to unlock value in this highly prospective project.*

*With the program now underway we are eager to assess the results to validate our exploration model and potentially delineate new copper-silver-antimony discoveries within the Fiery Creek Project's exploration tenure."*



**Figure 2:** Fiery Creek Project regional map and current prospects, including the priority Piper Prospect.

## **PIPER PROSPECT COMMENTARY**

The Piper Prospect has been defined as Aruma's initial priority drill target from the Company's systematic assessment of the Project area and its exploration programs. It is located in the north-west of the Fiery Creek Project area and is interpreted as being prospective for copper, gold, antimony and silver (Figure 2).

Aruma has conducted a detailed geophysical survey program at the Project which included an IP survey and a ground gravity survey. These surveys returned positive outcomes and have helped generated initial drill-ready targets at the Piper Prospect.

The results are coincident with high-grade copper-silver and antimony rock chip sampling results reported in September 2024<sup>2</sup> and historical drill results reported in and March 2025<sup>3</sup>, which revealed broad zones of highly anomalous copper mineralisation.

Aruma's ground gravity and IP surveys at the Piper Prospect have indicated two potential IP conductors; the first representing a quartz breccia/fault zone and the second a parallel and potentially stronger conductor 300 metres to the north (Figure 1).

The gravity survey also indicated a prominent north-south geophysical feature, interpreted as a potential lithological or structural control, extending southward where it remains untested by historical drilling.

This untested zone coincides with a recently identified gravity anomaly at the intersection of the north-south structure and a northeast-trending structure, representing a high priority exploration target, which will be tested in the current drilling program.

This announcement has been authorised for release by the Board of Aruma Resources Ltd.

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## About Aruma Resources

Aruma Resources Limited (ASX: AAJ) is an ASX-listed minerals exploration company focused on the exploration and development of a portfolio of prospective projects in high-demand commodities – copper and uranium - in world-class mineral belts, in South Australia and Queensland. It also holds gold, lithium and REE prospective projects in Western Australia.

## Referenced ASX Announcements

<sup>1</sup> ASX Announcement 22 January 2025: Coincident Geophysical Anomalies Defined Over High-grade Copper-Silver and Antimony at Fiery Creek Copper Project

<sup>2</sup> ASX Announcement 11 September 2024: Multiple high-grade copper results and antimony at Fiery Creek Project

<sup>3</sup> ASX Announcement 25 March 2025: Multiple wide, near-surface historic copper drill intersections at Fiery Creek Project



**Figure 3:** Aruma Resources project portfolio.

### **Competent person statement**

The information in this release that relates to Exploration Results, Mineral Resources or Ore Reserves is based on information compiled by Grant Ferguson who is a Fellow of the Australian Institute of Geoscience (AIG). Mr Ferguson is Managing Director and a full-time employee of the Company. Mr Ferguson has sufficient experience that is relevant to the style of mineralisation and type of deposit under consideration and to the activity being undertaken 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 Reserve'. Mr Ferguson consents to the inclusion in the release of the matters based on his information in the form and context in which it appears. All exploration results that have been reported previously and released to ASX are available to be viewed on the Company website [www.arumaresources.com](http://www.arumaresources.com). The Company confirms it is not aware of any new information that materially affects the information included in the original announcement. The Company confirms that the form and context in which the Competent Person's findings are presented have not been materially modified from the original announcements.

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