

# Supplying the global energy transition

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High-Grade  
Copper | Zinc | Silver | Indium

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# Right Assets, Right Timing



High quality copper and zinc assets in Tier 1 mining jurisdictions



Robust existing resource base with near-term development potential



High-grade zinc and copper mineralisation with outstanding growth potential



Leveraged to strong macro trends in the copper and zinc markets



High quality management with proven track record



# A Progressive Mining Company

**LOW FOOTPRINT**  
operations that are sustainable and have low impacts

**Creating social LEGACIES**  
with continued, transparent community engagement

**Focus on COPPER and ZINC** essential metals to support the energy transition

**Project portfolio geared to SUPPLYING FUTURE RESOURCE** needs

	Copper	Zinc
<b>2021 - 2050</b>	<b>2.3x</b> Demand	<b>2.1x</b> Demand
Demand driven by the need for more future facing metals for a global decarbonisation	Copper for electrical vehicles, energy storage and other decarbonisation technologies	Traditional use for galvanizing steel with growing demand for batteries, infrastructure, renewables

**Source: Population growth from 2020 – UN global population forecast, median prediction interval. Copper and zinc demand based on forecasts from McKinsey**

# High-Value Base Metals Portfolio

## WEST DESERT ZINC-COPPER-INDIUM

- Existing >59Mt of Indicated and Inferred Resources with a higher grade core of 16.5Mt @ 6.3% Zn, 0.3% Cu, 33g/t In for 1.03Mt Zn, 45Kt Cu and 545t Indium (Ni43-101, historical and foreign)
- Regional scale mineral system underexplored with excellent potential for further discoveries
- High-grade zinc, copper, gold, silver and molybdenum intersections requiring follow-up

## STORM AND SEAL COPPER AND ZINC

- High-grade zinc and silver deposit at Seal with an Inferred Resource of >1Mt @ 10.24% Zn, 47g/t Ag for 103Kt Zn, 1.5Moz Ag with outstanding growth potential (Ni43-101, historical and foreign)
- Thick, high-grade copper at Storm including 110m @ 2.45% Cu from surface
- Large, underexplored land package - 120km mineralised trend with less than 5% tested by drilling

## COPPER WARRIOR COPPER

- In the world class Paradox Basin, Utah and 15km from Lisbon Valley – Utah's 2<sup>nd</sup> largest copper mine
- Confirmed prospectivity with identical geology to Lisbon Valley copper mine and mineralisation exposed at surface
- Turn-key - Well understood exploration and metallurgical model allows for fast-track of activities

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# Strategy to Add Immediate Value



# High Quality Board – Deep Experience in Exploration and Project Development



**John PRINEAS, Non-executive Chairman**

Founder of American West and a major shareholder.

John is also the founder and Executive Chairman of St George Mining Limited (ASX: SGQ), a successful explorer and emerging nickel company in Australia.

Prior to starting St George in 2010, John spent 20 years in the banking and legal sectors, including the role of Country Head Australia for Dresdner Bank AG (now Commerzbank AG) with a focus on project and acquisition finance for resources and infrastructure projects. John has worked on funding arrangements and growth strategies for a range of mining companies, from global majors to junior explorers.

John holds a Bachelor of Economics and Bachelor of Laws from the University of Sydney and is a Fellow of Financial Services Institute of Australasia.

John is also a director of BMG Resources Limited (ASX: BMG).



**Dave O'NEILL, Managing Director**

Founder of American West and a major shareholder.

A geologist with over 20 years experience in the resources sector gained in Australia and internationally.

Dave has expertise in base metals and gold exploration as well as business development gained in senior roles with AngloGold, WMC, BHP and Western Areas.

He has managed remote grass roots exploration to large resource delineation and mining projects in Australia, Europe, North America and Russia. Dave has a track record of successful exploration and was a leading team member for the discovery of the Succoth (Cu), Yappsu (Ni) and Cathedrals (Ni) deposits in Western Australia.

Dave holds a BSc. (Honours in Geology) from the University of Technology, Sydney and is a Member of the Australasian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy.



**Michael ANDERSON, Non-executive Director**

Dr Michael Anderson has extensive technical experience as well as substantial business development experience built up over a 30-year career.

Michael is currently the Managing Director of Firefinch Limited (ASX: FFX) which has major gold and lithium projects in Mali, Africa. Previously, as a Director at Taurus Funds Management in Australia, he managed the fund's investment in precious and base metals projects in a number of continents.

Prior to that, Michael was the Managing Director of Exco Resources in Australia where he led the development of the White Dam Gold Mine and the advancement of resource development, feasibility studies and approvals for the Cloncurry Copper Project ahead of its sale to Xstrata.

Dr Anderson holds a BSc. (1st Class Honours in Mining Geology) and a PhD in Mining Geology, both from the Royal School of Mines, Imperial College, University of London.



# Technical Advisory Team and Management – North America



## **Robert SCHAFFER**

30+ years experience as a geologist exploring for mineral deposits across 70+ countries as an executive, manager and field geologist with BHP, Kinross and Hunter Dickinson. Led teams to the discovery of several deposits in the western USA (Briggs and Griffon gold mines).

Robert is on the Board of Directors for the Canadian Mining Hall of Fame and National Mining Hall of Fame in the USA. He is the recipient of the William Lawrence Saunders Gold Medal from the American Institute of Mining, Metallurgical and Petroleum Engineers (AIME) and the Daniel C. Jackling Award from SME for career achievements, two of the highest mining recognitions in the USA.



## **George BEE**

Senior mining executive with deep experience across 8 countries for both major and junior mining companies. Currently CEO of US Gold Inc, and prior to that, a 16-year career with Barrick with positions that included Senior VP Frontera District in Chile and Argentina to advance Pascua Lama feasibility as an underground mine, Operations Manager at Pierina Mine taking Pierina from construction to operations, General Manager of Veladero developing the project from advanced exploration through permitting, feasibility and into production, and Mine Manager at Goldstrike during early development and operations.



## **Thomas ULLRICH**

25+ years experience in mineral exploration and geoscience. Former Chief Geologist North America for Antofagasta Minerals plc for five years, investigating copper potential throughout Alaska and Canada. Currently CEO of Aston Bay Holdings Ltd. Mr. Ullrich also established the Ar-Ar geochronology lab at the University of British Columbia and is an Elected Director on the Board of the Association for Mineral Exploration BC.



## **Rocky PRAY – VP Operations**

More than 30 years of engineering and project development focused on mining projects across several jurisdictions in the USA and abroad, including 12 years with Newmont Mining where he served as Project Study Director, Project Manager, and Consulting Mine Engineer Rocky has a successful track record directing teams to safely build new mines, and expand existing mines on schedule and under budget. Rocky is a senior mining professional with expertise in pre-feasibility and feasibility studies, Federal and State permitting, environmental management mine operations, project engineering and construction.

Registered with the US Society of Mining Engineers and holds a Bachelor of Science degree (Geological Engineer) from the South Dakota School of Mines and Technology.



## **Mark PFAU – Principal Geologist**

International mining geologist with 35 years technical, management, and financial expertise. Previously Chief Geologist at Redstone Resources (Arizona), Ascendant Copper (Latin America) and New Mexico Copper Corp. More recently a consultant and generative adviser to international mining companies including South 32, Newmont, Barrick and Cyprus Minerals.

Registered Professional Geologist and Qualified Person with expertise in NI-43-101 and CIM exploration best practices. Skilled at technical resource report writing, database management, PEA, and feasibility studies.





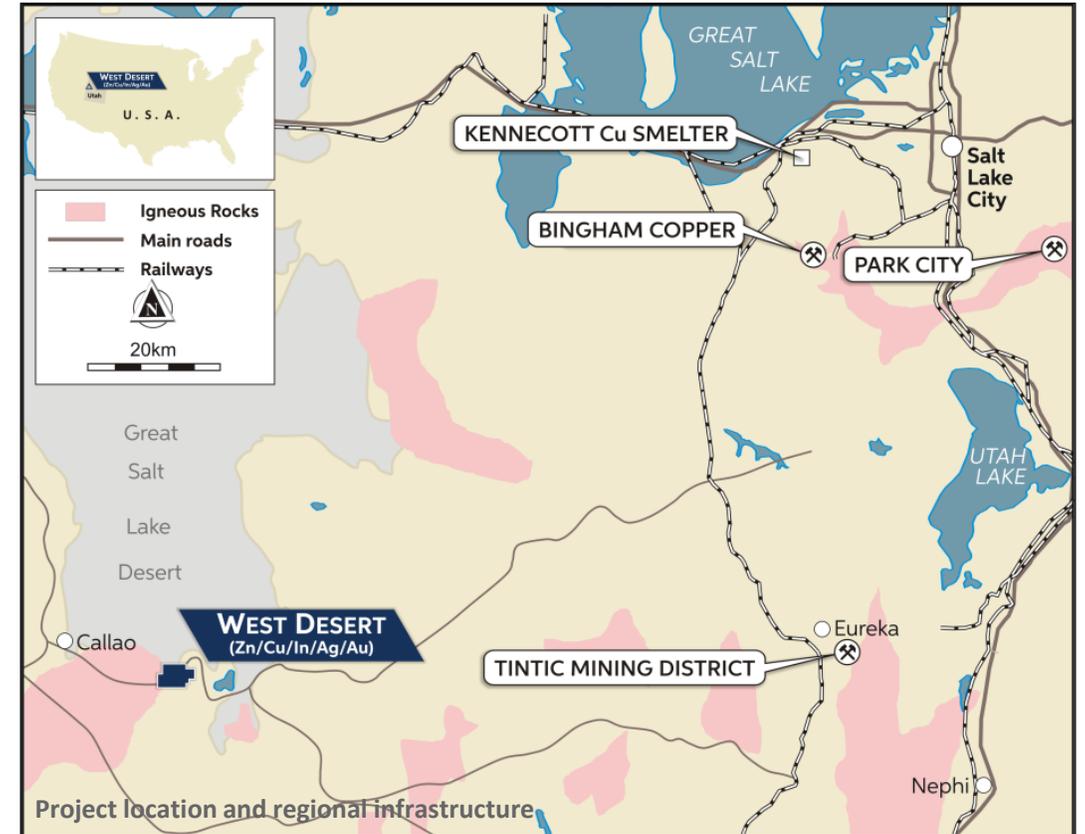
# West Desert Project

## Utah, USA

# West Desert Project – Overview

- **West Desert Deposit** is a large zinc-polymetallic skarn and carbonate replacement deposit (CRD)
- Over **59Mt** Indicated and Inferred Resources with a higher grade core of **16.5Mt @ 6.3% Zn, 0.3% Cu, 33g/t In** for 1.03Mt Zn, 45Kt Cu and 545t Indium (*NI 43-101, historical and foreign resource*)

- **Regional Scale Mineral System** – underexplored and open mineral system located within the world class and highly prolific Sevier Orogenic Belt (includes the Bingham Copper Deposit)
- **Outstanding Exploration Potential** – thick, high-grade **zinc, copper, gold, silver and molybdenum** intersections outside the existing resource
- **Located on private land** – Asset is 100% owned by American West on completion of IPO
- **Immediate Catalysts** – Exploration and scoping study to be launched on completion of IPO



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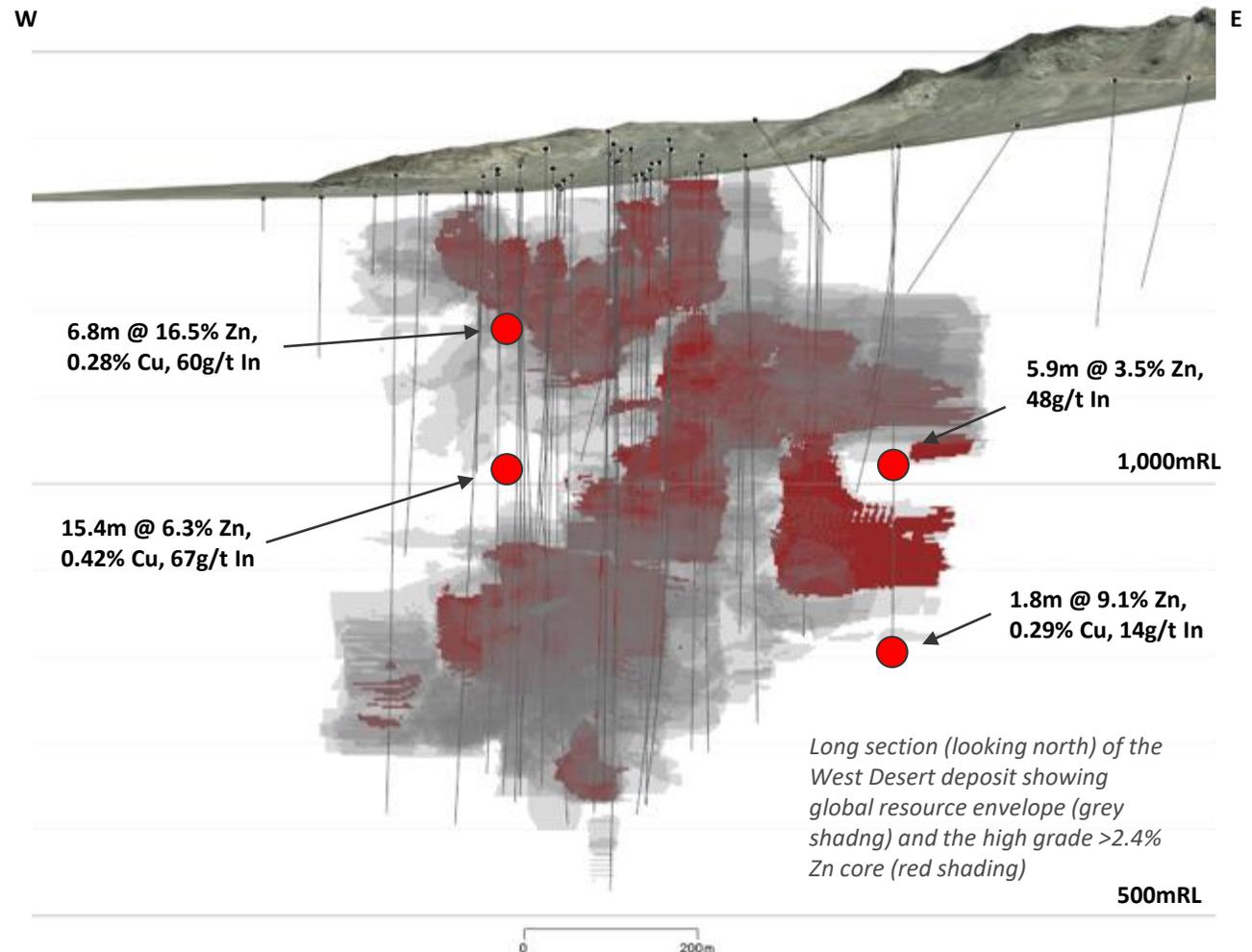
# Existing Resources with Outstanding Growth Potential

## Robust existing resource base:

- Prior work shows excellent metallurgical recoveries and clean concentrates
- Confirmed continuity of **higher grade core** – to support high grade development scenario
- High-grade mineralisation supports a lower footprint, sustainable development strategy
- Potential to include open-pitabile oxide resources to current underground development plan

## Outstanding potential for further resource expansion:

- Silver, lead, molybdenum and gold not estimated in historical resource
- Deposit open along strike and at depth - high-grade zones intersected in 2018 outside of the resource envelope
- **Indium** assayed in only 35% of resource drilling samples



# Indium – West Desert X Factor

## Identified as a critical metal by USA:

- Indium is found in unusually high levels in sphalerite at West Desert
- Widely used in the electronics and semiconductor industries – supporting decarbonization technology
- Recently classified as critical to the economic and national security of the USA
- USA is a 100% net importer of indium - **American West has the opportunity to become the first producer of Indium in the USA**
- West Desert is the **largest known undeveloped indium resource globally**



Company	Project	Country	Total Resource	Indium Resource
Tinka (TSXV: TK)	Ayawilca	Peru	71.2 Mt	<b>3,986 t</b>
Corp. Minera de Bolivia	Malku Khota	Bolivia	485 Mt	<b>2,416 t</b>
American West	West Desert	USA	59.0 Mt	<b>1,604 t*</b>
Private	Silver Range	Canada	39.8 Mt	<b>397 t</b>

Source: S&P Global, Terra Studio.

\*Only 35% of American West's indium resource sampled

*Note: Under the West Desert Option Agreement, InZinc will be granted a 50% mineral production royalty based on revenue received by West Desert Metals from the sale of the indium mined from the Mining Claims (Royalty); and American West will have the option to buy-back half of the Royalty for USD\$5,000,000 before the first sale of indium mined from the Mining Claims*



# Multiple High-Grade Zones Requiring Follow-Up

## Growth in Copper:

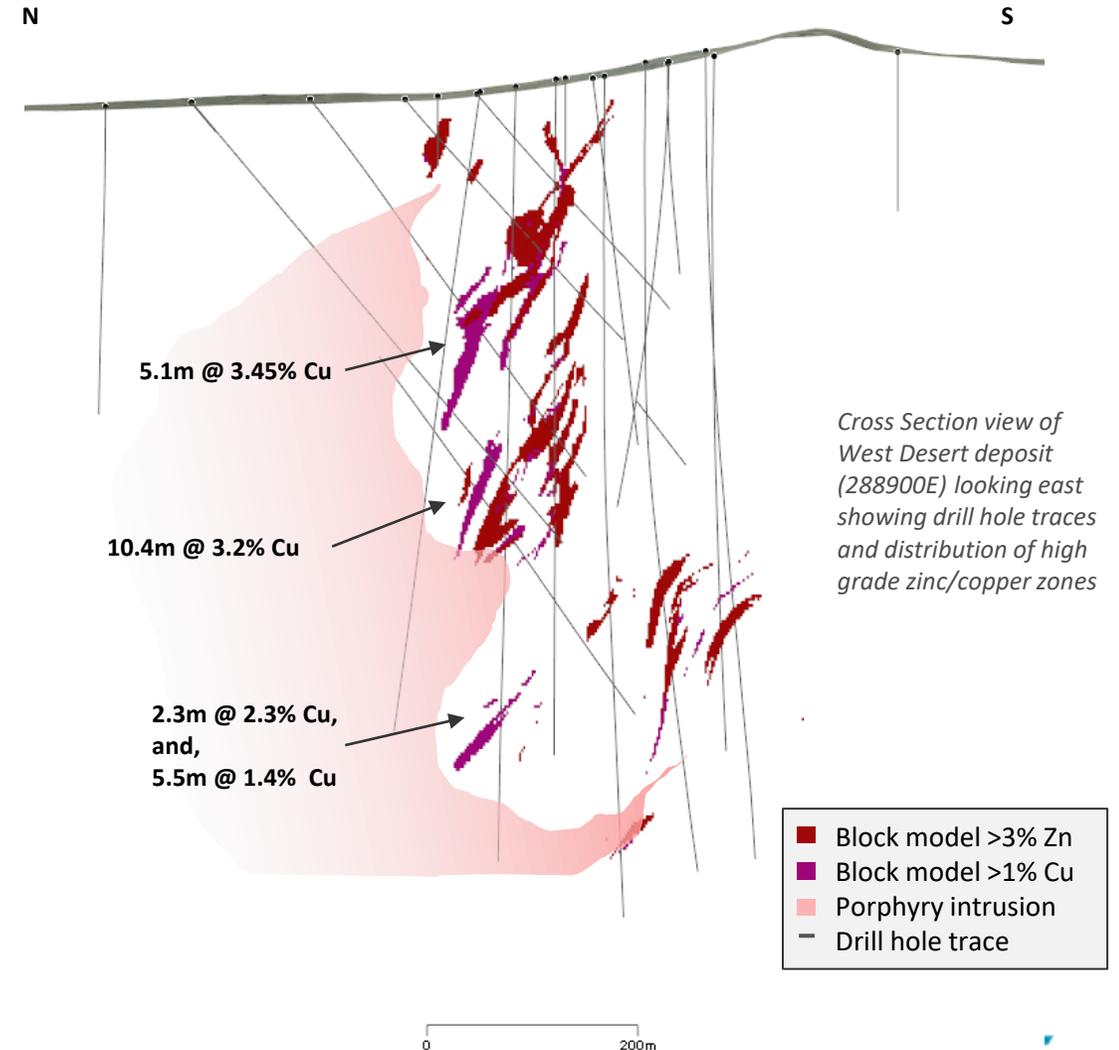
- Numerous high-grade copper lenses not included in high grade zinc resource, including;
  - **5.1m @ 3.45% Cu** from 262.2m (CC-9)
  - **10.4m @ 3.2% Cu** from 469.4m (CC-39)

## Growth in Silver:

- Widespread thick high-grade intersections at West Desert, including;
  - **45.8m @ 124g/t Ag** from 172.9m (C08-11)

## Growth by Discovery:

- **Bingham Canyon and Tintic** intrusive style rocks intersected in drilling
- Further **CRD mineralisation** intersected ~1km east of the West Desert Deposit, including **3m @3.5% Cu, 7.65% Zn** (CC-43)
- Geophysics underway, advanced target pipeline and infrastructure in place – Drilling to commence in November 2021



# Compelling Valuation Versus Peers: West Desert Has Scale and Grade



Company	Adriatic Metals (ASX:ADT)	VentureX Resources (ASX:VXR)	New World Resources (ASX:NWC)	Eagle Mountain Mining (ASX:EM2)	American West Mining (ASX:AW1)
<b>Enterprise Valuation (A\$m)</b>	\$637m	\$402m	\$95m	\$176m	~\$19.9m
<b>Project</b>	Rupice (100%)	Sulphur Springs (100%)	Antler (100%)	Oracle Ridge (80%)	West Desert (100%)
<b>Resource</b>	12Mt @ 4.1% Zn, 0.5% Cu, 2.6% Pb & 149g/t Ag	13.8Mt @ 3.8% Zn, 1.5% Cu & 17g/t Ag	4.7Mt @ 1.95% Cu, 4.13% Zn, 0.94% Pb & 35.9g/t Ag	12.2Mt at 1.51% Cu	16.5Mt @ 6.3% Zn, 0.3% Cu & 33g/t In
<b>Classification</b>	JORC	JORC	JORC	JORC	NI 43-101
<b>Development Stage</b>	DFS	PFS	Resource	Resource	Resource
<b>Location</b>	Bosnia and Herzegovina	Western Australia	USA	USA	USA
<b>Detail</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Hydrothermal mineral system with polymetallic deposit in Bosnia</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>VMS style Cu-Zn deposit in Pilbara, WA</li> <li>Major investments in 2021 by Bill Beament and Mineral Resources (ASX: MRL)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Strata bound copper-zinc VMS deposit in Arizona</li> <li>Drilling underway to upgrade the historical resource</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Skarn-hosted copper in Arizona</li> <li>Resource extension drilling underway</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Porphyry related, zinc-polymetallic skarn and CRD in Utah</li> <li>Global resource of 59Mt with higher grade core</li> <li>Open resource with potential to upgrade</li> </ul>

Note: Enterprise Value for peers based on ASX closing share price on 15 September 2021. Enterprise Value for American West is on a pre-money basis





**Storm Copper Project  
and Seal Zinc Deposit  
Nunavut, Canada**

# Nunavut – Strong history of mining

## American West as project operator:

- Option agreement signed by American West to earn an **80% project interest** for Storm and Seal from Aston Bay Holdings Ltd (TSX-V: BAY)
- American West to manage exploration

## Highly accessible location with turnkey exploration:

- Located on coast of Aston Bay – deep water sea route to market, close to Resolute Bay regional logistics hub
- Underexplored lower Arctic Circle with numerous mining and exploration projects
- Deep local community support involvement with project

## Major mining company interest:

- Mining is the largest private sector contributor to the local economy
- Previous JV's with Antofagasta (2014/15) and BHP (2016/18)



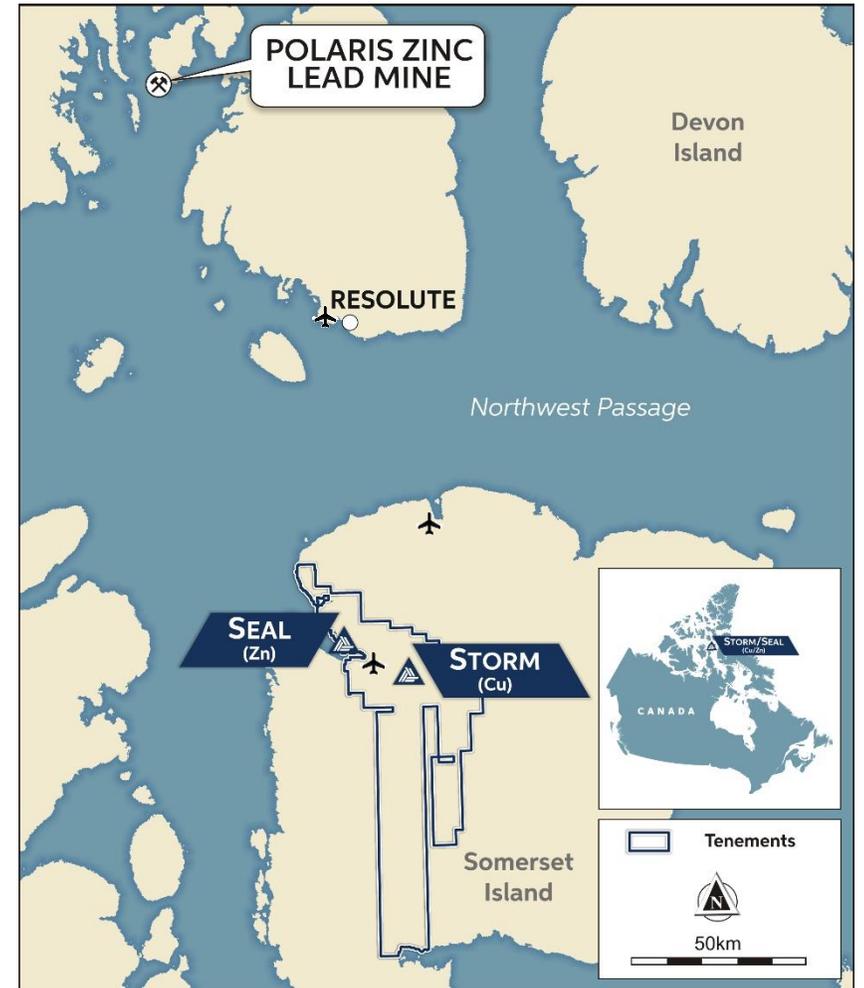
**Major northern mining projects :** Polaris (produced 21Mt zinc-lead ore from 1982 to 2002; Teck); Nanisivik (17.9Mt @ 9% Zn produced from 1976 to 2002); Bornite (copper project in 50/50 JV of Trilogy/South 32); Red Dog (world's largest zinc deposit producing 500,000t zinc p.a. – owned by Teck); Pogo (gold deposit of Northern Star with +6M oz Au); Meadowbank (+6M oz Au currently in operation; Agnico Eagle).



# Storm and Seal Projects – Overview

- **Storm Copper Project** is a high-grade sediment hosted copper discovery awaiting resource drill-out
- **Seal Zinc Deposit** – Stratabound zinc deposit adjacent to Storm copper
- Existing resources of **1Mt @ 10.24% Zn, 46.5g/t Ag** for 103kt Zn, 1.5Moz Ag (NI 43-101, historical and foreign)
- **120km mineralized trend** – dominant regional project with extensive 4,145 km<sup>2</sup> land package and two distinct styles of high-grade mineralization
- **Highly accessible location with turn key exploration** – Experienced in-country exploration and logistics team ready to execute
- **All permitting in place; drill ready** - 35-man exploration camp and 2 drill rigs currently on site

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Above: Project claim boundary and locations and regional infrastructure



# Storm – High-Grade Copper Discovery

## High-grade copper discovery:

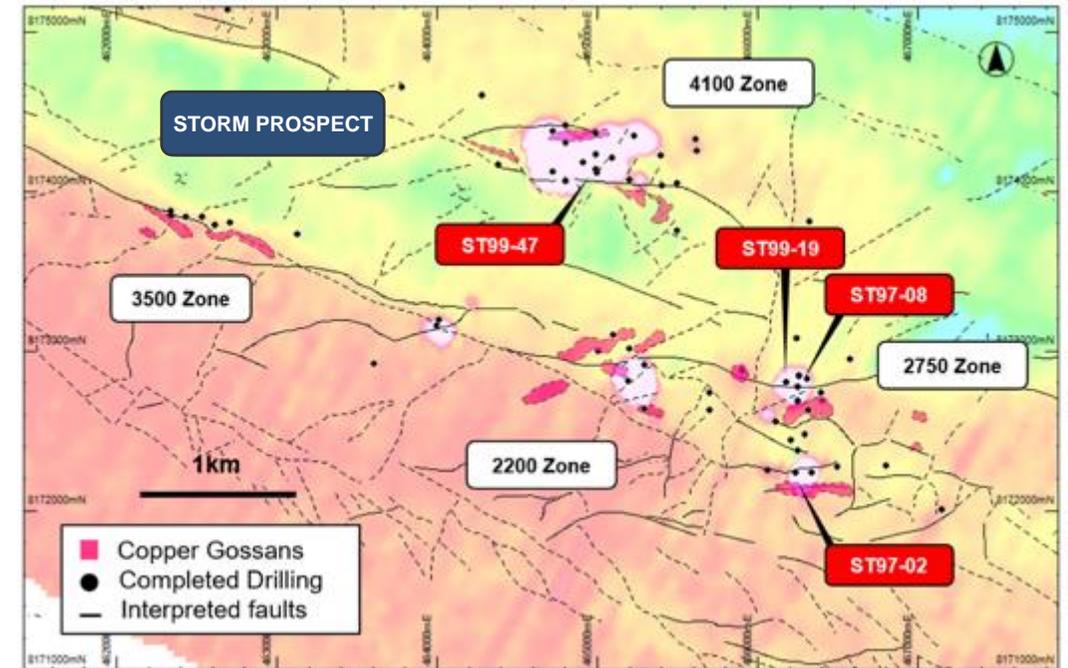
- Multiple thick, high-grade copper zones identified across 15km<sup>2</sup> with intersections that include:
  - **19m @ 3.41% Cu from surface (ST97-02)**
  - **110m @ 2.45% Cu from surface (ST97-08)**
  - **56.3m @ 3.07% Cu from 12.2m (ST99-19)**
  - **15m @ 3.88% Cu from 72.4m (ST99-47)**

## Underexplored system:

- Structurally hosted high-grade system potentially sourced from larger copper system at depth
- Numerous surface gossans remain untested
- Clear geophysical response of mineralization in electromagnetics and gravity

## Well positioned to add immediate value:

- Extensions to high grade zones and untested geophysical targets ready for drilling
- Critical mass of existing mineralisation for resource definition
- Mineralisation intersected to date is highly amenable to conventional ore sorting techniques



**Above:** Plan view map of part of the Storm area over VTEM CH30 image and structure.

**Left** Typical high-grade chalcocite (gunmetal grey) hosted within dolomite (light grey) - Storm Project, Nunavut



# Seal – High-Grade Zinc Deposit

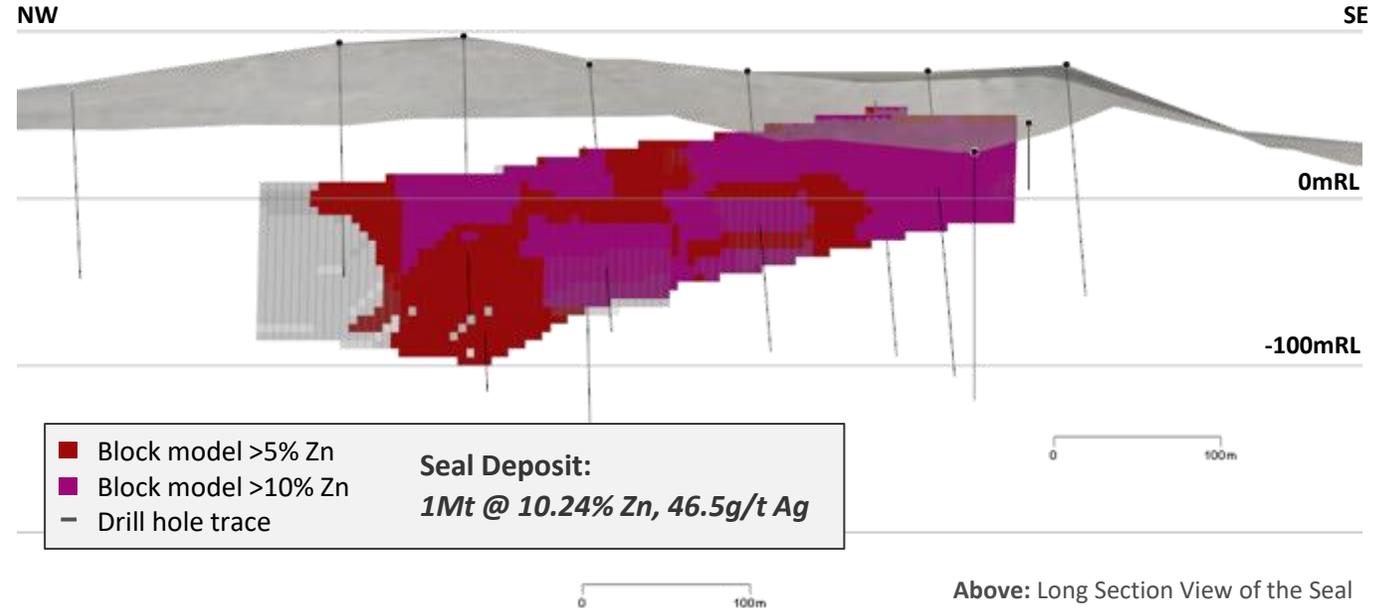
## High-grade zinc discovery with maiden resource:

- True width intersections include:
  - 14.4m @ 10.58% Zn, 28.7g/t Ag from 51.8m
  - 16m @ 6.62% Zn, 27.1g/t Ag from 76.6m
  - 22.3m @ 23% Zn, 5.1g/t Ag from 101.5m
  - 2.4m @ 15.13% Zn, 91.9g/t Ag from 133.5m

## Strong potential for more discoveries:

- Mineralised trend interpreted to continue along strike and down dip of current deposit - **OPEN**
- Seal is confirmed as being related to the **Polaris Zn-Pb deposit** mineralisation event
- Widespread Zn soil anomalies associated with prospective stratigraphy provide drill ready targets

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**Above:** Long Section View of the Seal Zn-Ag Deposit, Nunavut





# Copper Warrior Project Utah, USA

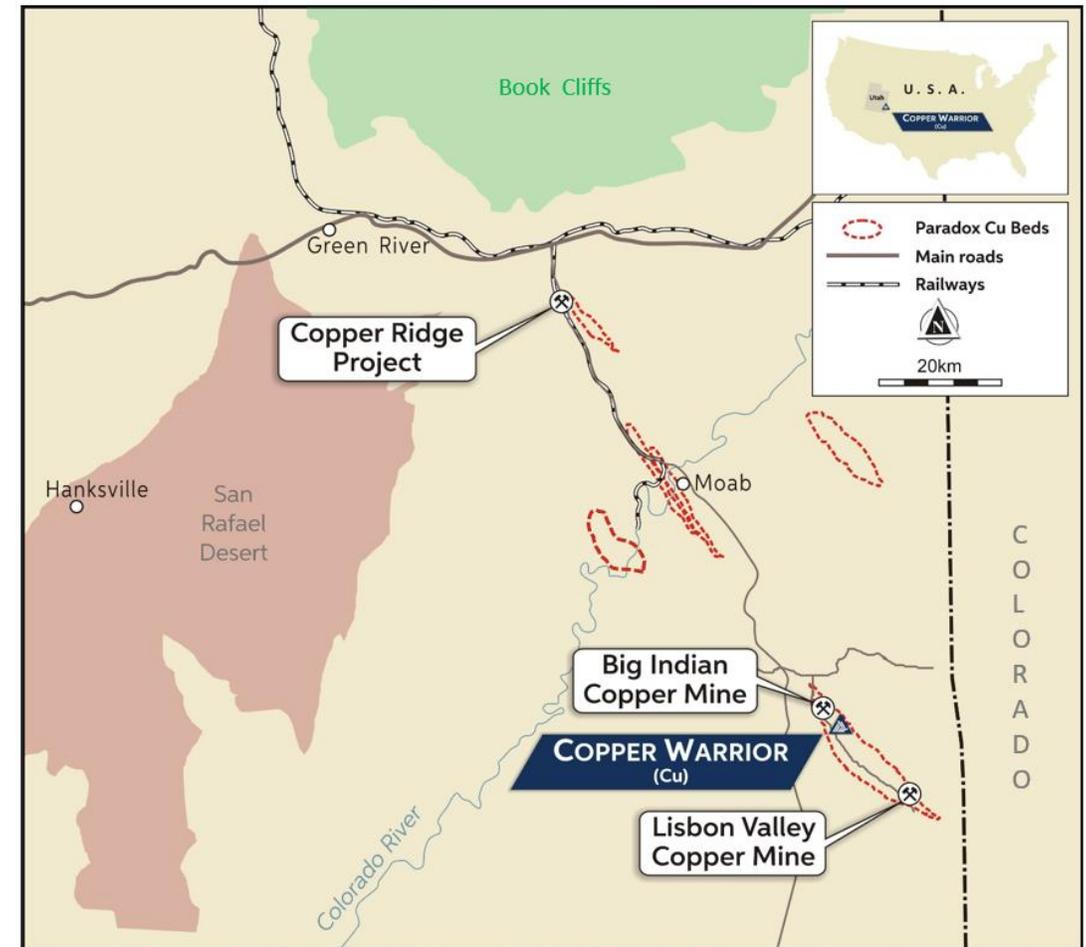
# Copper Warrior Project - Overview

## American West as project operator:

- Option agreement signed by American West to acquire **100%** of Copper Warrior from Bronco Creek Exploration, a subsidiary of EMX Royalty Corp (TSX-V: EMX)
- American West to manage exploration during 3 year option period

## Strategic address in copper heartland:

- Copper Warrior is located in the Paradox Basin, SE Utah
- Region has world class endowment of copper, vanadium, potash and uranium
- Project covers an area of 14 km<sup>2</sup> (173 claims)
- Located 15km from Utah's 2<sup>nd</sup> largest copper mine - **Lisbon Valley Copper Mine (37Mt @ 0.46% Cu)**
- Direct road access to mine infrastructure and processing plant
- Strong focus on copper exploration in region



Above: Project location and regional infrastructure



# Compelling Geology and Setting

## Compelling Geology:

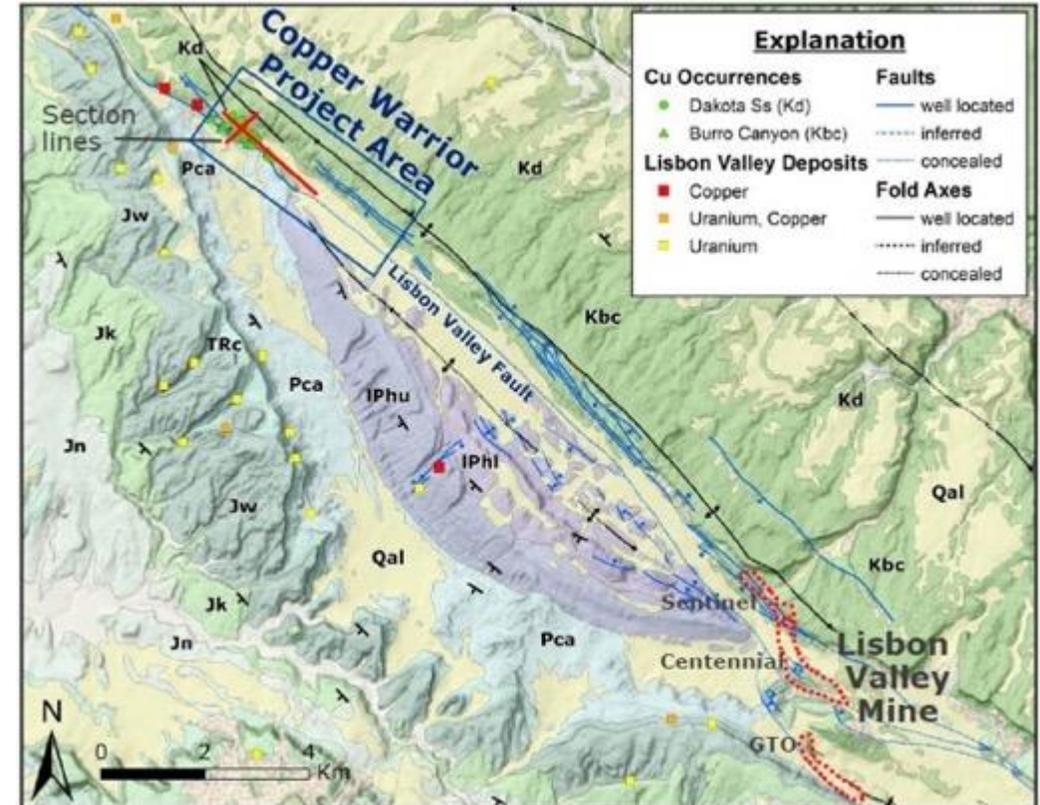
- Well-understood sediment hosted mineralisation
- Copper Warrior lies along the Lisbon Valley fault, the main copper mineralising structure of the region
- Lisbon Valley Mine host stratigraphy mapped within Copper Warrior claims

## Confirmed Prospectivity:

- Limited drilling in adjacent properties has confirmed copper mineralisation at shallow depths (Noranda intersected 4.6m @ 0.68% Cu and 3.7m @ 1.53% Cu)
- Historical Big Indian Copper mine located 1km from project claims

## Established Development Pathway:

- Oxide and sulphide mineralisation of Lisbon Valley copper is typically amenable to simple and low-cost leach processing



Above: Geological setting of the Copper Warrior Project and Lisbon Valley Copper Mine (located 20km to the south-east). Lisbon Valley Copper Mine is a low-cost heap leach operation and has surplus production capacity and is seeking toll ore in the region.



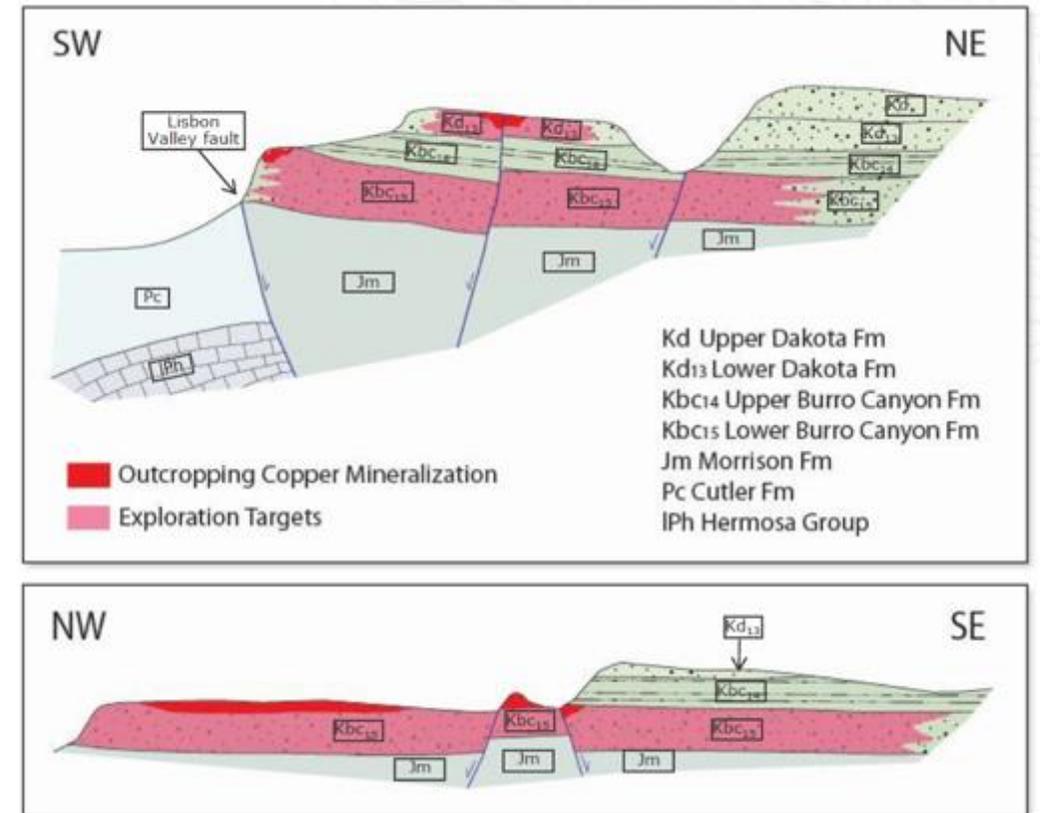
# Low Cost and Drill Ready Exploration

## Extensive occurrences of copper mineralisation:

- Large volumes of outcropping copper across the landholding
- Disseminated and vein style copper oxide and sulphides mapped

## Simple exploration model:

- Low cost, low risk and fast tracked exploration opportunity
- IP surveys and drilling planned for Spring 2022



**Above:** Schematic cross sections within the Copper Warrior area showing current copper outcrops and target areas





# IPO Investment Opportunity

# Value Drivers for American West

## Pipeline of Multiple Value Accretive Events



# Sources and Uses of Funds

Funds available	Minimum Subscription (\$)	(%)	Maximum Subscription (\$)
Existing cash reserves	514,000	1	514,000
Funds raised from the IPO Offer	11,000,000	96	15,000,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>11,514,000</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>15,514,000</b>

Allocation of funds	Minimum Subscription (\$)	(%)	Maximum Subscription (\$)	(%)
Acquisition of West Desert Project	2,794,050	24	2,794,050	17
Exploration of West Desert Project	5,725,00	50	8,100,000	52
Storm Copper Project	600,000	5	1,250,000	9
Seal Zinc Project	150,000	1	500,000	3
Copper Warrior Project	163,364	2	438,364	3
Administration costs	580,200	5	695,200	4
Expenses of the Offer	1,069,897	9	1,314,289	8
Working capital	431,489	4	422,097	3
<b>Total</b>	<b>11,514,000</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>15,514,000</b>	<b>100</b>

## Use of Funds

- American West's key focus following the IPO will be exploration at the 100% owned West Desert Project, with infill and exploration drilling programs as the Company builds towards a maiden JORC Resource and Scoping Study
- Additional funds to be applied to exploring thick, high-grade copper zones at Storm and Seal and initiating key geophysics at Copper Warrior
- American West intends to progress multiple exploration programs across its project portfolio to provide shareholders with exposure to each asset, and remains flexible to pivoting focus to individual projects as additional drilling and geophysical data becomes available



# IPO Overview

The Company intends to raise a minimum of AUD11,000,000 in capital by issuing 55,000,000 shares at AUD0.20 per share, with capacity to raise an additional AUD4,000,000 through the issue of a further 20,000,000 shares at AUD0.20 per share.

The likely capital structure of the Company following the proposed IPO set out below. The code **AW1** has been reserved at the ASX.

	Minimum Subscription	Maximum Subscription
Shares currently on issue	85,000,000	85,000,000
Shares to be issued pursuant to the IPO	55,000,000	75,000,000
Shares to be issued to West Desert Project vendors	13,385,000	13,385,000
Shares to be issued to adviser	1,300,000	1,300,000
Total Shares on completion of IPO	154,685,000	174,685,000

Indicative Timetable	Expected Date
Prospectus Lodgement	29 October 2021
Offer Opens	8 November 2021
Offer Closes	19 November 2021
Completion of West Desert Acquisition	26 November 2021
Issue of Shares	26 November 2021
Expected Dispatch of Holding Statements	26 November 2021
Expected Listing Date	7 December 2021

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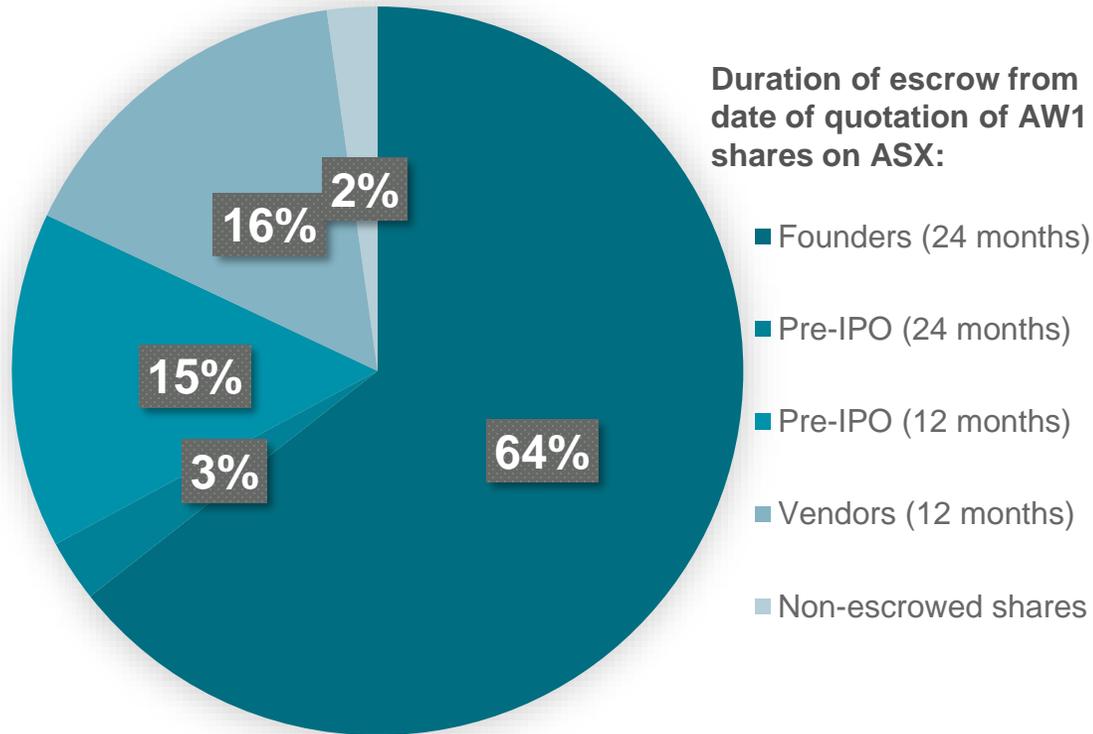
1. Shares to be issued at an issue price of \$0.20 per share to raise \$11,000,000 at the Minimum Subscription and \$15,000,000 at the Maximum Subscription.
2. The Company has agreed to issue 13,385,000 Shares to the West Desert Vendors under the West Desert Option Agreement.
3. The Company has agreed to issue Robert Schafer (an adviser to the Company in relation to the acquisition of the West Desert Project) 1,300,000 Shares as a success fee in relation to the West Desert Project acquisition



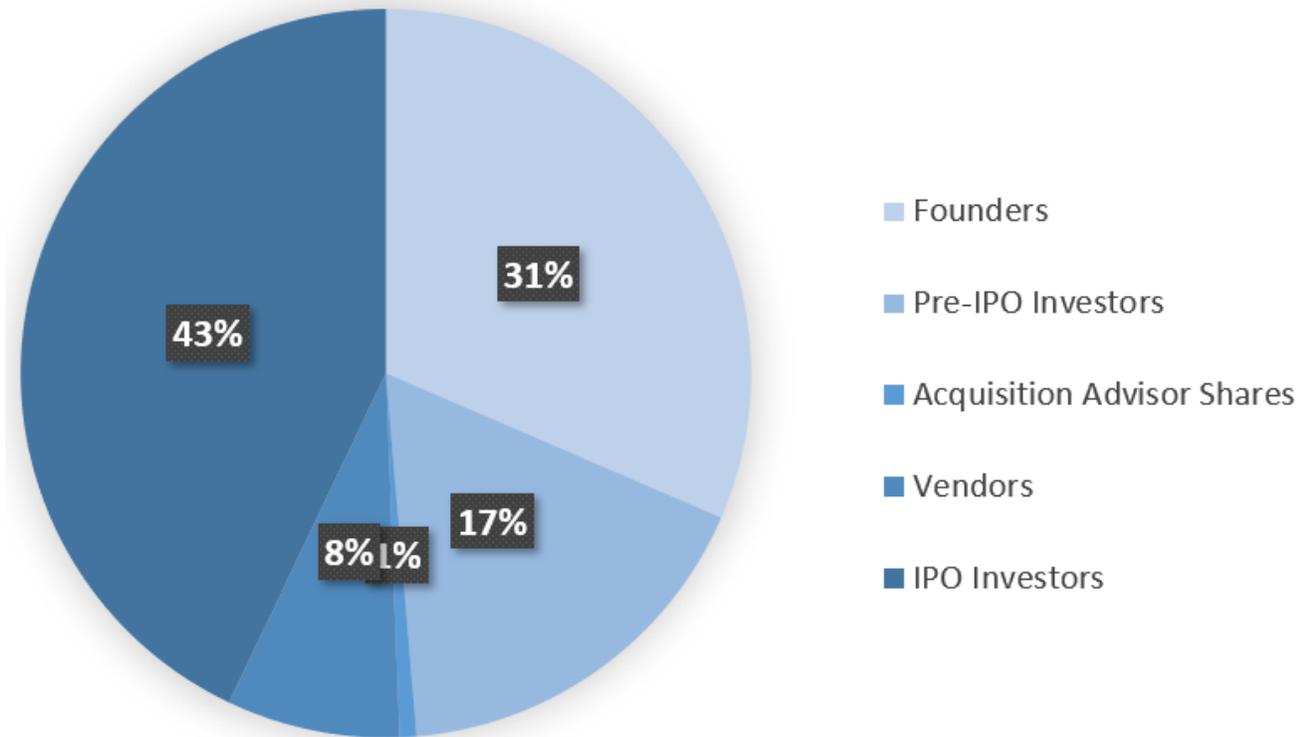
# Pro-forma Ownership and Escrow Arrangements

At listing, c.85% of the pre-existing shares on issue will be escrowed for a minimum 12 and up to 24 months, providing a clear market for IPO investors

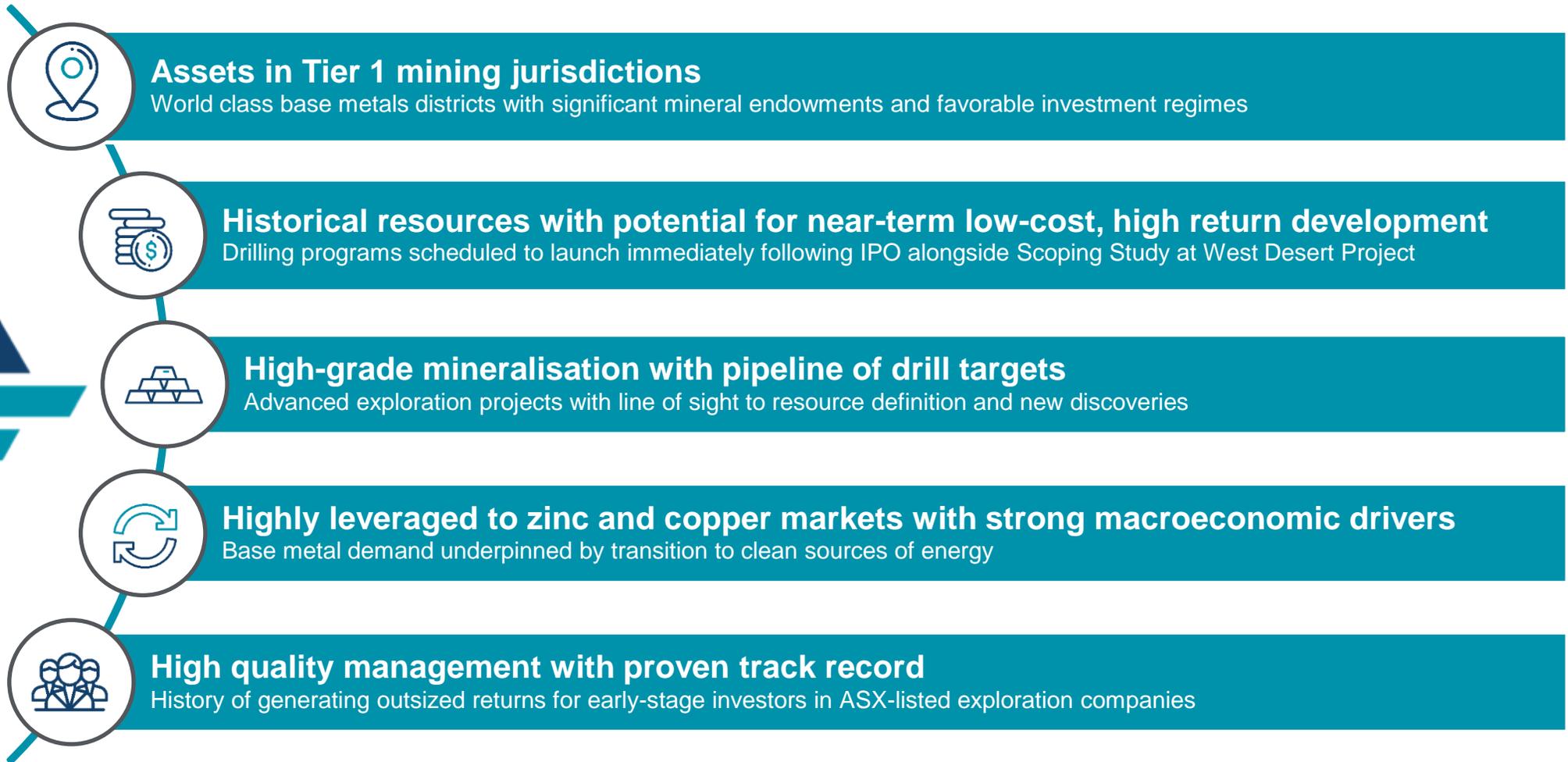
### Escrow Arrangements



### Pro-forma Ownership (Max Subscription)



# Investment Highlights





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# High Value Assets on Favourable Terms

## WEST DESERT

### Low-cost resource acquisition:

- Large existing resource drilled to PEA N1-43-101 standard (cost today of historical drilling to delineate this resource is circa. USD50m)
- Acquisition cost compares favourably to PCF's 5-year average resource acquisition cost of USD0.006 per lb Zn Eq.:
  - ✓ we pay USD0.0007 per lb Zn Eq. based on the PEA resource

### Logistics in place:

- Camp and infrastructure: core yard, accommodation, water bores, sheds, equipment – circa. USD5m saving

Source: PCF Capital Group Resources Thermometer

## STORM/ASTON BAY

### Sunk expenditure by majors:

- Significant exploration expenditure by prior explorers has advanced the geological knowledge of the area and de-risked the projects
- High-quality exploration database available to American West

### Logistics in place:

- 35-man exploration camp and 2 drill rigs on site – minimal capital costs to commence drilling

### Favourable JV terms:

- Compared to BHP which had the right to earn a 75% interest by expending USD40,000,000 over 9 years

## COPPER WARRIOR

### Low cost earn-in:

- USD500,000 project expenditure over 3 years to earn 100% interest

### Simple exploration:

- Well understood geology allows for significant results to be delivered by relatively low expenditure
- Potential to fast-track resource definition

### Route to market:

- 15km trucking distance to Lisbon Valley copper mine for processing



# Staged Acquisitions

## WEST DESERT

- Option agreement signed in April 2021 with InZinc Mining Ltd (TSX-V: IZN) to acquire 100% of West Desert under a 2-year option
- **Upfront Payment – USD500,000** cash paid to InZinc on 1 June 2021
- **Second Instalment – USD125,000** cash paid on 24 September 2021
- **Final Instalment – CAD1,000,000** cash and **USD1,225,000** cash will be paid on IPO
- **Equity – CAD2,500,000** payable by way of ordinary shares in American West issued at IPO price
- **Indium – 50%** of revenue from Indium sales (on NSR basis) payable to InZinc
- **Osisko Royalties – 1.5%** NSR and **CAD1,000,000** cash on development payable to Osisko Gold Royalties Ltd (TSX: OS)

## STORM/SEAL

- Option agreement signed in March 2021 with Aston Bay Holdings Ltd (TSX-V: BAY) to acquire an 80% project interest
- **Upfront Payment – CAD500,000** cash paid to Aston Bay Holdings on 4 May 2021
- **First Stage – CAD2,000,000** project expenditure in first two years after signing Option
- **Second Stage – CAD8,000,000** additional project expenditure over next 5 years
- **JV – 80/20** joint venture formed once project expenditures are met with pro rata contributions required thereafter
- **NSR – 2%** NSR to Aston Bay Holdings with right to buy-back 50% for CAD5,000,000

## COPPER WARRIOR

- Option agreement signed in April 2021 with Bronco Creek Exploration Inc (a subsidiary of EMX Royalty Corp – TSX-V: EMX) to acquire 100% of Copper Warrior
- **Upfront Payment – USD50,000** cash paid to Bronco Creek on 20 April 2021
- **Expenditure – USD500,000** project expenditure over 3 years from signing Option
- **Option Exercise – CAD500,000** payable by way of ordinary shares in American West issued at market price
- **AAR – advance annual royalty** until commercial production: annual USD5,000 cash in each of first 3 years, annual USD10,000 thereafter with USD5,000 escalation per year
- **NSR – 2%** NSR to Bronco Creek upon commercial production



# Historical Resources

## West Desert Historical Resource:

NI-43-101 & 43-101F1 Technical Report with effective date of 17 March 2017 prepared by Mine Development Associates and titled: ***“Technical Report on the West Desert Zinc-Copper-Indium-Magnetite Project Preliminary Economic Assessment, Juab County, Utah”***

Resource estimate: **59Mt @ 5.78% Zn Eq. for 1Mt Zn, 131Kt Cu, 1,534t Indium and 28Mt Iron**

## Seal Zinc Historical Resource:

NI-43-101 & 43-101F1 Technical Report with effective date of 6 October 2018 prepared by P&E Mining Consultants Inc. and titled: ***“Initial Mineral Resource Estimate and Technical Report for the Seal Zinc Deposit, Aston Bay Property, Somerset Island, Nunavut for Aston Bay Holdings Ltd”***

Resource estimate: **1Mt @ 10.24% Zn, 46.5g/t Ag for 103kt Zn, 1.5Moz Ag**

A full copy of the Technical Reports can be viewed on the American West website at: [www.americanwestmetals.com](http://www.americanwestmetals.com)

*Cautionary Statement: The estimates of minerals resources referred to in this Presentation in regard to the West Desert Project and the Seal Zinc Project are historical and foreign in nature and are reported in accordance with Canadian NI 43-101 Standards and not in accordance with the 2012 JORC Code. A competent person has not done sufficient work to classify these estimates as mineral resources or ore reserves in accordance with the 2012 JORC Code. It is uncertain that following evaluation and/or further exploration work that the historical and foreign resource estimates of mineralisation will be able to be reported as mineral resources or ore reserves in accordance with the 2012 JORC Code.*





# Sustainability

# Low Footprint Development Strategy



- Geometry and continuity of high-grade mineralisation at West Desert may support a smaller, lower footprint mining operation
- Opportunity to start mining with low capex, high-grade focused underground development
- Retains flexibility for staged and responsible expansion
- New processing technologies being evaluated



# Zinc and Copper: Ingredients of the Clean Energy Transition

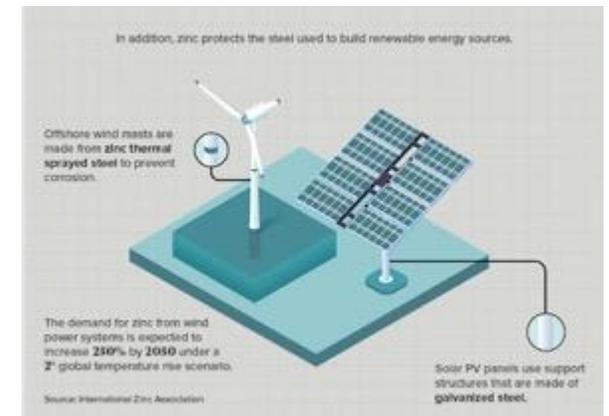
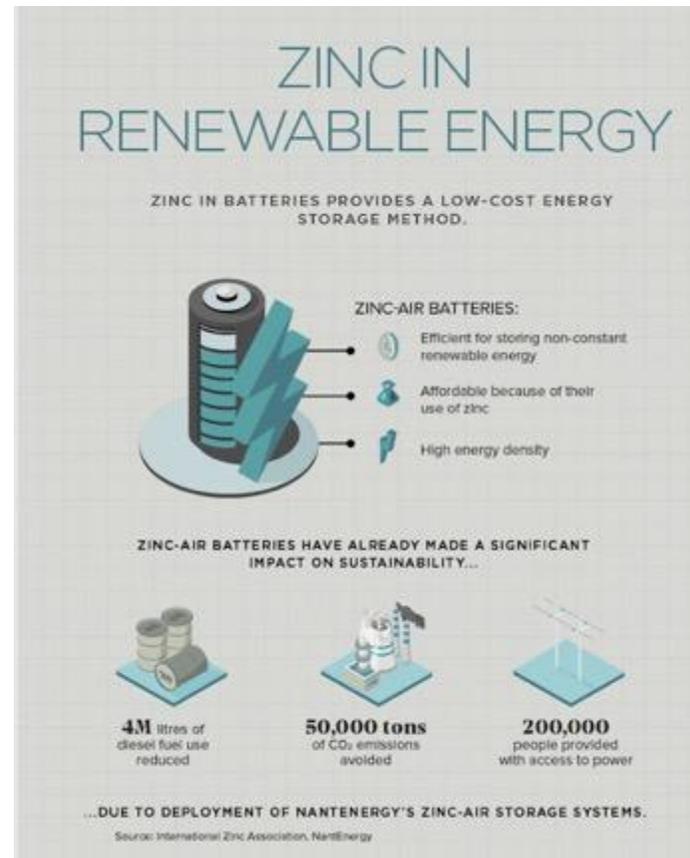
## Zinc – low cost energy storage

- Zinc-air battery technology becoming a viable alternative to lithium and cobalt
- Rising prices of lithium and cobalt creating opportunities for more viable battery metals such as Zinc

**Critical ingredient in solar PV panels and wind power systems** – protects steel from corrosion

**100% recyclable** - positive contributor of the circular economy

**As the world transitions to a sustainable future, zinc will continue playing a critical role** in strengthening, improving and sustaining modern life



Source: Visual Capitalist



# Zinc and Copper: Ingredients of the Clean Energy Transition

## Global electric vehicle market penetration forecast to be as high as 50% by 2030

- India announced a target of 100% EV by 2030 under a self-financed scheme to rapidly address pollution issues
- USA recently set 50% EV sales target by 2030 - half of all new vehicles sold by 2030 to be electric powered

## Copper is essential to electric vehicle technology

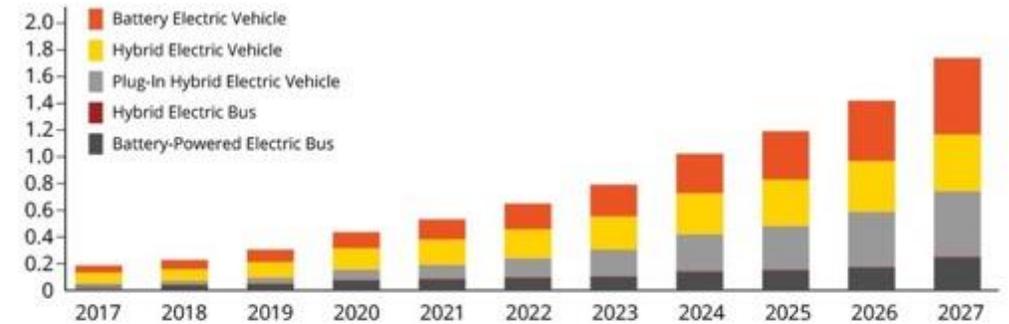
- Copper is used throughout electric vehicles, charging stations and supporting infrastructure because of the metal's durability, high conductivity and efficiency

## A key commodity in a tightening market

- Diminishing supply – low discovery rates and declining mining grades

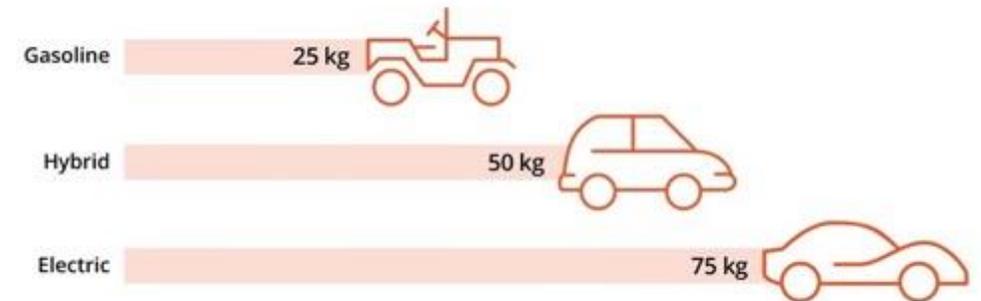
## Electric Vehicles Expected to Drive Copper Demand

Millions of Tonnes



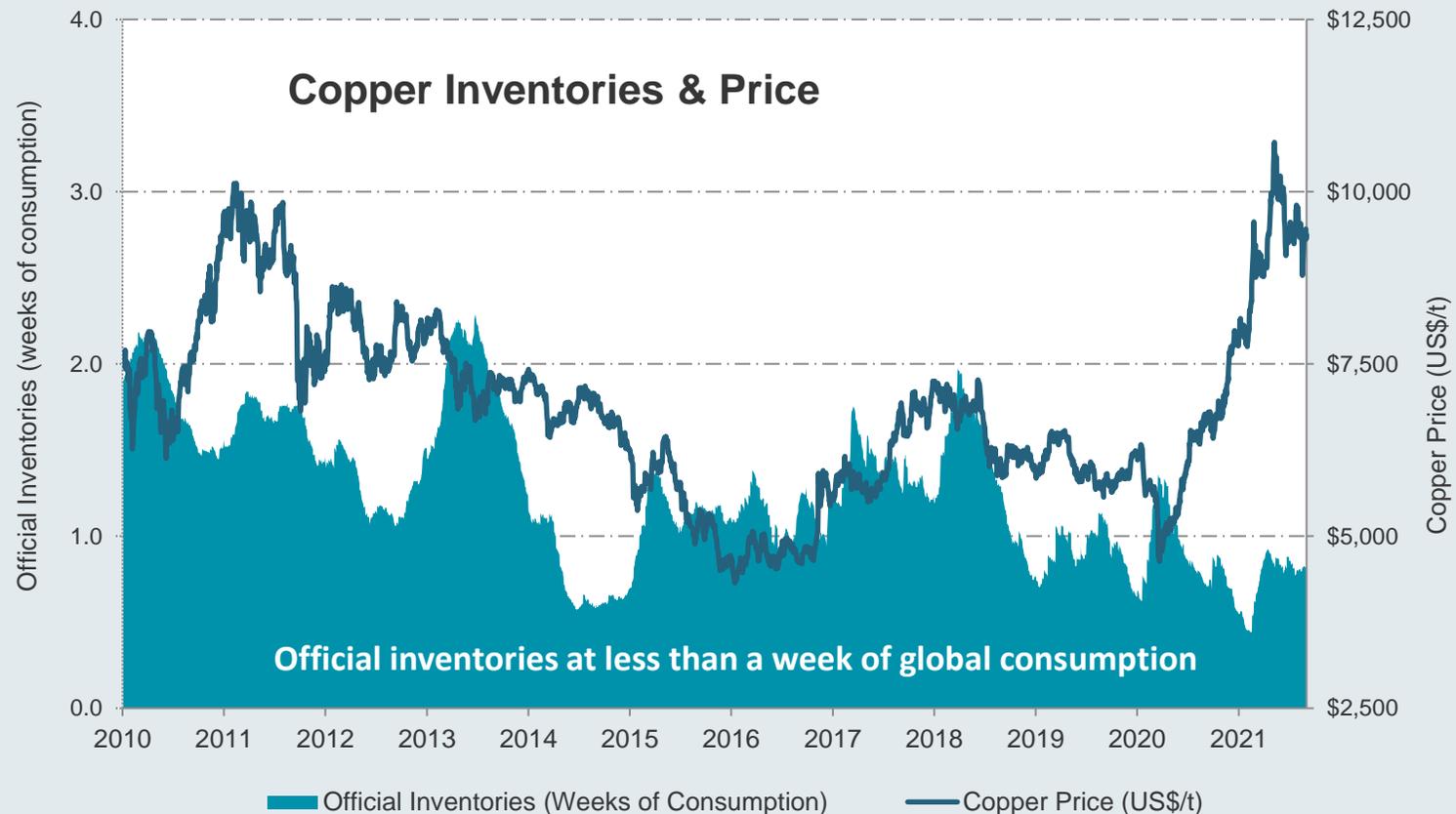
Source: International Copper Association

## New vehicles require more copper wiring



Source: U.S. Global Investors

# Copper Market Outlook



Source: Comex, LME, ShFE, Terra Studio

**In April 2021, Goldman Sachs expected copper price to break all-time high, it did in May 2021**

➤ 12-month forecast lifted to US\$11,000/t with price to continue rising to \$15,000/t by 2025.

**S&P Global Market Intelligence forecasts copper prices to be in the range US\$8,450/t to US\$9,230/t over the 2021-2025 period**



# Zinc Market Outlook

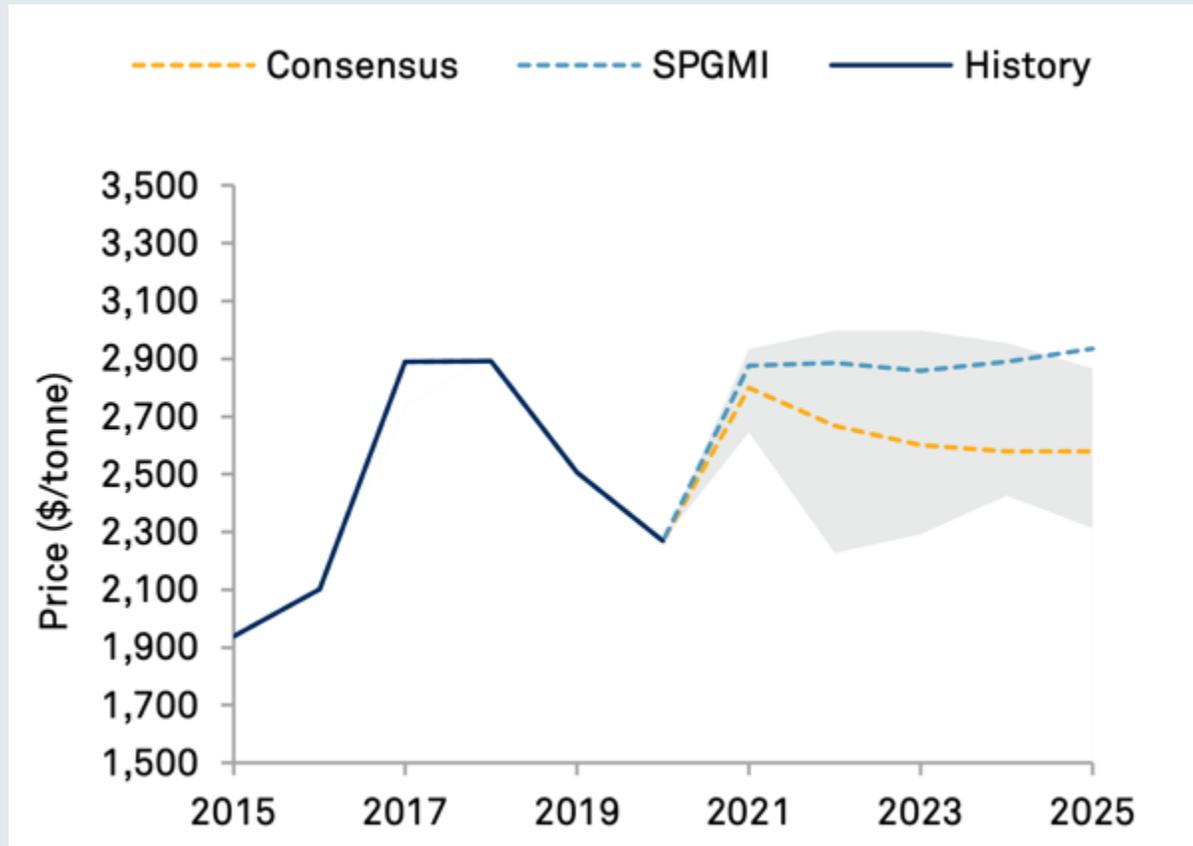
## Consensus forecasts point to zinc price recovery

Annual demand for zinc is forecast to increase from 13.9Mt in 2019 to 28.9Mt in 2050.

*Glencore, December 2020 Investor Update*

### S&P Global Market Intelligence, August 2021:

- Teck settles Treatment Charges at \$159/t vs \$300/t in 2020 for its Red Dog mine with Glencore and Korea Zinc.
- Chinese Treatment Charges are at \$87.5/t for imported concentrate vs \$300/t a year earlier
- Dramatic fall in treatment charges indicates a scramble for zinc concentrates as demand rises and concentrate supply tightens.



Source: S&P Global , data as of 17<sup>th</sup> August 2021



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