NORTHERN GOLD N.L. EL 4736

Partial Relinquishment Report

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PARTIAL RELINQUISHMENT EL 4736

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1.0 Summary

EL 4736 is located about 45 kilometers southeast of Adelaide River and surrounds the Cosmopolitan Howley Gold Mine.

Northern Gold commenced hard rock exploration in the EL in March 1988. Soil sampling comprised of orientation traverses and several regional stream sediment sampling programmes were completed. Other work included prospecting and aerial geophysics.

Based on results obtained to date, the area included in this report has been relinquished.

2.0 Conclusions

Prospecting and sampling results indicate a very weak anomaly is present near the western side of the relinquished area. This anomaly did not have sufficient priority to warrant additional work under the present exploration programme.

The regional stream sediment sampling programmes proved useful to assist in identifying areas for relinquishment under the requirements of the Mining Act.

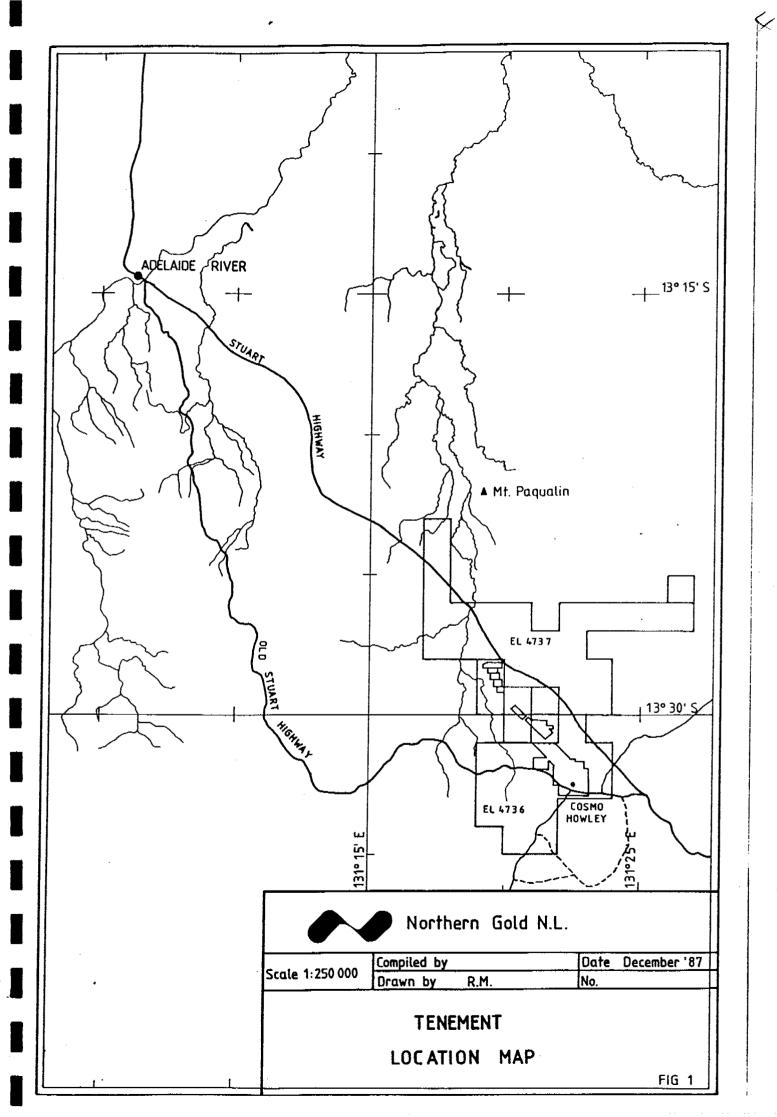
3.0 Introduction

EL 4736 is located approximately 45 kilometers south east of Adelaide River (See figure 1). The EL covers 16 graticular. Blocks and includes two small mineral claims held by Northern Gold and about 600 hectares held by Dominion Gold Mines NL.

A compulsory relinquishment in the area was due by 30 June 1988 and was accomplished by relinquishing 7 of the graticular blocks. Details of these changes are shown in figure 2.

Northern Gold commenced hardrock exploration in the EL in March 1988 which included orientation geochemical soil sampling traverses and regional stream sediment sampling programmes.

This report contains information extracted from the EL 4736 Annual Report for the period ending 30 June 1988 compiled by R. McKensie.



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4.0 Geology

Sediments of the Proterozoic South Alligator and Finnis River Groups outcrop in the area of EL4736. A minor amount of Cretaceous Petrel Formation is present.

Rocks of the Burrell Creek Formation dominate in the area with some Mount Bonnie Formation exposed in the most eastern block relinquished.

To the western side, weak gold mineralization is associated with minor quartz veining. Copper mineralization was observed in two pits.

A more complete presentation of the geology and mineralization in the area is given by Nicholson and Eupene (1984).

5.0 1987 - 1988 Work Programme

During the 12 months to 30 June 1988, Northern Gold has undertaken the following activities on areas covered by this report.

5.1 Review of all Pre-existing Data

During this exercise all pre-existing data and reports were reviewed, maps showing current tenement status were drafted, and aerial photographs and geological maps purchased.

5.2 Reconnaissance

Ground inspection of leases and EL boundaries was undertaken including flagging of EL boundaries where they crossed roads.

5.3 Mapping and Prospecting

A regional structural assessment of the area was undertaken using 1:60,000 Darwin-Kakadu Regional aerial photographs flown on 1 September 1987 as a base. This information was plotted at 1:50,000 to match the scale of aerial geophysics survey plans. These maps are not presented here as they contain information relating to other tenements and regional exploration strategies.

Inspection of old mine workings in the vicinity of Mount Shoobridge and the Howley Ridge were made in an attempt to gain an understanding of the different mineralization styles in the region.

5.4 Geochemical Soil Sampling

Two traverse lines were sampled as an initial multielement reconnaissance survey. This was followed by a regional stream sediment sampling programme over the whole EL.

5.4.1 Multielement Reconnaissance Survey

No of samples 56
Size of fraction -2mm

Assay technique Au - fire assay, AAS finish

As - vapourhydride, AAS finish

Cu, Pb, Zn, - AAS

Approximately 2 kg of -2mm material was collected from each sample point and then forwarded to Analabs in Darwin for analysis. Results are plotted as stacked profiles for each traverse and presented as plans 255 and 258. Assay sheets are included in Appendix 1.

Results were generally very low although correlation between elements does exist. On the basis of this work (and work in areas retained) it was decided that sufficient evidence existed for gold alone to outline anomalous areas. The trace elements did not provide sufficient additional information to warrant determination on a routine basis.

5.4.2 Stream sediment survey

Sampling was conducted in two parts, an initial survey with follow up work in selected areas

No of samples 129
Size of fraction -2mm
Assay technique BLEG

The stream sediment sampling programme was undertaken as a means to rapidly cover the licence area which has a well defined drainage pattern. This work commenced in March 1988 which caused some operational difficulties due to thick seasonal growth and boggy water courses. Most samples were seived to -2mm in the field and the remainder were laboratory dried prior to siving. Nominal 2 kg field samples were resplit to 1 kg and bulk leached for gold to a detection limit of 0.1 ppb.

A weak gold anomaly was located near the western side of the relinquished area and due to its low order, did not warrant additional work at this stage.

Sample locations and results are shown on plan No 282. A description of sampled material and reported gold grades are presented in Appendix 2.

5.5 Aerial Geophysics

An airborne geophysical survey was undertaken in September 1987 on the entire licence area as part of a broader survey encompassing all the Northern Golds current tenements. Preliminary results were received in early January 1988. Data collection comprised Total Magnetic Field Intensity and radioactive channels as follows - Total Count, Potassium, Uranium and Thorium.

Results are not presented here as they pertain to tenements still held by Northern Gold.

6.0 References

Nicholson, P.M. and Eupene, G.S. 1984. Controls on Gold Mineralisation in the Pine Creek Geosyncline. The Aus I.M.M. Conference Darwin NT August 1984.

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APPENDIX 1

MULTIELEMENT RECONNAISSANCE SURVEY

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APPENDIX 2

STREAM SEDIMENT SURVEY

SAMPLE DESCRIPTIONS AND ASSAYS

STREAM SEDIMENT SAMPLES EL 4736

Sample No	Results	AU (ppb)
4015	Creek, silt, soil and rock scree	0.6
4016	Creek, cobbles, gravel, sand, some silt	0.4
4017	Creek, cobble, gravel, sand wash	0.6
4018	Creek, cobble, sand silt wash	0.9
4019	Creek, cobble, gravel, sand silt	,
	steep silt/soil banks	2.9
4020	Creek, cobbles, gravel silt	4.4
4021	Broad drainage, silt/soil	3.3
4022	Broad drainage, silt/soil	2/4
4023	Grab sample, copper working Note ppm A	u ,0.008ppm
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4025	Creek, gravel silt wash	0.5
4026	Broad drainage, silt/soil	1.0
4027	Broad drainage, silt/soil	1.9
4028	Broad drainage, gravel/silt	10.0
4029	Broad drainage, gravel/silt	1.0
4030	Creek, gravel, sand wash	3.1
4031	Broad drainage, silt/soil	0.3
4032	Broad drainage, silt/soil	x
4033	Broad drainage, gutter, cobbles, gravel	
	to silt	0.4
4034	Broad drainage, silt/red soil	0.7
4035	Broad drainage silt/soil, pisolitic	
	laterite layer at depth	0.6
1036	Broad drainage, gravel, silt/soil	3.3
1037	Creek, cobbles to silt	0.6
1038	Broad drainage, silt/soil	0.6
1039	Creek, gravel, sand on bedrock	0.9
1040	Creek, cobbles to silt	0.4
041	Creek, cobbles to silt	1.8
042	Creek, cobbles, gravel	5.2
1043	Creek, cobbles to silt	13.1
044	Creek, cobbles to silt	6.0
045	Creek, cobbles to silt	1.8
046	Creek, cobbles to silt	1.2
047	Creek, cobbles to silt sand	2.1
048	Creek, cobbles to silt sand	2.5
049	Broad drainage, silt/soil	2.6
050	Broad drainage, silt/soil	1.4
051	Creek, gravel, sand	3.0
052	Creek, gravel, sand	1.8

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4053	Creek, gravel, sand	1.4	•
4054	Broad drainage, silt/soil	1.2	
4055	Creek, cobbles to sand	1.5	
4056	Creek, sand, silt in gutter	1.5	
4067	Broad drainage, sand, silt	1.0	
4068	Creek sand	1.5	
4073	Broad drainage, silt/soil, rock fragments		
4085	Broad drainage, soil and rock scree	0.4	
4086 4087	Broad drainage, soil and rock scree	1.8	
4088	Broad drainage, silt/soil	4.9	
4089	Broad drainage, silt/soil, rock scree	0.1	
4090	Broad drainage, silt/soil, rock scree	5.3	
4091	Broad drainage, silt soil Creek cobbles and silt	8.1	
4092		7.1	
4093	Broad drainage, silt/soil Creek, silt/soil	2.2	
4094	Creek, cobbles to silt	3.3	
4095	Broad drainage, silt/soil	11.4	
4096	Broad drainage, silt/soil	2.0	
4097	Broad drainage, silt/soil some gravel	0.7	
4098	Broad drainage, silt/soil	0.9	
4099	Creek, cobbles, gravel	1.0	
4100	Broad drainage, silt/soil	X O A	
4101	Creek, silt	0.4	
4102	Broad drainage, silt/soil	0.9	
4103	Broad drainage, silt/soil	0.3	
4104	Creek, silt/soil, some rock fragments	7.5	
4109	Broad drainage, silt/soil	0.9	
4110	Broad drainage, silt/soil	1.1 1.7	
4111	broad drainage, silt/soil	0.8	
4112	Broad drainage, silt/soil, minor gravel	0.8	
4113	Broad drainage, silt/soil	0.8	
4114	Broad drainage, silt/soil, slightly sandie	r 0.7	
1115	Broad drainage, silt/soil	2.1	
1116	Broad drainage, silt/soil	1.8	
1117	Broad drainage, silt/soil	0.9	
118	Broad drainage, silt/soil	0.3	
119	Broad drainage, silt/soil	0.6	
133	Sheetwash, soils, some rock fragments	2.1	
134	Sheetwash, soils, some rock fragments	1.7	
135	Creek, silt/soil, minor gravel	1.1	
136	Creek, mud	5.6	
137	Broad drainage/sheetwash, soil	0.6	
138	Broad drainage soil		

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4141	Broad drainage, soil, sheetwash	1.1
4142	Broad drainage, soil, sheetwash	0.6
4196	Small broad drainage, soil/silt,	
	some rock fragments	0.5
4197	Small broad drainage, soil/silt,	0.5
	some rock fragments	x
4198	Small broad drainage, some rock fragments	0.6
4199	Small broad drainage, soil/silt	0.9
4200	Small broad drainage, soil/silt	0.4
4201	Small broad drainage, soil/silt	2.2
4202	Creek, steep valley, soil/silt,	
	trace of rock fragments	3.7
4203	Creek, steep valley, soil/silt	
	rock fragments	0.5
4204	Creek steep valley, soil/silt	0.5
	rock fragments	0.5
4205	Creek, steep valley, soil/silt,	0.0
	rock fragments	x
4206	Creek, steep valley, soil/silt,	•
	rock fragments	0.8
4207	Broad drainage, silt/soil	0.8
4208	Broad drainage, silt/soil	1.0
4209	Broad drainage, silt/soil	2.8
4210	Broad drainage, small valley, silt/soil	4.2
4211	Broad drainage, small valley, silt/soil,	3,2
	minor rock fragments	4.4
4212	Creek/large erosion gully, rock to sand	0.7
4213	Narrow drainage, silt/soil, minor	0.7
	rock fragments	2.6
4214	Creek sand, silt, some rock fragments	0.6
4215	Creek, sand, gravel, cobbles	0.7
4216	Broad drainage, soil/silt	0.5
4217	Creek, sandy soil/silt	0.3
4218	Broad drainage, silt/soil, some rock	0.4
	fragments	0.7
4219	Narrow drainage, silt/soil, some rock	0.7
	fragments	
1220	Narrow drainage, silt/soil, some rock	x
	fragments	
1221	Narrow creek/gully, steep valley	x
	cobbles, silt on bedrock	~ ~
1222	Narrow creek/gully, steep valley	7.7
	cobbles, silt on bedrock	• •
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4224	creek, sandy silt/soil, rock fragments	1.6
4225	Broad drainage, silt/soil, minor rock	
	fragments	2.4
4226	Broad drainage, silt/soil	1.6
4227	Broad drainage, silt/soil	3.2
4230	Broad drainage, soil/silt	0.2
4231	Broad drainage, soil, sandy, small	
	rock fragments	0.4
4232	Broad drainage, colluvial/sheetwash,	
	soil	x
4233	Broad drainage, soil/silt	*
4234	Broad drainage, soil/silt	0.6
4235	Creek, silt/clay	1.0
4236	Creek, gravel wash, silt, rock fragments	0.8
4237	Creek, soil, rock fragments, bedrock	0.0
	shallow	1.4
4238	Creek, soil, rock fragments, bedrock	
	shallow	0.5
1239	Creek, soil, rock fragments, bedrock	
	shallow	0.6
1240	Creek, soil, rock fragments, bedrock	
	shallow	0. 7
1241	Creek, gravel wash, rock fragments	0.2
1242	Broad drainage,, soil/silt	0.2

NB: x - below detection limit of 0.1 ppb

