

**ACACIA RESOURCES LIMITED**  
**THIRD GROUP ANNUAL REPORT FOR**  
**EL's 9468 and 9552**  
**FOR THE YEARS ENDED:**  
**2<sup>ND</sup> SEPTEMBER 1999 (EL 9468) AND**  
**20<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER 1999 (EL 9552)**  
**HARRIET CREEK AND RAGAMUFFIN**

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## SUMMARY

Exploration Licences EL 9468 and 9552, in the Pine Creek area NT, are currently being explored by Acacia Resources Limited. These licence areas, known as Harriet Creek and Ragamuffin respectively, are located 5km north east of the township of Pine Creek and 10 - 12km south east of the Union Reefs Gold Mine. This group report details all exploration activities carried out in these tenements for the twelve months up to 2<sup>nd</sup> September 1999 (EL 9468) and 20<sup>th</sup> October 1999 (EL 9552), respectively.

Exploration activities conducted within the tenement group in the reporting period include:

- Seven shallow (7) RC holes drilled for two hundred and ninety three (293) metres (Ragamuffin)

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## 1.0 INTRODUCTION

Exploration Licences (EL's) 9468 and 9552 are currently being explored by Acacia Resources. The centre of this tenement group is located approximately 10km south of the Union Reefs Gold Mine operations. This report details work carried out on these tenements in their third year of tenure.

## 2.0 TENEMENT STATUS

Tabled below is a summary of the tenement status for the reported licences :

Tenement	Grant Date	Expiry Date	Relinquishments	No. of Blocks
Harriet Creek EL9468	03/09/96	03/09/02	-	29
			02/07/97	3
			04/08/98	1
Ragamuffin EL9552	21/10/96	21/10/02	-	3
			13/09/99	2

Group reporting was approved by the NTDME on 30<sup>th</sup> June, 1997 for the above tenements. This is the third year of group reporting for these tenements. All data and expenditure reported on, falls between the grant date of each tenement and their respective anniversaries.

In order to conform with reduction requirements a one (1) block reduction was completed for EL9552 on the 13<sup>th</sup> September 1999.

### 2.1 Aboriginal Area Protection Authority Clearance

The AAPA issued Authority Certificate No. C98/149, for a period of two years commencing on the 18<sup>th</sup> December 1998. There is one registered site of significance within EL9468 and one within the recently relinquished block of EL9552.

### 3.0 LOCATION AND ACCESS

The group of tenements is located 5km ENE of the Pine Creek township and 10km SSE of the Union Reefs Gold Mine (Figure 1). Access to Harriet Creek (EL 9468) and Ragamuffin (EL 9552) is possible via the Kakadu Highway, turning east of the Stuart Highway near Pine Creek.

Harriet Creek (EL 9468) and Ragamuffin (EL 9552) are both encompassed by mapsheet 14/6-II Pine Creek.

### 4.0 REGIONAL GEOLOGY

The tenement areas are located within the central portion of the Pine Creek Shear Zone within Lower Proterozoic Finnis River and South Alligator Groups, more specifically Burrell Creek and Mt. Bonnie Formations. Interbedded shales, siltstones and greywackes dominate this regional metasedimentary package which hosts the bulk of the major gold deposits in the Pine Creek Geosyncline including Pine Creek, Union Reefs and Spring Hill (Figure 2).

The geology of the Harriet Creek EL 9468 is dominated by the intrusive Allamber Springs Granite, with some Mt. Bonnie Formation in the western margins of the tenement area. Ragamuffin EL 9552 encompasses the geological contact between the sedimentary Burrell Creek Formation and the intrusive Allamber Springs Granite. Thick Mesozoic cover is recognised in parts of the Ragamuffin licence.

Turbiditic greywackes and shales exposed in the tenement areas have been assigned to Burrell Creek and Mt. Bonnie Formations. These rocks have been folded to produce upright NNW trending folds and sub-vertical to steeply dipping bedding throughout the area. Greenschist facies metamorphism appears to be broadly synchronous with this deformation.

## **5.0 PREVIOUS WORK**

### **5.1 Acacia Resources – 1996/97 Year 1 (Rep. 08.8949)**

Exploration completed by Acacia during 1996/1997 reporting period included the following:

- 1:25,000 colour aerial photography,
- digital elevation modelling
- detailed aeromagnetic and radiometric surveying
- establishment of an exploration grid within the Ragamuffin licence area, totalling some 2.4km of baseline construction, and 11.15 line km of east-west cross line gridding
- collection of three hundred and ninety one (391) spot soil samples

### **5.2 Acacia Resources – 1997/1998 Year 2 (Rep. 08.9646)**

Exploration activities conducted within the tenement group in the 1997/1998 reporting period included:

- 8.75 line km of cross line gridding
- collection of 85 auger soil samples
- vacuum drilling for a total of 1103m, to collect 277 residual soil samples
- collection and review of recent gravity data
- compilation, review and interpretation of aeromagnetic, radiometric and gravity data

## **6.0 WORK COMPLETED – YEAR THREE**

### **6.1 Harriet Creek EL9468**

The current state of the gold price has forced Acacia to focus its exploration efforts on drill testing potential near mine resources. Due to lack of encouraging targets of this nature within the Harriet Creek lease no field based exploration work was completed within the tenement during the reporting period.

### **6.2 Ragamuffin EL9552**

The vacuum based geochemical soil programs completed during the 1997 and 1998 field seasons (see reports 08.8949 and 08.9646) defined a broad low level (10 to 50ppb Au) gold anomaly worthy of further drill testing. The peak of the anomaly presents itself as a narrow 25-75m corridor which boasts results in the order of 1g/t Au.

#### RC Drilling

A program of three fences of shallow RC holes were started late in the 1998 field season. Due to the untimely onset of the wet season only one fence of holes were completed before access was prevented. In all seven (7) RC holes were completed for two hundred and ninety three (293) metres. One hole blew out a collar at five metres and was abandoned and not sampled.

The drilling was completed by Gadens Drilling based in Batchelor, and the holes were surveyed with a single shot downhole camera inside the RC rods. Holes collars were subsequently surveyed by Micorsurvey based in Pine Creek.



A total of one hundred and forty five (145), three to four kilogram samples were collected through a riffle splitter and were submitted to Amdel in Darwin for gold analysis. The samples were crushed and pulverised to 90% passing 75µm, and a 50g charge taken for fire assay analysis by FA1 method. The remainder of the sample was retained on site in plastic bags.

### Results

A blanket of up to 5m of quartz-rich gravel was intersected in every hole drilled along this traverse. This gravel layer assayed up to 100ppb Au. Below this anomalous cover all of the results in the residual profile were below detection limit. The indication is that the anomalous gold results defined in earlier soil sampling are alluvial in origin.

## **7.0 ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES**

Acacia conducted exploration activities in such a way as to keep environmental disturbance to a minimum. Where possible existing gridlines were used to access drill sites. Drill sites within EL9552 were rehabilitated on the completion of drilling and all residual sample bags were relocated to a sample farm. Some additional rehabilitation work was completed within EL9468 including the pulling of steel pegs within relinquished portions of the tenement. An environmental register is included in Appendix 3.

## 8.0 EXPENDITURE STATEMENTS

### 8.1 EL 9468 - Harriet Creek

Expenditure for the period ending 2 September, 1999 totals \$7, 634 which has failed to make the covenant of \$10, 500. A breakdown of the expenditure is given below:

Geoscientist	\$	1753
Field Staff	\$	898
Office Support/Staff	\$	2, 883
Vehicles	\$	359
Consumables	\$	283
Contractors/Other Prof	\$	462
Administration (15%)	\$	<u>996</u>
<b>Total =</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>7, 634</b>

### 8.2 EL 9552 - Ragamuffin

Expenditure for the period ending 2 September, 1999 totals \$ 29, 568 which has met the required covenant of \$26, 000. A breakdown of the expenditure is given below:

Geoscientist	\$	3, 484
Field Staffing	\$	3, 036
Office Support/Staffing	\$	5, 792
Vehicles	\$	519
Consumables	\$	1, 312
RC Drilling	\$	5, 979
RC Analyses	\$	1, 406
Contractors/Other Proff	\$	4, 181
Administration (15%)	\$	<u>3, 859</u>
<b>Total =</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>29, 568</b>

**9.0 PROPOSED PROGRAMS AND EXPENDITURE****9.1 EL 9468 - Harriet Creek**

Further exploration at Harriet Creek will involve infill soil sampling and pending a data review, either target drilling or surrender. A breakdown of the proposed expenditure is given below:

Staffing	\$	1, 000
Support	\$	1, 000
Geochemical Sampling	\$	1, 000
Assays	\$	1, 000
Consumables	\$	600
Rehabilitation	\$	<u>400</u>
<b>Total =</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>5, 000</b>

**9.2 EL 9552 - Ragamuffin**

Due to the untimely arrival of the wet season the program of shallow RC drilling to be undertaken within the Ragamuffin lease remains uncompleted with some of the better targets yet to be tested. It is proposed that the remainder of this program will be completed in the 1999/2000 reporting period.

An outline of the proposed expenditure is given below.

Staffing	\$	1, 500
Support	\$	1, 500
RC Drilling	\$	4, 500
Assays	\$	1, 000
Consumables	\$	500
Rehabilitation	\$	500
<u>Total</u>	\$	9, 500

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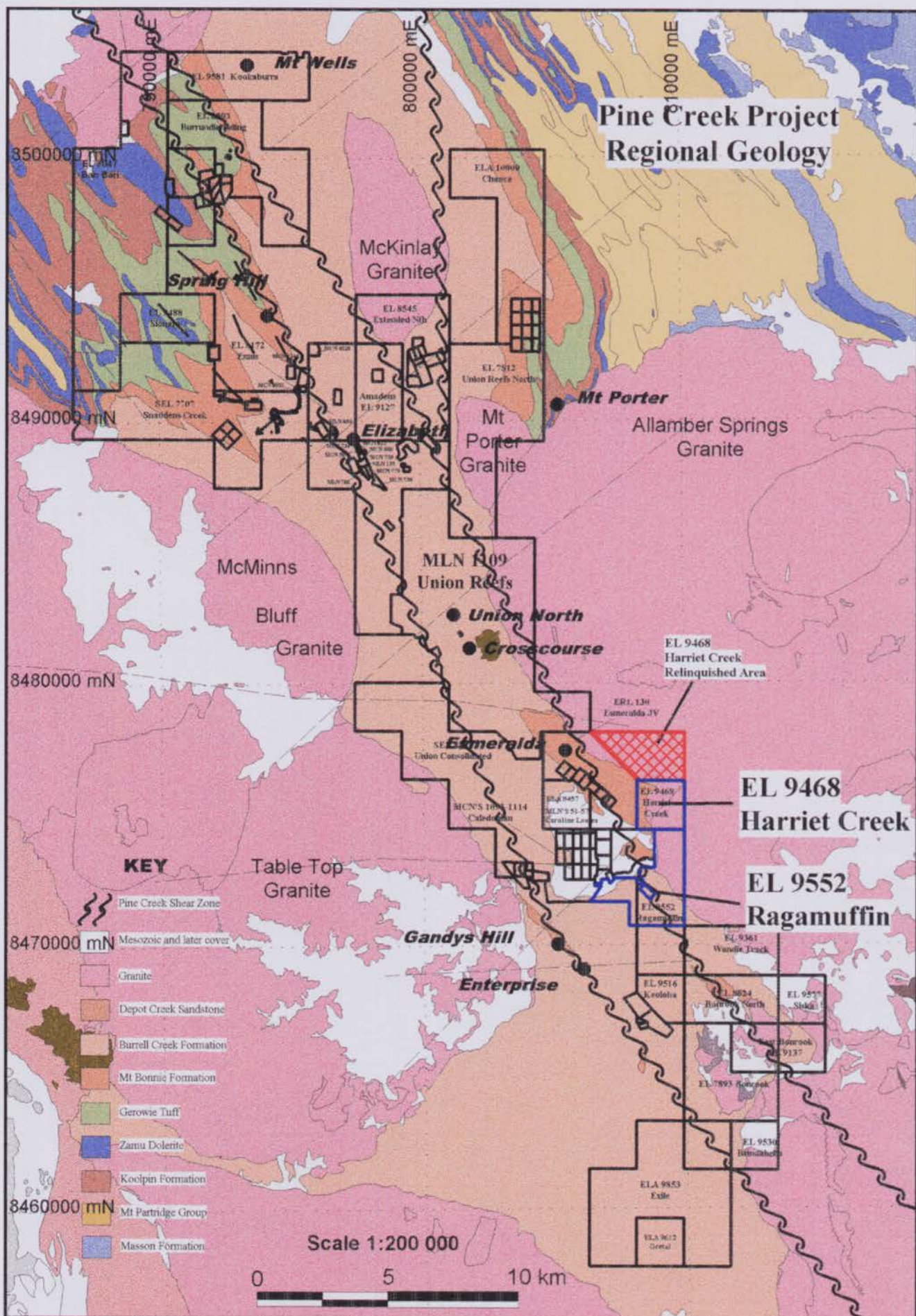
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**Figure 2**

















**GEOLOGY - left hand side of hole trace**

- Qtz Mica Schist
- Biotite Mica Schist
- Schist
- Greywacke, Sandstone
- Chert
- Clay
- Shale, Siltstone
- Granite, Aplite
- Quartz Vein

**ALTERATION - right hand side of hole trace**

- Bleaching
- Silica
- Hematite
- Pyrite
- Epidote
- K Feldspar
- Sericite
- Chlorite

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**APPENDIX 1**

**ACACIA GEOLOGICAL  
LOGGING CODES**

# Acacia Exploration Geological Logging Codes

RETURN (RTN)
% Of Return

WATER (H2O)
D Dry
M Moist
W Wet
B Blowndry
I Injected

HARDNESS
H Very Hard
Hard
M Medium
S Soft
VS Very Soft

COLOUR (COLOUR)
<u>Qualifier</u>
DK Dark
LT Light
E Beige
BG Blue/green
BK Black
L Blue
N Brown
CM Cream
GN Green
Y Grey
K Khaki
S Mustard
OG Orange
P Pink
P Purple
D Red
TN Tan
WH White
E Yellow
e.g. BNGN, LTBN

TEXTURE (Text)
<u>Qualifier</u>
Strong
Moderate
WK Weak
<u>Sedimentary</u>
IB Interbedded
LM Laminated
Layered

TEXTURE Ctd. (TEXT)
<u>Metamorphic</u>
CR Crenulated
MY Mylonitic
PB Porphyroblastic
SC Schistose
SP Spotted
<u>Igneous</u>
AC Acicular
AM Amygdaloidal
AN Aphanitic
EQ Equigranular
PO Porphyritic
PW Pillows
<u>Structural</u>
BO Boxwork
BX Brecciated
FD Folded
FO Foliated
FR Fractured
LI Lineated
RO Rodded
SH Sheared
SL Slickensides
<u>Others</u>
CX Crystalline
CO Competant
FB Fibrous
GO Gossanous
MS Massive
PT Platy
PS Porous
SA Saccaroidal
SB Solution Bands

GRAINSIZE (GN_S2)
FN Fine - not visible to naked eye
MD Medium - visible to naked eye
CS Coarse - >2mm
NB. Hyphenate for two rock types in one interval ie. Shale/ greywacke - FN/MD Otherwise only one code per rocktype

WEATH (Weathering) (WTH)
EW Extremely weathered with poor textural preservation
HW Highly weathered with moderate textural preservation
MW Moderately weathered with good textural preservation
SW Slightly weathered with < 20% oxides
FR Fresh Bedrock

REGOLITH (REGO)
TR Transported
TL Laterite
US Upper Saprolite
RX Redox Front
LS Lower Saprolite
WB Weathered Bedrock
BR Bedrock (fresh)
SA Saprolite (undifferentiated)
<u>Overprints</u>
MT Mottling
CT Calcrete
ST Silcrete
FT Ferricrete
GT Goethite
HM Haematite
e.g. USMT, USGT

ROCKTYPE (MAJ, MIN1, MIN2)
<u>Sedimentary</u>
AG Agglomerate
BX Breccia
BIF Banded Iron Form
CG Conglomerate
CH Chert
DO Dolomite
EE Epiclastic
CB Carbonate
CSH Carbonaceous Shale
CSI Carbonaceous Siltstone
GS Graphitic Shale
GW Greywacke (>15%matrix)
HS Haematitic Shale
LM Limestone
SH Shale
SI Siltstone
SS Sandstone
TF Tuff
<u>Igneous</u>
VA Acid Volcanic
VB Basic Volcanic
VI Intermediate Volcanic
EB Basalt
DL Dolerite
GB Gabbro
FI Felsic Intrusive (undiff)
MI Mafic Intrusive (undiff)
GR Granite (undiff)
PG Pegmatite
PO Porphyry
AP Aplite
GRA Alkali Granite
GRD Granodiorite
<u>Metamorphic</u>
AM Amphibolite
BMS Biotite Mica Schist
GN Gneiss
HF Hornfels
PH Phyllite
QC Quartz Carbonate

ROCKTYPE Ctd. (MAJ, MIN1, MIN2)
<u>Metamorphic Ctd</u>
QMS Quartz Mica Schist
QT Quartzite
SC Schist
SL Slate
SSM Metasediment
<u>Other</u>
CL Clay
GV Gravel
GO Gossan
IS Ironstone
QV Massive Quartz Vein
MK Mullock
PI Pisolithic Gravel
SD Sand

ALT TYPE (ALTER)
AB Albite
AD Andalusite
AM Amphibole
AT Altered (undiff)
BI Biotite
BL Bleaching (cb-si)
CB Carbonate
CH Chlorite
CL Clay
CW Clay Weathering
EP Epidote
FE Iron
FL Fluorine
GP Graphite
GA Garnet
GT Goethite
GN Green Alteration
HM Haematite
KA Kaolinite
KY Kyanite
LI Limonite
KS K-Feldspar
MI Mica
MN Manganese
MT Magnetite
MU Muscovite
PH Phlogopite
PL Plagioclase
PY Pyrite
SE Sericite
SI Silica
SR Siderite
TC Talc
TE Tremolite
TM Tourmaline
ZE Zeolite

**Acacia Exploration**  
**Geological Logging Codes Ctd.**

ALT QUAL (QUAL)	
Qualifier	
WK	Weak
MD	Moderate
ST	Strong
IN	Intense
M	Disseminated
V	Pervasive
T	Patchy
SV	Selvage
VN	Vein
g. STDM, MRSV	

VEIN TYPE (VN_TYPE)	
CB	Carbonate
CH	Chert
Z	Quartz
Y	Pyrite

VEIN STYLE (VN_STYLE)	
K	Buck
BX	Breccia
CB	Comb
H	Chalcedonic
F	Fibrous
MI	Milky
RB	Ribbon
A	Saccharoidal
T	Stringer
SM	Smoky
TR	Translucent
L	Laminated
SW	Stock Work
NB: (i) For other veins use appropriate code e.g. PY, AS	
(ii) % veining must be expressed as a numeric e.g. 0.5, 1, 5 etc.	

MINERALISATION (OTHERSULPH, OTHER MIN)	
AS	Arsenopyrite
AZ	Azurite
AU	Gold
BI	Biotite
BO	Bornite
CB	Carbonate (undiff)
CC	Chalcocite
CN	Native Copper
CP	Chalcopyrite
CU	Cuprite
CV	Covellite
GA	Galena
GR	Garnet
GT	Goethite
HM	Haematite
MA	Malachite
MF	Fine Black Mineral
MN	Manganese
PO	Pyrrhotite
PY	Pyrite
SP	Sphalerite
NB: Mineral content must be expressed as a numeric e.g. 0.5, 1, 5 etc.	

STRUCTURAL DEFECTS (Geotech)	
BE	Bedding
CG	Cleavage
DK	Dyke
FA	Fold Axis
FH	Fold Hinge
FT	Fault
JO	Joint
FR	Fractured Zone
FG	Fragmented Zone
LI	Lineation
SC	Schistosity
SH	Shear Zone
VS	Vein Stockwork
VN	Vein
FV	Fractured Vein
VB	Brecciated Vein
BK	Broken Zone

ROCK STRENGTH (Geotech)	
VW	Very Weak
W	Weak
M	Medium Strong
S	Strong
VS	Very Strong

ROUGHNESS (Geotech)	
K	Slickenslided
P	Polished
S	Smooth
R	Rough

BROKEN ZONE (Geotech)	
N	Natural
H	Heated
D	Drill Induced

FRACTURING (Geotech)	
WF	Weak, core pieces 1m-200m
MF	Mod. core pieces 10-20cm
SF	Strong, core pieces 5-10cm
BK	Broken core, 25 cm pieces

SHAPE (Geotech)	
P	Planar
U	Undulating
S	Stepped

**Logging Notes:**

- (1) Only one logging code to be entered per field (excluding qualifiers and two colours where necessary).
- (2) No new codes to be entered without notification and approval.
- (3) No backslashes, commas, hyphens etc. to be used in any field except Comments.
- (4) Quartz Veining and Mineral content must be expressed as a numeral (not Trace, Tr etc.)
- (5) Hole Numbers must be entered correctly using the appropriate prefix and four digit number.
- (6) All geological logs must be validated prior to entry onto Access Dbase.

## **APPENDIX 2**

### **DISK (ASCII comma delimited format)**

**Contains: Read Me file**

**Drillhole Collar Ledger.csv**

**Drillhole Geology Report.csv**

**Drillhole Assay Report.csv**

## **APPENDIX 3**

### **Environmental Register**



## **TENEMENT ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT REGISTER**

### **LAND STATUS RECORD**

**Project:** Pine Creek

**Tenement Name:** Harriet Creek, **Loc. Code:** UR25,  
Ragamuffin, UR32

**Tenement No's:** EL's 9468, 9552

**Registered Holder(s):** Acacia Resources Ltd

**Date Granted:** See report **Term:** See report **Area:**

**Bond/Security:** Nil

**JV Partners (if any):** Nil

**Land Classification:** (Crown, Private, Lease) Lease

**Land Holder/Occupier:** Gary Hamilton (Equest Pty Ltd) **Station:** Mary River West

**Address:** 9 Pall Mall, Currumbin, QLD **Phone:** (075) 534 7408

**Contacted By:** E Wakefield **Date:** 12/3/1996

**Pastoral Notes:** (Stock, Cultivation, Access, Rainfall)  
Open grazing land, little evidence of domestic livestock.  
Access via the Stuart Highway, the North Australia Railway Easement or any number of unmarked bush tracks

**Environmental Notes:** (Flora/Fauna, Erosion, Bushfires, Flooding)  
Open tropical savannah. Prone to flooding during the wet, access difficult during the wet.

**Groundwater:** (Bores/Wells/Dams, streams, drainage, test data)

**Aboriginal Notes:** (Sacred Sites, Cultural)  
Within EL 9468, there is 1 registered site No.5270-30. Within EL 9552, there is 1 site 5270-2. Registered site 5270-15 is along the boundary of EL 9552 (refer Figure 8)  
Currently covered by AAPA certificate C98/149 which expires on 18<sup>th</sup> Dec 2000.

**Historic Relics:** (Mine Workings, Equipment, Homesteads etc.)  
Nil

**Previous Activity:** (Mining, Exploration, Forestry, etc.)  
Nil

**Tenement Name:** Harriet Creek  
Ragamuffin

**No(s):** EL 9468,  
EL 9552

**Shafts/Pits/Dumps:** Nil

**Line Clearing:** Nil

**Costeaning:** Nil

**Drill Sites:** Nil

**Other:** Nil

**Location Data:** Acacia database

Other Ref:

**Compiled by:** Niki Vela                      **Date:** October 1997

**TENEMENT ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT REGISTER**  
**ACACIA ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT RECORD**

<b><u>Tenement Name:</u></b>	Harriet Creek Ragamuffin	<b><u>No(s):</u></b>	EL 9468 EL 9552
<b><u>Report Ref No's:</u></b>	08.8949 08.9646 08.10563		
<b><u>Exploration Activities:</u></b>	1996/97: Gridding, hand and auger sampling		
<b><u>Grids &amp; Traverses:</u></b>	1996/97: ~11 line km of cross line gridding marked at 200m x 50m spacing with galvanised fence droppers. 1997/98: 8.75 line km of cross line gridding with galvanised fence droppers		
<b><u>Soil Sampling:</u></b>	1996/97: ~390 spot soil samples collected. 1997/98: 85 auger soil samples		
<b><u>Costeans / Pits:</u></b>	1997/98: ~300m costeans		
<b><u>Drilling:</u></b>	1997/98: 1103m vacuum 1998/1999 293m RC Drilling (7 holes)		
<b><u>Drill Traverses:</u></b>	1 drill traverse		
<b><u>Drill Pads:</u></b>	7 drill pads		
<b><u>Ground Geophysics:</u></b>	Nil		
<b><u>Access Tracks:</u></b>	Minor access tracks off existing gridline to access RC drill sites		
<b><u>Camps:</u></b>	Nil		
<b><u>Other:</u></b>	Nil		
<b><u>Compiled by:</u></b>	Jane Ham	<b><u>Date:</u></b>	October 1998
<b><u>Revised by:</u></b>	Penny Large	<b><u>Date:</u></b>	September 1999

**Tenement Name:** Harriet Creek  
Ragamuffin

**No(s):** EL 9468  
EL 9552

**Disturbance:** Minor Surficial, 7 RC holes

**Rehabilitation:** Ongoing

**Grids & Traverses:** Fence droppers at 400 or 200 x 50m still in the field.

**Soil Sampling:** Sample sites backfilled immediately after sampling.

<b>Costeans/Pits:</b>	Backfilled immediately due to abandoning of program
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**Drilling:** Vacuum holes backfilled immediately after sampling  
RC drill pads rehabilitated on completion and residual  
Plastic sample bags removed to bag farm

**Drill Traverses:** Natural rehabilitation

**Drill Pads:** Top soil returned

**Access Tracks:** Nil

**Inspected / Clearance:**

**Bond/Security released:** NA

**Compiled by:** Jane Ham **Date:** October 1998

**Revised by:** Penny Large **Date:** September 1999