

EL9833 Partial Relinquishment

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This document outlines the recommendation to withdraw from the following Exploration Licence (EL9833).

<p>EL Summary</p> <p>EL No.: EL Name: Application Date: Grant Date: Expiry Date: Area in Graticular Blocks / Square Km:</p> <p>Covenant: Tenement Holder: 1:250,000 Map Sheet No.:</p> <p>Location Description:</p> <p>Administrative Project Group:</p> <p>Aboriginal Freehold or Pastoral Lease:</p> <p>Previous Holder and EL Number:</p>	<p>EL9833 Salt Lake 2 Otter applied for, date unknown 17/10/2001 16/10/2007 4 blocks or 13 sq km to be reduced to approx. 2 blocks (Figure 2) \$5,000 Otter Gold NL The Granites, SF52-03</p> <p>10-15km north west of Dead Bullock Soak Mine (Figure 1)</p> <p>Otter Gold NL, Gardiner</p> <p>Aboriginal Freehold</p> <p>Not known</p>
<p>Exploration Strategy/Objectives For Acquiring The Ground: (Attach a copy of the EL Application Form)</p>	<p>Ground obtained with the takeover of Otter Gold NL. No EL application form is available.</p>
<p>Have All The Objectives Been Adequately Addressed, If Not Explain?:</p>	<p>Newmont-NFM's objective with any EL in the Tanami is to discover an economic gold deposit of similar style to the deposits located at DBS, TGGM, Titania or Tanami Mine. The area to be relinquished has been subjected to enough exploration to come to a decision point to meet the government's statutory requirements.</p>
<p>Geology/Cover Sequences:</p>	<p>Within the area to be relinquished no outcrop exists. The northern Territory Geological Survey has interpreted the curvilinear magnetic feature that is overlain by recent channel deposits to be Proterozoic dolerite (Figures 3 and 4).</p> <p>John Wilford's interpretation of the regolith (within the area to be relinquished) predominantly consists depositional plain, alluvium, lacustrine sediments and sheet washes. A dune occurs on the western portion of the area to be relinquished (Figure 5).</p>
<p>Summary Of The Work Completed: (eg Remote Sensed data interp., soil sampling, drilling, mapping, etc)</p>	<p>Prior to 2003 it seems that no previous exploration has been carried out on EL9833.</p> <p>During 2003 Newmont Exploration performed 27 soil samples. The samples were sent to Newmont's Welshpool laboratory in Perth. No significant results were returned from the two blocks that are to be relinquished (all results less than 2ppb Au, Figure 6).</p>

Results Achieved:	No significant results were obtained from Newmont's work in the areas to be relinquished.
Prospects Generated:	None on the area to be relinquished.
Why Has The Prospectivity of this part EL Been Downgraded?:	The area to be relinquished is seen as having low prospectivity for hosting an economic deposit of gold due to the lack of significant surface geochemistry and the complications that the recent depositional plain sediments may cause.
Any Cultural Implications?:	None
Rehabilitation of Exploration Sites Status:	Not necessary only low impact soil sampling carried out.
Is the EL part of a joint venture and if so with whom? Has the joint venture partner been informed of and is in agreement with the surrender of the EL?	Yes, the Southern Tanami Joint Venture with Delta Gold (now Placer). This document has been forwarded on to Placer for their consideration.
Comments:	
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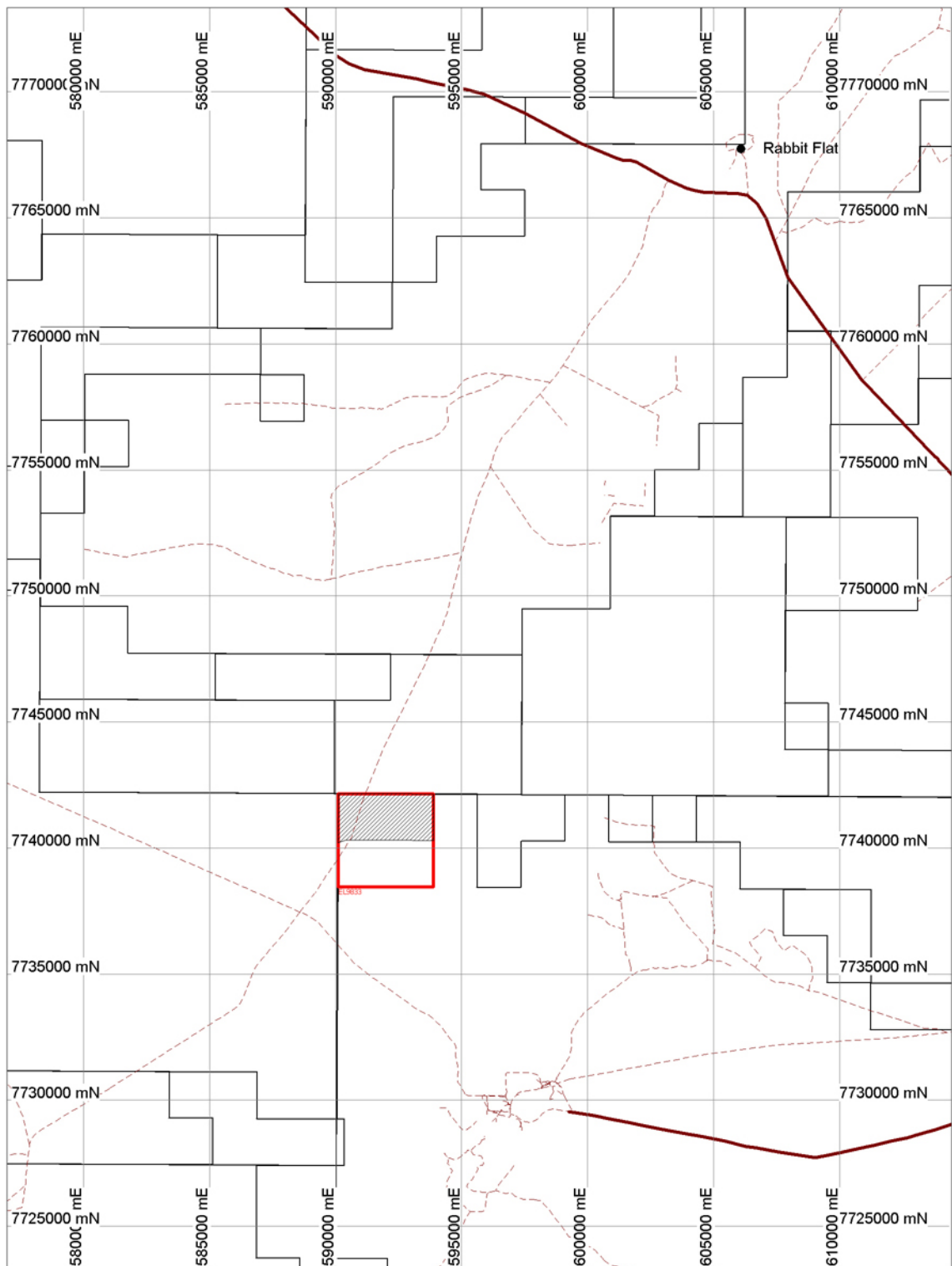


Figure 1: Location of EL9833 Salt Lake 2 shown in red. Areas to be relinquished are hatched in black.

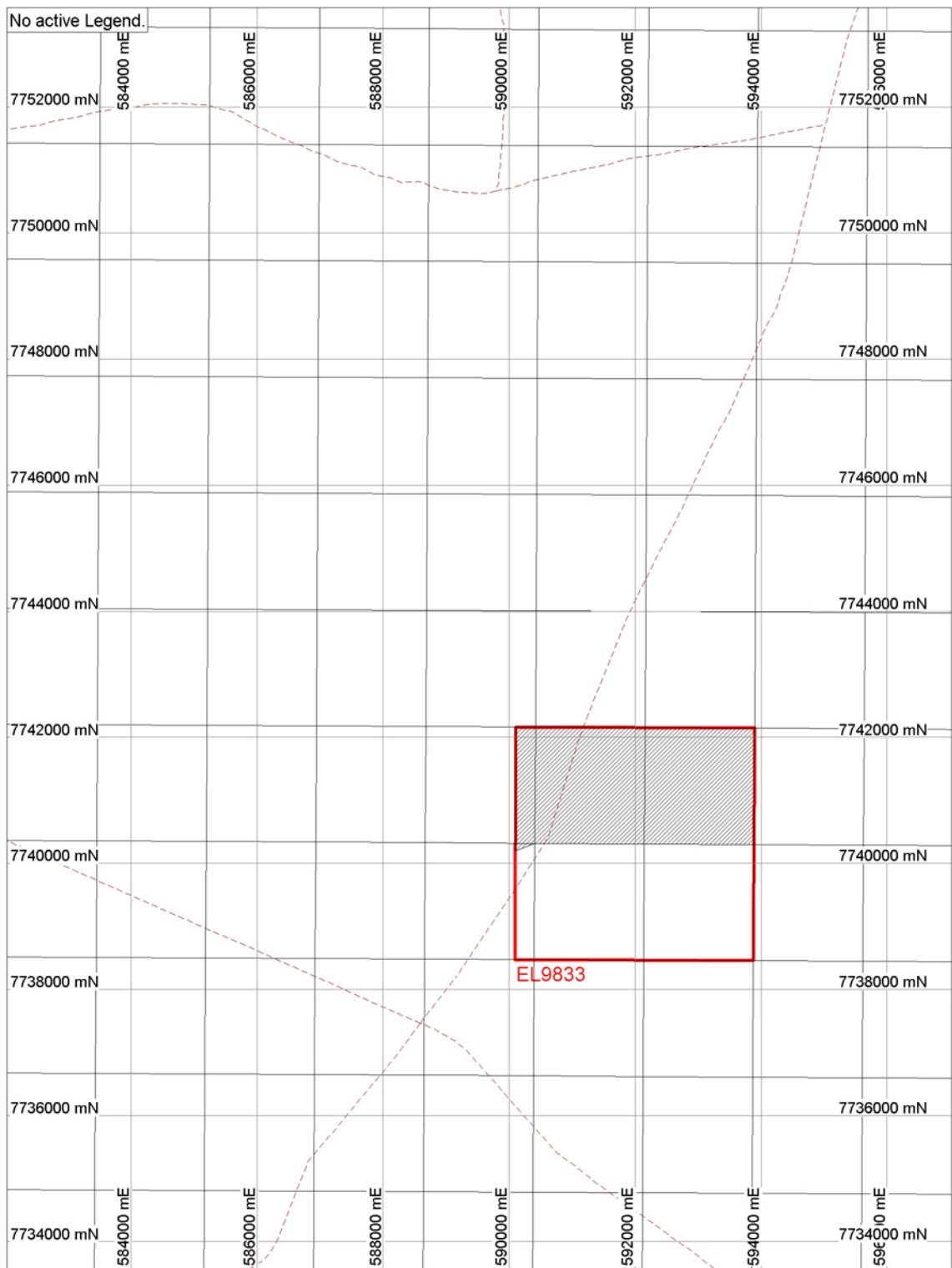


Figure 2: EL9833 Salt Lake 2 over AMG66. Areas to be relinquished are hatched in black.

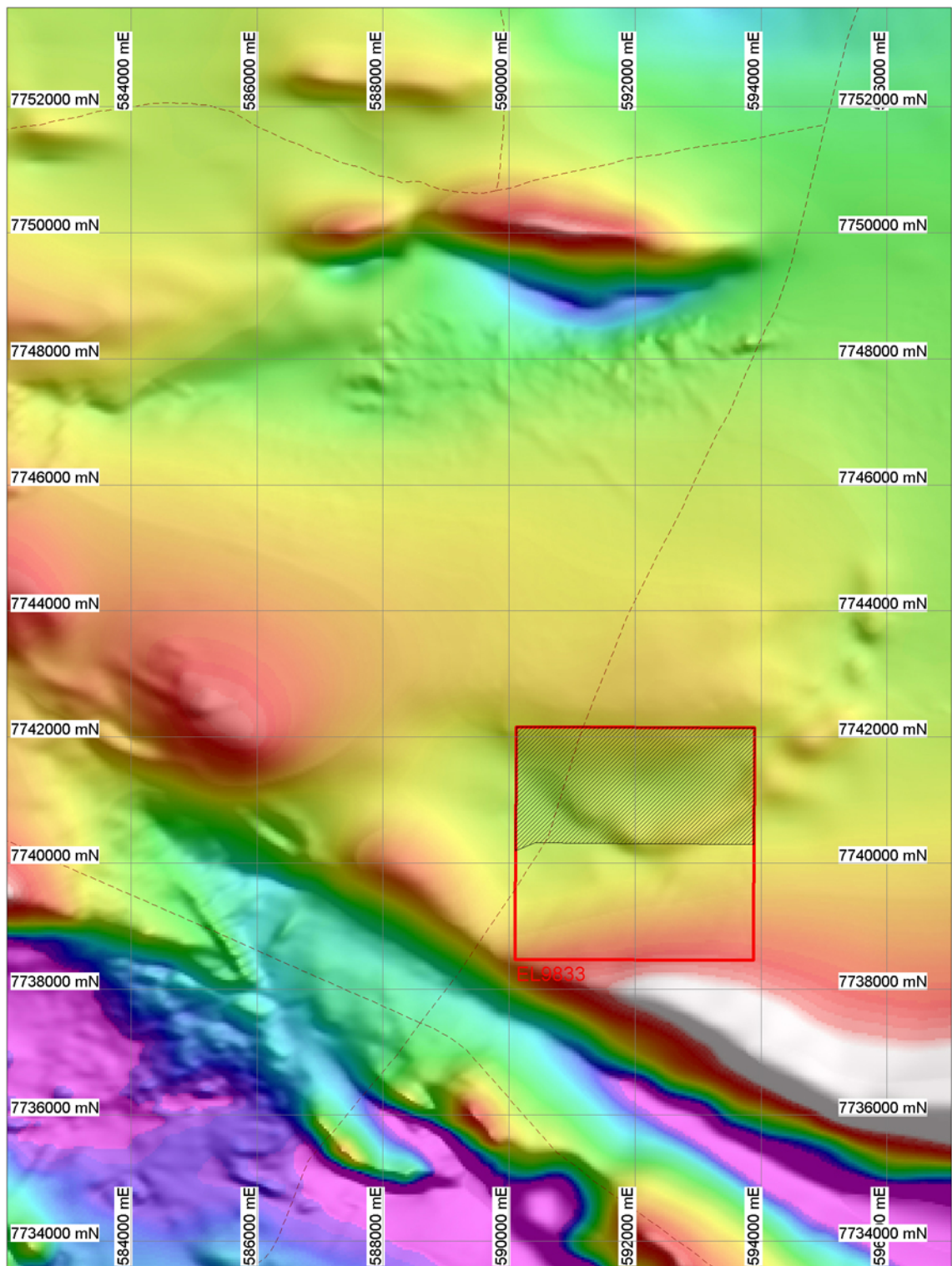


Figure 3: EL9833 Salt Lake 2 over TMI. Areas to be relinquished are hatched in black.

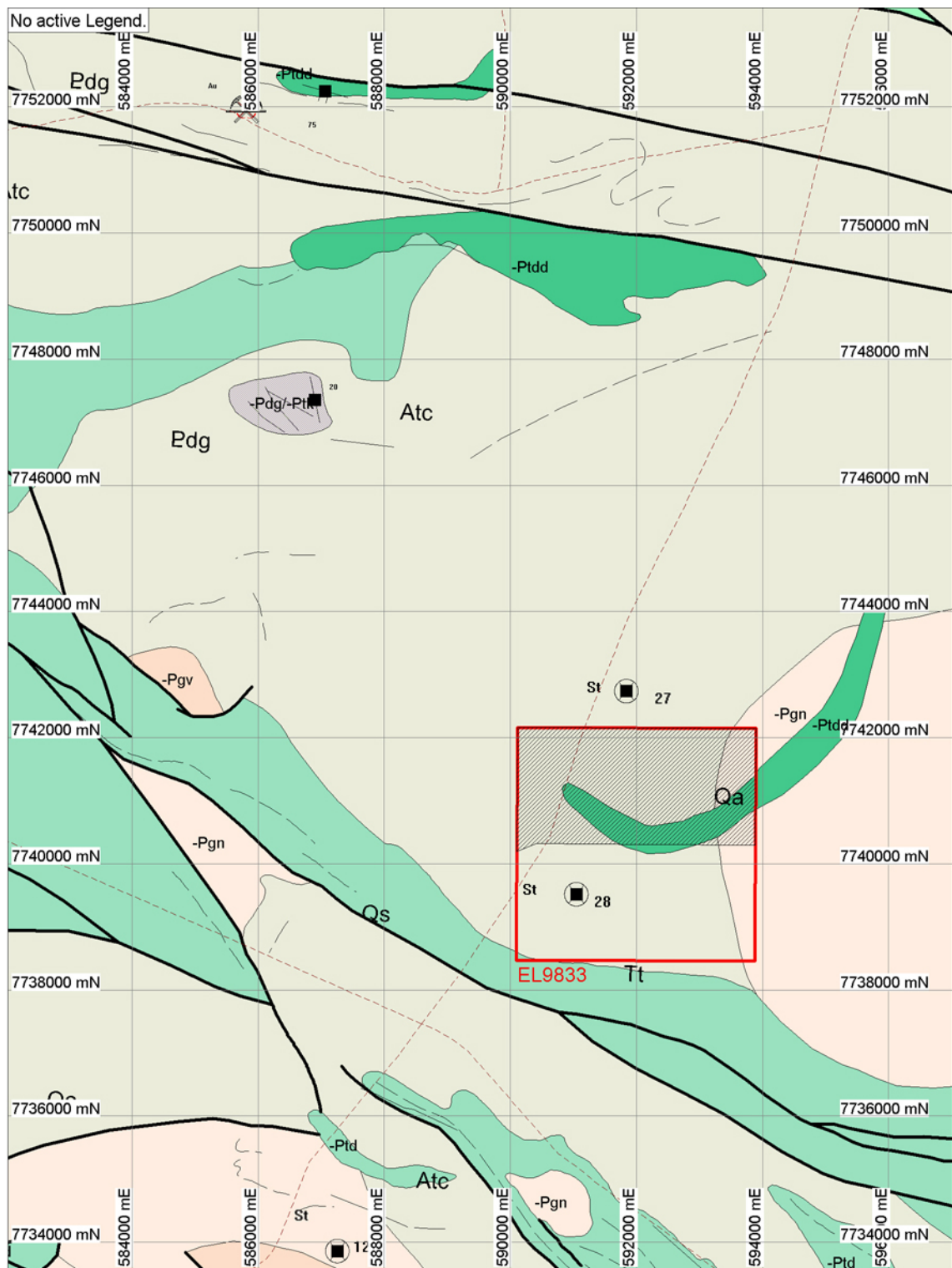


Figure 4: EL9833 Salt Lake 2 over NTGS geology of the Tanami Sheet. Areas to be relinquished are hatched in black.

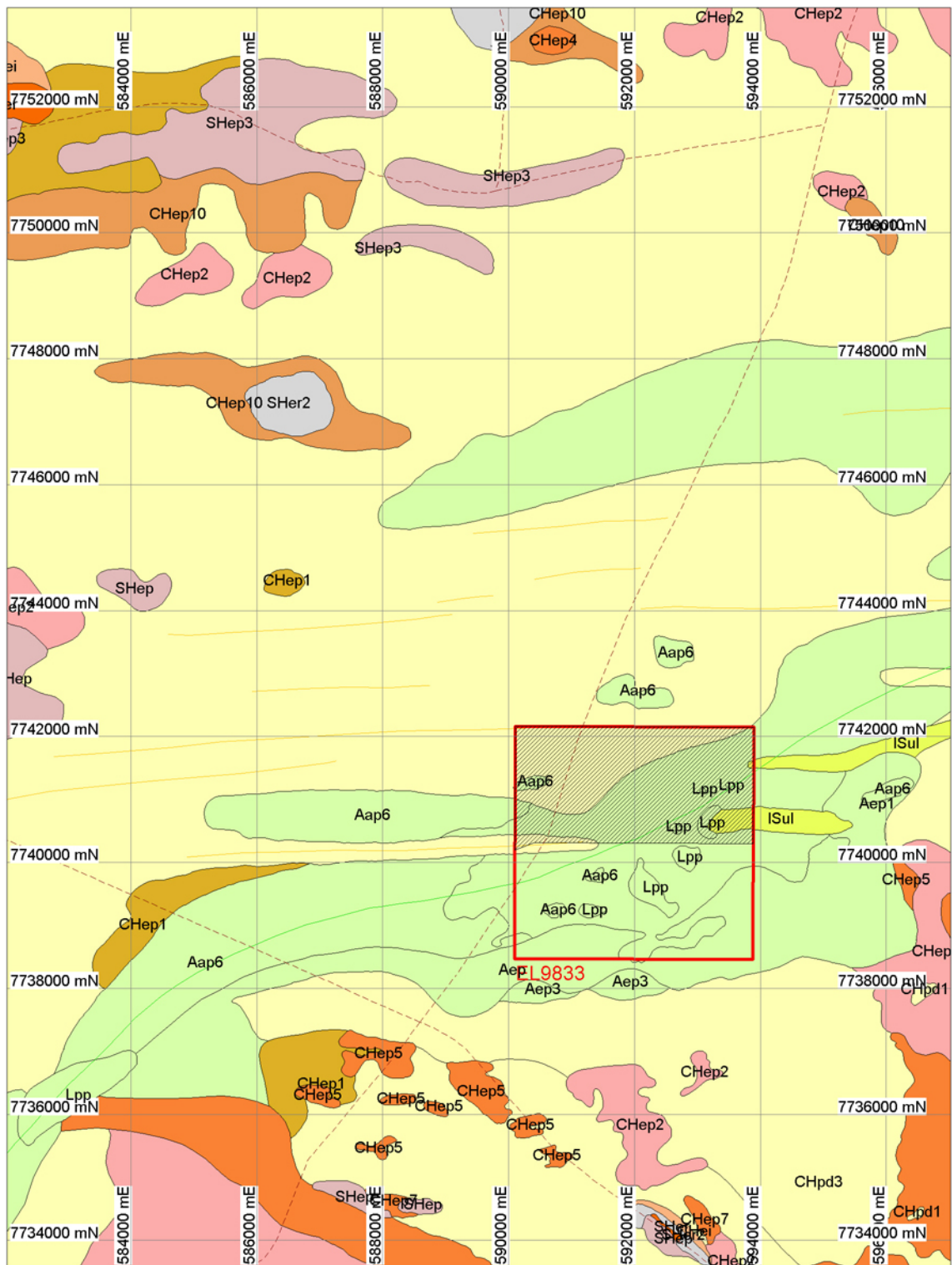


Figure 5: EL9833 Salt Lake 2 over the CRC Leme regolith study.

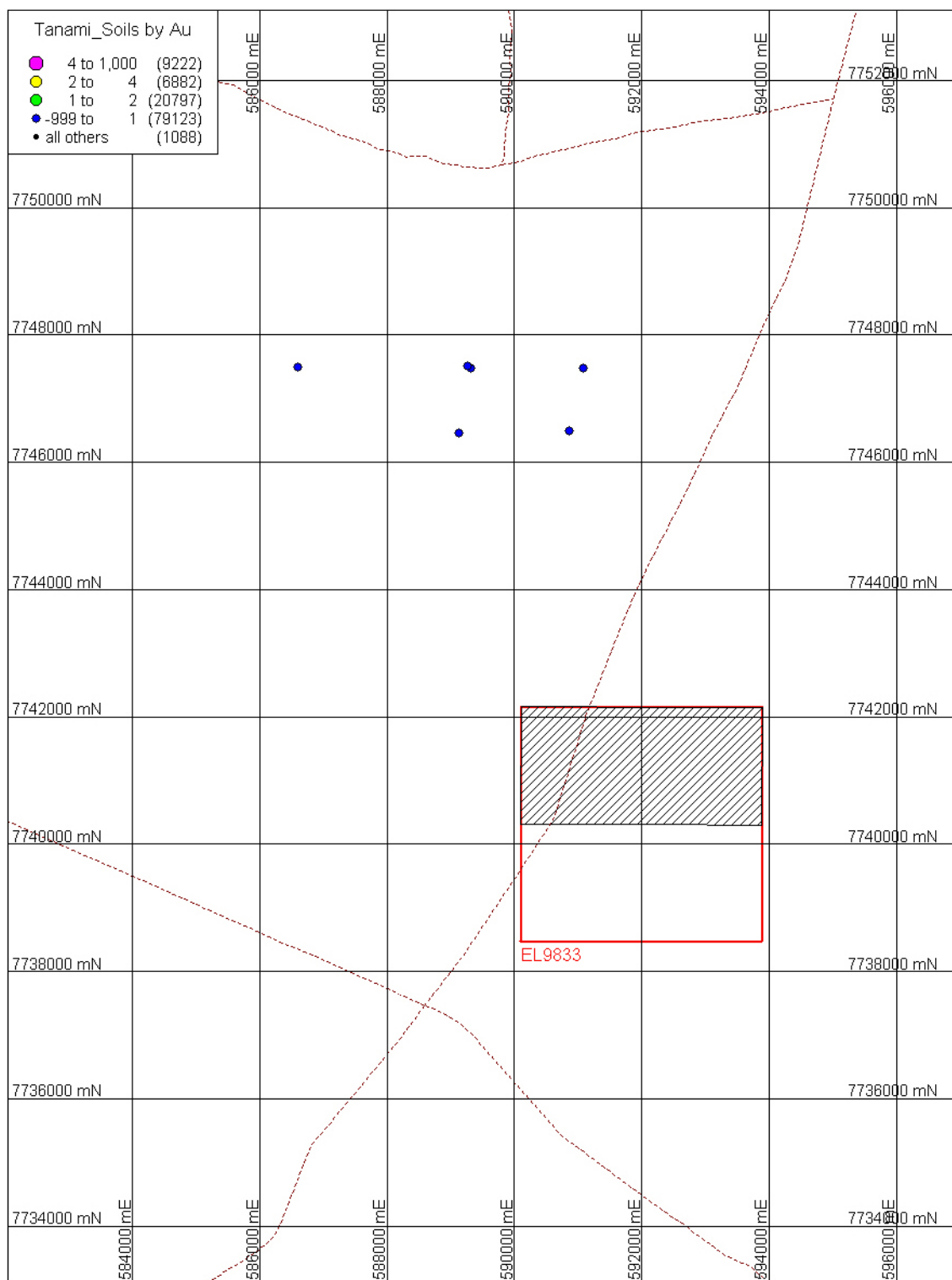


Figure 6: EL9833 Salt Lake 2 showing location of previous soils. Black hatched areas are to be relinquished.

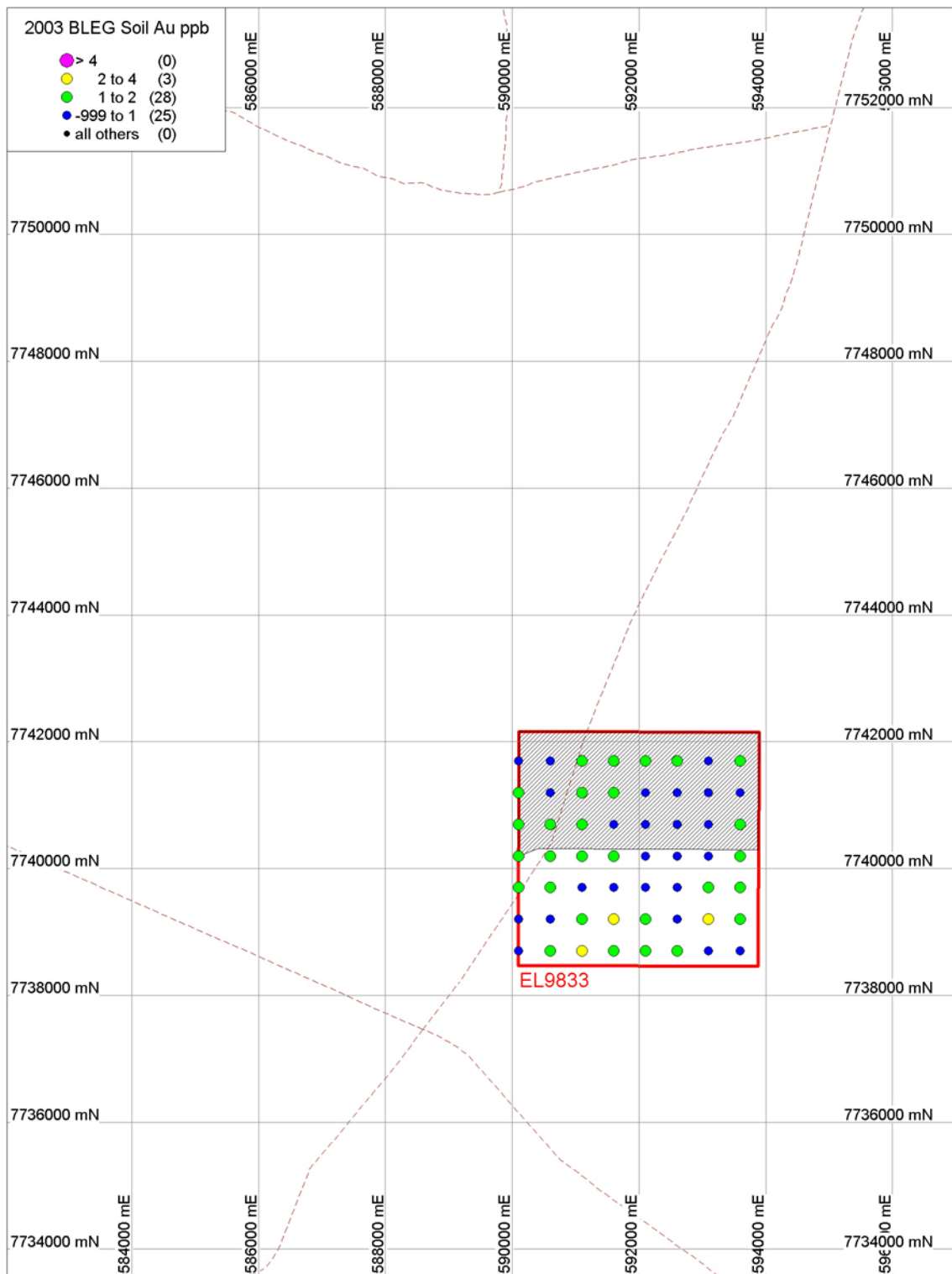


Figure 7: EL9833 Salt Lake 2 with 2003 Bleg A soils shown. Areas to be relinquished are shown in black hatching.