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# **Charley Creek EL 28795**

Arunta Region Final Report for EL 28795 for the period 12 December 2011 to 16 October 2019

Tenement Holders: Crossland Nickel Pty Ltd and Essential Mining Resources Pty Ltd

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#### **Summary**

EL 28975 was granted to Crossland Nickel Pty Ltd (Crossland)and Panconoz Pty Ltd (Panconoz) on 12 December 2011 for a period of 6 years. The interests of Panconoz were acquired by Essential Mining Resources Pty Ltd (EMR) in late 2015. The granted licence originally consisted of 16 blocks or 50.44 km<sup>2</sup>.

A decision was made by Crossland to surrender the tenement in mid October 2019. Following several reductions the licence consisted of three blocks when surrendered. DPIR stated 16<sup>th</sup> October 2019 as the licence cessation date.

The target commodity has been Rare Earth Elements (REE).

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#### **1** Introduction

Exploration Licence (EL) 28795, originally comprising 16 blocks or 50.44 km<sup>2</sup> in area, is located approximately 70 kilometres northwest of Alice Springs, just north of the Tanami Highway. Access to the licence is via the sealed highway then station tracks. The title was held by Crossland Nickel Pty and Essential Mining Resources Pty Ltd and was considered prospective for alluvial concentrations of Rare Earth Elements. See Figure 1.

EL 28795 was part of Charley Creek Group Reporting GR339, which will now consist of five (5) licences following this surrender. The licence was surrendered as part of Crossland's strategy to reduce landholdings on the Charley Creek project area, thereby conserving funds. This strategy also enables the company to concentrate on the two principal identified resource areas.

### 2 Tenure Details

EL 28795 was originally granted to Crossland and Panconoz on 12 December 2011 for a period of six years. The licence comprised 16 sub-blocks, an area of approximately 50 km<sup>2</sup>. The assests of Panconoz were acquired by EMR in late 2015.

Up to Surrender, the tenement has undergone four reductions since 2014 to reach the current size of three blocks.

## 3 Tenement Geology

Much of the plains country to the north of the ranges is composed of Quaternary, and to a lesser degree Tertiary sediments. The Tertiary sediments have been described as sands, clays, siltstone and conglomerate with some lignitic horizons. The Quaternary sediments are characterised by shallow alluvial fans of coarse gravels, sandy ephemeral creek deposits, sand and clay with a surficial covering of aeolian silts and sand with minor calcrete and carbonate deposits. The degree of cover formed by these sediments varies regionally.

The majority of EL 28795 is mapped as undifferentiated Quaternary and Tertiary units except for a small portion along the western boundary mapped as Quaternary alluvial silt and sand.



Figure 1. EL28795 Regional location



Figure 2 EL 28795 detail of surrendered licence (infilled)

## 4 **Previous Exploration**

Historical exploration activities were undertaken by Conzinc Rio Tinto Australia Exploration (CRAE) for sedimentary uranium targets in the 1970s and nickel, copper and PGE in the mid to late 1990's. Several junior companies also explored the area for it's sedimentary uranium potential.

Esso Australia Limited explored the Teapot Granite in 1977 for uranium following an airborne radiometric survey.

There has been no historical work recorded within the surrendered area.

#### 5 Work Completed by Crossland

There have been no exploration activities carried out by Crossland within the surrendered area.

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