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Completion of heap restacking and advancing plant upgrade ahead of Copper Sulphate production restart

Tartana Minerals Limited (ASX: TAT) (**Tartana** or the **Company**) is pleased to provide a progress update on its Copper Sulphate Pentahydrate (**Copper Sulphate**) production.

Highlights:

- Approximately 50,000 tonnes of copper-mineralised pit fill excavated and stacked onto the lower heap leach pad, with the restack program now complete
- Higher-grade pit fill zones in the eastern section of the pit prioritised for extraction and stacking to maximise copper feed grade
- Preliminary pXRF readings from stacked material in line with or above the 0.22% Cu average confirmed in prior test work[1]
- New chiller circuit fabrication is well advanced, with site installation imminent
- Copper sulphate pentahydrate production expected to recommence within three weeks, with first shipment to 100% offtaker targeted for mid-May 2026

Additional 50,000 tonne stacked on heap leachpad

Tartana has completed the heap leach pad restack program at the Tartana Mining Leases, with approximately 50,000 tonnes of copper-mineralised pit fill excavated and stacked onto the lower heap leach pad.

The program followed a process optimisation review completed in late 2025, which identified higher-grade copper mineralisation in the eastern section of the pit fill. As reported on 4 March 2026, test work on the pit fill returned an average leachable copper grade of 0.22% Cu, with grades up to approximately 1% Cu in the eastern zone. Extraction activities were focused on these higher-grade zones to maximise the copper content of material delivered to the heap.

Preliminary pXRF readings from the stacked material are consistent with the 0.22% Cu average.[1]

In addition to providing incremental copper feed to the plant, completing the restack program progressively removes pit-fill overburden, enabling future access to the primary copper resource at the base of the pit.

Upgrades to key plant infrastructure on track

The primary scope of the Company's plant upgrade program is the fabrication and installation of a new chiller circuit — a critical component of the Solvent Extraction – Crystallisation plant's crystallisation process. Fabrication is well advanced, and site installation is imminent, with commissioning expected within the next two weeks.

The upgrade was recommended following a review of plant operations by an independent metallurgical consultant and forms part of $0.435 million in committed plant infrastructure expenditure announced on 4 March 2026.

The upgrade is designed to improve plant reliability and support more consistent copper sulphate pentahydrate throughput toward a nameplate capacity of approximately 350 tonnes per month.[2]

Images: Mining the open pit fill containing extractable copper and stacking the lower heap leach pad.

Copper Sulphate production restart imminent

With the heap leach pad restack complete and plant upgrade installation imminent, Tartana expects Copper Sulphate production to recommence within three weeks. First shipment to the Company's 100% offtaker, Kanins International, is targeted for mid-May 2026.

The Company's Copper Sulphate is priced based on the LME copper price, reflecting the product's 25% copper content, plus a premium. At prevailing LME copper prices above US$13,000 per tonne, the Company's realised sale price remains in the range of A$4,500-5,000 per tonne.

Exposure to global supply chain risks

The Company continues to monitor for global supply chain impacts. With a committed 100% offtaker, the Company is not exposed to risks in selling its Copper Sulphate with pricing determined by the previous month's average LME copper price. With respect to sourcing of inputs, at present, the Company has either sufficient stockpiles or agreements with suppliers for diesel, V80, sulfuric acid, and LIX, which form the main inputs required to operate the plant in the near term.

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This announcement has been approved by the Board of Directors of Tartana Minerals Limited (ASX:TAT).

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Footnotes:

[1] The Company cautions that pXRF readings are indicative estimates only and should not be considered a substitute for quantitative laboratory assay results.

[2] The stated figure is an estimated production capacity of the plant based on the equipment and operational capabilities. It is not a production target, and the Company is not indicating that it can or will achieve this figure.

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About Tartana Minerals (ASX:TAT)

Tartana Minerals Limited is an Australian explorer and project developer with a substantial landholding in the Chillagoe region of Far North Queensland. The Company's portfolio comprises mining leases and exploration tenements prospective for critical and strategic metals, including silver, copper, gold, antimony, zinc, and tin.

Tartana holds the Tartana Mining Leases, from which it produces copper sulphate, supporting ongoing operations while advancing exploration and development across its broader asset base.

The Company's strategy is to enhance shareholder value through systematic exploration, disciplined project development and the expansion and optimisation of its production activities.

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