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Rock Chip and Trench Sampling Returns up to 5.36% Cu and 5.16 g/t Au at Ardmore North

Highlights

Ardmore North

- **52 surface samples were collected at Ardmore North prior to the commencement of RC drilling, comprising 48 samples from a 96m trench and four rock chip samples. Final assay results have now been received for all samples**
- **Rock chip samples from the RC drill pad returned 5.36% Cu and 5.16 g/t Au from a quartz vein with malachite (2606RK-055), and 1.66% Cu and 0.30 g/t Au from a hematite–magnetite ironstone with malachite (2606RK-056)**
- **A reconnaissance rock chip sample of hematite–magnetite gossan with malachite and associated sulphides returned 0.82% Cu and 2.25 g/t Au (2509RK-001)**
- **Trench sampling returned a peak of 0.42% Cu and 0.13 g/t Au over 2m (2606RK-029), coincident with hematite–magnetite ironstone; the complete 48-interval dataset is reported in Table 1**

Attina

- **One of five rock chip samples collected at Attina returned 0.45% Cu and 0.29 g/t Au, from hematite-rich gossan and quartz vein material (2605RK-001); all five samples are reported in Table 3**

RC drilling - Ardmore North and Attina

- **Samples from the completed RC drilling program have been submitted to the assay laboratory. Assay results are anticipated approximately six to eight weeks from submission and will be reported to the market as they are received (refer ASX announcement dated 14 July 2026)**

Director's Comment

Cooper Metals Executive Director, Tim Armstrong, commented:

"These are encouraging results ahead of our maiden drilling at Ardmore North and Attina. Rock chips from the drill pad returned 5.36% Cu and 5.16 g/t Au, and the trench has confirmed the position of copper-gold anomalism across the target zone ahead of the RC holes. Together with the reconnaissance sample at 0.82% Cu and 2.25 g/t Au, this adds real definition to our understanding of the Mt Isa East Project as we continue to refine targets.

We also note the recent corporate activity in the Mt Isa Inlier, with our neighbours Carnaby Resources and Hammer Metals both the subject of change-of-control proposals. Cooper Metals is not a party to those transactions. With approximately 1,200 km² of tenure in the district, our focus remains on our own drilling and target generation.

RC samples are with the laboratory and we look forward to reporting those results as they come to hand."

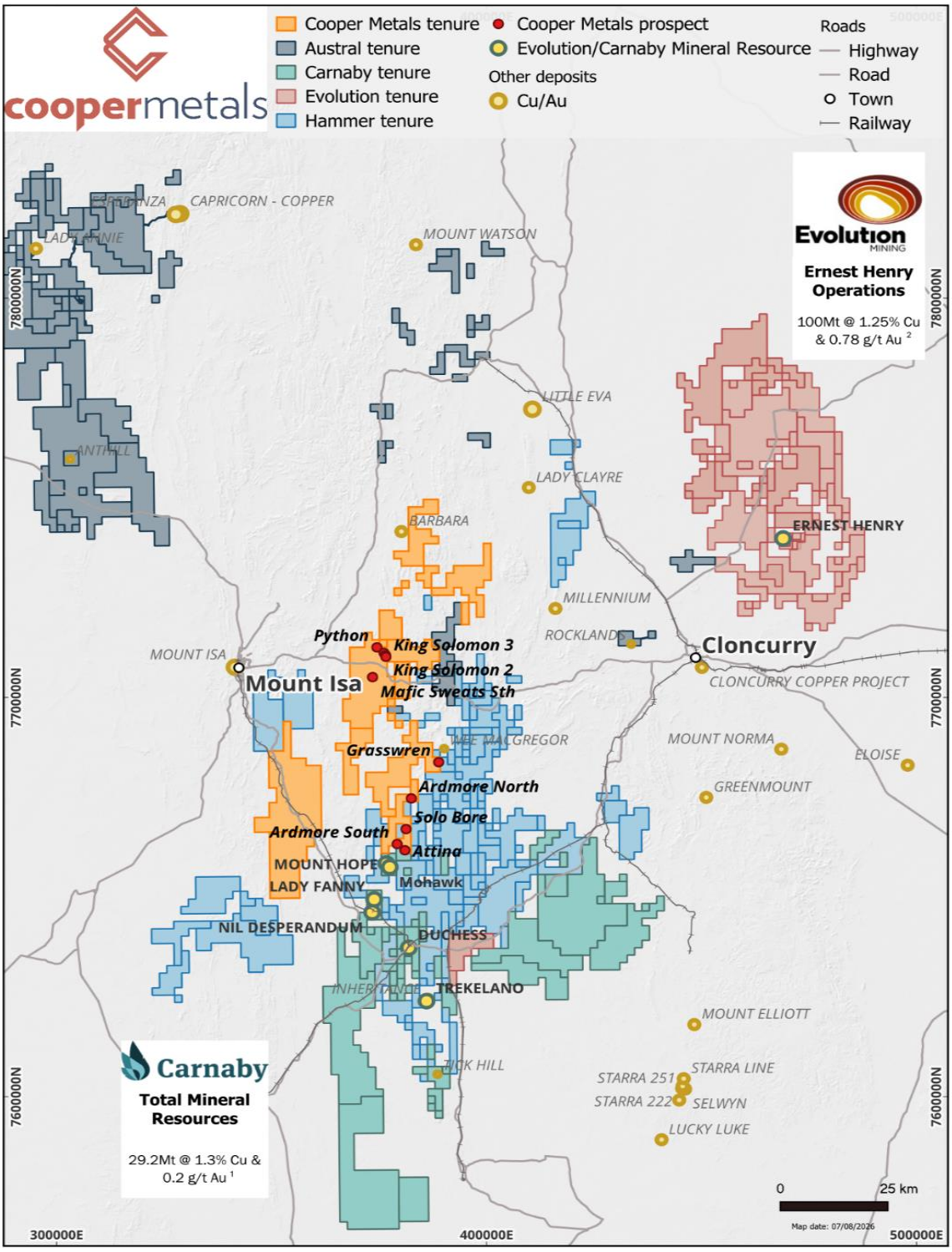

Figure 1: Cooper Metals Mount Isa East Tenure and Prospects and neighbouring company tenements[4].

[1] Carnaby Resources Limited (ASX: CNB) Greater Duchess Project total Mineral Resource of 29.2Mt @ 1.3% Cu and 0.2 g/t Au, as reported in Carnaby's ASX announcement *"Greater Duchess Mineral Resource Update"* dated 27 January 2026.
[2] Evolution Mining Limited (ASX: EVN) Ernest Henry Operations Mineral Resource of 100Mt @ 1.25% Cu and 0.78 g/t Au, as reported in Evolution's Annual Mineral Resources and Ore Reserves Statement for the 31 December 2025 reporting date.
[3] Cooper Metals tenure comprises granted tenements and applications totalling approximately 1,200 km² as at 7 August 2026 (Queensland Department of Resources tenure register).
[4] Tenure boundaries for Austral Resources, Hammer Metals, Carnaby Resources and Evolution Mining sourced from the Queensland Department of Resources public tenure register, current as at 7 August 2026.

The Mineral Resource estimates shown at Figure 1 are those of third parties and are not Mineral Resources of Cooper Metals. They are shown only to illustrate the regional geological setting of the Company's tenure. The Ernest Henry Operations lie approximately 105 km north-east of the Ardmore North prospect, and the nearest of the Greater Duchess deposits (Mount Hope) approximately 20 km south-south-west. Cooper Metals has no interest in those deposits, has not independently verified the third-party information, and does not warrant its accuracy. The presence of mineralisation on adjoining or nearby tenements is not necessarily indicative of the mineralisation, prospectivity or value of Cooper Metals' tenements. No Mineral Resource or Ore Reserve is reported or implied for any Cooper Metals tenement.

Ardmore North - Rock Chip & Trench Sampling

Rock chip and shallow trench sampling was completed at Ardmore North in June 2026, prior to the commencement of the maiden RC drilling program (Figure 1).

Two rock chip samples were collected from a drill pad cleared in preparation for the RC drilling program (refer ASX announcement dated 14 July 2026). Sample 2606RK-055, collected from a quartz vein containing malachite along fractures, returned 5.36% Cu and 5.16 g/t Au. Sample 2606RK-056, collected from a hematite-magnetite ironstone containing malachite, returned 1.66% Cu and 0.30 g/t Au.

Two additional rock chip samples were collected at Ardmore North during an earlier reconnaissance visit and submitted for analysis ahead of the trench program. Sample 2509RK-001 returned 8,230 ppm Cu (0.82% Cu) and 2.25 g/t Au from a hematite-magnetite-rich gossan containing associated sulphides and malachite (Figure 2 and Figure 3). The second sample returned background values and is reported at Table 2.

Rock chip sampling previously reported by the Company from separate locations within the Ardmore North prospect area returned results of up to 14.45% Cu (sample MER194) and up to 4.49 g/t Au (sample MER172), these being peak copper and peak gold values from different samples (refer to the Company's ASX announcement "Cultural Heritage Clearance Completed for Priority Cu-Au Drill Target Identified on the Mt Hope Trend", 27 October 2025). The Company confirms that it is not aware of any new information or data that materially affects the information included in that announcement, and that all material assumptions and technical parameters underpinning those results continue to apply and have not materially changed. Rock chip samples are selective by nature and may not be representative of the style, width or grade of mineralisation across the prospect.

Shallow trench sampling was undertaken on 14 June 2026 along a cleared drill access line and comprised 48 continuous 2m composite intervals over 96m. This is the continuous surface channel-style sample previously advised in the Company's ASX announcement of 16 June 2026; the results are reported here for the first time. The samples consisted of rock, subcrop and transported surface material excavated using hand tools to a depth of approximately 5-10 cm. Results include 4,210 ppm Cu (0.42% Cu) and 0.13 g/t Au from sample 2606RK-029, associated with hematite–magnetite-bearing ironstone (Figure 3 and Table 1).

Table 1: Ardmore North Trench Sample Details

Sample ID	Sample Type	From (m)	To (m)	Easting (MGA94 Z54)	Northing (MGA94 Z54)	Cu ppm	Au g/t
2606RK-001	Rock & Soil	0	2	383583	7676050	764	0.03
2606RK-002	Rock & Soil	2	4	383585	7676049	503	0.02
2606RK-003	Rock & Soil	4	6	383586	7676048	1065	0.05
2606RK-004	Rock & Soil	6	8	383588	7676047	868	0.03
2606RK-005	Rock & Soil	8	10	383589	7676046	835	0.03
2606RK-006	Rock & Soil	10	12	383591	7676044	697	0.03
2606RK-007	Rock & Soil	12	14	383593	7676043	725	0.03
2606RK-008	Rock & Soil	14	16	383594	7676042	424	0.01

Sample ID	Sample Type	From (m)	To (m)	Easting (MGA94 Z54)	Northing (MGA94 Z54)	Cu ppm	Au g/t
2606RK-009	Rock & Soil	16	18	383596	7676041	334	0.01
2606RK-010	Rock & Soil	18	20	383597	7676040	468	0.02
2606RK-011	Rock & Soil	20	22	383599	7676038	488	0.02
2606RK-012	Rock & Soil	22	24	383601	7676037	724	0.02
2606RK-013	Rock & Soil	24	26	383602	7676036	659	0.02
2606RK-014	Rock & Soil	26	28	383604	7676035	1005	0.03
2606RK-015	Rock & Soil	28	30	383605	7676034	700	0.01
2606RK-017	Rock & Soil	30	32	383607	7676032	826	0.02
2606RK-018	Rock & Soil	32	34	383609	7676031	499	0.02
2606RK-019	Rock & Soil	34	36	383610	7676030	486	0.01
2606RK-022	Rock & Soil	36	38	383612	7676029	504	0.01
2606RK-023	Rock & Soil	38	40	383613	7676028	456	0.01
2606RK-024	Rock & Soil	40	42	383615	7676027	533	0.01
2606RK-025	Rock & Soil	42	44	383617	7676025	587	0.01
2606RK-026	Rock & Soil	44	46	383618	7676024	537	0.03
2606RK-027	Rock & Soil	46	48	383620	7676023	570	0.02
2606RK-028	Rock & Soil	48	50	383622	7676022	1305	0.10
2606RK-029	Rock & Soil	50	52	383623	7676021	4210	0.13
2606RK-030	Rock & Soil	52	54	383625	7676020	1080	0.10
2606RK-031	Rock & Soil	54	56	383627	7676019	801	0.03
2606RK-032	Rock & Soil	56	58	383628	7676018	682	0.04
2606RK-033	Rock & Soil	58	60	383630	7676016	1005	0.01
2606RK-034	Rock & Soil	60	62	383632	7676015	546	0.01
2606RK-035	Rock & Soil	62	64	383633	7676014	440	0.03
2606RK-036	Rock & Soil	64	66	383635	7676013	435	0.09
2606RK-037	Rock & Soil	66	68	383636	7676012	398	0.01
2606RK-038	Rock & Soil	68	70	383638	7676011	414	0.01
2606RK-039	Rock & Soil	70	72	383640	7676009	284	0.05
2606RK-040	Rock & Soil	72	74	383641	7676008	318	0.02
2606RK-041	Rock & Soil	74	76	383643	7676007	348	0.03
2606RK-042	Rock & Soil	76	78	383645	7676006	322	0.01
2606RK-043	Rock & Soil	78	80	383646	7676005	371	0.03
2606RK-044	Rock & Soil	80	82	383648	7676004	314	0.01
2606RK-045	Rock & Soil	82	84	383649	7676003	327	0.01
2606RK-046	Rock & Soil	84	86	383651	7676002	230	0.01
2606RK-047	Rock & Soil	86	88	383653	7676000	247	0.01
2606RK-048	Rock & Soil	88	90	383654	7675999	332	0.01
2606RK-049	Rock & Soil	90	92	383656	7675998	340	0.01
2606RK-050	Rock & Soil	92	94	383657	7675997	322	0.02
2606RK-051	Rock & Soil	94	96	383659	7675996	307	0.02

Trench intervals are 2m composites of rock, subcrop and transported surface material excavated to approximately 5-10cm depth along a continuous 96 m. No trench interval exceeded the ME-ICP61 upper reporting limit of 10,000ppm Cu. The trench was not logged on an interval-by-interval basis; geological observations were recorded for the trench as a whole and are summarised in the body of this announcement.

Table 2: Ardmore North Rock Chip Sample Details

Sample ID	Easting (MGA94 Z54)	Northing (MGA94 Z54)	Cu ppm	Cu pct	Au g/t	Description
2606RK-055	383598	7676032	>10000	5.36	5.16	Quartz vein with malachite on fractures
2606RK-056	383576	7676032	>10000	1.66	0.30	Hematite–magnetite ironstone with malachite
2509RK-001	383574	7676057	8230	-	2.25	Hematite–magnetite gossan with malachite and associated sulphides
2509RK-002	383533	7676085	20.3	-	0.088	Quartz feldspar breccia with boxwork textures and anastomosing quartz veins

Note: Samples 2606RK-055 and 2606RK-056 were collected from the cleared RC drill pad; 2509RK-001 and 2509RK-002 were collected during an earlier reconnaissance visit. Cu >10,000 ppm exceeds the upper reporting limit of method ME-ICP61; copper for these samples was re-determined by ore-grade method Cu-OG62 (refer Appendix 1).

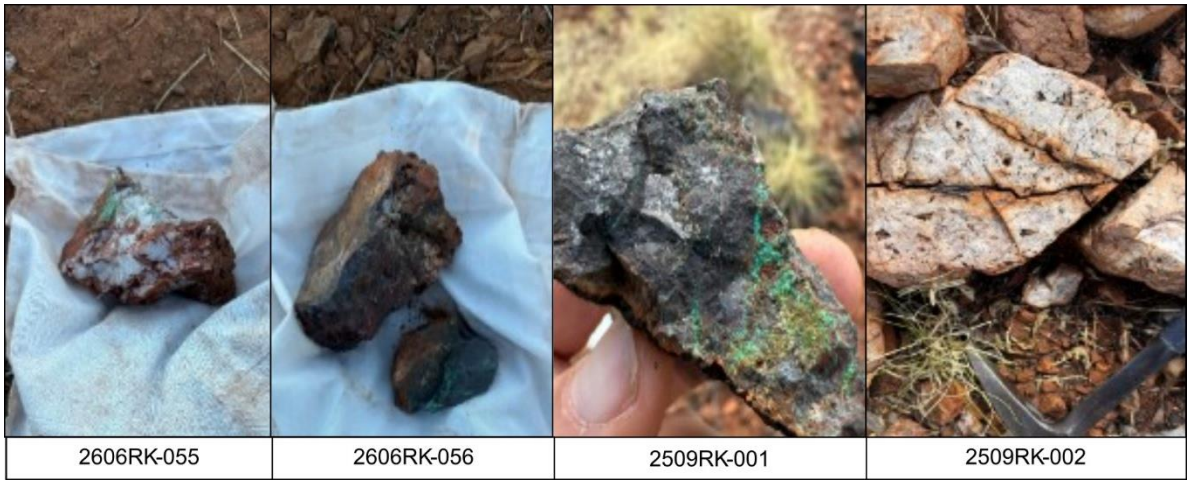

Figure 1: Rock Chip Samples 2606RK-055 and 2606RK-056 from RC drill pad. 2606RK-055 quartz vein with malachite on fractures. 2606RK-056 is a hematite-magnetite ironstone with malachite. 2509RK-001 Hematite magnetite gossan. Malachite and sulphides (pyrite & chalcopyrite). 2509RK-002 Quartz feldspar breccia with boxwork textures and anastomosing quartz veins.

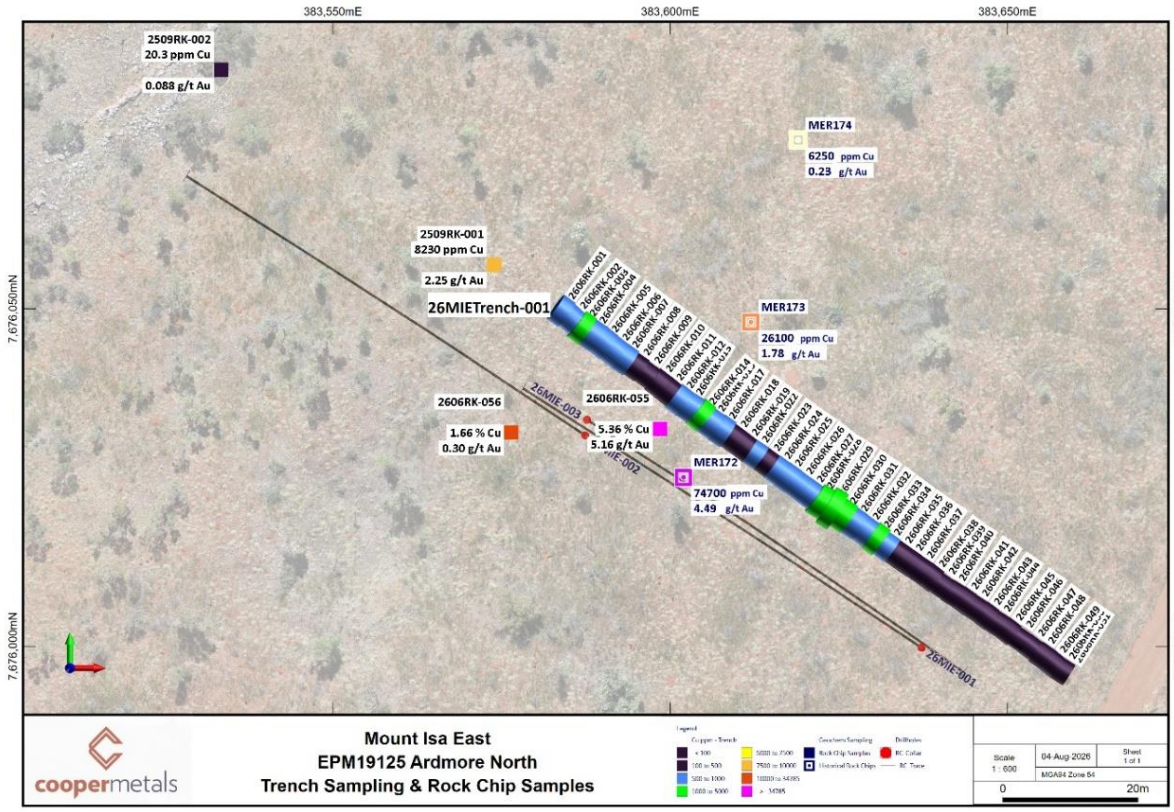

Figure 3: Ardmore North trench and rock chip sample locations, with the traces of the recently completed RC drilling program. Samples labelled MER172, MER173 and MER174 are historical rock chip results previously reported in the Company's ASX announcement of 27 October 2025 and are not reported for the first time in this announcement. Assay results for the RC drilling are pending and remain anticipated approximately six to eight weeks from submission.

Attina - Rock Chip Sampling

Five rock chip samples were collected at the Attina prospect (Figure 1 and Figure 4). Rock chip sample 2605RK-001, interpreted as hematite-rich gossan with quartz vein material, returned 4,450 ppm (0.45%) Cu and 0.29 g/t Au (Figure 4). Summary details for these samples are set out in Table 3.

Rock chip sampling previously reported by the Company at Attina returned up to 12.35% Cu and 52.8 g/t Au from a single sample of gossanous quartz vein float (sample MER386), the highest gold assay returned from rock chip sampling across the Mt Isa East Project (refer to the Company's ASX announcement "Highest gold assay to date in rock chips found at Attina Cu-Au Prospect", 20 June 2024). The Company confirms that it is not aware of any new information or data that materially affects the information included in that announcement, and that all material assumptions and technical parameters underpinning those results continue to apply and have not materially changed. The samples reported in this announcement were collected from separate locations within the Attina prospect area. Rock chip samples are selective by nature and may not be representative of the style, width or grade of mineralisation across the prospect.

Table 3: Attina Rock Chip Sample Details

Sample ID	Easting (MGA94 Z54)	Northing (MGA94 Z54)	Cu ppm	Cu pct	Au g/t	Description
2605RK-001	381218	7661747	4450	-	0.291	Hematite gossan material and quartz vein (refer Figure 4).

Sample ID	Easting (MGA94 Z54)	Northing (MGA94 Z54)	Cu ppm	Cu pct	Au g/t	Description
2605RK-002	381724	7661203	10.4	-	0.002	Quartz vein plus epidote hem alt sampled
2605RK-003	381758	7661043	48.7	-	0.002	Quartz vein + epidote & hematite sample
2605RK-004	381761	7661036	9.1	-	0.001	Epidote hematite + malachite sample
2507RK-001	381324	7661719	89.2	-	0.002	Metasediment - fine grained & coarse-grained beds. Wavy bedding with vertical cleavage observed. Malachite observed on some fractures.

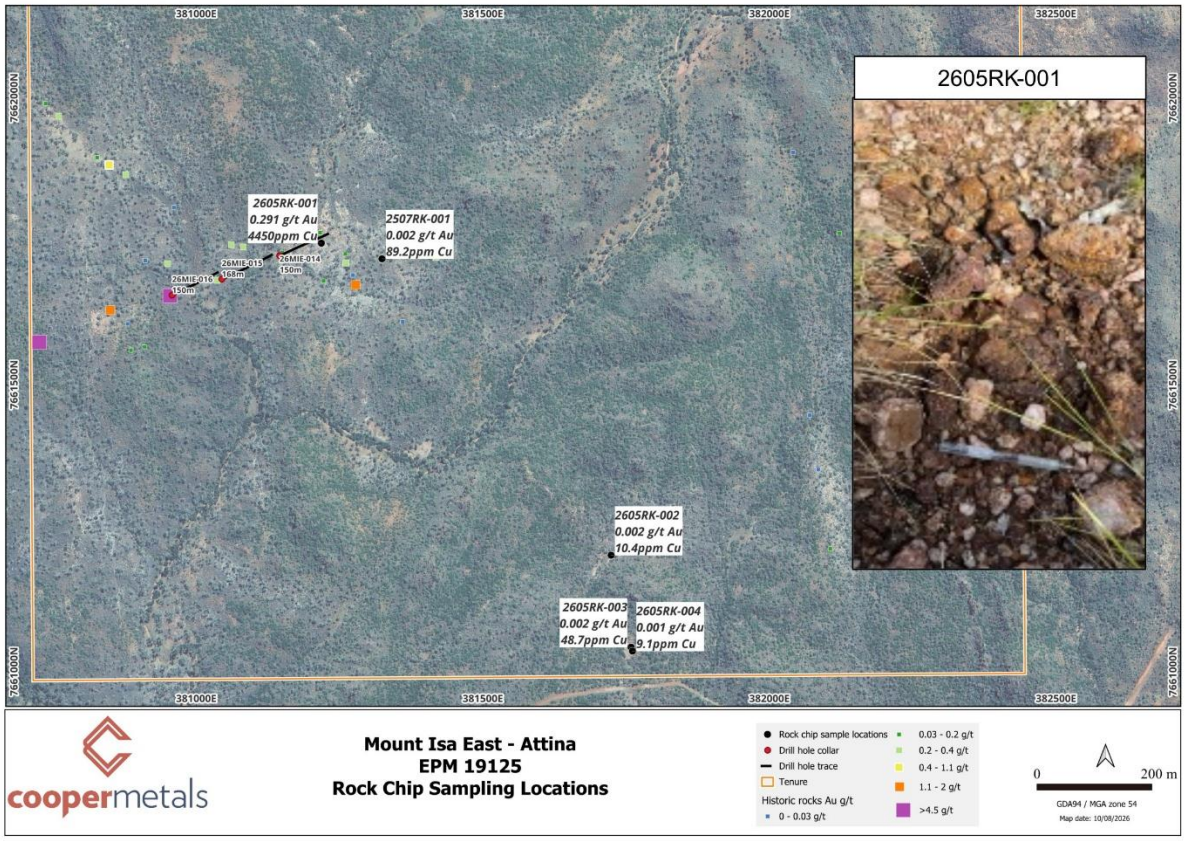

Figure 4: Attina rock chip sample locations, 2507RK-001 and 2605RK-001 to 2605RK-004, with the traces of RC holes 26MIE-014 to 26MIE-016 and historical rock chip sample locations previously reported by the Company. Photograph of sample 2605RK-001, hematite-rich gossan and quartz vein material.

Next Steps

- Compile and report results from the completed RC drilling program at Ardmore North and Attina (refer to ASX announcement dated 14 July 2026). Assay results remain anticipated approximately six to eight weeks from submission, as advised in that announcement.
- Integrate drilling results with existing geological, geochemical and geophysical datasets to plan follow-up work.

Authorisation

This announcement has been approved and authorised to be given to the ASX by the Board of Cooper Metals Limited.

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Disclaimer - Reported Results and Completed Drilling

The exploration results reported in this announcement are laboratory assay results for surface trench and rock chip samples, determined by ALS using the methods described in Appendix 1. The geological descriptions accompanying those samples, including in the figure captions and in Tables 2 and 3, relate to material that has been assayed and for which results are reported in this announcement.

No assay results from the completed RC drilling program at Ardmore North and Attina are available as at the date of this announcement. Geological observations from that drilling, including estimated visual mineral abundances, the nature of the occurrences and the anticipated timing of assay results, were reported in the Company's ASX announcement of 14 July 2026 and are not restated here.

Surface rock chip and trench sampling tests material exposed at or near surface. Results from surface sampling are not necessarily indicative of the grade, width or continuity of mineralisation at depth. Investors are cautioned that further work, including assaying of the RC drill samples, is required to determine whether mineralisation of economic significance is present.

Disclaimer - Third Party Information

References in this announcement to Hammer Metals Limited (ASX: HMX) and Carnaby Resources Limited (ASX: CNB) are based on announcements released to ASX by those companies and by Austral Resources Australia Ltd (ASX: AR1).

Carnaby Resources and Hammer Metals have each announced proposed change-of-control transactions: Carnaby Resources with Evolution Mining, and Hammer Metals with Austral Resources as set out in announcements released to ASX by those companies. Those transactions remain subject to conditions, including shareholder and court approvals, and may not proceed.

Cooper Metals is not a party to, and has no involvement in, these transactions. This information relates to third-party companies and tenements and is not necessarily indicative of the mineralisation, prospectivity or value of Cooper Metals' tenements.

Competent Person's Statement

The information in this report that relates to Geological Interpretation and Exploration Results, being the rock chip and trench sampling results reported herein, is based on information compiled by Dr Christopher Reed, a Competent Person who is a Member of The Australian Institute of Geoscientists (AIG). Dr Reed provides services to Cooper Metals Limited through Maverick Geo Pty Ltd. Dr Reed personally supervised the rock chip and trench sampling and logging programs and has reviewed the results reported in this announcement. Dr Reed has sufficient experience that is relevant to the style of mineralisation and type of deposit under consideration and to the activity being undertaken to qualify as a Competent Person as defined in the 2012 Edition of the 'Australasian Code for Reporting of Exploration Results, Mineral Resources and Ore Reserves'. Dr Reed consents to the inclusion in the report of the matters based on his information and the form and context in which it appears.

About Cooper Metals Limited

Cooper Metals Ltd (ASX: CPM) is an ASX-listed explorer with a focus on copper and gold exploration. CPM aims to build shareholder wealth through discovery of mineral deposits. The Company has projects in proven mineralised terrains with access to infrastructure. The Projects are detailed briefly below:

Mt Isa East Project (Qld)

Cooper Metals' flagship Mt Isa East Cu-Au Project covers ~1,200 sq.km of tenure with numerous historical Cu-Au workings and prospects already identified for immediate follow-up exploration. The Mt Isa Inlier is highly prospective for iron oxide copper gold (IOCG), iron sulphide copper gold (ISCG) and shear-hosted Cu ± Au deposits.

Gooroo Project (WA)

The Gooroo Cu and Au Project covers a newly identified greenstone belt ~20km from Vault Minerals' (ASX: VAU) Deflector mine. The 26km expanse of covered greenstone belt has had almost no exploration and was only added to government geology maps in 2020 after reinterpretation of geophysical data.

Pyramid Gold Project (Qld)

The Pyramid Gold Project covers approximately 150 km² in the prolific Drummond Basin, North Queensland, ~180km south of Townsville. The project hosts the Gettysberg Fault corridor with established high-grade gold mineralisation and significant untested strike extent, as well as intrusion-related gold system (IRGS) potential on the East Pyramid Range (refer to the Company's ASX announcement of 21 April 2026 for full details).

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Appendix 1 - JORC Code (2012) Table 1

This Table 1 is provided in support of the exploration results reported in this announcement for the Mt Isa East Project (EPM 19125), NW Queensland, being laboratory assay results for surface trench and rock chip sampling at the Ardmore North and Attina prospects. No drill sample assay results are reported in this announcement, and no Mineral Resource or Ore Reserve is reported or implied. Criteria relating to the completed reverse circulation (RC) drilling were addressed in the Company's ASX announcement of 14 July 2026, and criteria relating to RC assay data and intercept reporting will be addressed when those assay results are reported to the market.

Section 1 - Sampling Techniques and Data

(Criteria in this section apply to all succeeding sections.)

Criteria	Commentary
Sampling techniques	• This announcement reports laboratory assay results for surface trench and rock chip sampling at the Ardmore North and Attina prospects, Mt Isa East Project (EPM 19125). No drill sample assay results are reported. • **Trench sampling.** A shallow trench (26MIETrench-001) was excavated by hand tools to approximately 5-10 cm depth along a cleared drill access track at Ardmore North and sampled on 14 June 2026 over a continuous 96 m as 48 contiguous 2 m composite intervals. Each interval comprises rock, subcrop and transported surface material recovered from the excavated surface over that 2 m. This is the sample previously advised as a "continuous surface channel-style sample" in the Company's ASX announcement of 16 June 2026; because it is a composite of mixed surface media rather than a controlled continuous cut of in-situ rock, it is described as a trench composite throughout this announcement. • The access track was cleared by loader prior to sampling, and surface material within it may have been disturbed or displaced laterally during clearing. Consistent with the limitation disclosed in the Company's ASX announcement of 16 June 2026, the samples include transported (non in-situ) material and may not be fully representative of the underlying bedrock. The trench results are accordingly used as a relative indicator of the position of anomalism along the trench rather than as an absolute measure of grade – refer Data aggregation methods in Section 2. • Sample numbers 2606RK-001 to 2606RK-054 were allocated to the trench program, 48 reported 2 m intervals plus six field QAQC samples (2606RK-016, -020, -021, -052, -053 and -054), which are not reported as trench intervals. • **Drill-pad rock chip sampling.** Two rock chip samples (2606RK-055 and 2606RK-056) were collected from surface exposures on the cleared RC drill pad at Ardmore North. Each is a field composite of six individual pieces of the same material, combined prior to submission. • **Reconnaissance rock chip sampling.** Two rock chip samples (2509RK-001 and 2509RK-002) were collected at Ardmore North during an earlier reconnaissance visit and submitted separately, in advance of the trench program (ALS certificate MI26181164, received 20 May 2026). • **Attina rock chip sampling.** Five rock chip samples (2605RK-001 to 2605RK-004 and 2507RK-001) were collected from surface outcrop and float and were submitted with the reconnaissance samples under ALS certificate MI26181164. • Rock chip samples are selective by nature: they are taken from mineralised or geologically significant exposures and are not representative of the average grade, style or width of mineralisation across a prospect. This is stated in the body of this announcement. • No field sub-sampling or splitting was undertaken other than the compositing described above; samples were submitted to the laboratory as collected. Sample masses on receipt (ALS method WEI-21) averaged 6.8 kg for the trench composites (range 2.3–10.9 kg), 3.7–4.6 kg for the drill-pad rock chip samples, 3.9–4.4 kg for the Ardmore North reconnaissance samples and 1.8–2.1 kg for the Attina rock chip samples. • RC drilling at Ardmore North and Attina was completed prior to this announcement and no assay results have been received by the date of this announcement. The sampling techniques for that program were reported in the Company's ASX announcement of 14 July 2026. • Certificate MI26181164 also covers two rock chip samples (2507RK-004 and 2507RK-005) collected at the Solo Bore prospect, and two certified reference materials submitted blind under sample numbers 2605RK-005 and 2605RK-006. Solo Bore is not the subject of this announcement and no exploration results for that prospect are reported here. • Samples 2507RK-001, 2509RK-001 and 2509RK-002 were collected during earlier field visits in 2025 and were held in the Company's secure sample storage until dispatch, being received by the laboratory on 20 May 2026. The samples are competent rock and the storage interval is not considered to have affected the copper and gold results.
Drilling techniques	• Not applicable to this announcement as no drilling results are reported

Criteria	Commentary
Drill sample recovery	• Not applicable as no drill sample results are reported. • For the surface sampling reported here, each 2 m trench interval was excavated and sampled over its full length; no interval was omitted or partially sampled for want of material, and all 48 intervals returned sufficient material for analysis. • Sample recovery bias is not considered material to surface grab and composite sampling of this type, beyond the selectivity inherent in rock chip sampling that is disclosed above.
Logging	• Each rock chip sample was described in the field by the Company's geologists, recording lithology, weathering and oxidation, vein and gossan material, alteration and any visible copper oxide and sulphide minerals. Those descriptions are tabulated at Table 2 (Ardmore North) and Table 3 (Attina). • The trench was not logged on an interval-by-interval basis. Geological observations were recorded for the trench as a whole at the time of sampling, including the position of hematite–magnetite ironstone along its length, and the trench was photographed. No lithological log is held for individual 2 m intervals and none is reported. • Logging is qualitative and descriptive. It supports interpretation of the assay results and is not relied upon as a measure of grade. • Sample identifiers, locations and intervals were captured digitally in the field and loaded to the Company's database. • Portable XRF was not used to guide the trench or rock chip sampling reported in this announcement, and no pXRF data are reported.
Sub-sampling techniques and sample preparation	• Samples are not core. No field splitting was undertaken. The two drill-pad rock chip samples (2606RK-055 and 2606RK-056) are field composites of six pieces each; the trench samples are 2 m composites of the excavated material; all remaining rock chip samples are single grab samples. • Samples were dispatched to ALS for preparation and analysis, and were dried, crushed and split, and pulverised prior to analysis. Preparation quality was monitored by the laboratory's preparation QC (CRU-QC and PUL-QC). For the trench and drill-pad samples (certificate BR26234765) this returned 96% or better passing 2 mm at the crushing stage and greater than 99% passing 75 µm at the pulverising stage. For the Attina and reconnaissance rock chip samples (certificate MI26181164) the crushing QC returned greater than 99% passing 4 mm and the pulverising QC returned 86% to 91% passing 75 µm. • Two field duplicates were inserted into the trench sample stream (2606RK-016, a duplicate of 2606RK-015; and 2606RK-052, a duplicate of 2606RK-051) to monitor sub-sampling and analytical precision. • Sample sizes are considered appropriate to the grain size of the material sampled and to the first-pass, reconnaissance nature of this sampling. For the trench composites, representivity is governed more by the mixed rock/subcrop/soil medium than by sample mass — see *Data aggregation methods* in Section 2. • Sample preparation was undertaken by ALS at Mount Isa and analysis by ALS at Brisbane. ALS is a commercial laboratory independent of Cooper Metals Ltd and of Maverick Geo Pty Ltd.

Quality of assay data and laboratory tests	• The results reported were determined under two ALS certificates, using different analytical schemes: **Certificate BR26234765** (trench samples and the two drill-pad rock chip samples; dispatch CPM15062026, received 15 June 2026, finalised 24 July 2026; 56 samples, 2606RK-001 to 2606RK-056): 34 elements (Ag, Al, As, Ba, Be, Bi, Ca, Cd, Co, Cr, Cu, Fe, Ga, K, La, Li, Mg, Mn, Mo, Na, Ni, P, Pb, S, Sb, Sc, Sr, Th, Ti, Tl, U, V, W, Zn) by method ME-ICP61 (four-acid digest, ICP-MS/OES finish) and gold by method Au-AA26 (fire assay, AAS finish). **Certificate MI26181164** (dispatch 26MG-001, submitted by Maverick Geo Pty Ltd; received 20 May 2026, finalised 30 June 2026; 11 samples, comprising the five Attina rock chip samples and the two Ardmore North reconnaissance samples reported in this announcement, two rock chip samples from the Solo Bore prospect that are not reported here, and two blind certified reference materials): multi-element (Ag, Al, As, Ba, Be, Bi, Ca, Cd, Ce, Co, Cr, Cs, Cu, Fe, Ga, Ge, Hf, In, K, La, Li, Mg, Mn, Mo, Na, Nb, Ni, P, Pb, Rb, Re, S, Sb, Sc, Se, Sn, Sr, Ta, Te, Th, Ti, Tl, U, V, W, Y, Zn, Zr) by method ME-MS61 (four-acid digest, ICP-MS finish) and gold by method Au-ICP22 (fire assay, ICP-AES finish). • Both schemes use a four-acid (near-total) digest and a fire assay gold determination and are considered appropriate to the sample media and to the elements reported. Copper and gold results from the two certificates are considered comparable for the purposes of this announcement. • Copper results exceeding the upper reporting limit of the multi-element methods (10,000 ppm Cu) were re-determined by ore-grade method Cu-OG62 (four-acid digest, ICP-AES finish). The two affected samples are 2606RK-055 (5.36% Cu) and 2606RK-056 (1.66% Cu), both reported in Table 2. • Six field QAQC samples were inserted into the trench sample stream — two field duplicates (2606RK-016, a duplicate of 2606RK-015; and 2606RK-052, a duplicate of 2606RK-051), two certified reference materials (2606RK-020 and 2606RK-053, OREAS 520c) and two blanks (2606RK-021 and 2606RK-054, OREAS 21h); being one full duplicate/standard/blank set inserted near the start and a second near the end of the trench. This represents an insertion rate of approximately 1 in 9 submitted samples. Samples were dispatched under dispatch number CPM15062026, received by the laboratory on 15 June 2026 and analysed by ALS under laboratory job BR26234765, finalised 24 July 2026. That certificate covers 56 samples, being 2606RK-001 to 2606RK-056. • QAQC for ALS Brisbane batch BR26234765 included field-inserted certified reference materials (OREAS 520c), blanks (OREAS 21h) and duplicates. Gold and copper results for OREAS 520c were within the Company's acceptance criteria. Both field blanks (2606RK-021 and 2606RK-054) returned 7 ppm Cu against a certified value of 4.71 ppm following high-copper CRM inserts; the absolute excess of approximately 2 ppm is interpreted as minor laboratory carry-over and is not considered material. Field duplicate 2606RK-016 returned 709 ppm Cu against 700 ppm Cu for its parent sample 2606RK-015, a relative difference of approximately 1%. Field duplicate 2606RK-052 returned 247 ppm Cu against 307 ppm Cu for its parent sample 2606RK-051, a relative difference of approximately 22% at a copper tenor close to background, where relative differences between duplicates are inherently larger; the pair was reviewed by the Competent Person and accepted. Laboratory repeat analyses returned 471 ppm against 468 ppm Cu (2606RK-010), 532 ppm against 533 ppm Cu (2606RK-024) and 0.01 g/t Au against 0.01 g/t Au (2606RK-047). Non-conformances recorded against other elements, silver at or near the detection limit, and iron and molybdenum on a single insert, relate to elements that are not reported in this announcement and do not bear on the reported copper and gold results. The batch was reviewed and accepted for reporting (pass with comment). • For certificate MI26181164, field quality control comprised two certified reference materials submitted blind under sample numbers 2605RK-005 (OREAS 908) and 2605RK-006 (OREAS 905). Copper and gold results for both were compared against their certified values by the Competent Person and were within the Company's acceptance criteria. No field blanks or field duplicates were inserted with this batch and no duplicate samples were analysed, so analytical precision was not directly measured for these samples;

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	laboratory blanks returned values below detection limit. The batch was reviewed by the Competent Person and accepted for reporting. • The laboratory applies its own internal QAQC (standards, repeats and duplicates), which was reviewed as part of each batch assessment. • No geophysical tool, portable analyser or other indirect technique was used to determine any element concentration reported in this announcement.
Verification of sampling and assaying	• The trench and rock chip sampling was carried out and supervised on site by the Company's geologists (Maverick Geo Pty Ltd - N. Cawood and Dr C. Reed, the Competent Person). • Sample locations, intervals and identifiers were captured digitally in the field and loaded to the Company's database; the sample data reported at Tables 1 to 3 has been verified against that database. • Assay results were received from ALS under laboratory jobs BR26234765 and MI26181164 and imported directly from the laboratory data files. No adjustments have been made to the reported assay values. • QAQC for both batches was reviewed by the Competent Person on 4 August 2026: batch BR26234765 was accepted for reporting with comment, and batch MI26181164 was accepted for reporting. The recorded comment is set out under *Quality of assay data and laboratory tests* above. The Competent Person considers the copper and gold assay data acceptable for the reporting of these exploration results. • Certificate BR26234765 was issued to Cooper Metals Ltd. Certificate MI26181164 was issued to Maverick Geo Pty Ltd, which submitted those samples on behalf of Cooper Metals Ltd. • Twinning is not applicable to surface grab and composite sampling and no samples have been twinned.
Location of data points	• All trench sample locations (2606RK-001 to 2606RK-051) were surveyed by RTK survey-grade instrument (nominal ±cm) in GDA94 / MGA Zone 54 (EPSG:28354), with reduced levels recorded over a range of 393.2 m to 400.4 m RL. Coordinates are reported at Tables 1 to 3 rounded to the nearest metre. • The nine rock chip sample locations (2606RK-055, 2606RK-056, 2509RK-001, 2509RK-002, 2605RK-001 to 2605RK-004 and 2507RK-001) were located by handheld GPS at a nominal accuracy of ±3-5 m, in GDA94 / MGA Zone 54 (EPSG:28354). Coordinates for these samples are reported at Tables 2 and 3 to the nearest metre; that precision reflects the reporting format and not the accuracy of the fix. • The grid system used throughout this announcement is GDA94 / MGA Zone 54 (EPSG:28354). • Topographic control along the trench is provided by the RTK pickups.
Data spacing and distribution	• The trench comprises 48 contiguous 2 m intervals over a continuous 96 m, with no gaps; the full excavated length is sampled and reported. • Rock chip samples are individual, opportunistically located samples of outcrop and float. They are not collected on a grid, and no sample spacing is implied. • The data spacing and distribution are appropriate to first-pass surface geochemical sampling designed to test and vector toward exposed mineralisation. They are not sufficient to establish geological or grade continuity, and no Mineral Resource or Ore Reserve is reported or implied. • Sample compositing applied: 2 m composite intervals for the trench, and six-piece field composites for the two drill-pad rock chip samples. No other compositing has been applied.

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Orientation of data in relation to geological structure	• The trench was excavated along an existing cleared drill access track, which is oriented at approximately 126° (grid). This is essentially perpendicular to the interpreted strike of the mineralised structures at Ardmore North and corresponds to the section direction along which the RC holes were subsequently drilled (toward ~299–306°). The trench therefore samples across the interpreted trend rather than along it. • The From/To values reported at Table 1 are distances measured along the trench. Although the trench is approximately perpendicular to the interpreted structures in plan, no true widths are reported or implied and the dip of the structures cannot be determined from surface sampling. • Rock chip samples are point samples and orientation is not applicable to them. • No sampling bias is known to have been introduced by the orientation of the trench, beyond the limitation described above. Rock chip sampling is deliberately directed at mineralised and geologically significant exposures and is disclosed as selective in the body of this announcement.
Sample security	• Samples were collected, numbered and bagged on site by Company personnel (Maverick Geo Pty Ltd), with chain of custody maintained from collection, through the Company's secure sample storage, to dispatch. • Sample numbers were pre-allocated, and the QAQC samples were inserted in the field under the same numbering sequence, so that the laboratory could not identify them as control samples. • The trench and drill-pad samples were dispatched under dispatch number CPM15062026 and delivered to ALS Mount Isa. The Attina and Ardmore North reconnaissance rock chip samples were dispatched separately by Maverick Geo Pty Ltd under dispatch number 26MG-001, and were collected, numbered, bagged, transported and delivered under the same procedures.
Audits or reviews	• No external audit or review of the sampling techniques or data has been undertaken. • The batch QAQC for ALS job BR26234765 was assessed internally against the Company's QAQC procedures (rules version qaqc-rules-v2) and reviewed by the Competent Person on 4 August 2026. The outcome, and the single recorded exception, are described under Quality of assay data and laboratory tests above.

Section 2 - Reporting of Exploration Results

(Criteria listed in the preceding section also apply to this section.)

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Mineral tenement and land tenure status	• The results reported are from EPM 19125 (Mt Isa East Project), held 100% by Cooper Metals Ltd and located on Malbon Vale Station, north-west Queensland, approximately 80 km south-east of Mount Isa. • The tenement is in good standing and secure under Queensland legislation. Cultural heritage clearances have been completed, and land access has been agreed with the Malbon Vale pastoral leaseholder. • No known impediments exist to operating in the area.
Exploration done by other parties	• Historical tenure reports indicate several companies have explored the project area over the last 50 years, principally by geochemical sampling of rock and soil, geological mapping and airborne magnetics. Limited historical drilling is recorded in the Queensland Government database "GeoResGlobe". • No historical results from other parties are relied upon or reported in this announcement. • Cooper Metals has previously completed RC drilling at several prospects within the project (including Ardmore South, 2023), pXRF-supported soil and rock chip sampling across the tenement, and an IP survey at Ardmore South (2023).

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Geology	• The Mt Isa East Project lies within the Mount Isa Inlier, which is prospective for iron oxide copper gold (IOCG), iron sulphide copper gold (ISCG) and shear-hosted Cu ± Au deposits. • **Ardmore North** comprises a coherent Cu-Au surface anomaly of approximately 1.5 km strike by 150 m width, situated near the Fountain Range Fault, with multiple parallel vein systems carrying hematite-magnetite-malachite and a separate massive ironstone with malachite (previously reported in the Company's ASX announcement of 27 October 2025). The trench and rock chip samples reported here were collected from this setting, quartz veining with malachite developed along fractures, and hematite-magnetite ironstone and gossan carrying malachite. • **Attina** comprises gossanous quartz veins traced up to approximately 700 m, with Cu-Au anomalism hosted in Corella Formation metasediments deformed around the Overlander Granite. The rock chip samples reported here are of hematite-rich gossan and quartz vein material, and of the enclosing metasediments. • Mineralisation at both prospects is interpreted as structurally controlled copper ± gold associated with iron oxide alteration. This interpretation is preliminary and is based on surface exposure and first-pass surface geochemistry. • Geological observations from the completed RC drilling were reported in the Company's ASX announcement of 14 July 2026 and are not restated here.
Drill hole information	• Not applicable as no drill hole results are reported in this announcement. Collar details for the 16 completed RC holes (26MIE-001 to 26MIE-016) were reported in the Company's ASX announcement of 14 July 2026.
Data aggregation methods	• No weighting, cutting, capping, top-cutting or cut-off grades have been applied to any result. No metal equivalent values are used. All results are reported as received from the laboratory. • The trench results are reported as individual 2m samples and no intervals have been aggregated, composited or averaged for reporting, and the complete 48-interval dataset is reported at Table 1. • The two drill-pad rock chip samples (2606RK-055 and 2606RK-056) are field composites of six individual pieces each. The composite result represents the combined material and is not necessarily representative of the grade of any single piece within it. • The trench samples are 2 m composites of mixed rock, subcrop and transported surface material. Results from this medium are not directly comparable with rock chip results taken from in-situ exposures and are better used as a relative indicator of the position of anomalism along the trench, than as an absolute measure of the grade of the underlying rock. • Copper is reported in ppm and, where the ore-grade re-determination applies, additionally in per cent; these are the same measurement expressed in different units (10,000 ppm = 1%).
Relationship between mineralisation widths and intercept lengths	• No mineralised intercepts are reported in this announcement. All results reported are from surface samples. • The From and To values shown at Table 1 are distances measured along the trench from its origin. They are not down-hole depths and they are not true widths. • No width, thickness, depth extent or continuity of mineralisation is reported or implied by any result in this announcement.
Diagrams	• Sample location plans are provided at Figure 3 (Ardmore North trench and rock chip samples, with results) and Figure 4 (Attina rock chip samples). Project tenure and prospect locations, together with third-party tenure and third-party Mineral Resource estimates, are shown at Figure 1 and are attributed in the footnotes to that figure. • Sample photographs are provided at Figure 2 (rock chip samples 2606RK-055, 2606RK-056, 2509RK-001 and 2509RK-002). • Figures are presented in plan view. No sections are provided, as no drilling results are reported.

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Balanced reporting	• All trench and rock chip samples collected at the Ardmore North and Attina prospects and assayed under certificates BR26234765 and MI26181164 are reported at Table 1, Table 2 or Table 3, including those returning background values (as low as 9.1 ppm Cu and 0.001 g/t Au). Results have not been filtered, screened or restricted to anomalous samples. Certificate MI26181164 also includes two rock chip samples collected at the separate Solo Bore prospect, both of which returned background copper and gold values; Solo Bore is not the subject of this announcement and no exploration results for that prospect are reported here. • The values quoted in the Highlights are the maximum results obtained and are presented alongside the complete datasets in the accompanying tables. • Rock chip samples are disclosed in the body as selective by nature and as potentially unrepresentative of the style, width or grade of mineralisation across a prospect.
Other substantive exploration data	• Previously reported rock chip results at Ardmore North were reported in the Company's ASX announcement "Cultural Heritage Clearance Completed for Priority Cu-Au Drill Target Identified on the Mt Hope Trend", 27 October 2025. Previously reported rock chip results at Attina were reported in the Company's ASX announcement "Highest gold assay to date in rock chips found at Attina Cu-Au Prospect", 20 June 2024. The Company confirms that it is not aware of any new information or data that materially affects the information included in those announcements, and that all material assumptions and technical parameters underpinning those results continue to apply and have not materially changed. The previously reported Ardmore North rock chip results shown at Figure 3 (MER172, MER173 and MER174) were reported in that announcement. • RC drilling at Ardmore North and Attina has been completed and the samples submitted for assay; those results are pending and were the subject of the Company's ASX announcement of 14 July 2026. • No metallurgical testwork, bulk density, groundwater, geotechnical or deleterious element data are reported in this announcement.
Further work	• Receipt and reporting of assay results from the completed RC drilling program, anticipated approximately six to eight weeks from submission as advised in the Company's ASX announcement of 14 July 2026. • Integration of the surface geochemical results reported here with the drilling, geological and geophysical datasets to plan follow-up work. • Further surface sampling and geological mapping at Attina to test the extent of the gossanous vein system, and along strike of the Ardmore North anomaly. • The extent and timing of further work will be determined once the RC assay results have been received and assessed.