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Flemington Drilling Program to Commence

Australian Mines Limited (ASX: AUZ) ("**Australian Mines**" or "**the Company**") is pleased to advise that it has advanced a multi-purpose drilling program at its 100%-owned Flemington Scandium Project in New South Wales to an execution-ready stage.

Drilling will commence following receipt of the required Assessable Prospecting Operation ("APO") approval from NSW Resources.

Highlights

- Drilling ready to commence at Flemington, which hosts one of the highest-grade reported scandium Mineral Resources globally.
- The existing high-grade 2025 Mineral Resource Estimate ("2025 MRE") is **6.3 Mt @ 446 ppm scandium** at a 300 ppm scandium cut-off, with approximately 98% classified as Measured and Indicated[1].
- Resource extension drilling will test areas adjacent to the existing MRE with the objective of expanding the current resource footprint.
- Dedicated drilling will provide representative samples for further metallurgical testwork and process development.
- Metallurgical testwork underpinning the Scoping Study demonstrated an excellent overall scandium recovery of **90.8%** using a conventional hydrometallurgical flowsheet[2].
- The PFS is assessing the potential to increase annual scandium oxide production from the initial 60 tpa case to up to **180 tpa**[3]. The assessment is based on the existing Mineral Resource and does not rely on the discovery of additional Mineral Resources through the planned resource-extension drilling
- The larger production scenario is being assessed in response to growing scandium demand and the potential for a structural deficit[4] in scandium supply relative to demand.
- Condemnation drilling will assess the proposed locations of major project infrastructure, including the processing plant and tailings storage facility.

Australian Mines' Managing Director, Andrew Nesbitt, commented: "*Flemington already hosts one of the world's highest-grade scandium resources. Importantly, the PFS assessment of production scenarios up to 180 tpa is based on the existing Mineral Resource and does not depend on successful resource-extension drilling. The drilling is intended to test additional longer-term growth potential while also supporting metallurgical and infrastructure-related PFS work..*"

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[1] Refer to Australian Mines Limited ASX announcement dated 8 January 2025, *Flemington Resource Expands Significantly*.

[2] Australian Mines Limited, *Flemington Scoping Study – Amended Announcement, 8 May 2026.*

[3] Refer to Australian Mines Limited ASX announcement dated 27 July 2026, *Flemington PFS Fast-Tracked to Assess Scale-Up to 180 tpa*.

[4] Evolution Capital Pty Ltd, Australian Mines Ltd (ASX: AUZ) – Initiation Report, 23 July 2026, pp. 12–13 and Figure 6. Evolution Capital's supply-balance analysis indicates that Western-available supply remains below base-case demand through 2040, including forecast supply from Syerston, Nyngan, Rio Tinto and Flemington.

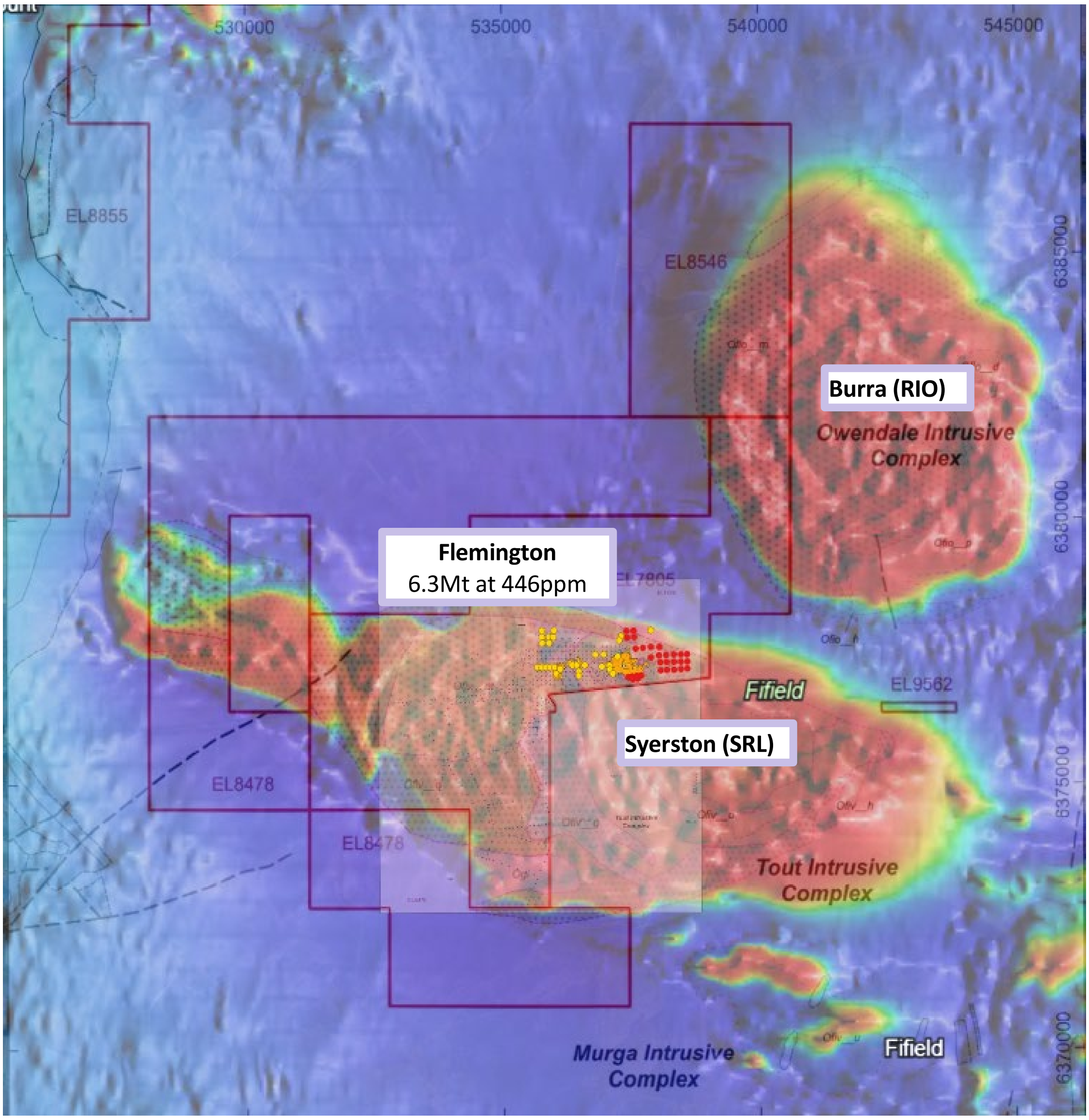

Figure 1: Regional geophysical setting of the Fifield district, showing the relative locations of the Flemington, Sunrise (Syerston) and Burra scandium projects, the Tout, Owendale and Murga intrusive complexes, and surrounding mineral tenure.

Sources: *Geological interpretation compiled from SRK Consulting (Australasia) Pty Ltd (2025), modified from Colquhoun et al. (2024), and Webb (2014). Magnetic imagery sourced from Geological Survey of New South Wales TMI RTP datasets (May 2014). Drilling information sourced from SRK (2025) and Australian Mines Limited company data (2025–2026). Figure compilation by Australian Mines Limited (2026).*

Resource Expansion Drilling

Resource extension drilling will focus primarily adjacent to and beyond the existing Mineral Resource footprint, where geological and geophysical interpretation indicates that prospective pyroxenitic units of the Tout Intrusive Complex may continue beyond the current drilling limits. This area remains inadequately tested and represents an opportunity to expand the existing high-grade scandium resource.

Any additional mineralisation identified through the planned resource-extension drilling would represent potential upside beyond the existing resource base currently being assessed and is not assumed in the PFS scale-up case.

The drilling will:

- test potential lateral extensions to the existing Mineral Resource;
- improve the Company's understanding of the extent and continuity of scandium mineralisation;
- further refine the geological model for the Flemington deposit;
- assess opportunities to expand the current high-grade resource footprint; and
- provide information that may support a future Mineral Resource update and mine planning.

Metallurgical Drilling

Dedicated metallurgical holes will provide representative samples from areas being evaluated as part of the PFS mine plan.

Metallurgical testwork underpinning the Flemington Scoping Study demonstrated an excellent overall scandium recovery of 90.8% using a conventional hydrometallurgical flowsheet comprising high-pressure acid leaching, solvent extraction, oxalate precipitation and calcination[2].

The additional samples will support:

- metallurgical variability testwork across different areas and material types;
- confirmation and optimisation of scandium recovery;
- further development of the proposed process flowsheet; and
- process and engineering design for the PFS.

The PFS is also assessing the technical and economic potential to increase annual scandium oxide production from the initial 60 tpa development case contemplated in the Scoping Study to up to 180 tpa.

Infrastructure Condemnation Drilling

Condemnation drilling will assess the proposed locations of major project infrastructure, including the processing plant and tailings storage facility.

The drilling will determine whether material mineralisation is present beneath the proposed infrastructure areas before the locations are finalised.

The results will assist with:

- confirming the suitability of the proposed infrastructure locations;
- optimising the project site layout;
- supporting engineering design and environmental assessment; and
- avoiding the unnecessary sterilisation of potentially economic mineralisation.

The proposed infrastructure locations remain subject to the outcomes of the PFS, environmental studies and applicable project approvals. These options are being assessed alongside the associated infrastructure, environmental and regulatory requirements.

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JORC CODE COMPLIANCE STATEMENT

The information in this announcement that relates to the Flemington Mineral Resource Estimate is extracted from the Company's ASX announcement dated 8 January 2025.

The Company confirms that it is not aware of any new information or data that materially affects the information included in the original announcement and that all material assumptions and technical parameters underpinning the Mineral Resource Estimate continue to apply and have not materially changed.

The up-to-180 tpa production scenario is an assessment case being evaluated as part of the PFS and does not represent a new production target or forecast financial information at this stage.

This announcement does not report new drilling or assay results.

SCOPING STUDY STATEMENTS

The Company confirms that all material assumptions underpinning the production target and forecast financial information derived from the Flemington Scoping Study continue to apply and have not materially changed.

The Scoping Study is based on low-level technical and economic assessments and is insufficient to support the estimation of Ore Reserves or provide assurance of an economic development case. Further evaluation work and appropriate studies are required before the Company can be certain of an economic development outcome.

The production target referred to in the Scoping Study is based on a combination of Measured, Indicated and Inferred Mineral Resources. There is a low level of geological confidence associated with Inferred Mineral Resources, and there is no certainty that further exploration will result in the determination of Indicated or Measured Mineral Resources or that the production target will be realised.

The 60 tpa production target referred to in this announcement was previously reported in the Company's ASX announcement dated 8 May 2026, *Flemington Scoping Study – Amended Announcement*. The Company confirms that all material assumptions underpinning that production target continue to apply and have not materially changed.

COMPETENT PERSON STATEMENT - EXPLORATION ACTIVITIES

The information in this announcement that relates to exploration activities is based on, and fairly represents, information compiled by Michael Tyndall who is an advisor to Australian Mines Limited. Mr Tyndall is a Fellow of the

Australasian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy and has sufficient experience relevant to the style of mineralisation and type of deposit under consideration 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 (JORC Code). Mr Tyndall consents to the inclusion in this announcement of the matters based on his information in the form and context in which it appears.

COMPETENT PERSON STATEMENT – MINERAL RESOURCE ESTIMATE

The Flemington Mineral Resource, originally released on 8 January 2025, is based on and fairly represents information and supporting documentation prepared by Rodney Brown, who is a full-time employee of SRK Consulting. Mr. Brown is a Member of the Australasian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy and has sufficient experience of relevance to the style of mineralisation and types of deposit under consideration to qualify as a Competent Person as defined in the 2012 Edition of the Joint Ore Reserves Committee (JORC) Australasian Code for Reporting of Exploration Results, Mineral Resources and Ore Reserves. Mr. Brown consents to the inclusion in this announcement of the matters based on his information in the form and context in which they appear.

FORWARD LOOKING STATEMENTS

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Such forward-looking statements are not guarantees of future performance and involve known and unknown risks, uncertainties, assumptions and other important factors, many of which are beyond the control of the Company, the Directors and management of the Company. These and other factors could cause actual results to differ materially from those expressed in any forward-looking statements.

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