EXTENSIVE SOIL SAMPLING PROGRAM TO COMMENCE AT THE SALTWATER PROJECT

- **Next phase of exploration to commence at Saltwater Project** in the Pilbara region of Western Australia with a **major soil sampling campaign at the Tunnel Creek and Saltwater Dome targets**
- **~800 soil samples planned to be collected over a combined ~17.3km strike length**;
  - **Infill soil sampling to refine drill targets** at the Luke, Padme and Rabbit Prospects at Tunnel Creek; **targets identified from a review of historic exploration results from previous project owner Fortescue Metals Group Limited (FMG)**
  - **Maiden soil sampling campaign at the Saltwater Dome; a large, underexplored highly prospective geological feature**
- This **low-cost, high-impact sampling program** is **targeting gold and base metals - and critical minerals** which are **key requirements in supply chains for emerging technologies**
- Program is the **next step in Aruma's systematic plan to expand its exploration footprint in the Pilbara region** and **unlock the value of the Saltwater Project**
- Program expected to be complete in the following month; results to be reported when available

Aruma Resources Limited (ASX: AAJ) (Aruma or the Company) is pleased to announce the commencement of the next phase of field work at its 100%-owned Saltwater Project, in the Pilbara region of Western Australia.

Aruma will commence an extensive soil sampling program targeting the recently identified high-priority Tunnel Creek Prospect (E52/3846) in the eastern region of the Saltwater Project[1], and the Saltwater Dome Prospect (E52/3818) (Figure 1).

The program is planned to comprise 800 soil samples in total across a total strike length of approximately 17.3 kilometres. The program is due to commence the week commencing Monday 17 November 2025 and is expected to be completed in the following month. Assay results will be reported when available.

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The Saltwater Project is interpreted as being highly prospective for gold and base metals discoveries along with having strong critical minerals - including gallium[2] – potential. This phase of sampling represents the next step in Aruma's systematic plan to unlock the Project's value.

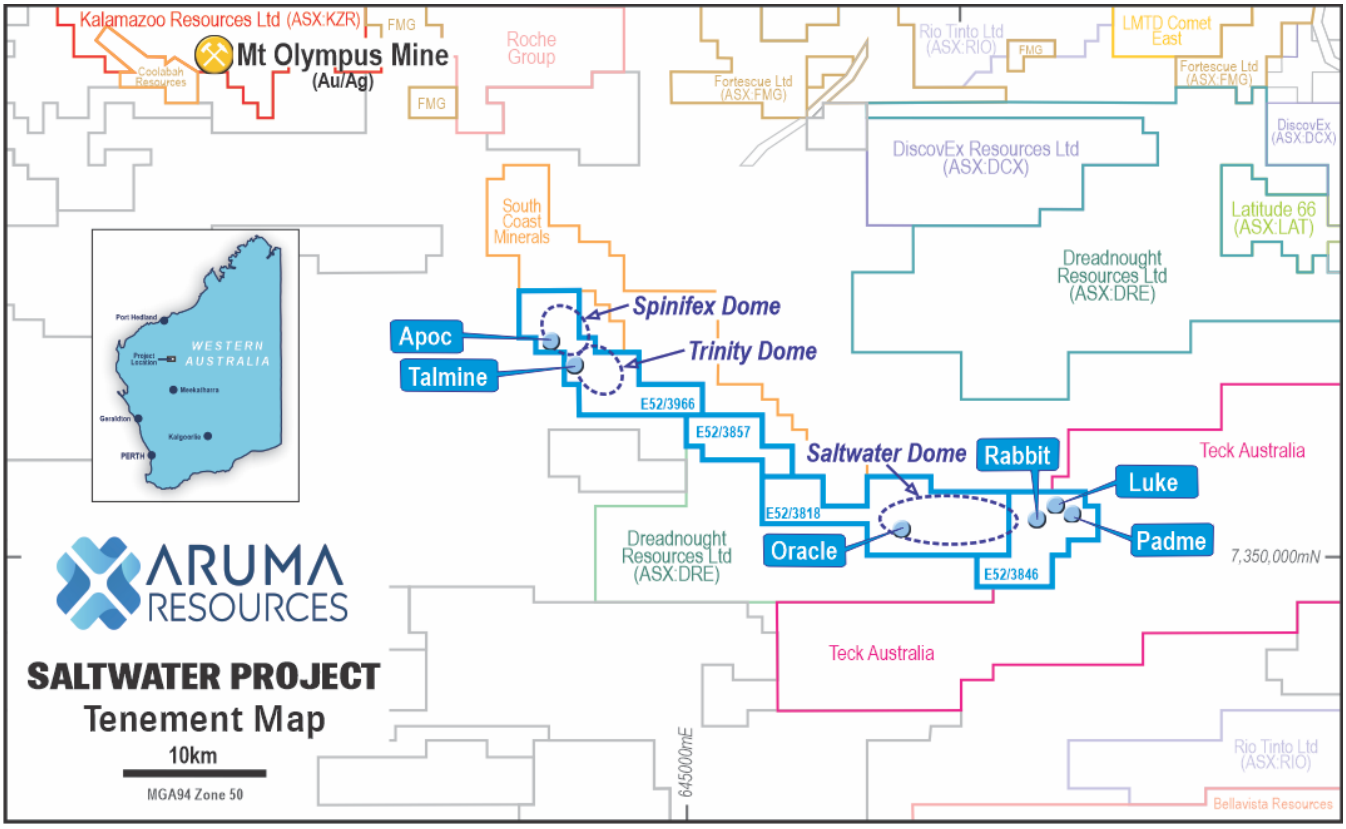

Figure 1: Saltwater Project location map showing priority soil sampling targets; Saltwater Dome and Luke, Padme and Rabbit Prospects

Aruma Resources managing director Grant Ferguson said:

"The upcoming soil sampling program at the Saltwater Project marks the next step in Aruma's strategy to unlock the mineral potential of our significant landholding at Saltwater, in the Pilbara region of Western Australia.

With approximately 800 samples planned across key prospects, the recently defined Tunnel Creek target and the Saltwater Dome, we are targeting gold and base metals - plus key critical minerals essential to the supply chain of emerging global technologies. This low-cost, high-impact sampling program is designed to refine drill targets and also open new exploration corridors in previously underexplored terrain.

We believe the Saltwater Project has the potential to deliver significant discoveries, underpinned by the presence of numerous prospective anomalies and the Project's strategic location within a prolific mineral belt. Our team is excited to commence this next phase of exploration, and we look forward to delivering results as they become available."

Soil Sampling Program Overview

Tunnel Creek Prospect: Aruma recently defined three new priority drill targets within the Tunnel Creek Prospect. The new targets come from a comprehensive technical review conducted by Aruma of exploration results from previous Saltwater Project owner, Fortescue Metals Group Limited (ASX: FMG).

FMG conducted an extensive soil sampling program (454 samples collected on a 400m x 160m grid spacing) in 2012-13, which identified significant gold and copper (plus other base metal) soil anomalies at three key targets, Luke, Padme and Rabbit[1].

FMG had planned a first-phase reverse circulation (RC) drill program to test these targets. This program was never conducted, presenting a high-priority exploration opportunity for Aruma.

Aruma plans to collect approximately 279 soil samples across the three target areas in the current sampling campaign, on a 160m x 200m grid (Figure 2). This sampling is designed to validate and refine the previously established drill targets ahead of a planned first-phase RC drilling program (subject to results).

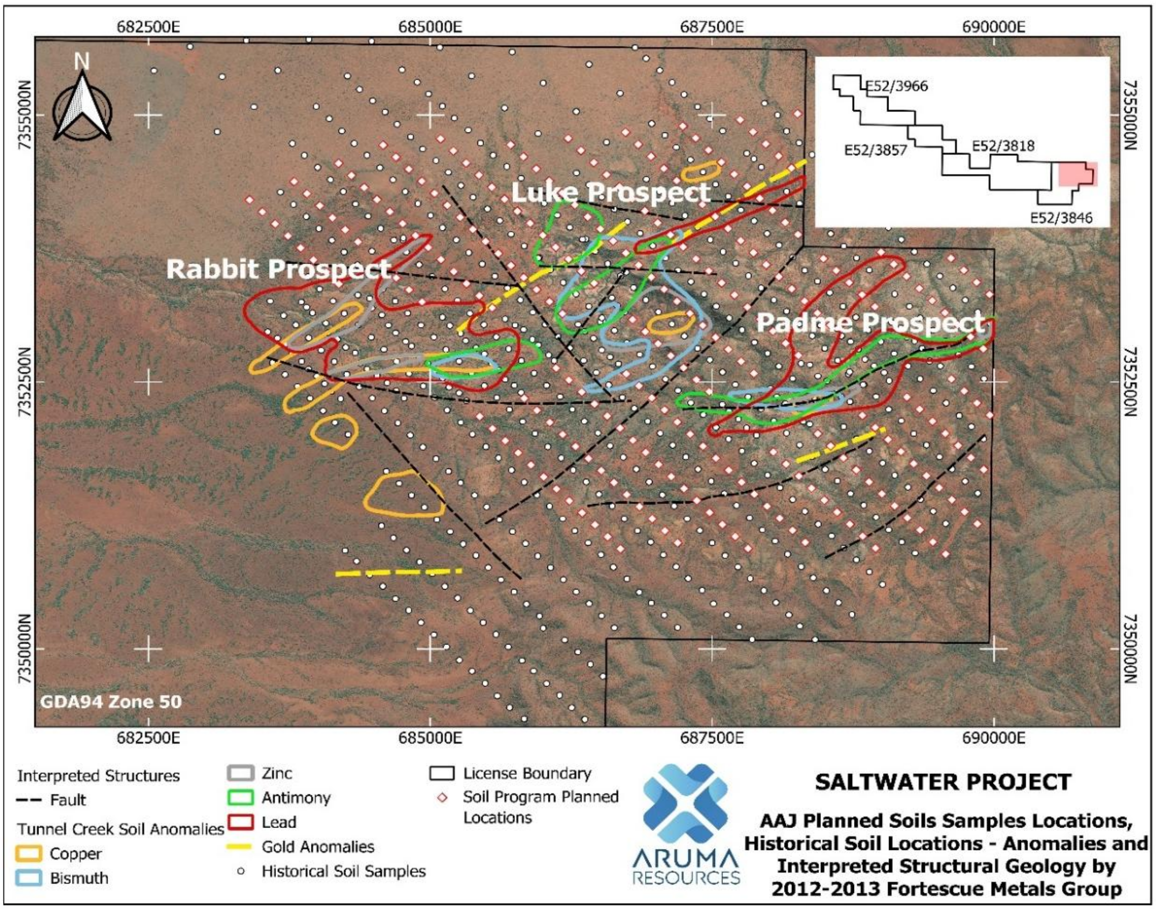

Figure 2: Proposed soil sampling locations at Luke, Padme and Rabbit targets. Historical soil sampling locations from program conducted by FMG in 2012-13 also shown.

Saltwater Dome Prospect: An extensive first-phase soil sampling program will be conducted across the majority of the Saltwater Dome (Figure 3). Approximately 521 samples will be collected, covering previously untested areas in this major regional target, and will focus on gold and base metals, along with critical minerals.

The Saltwater Dome is interpreted as a large, highly prospective geological feature within Exploration Licence E52/3818, which has been subject to limited modern exploration. The sampling at this target area is designed to continue to enhance Aruma's geological understanding of the Saltwater project area, and vector in towards more refined targets for its next phase of exploration.

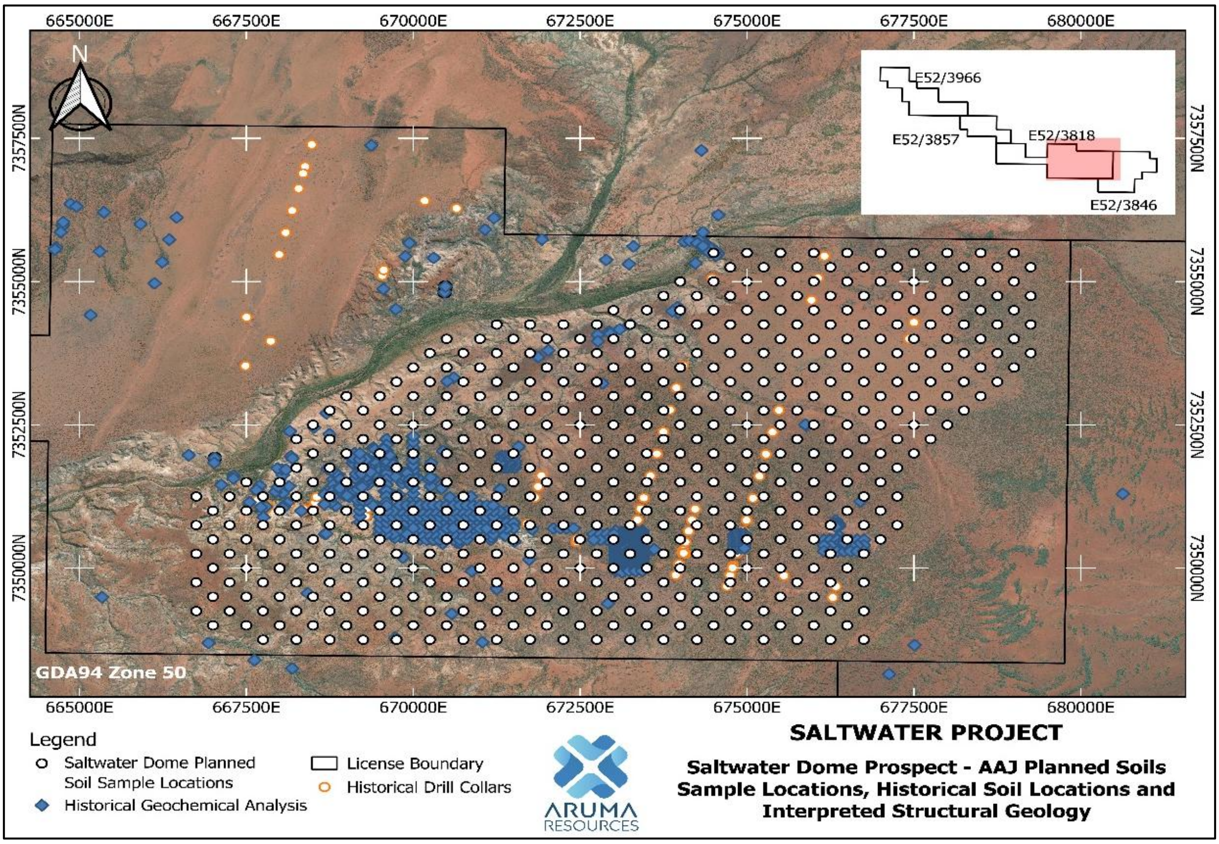

Figure 3: Proposed soil sample locations at Saltwater Dome Prospect. Historical geochemical and drilling collar locations are also shown.

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About Aruma Resources

Aruma Resources Limited (ASX: AAJ) is an ASX-listed minerals exploration company focused on the exploration and development of a portfolio of prospective projects in high-demand commodities – copper and gold - in world-class mineral belts, in South Australia and Queensland. It also holds other gold, lithium and REE prospective projects in Western Australia.

Referenced ASX announcements in this announcement:

1. *AAJ ASX Announcement 26 September 2025: New High-Priority Drill-Ready Targets Defined at Saltwater Project*
2. *AAJ ASX Announcement 17 February 2025: Multiple High-Grade Gallium Results at Saltwater Project*

Figure 4: Aruma Resources project portfolio.

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The information in this release that relates to Exploration Results, Mineral Resources or Ore Reserves is based on information compiled by Grant Ferguson who is a Fellow of the Australian Institute of Geoscience (AIG). Mr Ferguson is Managing Director and a full-time employee of the Company. Mr Ferguson 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 Reserve'. Mr Ferguson consents to the inclusion in the release of the matters based on his information in the form and context in which it appears. All exploration results that have been reported previously and released to ASX are available to be viewed on the Company website www.arumaresurces.com. The Company confirms it is not aware of any new information that materially affects the information included in the original announcement. The Company confirms that the form and context in which the Competent Person's findings are presented have not been materially modified from the original announcements.

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