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Gold Drilling Resumes at Deep South and Yundamindera Projects

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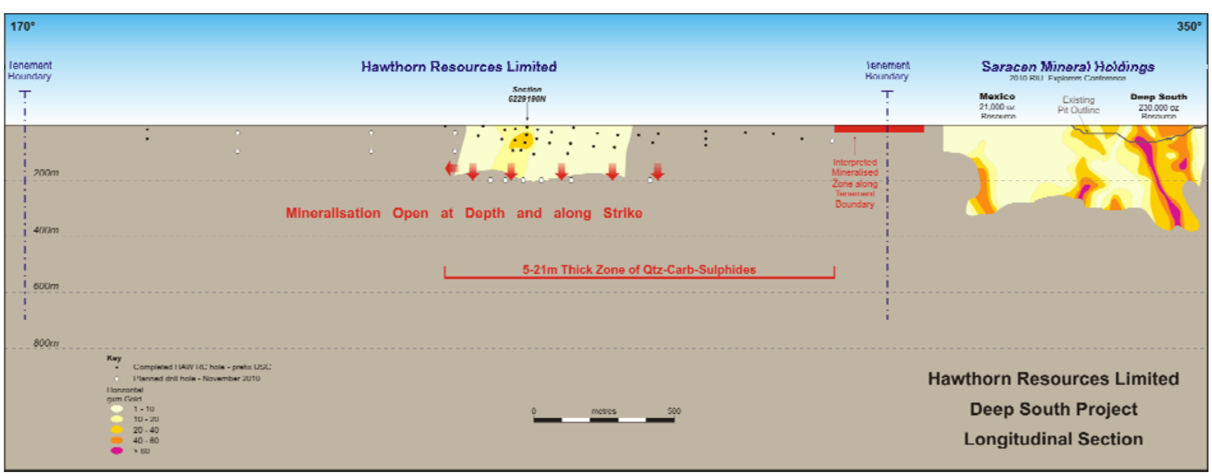
Hawthorn Resources Limited is pleased to announce that follow-up RC drilling has commenced on prospective gold targets in the **Deep South** and **Yundamindera** Project areas.

At **Deep South** a gold mineralised target horizon considered analogous to the adjacent economic mineralisation in the Deep South-Mexico gold orebodies (Saracen Mineral Holdings Limited) has been intersected over 600 metres of strike length. Mineralisation intersected to date has returned results including

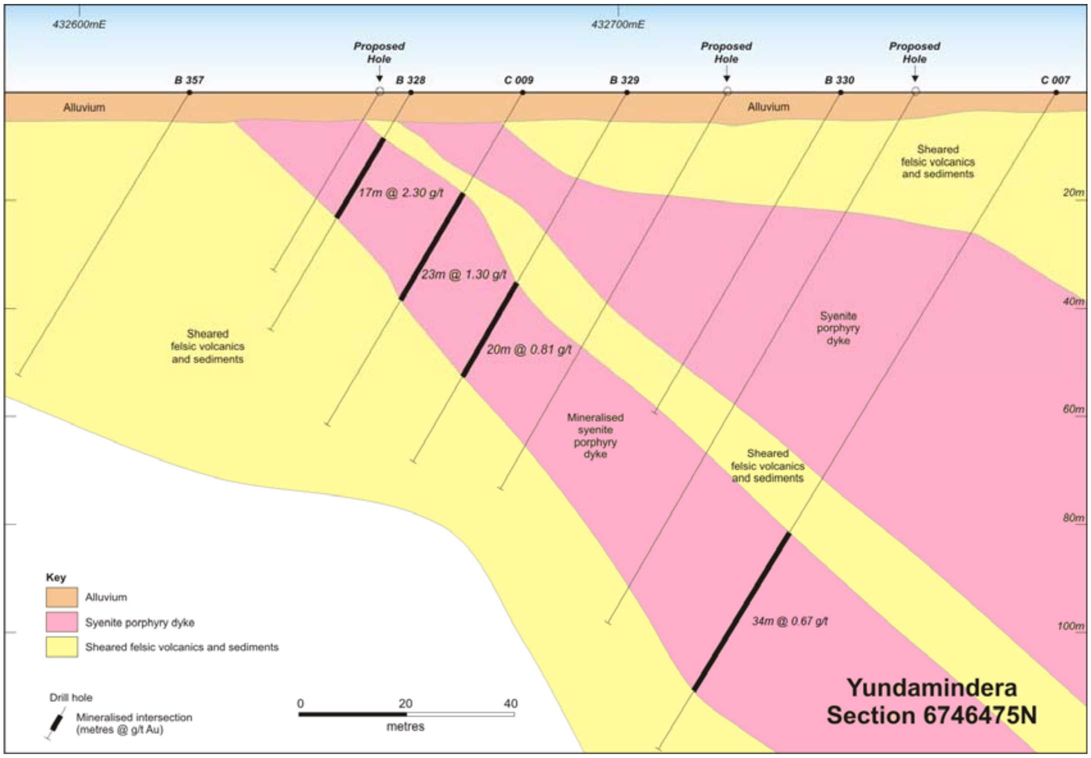
- ***9 metres @ 2.77 g/t Au (**incl.* ***3 metres @ 5.95 g/t Au) and***
- ***9 metres @ 3.15 g/t Au (**incl.* ***2 metres @ 8.65 g/t Au)***

The current program is designed to test the depth and strike extension of the high grade gold shoots currently identified, while further extending the strike of the known mineralisation.



In the **Yundamindera** area RC drill testing of the **Coffey Bore Prospect** will be targeted on a shallow dipping, gold mineralised, syenite porphyry of substantial width that has been intersected and re-confirmed over 400 metres of strike by initial RAB and RC drilling.
Drilling to date has returned results including

- ***17 metres @ 2.30 g/t Au from 9 metres depth,***
- ***19 metres @ 2.75 g/t Au from 17 metres depth,*** *and*
- ***16 metres @ 1.97 g/t Au from 7 metres depth.***



The syenite porphyry remains open along strike to the north - the current program is designed to systematically follow-up the existing shallow, near surface gold results and test the interpreted source of the gold mineralised syenite dyke (interpreted to lie under alluvial cover to the north of the drilled area).

The program will be complete prior to the end of December 2010, with initial results expected during January 2011.

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The information in this report that relates to Exploration Results, Mineral Resources or Ore Reserves is based on information compiled by Mr Ian Moody, who is a member of the Australasian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy and a full time consultant geologist with First Principle Mineral Exploration Company Pty Ltd. Mr Moody has sufficient experience as a geologist which is relevant to the style of mineralisation and the type of deposit under consideration and to the activity which he is undertaking to qualify as a Competent Person as defined in the 2004 edition of the Australasian Code of Reporting of Exploration Results, Mineral Resources and Ore Reserves. Mr Moody consents to the inclusion in this report of the matters based on his information in the form and context in which it appears