

## ACCEPTANCE INTO U.S. DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY'S CRITICAL MATERIALS INNOVATION HUB

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### HIGHLIGHTS

- Locksley's U.S. based subsidiary, Enigma Strategic Minerals LLC, has joined the Critical Materials Innovation Hub (CMI), a consortium focused on ensuring secure supply chains for materials critical to the clean energy economy
- Joining as an Affiliate Member positions the Company at the centre of the U.S. critical minerals innovation ecosystem and opens direct pathways to participate in Department of Energy (DOE) funded R&D projects
- Opportunity to collaborate with top U.S. national laboratories and contribute mineralised samples and field knowledge to major DOE aligned research programs
- LKY's Mojave Antimony Project in California is ideally aligned with U.S. domestic supply priorities

**Locksley Resources Limited (ASX: LKY / OTCQX: LKYRF / ADR: LKLY) ("Locksley" or the "Company")** is pleased to announce through its U.S. based subsidiary Enigma Strategic Minerals LLC, it has been accepted as an Affiliate Member of the Critical Materials Innovation Hub (CMI), a U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) Innovation Hub led by the Ames Laboratory.

This affiliation positions Locksley within the CMI ecosystem and opens pathways to collaborate on DOE funded research and development projects focused on critical minerals as it continues to develop its Mojave Antimony Project in California, USA.

**Locksley Resources Managing Director and CEO Kerrie Matthews commented:**

*"Acceptance into the Critical Materials Innovation Hub has been a seven-month process with verification from DOE and marks a strategic step forward in integrating Locksley into the U.S. innovation ecosystem. This affiliation not only expands our access to world class research and technology development but also reinforces our commitment to becoming a long-term, U.S. aligned supplier of critical minerals."*

*"Our Mojave Project is uniquely positioned to support these national priorities, and our participation in CMI will enhance our technical capabilities while elevating our strategic relevance in the domestic critical minerals supply chain."*

## **Strategic Significance**

The membership highlights the Company's growing presence in the U.S. critical minerals landscape. The CMI is dedicated to developing technology solutions that reduce reliance on foreign supply chains for materials essential to electric vehicles, renewable energy, and national security.

Locksley's flagship Mojave Project in California hosts a potential resource base, rich in antimony and rare earth elements (REEs). As U.S. priorities shift toward domestic sourcing and downstream processing innovation, Locksley is well positioned to supply valuable feedstock and practical, field scale expertise to joint R&D initiatives under the CMI umbrella.

## **CMI Collaboration and Forward Plan**

The initial focus within the CMI includes advancing rare earth separation technologies and exploring novel alternative antimony oxide applications. The Company will contribute mineralised samples to inform broader DOE aligned research efforts and aligns with the work Locksley is undertaking with Colombia and Rice University.

Through the CMI partnership, the Company will:

- Access cutting edge research and innovative technologies for the processing, separation, and purification of rare earth elements and other critical minerals
- Benefit from advancements in extraction techniques applied to ores, industrial waste, and recycled materials
- Collaborate with premier U.S. national laboratories, including Oak Ridge and Lawrence Livermore national laboratories, to leverage their cutting-edge research, specialised infrastructure, and government-supported innovation programs, all aimed at building secure, resilient domestic supply chains for critical minerals
- Strengthen its role as a vertically integrated supplier aligned with U.S. clean energy and supply chain security objectives.

Participation in CMI aligns with broader U.S. initiatives that promotes resource security and technological innovation, including the Department of Energy's ARPA-E program, the DOE Loan Programs Office, and the Department of Defence supported initiatives such as TechConnect ecosystem.

The Board views this development as a key strategic advancement, significantly strengthening Locksley's U.S. footprint and accelerating its downstream innovation and development roadmap.

## **Board Changes**

Locksley advises that Mr Pat Burke has resigned as Chairman and as a Director of the Company, effective 10<sup>th</sup> February 2026. The Board thanks Mr Burke for his contribution and service during his tenure. The Company further advises that Mr Bevan Tarratt has been appointed to the Board and will assume the role of Non-Executive Chairman. Mr Tarratt brings extensive experience in corporate governance, capital markets and company leadership, which will support the Company's next phase of development.

**This announcement has been authorised for release by the Board of Directors of Locksley Resources.**

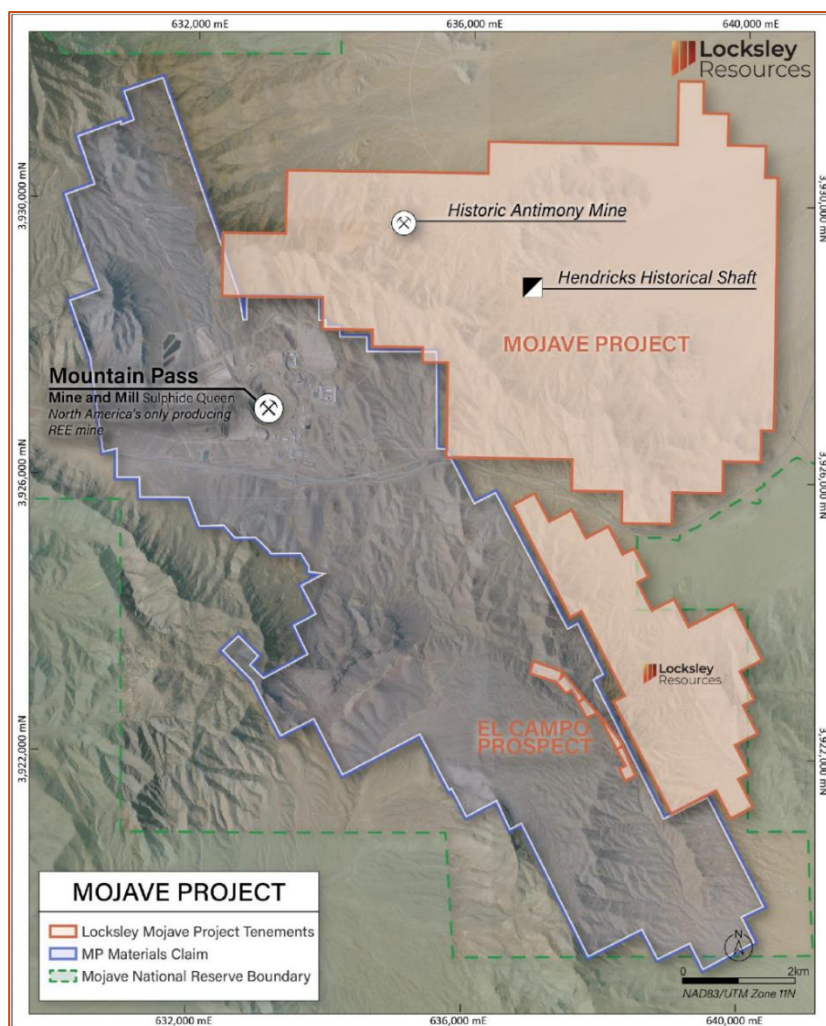
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## ABOUT LOCKSLEY RESOURCES LIMITED

Locksley Resources Limited is focused on critical minerals in the United States of America. The Company is actively advancing the Mojave Project in California, targeting rare earth elements (REEs) and antimony. Locksley is executing a mine-to-market strategy for antimony, aimed at re-establishing domestic supply chains for critical materials, underpinned by strategic downstream technology partnerships with leading U.S. research institutions and industry partners. This integrated approach combines resource development with innovative processing and separation technologies, positioning Locksley to play a key role in advancing U.S. critical minerals independence.



*Location of the Mojave Project Blocks in south-eastern California, USA*

## Forward-Looking Statements

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