



## LARGE-SCALE DRILL PROGRAMME LAUNCHED AT BRAZIL IONIC ADSORPTION CLAY REE DISCOVERY

*Following confirmation of an Ionic Adsorption Clay REE discovery at the Piracanjuba prospect, located within the Company's wholly-owned Azimuth Rare Earth Element (REE) Project in Brazil, Magnum has commenced a systematic program of up to ~10,000m across 830 holes over its 85km<sup>2</sup> geophysical footprint. The drill program aims to support the definition of an Exploration Target and JORC Mineral Resource.*

### HIGHLIGHTS

- **5 auger drill crew rigs** have been mobilised to execute a systematic drill programme of up to **~10,000m** at the Piracanjuba prospect at the Azimuth REE Project.
- The programme consists of a wide spaced grid (1000m x 1000m) and a tight spaced grid (200m x 200m), to support the release of an **Exploration Target (September 2026)** and **JORC Compliant Mineral Resource Estimate (November 2026)** respectively.

- The drilling programme comprises 830 holes across the following targets:

| Targets                         | 200m x 200m | 1000m x 1000m |
|---------------------------------|-------------|---------------|
| Piracanjuba North               | 462 holes   | 112 holes     |
| Piracanjuba & Piracanjuba South | 190 holes   | 66 holes      |

- The decision to undertake extensive drilling at Piracanjuba follows confirmation from desorption REE recoveries that mineralisation is **Ionic Adsorption Clay (IAC) hosted**.<sup>1</sup>
- **Desorption recoveries of up to 75% TREO and 94% MREO** have demonstrated the potential to recover high-value strategic rare earth elements under mild leaching conditions, enhancing the prospectivity of the Piracanjuba prospect.<sup>2</sup>
- Exceptional first assays of up to **3,971ppm TREO and 1,360ppm MREO**, with an excellent high-grade MREO distribution from holes drilled.<sup>3</sup>
- The **85km<sup>2</sup> geophysical footprint** at Piracanjuba North and wide drill hole spacing of up to 5km **suggest a laterally extensive ore body**.

<sup>1</sup> Refer to ASX release, "IONIC ADSORPTION CLAY DISCOVERY CONFIRMED AT AZIMUTH", 19 February 2026.

<sup>2</sup> Refer to ASX release, "IONIC ADSORPTION CLAY DISCOVERY CONFIRMED AT AZIMUTH", 19 February 2026.

<sup>3</sup> Refer to ASX release, "POTENTIAL LARGE-SCALE IONIC ADSORPTION CLAY REE DISCOVERY AT FIRST AZIMUTH TARGET", 11 February 2026.

- The Azimuth REE Projects is located within the Azimuth 125° Lineament, a prominent crustal-scale structural feature, and is located only ~50km to CMOC's Catalão Project, one of Brazil's **highest-grade niobium mines**.

**Magnum Mining and Exploration Limited** (ASX:MGU, OTCQB: MGUFF) (**Magnum**, or the Company), is pleased to announce that it has commenced a major auger drilling program of 10,000m at the Piracanjuba prospect, located within the Company's wholly-owned Azimuth Rare Earth Element (**REE**) Project in Brazil.

**Magnum's Chairman, Michael Davy, commented:** *"Brazil is becoming an increasingly important jurisdiction for securing critical mineral supply chains, and Piracanjuba sits within a highly prospective setting. The scale of the geophysical anomaly and results delivered to date are highly encouraging and support the potential to delineate a large-scale, potentially world-class ionic clay-hosted REE system. This drilling programme is designed to test and define that potential, and I look forward to reporting a steady flow of results over the coming months."*

#### DRILLING PROGRAM DETAILS

The drilling programme is planned across all three Piracanjuba targets (Piracanjuba North, Piracanjuba and Piracanjuba South) and consists of two sets of grids:

- 1) **1000m x 1000m grid drilling program:** Designed to test the lateral extent of REE mineralisation across the Piracanjuba prospect and potentially support the definition of a JORC Exploration Target.
- 2) **200m x 200m grid drilling program:** Centred on previously reported REE intercepts,<sup>4</sup> with the objective of progressing toward a JORC-compliant Mineral Resource Estimate (**MRE**).

The planned program is summarised in **Table 1 below**. Refer to **Figures 1 & 2** on the following page for an overview of the planned hole locations.

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**Table 1** - Planned drilling programme.

The drilling programme will be undertaken by a team of 5 auger drill crews and support the release of an Exploration Target and JORC Mineral Resource Estimate by September and November respectively (subject to exploration results).

<sup>4</sup> Refer to ASX releases "*POTENTIAL LARGE-SCALE IONIC ADSORPTION CLAY REE DISCOVERY AT FIRST AZIMUTH TARGET*", 11 February 2026

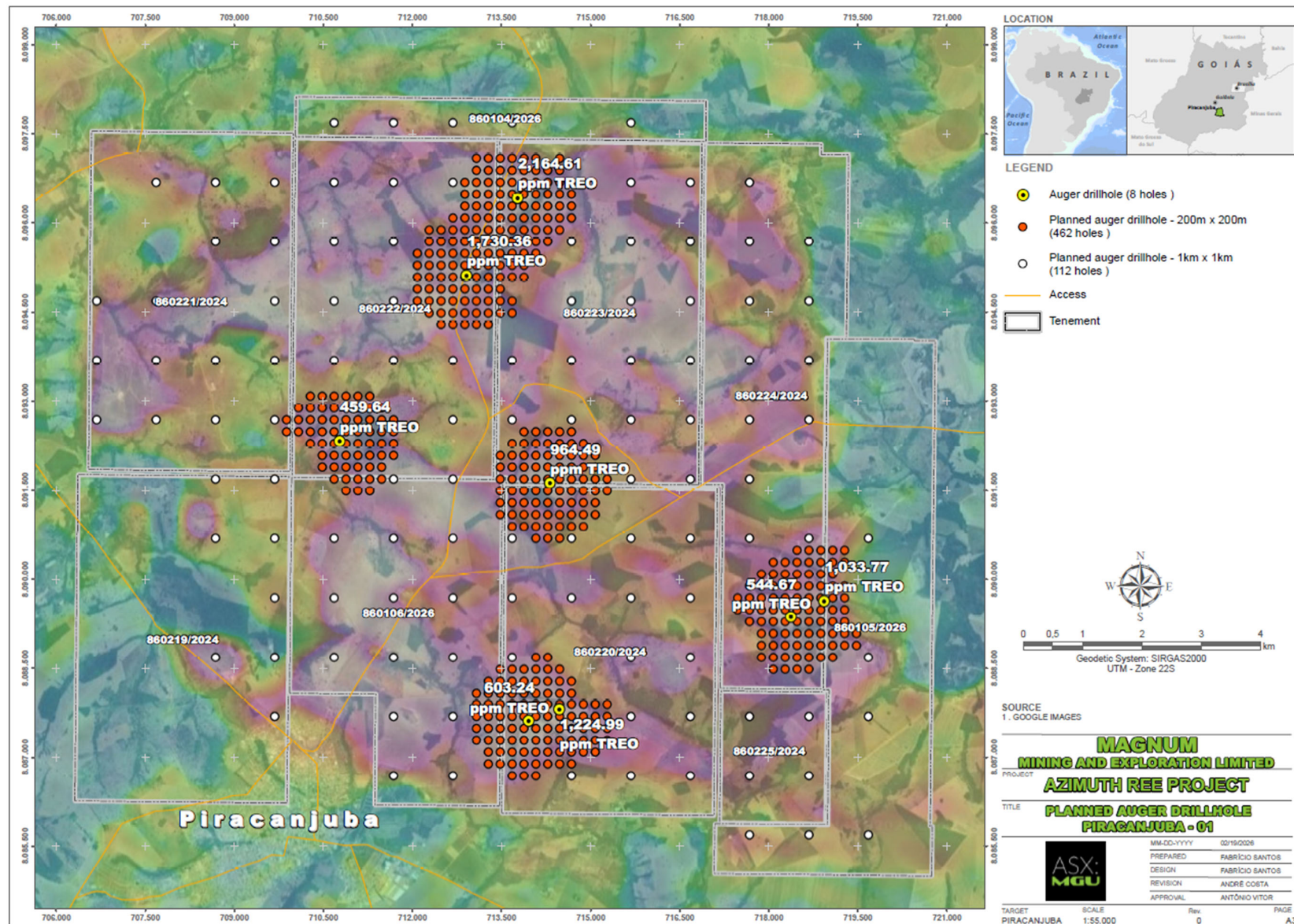
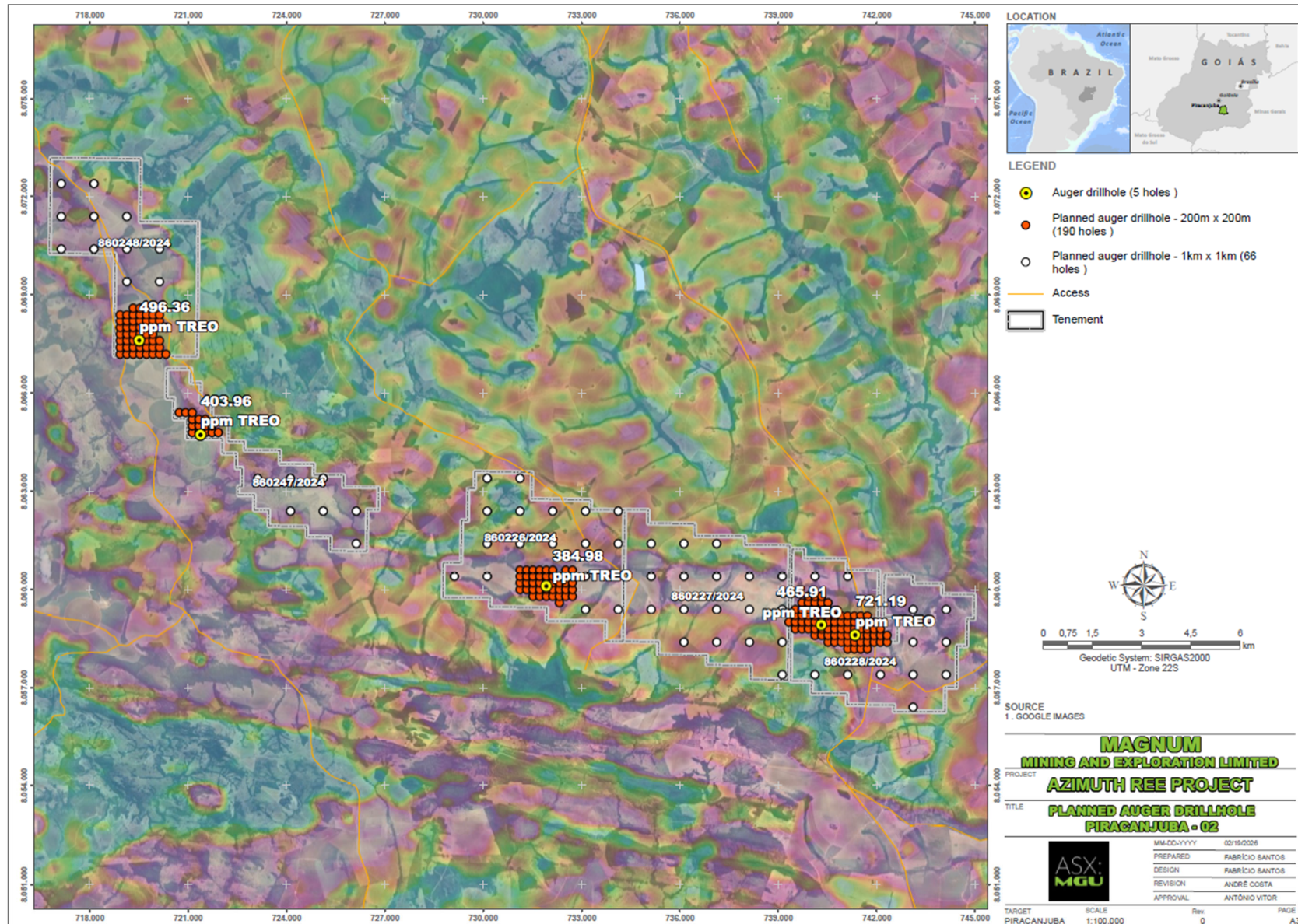


Figure 1: Drilling planned at Piracanjuba North target. Planned drill holes are in red. Previous intercepts are shown in yellow (Refer to 11 February 2026 release).

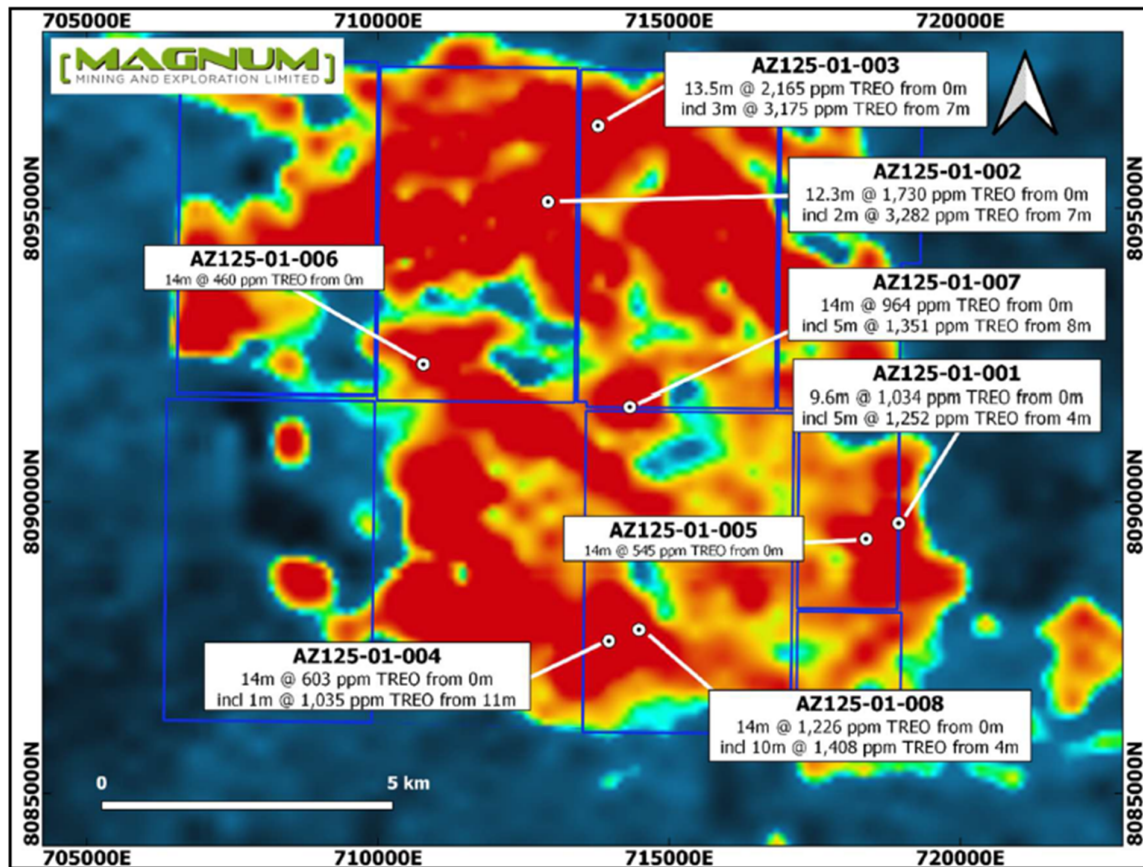


**Figure 2:** Drilling planned at the Piracanjuba & Piracanjuba South targets. Planned drill holes are in red. Previous intercepts are shown in yellow (Refer to 11 February 2026 release).

## EXPLORATION PROGRAMME RATIONALE

The decision to accelerate exploration across the Piracanjuba prospect follows<sup>5</sup>:

- Confirmation from desorption REE recoveries that mineralisation at the Piracanjuba prospect is Ionic Adsorption Clay hosted.
- Desorption recoveries of up to **75% TREO and 94% MREO**, which have demonstrated the potential to recover high-value strategic rare earth elements under mild leaching conditions, enhancing the prospectivity of the Piracanjuba prospect.
- Exceptional first assays of up to **3,971ppm TREO and 1,360ppm MREO**, with an excellent high-grade MREO distribution from holes drilled.
- All 13 first-pass auger holes intersecting near-surface REE mineralisation and terminating in REE mineralisation.
- The scale of the broader 85km<sup>2</sup> geophysical footprint present at Piracanjuba North (**Figure 3**), which has been validated with first-pass drill hole spacing of up to 5km, suggesting a laterally extensive ore body.
- The Azimuth REE Project's location within the Azimuth 125° Lineament, a prominent crustal-scale structural feature, and located only ~50km to CMOC's Catalão Project, one of Brazil's highest-grade niobium mines.



**Figure 3** - Piracanjuba North Target auger hole locations and intercepts. Blue outline are Magnum's leases. Background is an image of the thorium channel of an airborne geophysical survey.<sup>6</sup>

<sup>5</sup> Refer to ASX releases "POTENTIAL LARGE-SCALE IONIC ADSORPTION CLAY REE DISCOVERY AT FIRST AZIMUTH TARGET", 11 February 2026, and "IONIC ADSORPTION CLAY DISCOVERY CONFIRMED AT AZIMUTH", 19 February 2026.

<sup>6</sup> Refer to ASX releases "POTENTIAL LARGE-SCALE IONIC ADSORPTION CLAY REE DISCOVERY AT FIRST AZIMUTH TARGET", 11 February 2026

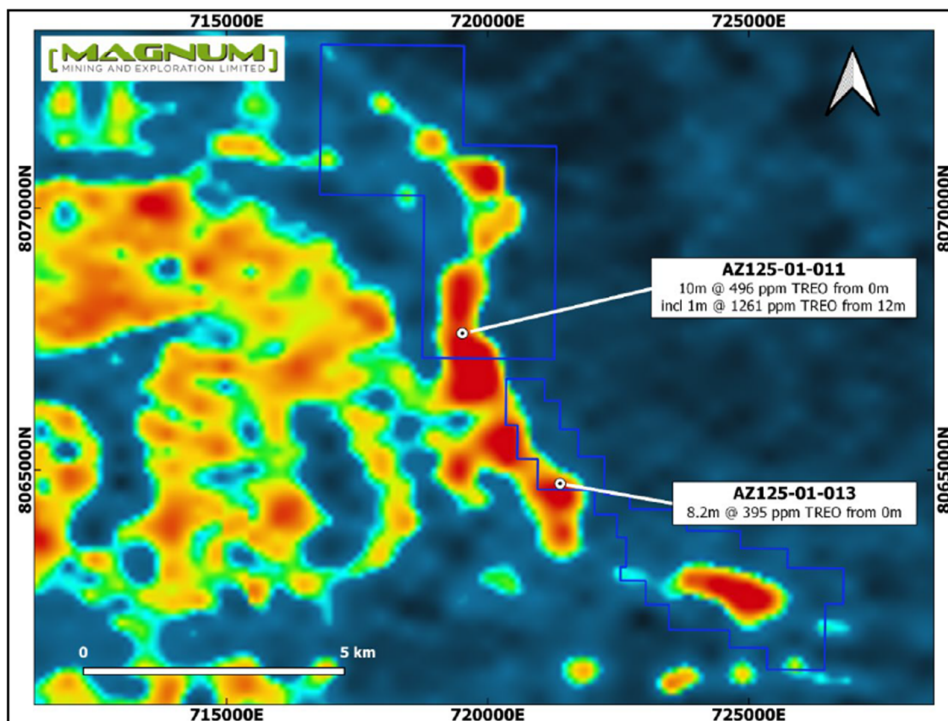


Figure 4 - Piracanjuba Target auger hole locations and intercepts. Blue outline are Magnum's leases. Background is an image of the thorium channel of an airborne geophysical survey.<sup>7</sup>

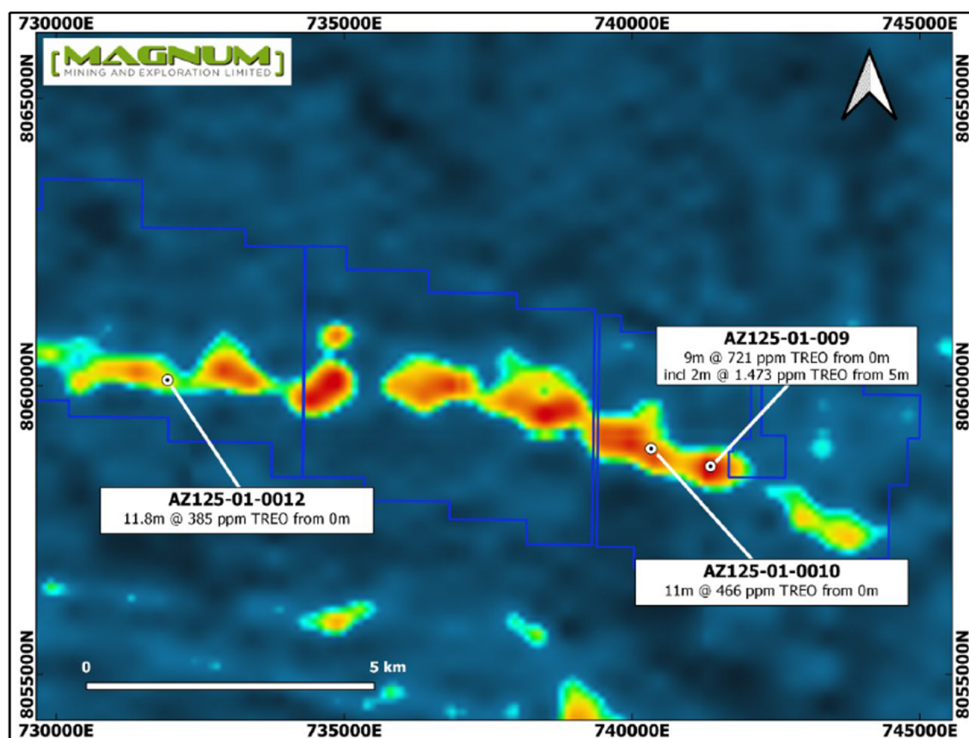


Figure 5 - Piracanjuba South Target auger hole locations and intercepts. Blue outline are Magnum's leases. Background is an image of the thorium channel of an airborne geophysical survey.<sup>8</sup>

<sup>7</sup> Refer to ASX releases "POTENTIAL LARGE-SCALE IONIC ADSORPTION CLAY REE DISCOVERY AT FIRST AZIMUTH TARGET", 11 February 2026

<sup>8</sup> Refer to ASX releases "POTENTIAL LARGE-SCALE IONIC ADSORPTION CLAY REE DISCOVERY AT FIRST AZIMUTH TARGET", 11 February 2026

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## ASX ANNOUNCEMENTS REFERENCED DIRECTLY IN THIS RELEASE

- “*POTENTIAL LARGE-SCALE IONIC ADSORPTION CLAY REE DISCOVERY*” released on the ASX on the 11 February 2026 and available to view on <https://www.mmel.com.au/site/investor-information/asx-announcements-and-financial-reports>
- “*IONIC ADSORPTION CLAY DISCOVERY CONFIRMED AT AZIMUTH*” released on the ASX on the 19 February 2026 and available to view on <https://www.mmel.com.au/site/investor-information/asx-announcements-and-financial-reports>

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