

# EXPERTS APPOINTED TO DETERMINE LITHIUM CONCENTRATIONS AT BITTERWASSER

#### **HIGHLIGHTS**

 Appointment of Hydrological Specialist to determine concentrations of lithium and boron in the subsurface groundwater

Arcadia Minerals Ltd (ASX:AM7) (Arcadia or the Company) is pleased to announce that it has commenced with exploration at its 50% owned associate Brines Mining and Exploration Namibia (Pty) Ltd (BME).

The Company can commence with operations despite Covid-19 restrictions prevalent in Namibia because the mining and exploration sector in the country has been declared an essential service.

BME has appointed Professor Jaco Nel as hydrological specialist to conduct a down-the-hole logging, sampling and water quality analyses at BME's 3,438Km² Bitterwasser Lithium-in-Brines project. The objective of the study is to determine the concentrations of Lithium and Boron in the subsurface groundwater for potential further exploration. The work that will be undertaken includes Down-the-Hole electrical conductivity and temperature surveys to determine the vertical distribution of total dissolved solids, collect representative samples from areas with high and low total dissolved salts and to submit samples for lithium and boron analysis. An indication that brines contain lithium of any grade will be considered significant and sufficient to continue with exploration and the drilling of test wells to determine the extent of possible mineralisation.

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The Bitterwasser saltpan complex adheres to first order geological and environmental principles that are required for the development of significant lithium clay and brine deposits. These requirements include geographic placing within an arid latitudinal belt, the presence of Cenozoic-aged fault-bound terrestrial sedimentary basins, proximity to older felsic, carbonatitic and/or alkali volcanic sequences and the presence of regionally extensive brine aquifers (see figure 1 in Annexure 1 below) \*.

On neighbouring EPLs, prospecting work was done on the main Bitterwasser saltpan that consisted of the drilling of a number of hand-auger drill holes, which confirmed anomalous Li values in the clays of the pan. In addition, a ground electrical conductivity survey (EM) indicated the existence of an anomalous electrical-conductive body situated approximately 20 meters below the current groundwater level. It is likely that this represents a dense saline and/or brine aquifer that will be a highly prospective target for lithium brines.

This announcement has been authorised for release by the directors of Arcadia Minerals Limited.

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| <b>Competent Person</b> | Membership                     | Report/Document                 |
|-------------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Dr Johan Hattingh       | South African Council for      | Independent Geologist Report    |
|                         | Natural Scientific Professions | on the Lithium Prospects at the |
|                         | #400112/93                     | Bitterwasser Pans               |
| Mr Philip le Roux       | South African Council for      | This announcement               |
|                         | Natural Scientific Professions |                                 |
|                         | #400125/09                     |                                 |

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#### **BACKGROUND ON ARCADIA**

Arcadia is a Namibia-focused diversified metals exploration company, which is domiciled in Guernsey. The Company explores for a suite of Gold and battery metals (Nickel, Lithium and Copper) and owns the advanced Swanson Tantalum & Lithium project. Some of the Company's projects are located in the neighbourhood of established mining operations and significant discoveries.

The mineral projects include-

- 1. The Swanson Project advanced tantalum and lithium project with early development potential
- 2. Kum-Kum Project prospective for nickel, copper, and platinum group elements
- 3. Karibib Project prospective for copper and gold
- 4. Bitterwasser Project prospective for lithium-in-brines and lithium-in-clays.

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## **ANNEXURE 1**

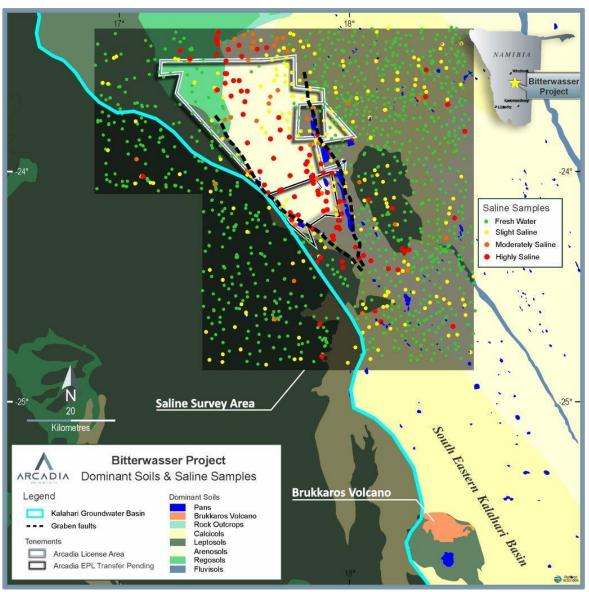


Figure 1: Map indicating the location of terrestrial sedimentary basins (Graben Faults), the area's proximity to older felsic, carbonatitic and/or alkali volcanic sequences (the Brukkaros Volcano) and the presence of regionally extensive brine aquifers (as is evidenced with highly saline samples from existing water boreholes) \*.