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CORE – OUR VALUE PROPOSITION



Achieved **first production five years** from maiden resource discovery by pursuing a ‘Minimum Viable Project’ strategy



Leveraged to strong near-term pricing – Australia’s **newest producing lithium mine** which is located **88km** from Darwin Port



Currently operating the **Grants open pit** which is our starter operation. **BP33** is the **cornerstone asset** for Core which is targeting a **Final Investment Decision** in **Q1 2024**



Track record of **exploration success** – the **Finniss Mineral Resource** has increased by **62%** since July 2022 to 30.6Mt @ 1.31% Li₂O
Attractive pipeline of **greenfield** and **brownfield exploration** opportunities in the **Finniss** mineralised district



Secured **offtake** with some of the **world’s largest battery companies**, including Ganfeng Lithium and Yahua



Cash position of **\$152.7 million** and **nil debt** at 30 June 2023



Refreshed senior management team who have strong experience in **developing** and **operating resources projects**

Q4 FY23 HIGHLIGHTS



OPERATIONS

- Quarterly spodumene production of **14,685t** (FY23: 18,274t)
- C1 unit cost of **A\$902/t** (FY23: \$1,230/t)



SALES & MARKETING

- Maiden **5,500t** spodumene concentrate shipment in April and second **13,100t** shipment in early July¹
- **5,423dmt** spodumene concentrate sales @ average **5.35% Li₂O**



EXPLORATION & DEVELOPMENT

- \$45-\$50 million approved for **BP33 underground mine early works**
- Revised BP33 feasibility study underway, including incorporation of the increased Mineral Resource
- Total Finniss Mineral Resource **increased 62%** to **30.6Mt @1.31% Li₂O²**
- **A\$25m exploration program** underway



CORPORATE & FINANCIAL

- Cash balance of **\$152.7 million** and **no debt** (as at 30 June 2023)
- **Andrea Hall** appointed as **Non-Executive Director**
- Executive team complete following the appointments of **Pierre Malan** as **EGM Development & Exploration** and **Paul Benjamin** as **EGM Commercial & Marketing**¹



SAFETY & SUSTAINABILITY

- **No significant safety incidents**
- **Critical Risk Management (CRM)** Program Implemented
- Community grants awarded to **12** community groups across greater Darwin region

NOTES

1. Subsequent to June quarter end.

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FINNISS PERFORMANCE IMPROVEMENT INITIATIVES

Several short to medium term improvement projects are underway to optimise operations and enhance recoveries

Improvement projects and fines sales

- The Finnis plant has run for 14 weeks on a campaign basis, but has provided the first opportunity to performance test and trial processing parameters
- A range of trials and improvement projects have been identified to increase lithia recoveries and plant utilisation
- The potential for lithium fines to become a saleable by-product has been identified to help address lower recoveries in the near-term
- Several other near-term projects have commenced during the quarter which are designed to minimise fines and increase recoveries
- The feasibility of longer-term projects such as the installation of fines processing circuit, filter press and belt press will be evaluated in FY24

Improvement projects

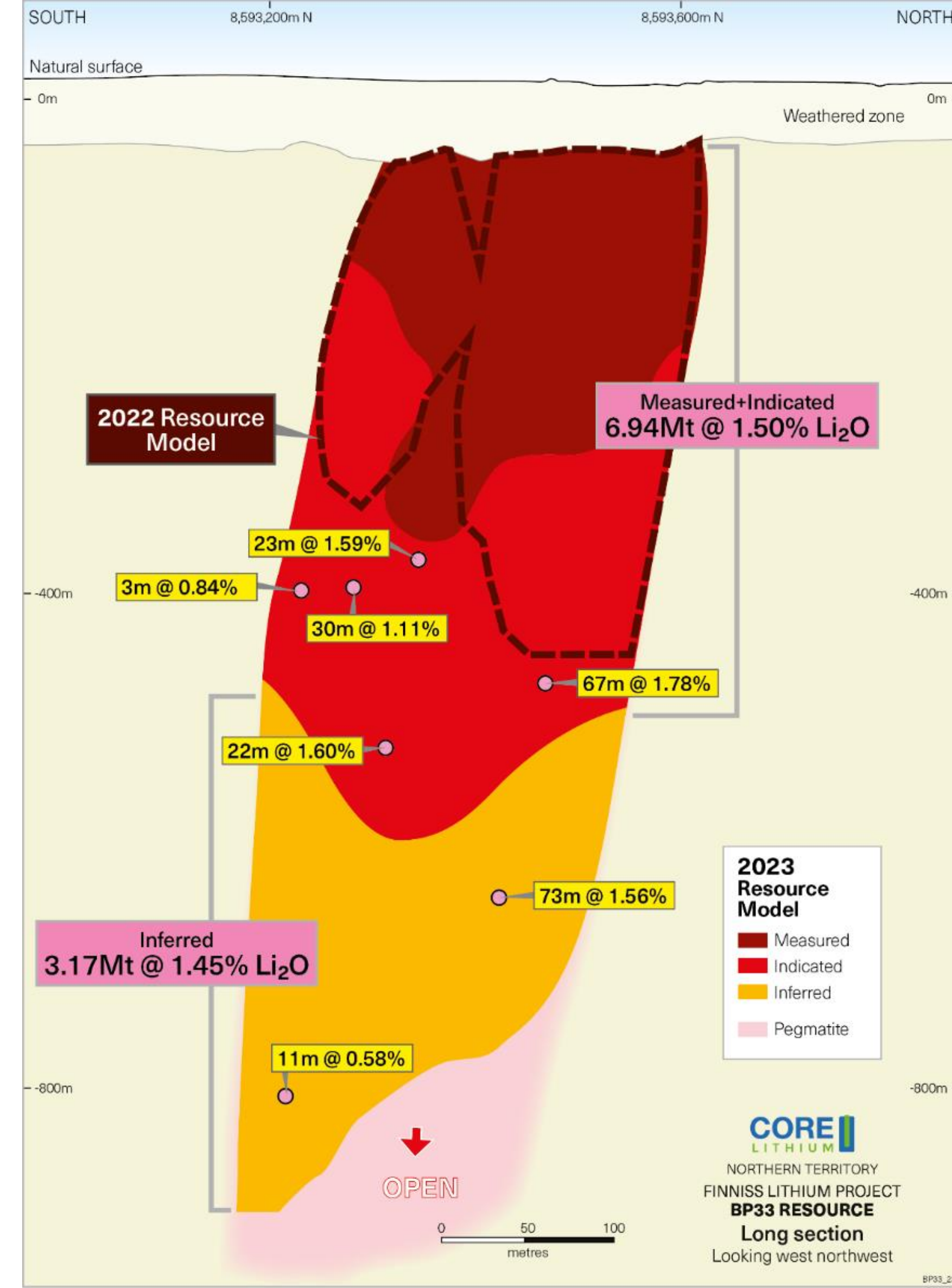
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	<input type="checkbox"/>	Feasibility of installing a full flotation circuit to increase recoveries
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BP33 UPDATE

Significant work underway as BP33 approaches FID in Q1 2024

- BP33 is cornerstone asset which underpins the broader business
- Mineral Resource more than doubled to 10.1Mt @ 1.48% Li₂O in March 2023¹
- Revised Feasibility Study based on 2023 resource model commenced in April 2023 with a dedicated team responsible for expanded technical studies including geotechnical and in-fill resource drilling
- Approved early works funding of \$45-50 million in May 2023
 - Program includes the development of a covered box-cut, improved access works and associated surface works for water management
 - Allows a feasibility study to be completed in parallel enabling mine decline development to begin soon after a positive FID
 - Subject to potential early wet season, modelled geotechnical and groundwater impacts, this work is expected to be complete by end of Q1 CY24
- Early works project will facilitate the next phase of capital works, including decline development, early stope development, ventilation infrastructure, water management and power infrastructure to commence on receipt of positive FID and board approval

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2. For full details, see the Notice to ASX dated 1 August 2022 ("BP33 delivers outstanding results"), the notice to ASX dated 29 September 2022 ("Business Update and drill results revised"), 5 October 2022 ("BP33 diamond drilling assays") and accompanying information provided in accordance with the Table 1 checklist in The Australasian Code for the Reporting of Exploration Results, Mineral Resources and Ore Reserves (The JORC Code, 2012 Edition). Core Lithium confirms that it is not aware of any new information that materially affects the information included in the market announcement.



CORE'S FY24 EXPLORATION PROGRAM

Track record of resource growth at low cost with existing deposits open at depth

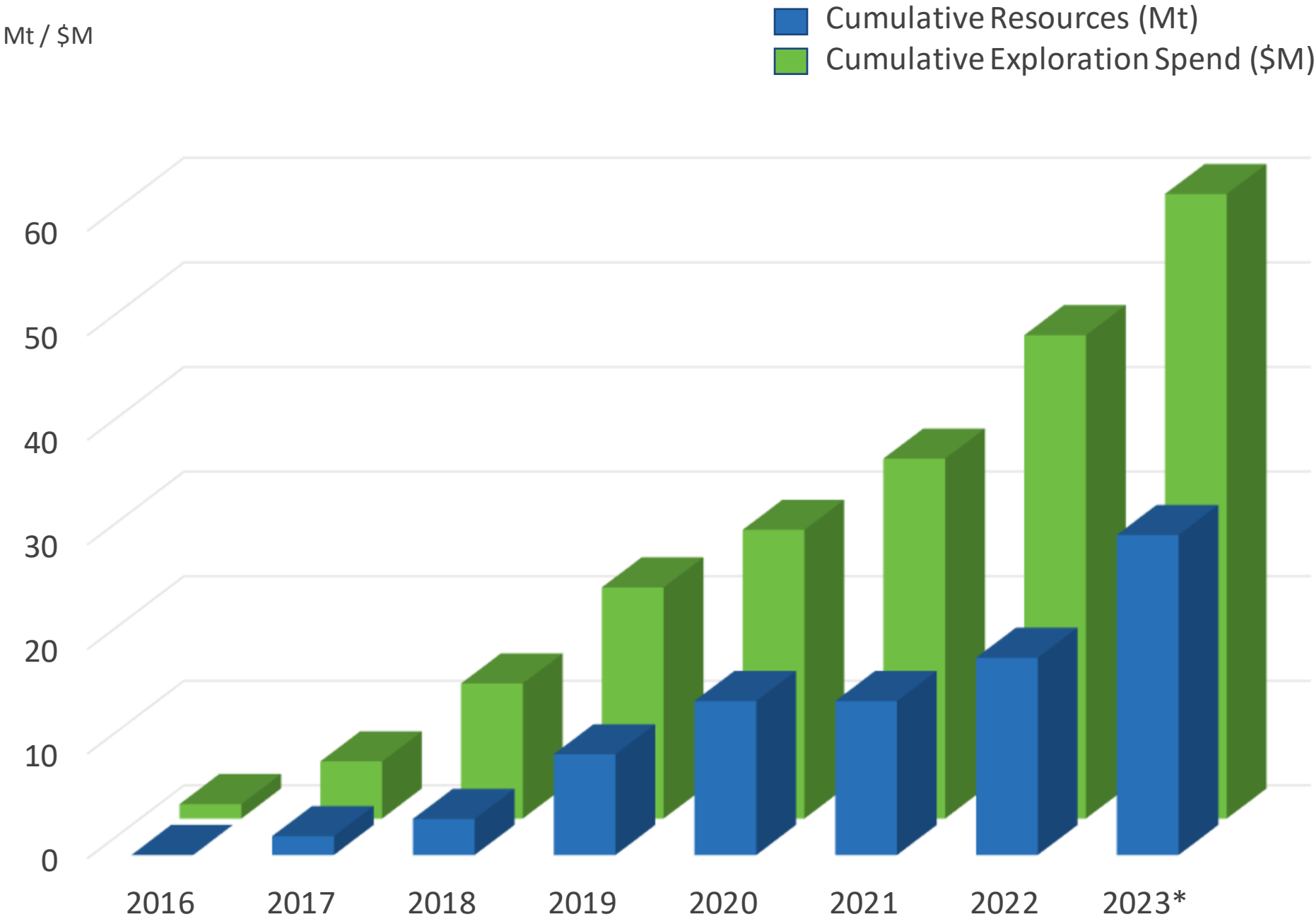
Overview of exploration program

- FY24 exploration and study spend is expected to be approximately \$35-40 million
- Majority of exploration expenditure will be allocated to extending and defining existing resources, all of which are open at depth
- Remaining funds will be directed towards identifying and testing new targets via a combination of geochemistry, geophysics and drilling at Finniss and Shoobridge, and geochemistry and geophysics at Anningie-Barrow Creek

198 tonnes of Resource Inventory added per metre drilled

\$1.95 spent per tonne of Mineral Resource added

Finniss Resource growth

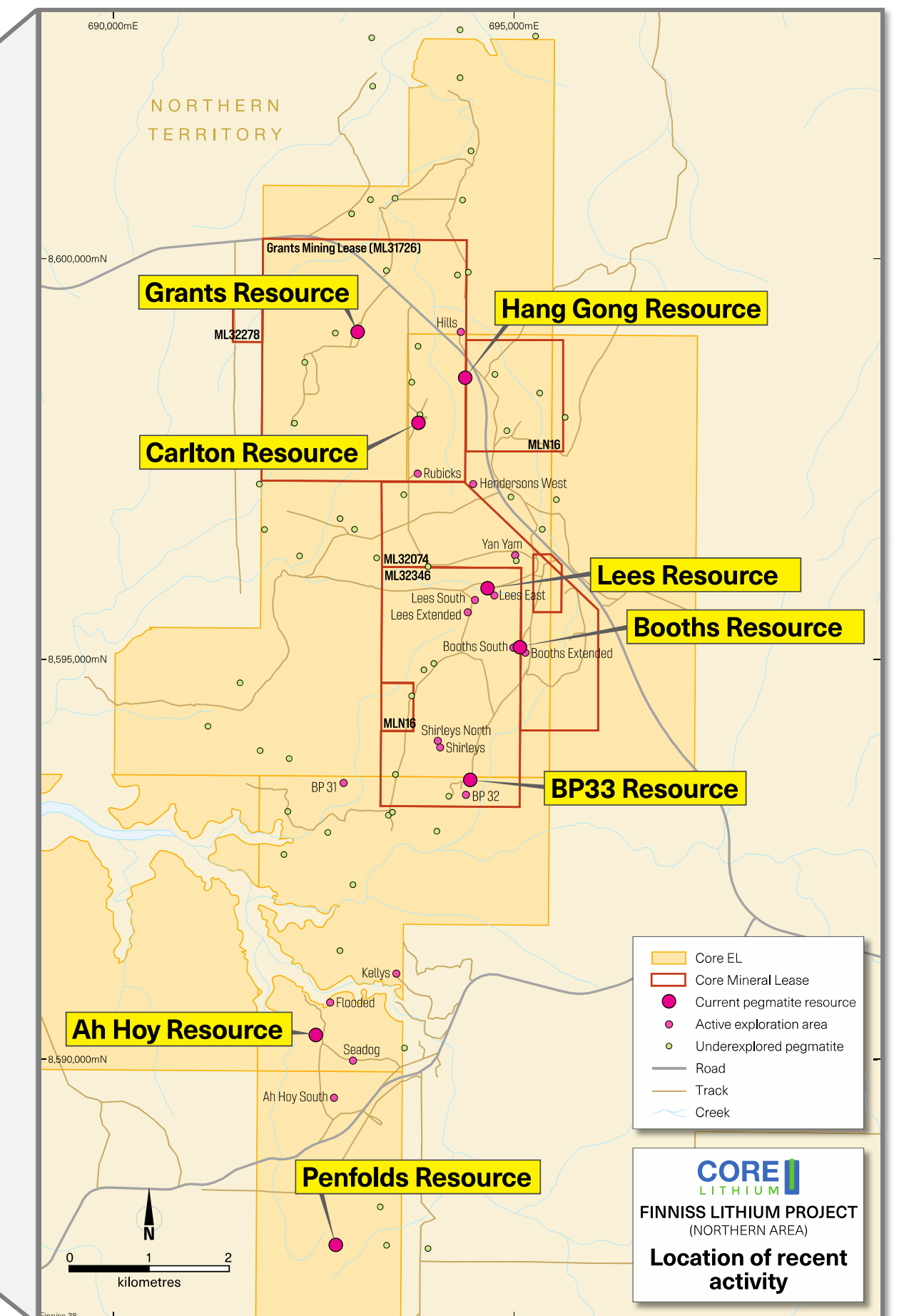
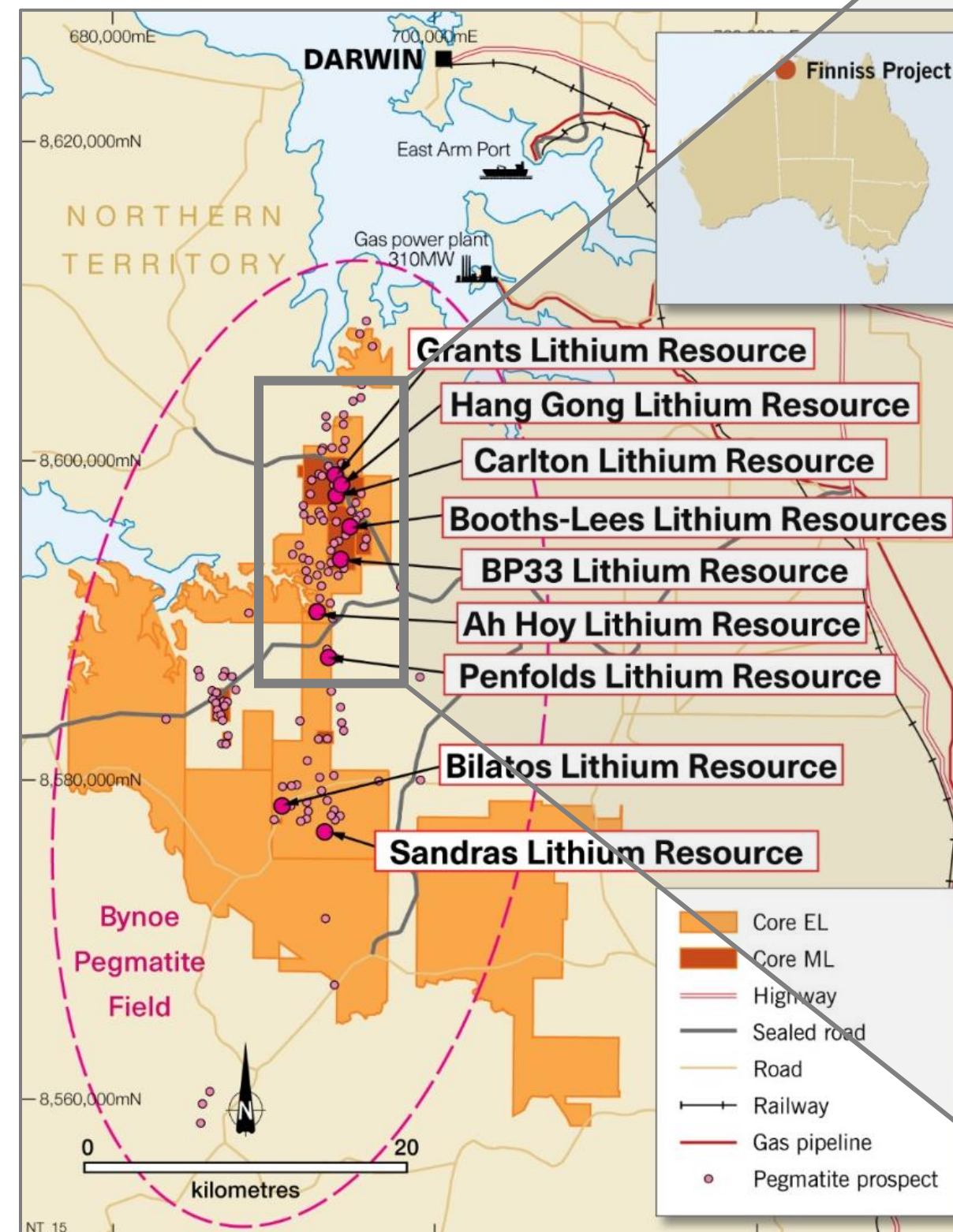


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Predicted expenditure for 2023

NORTH FINNISS: OUR EXPLORATION FOCUS

Close proximity deposits provide a long-term future for FinniSS

- Numerous underexplored pegmatites
- During Q2 CY 2023 there was 9,581m of mine development and exploration drilling undertaken at BP33, Carlton and Lees
- 1,529m testing new prospects
- Three diamond drill rigs and one RC rig in operation with two more to be mobilised to site

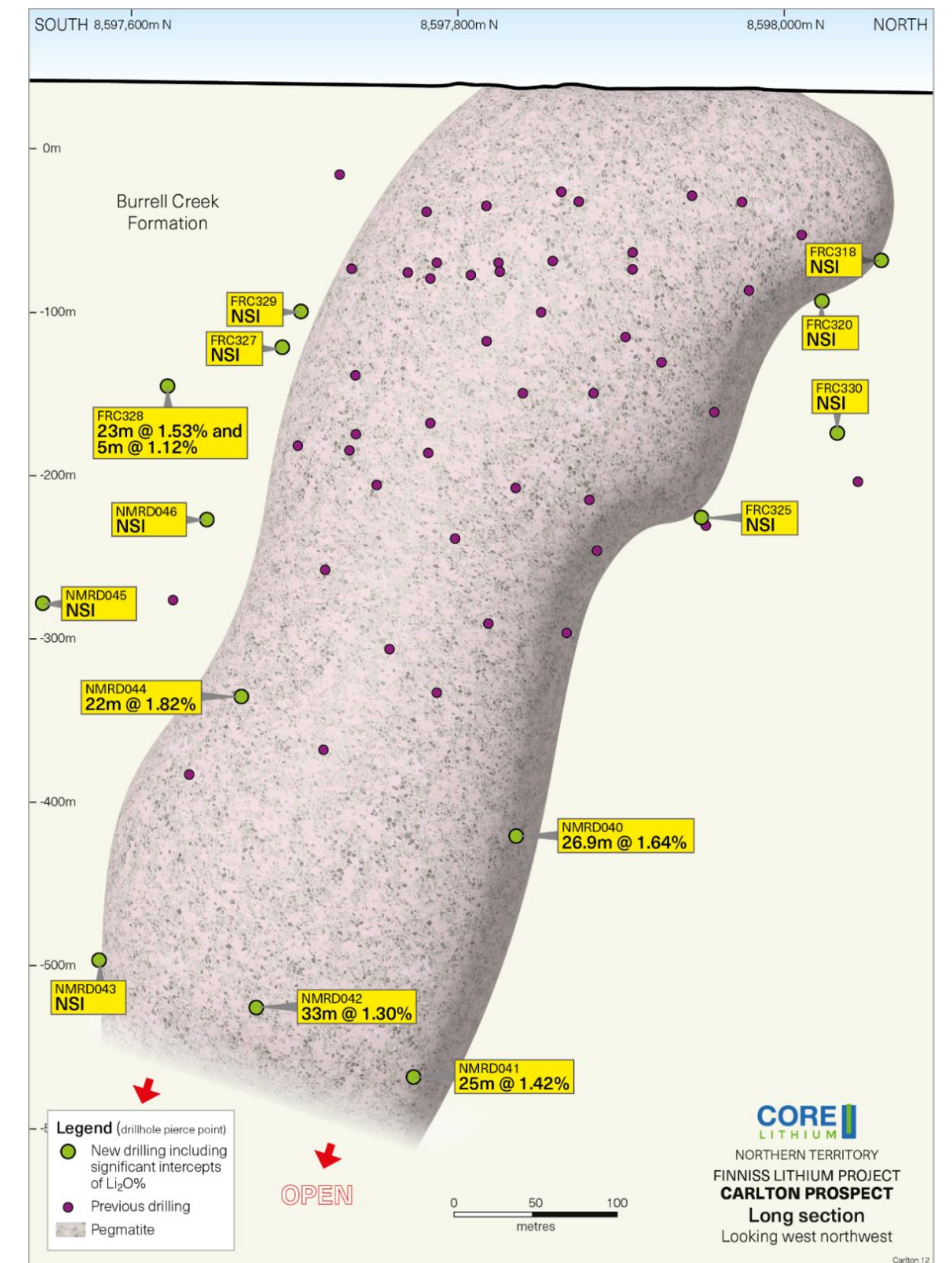


CARLTON UPDATE

Drilling and study work also underway at the Carlton deposit

- Current resources of 6.18Mt @ 1.38%, increased from July 2022 estimate of 4.04Mt at 1.30% Li₂O*
- Drilling has confirmed the down-plunge continuity of the spodumene-bearing pegmatite deposit a further ~200m down plunge
- Drilling demonstrates a true thickness averaging approximately 15m and up to 25m thickness in some sections.
- Mineralisation remains open at depth and drilling continues
- Located 2km from the processing plant
- Drilling now being incorporated into the interpretation for an updated Mineral Resource and Ore Reserve Estimate.
- Study update underway estimated to be completed by end of CY2024.

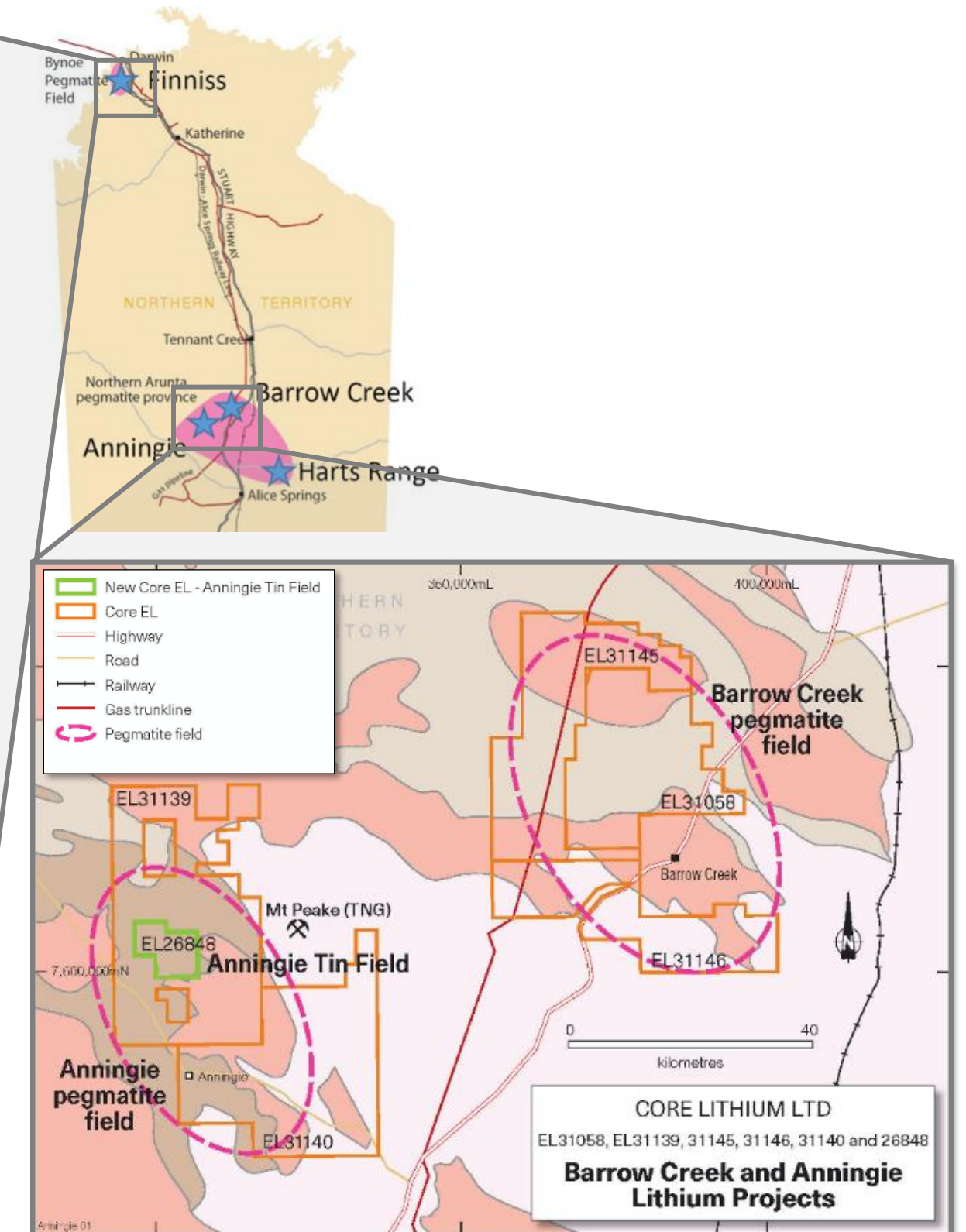
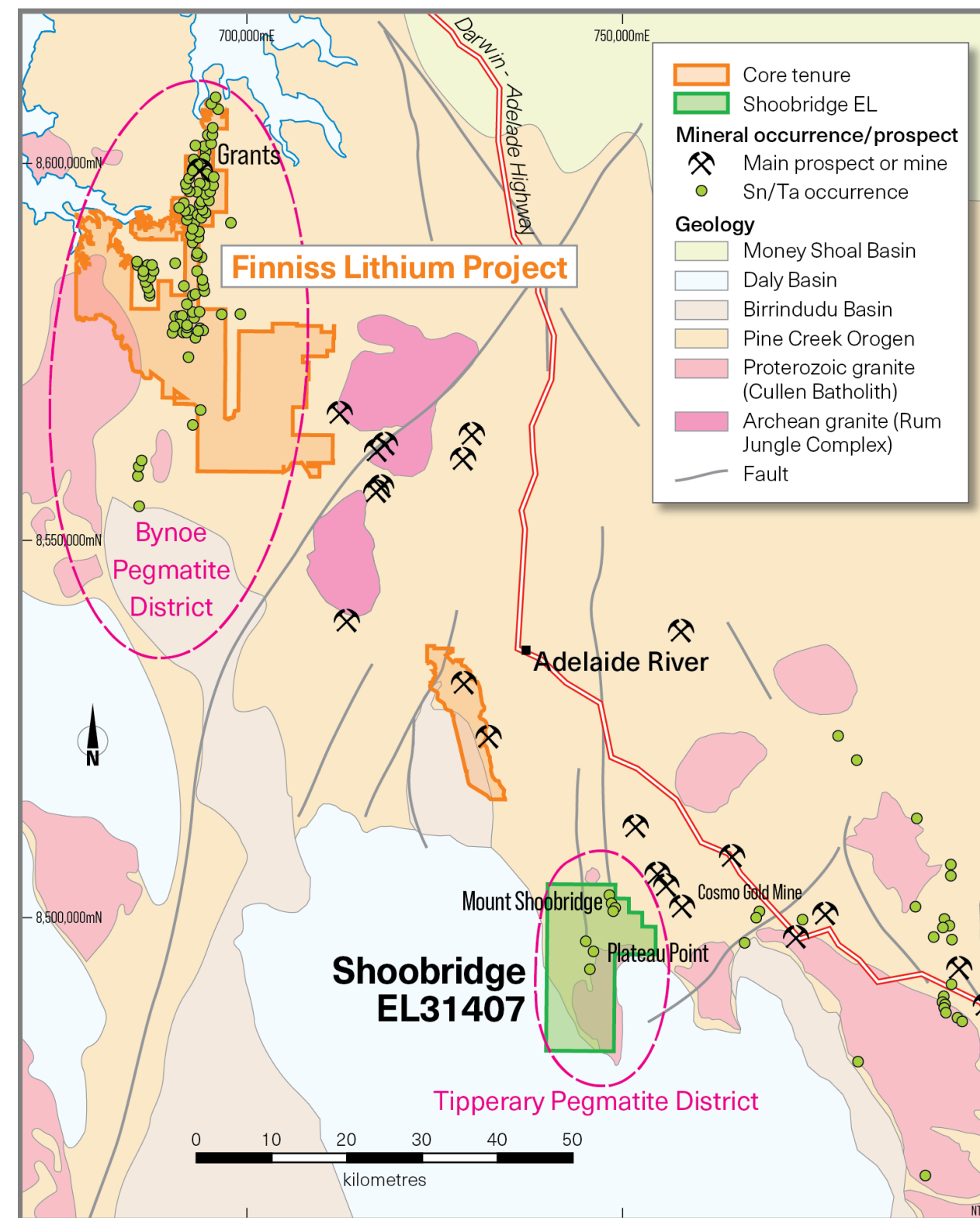
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REGIONAL EXPLORATION TARGETS

Large tenement holdings prospective for lithium at Anningie, Barrow Creek and Shoobridge

- Fieldwork to commence in 2024
- Ground holdings with swarms of Pegmatite dykes and sills
- Historical pegmatite related tin-tantalum mines and workings
- Encouraging surface sampling
- Shoobridge has close access to the road network connected with the Darwin Port and Finniss Lithium Project
- Anningie / Barrow Creek has close access to the rail link to Darwin Port



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PROJECT PIPELINE AND SUSTAINING GROWTH

Strong pipeline of organic growth opportunities to drive Core’s next phase of growth

Near-term priority

Project	Discovery	Resource Definition	Development	Production / Extension
Grants Resources: 2.91Mt @ 1.47% Li ₂ O				Production until late CY2025 Progress open pit expansion study
Grants Open pit extension / underground <i>Resource included in Grants</i>			Progress study work and reserve definition drilling	
BP33 Resources: 10.1Mt @ 1.48% Li ₂ O			Complete FS / Early works. Infill drilling planned to convert inferred resources to measured and indicated. Targeting FID Q1 CY2024 and first production in CY26	
Carlton Resources: 6.2Mt @ 1.38% Li ₂ O			Drilling ongoing at Carlton to support additional resource definition. Study work expected to be completed by end of CY2024	
Hang Gong Resources: 3.5Mt @ 1.16% Li ₂ O		Progress study work / further drilling		
Lees-Booths Resources: 2.7Mt @ 1.11% Li ₂ O		Progress study work / further drilling		
Sandras, Bilatos, Penfolds, Ah Hoy Resources: 5.3Mt @ 1.01% Li ₂ O	Drilling to expand resource			
Finniss District, Shoobridge, Anningie-Barrow Creek	Exploration drilling			

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CONCLUDING REMARKS – OUR PRIORITIES FOR FY24

OPERATIONAL DELIVERY	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Deliver Core’s Critical Risk Management program and focus on safe operations• Achieve FY24 spodumene production guidance of 80,000 to 90,000 tonnes• Execute Finniss performance improvement initiatives, including improving lithia recoveries and mining productivity• Deliver into offtake contracts
SUSTAINED GROWTH	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Execute exploration plan for 2024• Complete BP33 underground revised Feasibility Study due in Q1 2024• Reach FID for BP33 underground in Q1 2024• Fine-tune strategy for regional exploration and growth options
ENVIRONMENTAL, SOCIAL, GOVERNANCE	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Continue Community Grants Program to support community groups in greater Darwin region• Identify further opportunities for local business, associations and groups to mutual benefit• Build HSE systems and processes that are fit for purpose and reflect our risk profile• Continue roll out of Critical Risk Management program and apply learnings from first operational activities
EMPLOYER OF THE FUTURE	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• A contemporary approach to workforce management in how we design jobs and engage people• Enable the ways of working that deliver on safe, sustainable, cost-effective production outcomes• Aspire to create systems of work that foster diversity• Continue building out an experienced operational team

APPENDIX

Core overview

FINNISS MINERAL RESOURCES

Mineral Resource Estimate for the Finnis Lithium Operation 0.5% Li ₂ O cut-off									
Mineral Resource	Measured		Indicated		Inferred		Total		
	Tonnes (Mt)	Li ₂ O %	Tonnes (Mt)	Li ₂ O %	Tonnes (Mt)	Li ₂ O %	Tonnes (Mt)	Li ₂ O %	Li ₂ O Contained Metal (kt)
Grants*	1.93	1.50	0.61	1.49	0.37	1.27	2.91	1.47	42.7
BP33	2.85	1.46	4.09	1.53	3.17	1.45	10.1	1.48	151
Carlton	2.20	1.38	2.69	1.39	1.29	1.37	6.18	1.38	85.5
Hang Gong	-	-	1.51	1.18	1.95	1.14	3.46	1.16	40.0
Sandras	-	-	1.17	0.92	0.57	0.82	1.73	0.89	15.4
Lees#	-	-	0.88	1.24	0.35	1.05	1.23	1.19	14.6
Ah Hoy	-	-	0.67	1.16	0.38	1.17	1.05	1.16	12.2
Booths#	-	-	0.80	1.05	0.70	1.06	1.50	1.05	15.8
Bilatos	-	-	-	-	1.92	1.03	1.92	1.03	19.9
Penfolds	-	-	-	-	0.57	1.04	0.57	1.04	5.9
Total	6.98	1.45	12.4	1.33	11.3	1.21	30.6	1.31	403

Note: Totals within this table are subject to rounding. * Net decrease due to mining depletion. # Re-classified with no additional data.’ The above Mineral resource is current at the time of release on 18 April 2023.

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