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## COMMENCEMENT OF ISCR PRODUCTION WELLFIELD CONSTRUCTION

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Cobre Limited (ASX: **CBE**, **Cobre** or **Company**) is pleased to announce the commencement of ISCR production wellfield construction on its wholly owned Ngami Copper Project (**NCP**), Botswana. The wellfield represents the first stage of the Company's planned In-Situ Copper Recovery (**ISCR**) demonstration plant (see *ASX Announcement 14 May 2025*) which will provide a foundation for advancing resource drilling and feasibility studies ahead of development.

The wellfield will include four new vertical production wells as well as an underlying horizontal well. All drilling will utilise advanced directional drilling technology to maximise coupling with the mineralised fracture system. Construction of the well field will provide an opportunity to fully model the injected fluid flow using water prior to building the demonstration plant which will commence following approval of an ongoing environmental impact assessment (see *ASX announcement 17 July 2025*).

The wellfield marks a major milestone for the Company's ISCR strategy and materially advances the NCP towards commercial development. The follow-on demonstration plant will provide critical operating data to support future resource expansion, feasibility studies and project scaling.

***Commenting on the commencement of ISCR production wellfield construction, Adam Wooldridge, Cobre's Chief Executive Officer, said:***

*"The wellfield design will capitalise on modern directional drilling technology which allows for a combination of both vertical and horizontal injection and recovery wells using conventional diamond drilling rigs.*

*This provides the Company with an ideal opportunity to test multiple injection and recovery well combinations which can be fully optimised prior to introducing a leaching agent. Having a fully operational wellfield ahead of the demonstration plant will also provide a significant de-risking step and will assist the EIA approval.*

*Cobre is aiming to prove up a similar ISCR process to Taseko Mines Limited's Florence Copper deposit which went into production in December 2025.*

*Finally, successful operation of horizontal wells will open the potential for recoveries at greater depths which, in-turn, can be used to significantly expand the NCP resource.”*

The wellfield will consist of four new 240m vertical injection-recovery wells which will be combined with two previously drilled injection wells, as well as a horizontal injection-recovery well which will be drilled underneath the vertical well field at a depth of 300m. Directional drilling will be employed to ensure wells intersect and follow the target copper-silver mineralisation, maximising coupling with the mineralised fracture system. Ground water flow will be monitored via a fully integrated control system which will collect sensor data from a number of monitoring wells located adjacent to, and along strike of, the production wells. In addition to the well field, further water storage capacity and injection and recovery pumping capacity will be developed during this phase of work.

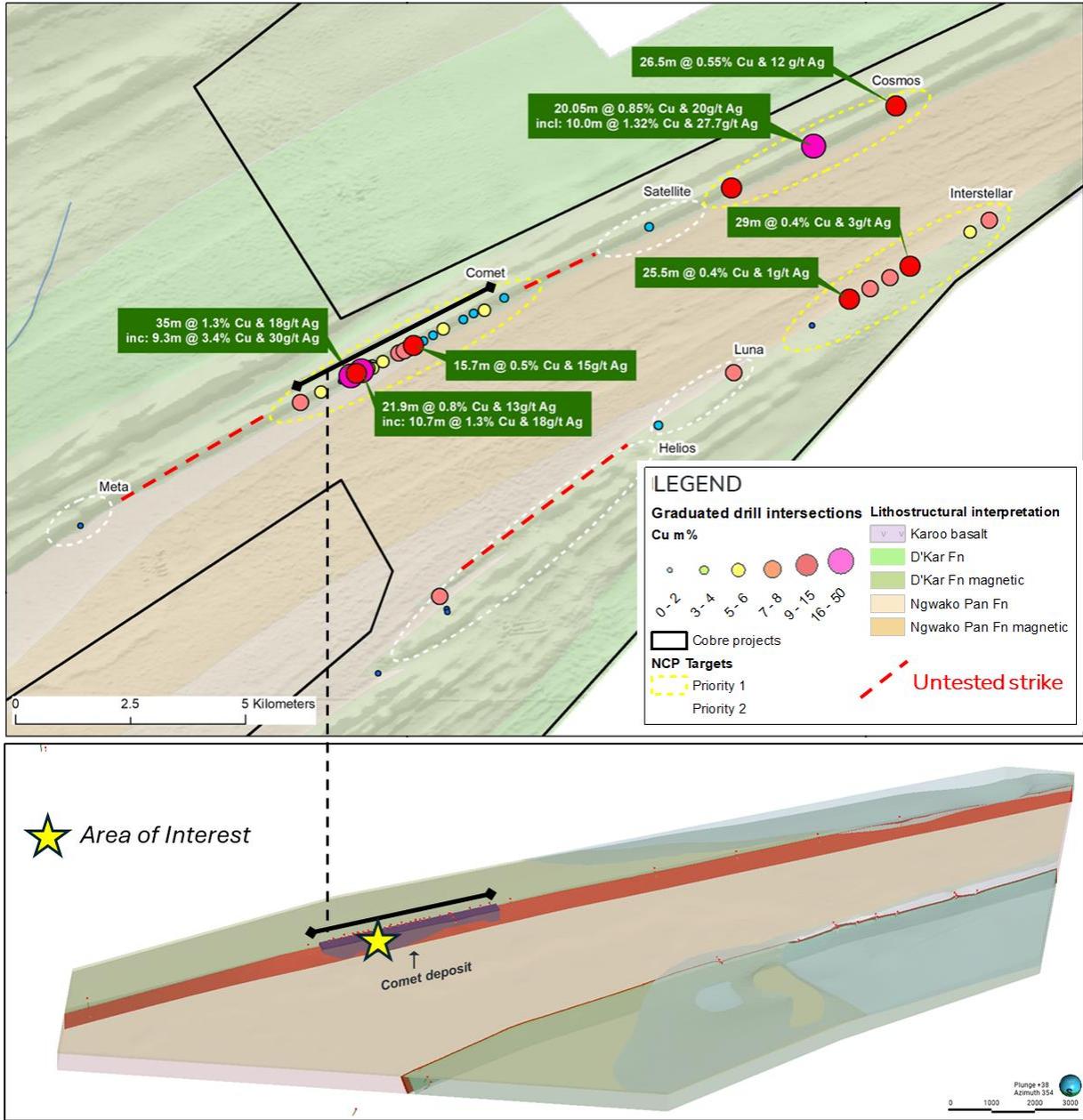
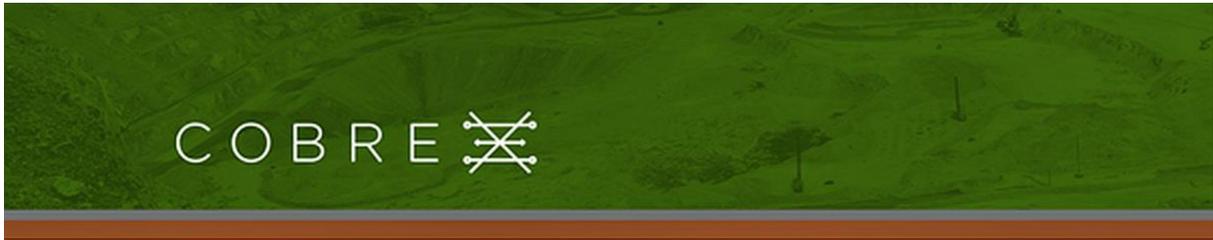
The wellfield has been designed to beneficiate copper-silver mineralisation in the upper 350m of the Comet Deposit<sup>1</sup> along a strike length of 300m which will be the focus for the initial demonstration plant.

For this phase of ISCR wellfield infrastructure deployment, the goal is to demonstrate hydraulic control and manipulation of the target aquifer within the mineralised ore body through simulations that mimic real-life ISCR mining operations. The wellfield will be supported by a Command-and-Control Telemetry system that controls the pumps in the injection and recovery wells. Individual duty points can be set on each well, either through a groundwater level function or a desired flow rate. The well field control system allows each site's pumps to be independently sped up or slowed down to achieve the required test process outcomes. Starlink LEO satellites are being used to enable remote, live monitoring of the process from the field site. Each well will be equipped with a range of downhole probes and sensors to monitor flow data sets, groundwater level, temperature, pressure, total dissolved solids, electrical conductivity and water pH with data displayed graphically on dashboards and stored on the system historian, enabling real-time well field operations and data rich decision making.

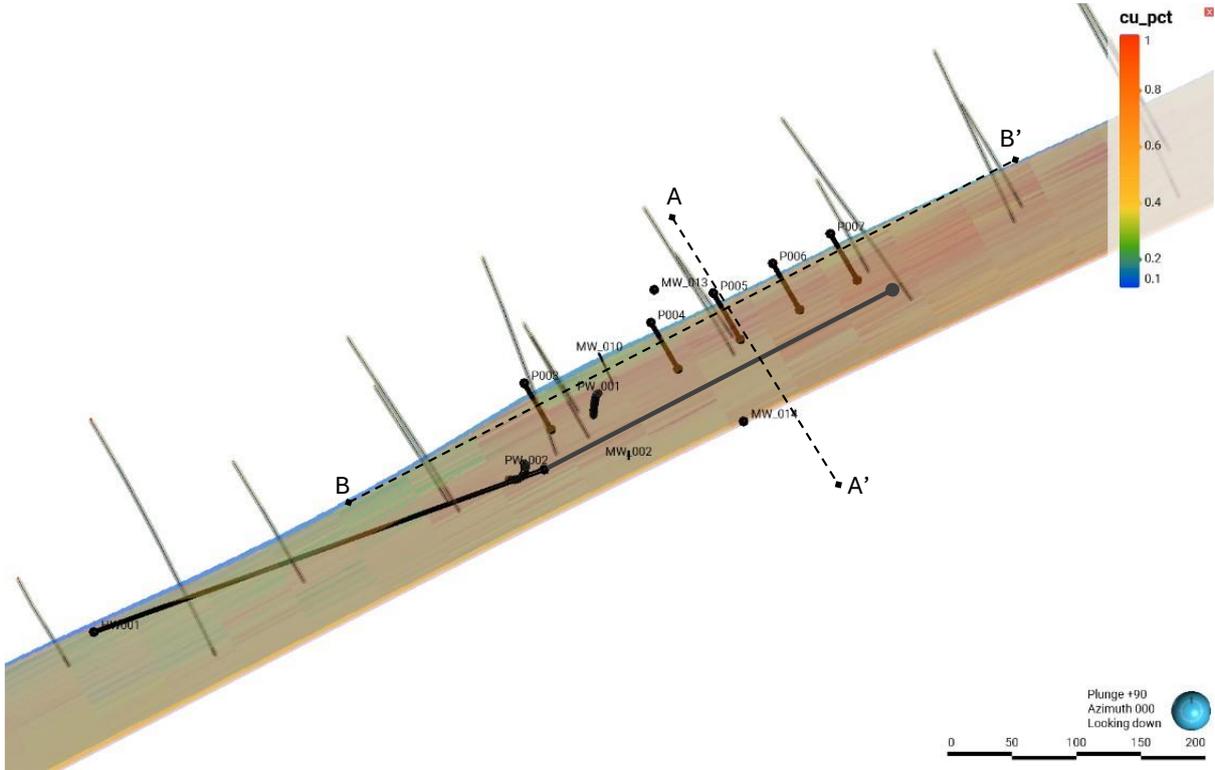
A locality map is provided in *Figure 1*. The wellfield design is illustrated in plan, cross-section and long-section in *Figures 2 to 4* respectively.

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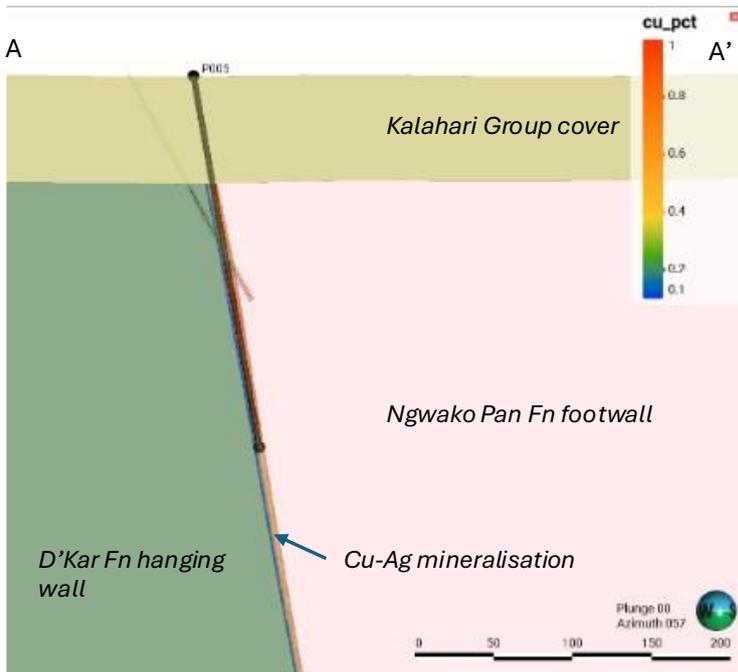
<sup>1</sup> Further details of the Company's JORC Maiden Mineral Resource Estimate (MRE) referred to herein are contained within the Company's ASX announcement of 4 August, 2025. Cobre is not aware of any new information or data that materially affects the information included in the Company's announcement and that all material assumptions and technical parameters underpinning the estimates referred to therein continue to apply and have not materially changed.



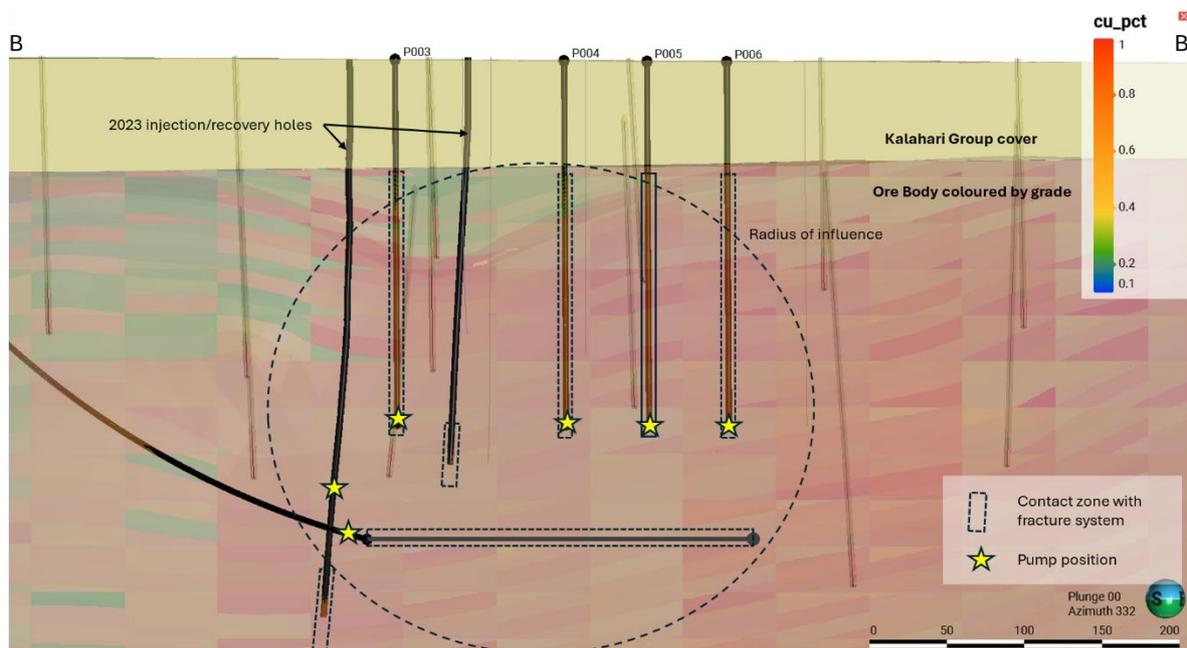
**Figure 1.** Locality map illustrating the position of the Comet Target and current area of interest relative to NCP drilling and deposit model (see ASX Announcement 4 August 2025).



**Figure 2.** Plan view illustrating the position of the injection-recovery wellfield along with 2024 wells, monitoring wells and diamond drilling relative to the Comet Resource Model (see ASX Announcement 4 August 2025). Cross section A-A' and long section B-B' are illustrated in follow-on figures.



**Figure 3.** Section illustrating the position of an injection-recovery well relative to the target mineralised contact.



**Figure 4.** Long section illustrating the new proposed wells, 2024 wells, Comet Resource Model, pump positions and anticipated contact area with the target fracture system.

### Geology and Mineralisation

Mineralisation at NCP is sedimentary-hosted, structurally controlled, copper-silver associated with the redox contact between oxidised Ngwako Pan Formation red beds and overlying reduced marine sedimentary rocks of the D’Kar Formation on the limbs of anticlinal structures. Drilling has focussed on the southern anticlinal structure which extends for over 40km across the NCP with evidence for anomalous Cu-Ag mineralisation on both northern and southern limbs. Drilling results to date have returned consistent, wide intersections of anomalous to moderate-grade Cu-Ag values over extensive strike lengths with smaller structurally controlled higher-grade zones. This style of mineralisation is dominated by fine-grained chalcocite which occurs along cleavage planes ( $S_1$ ) and in fractures rather than the vein hosted bornite with chalcopyrite more typical of the KCB style. Importantly, the chalcocite mineralisation is amenable to acid leaching, occurs below the water table and is associated with well-developed fracture zones bounded by more competent hanging and footwall units satisfying key considerations for ISCR.

### Target Model

The NCP area is located near the northern margin of the KCB and includes significant strike of sub-cropping Ngwako Pan / D’Kar Formation contact on which the majority of the known deposits in the KCB occur.

Cobre is aiming to prove up a similar ISCR process to Taseko Mines Limited's (TSX:TKO; NYSE:TGB; LSE: TKO) Florence Copper Deposit (320Mt @ 0.36% Cu) and Copper Fox' Van Dyke Deposit<sup>2</sup> (265.6Mt @ 0.29% Cu) in Arizona which both share a similar scale to NCP<sup>3</sup>.

## REFERENCES

For further information including full exploration results references, Competent Persons Statement and JORC Tables please refer to the following ASX Announcements:

<b>Announcement date</b>	<b>Title and link</b>
15 Oct 2025	<a href="#"><u>In Situ Copper Recovery environmental permit update</u></a>
29 Sept 25	<a href="#"><u>Cobre produces maiden cathode</u></a>
4-Aug-25	<a href="#"><u>Maiden MRE Comet &amp; Major Increase to NCP Exploration Target</u></a>
17-Jul-25	<a href="#"><u>Commencement of EIA, Mineral Modelling &amp; Assay Results</u></a>
14-May-25	<a href="#"><u>Exceptional recoveries from long-term vessel test work</u></a>
04-Sept-24	<a href="#"><u>Injection-Pumping Demonstrates Hydrogeological Continuity</u></a>
04-Jun-24	<a href="#"><u>Significant Milestone Achieved Hydrogeological Test Results</u></a>
26-Feb-24	<a href="#"><u>Successful Phase 1 Hydrogeological Tests &amp; New Intersection</u></a>
09-Oct-23	<a href="#"><u>Metallurgical Test Work at NCP Highlights Recovery Potential</u></a>

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<sup>2</sup> [Home | Copper Fox Metals Inc.](#)

<sup>3</sup> [Florence Copper | Taseko Mines Limited](#)

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