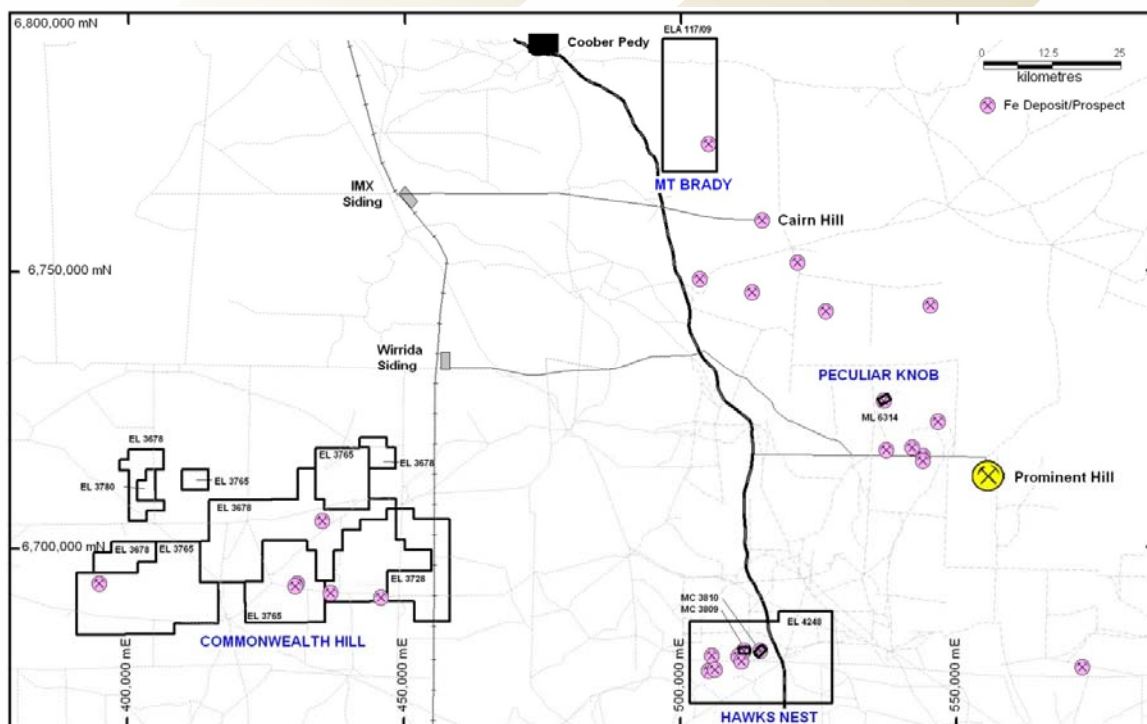


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WPG adds to its iron ore tenement portfolio south of Coober Pedy in SA

Western Plains Resources Ltd (ASX:WPG) has extended its iron ore tenement holdings in the prospective Coober Pedy region of South Australia with the application for a new exploration licence. ELA 117/09 covers an area of 233 square kilometres and is located immediately to the north west of the magnetite-copper-gold deposit being developed at Cairn Hill. Tenements in which the Company now has an interest are shown in the drawing below.



The new tenement encompasses a zone of complex magnetic character, some of which indicates potential for banded iron formation (BIF). It includes the Mt Brady prospect where drilling by previous explorers has intersected intervals of massive magnetite including 5.8 metres averaging 61.9% Fe and 6.5 metres averaging 61.1% Fe in separate drill holes.

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Anomalous copper and rare earth element intervals were also recorded in previous drilling. The Mt Brady mineralisation is reported to be associated with a sequence of pegmatite bearing skarns.

When granted, ELA 117/09 will enhance WPG's strong ground position that covers a total area of 2,061.5 square kilometres in the emerging Mt Woods iron ore province of the northern Gawler Craton. These tenements include projects with established resources that WPG is advancing towards development at Peculiar Knob and Hawks Nest and exploration projects at Commonwealth Hill where the Company is farming into tenements held by Apollo Minerals Ltd. The current tenement position is listed in the table below.

Project	Tenement	Area (km ²)	Status
Peculiar Knob	ML 6314	2.5	Advancing to development
Hawks Nest	EL 4248 MC 3809 Kestrel MC 3810 Buzzard	398	Exploration & resource development BFS to commence H2 2009 Advancing to development
Commonwealth Hill (Apollo farm-in)	EL 3678	467	Exploration
	EL 3728	155	Exploration
	EL 3765	613	Exploration
	EL 3780	15	Exploration
	EL 3821	178	Exploration
Mt Brady	ELA 117/09	233	Exploration
	Total Area	2,061.5	

Competent Person

The review of exploration activities and results contained in this report are based on information compiled by Mr Gary Jones, a Member of the Australasian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy. He is Technical Director of Western Plains Resources Limited and a full time employee of Geonz Associates Limited. He has sufficient experience which is relevant to the style of mineralisation and types of deposits under consideration and to the activity which he is undertaking to qualify as a Competent Person as defined in the December 2004 edition of the Australasian Code for Reporting of Exploration Results, Mineral Resources and Ore Reserves (the JORC Code). Gary Jones has consented in writing to the inclusion in this report of the matters based on his information in the form and context in which it appears.

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