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## **AUROCH AWARDS DRILL CONTRACT FOR MAIDEN DRILLING PROGRAMMES**

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### Highlights

- Maiden exploration drill programmes to be undertaken by DDH1 Drilling
  - **Drilling is expected to commence this month**, with up to 5,000m of RC and diamond drilling planned concurrently at Arden and Bonaventura Projects
  - **Arden drill programme to target high-grade zinc, copper and cobalt mineralisation across 3 identified prospects**
  - **Bonaventura drill programme to explore for high-grade zinc, copper and gold mineralisation across 4 high-priority target areas**
  - Drilling programmes are fully-funded from strong balance sheet
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*“The Company continues to build momentum following the results from its recent IP survey, and we are excited to be partnering with DDH1 Drilling for our maiden drilling programmes. To have seven high-priority drill targets with great potential for high-grade mineralisation and significant scale for our maiden programme is quite extraordinary; we really are just seeing the tip of the iceberg in terms of exploring the large areas covered by our two projects.”- Auroch CEO Aidan Platel*

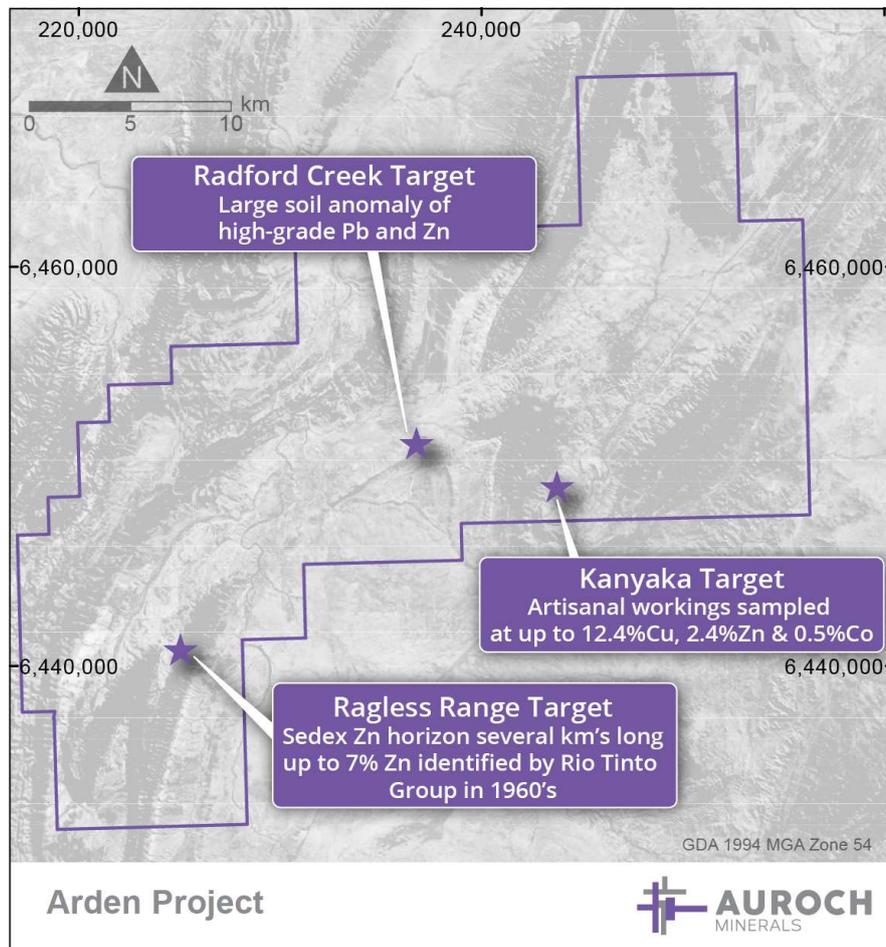
**Auroch Minerals Limited (Auroch or the Company)** is pleased to announce the appointment of DDH1 Drilling Pty Ltd (**DDH1 Drilling**) to undertake the Company’s aggressive maiden drill programmes at the Arden and Bonaventura Projects. The programmes will comprise up to 5,000m of a combination of reverse circulation (**RC**) and diamond drilling targeting high-grade base-metals and/or gold mineralisation across seven high-priority target areas, and is expected to commence this month.

At the Arden Project, the drilling is planned to test three high-priority target areas identified by the Company from both historical and current exploration. Drilling at the Ragless Range Target will test the high-grade Sedex zinc mineralisation down-dip and along strike from the known mineralisation in the existing drill-holes and trenches completed by the Rio Tinto Group in the late 1960’s. The planned drill-holes at the Kanyaka Target will test the strike and down-dip extensions of the high-grade copper-cobalt-zinc mineralisation observed at surface and in old artisanal workings, whilst drilling at the Radford Creek Target will test high-grade lead-zinc soil anomalies (see Figure 1).

At the Bonaventura Project, the drilling programme will be focussed on four target areas that the Company has determined are the highest exploration priorities. At the Dewrang Target, the strong chargeability anomaly identified over a significant strike length by the Company’s recently-

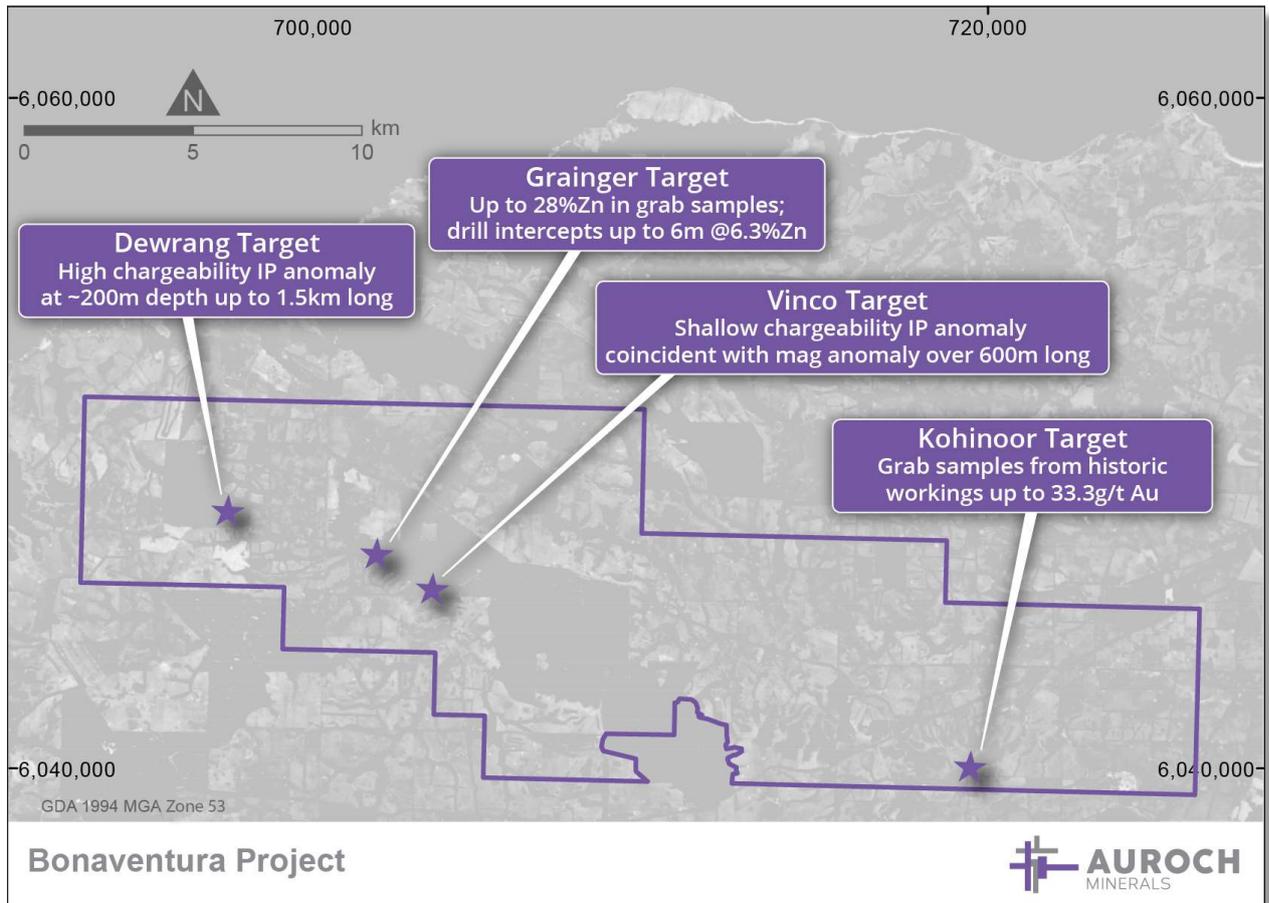
completed IP survey<sup>1</sup> will be the focus of the drill programme. The down-dip and strike extensions of the known high-grade zinc mineralisation intersected by historical drilling and artisanal workings will be the drill target at the Grainger Prospect, whilst the shallow chargeability anomaly identified at the Vinco Target will be tested by the planned drill-holes. The fourth target area, the Kohinoor Target, will also be drilled to determine the size and extent of the very high-grade gold-quartz vein mineralisation that was the focus of historical artisanal mining.

Overall the drilling programme will comprise up to 5,000m of drilling utilizing two drill rigs such that both projects are advanced simultaneously. The programme will be a mixture of RC and diamond drilling; the latter will be used when more structural data is required from the drill-holes, when a smaller drilling footprint is necessary, or where significant groundwater proves problematic for RC drilling.



**Figure 1 – The Arden Project showing the locations of the three highest-priority target areas to be tested by the impending maiden drill programme.**

<sup>1</sup> Refer to the Company's ASX Announcement on the 6<sup>th</sup> July 2018



**Figure 2 – The Bonaventura Project showing the locations of the four highest-priority target areas to be tested by the impending maiden drill programme.**

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## ABOUT AUROCH MINERALS

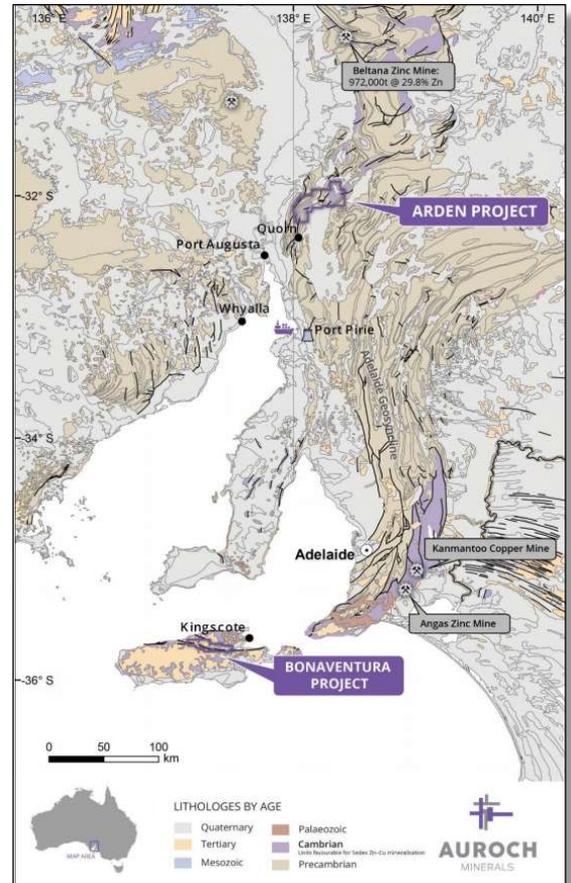
**Auroch Minerals Limited** is an Australian base metals exploration company listed on the Australian Securities Exchange (**ASX:AOU**). Auroch is focused on its two South Australian projects, Arden and Bonaventura, located in the Adelaide Geosyncline.

Located some 3.5 hours' drive north from Adelaide, the Arden Project hosts 720km<sup>2</sup> of unexplored Sedimentary exhalative (SEDEX) mineralisation. Results from initial exploration at Ragless Range, Kanyaka and Radford Creek targets have unearthed promising prospects for large scale copper and zinc deposits.

The Bonaventura Project sits in the northern part of Kangaroo Island and covers highly prospective geology and historic mines along 30 kilometres of strike of the regional-scale Cygnet-Snelling Fault. Bonaventura has several high-grade zinc and gold targets that are drill-ready. Encouragingly, previous drilling at Bonaventura hit high-grade zinc intersections.

The company's focused exploration programme is on-schedule with the commencement of concurrent drilling at both Projects expected early in Q3 2018.

The company aims to build a portfolio of multi commodity projects through a rigorous process of identification, exploration and subsequent development of assets located in under-explored provinces that contain historic production and prospective geology.



Arden and Boneventura Project location, South Australia

### Competent Persons Statement

*The information in this report that relates to Exploration Results is based on information compiled by Mr Peter Sheehan and represents an accurate representation of the available data. Mr Sheehan (Member of the Australian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy) is the Company's Chief Geological Officer and has sufficient experience that is relevant to the style of mineralisation and type of deposit under consideration and to the activity being undertaken to qualify as a Competent Person as defined in the 2012 Edition of the 'Australasian Code for Reporting of Exploration Results, Mineral Resources and Ore Reserves'. Mr Sheehan consents to the inclusion in the report of the matters based on his information in the form and context in which it appears.*

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