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MEDIA RELEASE

Potash West extends WA Land Holding by 40%

Highlights

- Exploration tenure increases by almost 40% to 2,905 km².
- Company now has potash rights over an estimated 80% of the Dandaragan Trough.
- Metallurgical test work underway aimed at extracting potassium to produce commercial-grade potash.

Potash West NL (ASX: PWN) (“**Potash West**” or “**the Company**”) is pleased to announce it has extended its exploration tenure in the Dandaragan Trough from an area of 2,107 square kilometres (km²) to 2,905km². The new exploration areas increase the Company’s control over the glauconitic prospective Dandaragan Trough to an estimated 80% of the available ground in the region.

The Company, which listed on the ASX on May 11, 2011 after closing a \$6 million IPO heavily oversubscribed, has successfully undertaken a regional mapping program over some of its granted tenements using high resolution satellite imagery. This technique enabled the mapping of laterite surfaces and low lying topography, both known to have a deleterious influence on potash grades. It also allowed the mapping of geomorphology and overburden, and other features which are considered to reflect underlying geology.

After the detailed mapping exercise aimed at identifying areas of enhanced glauconite prospectivity, the Company undertook field trips to carry out preliminary ground investigations and subsequently applied for four Exploration Licences, E70/4124, E70/4137, E70/4138 and E70/4139, which have a combined area of 798 km² (shown in figure 1).

Managing Director, Patrick McManus, said: “these exploration licenses will not only add significantly to our prospective landholding but, importantly, increases our contiguous footprint, which will aid future project development. The deposits are located close to the potash consuming region of the WA Wheat Belt, in a region with established infrastructure.”

Using target zones generated from the mapping, the Company has made applications to undertake drill programmes aimed at providing more detail on the thickness and grade of the underlying glauconite bearing lithologies. It is expected that this work will commence in the final quarter of 2011.



Potash West has also commenced metallurgical test work aimed at extracting potassium from the glauconite-bearing greensands in its tenements and to produce commercial-grade potash, a key ingredient in fertiliser.

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The information in this report is based on information compiled by Lindsay Cahill, who is a Member of the Australasian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy and the Australian Institute of Geoscientists. Mr Cahill has sufficient experience 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 2004 Edition of the "Australasian Code for Reporting of Exploration Results, Mineral Resources and Ore Reserves". Mr Cahill is a consultant to the mining industry. This report is issued with Mr Cahill's consent as to the form and context in which the exploration results appear.

About Potash West

Potash West (ASX:PWN) is an exploration company focused on developing potassium-rich glauconite deposits in West Australia's Perth Basin. The Company aims to define a substantial resource base and investigate how best to recover potash from the mineral. The project is well situated in relation to infrastructure, with close access to rail, power and gas. A successful commercial outcome will allow the Company to become a major contributor to the potash market at a time of heightened demand.

The Company listed on the ASX in May 2011 following a successful and oversubscribed IPO raising \$6m. The Company has a major land holding over one of the world's largest known glauconite deposits, with exploration licenses and applications covering an area of 2,905km². Previous exploration indicates glauconite sediments are widespread for more than 150km along strike and 15km in width.

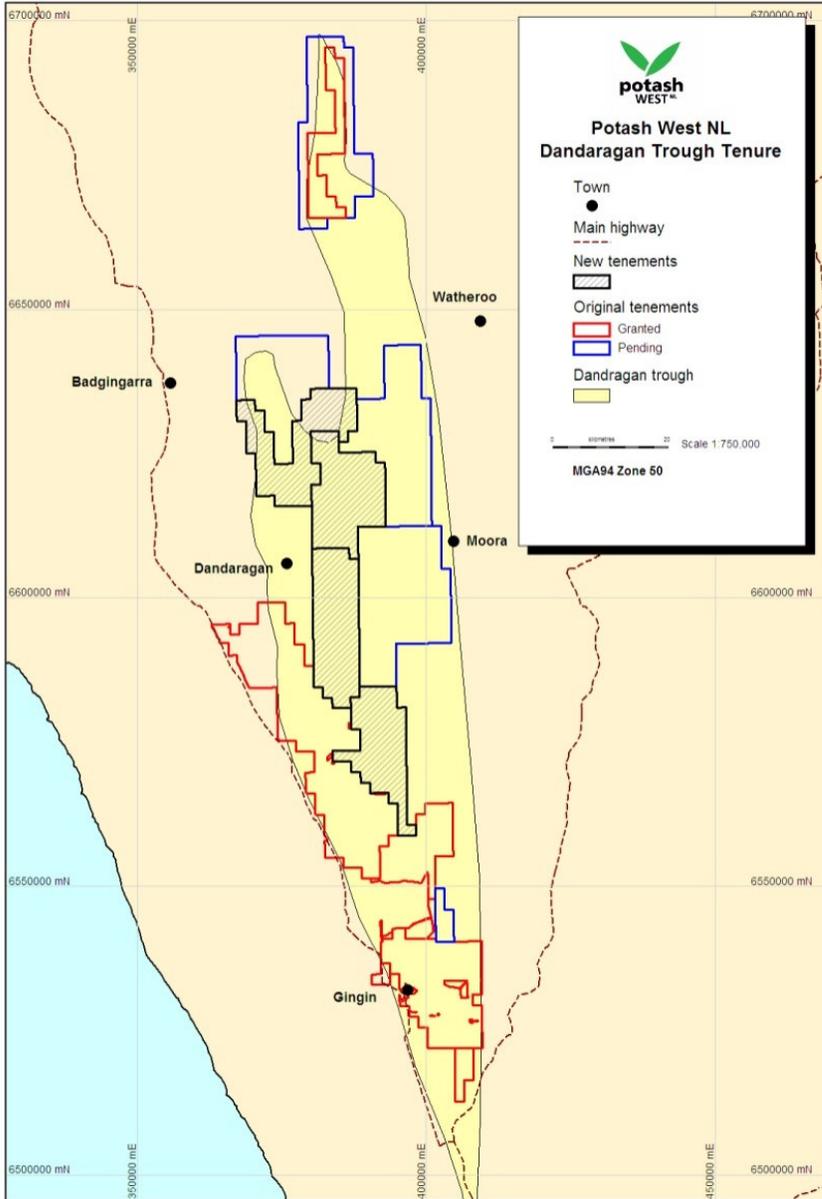


Fig 1 Potash West Exploration Licences