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## Drill Program Commences in the Paterson Province

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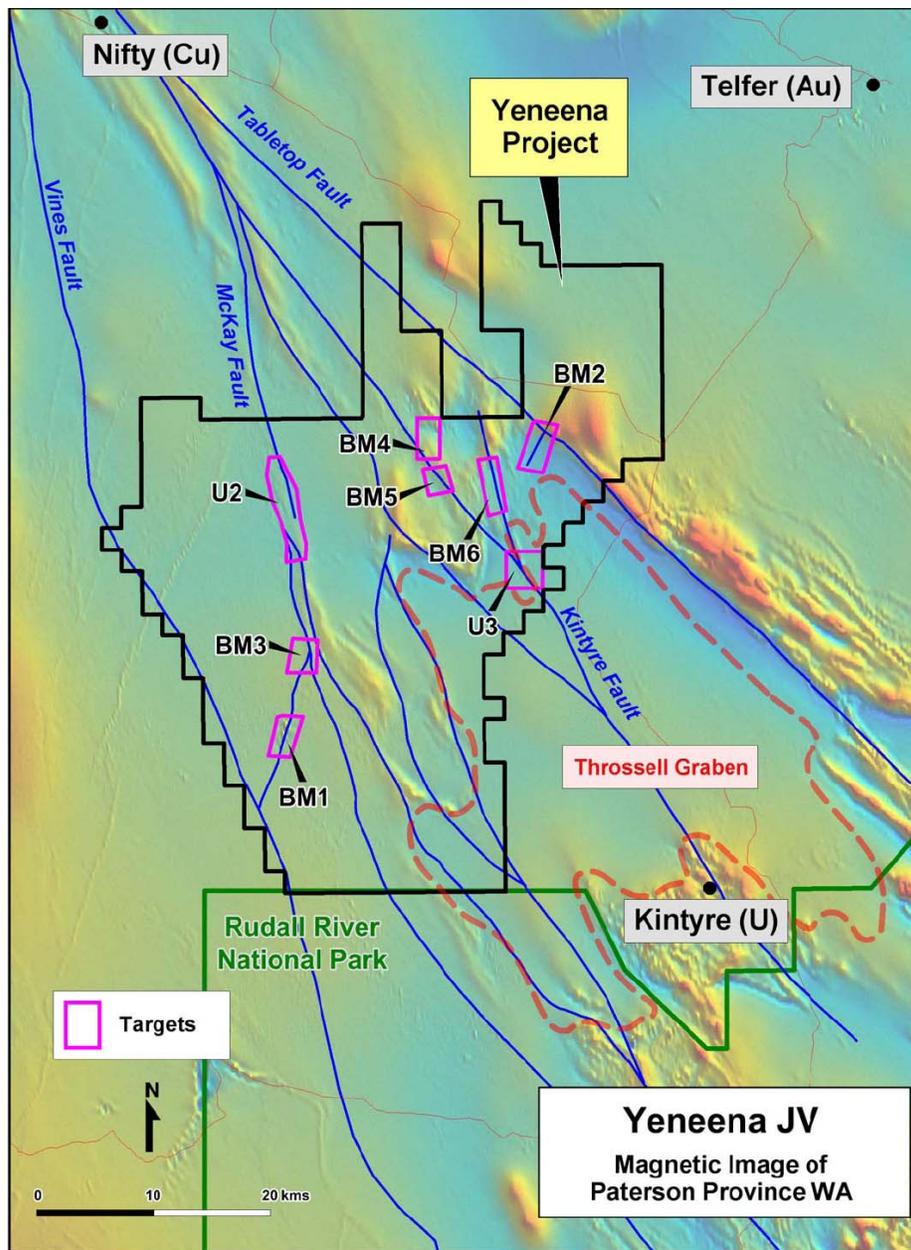
The directors of Encounter Resources Ltd ("Encounter") are pleased to announce that drilling has commenced at the Yeneena project in Western Australia. The project is located in the Paterson Province 40km SE of the Nifty copper mine and 30km NW of the Kintyre uranium deposit. The 3000 metre aircore drilling program will test two targets, BM1 and BM5, for near surface Nifty style copper oxide mineralisation.

**BM1 Target:** The BM1 target is located adjacent to a 1.2km long copper regolith anomaly including grades up to 0.35% Cu. Regolith enrichment is coincident with a magnetic and airborne electromagnetic (AEM) anomaly. The scale and nature of the anomalism indicates the potential for the area to host a major copper deposit.

The current program of aircore drilling is designed to test for near surface copper oxide mineralisation directly above and to the east of the modelled electromagnetic conductor.

**BM5 Target:** The drilling at the BM5 target will focus on a potentially significant base metals gossan which is over 1km long. The Fe-Mn enriched body, associated with highly elevated Cu-Zn-Pb-Ag anomalism, appears to be structurally controlled and located adjacent to a major regional fault (see ASX Announcement 22<sup>nd</sup> April 2009).

In the current program a series of three aircore drill traverses will test for higher grade copper oxide mineralisation within the area of the gossan. A diamond drill program planned for later in the year will test for a primary sulphide source beneath the strongest portion of the aircore defined geochemical anomaly.



**Figure 1. Yeneena JV Structural Interpretation over Magnetics**

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*The information in this report that relates to Exploration Results is based on information compiled by Mr. Peter Bewick who is a Member of the Australasian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy. Mr. Bewick is a full time employee of Encounter Resources Ltd and has sufficient experience which is relevant to the style of mineralisation under consideration to qualify as a Competent Person as defined in the 2004 Edition of the 'Australian Code for Reporting of Exploration Results, Mineral Resources and Ore Reserves'. Mr Bewick consents to the inclusion in the report of the matters based on the information compiled by him, in the form and context in which it appears.*