





# Dargues Gold Mine and exploration in the Orbit of the Portal SMEDG May 30<sup>th</sup> 2019

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### **Dargues Gold Mine – Project overview**

- Diversified Minerals Pty Limited ("DML") acquired the Dargues Gold Project in 2016.
- DML is developing an underground mine to to produce a gold-rich sulphide concentrate.
- Development of the decline is well-advanced.



### This is what it looks like







### **Dargues Gold Mine – down down**

- More than 650m laterally from the portal
- 80 below surface







### ...and...just in case you thought we were making a terrible mess of NSW



1.45 sq km = total mine site area including the tailings dam

**1.6 sq km = area of housing development** in one suburb of one town on the South Coast



# Geology







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#### Photograph from Forster, Downes, Blevin and Phillips (2014)



#### **Photography by Dave Forster**





## **Resource & Reserve**

Measured			Indicated			Inferred			Total (2g/t cut off)		
Kt	Au (g/t)	Au (koz)	Kt	Au (g/t)	Au (koz)	Kt	Au (g/t)	Au (koz)	Kt	Au (g/t)	Au (koz)
560	3.6	113	740	7.4	175	290	6.5	60	1,590	6.8	348

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Kt	Au (g/t)	Au (koz)	Kt	Au (g/t)	Au (koz)	Kt	Au (g/t)	Au (koz)	
503	5.0	81	638	6.2	127	1,140	5.7	208	







#### Annual schedule Project years

Year 1	
Yean 2	
Year 3	
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Year 5	
Year 6	

# Who needs cyanide?







## Goal: To find more Resource and not break the budget

# **Existing data**

- Magnetics
- ASTER
- Soil samples
- IP
- Drill holes

# Data from mining

Structural model

# Alteration mapping





# **Magnetics**









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**ASTER** 



*Chloritic* (chlorite/carbonate/amphibole).

*Sericitic* (illite/muscovite/smectite + chlorite/carbonate);

*Pyrophyllitic* (pyrophyllite/alunite+chlorite)











# For regional targets what is the best indicator of another Dargues?

Are there any metal or alteration trends within Dargues to help us find extensions?











# Extensions – long section distributions







#### Gridded data IDW<sup>3</sup>

# Gold probably the best guide for this purpose.



## **Extensions**







# Regional









#### Gridded data IDW3

Best overall correlation with Au is Cu.

Bi is a strong, coherent anomaly (>8 ppm)

Bi "tighter" around the main orebody.



# **Bi and Cu on IP**







Cu > 60





# Further knowledge to be gained through mining



Results from DD drilling and mapping underground will help us build a better picture of the controls on mineralisation.







- There are a lot of targets to be had in re-visiting old data.
- Be wary of drawing conclusions from patterns that are an artefact of sample distribution.
- Within the Resource gold is the best indicator to more gold.
- Bi at > 8 ppm forms a useful halo around Dargues and should be applied in the wider area.
- What we learn from venturing into the new mine will help to guide future exploration.







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