

## GDM Successfully Completes Due Diligence on the Adelong Gold Project

### HIGHLIGHTS

---

- **Great Divide Mining (ASX:GDM) successfully completed a detailed and hands-on due diligence process onsite at the Adelong Gold Project, including an in-depth review of all permits**
  - **Satisfactory results enable finalisation of binding agreements for GDM's 15% stake in Challenger Gold Mines (CGM)**
  - **GDM to assume operator role, focusing on rapidly restarting the Adelong Gold Plant within 12 months**
  - **Final documentation underway, marking a significant step towards recommencing gold production**
- 

**Adelong Gold Limited (ASX:ADG) (Adelong Gold or the Company)** is pleased to confirm that Great Divide Mining Limited (**ASX:GDM**) has successfully completed its due diligence on the Adelong Gold Project. This milestone allows both parties to proceed with finalising binding agreements for GDM's staged acquisition and operational management of the project.

#### **Under the terms of the agreement:**

- GDM will acquire an initial 15% equity stake in Challenger Gold Mines Pty Ltd (CGM), the subsidiary managing the Adelong Gold Project, by investing \$300,000.
- Upon achieving first gold production within 12 months, GDM will secure a further 36% interest, bringing its total ownership in CGM to 51%.
- Adelong Gold retains a 49% interest, with no cash contributions required until production commences.
- Should GDM fail to meet the 12-month production milestone, Adelong Gold has the right to reclaim 100% ownership of the project.

#### **The project includes:**

- Refurbishment of the modern Adelong Gold Plant, originally constructed in 2016/17, to resume production.
- Ongoing exploration and feasibility studies to expand the resource base beyond the current JORC 2012 Resource of 188,000 ounces.
- A commitment to rapidly advance the project to become a regional base for gold production.

#### **Adelong Gold's Managing Director, Ian Holland, commented:**

*"GDM's commitment to excellence has been evident throughout the due diligence process. Their hands-on approach and ability to rapidly address technical and operational aspects have been remarkable. This milestone not only underscores their capabilities but also strengthens our confidence in the partnership. Together, we are well-positioned to unlock the full potential of the Adelong Gold Project and recommence production within 12 months."*



## Key Highlights

- GDM completed a detailed and hands-on due diligence process at the Adelong Gold Project site.
- Satisfactory results enable the execution of binding agreements, which will grant GDM a 15% equity stake in Challenger Gold Mines Pty Ltd (CGM).
- Final documentation is now in progress, with GDM to assume the role of operator of the project.

Further updates will be provided as agreements are finalised and the project progresses toward production.

**-Ends-**

Released with the authority of the board of Adelong Gold Limited.

For further information on the Company and our projects, please visit: [adelonggold.com](http://adelonggold.com)

## CONTACT

---

### Ian Holland

Managing Director

[ian.holland@adelonggold.com](mailto:ian.holland@adelonggold.com)

+61 428 397 245

### Andrew Draffin

Company Secretary

[Andrew.draffin@adelonggold.com](mailto:Andrew.draffin@adelonggold.com)

+61 3 8611 5333

### Mark Flynn

Investor Relations

[mark.flynn@adelonggold.com](mailto:mark.flynn@adelonggold.com)

+61 416 068 733

## ABOUT ADELONG GOLD

---

[Adelong Gold Limited \(ASX: ADG\)](#) is a minerals explorer that owns the Adelong Gold Mine in New South Wales (NSW) and highly prospective Lithium Tenement packages in the prolific 'Lithium Valley' of Minas Gerais and in Paraiba Province within the Borborema Region, both located in Brazil. The Company is on the path to becoming a mineral producer at its Adelong Goldfield Project.

In May 2020, Adelong took control of the Adelong Goldfield which covers 70km<sup>2</sup>, comprising the old Adelong Gold Project situated in Southern NSW located approximately 20km from Tumut and 80km from Gundagai.

The Project now carries a JORC (2012) Resource of [188,000oz, following a maiden JORC Resource for the Perkins West deposit at Gibraltar of 18,300oz](#) with the potential to expand that resource at depth and along strike. Project resources have now increased by 45% from project resources in place on acquisition. Until recently, Adelong was a producing mine.

[In December 2023](#), Adelong finalised its acquisition of a 100% interest in three applications for lithium exploration permits ([Santa Rita do Aracuai Lithium Project](#)) located in the world-class 'Lithium Valley' in Minas Gerais, in Brazil. This acquisition represents a pivotal transaction for the Company as it secures a strategic landholding in a globally significant, mining friendly region for hard-rock lithium spodumene deposits.

The 'Lithium Valley' accounts for all officially recognised lithium reserves in Brazil and is an emerging world-class lithium-producing region. Significant lithium discoveries by industry peers include Sigma Lithium's (NASDAQ: SGML) Grota do Cirio Deposit, Latin Resources' (ASX:LRS) Salinas Project – Colina Deposits and Lithium Ionic's (TSX.V:LTH) Itinga Project - Bandiera Deposit.

At the Santa Rita Do Araçuaí Project, [exploration activities commenced](#) in December 2023 with the initial reconnaissance program, [completed in February 2024](#), identifying two key areas for further lithium



exploration. The geological assessment identified indicators for potential lithium mineralisation in Neoproterozoic formations, including the Macaúbas Group and Salinas Formation. Future exploration plans include detailed mapping and stream sediment/float geochemical analysis to pinpoint potential pegmatitic bodies and lithium indicators.

In [March 2024](#), the Company announced they had been granted a further 10 Brazilian licenses at the Paraiba Province Project. These licenses further increase the exploration ground under license by 162.8km<sup>2</sup>. These extra licenses are prospective for lithium pegmatites and are located within the Borborema Region, which comprises Proterozoic rocks that form part of the Brasiliano Fold belt and which host plutonic intrusions similar to the “Lithium Valley” region of Minas Gerais Province. This region contains known lithium pegmatites and many deposits/occurrences of tantalum, beryl, niobium, and aquamarine, which are commonly associated with lithium-type pegmatites.