

Vango delivers big resource jump at Marymia

VANGO Mining claims it has laid the foundations for a high-grade, long-life, standalone gold development in the Marymia greenstone belt, with a 53% increase in resources in less than a year.



RC drilling at Marymia.

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The Marymia project, which sits close to the Plutonic gold mine in northern Western Australia, now boasts total resources of more than one million ounces of gold, with a 222% increase in open pit resources to 461,000oz, and a 24% increase in grade at 1.7 grams per tonne.

Comments

The boost comes even after removal of the K2SE open pit-resource due to low-grade and inadequate continuity, with more drilling required.

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Underground resources increased from 513,000oz at 8gpt to 541,000oz at 7.9gpt.

The estimate was prepared using a 0.5gpt cut-off for open-pit resources and around 3gpt for underground deposits, with a gold price of A\$2500/oz. The 410,000oz Trident underground resource remains based on \$2000/oz.

Most of the resources, 663,000oz, are indicated, and are contained across numerous deposits, predominantly from three of six identified mineralised

corridors: Trident, Triple P and PHB.

The prior resource estimate in June 2019 was 656,000oz.

Vango chairman Bruce McInnes claimed Marymia was now one of the most significant undeveloped gold projects in Australia, offering the potential for a "naturally flexible" and lower risk operation.

He said each of the corridors have the potential to replicate Plutonic, but have only been tested to around 250m depth.

McInnes said work since 2017 had allowed the company to better understand the geology and mineralisation controls, and develop a predictive exploration model that was proving effective in adding to the resource base with systematic drilling.

Earlier this year the company recorded one of its best intercepts to date at PHB-1, describing the 7m at 103.6gpt from 48m, with 3m at 240gpt, as being a significant new open pit resource opportunity with potential for high-grade underground extensions. The deposit's maiden resource is 50,000oz.

In March, Vango opened a share purchase plan to raise up to \$3 million at 11c per share, but only managed to raise \$306,800, an uptake it described as "an excellent result" considering the market conditions.

Nevertheless, Vango secured \$3.7 million in total funding support by issuing shares to settle liabilities.

It started the quarter with \$444,000 in cash, but has available funding facilities of \$1.4 million.

Shares in Vango were last traded at 12.5c, valuing it at \$93 million.

It has traded between 0.08-22.5c over the past year.



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