

# Goldphyre to start key test-production bore tests at Lake Wells Potash Project

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## Highlights

- Goldphyre set to take the next pivotal step in its strategy to become a significant WA potash producer with the installation of four test-production bores at its Lake Wells Potash Project
- These simple, low-cost bores will measure the rates at which the brine containing the potash can be produced from the aquifers; Results will underpin further economic assessments of the Project
- The bores will be installed in the core high grade zone of the Resource<sup>1</sup> (10.5Mt of SOP at a grade of 9.03 kg/m<sup>3</sup>) less than 5km from the proposed trial evaporation pond site
- The tests are aimed at confirming Lake Wells' position as a leading WA potash project, building on its superior Resource and close proximity to existing infrastructure
- Lake Wells has the distinct advantage of not requiring the more expensive trenching brine production method or the need to build from scratch costly logistics infrastructure
- Lake Wells has a superior Resource - using specific yield<sup>1</sup> (drainable porosity), the Inferred Mineral Resource Estimate is:

**18.4 million tonnes of SOP at 8.05 kg/m<sup>3</sup> including**

**High-grade zone: 10.5 Mt of SOP at 9.03 kg/m<sup>3</sup>**

- Geo-technical studies have started on the clays surrounding the lake surface to assess proposed site for trial evaporation ponds
- Laboratory evaporation trials testing salt crystallisation phases underway with second stage plan (1,000L bulk sample) being developed using local and North American-based process consultants

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<sup>1</sup> Specific yield reflects the amount of recoverable Sulphate of Potash, in compliance with NI43-101, the only CRIRSCO reporting code to include a brine standard

**“Lake Wells is a leading WA potash project because it has a core of high-grade palaeochannel brine mineralisation, amenable to low-cost, proven brine extraction using conventional bores, and is close to infrastructure. We enjoy a strong supportive shareholder base, and a clear strategy to bring the Project to fruition as quickly as possible.” – Goldphyre Executive Chairman Matt Shackleton**

Goldphyre Resources (ASX: GPH) is pleased to announce the test production bore installation program at its rapidly emerging Lake Wells Potash Project is due to commence early August 2016.



Figure 1: The Lake Wells Potash Project

## Aquifer Testing

The first phase of the testing will involve the installation of four (4) test-production bores at two sites, A and B as shown in Figure 2.

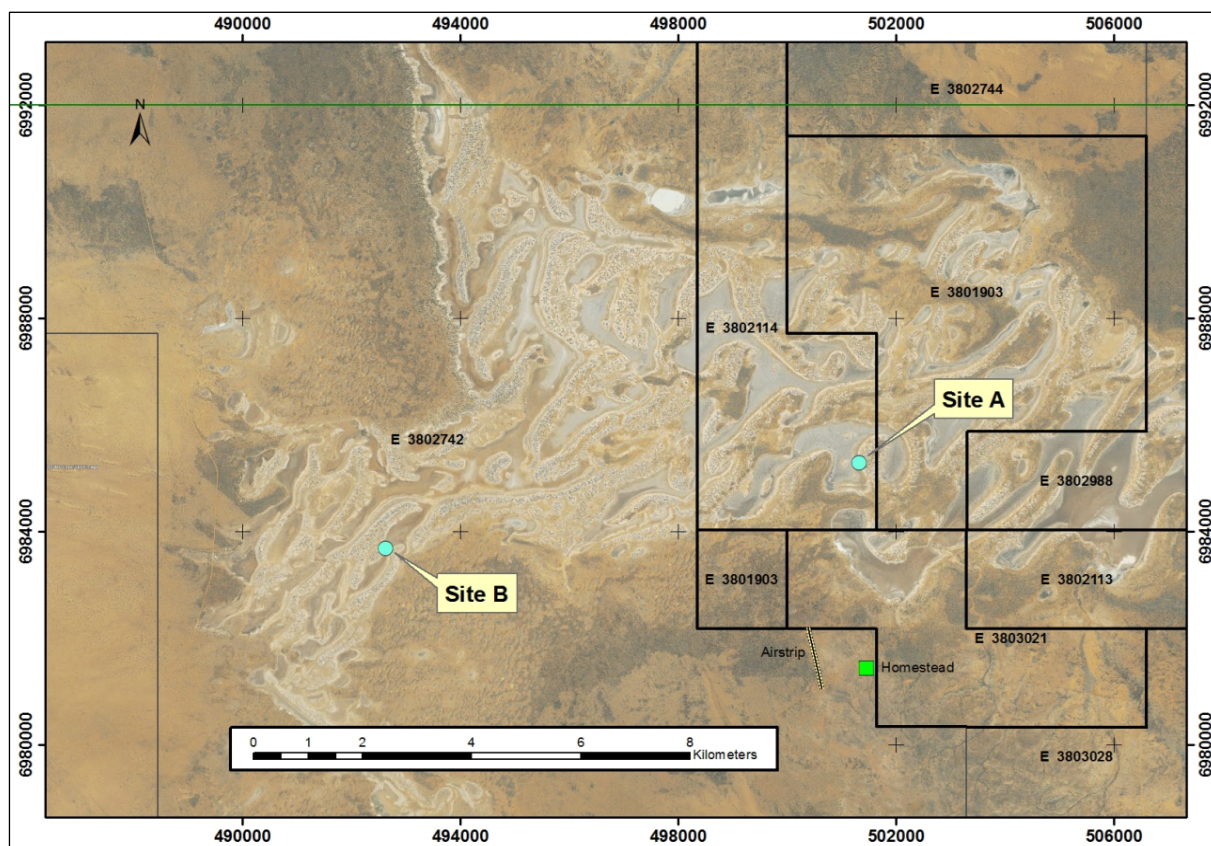


Figure 2: Test-production bore location plan

The installation of the simple, low-cost test production bores will be followed by test pumping, with the aim of confirming Lake Wells' status as a leading WA potash project, building on its superior high-grade Resource and close proximity to infrastructure.



Figure 3: **Site A**, bore location with view south to lake surface



Figure 4: **Site B**, bore location with view east across salt lake surface

The four test-production bores will be installed at two sites, with a shallow bore into the upper aquifer and a deeper bore into the basal aquifer at each site. The Company is reviewing consultant proposals to conduct the test-pumping program, scheduled to commence upon the completion of the bore installation program, with results expected in the December quarter.

At the same time, geotechnical test-work on potential trial evaporation pond sites, and laboratory evaporation and crystallisation trials, have commenced.

Figures 5 & 6: Right, piercing the basal sand layer and channeling the natural overflow to containment bund



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