

ASX Announcement

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Magnetic (SAM) Survey Highlights New Targets at Devon – Lake Carey Gold Project

Highlights

- 38 structural targets identified by a recent Sub-Audio Magnetic (SAM)
 Survey at Devon provides new drilling targets
- The survey was designed to cover a structurally complex and strongly gold mineralised area SE of Devon, including Hill East. Previously reported drilling results intersected mineralisation at shallow depth including¹:
 - o 5m @ 4.01 g/t Au from 6m (20HERC001)
 - 9m @ 3.04 g/t Au from surface (20HERC002)
 - o 6m @ 3.43 g/t Au from 15m (20HERC005)
 - 27m @ 2.04 g/t Au from 2m (20HERC032)
 - o 4m @ 6.3 g/t Au from 13m (20LBRC003)
 - o 13m @ 1.86 g/t Au from surface (20LBRC004)
 - Matsa has selected 3 targets which have been prioritised for immediate follow up drilling:
 - **EM_LIN1** a strong electromagnetic anomaly coincident with a zone of extensively developed stockwork quartz veining in sheared and brecciated metasediments 300m SE of the Devon pit. No previous drilling has been recorded on this target which is covered by a soil gold anomaly >1km long
 - MMC_HE1 an ESE trending strong magnetometric conductivity zone linking the HE1 and HE2 prospects at Hill East, where Matsa announced strong drilling results in early 2020
 - MMC_HE5 an ESE trending strong magnetometric conductivity zone, which is adjacent to Hill East Target HE5 where high grade gold mineralisation was intersected by Matsa at shallow depth in early 2020
- Further targets identified in the survey are currently being evaluated and will continue to be refined over the coming months through follow up field inspection, sampling and drilling

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271.14 million

Unlisted Options

77.48 million @ \$0.17 - \$0.35

Top 20 shareholders

Hold 56.86%

Share Price on 8th March 2021

8.5 cents

Market Capitalisation

\$23.05 million

¹ ASX Announcement 28 April 2020 - Further High Grade Gold near Devon Hill East - Lake Carey Gold Project

up field inspection, sampling and drilling

Matsa Resources Limited ("Matsa" or "the Company" ASX: MAT) is pleased to announce that the Sub-Audio Magnetic (SAM) survey completed at Devon has produced 38 targets favourable for gold mineralisation of which 3 have been selected for immediate drill testing.

Devon, within the Lake Carey Gold project (Figure 1), is located 7km south of Matsa's Red October Mine and contains a significant number of historic gold workings. Recent successful drilling by Matsa has been focused on the Devon pit, Olympic, and Hill East prospects. Geological and resource models for Devon pit and Olympic are currently being updated based on the most recent drilling.

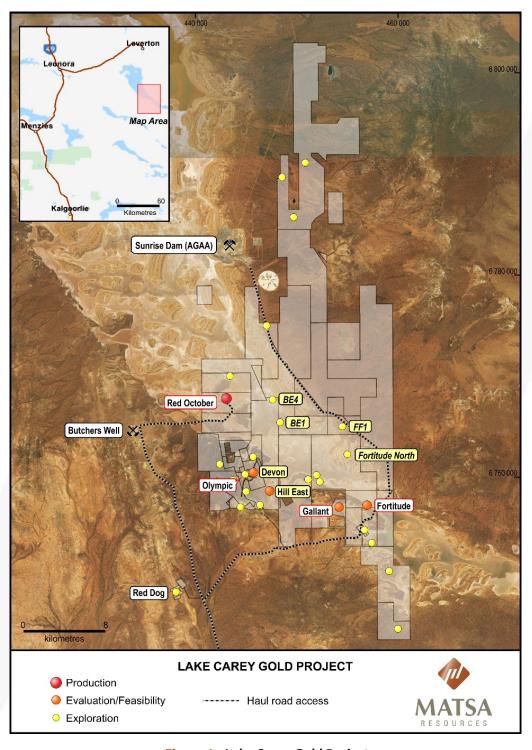


Figure 1: Lake Carey Gold Project

SAM Survey Devon Area

The SAM survey was designed to cover Hill East, directly south of the Devon pit, where drilling by Matsa has identified significant gold at shallow depth at several prospects including HE1 - HE7 and new 1.1km soil gold anomaly LIN1 (Figure 2) 2 .

Hill East mineralisation is typically associated with high grade quartz veins which based on past drilling are mineralised over a strike extent of <200m and commonly associated with historic gold workings. Several workings on the eastern side of Hill East are closely associated with a 1.5km long NS trending soil gold anomaly defined by soil gold values >50 ppb Au.

The survey was intended to provide an improved structural framework for gold mineralisation at Hill East to guide further drilling expected to commence in April 2021. SAM has the potential to directly detect mineralised veins/faults, and to map fault intersections as possible off-sets or as vectors for deeper drilling.

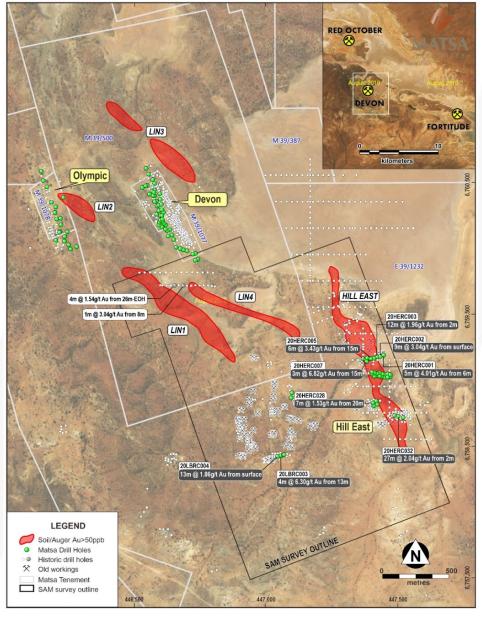


Figure 2: Devon area location of SAM Survey, soil gold anomalies

 $^{^{2}}$ ASX Announcement 28 April 2020 - Further High Grade Gold near Devon Hill East - Lake Carey Gold Project

LIN1 Target Enhanced by SAM Survey

The LIN1 prospect is characterised by a 1.1km long soil gold anomaly associated with strongly anomalous pathfinder elements Tellurium and Arsenic. LIN1 also coincides with a strong late channel EM anomaly EM_LIN1, which was detected by the SAM survey (Figure 3).

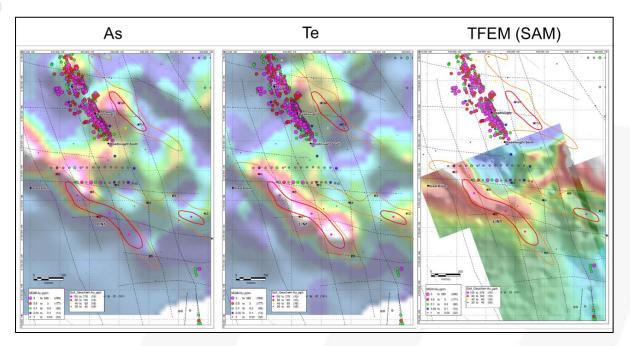


Figure 3: LIN1 prospect highlighting coincident gold soil (orange and red contours), Arsenic,

Tellurium and TFEM anomaly

The LIN1 TFEM anomaly (Total Field Electromagnetic) is underlain by strongly sheared and brecciated metasediments at its northern end which passes under colluvium cover to the south. The sheared and brecciated metasediments at LIN1 form outcrops up to 30m wide with strongly developed stockwork quartz veining, brecciation and secondary iron oxides probably after pyrite (Figure 5). LIN1 is interpreted to be an interflow sedimentary horizon within a basaltic volcanic sequence and appears to dip moderately towards the NE at an angle of $^{\sim}60^{\circ}$ (Figure 4). Textural features at LIN1 are strongly suggestive of extensive hydrothermal alteration.

Two lines of historical aircore drilling immediately east of LIN1 include two holes which intersected significant gold mineralisation at shallow depth - 4m at 1.54 g/t Au from 26m to EOH (EXACO47) and 1m of 3.04 g/t Au from 8m (EXACO49)³. All drill holes were angled towards the east and Matsa considers this drilling unlikely to have tested LIN1. As such the LIN 1 anomaly represents a high priority drilling target.

Rock chip sampling of LIN1 has been completed and assays are awaited.

LIN1 represents an exciting walk-up target and initial drill testing has been designed and planned to commence in the coming weeks.

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³ Announcement to ASX "High Grade Results from Resampling confirms Potential New Near-Surface Gold Discovery at Linden Anova Metals Ltd (AVW, formerly Exterra Resources Ltd EXC) 20th October 2015



Figure 4: LIN 1 prospect view along strike towards SE, strongly sheared and brecciated metasediment with stockwork quartz veining. Contrasting vegetation types between LIN1 and enclosing basaltic volcanics

Hill East prospects

The Hill East prospects are partly contained within a strong 1.5km long soil/auger gold geochemical anomaly with values up to 0.35 g/t Au. In April 2020, Matsa conducted an initial drilling campaign at Hill East that returned excellent results⁴ (Figure 5). Drilling to date has been focused on mineralisation at shallow depth, in and adjacent to, high grade quartz veins mostly with associated historic workings. Individual targets appeared to be discrete ~EW trending veins with limited strike extent and with no clear common link between individual prospects and the NS trending soil gold anomaly.

Recent fieldwork has identified a pattern of consistent NW and ESE quartz lode trends which are apparent at a number of the Hill East prospects. These lode trend directions can also be observed regionally with key gold deposits such as at Red October, Gallant, LIN 1 and Olympic located along similar structural trends.

An examination of results of the recent SAM survey identified two well-defined ESE trending structural features named MMC_HE1 and MMC-HE5:

- Target MMC_HE1 appears to link previously isolated HE1 and HE2 prospects
- Target MMC_HE5 may be an ESE extension of HE5 (target corresponds with SGC Target 38 Figure 6).

⁴ ASX Announcement 28 April 2020 – Further High Grade Gold near Devon, Hill East - Lake Carey Gold Project

These two SAM targets significantly increase the exploration space associated with HE1 and HE5. Importantly the ESE strike direction of these two SAM targets mimics the strike of LIN1.

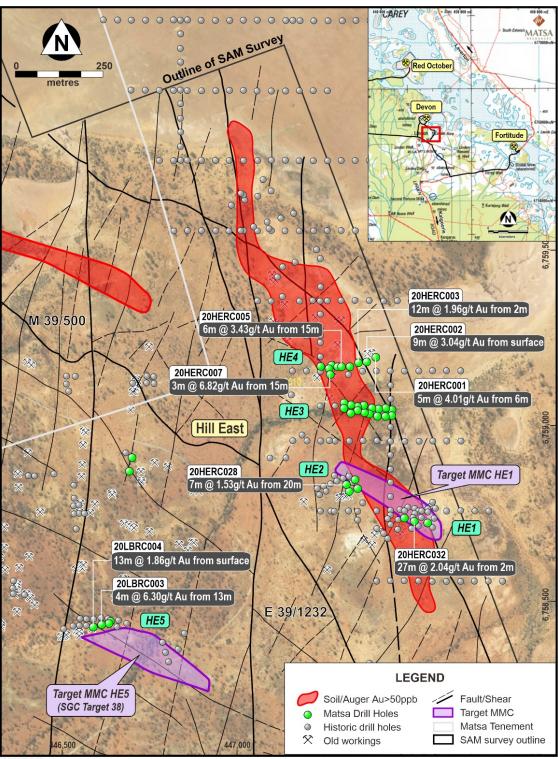


Figure 5: Hill East with distribution of historical workings, recent Matsa drilling, regional rock chip sampling and priority SAM geophysical targets (purple outline)

Near HE5 and HE6, another strong geophysical response with a similar orientation has been identified in an area characterised by numerous historical workings (refer Figure 6).

Devon SAM Survey

Southern Geoscience Consultants (SGC) were commissioned to process, interpret and report on the SAM survey results and selected targets are Tabulated in Appendix 2. The survey was carried out by Gap Geophysics in October 2021, the survey operations report which provides background on the SAM technique, survey details and results is included as Appendix 3.

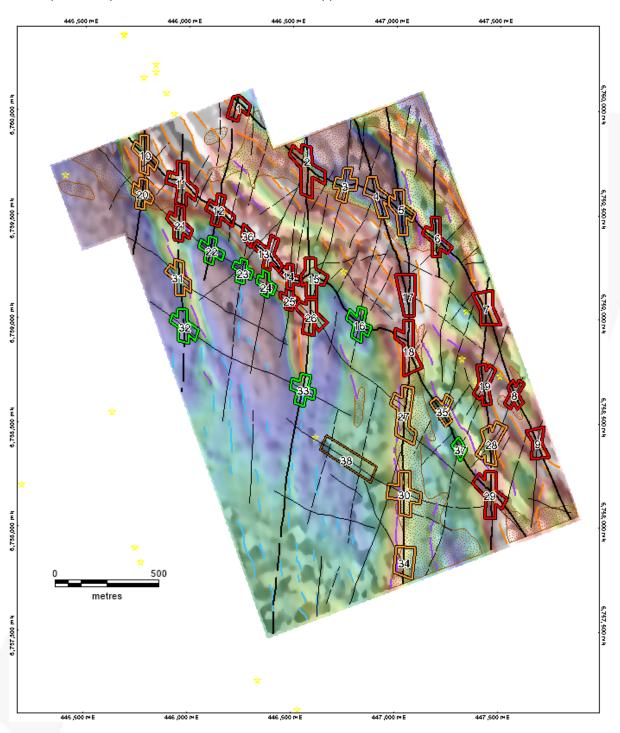


Figure 6: SGC Target areas labelled with target ID's (numbers) and priority (red-high, orange-moderate and green-low) overlaying MMC and RTP1VD greyscale image.

The interpretation by SGC, returned 19 high priority structural targets, mostly structural intersections, from a total of 38 targets identified (refer Appendix 2).

Matsa is continuing to refine and follow up SAM targets in conjunction with sampling and drilling data. It is expected that drill testing of the geophysical anomalies at LIN1. MMC_HE1 and MMC_HE5 will provide data that will assist in prioritising follow up of the remaining SAM targets and potentially identifying new SAM targets.

Positive drilling results are expected to warrant further SAM surveys to cover areas of significant gold mineralisation elsewhere in Matsa's Lake Carey project. There is excellent potential to develop additional new targets for future drilling using this technique.

This ASX announcement is authorised for release by the Board of Matsa Resources Limited.

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Competent Person

The information in this report that relates to Exploration results, is based on information compiled by David Fielding, who is a Fellow of the Australasian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy. David Fielding is a full time employee of Matsa Resources Limited. David Fielding has sufficient experience which is relevant to the style of mineralisation and the type of ore deposit under consideration and the activity which he is undertaking to qualify as a Competent Person as defined in the 2012 Edition of the 'Australasian Code for Reporting of Exploration Results, Mineral Resources and Ore Reserves'. David Fielding consents to the inclusion in the report of the matters based on his information in the form and context in which it appears.

Appendix 1 - Matsa Resources Limited - Devon

Section 1 Sampling Techniques and Data

(Criteria in this section apply to all succeeding sections.)

Criteria	JORC Code explanation	Commentary
Sampling techniques	 Nature and quality of sampling (eg cut channels, random chips, or specific specialised industry standard measurement tools appropriate to the minerals under investigation, such as down hole gamma sondes, or handheld XRI instruments, etc.). These examples should not be taken as limiting the broad meaning of sampling. 	April 2020 Further High Grade Gold near Devon, Hill East - Lake Carey Gold Project) includes details of sampling techniques
	 Measures taken to ensure sample representivity and the appropriate calibration of any measurement tools or systems used. 	
	 Aspects of the determination of mineralisation that are Material to the Public Report. In cases where 'industry standard' work has been done this would be relatively simple (eg 'reverse circulation drilling was used to obtain 1 m samples from which 3 kg was pulverised to produce a 30 g charge for fire assay'). In other cases more explanation may be required, such as where there is coarse gold that has inherent sampling problems. Unusual commodities of mineralisation types (eg submarine nodules) may warrant disclosure of detailed information. 	
Drilling techniques	 Drill type (eg core, reverse circulation, open-hole hammer, rotary air blast, auger, Bangka, sonic, etc.) and details (eg core diameter, triple or standard tube, depth of diamond tails, face-sampling bit or other type, whether core is oriented and if so, by what method, etc.). 	April 2020 Further High Grade Gold near Devon, Hill East - Lake Carey Gold
Drill sample recovery	 Method of recording and assessing core and chip sample recoveries and results assessed. 	Reference cited for quoted Hill East drilling (MAT Announcement to ASX 28 th April 2020 Further High Grade Gold near Devon, Hill East - Lake Carey Gold Project) includes details of Drill Sample recovery
	 Measures taken to maximise sample recovery and ensure representative nature of the samples. 	
	 Whether a relationship exists between sample recovery and grade and whether sample bias may have occurred due to preferential loss/gain of fine/coarse material. 	

Criteria	JORC Code explanation		Commentary
Logging	 logged to a level of deta estimation, mining studies a Whether logging is qualitati channel, etc.) photography. 	oles have been geologically and geotechnically il to support appropriate Mineral Resource and metallurgical studies. I we or quantitative in nature. Core (or costean, age of the relevant intersections logged.	Reference cited for quoted Hill East drilling (MAT Announcement to ASX 28 th April 2020 Further High Grade Gold near Devon, Hill East - Lake Carey Gold Project) includes details of Logging procedures
Sub-sampling techniques and sample preparation		and whether quarter, half or all core taken.	Reference cited for quoted Hill East drilling (MAT Announcement to ASX 28 th April 2020 Further High Grade Gold near Devon, Hill East - Lake Carey Gold Project) includes details of sub sampling techniques/sample preparation on RC drilling.
	 If non-core, whether riffled, sampled wet or dry. 	tube sampled, rotary split, etc. and whether	
	 For all sample types, the nat preparation technique. 	ure, quality and appropriateness of the sample	
	 Quality control procedures a representivity of samples 	dopted for all sub-sampling stages to maximise	
	material collected, including half sampling	at the sampling is representative of the in situ for instance results for field duplicate/second- propriate to the grain size of the material being	
Quality of assay data and laboratory	• The nature, quality and ap	propriateness of the assaying and laboratory or the technique is considered partial or total.	Reference cited for quoted Hill East drilling (MAT Announcement to ASX 28 th April 2020 Further High Grade Gold near Devon, Hill East - Lake Carey Gold Project) includes commentary on assay data quality and laboratory tests
tests	parameters used in determin	rometers, handheld XRF instruments, etc., the ing the analysis including instrument make and ations factors applied and their derivation, etc.	

Criteria	JORC Code explanation	Commentary		
	 Nature of quality control procedures adopted (eg standards, blanks, duplicates, external laboratory checks) and whether acceptable levels of accuracy (ie. lack of bias) and precision have been established. 			
Verification of sampling and assaying	 The verification of significant intersections by either independent or alternative company personnel. The use of twinned holes. 	Reference cited for quoted Hill East drilling (MAT Announcement to ASX 28 th April 2020 Further High Grade Gold near Devon, Hill East - Lake Carey Gold Project) includes details of Verification of sampling and assaying		
	 Documentation of primary data, data entry procedures, data verification, data storage (physical and electronic) protocols. Discuss any adjustment to assay data. 			
Location of data points	 Accuracy and quality of surveys used to locate drill holes (collar and downhole surveys), trenches, mine workings and other locations used in Mineral Resource estimation. Specification of the grid system used. 	Reference cited for quoted Hill East drilling (MAT Announcement to ASX 28 th April 2020 Further High Grade Gold near Devon, Hill East - Lake Carey Gold Project) includes details drill hole locations and data points		
	Quality and adequacy of topographic control.			
Data spacing and distribution	Data spacing for reporting of Exploration Results.	Reference cited for quoted Hill East drilling (MAT Announcement to ASX 28 th April 2020 Further High Grade Gold near Devon, Hill East - Lake Carey Gold Project) includes comments on Data spacing and distribution		
	 Whether the data spacing and distribution is sufficient to establish the degree of geological and grade continuity appropriate for the Mineral Resource and Ore Reserve estimation procedure(s) and classifications applied. Whether sample compositing has been applied. 			
Orientation of data in relation	• Whether the orientation of sampling achieves unbiased sampling of possible structures and the extent to which this is known, considering the deposit type.	Reference cited for quoted Hill East drilling (MAT Announcement to ASX 28 th April 2020 Further High Grade Gold near Devon, Hill East - Lake Carey Gold Project) includes description of drill hole orientations in respect to mineralisation		

Criteria	JORC Code explanation	Commentary		
to geological structure	 If the relationship between the drilling orientation and the orientation of key mineralised structures is considered to have introduced a sampling bias, this should be assessed and reported if material. 			
Sample security	The measures taken to ensure sample security.	Reference cited for quoted Hill East drilling (MAT Announcement to ASX 28 th April 2020 Further High Grade Gold near Devon, Hill East - Lake Carey Gold Project) includes details of sample security		
Audits or reviews	The results of any audits or reviews of sampling techniques and data.	No audit carried out yet.		

Section 2 Reporting of Exploration Results

(Criteria listed in the preceding section also apply to this section.)

Criteria	JORC Code explanation	Commentary					
Mineral	Type, reference name/number, location and ownership including		Exploration was carried out over the following tenements:				
tenement and	 agreements or material issues with third parties such as joint ventures, partnerships, overriding royalties, native title interests, historical sites, wilderness or national park and environmental settings. The security of the tenure held at the time of reporting along with any known impediments to obtaining a license to operate in the area. 	Tenement	Status	Holder	Expiry	Area	Units
land tenure status		E39/11232	LIVE	Matsa Gold Ltd	8/12/2021	6	BL
		M39/500*	Live	Matsa Gold Pty Ltd	19 th Dec 2034	420.31	НА
Exploration done by other parties	Acknowledgment and appraisal of exploration by other parties.	by Anova Meta Results from Re	als (AVW) F esampling o	ed in EXAC047 Formerly Exterr Confirms Potent terra Resources	a Resources (Fi	EXC) to AS Surface G	SX - High G old Discove

Criteria	JORC Code explanation	Commentary
Geology	Deposit type, geological setting and style of mineralisation.	Targets which are the subject of this announcement, are located in a sequence of basaltic volcanics separated by siliceous interflow sedimentary units up to 30 metres wide. Gold mineralisation principally in quartz veins appears to be controlled and focused by faulting, typically ENE, NS and WNW trending faults.
Drill hole Information	 A summary of all information material to the understanding of the exploration results including a tabulation of the following information for all material drill holes: easting and northing of the drill hole collar elevation or RL (Reduced Level – elevation above sea level in metres) of the drill hole collar dip and azimuth of the hole down hole length and interception depth hole length. If the exclusion of this information is justified on the basis that the information is not material and this exclusion does not detract from the understanding of the report, the Competent Person should clearly explain why this is the case. 	Reference cited for quoted Hill East drilling (MAT Announcement to ASX 28 th April 2020 Further High Grade Gold near Devon, Hill East - Lake Carey Gold Project) includes a tabulation of drill collar locations and key assay data at Hill east
Data aggregation methods	 In reporting Exploration Results, weighting averaging techniques, maximum and/or minimum grade truncations (eg. cutting of high grades) and cut-off grades are usually material and should be stated. Where aggregate intercepts incorporate short lengths of high grade results and longer lengths of low grade results, the procedure used for such aggregation should be stated and some typical examples of such aggregations should be shown in detail. The assumptions used for any reporting of metal equivalent values should be clearly stated. 	Reference cited for quoted Hill East drilling (MAT Announcement to ASX 28 th April 2020 Further High Grade Gold near Devon, Hill East - Lake Carey Gold Project) includes details data aggregation methods.
Relationship between mineralisation widths and intercept lengths	 These relationships are particularly important in the reporting of Exploration Results. If the geometry of the mineralisation with respect to the drill hole angle is known, its nature should be reported. If it is not known and only the down hole lengths are reported, there should be a clear statement to this effect (eg 'down hole length, true width not known'). 	All intercepts quoted are downhole widths, there has been no attempt to convert these to true width of mineralisation

Criteria	JORC Code explanation	Commentary	
Diagrams	 Appropriate maps and sections (with scales) and tabulations of intercepts should be included for any significant discovery being reported These should include, but not be limited to a plan view of drill hole collar locations and appropriate sectional views. 		
Balanced reporting	 Where comprehensive reporting of all Exploration Results is not practicable, representative reporting of both low and high grades and/or widths should be practiced to avoid misleading reporting of Exploration Results. 		
Other substantive exploration data	 Other exploration data, if meaningful and material, should be reported including (but not limited to): geological observations; geophysical survey results; geochemical survey results; bulk samples – size and method of treatment; metallurgical test results; bulk density, groundwater, geotechnical and rock characteristics; potential deleterious or contaminating substances. 	survey with Targets selected by Southern Geoscience Consultants included as Appendix 2., The Survey Operations report by GAP Geophysics who carried out data acquisition provides details about the SAM technique and specific survey	
Further work	 The nature and scale of planned further work (eg tests for lateral extensions or depth extensions or large-scale step-out drilling). Diagrams clearly highlighting the areas of possible extensions, including the main geological interpretations and future drilling areas, provided this information is not commercially sensitive. 	targets from the Southern Geoscience Consultants, in the light of drilling results. Further drilling is proposed.	



Appendix 2: SGC Target Table for Hill East SAM Survey

SUMMARY TABLE OF TARGETS

Target ID	Priority	Description
1	1	Intersecting major structures associated with mod-high conductivity (MMC) trend
2	1	Intersecting major structures adjacent to mod-high conductivity (MMC) trend and late-time (Ch10-14) conductive zone (TFEM)
3	2	Intersecting major and minor structures associated with late-time (Ch10-14) conductive zone (TFEM)
4	2	Intersecting major and minor structures associated with late-time (Ch10-14) conductive zone (TFEM)
5	2	Intersecting major and minor structures associated with late-time (Ch10-14) conductive zone (TFEM)
6	1	Intersecting major structures adjacent to mod-high conductivity (MMC) trend and associated with late-time (Ch10-14) conductive zone (TFEM)
7	1	Intersecting major structures associated with high conductivity (MMC) trend
8	1	Intersecting major structures adjacent to mod-high conductivity (MMC) trend and late-time (Ch10-14) conductive zone (TFEM)
9	1	Intersecting major structures associated with mod-high conductivity (MMC) trend
10	2	Intersecting major structures adjacent to mod-high conductivity (MMC) trend.
11	1	Intersecting major structures associated with very high conductivity (MMC) trend
12	1	Intersecting major structures associated with very high conductivity (MMC) trend
13	1	Intersecting major and minor structures associated with very high conductivity (MMC) trend
14	1	Intersecting major and minor structures associated with mod-high conductivity (MMC) trend
15	1	Intersecting major structures with possible dilation and zone of alteration (demagnetisation response)
16	1	Intersecting major and minor structures.
17	1	Intersection of major faults with dextral strike-slip. Potential alteration zone (demagnetised response)
18	1	Intersection of major faults with dextral strike-slip. Associated with mod-high conductivity (MMC) N-S trend and late-time (Ch10-14) conductive zone (TFEM)
19	1	Intersecting major and minor structures near to mod-high conductivity (MMC) trends.
20	2	Intersecting major and minor structures near to mod-high conductivity (MMC) trends and associated with late-time (Ch10-14) conductive zone (TFEM)
21	1	Intersecting major and minor structures associated with mod conductivity (MMC) trend
22	3	Intersecting major and minor structures
23	3	Intersecting major and minor structures
24	3	Intersecting major and minor structures
25	1	Intersecting major and minor structures associated with mod-high conductivity (MMC) trend
26	1	Intersecting major and minor structures associated with mod-high conductivity (MMC) trend
27	2	Intersecting major and minor structures associated with mod conductivity (MMC) trend and late-time (Ch10-14) conductive zone (TFEM)
28	2	Intersecting major and minor structures. Close to mod conductivity (MMC) trend.

29	1	Intersecting major and minor structures associated with mod-high conductivity (MMC) N-S trend
Target ID	Priority	Description
30	2	Intersecting major and minor structures associated with low-mod conductivity (MMC) N-S trend
31	2	Intersecting major and minor structures associated with mod conductivity (MMC) N-S trend
32	3	Intersecting major and minor structures adjacent to low-mod conductivity (MMC) trend
33	3	Intersecting major and minor structures adjacent to low-mod conductivity (MMC) trend
34	2	Intersecting major and minor structures associated with mod conductivity (MMC) N-S trend
35	2	Intersecting major and minor structures associated with mod conductivity (MMC) trend. Contains known Au zone Au mineralisation within.
36	1	Intersecting major and minor structures associated with very high conductivity (MMC) trend
37	3	Intersecting major and minor structures.
38	2	Intersecting minor structure associated with mod conductivity (MMC) trend, along strike from known Au mineralisation



OPERATIONS REPORT



Lake Carey, Western Australia

Project reference:	20071MAT
Survey type:	Sub-Audio Magnetics (SAM)
Survey configuration:	Galvanic
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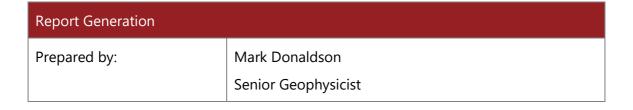
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Project 20071MAT Sub-Audio Magnetics Survey

Hill East, Lake Carey, Western Australia

Introduction

Gap Geophysics Australia Pty Limited (Gap) was commissioned by Matsa Resources Limited to conduct Sub-Audio Magnetics (SAM) surveys at their Hill East prospect, near Lake Carey, 120 kilometres southeast of Leonora, Western Australia.

The objective of the survey was to map geological structures associated with mineralisation. The surveys were conducted in the period 1st to 14th November 2020.

Project Personnel

Key personnel associated with the survey described in this report are listed in Table 1.

Table 1: Key Personnel.

Role	Personnel	Organisation
Client representatives	Dave Fielding	Matsa Resources
	Russell Mortimer	Southern Geoscience Consultants
Crew leader	Stefan Offhaus	
Field crew	Alexia Vlahos	
	Andrew Hall	Gap Geophysics Australia
Quality control manager	Mark Donaldson	
Final data processing, reporting	Mark Donaldson	

Scope

The survey area was defined by one polygon totalling approximately 4 square kilometres. The traverse line spacing was 50 m. Due to the proximity to Lake Carey and its highly conductive overburden, the area was split into 4 sub-blocks to minimise electromagnetic coupling. An extension to the northwest block was requested at the beginning of the field deployment. The total distance to be surveyed was nominally 91 line-kilometres using four energising dipoles.

Table 2: SAM Survey Summary.

	Prospect	Grid Name	Current Source	Dipole Separation	Line Direction	Line Spacing	Area
	Hill East	HE01	Galvanic	1.9 km	69°	50 m	1.3 km²
(J)	Hill East	HE02	Galvanic	1.9 km	69°	50 m	0.9 km ²
	Hill East	HE03	Galvanic	1.9 km	69°	50 m	0.9 km ²
	Hill East	HE04	Galvanic	1.9 km	69°	50 m	0.9 km ²

Survey Technique

The SAM technique, instrumentation, operating procedures, data processing strategies and data formats are described in detail in the attached document:

Gap Technical Reference Manual SAM Total B-Field Technologies_v1.2.pdf

SAM Receiver

The acquisition system and survey parameters are summarised in Table 3. Data processing parameters are shown in Table 4.

Table 3: Survey Instrument Parameters.

Roving Magnetometer Acquisition System			
Instrument	Gap Geophysics TM-7B SAM receiver		
Sensor	Geometrics G-822 Cs vapour		
Software	SAMui v20.6		
Sample rate	2400 Hz		
Components	Total B-field		
Powerline frequency	50 Hz		
Magnetometer Base Station			
Magnetometer	Geometrics G857		
Sample rate	0.1 Hz		
Sample resolution	0.1 nT		
Navigation and Positioning			
GPS	Trimble Ag114		
Corrections	Differential – VBS		
Sample rate	1 Hz		
Datum, co-ordinate system	GDA94, MGA zone 51		

Table 4: Data Processing Parameters.

Data Processing Parameters		
TMI sample interval	~0.75 m after stacking	
TFMMC sample interval	~1.5 m after stacking	
TFEM sample interval	~3.0 m after stacking	
Gridding	Minimum curvature	
Grid cell size	3.125 m	
TFMMC / TFEM filtering	Combination of non-linear and low pass filtering.	
TMI filtering	Diurnal corrections applied.	
Magnetic inclination	-62.6°	
Magnetic declination	1.4°	

SAM Transmitter

The full range of Gap GeoPak transmitters, wire specifications, loop deployment techniques and electrode preparation are described in the attached document:

Gap Technical Reference Manual Gap GeoPak Transmitters_v1.5.pdf

The transmitter and operating specifications used for this survey are listed below.

Table 5: Transmitter System Specifications.

Transmitter System		
Transmitter	Gap GeoPak IPTX-2500	
Controller	Internal	
Power supply	Gap GeoPak DC14-HV	
Timing	GPS synchronisation	
Current	HE01: 12.0 A HE02: 13.0 A HE03: 9.0 A HE04: 12.5 A	
Transmit frequency	6.25 Hz	
Duty cycle	50 %	

Total Field Electromagnetics (TFEM)

Discrete channels of TFEM were extracted from the data during processing. A description of the integration windows used are shown in Figure 1. Integration times used are from the top of the ramp, so channel 1 could include some ramp response. Colour images of representative TFEM channels were generated for each grid and are shown in the results section.

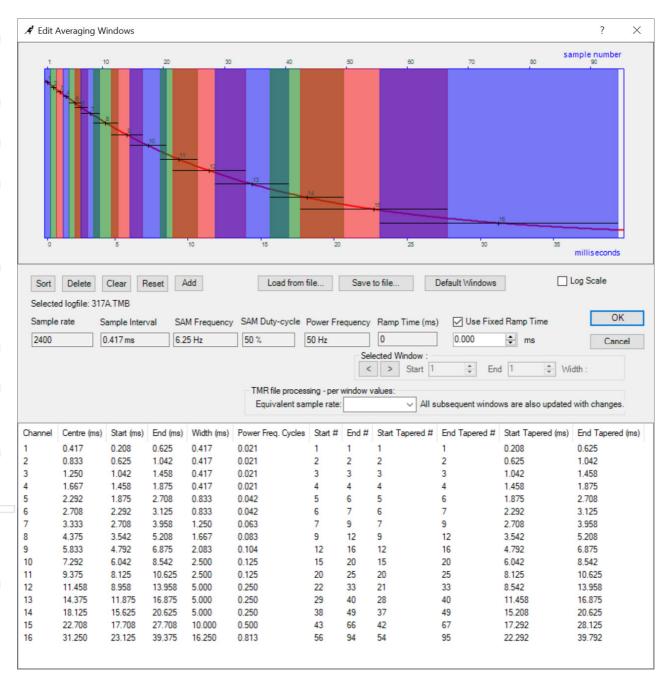


Figure 1 Description of TFEM integration windows used in processing.

Final Comments

- The tilt derivative (TDR) of the magnetometric conductivity has been included both as a sharpening filter as would a first vertical derivative, but also for its function as an automatic gain correction filter to promote the relative amplitude of weaker, more subtle linear features. It promotes noise equally so should be interpreted with care.
- The overburden allowed a higher transmit frequency to be used than usual near salt lakes, without suffering significant electromagnetic coupling. This indicates the on-shore ground is relatively resistive compared, say, to the eastern shore of Lake Carey. This frequency provided improved spectral separation of the SAM components where intense, near-surface magnetic minerals existed, as well as a greater number of readings per metre that aided signal strength through stacking.

Survey Results

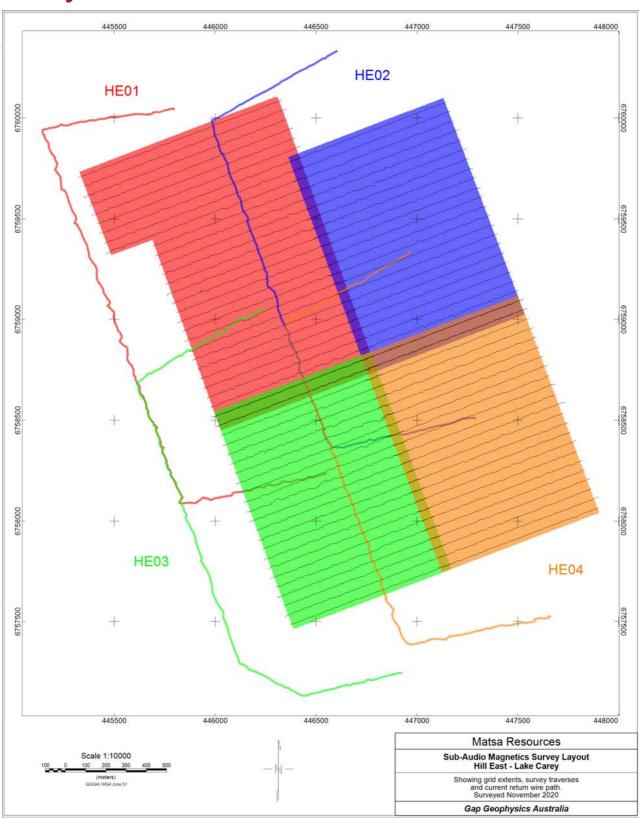


Figure 2 Hill East survey area – SAM survey layout showing the grid extents, survey traverses and current return wire path.

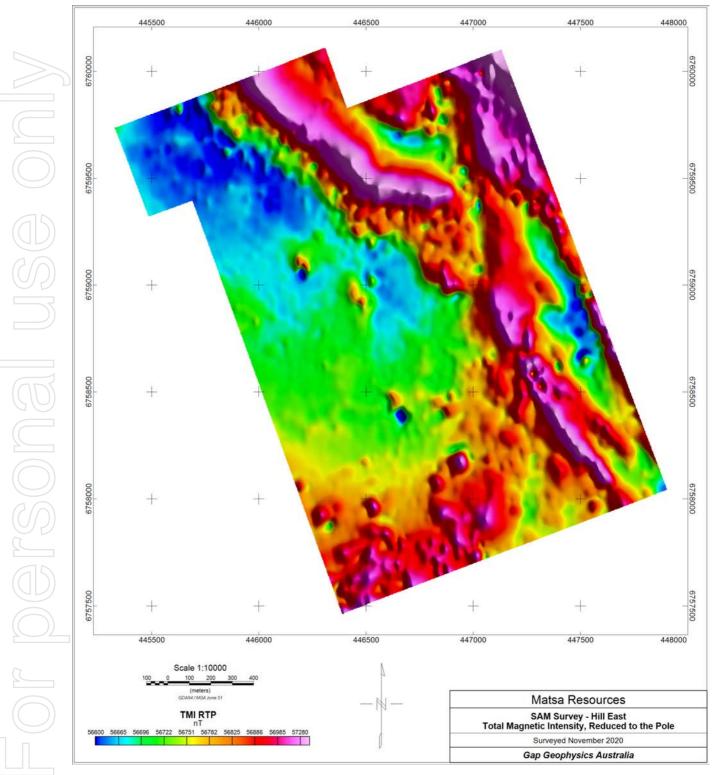


Figure 3 Hill East – total magnetic intensity, reduced to the pole, collated data.

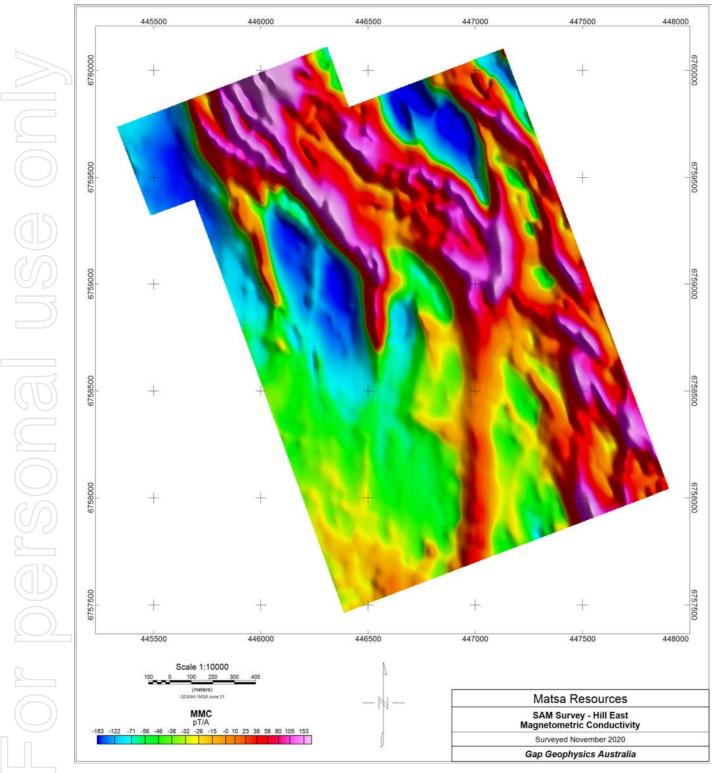


Figure 4 Hill East – magnetometric conductivity, stitched grids.

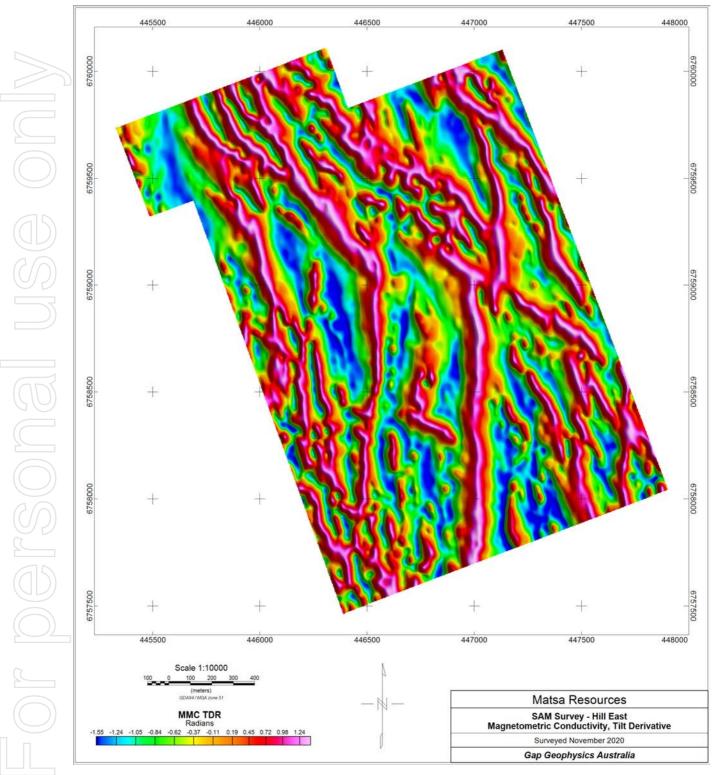


Figure 5 Hill East – magnetometric conductivity, tilt derivative, stitched grids.

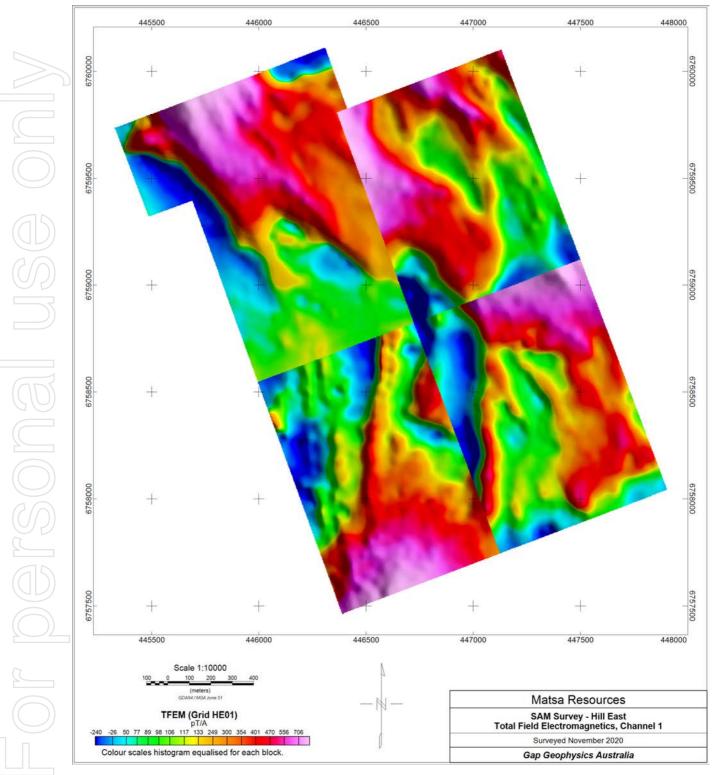


Figure 6 Hill East – total field electromagnetics, channel 1, mosaic.

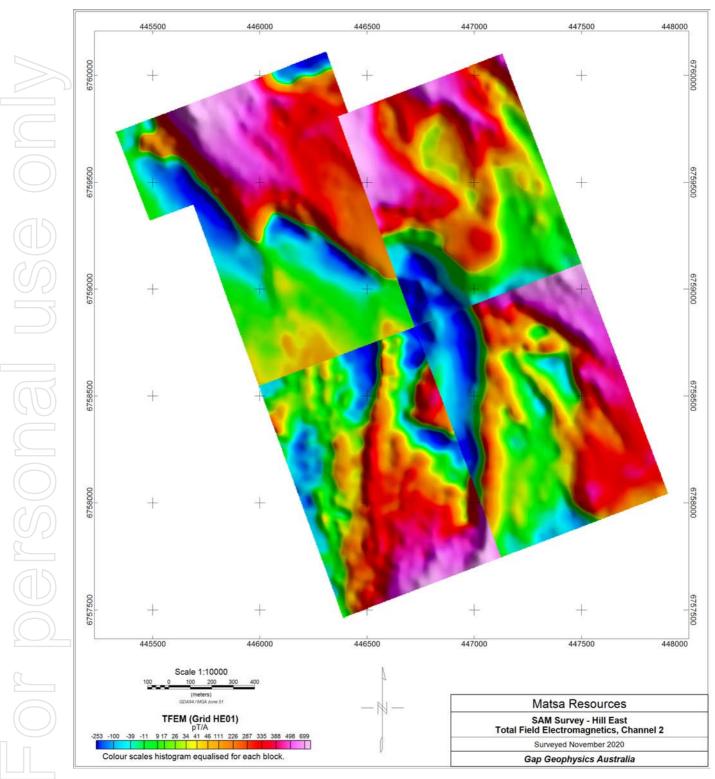


Figure 7 Hill East – total field electromagnetics, channel 2, mosaic.

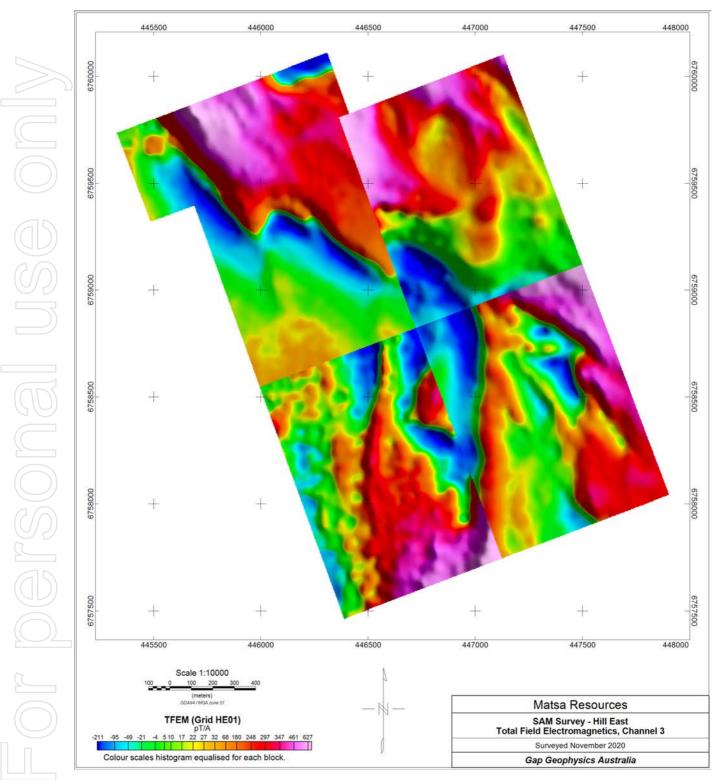


Figure 8 Hill East – total field electromagnetics, channel 3, mosaic.

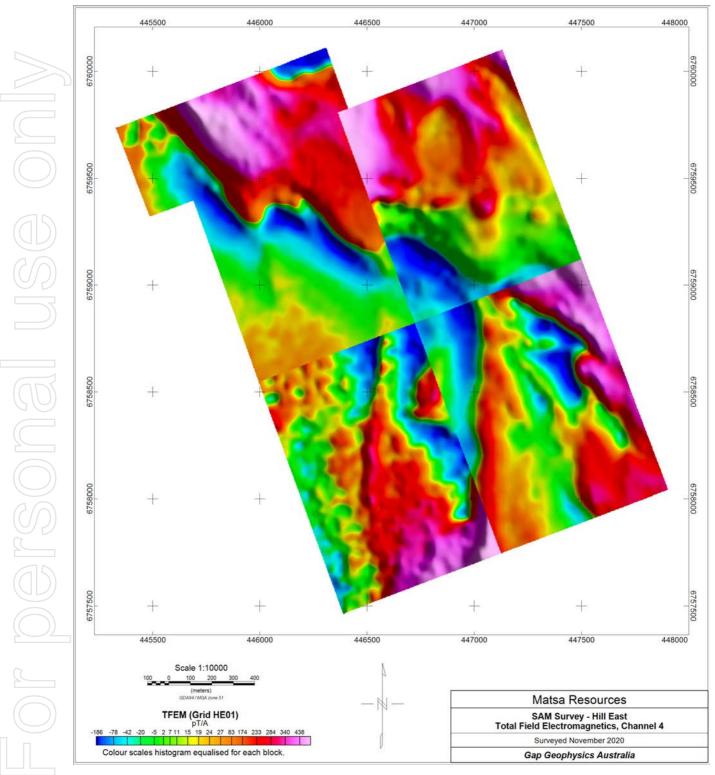


Figure 9 Hill East – total field electromagnetics, channel 4, mosaic.

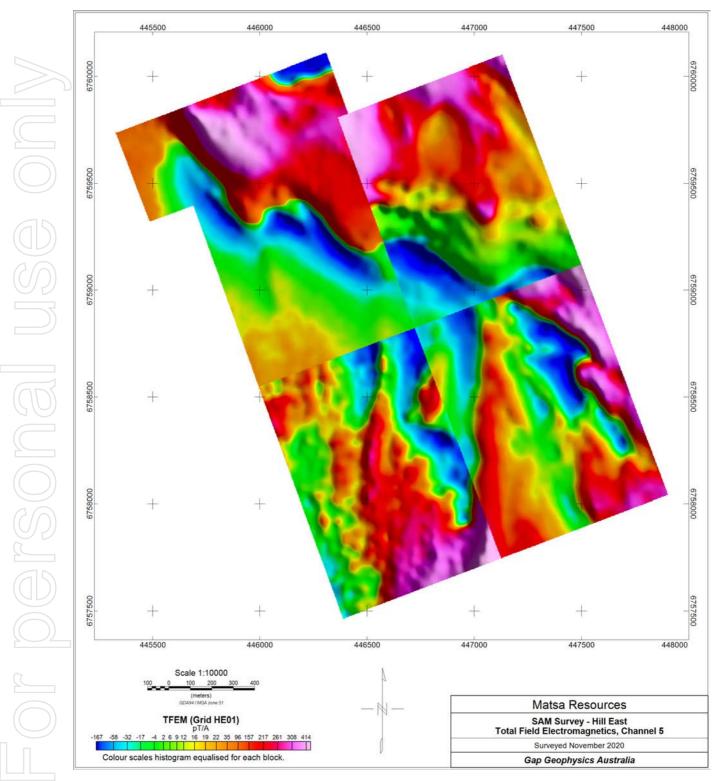


Figure 10 Hill East – total field electromagnetics, channel 5, mosaic.

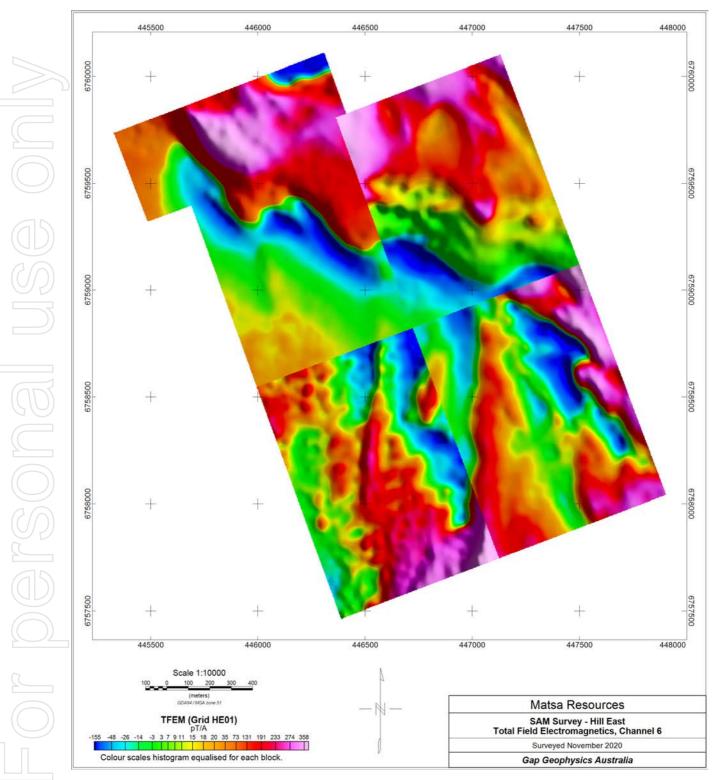


Figure 11 Hill East – total field electromagnetics, channel 6, mosaic.

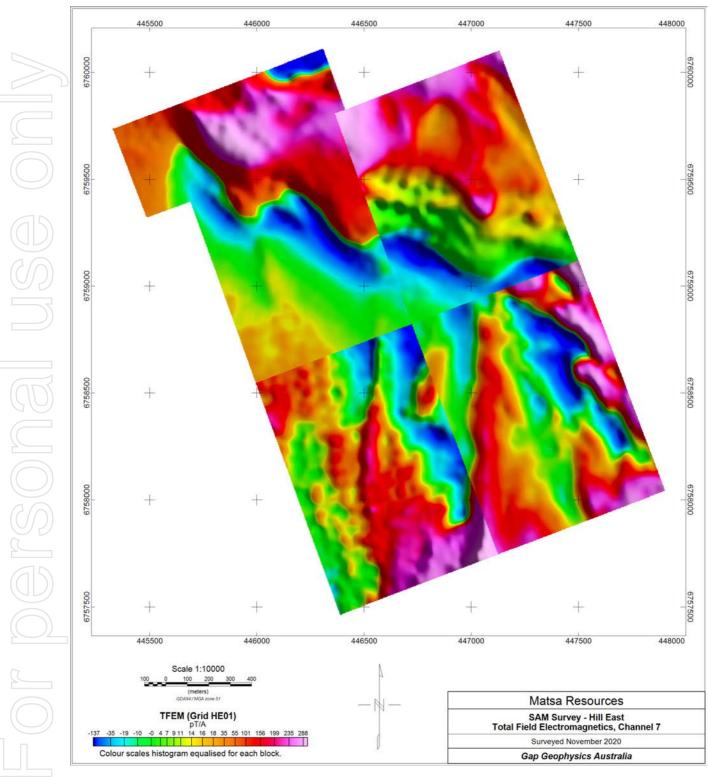


Figure 12 Hill East – total field electromagnetics, channel 7, mosaic.

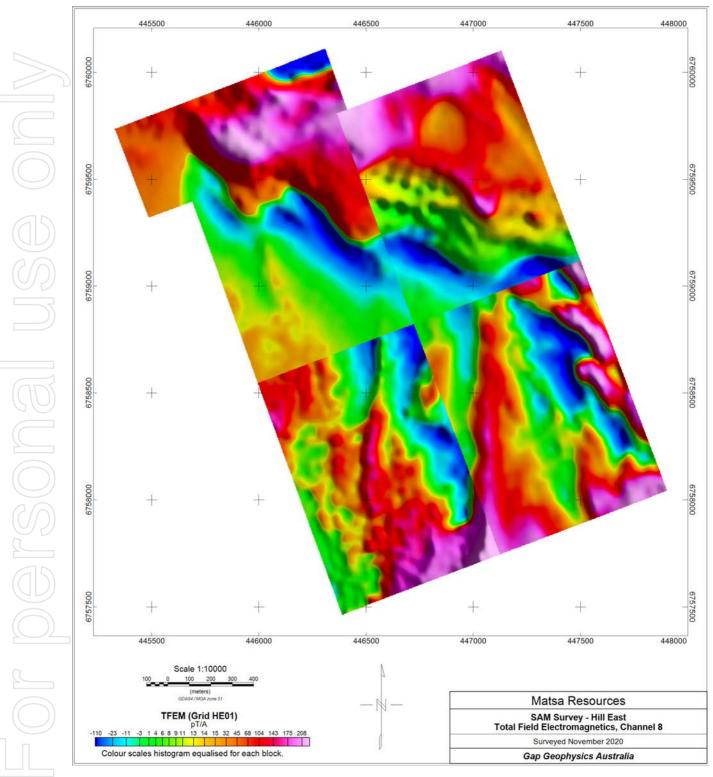


Figure 13 Hill East – total field electromagnetics, channel 8, mosaic.

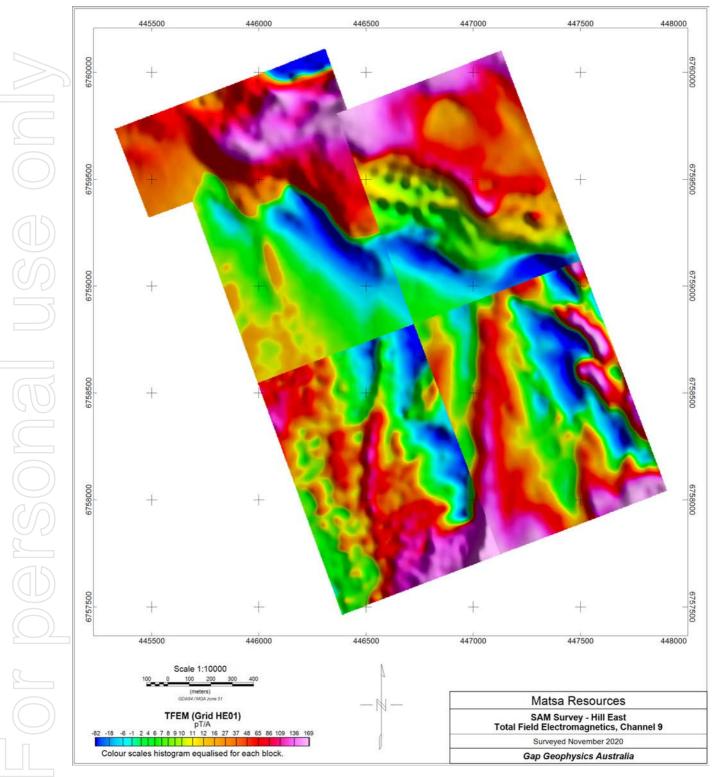


Figure 14 Hill East – total field electromagnetics, channel 9, mosaic.

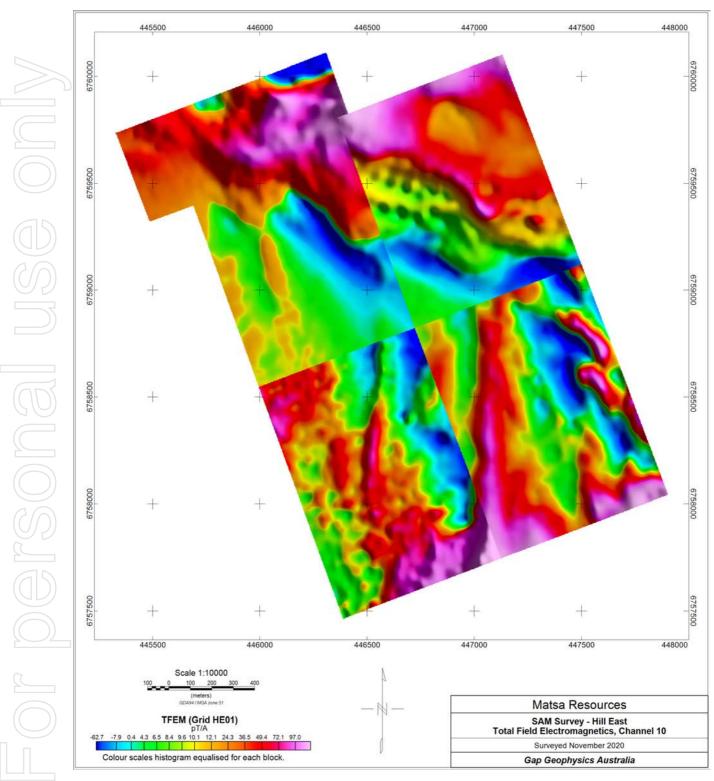


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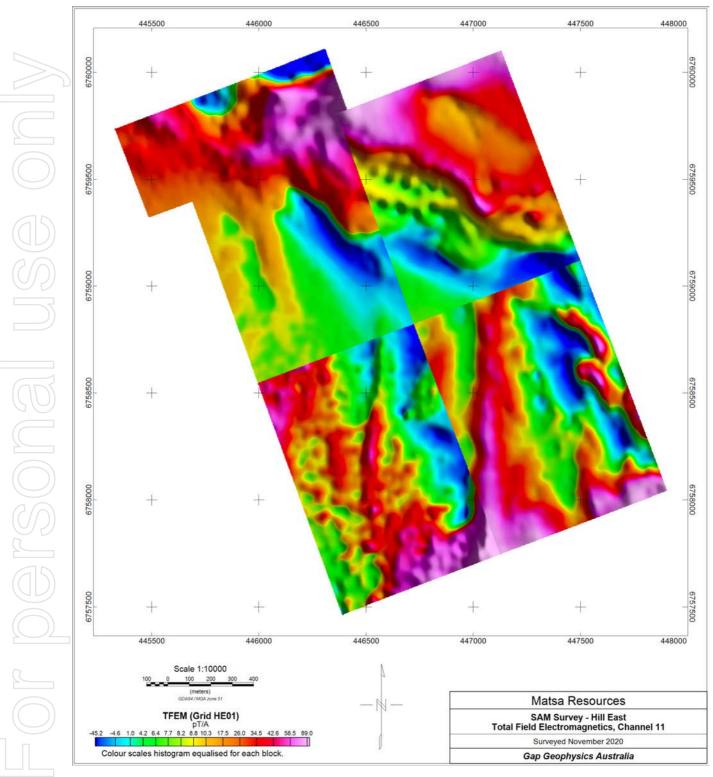


Figure 16 Hill East – total field electromagnetics, channel 11, mosaic.

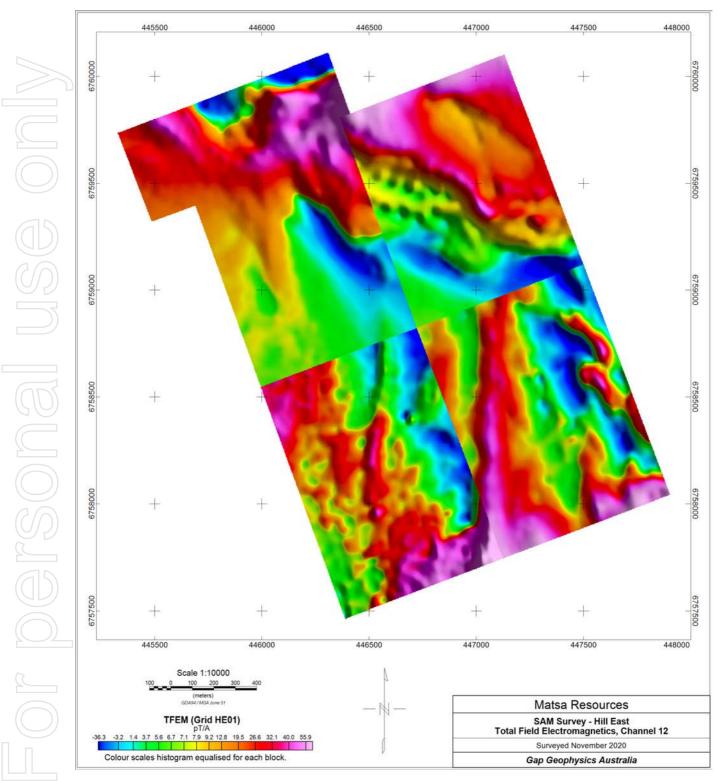


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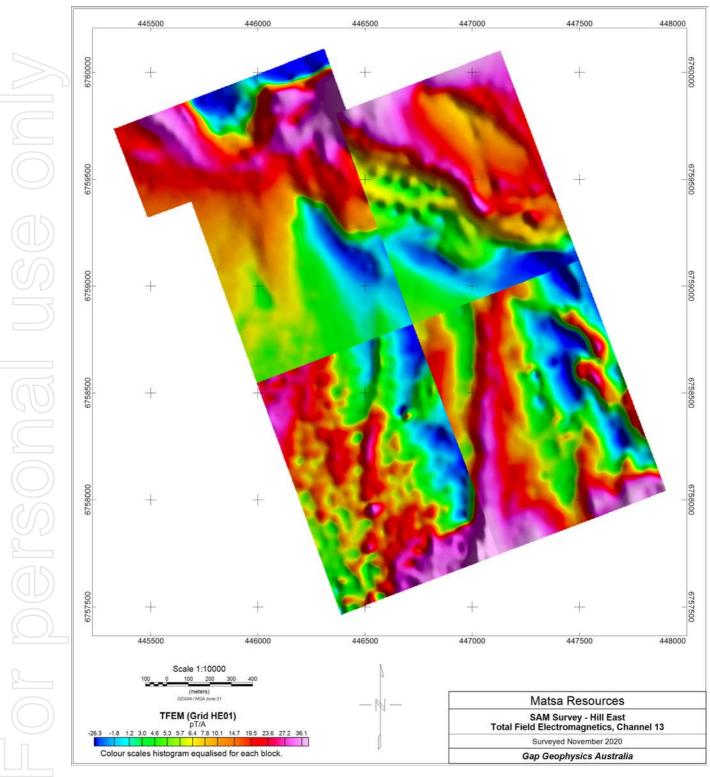


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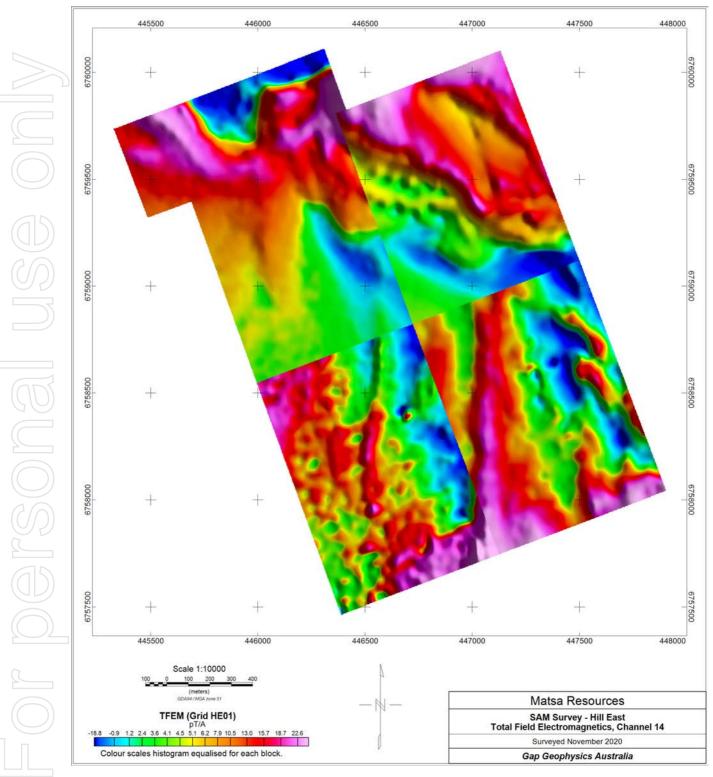


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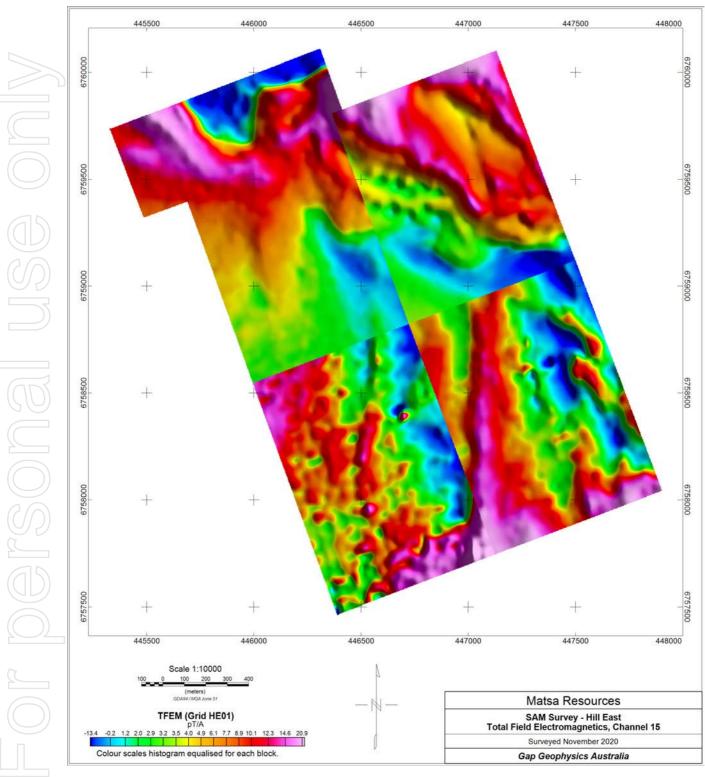


Figure 20 Hill East – total field electromagnetics, channel 15, mosaic.

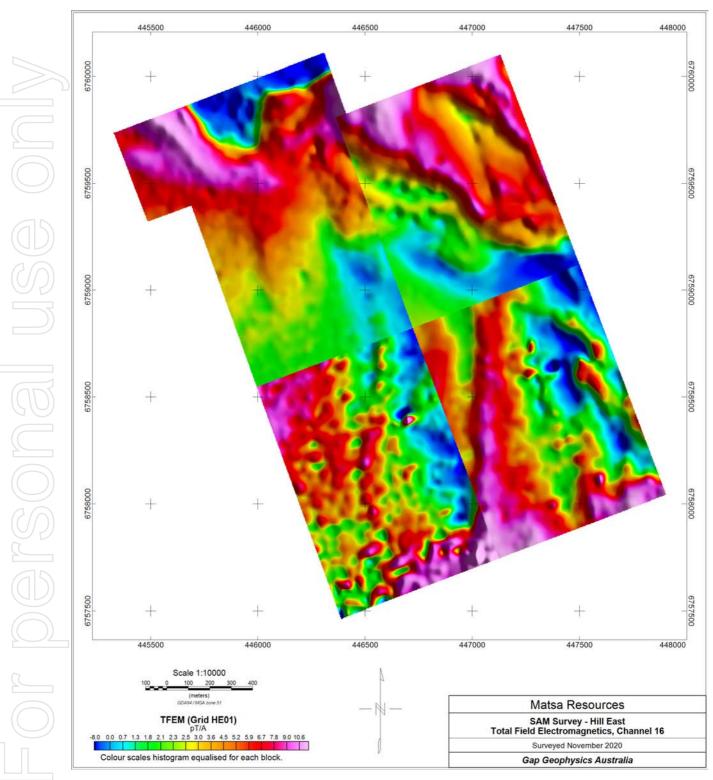


Figure 21 Hill East – total field electromagnetics, channel 16, mosaic.