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**THE MISSING COPPER PORPHYRY OF
THE MIDCONTINENT RIFT**

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THE MAKINGS OF A POTENTIAL COPPER GIANT



JURISDICTION

Ontario and Canada – Tier one and proven for mining



INFRASTRUCTURE

1 hour north of port of Sault Ste Marie, 10km from Trans Canada Highway, 20km from rail



SCALE

30 km copper mineral system associated with the Midcontinent Rift



GRADE

262.5m at 1.05% CuEq incl. 68m of 3.25% CuEq in the bornite zone in 6th hole by Sterling Metals



GEOLOGY

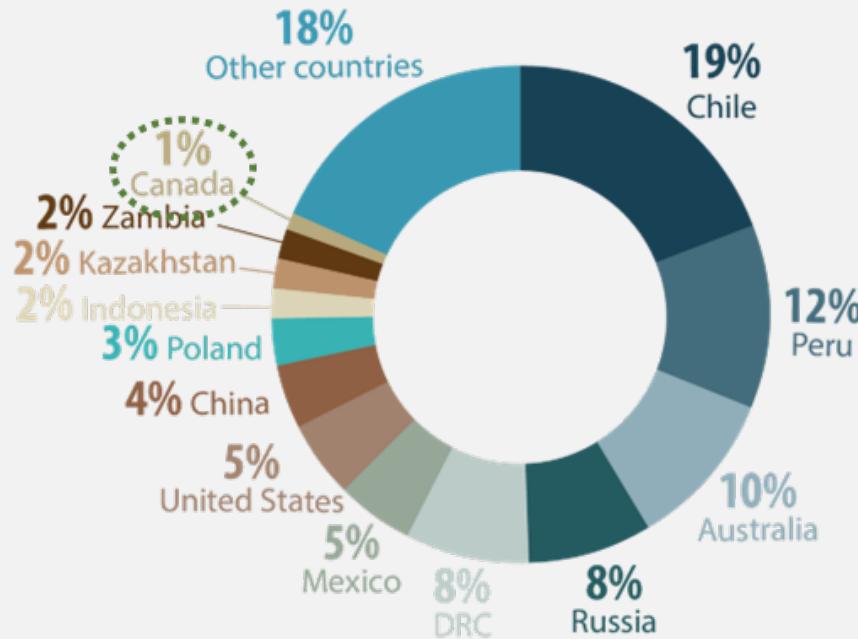
3 phases of mineralized porphyry



CANADA'S COPPER MOMENT

A DOMESTIC NEED FOR THE MOST CRITICAL METAL

WORLD RESERVES OF COPPER BY COUNTRY (2023)²



CANADA'S MAJOR PROJECT OFFICE

- Of initial projects, two are copper mines
- And five are mining projects
- Advancing major infrastructure projects
- Streamlining regulatory assessment
- Structure financing and build investment confidence



“Canada’s critical mineral infrastructure counts toward NATO commitments - Some of the spending ... counts toward that five per cent ... it’s ports and railroads and other ways to get these minerals out.”

– Prime Minister Mark Carney¹

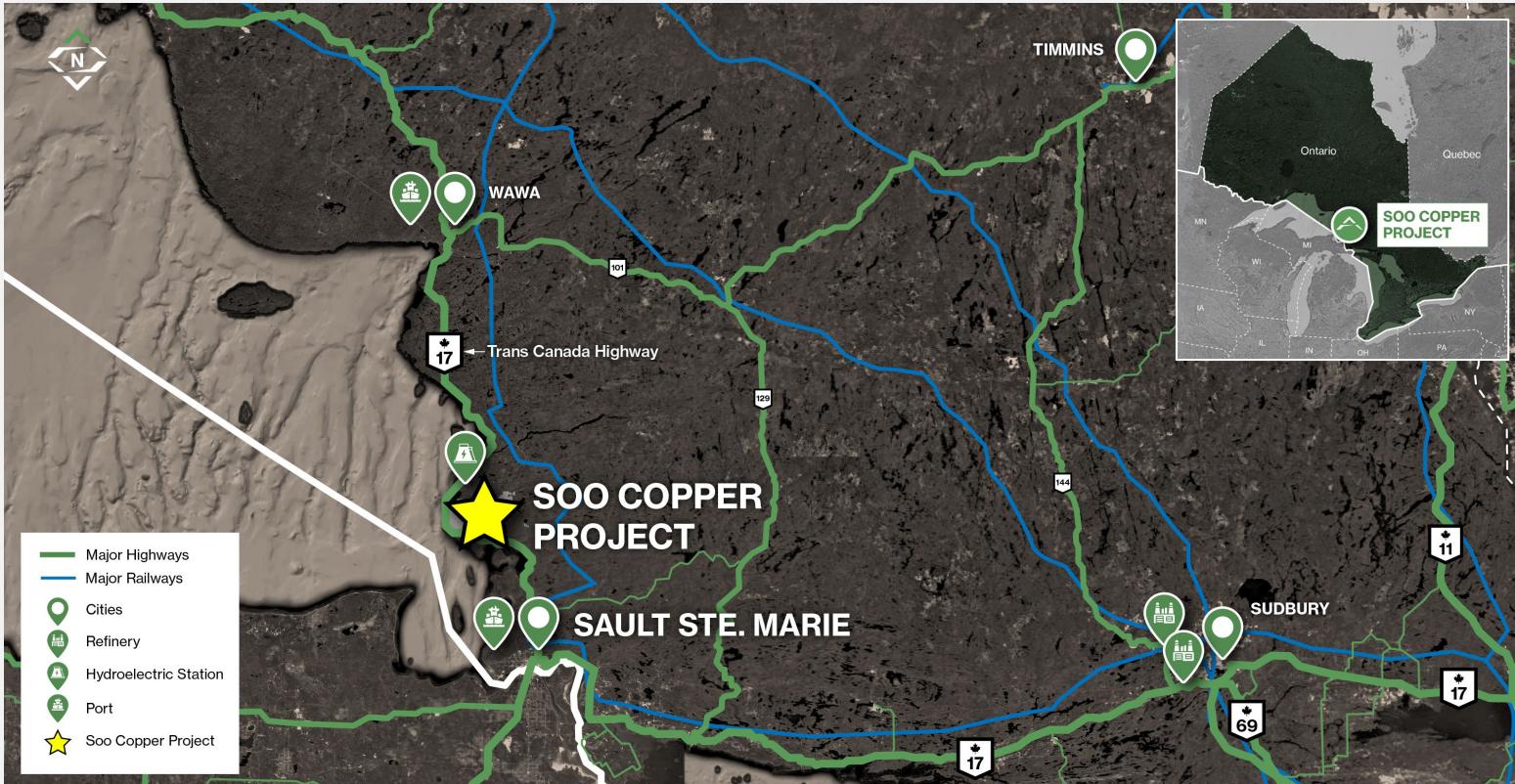
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ONTARIO CRITICAL METALS

FAST TRACKING CRITICAL METALS



One Project, One Process (1P1P)

- Reduce permitting timelines
- Building new mines faster
- Structure, transparency and predictability



“Unlocking a made in Ontario Critical Supply Chain - To protect Ontario...we will make the investments needed to unlock that supply chain, including by processing Ontario minerals in Ontario communities like Sault Ste. Marie, so our workers can reap the benefits of our province’s abundant supply of critical minerals.”

– Ontario Premier Doug Ford³

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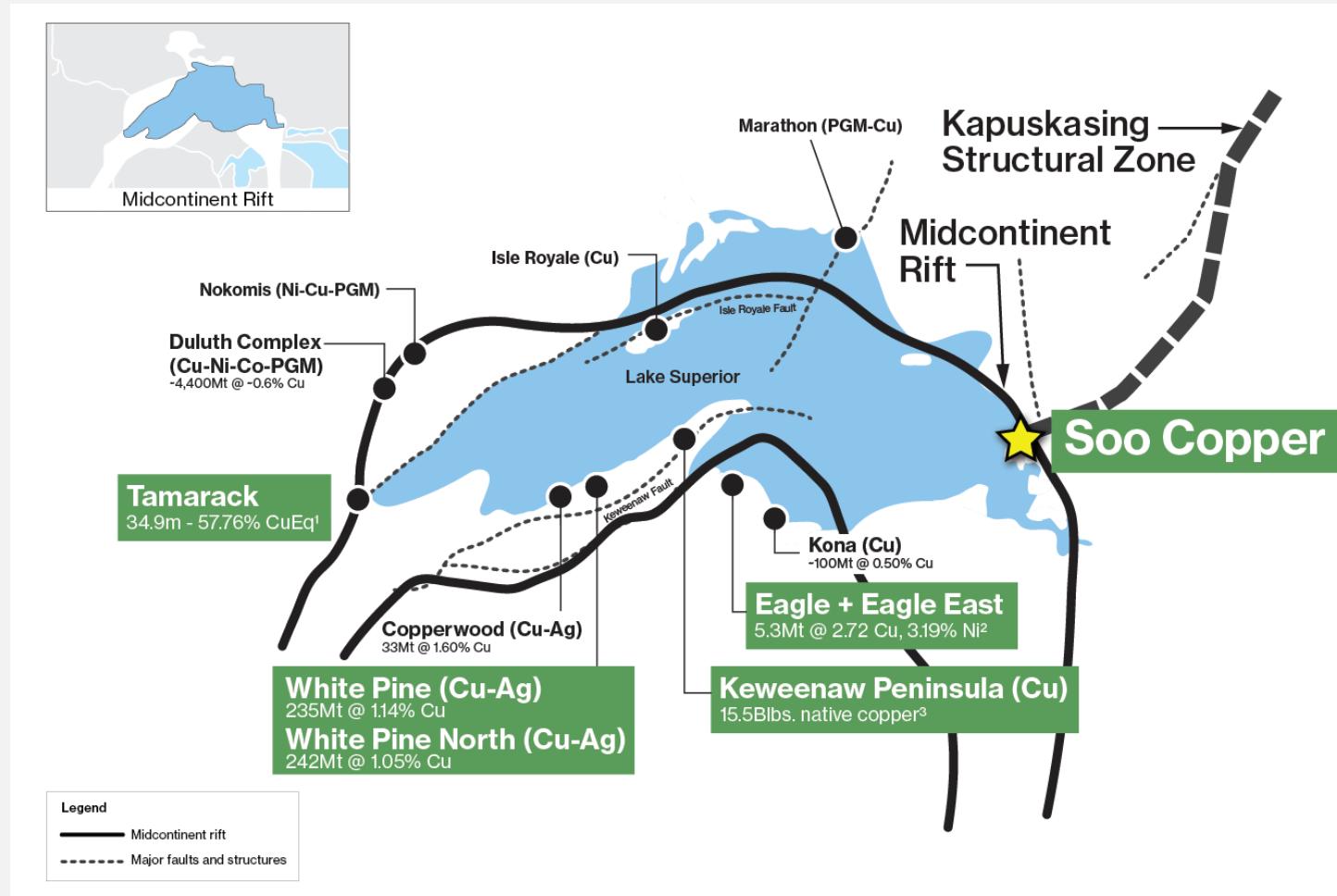
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IDEAL CONDITIONS FOR GIANT COPPER PORPHYRY FORMATION



- Major copper belt (MCR)
- Junction of MCR and KSZ
- Rift magma underplate and partial melt fertile lower-crust with in KSZ
- Missing porphyry

1. Drill result reported by Talon Metals: [Talon Metals Reports Record Assays From Historic Tamarack Discovery Grading 57.76% Copper Equivalent Or 28.88% Nickel Equivalent Over 34.9 Combined Meters - Talon Metals Corp](#)

2. As reported in the Technical Report entitled "NI-43101 Technical Report on the Eagle Mine, Michigan, USA", dated December 31, 2022, prepared by WSP Golder.

3. Paul Brandes - [Geology of the Keweenaw Peninsula, Michigan](#)

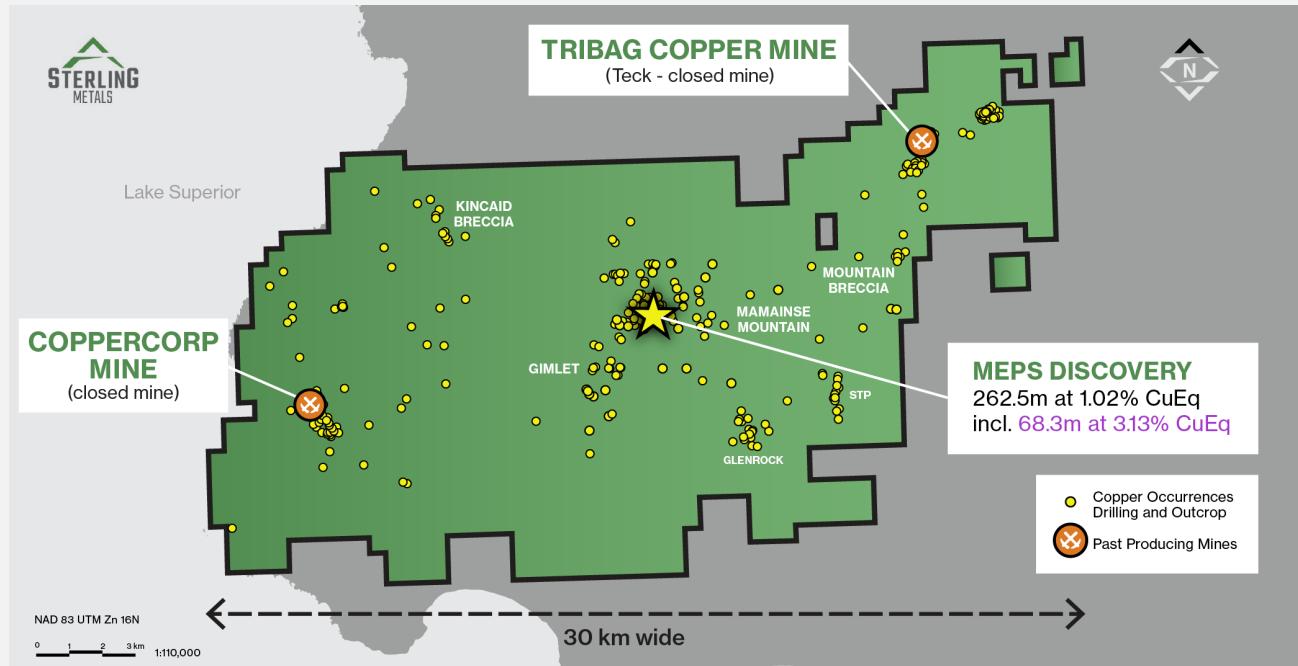
4. Perello J., Silitoe R.H., and Creaser R.A., 2020, Mesoproterozoic porphyry copper mineralization at Mamainse Point, Ontario, Canada in the context of Midcontinent rift metallogeny, [Ore Geology Reviews](#) 127



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GIANT COPPER POTENTIAL HIDING IN PLAIN SIGHT



Mid-1800s	1965-1973	~1974	2021	2023	2024	2025	2026
Exploration in the Mamainse Point Area	Production from Copper Corp Mine and Tribag Copper Mine	Mine closures, District closed for staking	District consolidated	Drilling confirmed historical porphyry and breccia results	Sterling acquires Soo Copper Project	Sterling new copper discovery	Sterling Resource Exploration & New Discovery Expansion

*See press release dated September 29, 2025 at www.sterlingmetals.ca

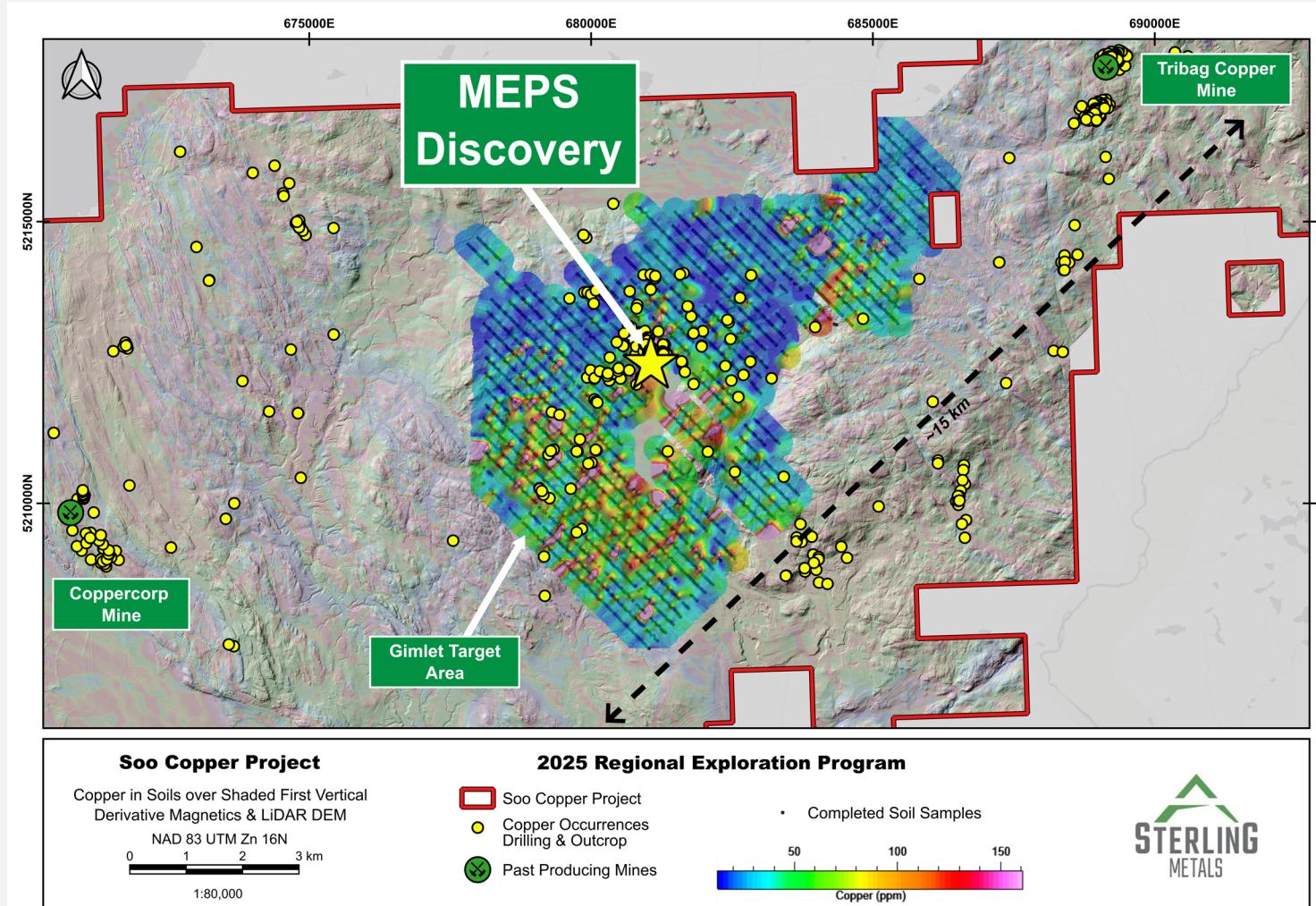
**Independent Technical Report entitled "Technical Report on the Copper Road Property", dated April 29, 2024, prepared by Kelly Malcolm, P.Geo., for Sterling Metals Corp



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MEPS DISCOVERY IS TIP OF THE ICEBERG



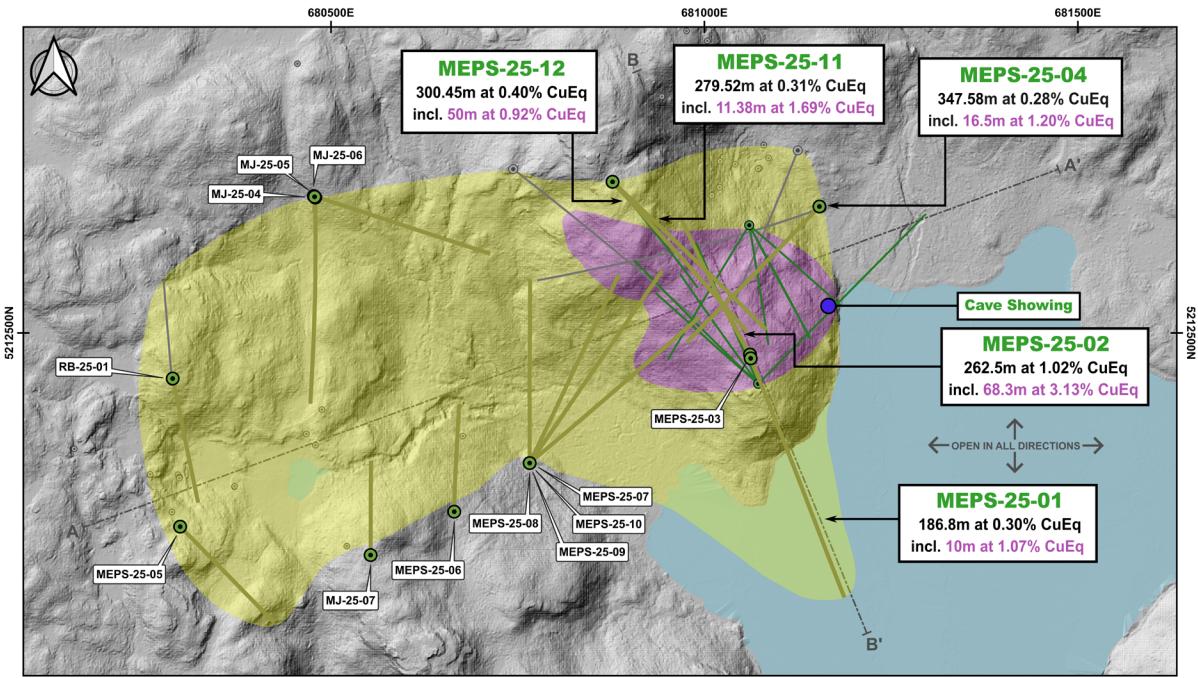
- Systematic exploration identifies large copper system and **MEPS Discovery** is at the northern edge
- Sterling's work to date consists of ~3,000 soil samples, 23km² of IP/Resistivity, reprocessing of 700km of ZTEM, review and digitization of +60 years of historical work and **completed 12,835 metres of drilling in 33 drillholes¹**



GRADE

MEPS DISCOVERY

DEVELOPING A HIGHER GRADE BORNITE CORE WITHIN A CONTINUOUSLY COPPER MINERALIZED ZONE OPEN IN ALL DIRECTIONS



Soo Copper Project

2025 Phase 2
Diamond Drilling Program

Date: 2026-01-12

Scale: 1:5,500

0 100 200 m

NAD 83 UTM Zone 16N

Sterling Drillholes

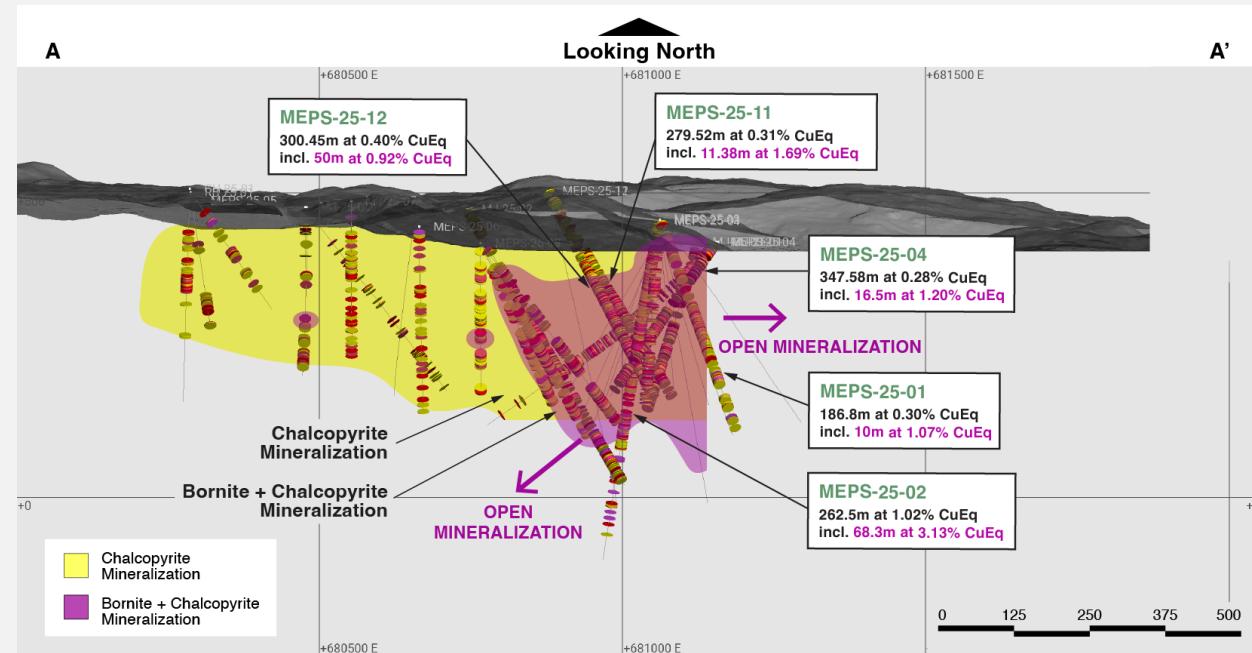
- Phase 2 Reported Drillholes
- Phase 2 Unreported Drillholes
- Phase 1 Drillholes

- Cave Showing at Surface
- Historic Drillhole Collars
- Bn+Cpy Mineralization
- Cpy Mineralization



1. As reported in Sterling Metals press release dated September 29, 2025

2. As reported in Sterling Metals press release dated January 15, 2026



Soo Copper - Long Section 2025 Drilling
Showing Copper Equivalent Grades Along Holes
(Looking North)

Drill Hole Grade - CuEq%
0.2 0.35 0.6

Soo Copper Project

Batchawana Bay - Canada

Date: 2026-01-13

Corridor = 1,000m 500m x 500m Oriented 70°NE
NAD83 UTM Zone 16N



GRADE

MEPS DISCOVERY

HIGH GRADE COPPER RELATED TO GFP PORPHYRY DYKES



262.5m of 1.05% CuEq starting from 47.5m downhole, including a new 68.3m thick bornite zone grading 3.25% CuEq starting at 179.7m downhole, featuring semi-massive bornite and chalcopyrite grading up to 9.3m of 19.98% CuEq¹

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HIGH GRADE COPPER RELATED TO GFP PORPHYRY DYKES

The GFP dyke hosts copper stockwork veins next to the semi-massive high-grade copper sulphides in the surrounding mafic volcanics.



MEPS-25-02 grading 33% Cu, 0.342 g/t Au and 210 g/t Ag over 0.55m



MEPS-25-02 GFP
grading 0.85% Cu, 0.054 g/t
Au and 7.1 g/t Ag over 0.8m



MEPS DISCOVERY

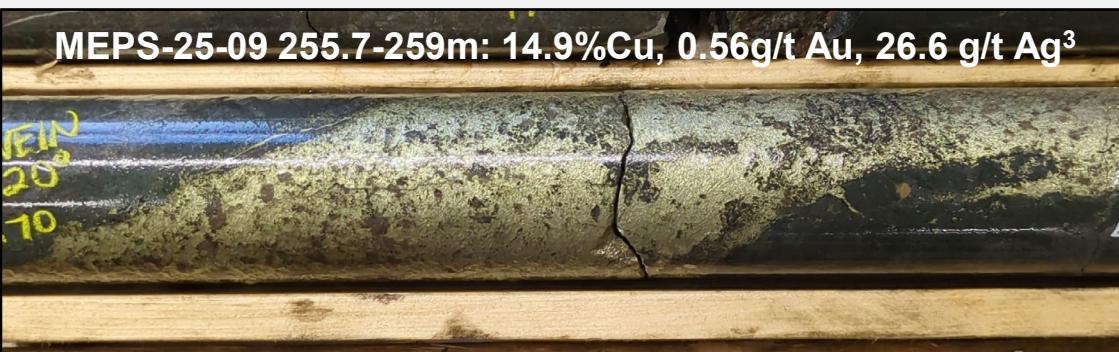
HIGH GRADE COPPER IN 2025 DRILLING



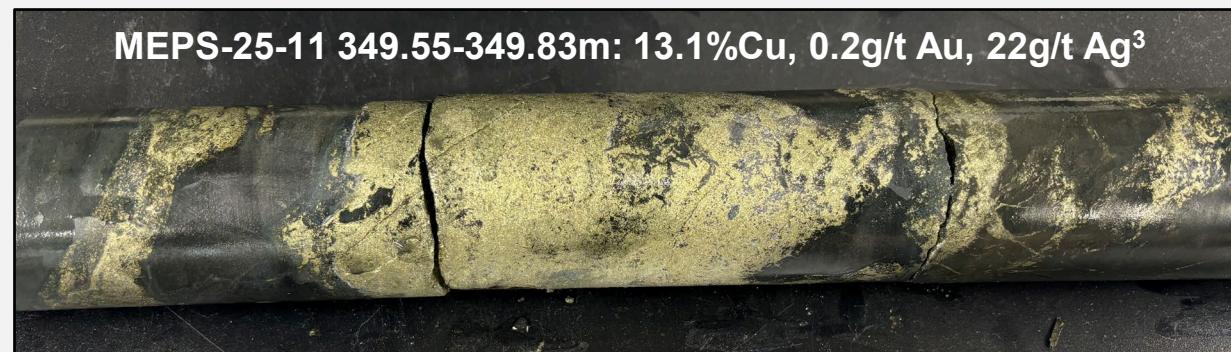
CH-25-01 157.7-158.2m: 8.23%Cu, 1.28g/t Au, 13.6 g/t Ag¹



MEPS-25-02 219.85-220.45m: 21.3%Cu, 196g/t Au, 168 g/t Ag²



MEPS-25-09 255.7-259m: 14.9%Cu, 0.56g/t Au, 26.6 g/t Ag³



MEPS-25-11 349.55-349.83m: 13.1%Cu, 0.2g/t Au, 22g/t Ag³

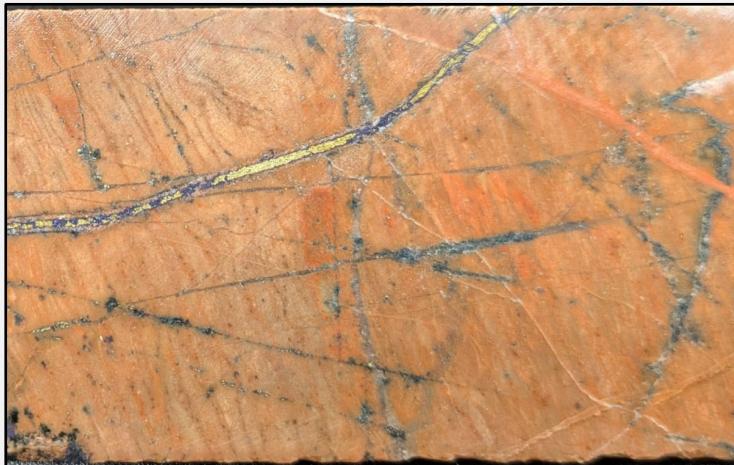
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MEPS DISCOVERY

THREE PHASES OF MINERALIZED PORPHYRY DYKES

PHASE 1 (GFP-early)



- Earliest phase **potassic altered** and silica-rich aplitic felsite dykes
- Abundant multiple stockwork veins – early biotite and **qz +/- bn-cpy-mo**
- Frequently associated with M-Veins at the upper and lower contacts with **semi-massive to massive bornite and chalcopyrite**

PHASE 2 (mid)

- Second phase weakly potassic to hematite altered medium-grained porphyry
- Minor stockwork veins – **qz-ksp-bt +/- cpy-py-bn(tr.)** and fine-grained pyrite replacing chlorite in the groundmass



PHASE 3 (late)

- Third phase propylitic to hematite altered coarse-grained porphyry
- Minor stockwork veins – **qz +/- mo-cpy-py** and disseminate to blebby cpy-py-mo in the groundmass





MEPS DISCOVERY

THREE PHASES OF MINERALIZED PORPHYRY DYKES



- Phase 3 represents the youngest intrusive phase based on cross-cutting relationships
- The Phase 3 is dated to ~1.1Ga based on Re-Os dating performed on molybdenite samples¹
- *Multi-phased syn-mineral dyke swarm above metal source stock*



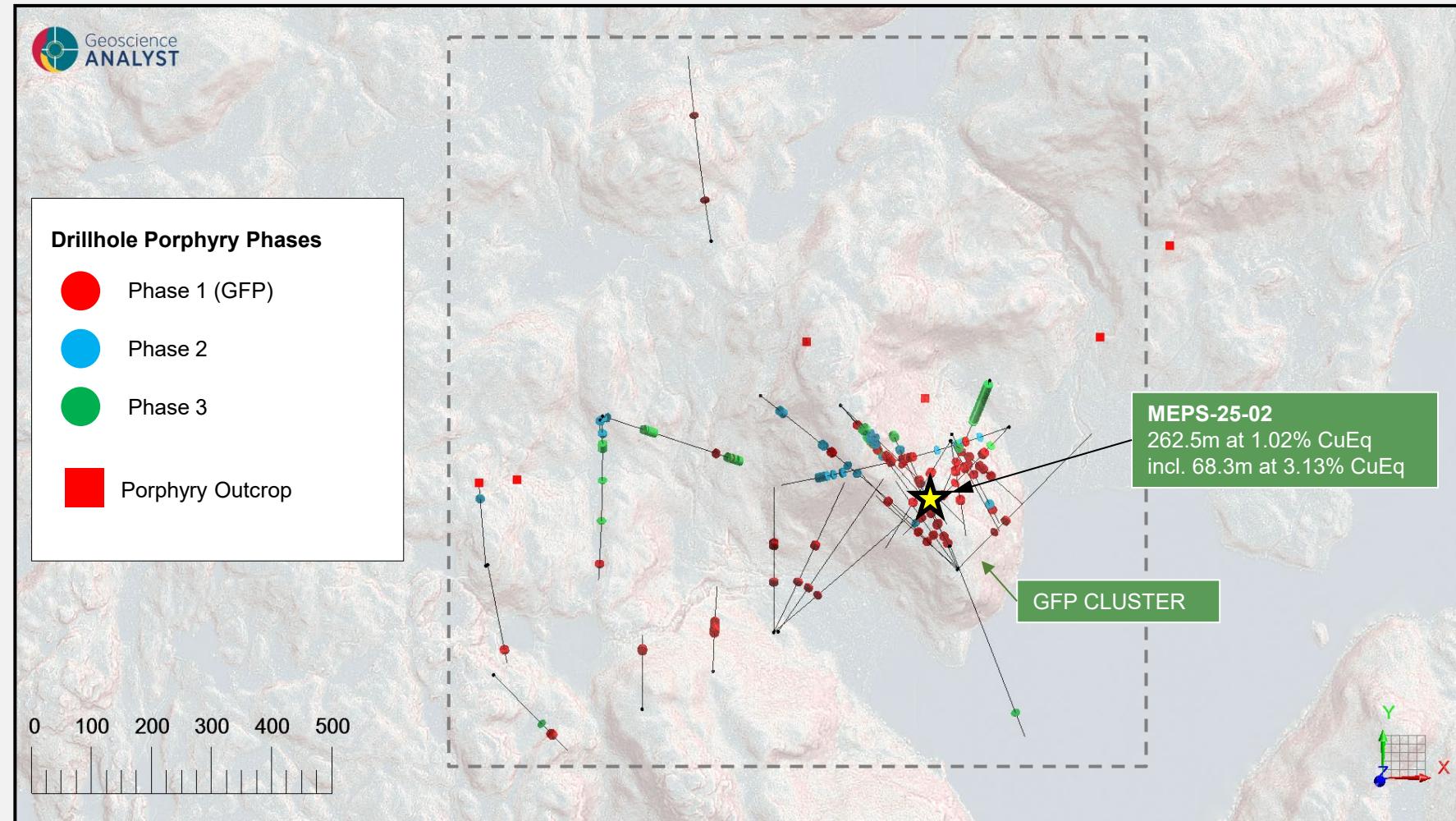
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MEPS DISCOVERY

THREE PHASES OF MINERALIZED PORPHYRY DYKES

- Cluster of well mineralized earliest GFP dykes intersected within MEPS target area in association with the highest copper grades
- The porphyry system is exposed over ~2.5km of **strike**, with the 2025 drillholes located within this corridor and confirming multiple intrusive porphyry phases
- **3 phases of porphyry** identified with cross-cutting relationships observed in drill core
- Intercepted porphyry in all 33 drillholes during the 2025 program

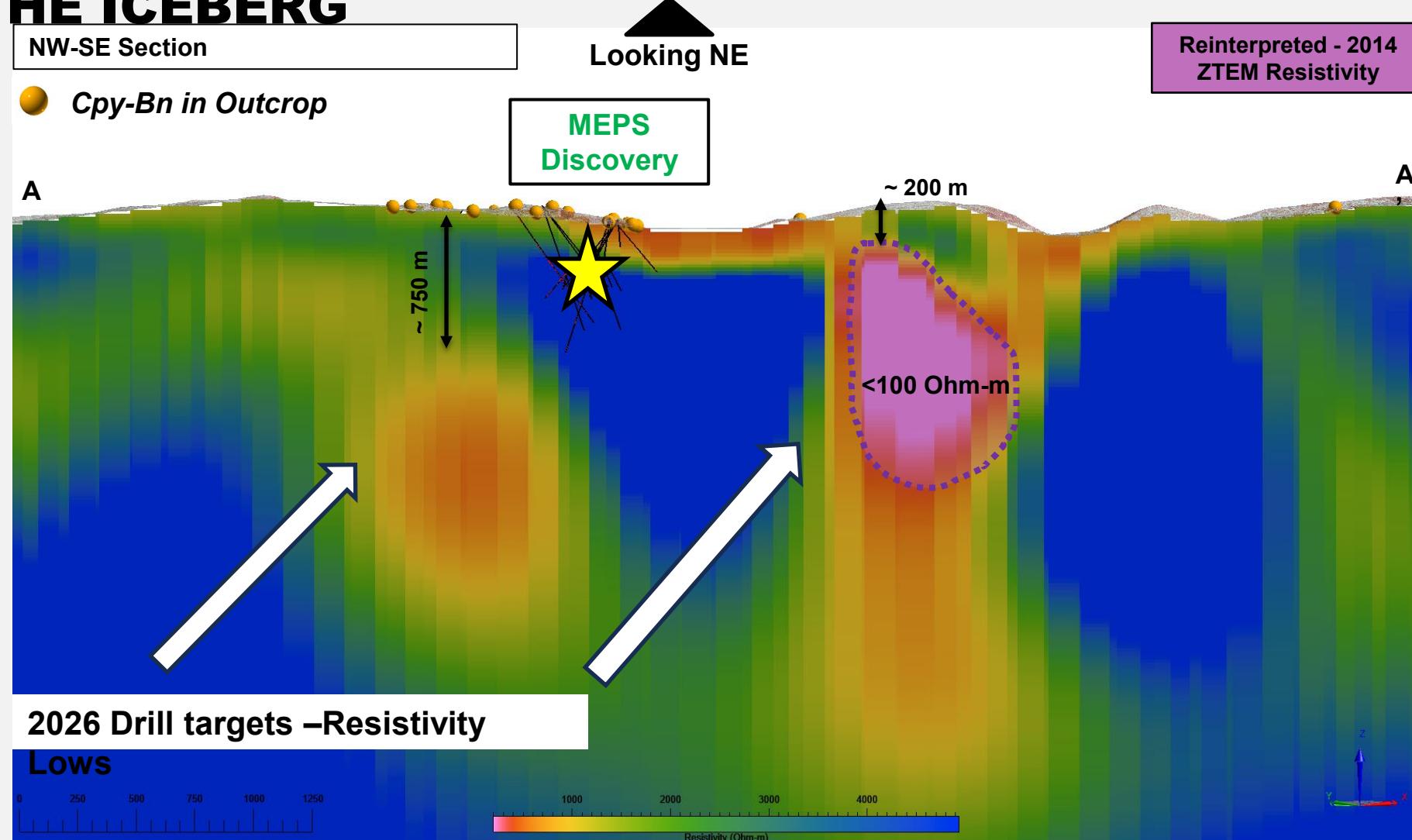




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MEPS DISCOVERY

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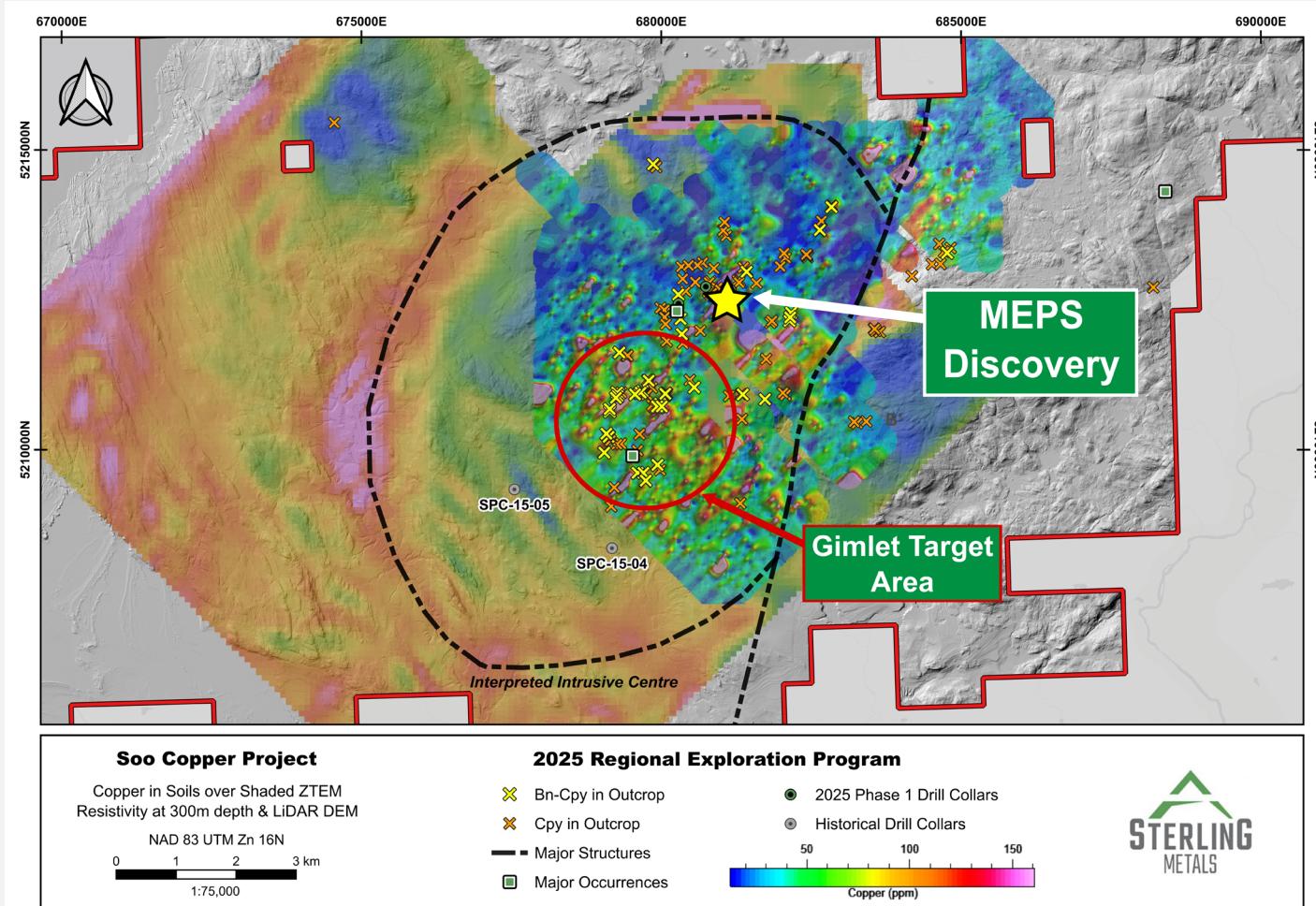




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MULTI-KILOMETER COPPER CORRIDOR EMERGING



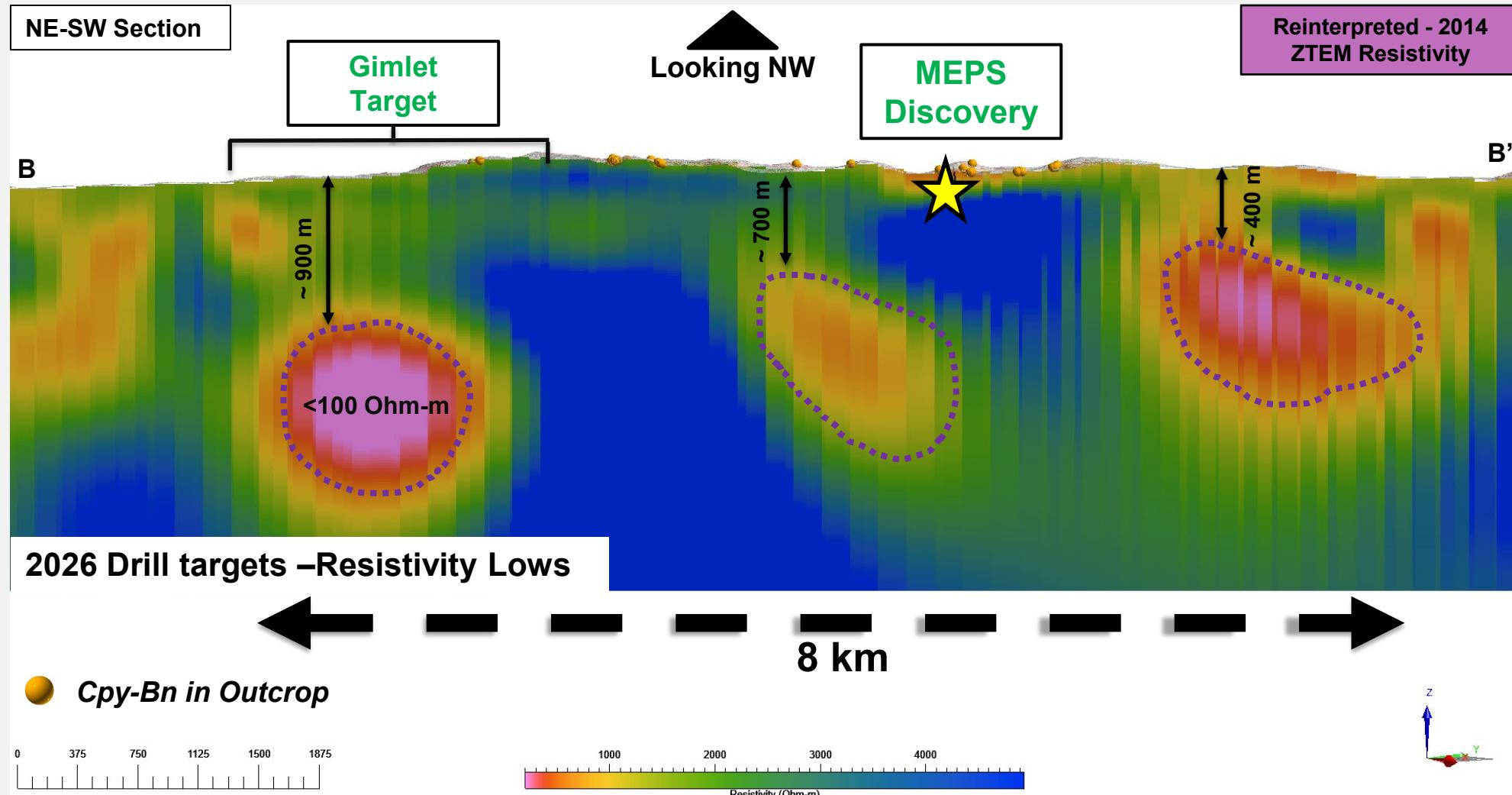
- At the Gimlet Target Area, **93 copper-bearing samples including 38 containing bornite** were collected across a 2km area.
- Gimlet is the largest concentration of bornite in outcrop discovered to date and lies **approximately 2km from the MEPS Discovery**.
- Reprocessing of a 2014 ZTEM survey has revealed a 10km circular anomaly



SCALE AND GRADE

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ON THE DOORSTEP OF A POTENTIAL COPPER GIANT





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