

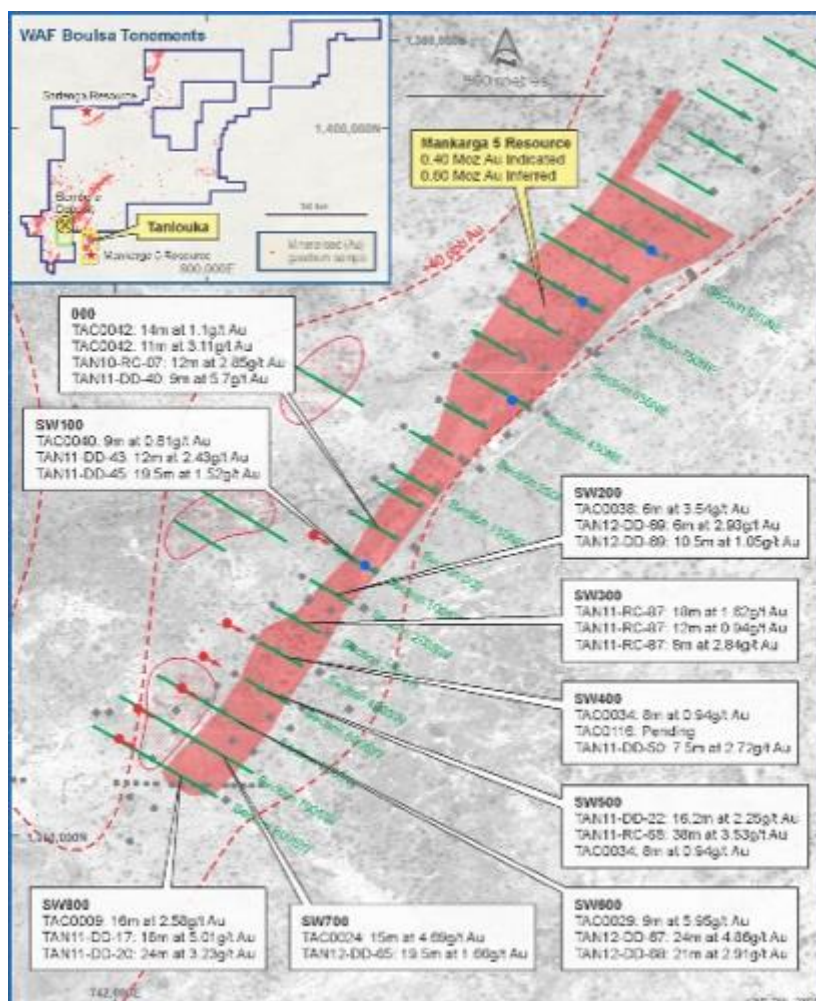
# West African Resources hits high-grades at Mankarga 5

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**THE DRILL SERGEANT:** West African Resources (ASX: WAF) has encountered further high-grade results from ongoing reverse circulation (RC) and diamond core drilling programs at the Mankarga 5 deposit.

The Mankarga deposit is located on the Tanlouka Permit, which is part of the company's Boulsa project, in Burkina Faso.

Since early February West African has reported a run of high-grade results along 800m of strike at Mankarga 5.



*Mankarga summary plan. Source: Company announcement*

The latest results stem from 600 metres of strike situated on the southwest portion of the deposit and include:

TAC0029:

28 metres at 1.87 grams per tonne gold from 8 metres, including 1 metre at 6.02 grams per tonne gold, 1 metre at 15.61 grams per tonne gold and 9 metres at 5.95 grams per tonne gold from 40 metres, including 5 metres at 9.7 grams per tonne gold ending in mineralisation;

TAC0034:

8m at 0.94g/t gold from 19m;

TAC0038:

6m at 3.54g/t gold from 53m including; 1m at 17.16g/t gold;

TAC0040:

9m at 0.81g/t gold from 35m and 1m at 6.15g/t gold from 56m;

TAC0042:

14m at 1.1g/t gold from 10m and 11m at 3.11g/t gold from 27m, including 1m at 15.16g/t gold and 3m at 4.54g/t gold.

“Drilling programs in conjunction with a reinterpretation of the Mankarga 5 deposit will lead to a resource update towards the end of this month,” West African Resources said in its ASX announcement.

“The combination of the results of the work programs will enable West African to complete a Preliminary Economic Analysis (PEA) and Scoping Study in the first half of 2014.”

“The recent results from West African drilling complement historic diamond drilling and RC high-grade results on the same sections.”

West African’s current work program at Mankarga 5 includes shallow RC drilling over 25 sections along 2.8 kilometres of strike as well as six diamond core holes targeted beneath open zones at depth, plus metallurgical test work drilling along the strike of the deposit.

The product from four metallurgical test work holes has arrived in Perth, upon which test work is to commence this week to determine expected recoveries from heap leach processing.

Historic test work on Mankarga 5 mineralisation has returned results including up to 95.3 per cent gold recovery from oxide and up to 92.3 per cent gold recovery from sulphide material in bottle roll tests.

West African Resources explained it is focussed on near-term production with its immediate attention on the Mankarga 5 deposit and existing nearby gold prospects.

The company has set a goal of being a +50,000 ounces per annum gold producer within two years, subject to study outcomes, via a low-cost heap leach starter project.

West African recently announced the acquisition of a second-hand 1.6 million tonnes per annum heap leach plant as part of its plan to fast-track development of Mankarga 5.