

# Solis Minerals Ltd. Announces: Compelling Targets Identified from New Geophysical Modelling of the Cucho Project, Peru

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## Highlights

- New modelling of historical magnetic and induced polarization ("IP") data from Cucho has identified a number of compelling targets, supported by surface geochemistry.
- These targets likely form part of a deeply-rooted porphyry copper-molybdenum system.
- Drone-borne magnetic survey is scheduled for December 2025 (Figure 1), aimed at mapping structures and magnetic features associated the currently recognised alteration / hydrothermal system. Expanded surface geochemistry sampling will also commence shortly.
- Community approvals have been received and drill permitting has recently commenced.

[Solis Minerals Ltd.](#) (ASX: SLM) ("Solis Minerals" or the "Company") is pleased to announce that new 3D geophysical modelling at Cucho (the "Project") has highlighted compelling geophysical, geological and geochemical targets to be tested in a 2026 diamond drilling programme.

Chief Executive Officer, Mitch Thomas, commented:

"We are excited by the results of new geophysical modelling at Cucho, which supports a number of highly prospective targets, defined by combinations of demagnetization, elevated chargeability and conductivity, with elevated surface geochemistry."

Figure 1: Coverage of geophysical studies at Cucho; including magnetics survey for December 2025

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## 1. Background

Solis Minerals has the right to earn up to a 75% interest in Cucho<sup>1</sup>. Solis Minerals also has a seven-year option to acquire up to 100% of the Project at any time. Cucho is highly complementary to Solis Minerals' portfolio of exploration projects and expected to support delivery of the Company's objective to Discover copper-gold resources that can host large-scale mining in one of the world's leading copper-gold regions (Figure 2).

Figure 2: Solis Minerals' portfolio of exploration projects in Peru

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The Cucho project covers a land package of 3,600 hectares and alteration-mineralisation anomaly footprint of 3 x 1.8 kilometres. The anomaly is defined by coincident copper-molybdenum geochemistry, surface mineralisation, and strong IP chargeability anomalies. Mineralisation is hosted in batholithic granodiorite, with stockwork veining and copper oxide staining at surface within the surficial exposed oxide zone, transitioning to primary chalcopyrite-molybdenite sulphides at depth.

Previous drilling encountered significant mineralisation in all seven drill-holes completed with grades consistent with operating mines across the Andean copper belt:

- COP14-01: 169.7 metres @ 0.24% Cu, 0.012% Mo and 1.0 g/t Ag (from surface)
  - Inc. 39.5 metres @ 0.34% Cu, 0.014% Mo and 1.1 g/t Ag (from 27.3 metres)
- COP14-02: 178.7 metres @ 0.23% Cu, 0.022% Mo and 0.9 g/t Ag (from 38.6 metres)
  - Inc. 20.0 metres @ 0.32% Cu, 0.020% Mo and 0.8 g/t Ag (from 135.9 metres)
- COP14-05: 96.7 metres @ 0.28% Cu, 0.018% Mo and 1.4 g/t Ag (from 37.2 metres)
  - Inc. 52.7 metres @ 0.35% Cu, 0.016% Mo and 1.0 g/t Ag from 82.5 metres
- COP14-06: 175.4 metres @ 0.28% Cu, 0.012% Mo and 1.3 g/t Ag (from surface)
  - Inc. 91.2 metres @ 0.33% Cu, 0.007% Mo and 0.8 g/t Ag (from surface)
- COP14-07: 269.1 metres @ 0.25% Cu, 0.011% Mo and 1.1 g/t Ag (from surface)
  - Inc. 19.9 metres @ 0.36% Cu, 0.002% Mo and 1.0 g/t Ag (from 13.6 metres)
  - Inc. 18.0 metres @ 0.36% Cu, 0.020% Mo and 0.6 g/t Ag (from 138.2 metres)

Historical drilling had limitations that led to a 2014 Technical Report, prepared under NI-43-101 Standards, concluding that "the main geochemical and geophysical anomalies were left without verification by drilling". These findings are consistent with the new geological modelling reported on in this announcement. Solis Minerals plans to drill these targets in Q2 2026.

The geological setting, alteration assemblages, and scale of the mineralised system are directly comparable to large porphyry copper projects including Hudbay's Mason and Constancia (Hudbay Minerals, TSX: HBM), Teck's Zafranal project (Teck Resources, NYSE: TECK), Element 29's Elida project (Element 29 Resources, TSXV: ECU) and Newmont's Illari copper-gold project (NYSE: NEM)<sup>2</sup>.

The Cucho Copper Project presents a compelling case for the presence of significant mineralisation across the historically drilled area (the Central Zone) and extending into undrilled anomalies across the North, West and South Zones (Figures 3, 4). While the current drilled area - based on just 2,000-metres of relatively shallow, historical scout drilling in the Central Zone - demonstrates promising copper and molybdenum grades, it represents only 7% of the known mineralisation footprint.

Figure 3: Plan view of large geophysical chargeability anomalies at Cucho with drill hole traces overlaid with geochemistry sample assays. Priority drill targets presented. X-section included in Figure 4.

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Figure 4: Cucho long section with projection of drill core traces on geophysical IP chargeability anomalies.

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## 2. Geophysical 3D Modelling

Solis recently commissioned Deep Sounding Exploration Geophysics of Lima, Peru to reprocess and model historical ground magnetic and induced polarization data from the Project. The results of geophysical modelling were subsequently integrated with the historical geology and geochemistry datasets to provide a robust interpretation of the porphyry mineralisation environment. The essential conclusions resulting from this work are as follows:

- Important structural discontinuities, defined by breaks in the magnetic, resistivity, chargeability and geochemistry datasets, strike mainly NW-SE, NE-SW and N-S (Figure 5). These suggest significant vertical displacements across some of these features which may juxtapose different levels of the porphyry-style mineral system;
- A pronounced reduction in magnetic susceptibility occurs from east to west across a major NE-SW structural break (Figure 6). Combined with an increase in the overall chargeability from east to west, the conclusion is that the western half of the modelled area has been the subject of much more intense hydrothermal alteration. The change in geophysical characteristics corresponds to a contrast between less altered, magnetic diorites in the east and more altered granodiorites and granite porphyries in the west. The east to west change in inferred alteration intensity also corresponds to a sharp increase in the abundance of porphyry geochemical pathfinder elements such as molybdenum.
- More conductive (i.e. less resistive) material is concentrated at higher levels closer to surface (Figure 7) and is consistent with supergene alteration processes and generation of more conductive clays etc in a leaching environment. The overall lateral correspondence between the zone of highest chargeability and highest conductivity over the scale of the IP survey is consistent with the near surface oxidation of hypogene sulphides, developed over a kilometric-scale sulphidic mineral system.
- A deeply-rooted and strongly chargeable body, open at both ends and to depths in excess of 500-600 meters, is considered the first priority for drilling (Figure 7). This hundreds of metres dimension feature is referred to here as the "Eastern Chargeable body". The sulphidic character of this strongly chargeable material is supported in the surface geochemical data by a zone of broadly corresponding elevated total sulphur (S).
- The Eastern Chargeable Body is separated from the area of historically-drilled, strongly copper-anomalous altered intrusive rocks by a prominent NW-SE structural discontinuity (Figure 8). The currently interpretation is that probable higher levels of the porphyry system have been downthrown in this block and that potentially economic copper-molybdenum mineralized material is preserved at depth beneath the sulphidic shell defined by the elevated chargeability.

Figure 5: 3D Block model of modelled magnetic susceptibility at Cucho

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Figure 6: 3D Block model of modelled chargeability at Cucho

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Figure 7: 3D Block model of modelled resistivity at Cucho

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Figure 8: 3D integration of the chargeability and conductivity over the Eastern Chargeable body

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### 3. Conclusions

New 3D modelling of historical magnetics, chargeability and resistivity data, integrated with geology and geochemical data, confirms the existence of widespread hydrothermal alteration associated with a kilometric-scale copper-molybdenum porphyry system.

Inferred vertical throw on a system of NW-SE, NE-SW and N-S striking, syn- to post-mineral fault structures potentially juxtaposed contrasting levels of the porphyry system, and potentially preserved economic copper-molybdenum zones in certain blocks. One such target exists beneath a deeply-rooted, hundreds of metres-scale chargeable anomaly ("Eastern Chargeable Body") (Figures 6, 8).

A number of highly prospective targets have been identified, defined by combinations of demagnetization, elevated chargeability and conductivity, and elevated surface geochemistry in the porphyry pathfinders.

### 4. Next steps

The Company is designing a diamond drilling programme to test the Eastern Chargeable Body and other compelling targets to depth, in close coordination with community consultation and permitting process (Figure 9).

In addition, the company is initiating new geological mapping, geochemical rock chip and soil sampling and drone-based magnetics programmes to further understand and extend the already well-established porphyry mineral system.

Figure 9: Cucho historical drilling and surface geochemistry with preliminary locations of drill pads

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## About Solis Minerals Limited

Solis Minerals is an emerging exploration company, focused on unlocking the potential of its South American copper portfolio. The Company is building a significant copper portfolio in the Coastal Belt of Peru. The Company is led by a highly-credentialed and proven team with excellent experience across the mining lifecycle in South America. Solis is actively considering a range of copper opportunities. South America is a key player in the global export market for copper and Solis, under its leadership team, is strategically positioned to capitalise on growth opportunities within this mineral-rich region.

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The technical information in this news release was reviewed by Dr. Paul Pearson, a Fellow of the Australian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy (AusIMM), a qualified person as defined by National Instrument 43-101 (NI 43-101). Paul Pearson is the Head of Exploration of the Company.

## Competent Person Statement

The information in this ASX release concerning Geological Information and Exploration Results is based on and fairly represents information compiled by Paul Pearson, a Competent Person who is a Fellow of the Australasian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy. Paul Pearson is Head of Exploration of Solis Minerals Ltd. and has sufficient experience which is relevant to the style of mineralisation and types of deposit under consideration and to the exploration activities undertaken to qualify as a Competent Person as defined in the 2012 Edition of the "Australian Code for Reporting of Mineral Resources and Ore Reserves". Paul Pearson consents to the inclusion in this report of the matters based on information in the form and context in which it appears. Paul Pearson has provided his prior written consent regarding the form and context in which the Geological Information and Exploration Results and supporting information are presented in this Announcement.

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