

Element 29 Closes \$35.4 M Private Placement with 9.9% Interest Acquired by Strategic Investor

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Vancouver, April 22, 2026 - [Element 29 Resources Inc.](#) (TSXV: ECU) (OTCQB: EMTRF) (BVL: ECU) ("Element 29" or the "Company") announces it has closed effective April 21, 2026 its non-brokered private placement (the "Financing") and issued 32,245,269 common shares (each a "Share") of the Company at a price of \$1.10 per Share for aggregate gross proceeds of \$35,469,796.

Richard Osmond, President and CEO, states, "We would like to thank our existing shareholders for their continued support, and we are pleased to welcome Alpayana S.A.C., led by Chair Alejandro Gubbins, as a new strategic investor with a 9.9% interest in the Company. Alpayana has a long history of mining in Perú, with a strong track record of value creation and deep in-country operational expertise. We are also pleased to welcome Randy Smallwood into the Financing. Together, their participation represents a strong endorsement of the Company and our Perú copper portfolio, strengthening our technical and financial position as we advance our projects toward potential tier-1 discoveries in a world class mining jurisdiction."

The net proceeds from the Financing will be used to fund exploration activities at the Company's Perú projects, including the 2026 drilling program at its flagship Elida porphyry copper-molybdenum-silver ("Cu-Mo-Ag") deposit in west-central Perú, and for general working capital.

In connection with the Financing and in accordance with the policies of the TSX Venture Exchange the Company paid aggregate cash finder's fees totaling \$629,999.99.

The Shares issued pursuant to the Financing will be subject to a statutory four-month and one-day hold period expiring on August 22, 2026.

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About Element 29 Resources Inc.

Element 29 is an emerging junior resource company with a highly experienced management team and board focused on exploring and potentially developing Tier-1 copper deposits in Perú, one of the lowest-cost, lowest-risk mining jurisdictions globally.

The Company's principal objective is to explore and significantly expand its Elida Porphyry Cu-Mo-Ag Deposit in west-central Perú. Alongside Elida, the Company has three early stage, highly prospective porphyry Cu projects in Perú for more than 25,000 ha of titled concession. These include the Flor de Cobre porphyry Cu-Mo prospect situated in the Southern Perú Copper Belt, just 26 km from the Cerro Verde copper mine (Freeport-Buenaventura)¹ as well as the Paka and Pahuay porphyry Cu skarn prospects related to potential tertiary-aged, mineralized porphyry complexes intruding along the eastern margin of the Peruvian Coastal Batholith.

All projects are well located for future mine development and will benefit from nearby infrastructure including roads, powerlines, ports, water, and a skilled workforce.

More information is available at www.e29copper.com.

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