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**Successful diamond drilling extends Reward deposit**

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The drilling program to extend the strike length of the unmined Reward deposit at Hill End, New South Wales, has shown early success with diamond holes HHRCD06 and 07 intersecting gold mineralisation at the predicted positions. The Reward area mineralisation is a northern extension of the very high grade Hawkins Hill deposit, which produced a reported 425,000 ounces at a grade of approximately 300 g/t.

The stepout diamond drill holes were designed to test for strike extensions 50 metres north and south from previous drilling at Reward, which included high grade gold intersections of up to 208g/t over 0.9 metres and 5.9g/t over 5.9m.

Better intersections sampled and sent for assay with the following geological logging:

**HHRCD06 (Collar 725451mE, 6341682mN, -55°→265°Map Grid Australia)**  
148 – 151m : strong quartz-pyrite-pyrrhotite-chalcopryrite±galena veining  
171 – 173m : strong quartz-pyrite-pyrrhotite-chalcopryrite-galena veining,  
coarse visible gold

**HHRCD07 (Collar 725421mN, 6341542mE, -65°→269°Map Grid Australia)**  
97 – 108m : sporadic quartz-pyrite-pyrrhotite veining, visible gold  
165 -179m : strong quartz-pyrite-pyrrhotite±chalcopryrite±galena veining

Assay results are expected within the next few weeks.

The holes have intersected downdip extensions of the Frenchmans vein, Cross' vein and Suttor's Blow which were reported to have, respectively, 26g/t over 4.0 metres width, 90g/t over 0.9 metre and 12g/t over 2.4 metres at the base of historical mining.

Visible gold is now present at Reward in diamond drill holes from 6341440mN to 6341670mN over 230 metres strike, with mineralisation open at depth and to both the north and south.

Re-interpretation of previous drilling and compilation of historical mining reports have provided a reliable geological model for the Reward deposit and diamond drilling has demonstrated it can provide intersections consistent with this model. Reward has been mined near surface for over 400 metres from north of the Patriarch shaft to the Emmett and Hughes crosscourse to a maximum depth of 120 metres below surface. Mining on the Reward deposit stopped in the 1920's due to lease issues and water pumping requirements.

Diamond drilling continues.

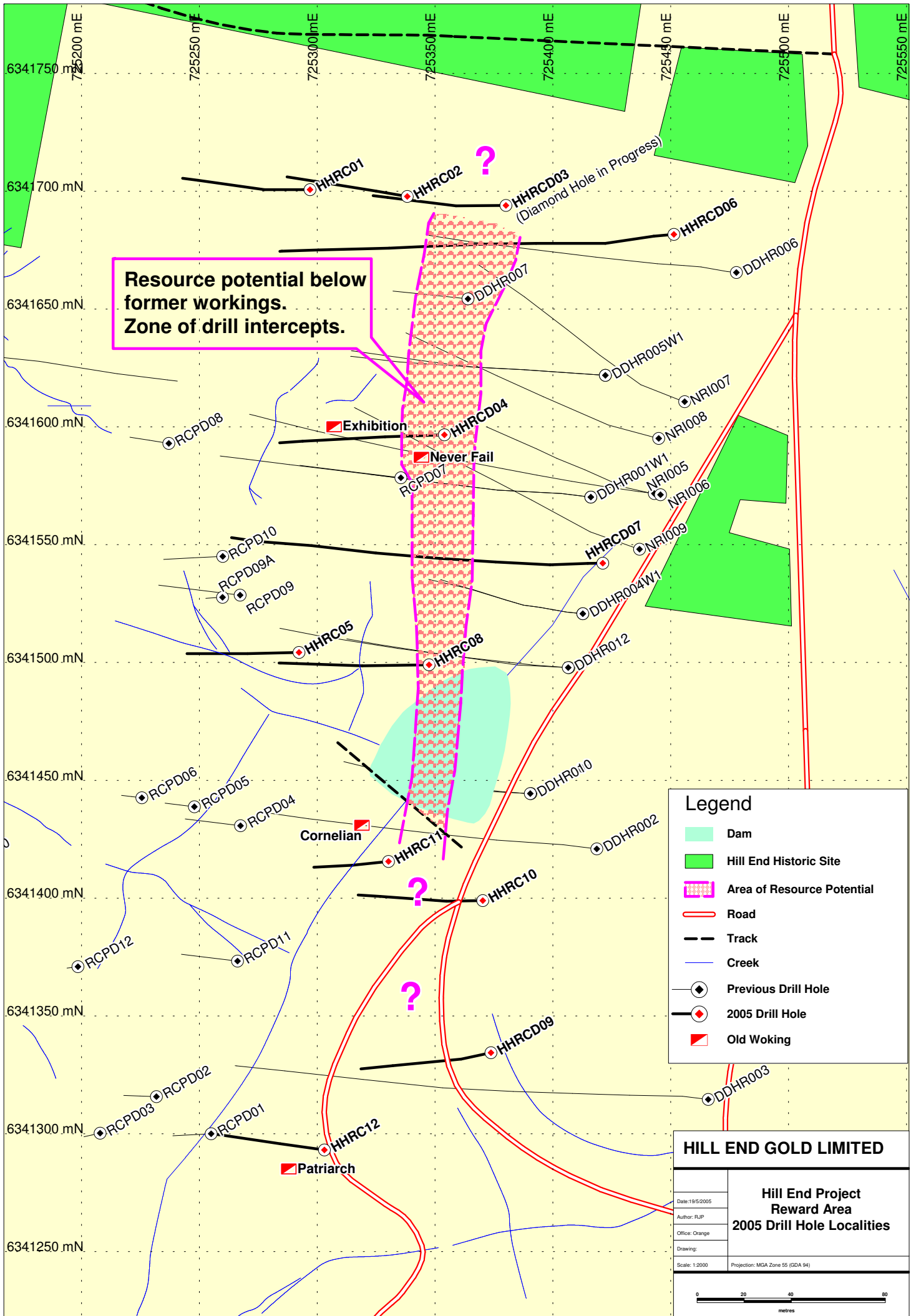
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**Resource potential below former workings. Zone of drill intercepts.**

**Legend**

- Dam
- Hill End Historic Site
- Area of Resource Potential
- Road
- Track
- Creek
- Previous Drill Hole
- 2005 Drill Hole
- Old Working

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**Hill End Project Reward Area 2005 Drill Hole Localities**

Date: 18/5/2005  
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 Drawing:  
 Scale: 1:2000  
 Projection: MGA Zone 55 (GDA 94)

0 20 40 80 metres