
Hill End Gold acquires Laos project

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Hill End Gold wish to advise that the company has signed a Heads of Agreement for a joint venture with Mekong Resources Pty Ltd, a private Sydney based company, for a project area in Laos. The Lak Sao Project area, which is located in the Bolikhamxay province, has been applied for and the Foreign Investment / Exploration Licence application has been accepted and formally registered with the Department of Domestic and Foreign Investment in Laos.

The Lak Sao Project exploration licence application area of approximately 2000km² is in the Truong Son Belt, which is associated with the large copper-gold deposits of Sepon and Phu Bia operated by Oxiana Limited and Pan Australian Resources Limited.

Previous prospecting on the Lak Sao application area has identified many precious and base metal occurrences in outcrop and in stream sediment dispersion haloes. Controlled artisanal gold mining of a moderate scale is underway on a small tenement excised from the tenement application.

Hill End Gold have a 51% interest in the Lak Sao Project and will sole fund the first US\$500,000 expenditure, with straight line dilution applying to further expenditure if Mekong Resources do not wish to contribute. Acquisition costs, based on approval milestones, amount to US\$220,000 of which US\$150,000 will be paid in HEG scrip. Mekong Resources have a strong presence in Laos with highly capable people who will provide assistance to Hill End Gold in establishing a successful project.

Hill End Gold has identified Laos as a highly prospective area for precious and base metal deposits. Laos has an emerging economy strongly based on mineral development and the government and people are very supportive of the exploration and mining industry and the related development and social advantages.

Hill End Gold also operate the Hill End Project in New South Wales, Australia, where trial mining and gold processing of the high grade Reward area will commence later this year and significant resource upgrades are under preparation for the Reward and Red Hill areas.

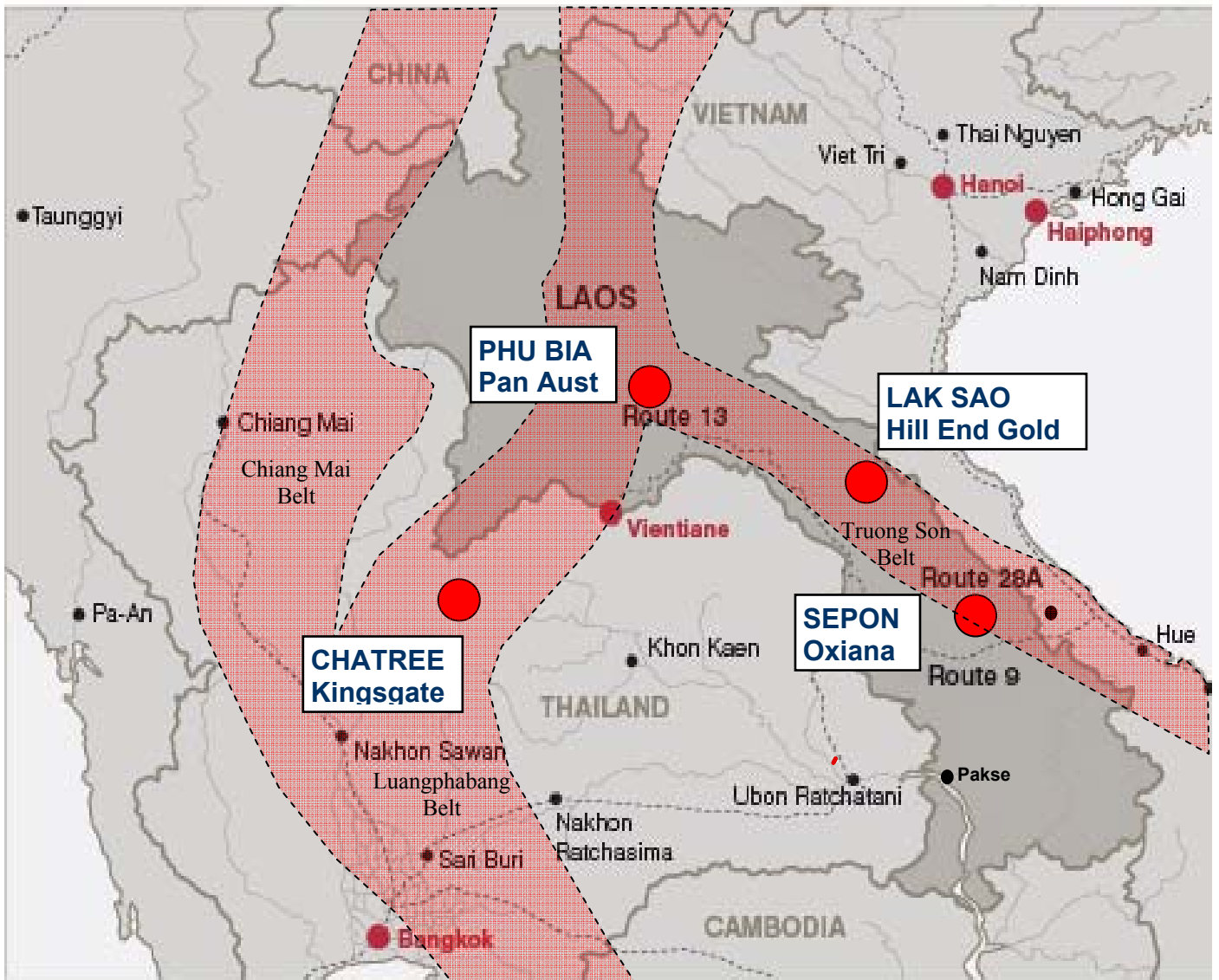
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Laos Project Location Map

