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Prinas Chand Helps Thunderstruck Explore

Thunderstruck Resources is a mineral exploration company that has assembled highly prospective properties in Viti Levu, on which they've confirmed zinc, copper and precious metals mineralisation.

It is currently undergoing two exploration programs on the Liwa gold/silver property and the Korokayiu zinc/copper property.

To aid in the company's expansive exploration programmes, Thunderstruck has engaged Prinas Chand as project manager, a dedicated Fijian national with in-country experience managing a range of activities including core logging, mapping, sampling, data analytics, digitisation, logistics and geological interpretation.

"We're blessed to have Ms Chand on the Thunderstruck exploration team," said chief executive officer Bryce Bradley.

New discoveries

"She is an invaluable asset, with a strong work ethic and easy demeanour:

"One of the seemingly endless tasks on her plate is running between both exploration camps in order to manage project needs, of which there are many.

"We have always believed that having hard working Fijians, like

Ms Chand, will be key to making new in-country discoveries and in turn the prolonged success of the company.

"We fully believe in the vast opportunity that is Fiji and remain of the mindset that we have merely scratched the surface when it comes to its potential.

Liwa drilling

"Drilling at the Liwa gold asset will begin in the next few days.

"I have relocated to Fiji to oversee this exciting new phase of the company's life cycle."

The team worked tirelessly to clear over 15km of access roads to construct drill pads and get the drills to this very remote site, Ms Bradley said.

The drill arrived at the site this week, and will be moved to the first drill pad to commence drilling this weekend, she said.

The company's two flagship properties are the Liwa Creek Gold Project - a high grade gold-silver epithermal prospect near Nabukelevu village, and the Korokayiu zinc-copper volcanic massive sulphide (VMS) property, both in Serua.

Thunderstruck also has the Rama Creek gold-copper project which is a large, low grade copper porphyry similar in structure to Newcrest's adjacent Namosi copper porphyry.

The company's fourth property is Nakoro, a copper-zinc VMS prospect with high-grade copper and zinc intercepts from historical drilling.

Thunderstruck Resources has completed road construction to Liwa Creek and will commence its maiden drill program in a few days.

Five high grade gold prospects

Liwa Creek Gold features five high grade gold prospects which have been identified over an approximately 3km northeast-southwest oriented structural corridor.

The campaign marks the first time that Liwa Creek gold prospect has been drilled following up on high grade surface samples as high as 55g/t gold, 1205g/t silver and trenching of 1.2g/t gold over 26.5m.

The 2020 Korokayiu zinc/copper exploration programme is in its second year of drilling and exploration, with a geophysical programme conducted by Japanese MINDECO (Mitsui Mineral Development Engineering Co.).

The interpretation of this programme will assist in determining the 2021 drilling programme.

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Thunderstruck Resources president and chief executive officer Bryce Bradley on a mineral expedition in the interior of Fiji.

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CEO Bryce Bradley ready to drill, praises mining friendly legislation

Report



By Frederica
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ing and building a company, thankfully in 2020 a woman can accomplish anything she wants if she puts her mind to it," Ms Bradley said. "The Fijian people have been extremely welcoming and respectful, confirming the belief that Fiji was the right investment choice for Thunderstruck."

Three years later

Over the past three years, Thunderstruck Resources has searched the world over for high quality exploration assets, Ms Bradley said.

"After reviewing over a hundred possible acquisitions, the company chose Fiji because it is a mining friendly jurisdiction, with a locally skilled workforce, and spectacular high grade exploration assets," she said.

Three years of geochemical, geophysical and sampling programme, has culminated to the Liva gold asset which is now ready to drill, she said.

Fiji-based operations

Thunderstruck Resources is based at Nadi Back Road where it built an office two years ago.

The Fiji-based operation employs four locals, including a recently appointed chief financial officer Wilson Michael.

"It is humble, but has a large backyard to store our drill core and the drills," Mrs Bradley said. Thunderstruck Resources is publicly listed on the Toronto Stock Exchange as an exploration company with all assets in Fiji.

"Our goal is to discover the next mine in Fiji, while increasing employment opportunities for the local community," Ms Bradley said.

Creating employment

Thunderstruck Resources' corporate policy is to hire as many local employees as possible. "We are a Fiji-based company with Fijian

As Canadian-registered company Thunderstruck Resources commences its maiden drill programme in Fiji, its president and chief executive officer Bryce Bradley says Fiji was the right investment choice.

Ms Bradley, a single mother who has juggled work and parenting responsibilities, now wants to settle in Fiji with her daughter.

The Canadian investment banker, with her United States colleague Brien Lundin, started and financed Thunderstruck Resources in 2011.

Ms Bradley said: "It's been a challenge juggling parenting and corporate responsibilities, especially with the travel that's necessary from Canada to Fiji."

However, she has been able to bring her daughter to Fiji on business trips, saying it had worked out wonderfully since she fell in love with the Fijian people.

"Despite the dual responsibilities of parent-

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Liwa Creek in Serua, where silver and gold deposits were initially found

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assets, and it is our mandate to create employment in the country," Ms Bradley said.

As far as possible, Thunderstruck Resources remains committed to hiring and training local personnel in all facets of its exploration programme, she said.

"For the Liwa 2020 gold drilling programme, we will hire approximately 25 people - four local driller assistants, a local chef, and approximately 20 local labourers from villages surrounding the drill programme," Ms Bradley said.

The labourers will be tasked with helping move the drill, organise the camp, implement safety standards, clean up, and implement land reclamation measures, she said.

Thunderstruck Resources will drill approximately 10 holes across a three kilometre strike length of mineralisation.

Maiden drill programme

The order, depth and location of the drill holes may change during the programme, depending on what is unearthed, Ms Bradley said.

"The advantage of being a small exploration company is that we can be nimble, and quickly adapt our programme to suit the results," Ms Bradley said.

"After the 2020 drill programme is completed, the team will analyse results to plan next year's drill programme."

"Next year's drilling programme will be designed to expand the size and depth of the known deposit, as discovered in this maiden drill programme."

Mid-July arrival

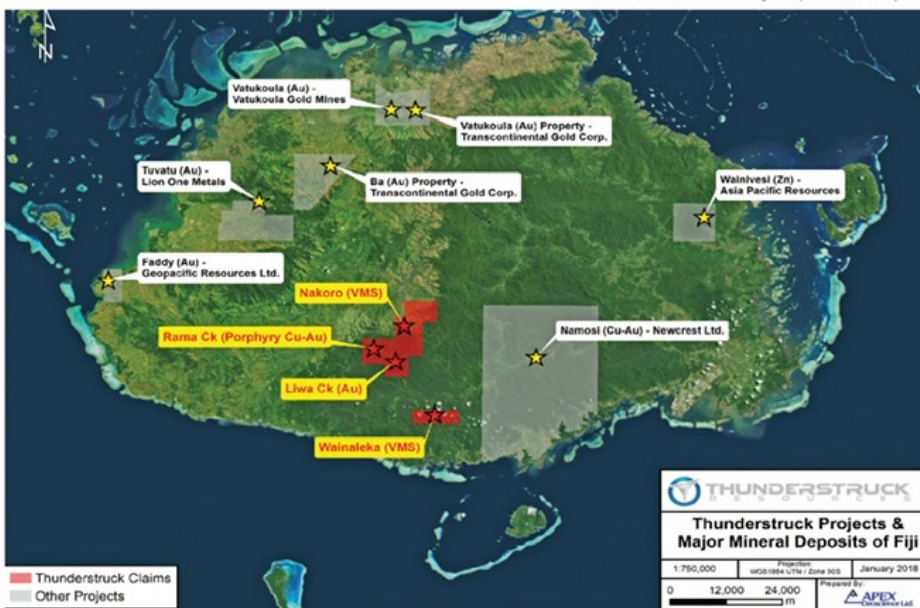
By mid-July, two containers of drilling gear is expected to arrive in Fiji from Canada.

"The great thing about the drills we're bringing in is that they are both economically and environmentally friendly," Ms Bradley said.

"They will leave a minimal environmental footprint on the land, and require no new roads to be built to get them to the drill sites."

The shipping containers include two diamond drill rigs and all equipment necessary to drill successfully in Fiji, Ms Bradley said.

The consignment from Canada will also comprise ample supply of camping



Thunderstruck Resources project sites in Fiji

gear, since the drilling locations are remote, she said.

"We do not have a permanent camp built in the area yet."

The drill rigs will be staying in Fiji indefinitely to be used on other programmes, and will be stored at Thunderstruck Resources Nadi office when not in use.

Liwa Creek

Country manager Moape Navia said Liwa Creek was one hour on foot from Nabukelevu Village in the interior of Serua.

A turn off from the Queens Highway, near Nabutini Village, leads inland to Nabukelevu Village.

"It takes an hour to get from the Queens Road to Nabukelevu Village, where the source of the Navua River is," Mr Navia said.

"West of the Navua River is a portioned area for prospecting licence. Within that area is Liwa."

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Thunderstruck Resources Fiji country manager Moape Navia (right) at the Nadi office on June 19, 2020. Photo: Charles Chambers

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