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The foremost **COBALT** project  
generator and developer  
in North America

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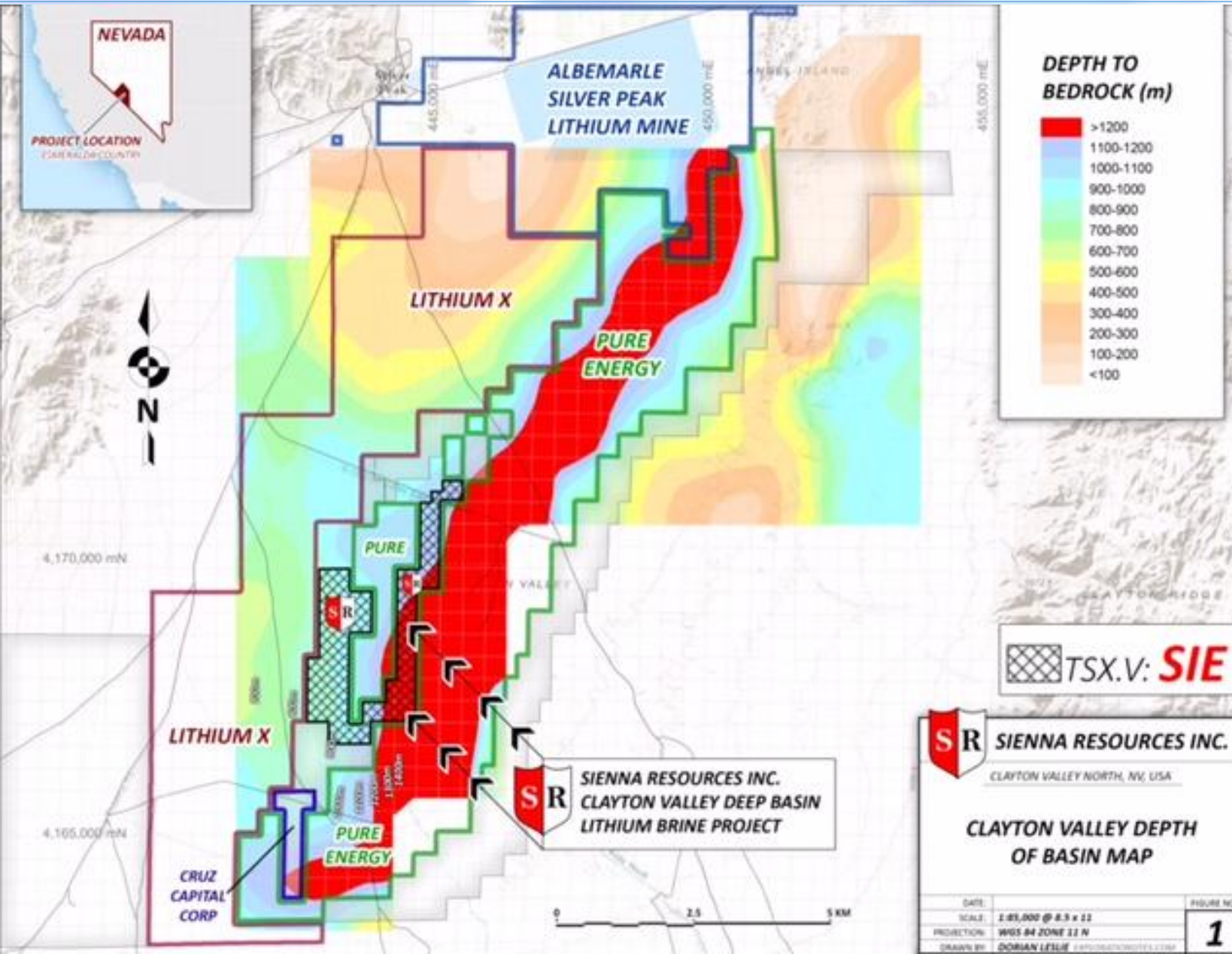


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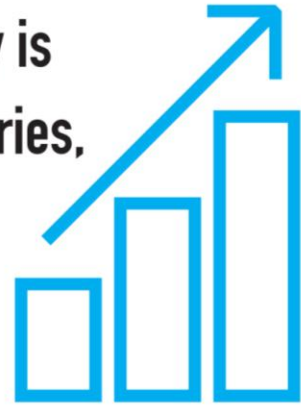
# Clayton Valley, NV - Lithium Assets



- Cruz Cobalt Corp was an early mover in the Clayton Valley, Nevada lithium play
- Cruz is one of 4 companies (Albermarle, Pure Energy & Sienna Resources) to have access to the deepest parts of the only lithium brine basin in production in North America
- Pure Energy (PE.v) is expected to be release their PEA in the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter of 2017

# Overview: Cobalt Quick Facts

The electric vehicle industry is driving up demand for batteries, and the raw materials used to make them.

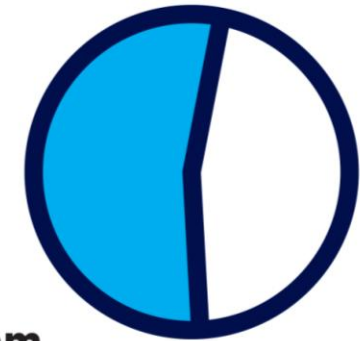


Cobalt is one of 3 key minerals used to make Tesla battery packs



Cobalt has not been mined in the US since 1971. USGS reports claim that the government stockpile has 301 tonnes remaining.

More than 50% of global supply comes from the Democratic Republic of Congo.





# Why Cobalt? Introduction

The market for electric cars is exploding with growth – and by 2040, electric cars will be pulling more than **1,900 TWh from the grid each year.**



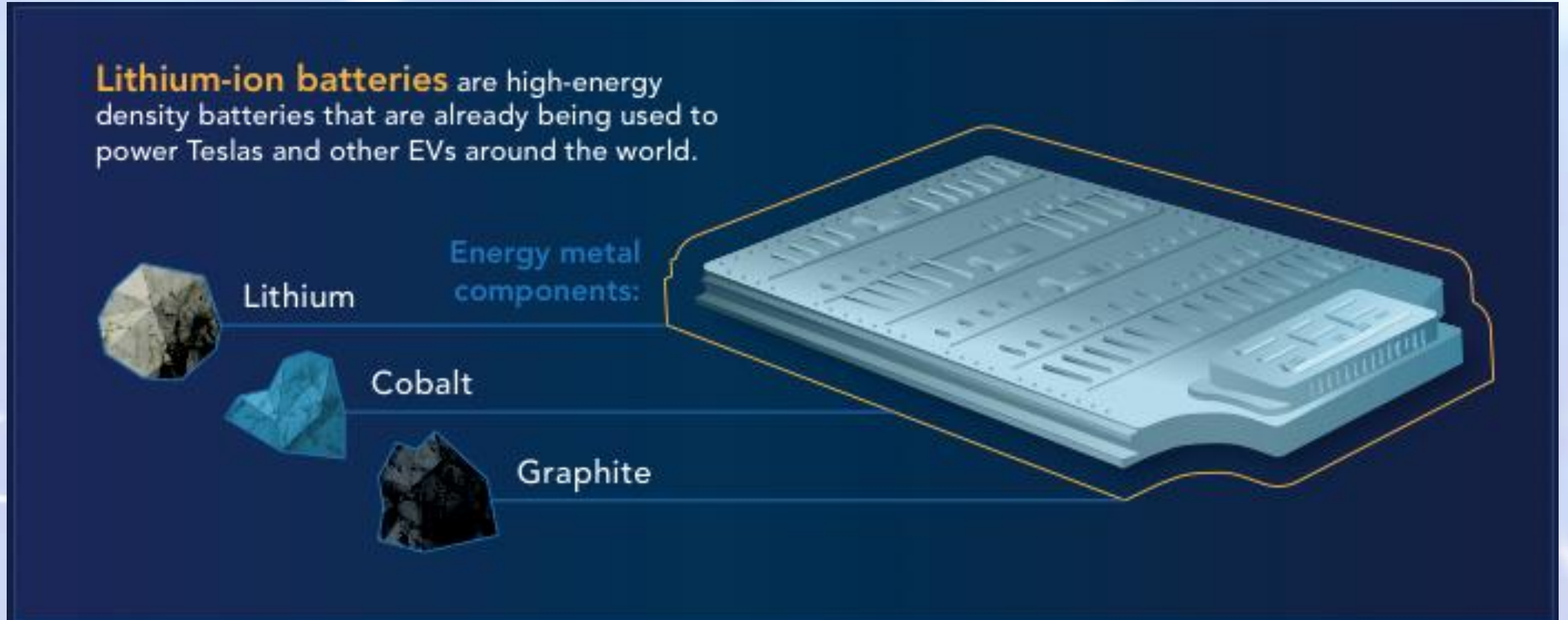
That's equal to powering the entirety of the United States **for 160 days straight.**



How will all that power be stored?  
In Lithium-ion batteries.

- Cobalt is one of the main components in Lithium-Ion Batteries (LIB) for which demand is being driven by the Electric Vehicle (EV) revolution and the rise of Stationary Power Storage - Enabling use of renewable energy options for grid base load
- Cobalt-Based Cathode Chemistries deliver superior energy density for greater power & performance in LIB's
- All major car manufacturers confirm EV's are going mainstream; Tesla validates interest with ~400,000 preorders for Model 3, + potential new sector entries Apple, Google etc.
- Major LIB producers confirm cobalt based chemistries will remain Industry Standard for foreseeable future
- Availability and sustainability of cobalt has been thrown into question in recent months – not for the first time...
- Cobalt is arguably the most critical of critical LIB minerals

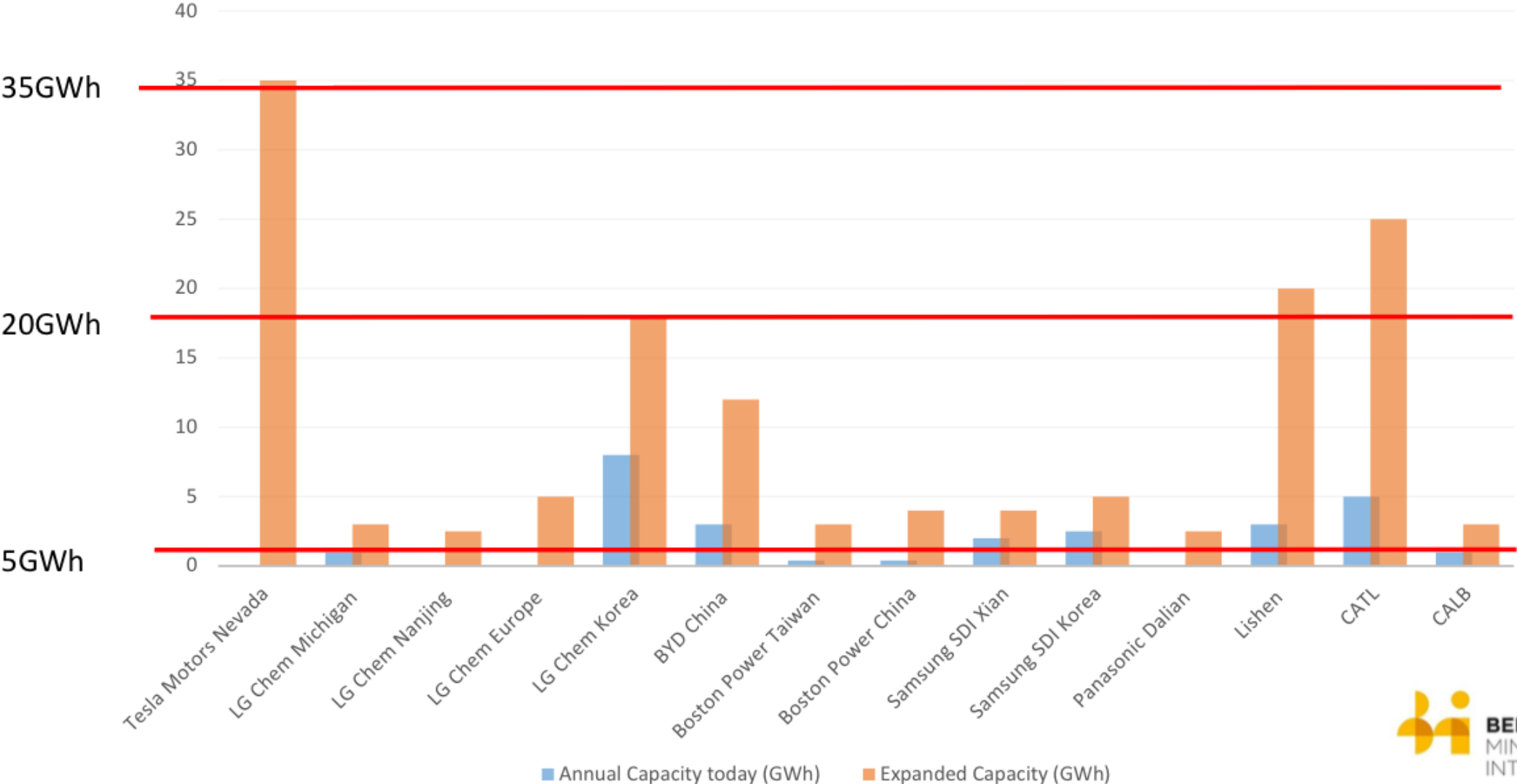
# Cobalt & Lithium-Ion Batteries



- By 2018 Tesla's First Gigafactory in Nevada expects to produce more LIB than world did in 2013 (Market estimates 5,000 – 10,000 t annual cobalt demand)
- >12 Battery Megafactories under construction or announced including \$5 Billion Tesla Gigafactory (35 GWh)

# Cobalt & Lithium-Ion Batteries

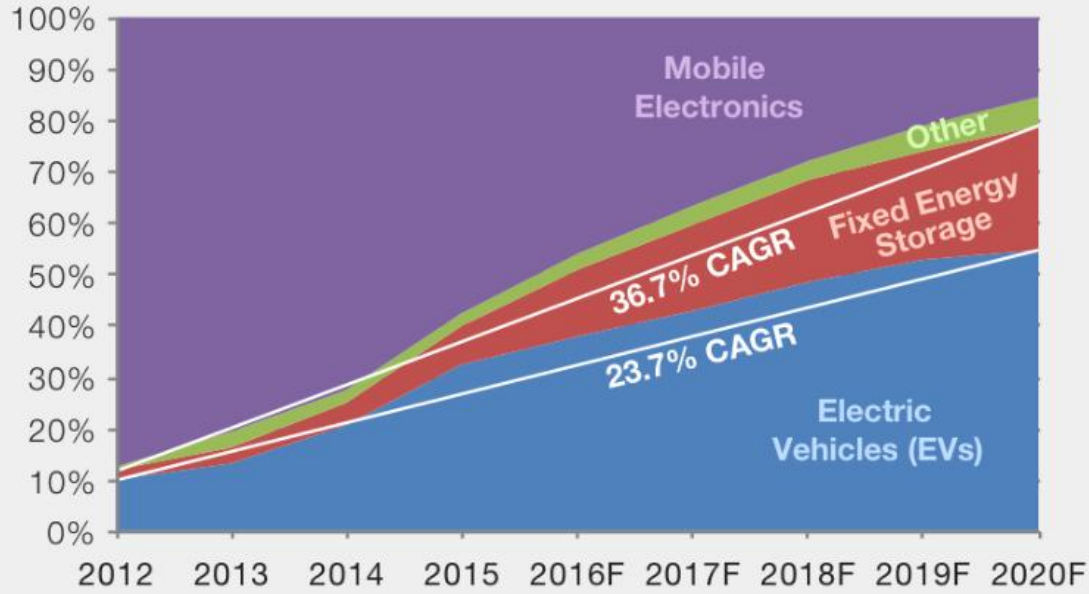
... The lithium ion megafactories are coming





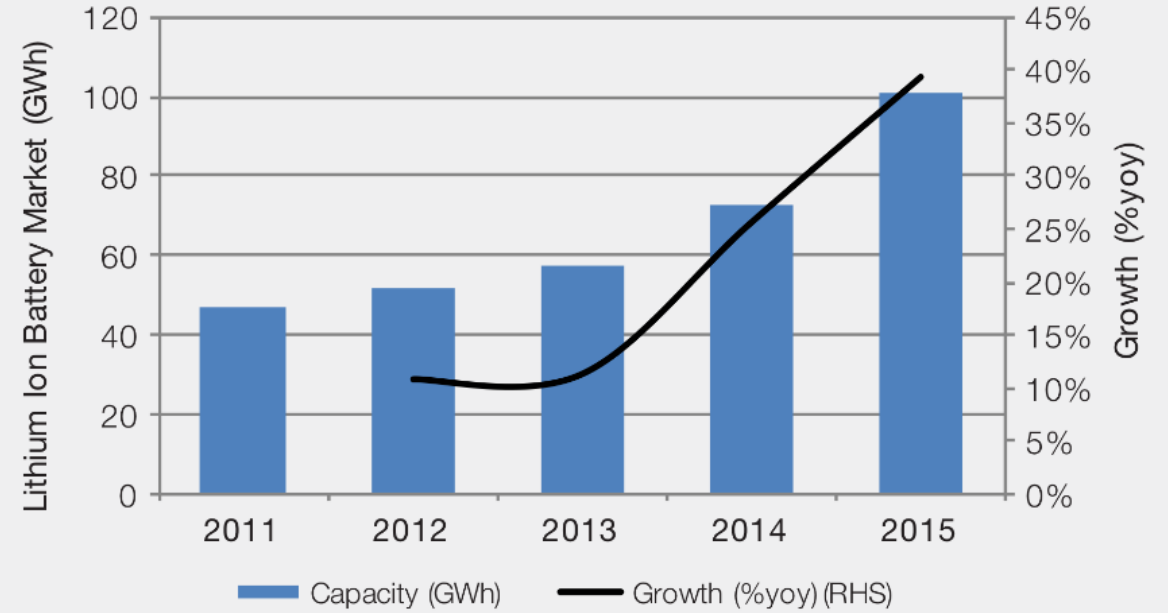
# Global LIB Market & Demand

Lithium Battery Demand By Application (Global) 2012–2020F



Source: ResearchInChina

Global Lithium Ion Battery Market (GWh) 2011–2015



Source: ResearchInChina, USGS

- EV demand, coupled with increasing battery size as required by the shifting from smaller (~1kWh) HEV batteries (eg: Toyota Prius) to larger EV batteries (~85kWh) (eg: Tesla Model S) is driving significant demand growth – with 2012-2020F 23.7% CAGR.
- Demand for lithium ion batteries to create energy storage solutions is increasing, with global storage (measured as Giga Watt Hours or GWh) expanding from 46 GWh (2011) to over 100 GWh (2015) representing a five year 16.7% CAGR.

# Cobalt Opportunity

## The Cobalt Opportunity

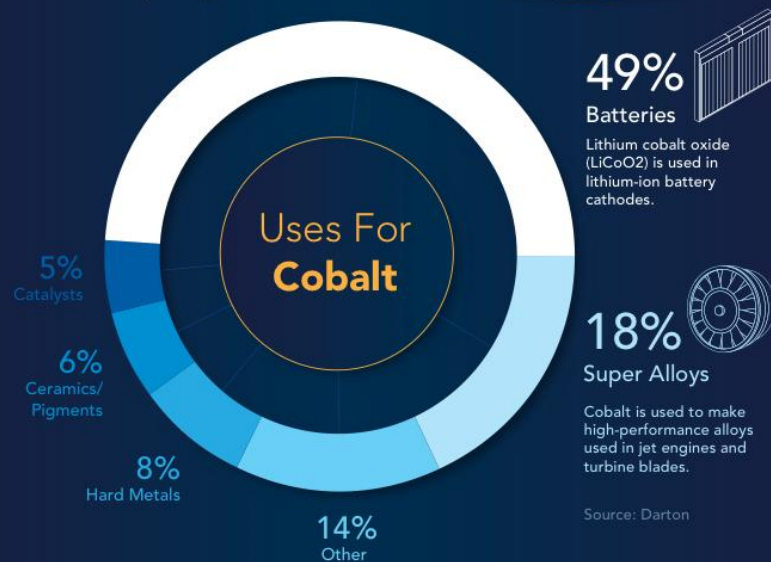
Pure cobalt is a silvery-grey metal – but cobalt isn't often found pure in nature.



Cobalt's first uses came from naturally-forming compounds that had a famous deep-blue hue. Even ancient civilizations used cobalt to color glass.



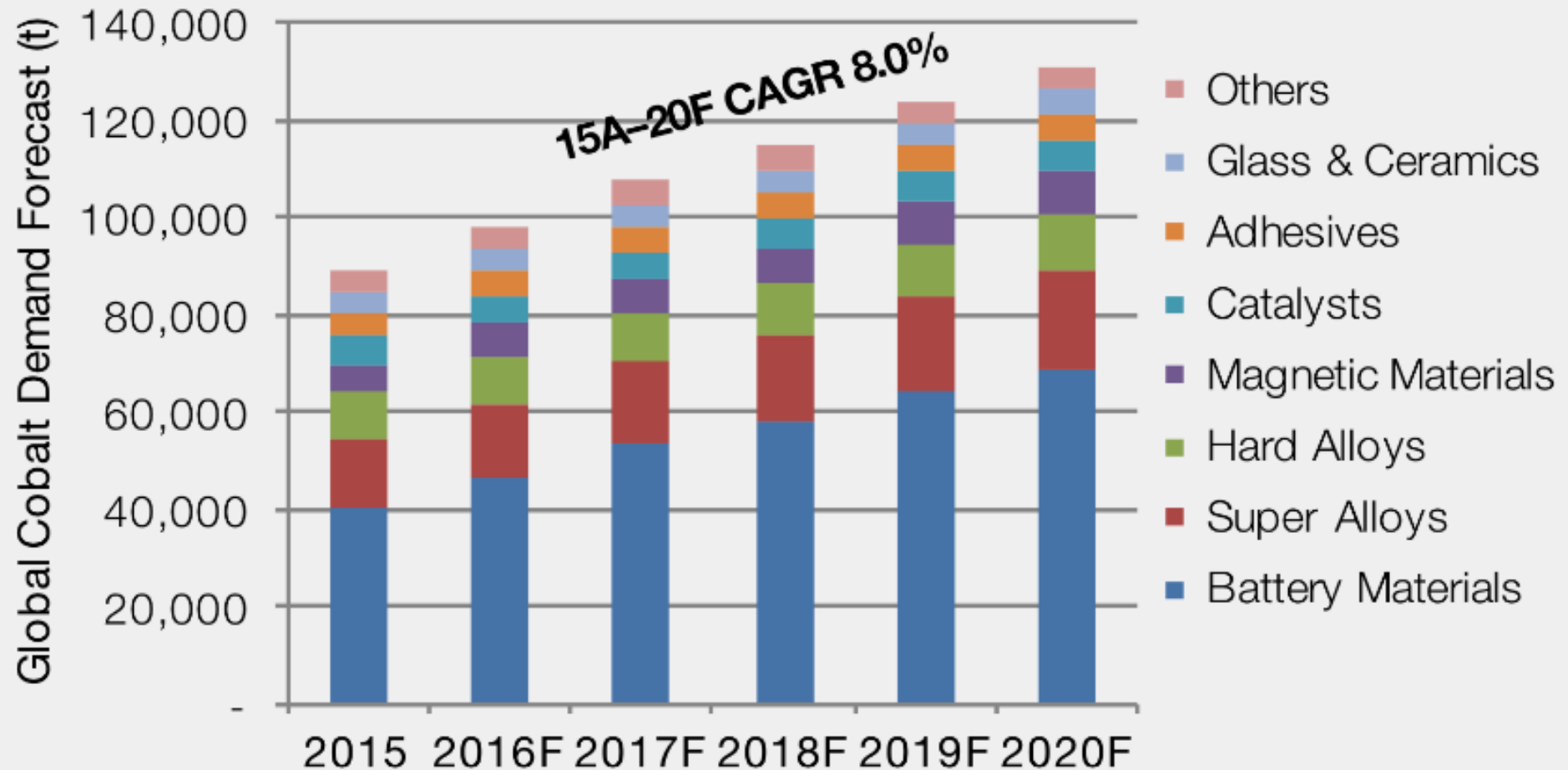
Today, however, cobalt is known for its uses as an energy metal and a superalloy:



- Growing demand, supply uncertainty & responsible sourcing concerns are creating an opportunity for a cobalt boom
- 2015 Global cobalt consumption: Rechargeable Batteries are now 49% of market used to power portable electronic devices, Electric Vehicles & Stationary Storage Cells up from 1% of market in mid -1990's
- Cobalt applications in 2015 experienced a growth rate of 5.4%
- Cobalt battery applications specifically grew by 11.7% in 2015

# Global Demand Growth Forecast

## Global Cobalt Demand Forecast by Application (t)



Source: ResearchInChina



# The Cobalt Problem?



## The problem?

Experts predict the cobalt market to run into a supply deficit well into the future as battery demand continues to soar.

The majority of cobalt is mined in the volatile Democratic Republic of the Congo, a country that is extremely politically unstable with deeply rooted corruption.

As a result, cobalt prices are extremely sensitive to supply disruptions in the DRC.

Meanwhile, cobalt hasn't been mined in the United States since 1971, and there are very few "pure play" companies exposed to cobalt prices.



- The Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC) is an extremely politically unstable country with deeply rooted corruption and is well-documented for using unethical mining practices including child labour, resulting in Cobalt becoming the new conflict mineral (blood cobalt)
- Supply Chain Concerns with >60% of mine production in politically unstable Congo & 52% of refinery production in China
- No new supply of Cobalt has come on-line in North America in over 45 years.
- Companies who create and/or use Lithium-Ion batteries in their products will be held accountable for their Cobalt supply chains.
- Higher potential cobalt price from supply disruptions in DRC

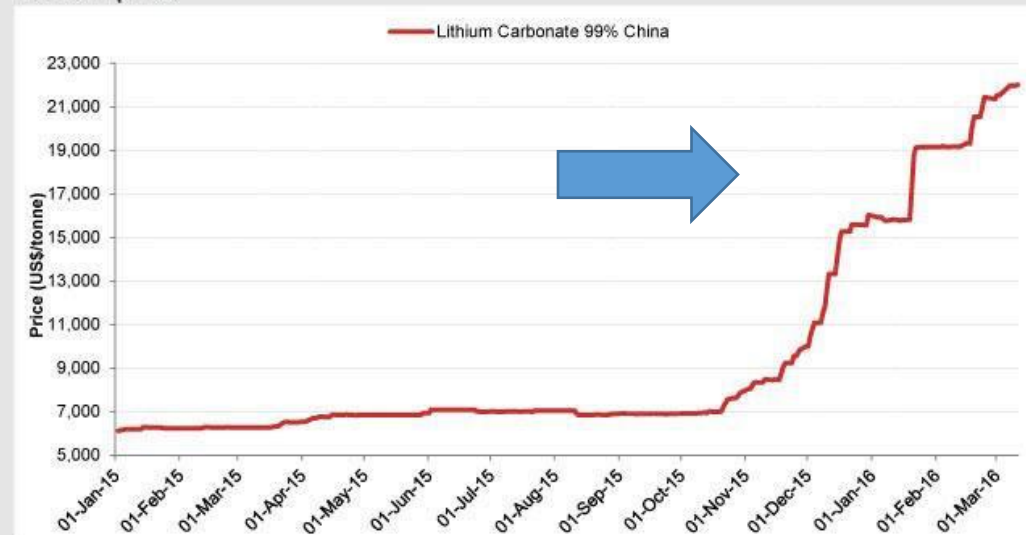
# Cobalt vs. Lithium Prices

COBALT PRICE  
25.06 USD/LB  
30 MAR '17

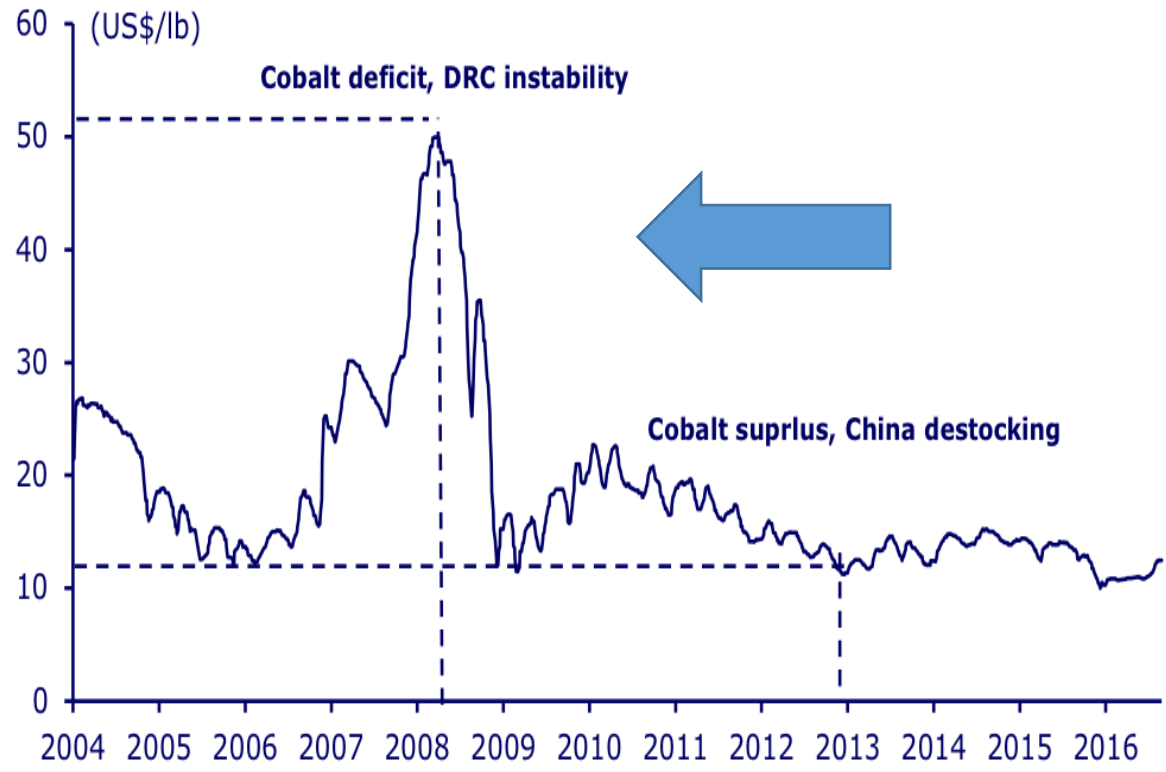


- Cobalt Price has bottomed & Market Deficit projected in 2017 extending for foreseeable future is creating significant Cobalt price per pound upside potential
- Cobalt prices have increased by over 150% from under \$10 per pound to over \$25 per pound during the past year and have broken out to new 7-year highs
- We feel that cobalt prices could have the same type of parabolic move like lithium has had over the past 2 years going from \$6,000 per tonne to \$22,000
- Similar dynamics that have driven lithium prices higher are present in cobalt and that is why Cruz has established itself as a first mover in the sector

Lithium price



# We've seen it happen before...



- Due to geo-political instability in the Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC), during 2006-2008 we saw cobalt prices soar from below \$15/pound to well above \$50/pound in a matter of months.



# Why Cruz? The Cobalt Solution...

## The Solution.

Cruz Cobalt Corp. aims to have "pure play" exposure to cobalt prices by exploring for economic sources of cobalt throughout North America.

So far, in the company's early history, Cruz Cobalt Corp. has acquired positions in eight cobalt prospects throughout the continent:



// Our goal is to make Cruz the foremost cobalt project generator and developer on the TSX Venture. We feel that cobalt is at the early stages of a significant bull market and are pleased to be positioning Cruz at the forefront of this cycle. //

– Jim Nelson, President

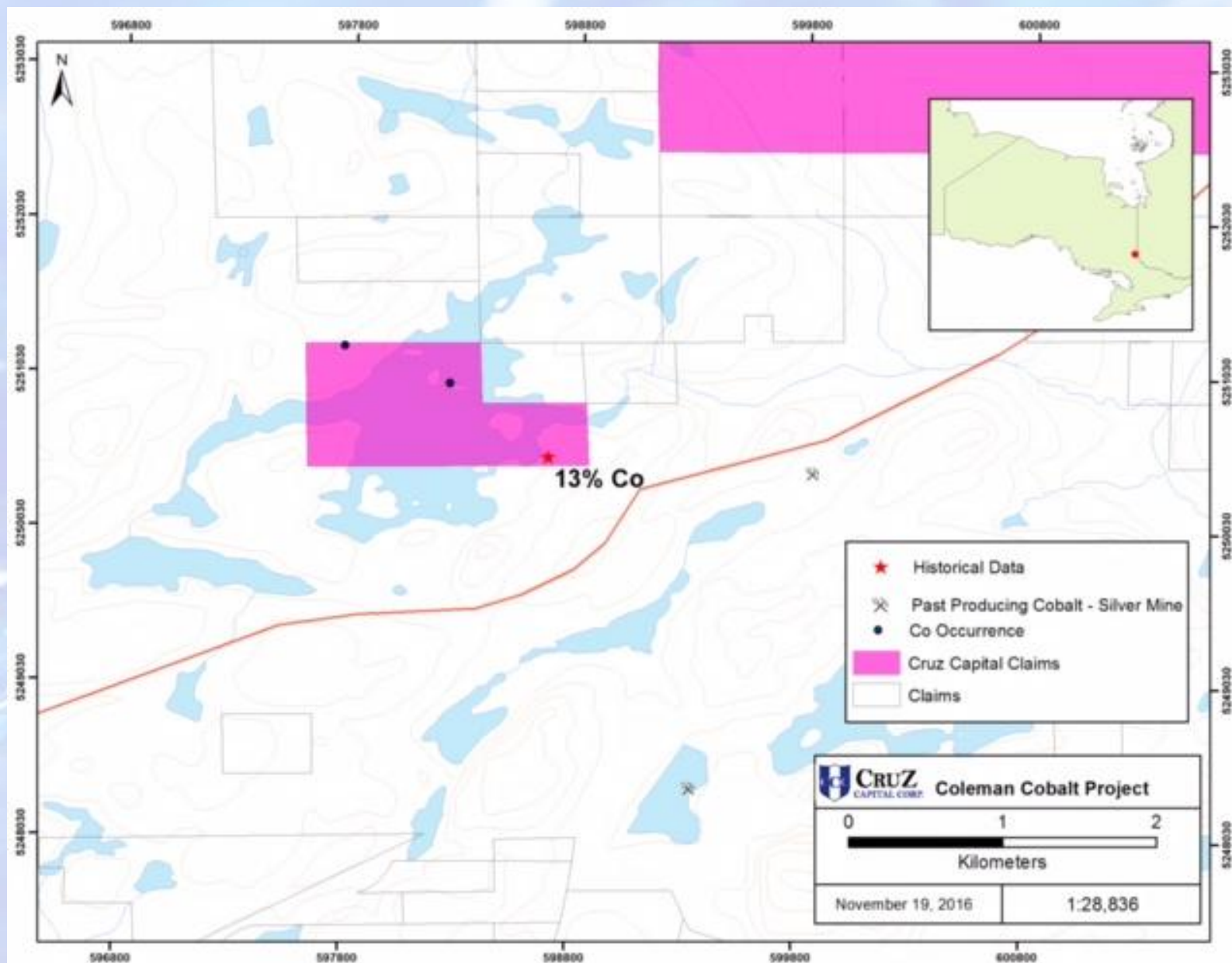
- As an early mover in the Cobalt space Cruz was able to acquire 8 of the best available, under-developed, historically high-grade Cobalt prospects across North America.
- Cruz has significant exposure to Cobalt prices by developing high-grade Cobalt resources in politically stable, environmentally responsible and ethical mining jurisdictions.

# Cruz's Chart



- Since January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2017, Cruz has traded over 100 million shares globally
- Cruz currently has approximately 50 million shares outstanding

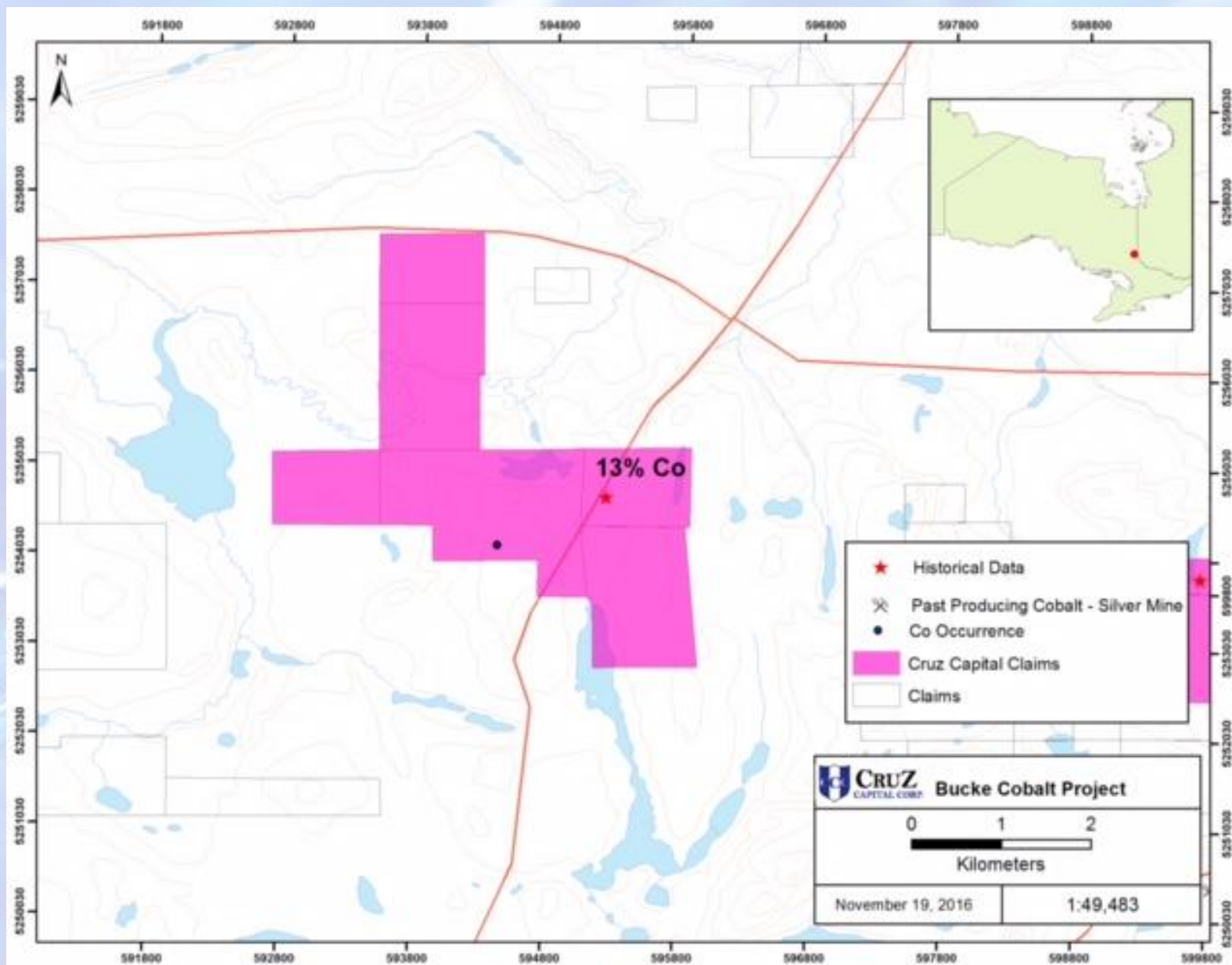
# The Coleman Cobalt Prospect



- The Coleman Cobalt Prospect consists of approximately 900 contiguous acres in the Larder Lake mining division of Ontario
- According to the Province of Ontario mineral file, the property returned grades of up to **13% COBALT** and appears to be an extension of the Tretheway veins. (historic data, needs to be reconfirmed)
- Management expects to commence exploration on this property shortly, utilizing the flow through funds already on hand to fully assess this property.

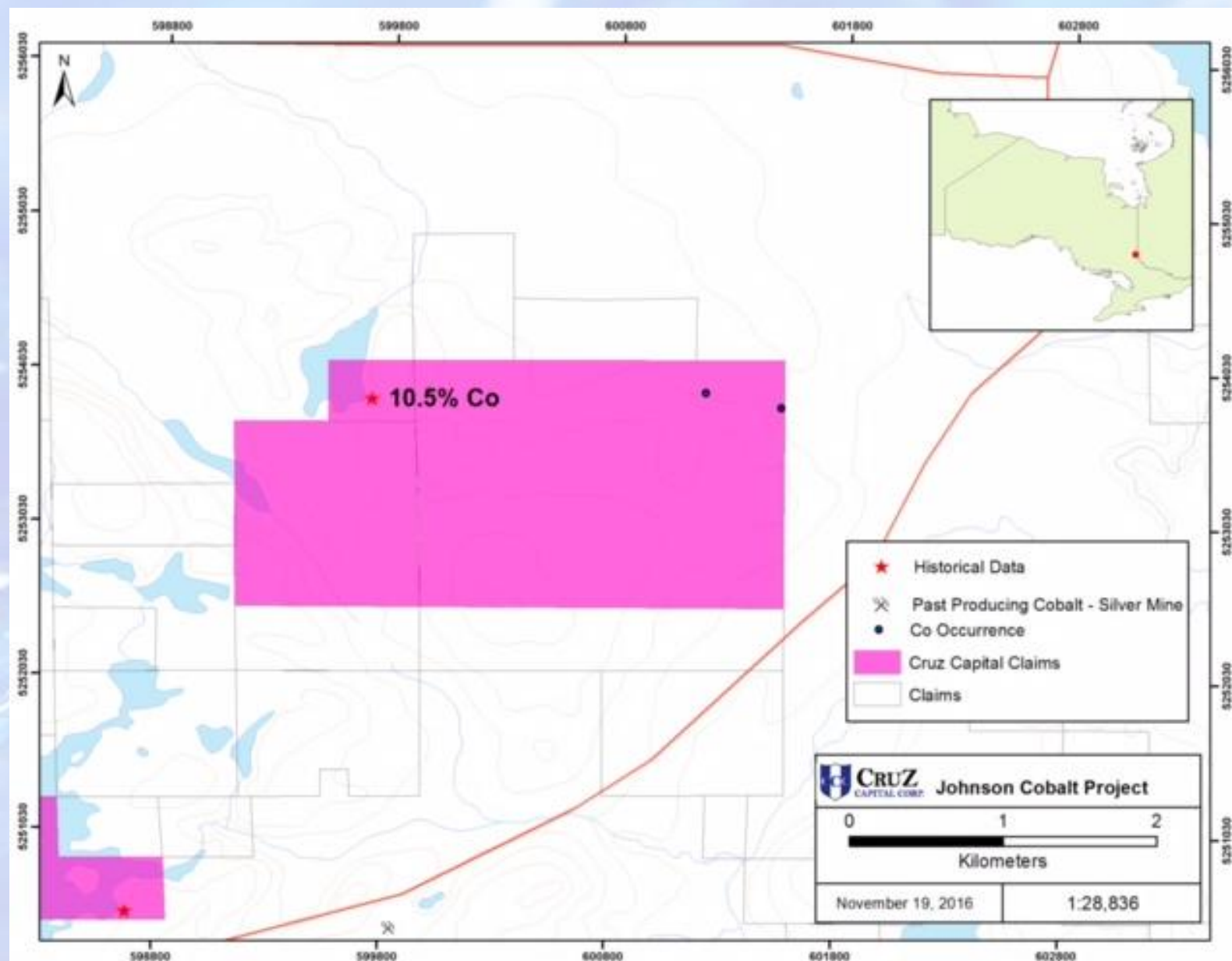


# The Bucke Cobalt Prospect



- The Bucke Cobalt Prospect consists of approximately 1480 contiguous acres in the Larder Lake mining division of Ontario
- According to a Province of Ontario Mineral file, the property returned assays grading up to **13% COBALT** and 240 g/t SILVER on this cobalt-focused prospect. (historic data, needs to be reconfirmed)
- Management expects to commence exploration on this property shortly, utilizing the flow through funds already on hand to fully assess this property.

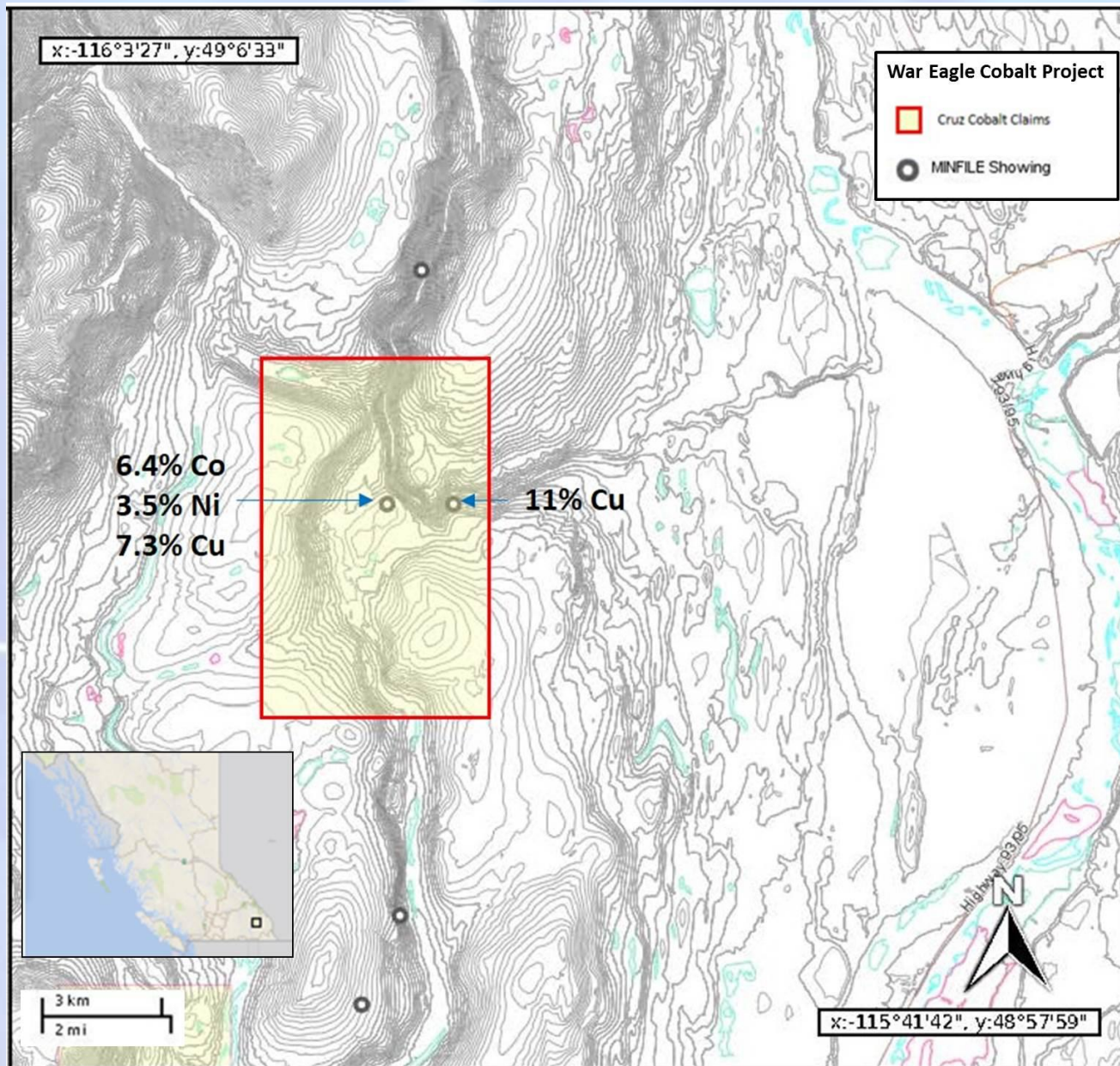
# The Johnson Cobalt Prospect



- The Johnson Cobalt Prospect consists of approximately 900 acres in the Kirkland Lake mining district of Ontario
- According to a Province of Ontario Mineral file, the property returned assays over 300 metres grading up to **10.5% COBALT**, 69 g/t AG, 12% NI and .4% CU. (historic data, needs to be reconfirmed)
- Management expects to commence exploration on this property shortly, utilizing the flow through funds already on hand to fully assess this property.



# The War Eagle Cobalt Prospect



- The War Eagle Prospect, according to a Province of British Columbia Mineral file, encountered samples of up to **6.41% COBALT**, 3.59% nickel and 7.25% copper (historic data, needs to be reconfirmed)
- Management expects to commence exploration on this property shortly, utilizing the flow through funds already on hand to fully assess this property.



# The Idaho Star Cobalt Prospect



- the Idaho Star cobalt prospect in Idaho, United States is located approximately nine miles southwest of Saltese, Montana, and 19 miles southeast of Wallace, Idaho. This prospect consists of 44 contiguous claims within the prolific Idaho cobalt belt.
- Geological data was gathered showing this prospect area to have been active for mining of cobalt, silver and copper in the past, which was the reason for the acquisition.

# The Chicken Hawk Cobalt Prospect



- The Chicken Hawk cobalt prospect consists of 64 contiguous lode claims covering approximately 1,300 acres and is located in Deer Lodge county, Montana
- The claims are located on the western edge of the Boulder batholith and east of the Cordilleran fold and Thrust belt in southwestern Montana. Covering a boundary between a Cretaceous granodiorite and the Lowland Creek volcanics from the Eocene, the eight current claims are in the vicinity of a total of four volcanic rock suites.
- Cobalt, the primary targeted commodity of the Chicken Hawk, is occurring in the pyritized andesite and as cobaltian arsenopyrite; the sulphides are pneumatolytic in origin. The 64 claims surround four patented claims, no less than 15 unclaimed prospects, and three unclaimed adits.
- Management believes that the cobalt trend in the Western USA snakes its way through Idaho, into Montana and up into Southern B.C.

# Management & Share structure



- James Nelson, President
- Seth Kay, Director
- Greg Thomson, Director
  
- Cash position: \$2m
  
- Shares Outstanding: 50m





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# Thank You

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