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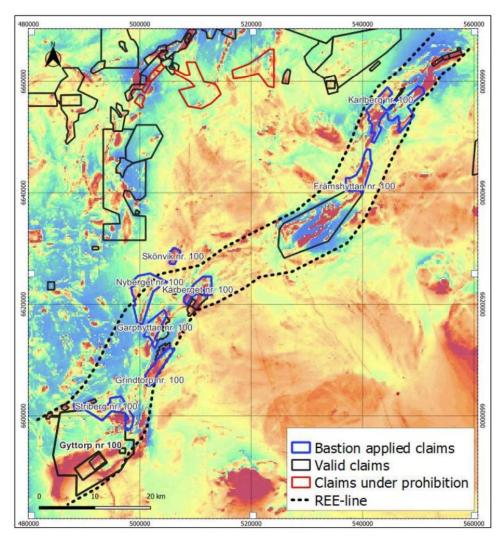


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<u>Bastion Minerals</u> announced it submitted applications for eight additional claims in Sweden's Bergslagen Mining district, increasing its total landholdings to 279.5 km². Prospective for REEs and Cu, the company plans to initiate exploration activities by sampling and potentially ground magnetic surveys once the permits are granted.

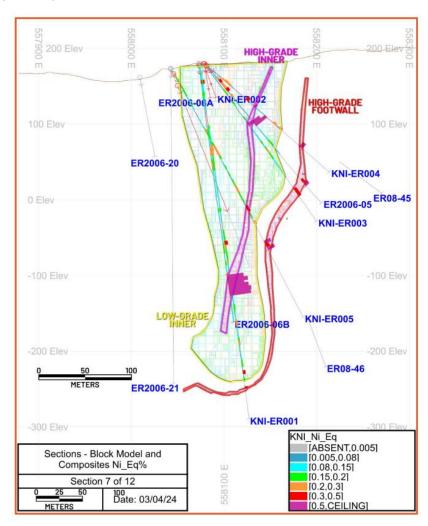


Location of newly applied property claims in central Bergslagen (Source: www.bastionminerals.com)



<u>Kuniko</u> published an inferred mineral resource estimate for its Ertelien nickel-copper-cobalt project in Norway, returning 23.3Mt @ 0.21% Ni, 0.16% Cu and 0.014% Co. Notably, the resource includes a higher-grade core of 4.59Mt @ 0.44% Ni, 0.34% Cu, 0.03% Co. As approximately 17Mt of the resource is located above a depth of 250m, the company has been considering open pit mining as potential mining method.

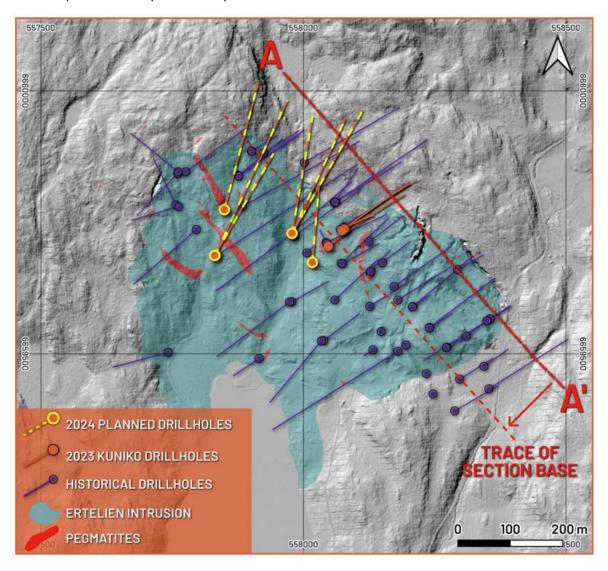
Kuniko notes that there is "substantial potential for resource expansion" along strike as well as at depth and is currently conducting a ground EM survey in the underexplored western part of the deposit and plans to re-assay previously unsampled historic drill core.



Cross section 7/12 through the Ertelien block model (Source: www.kuniko.eu)



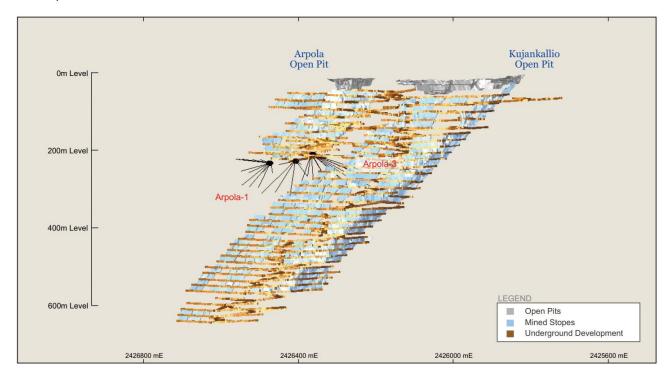
Two days later, the company further announced the start of an eight-hole, 4000m drilling campaign at Ertelien. The drilling program aims to connect isolated intervals of mineralization with the main area of historical drilling as well as to expand the resource along strike towards the west and at depth. Drilling is designed in 100m step-outs, allowing for simple addition of potential mineralization to the recently published resource estimate by utilizing a similar drill spacing. The drilling program is expected to conclude in Q2 2024, with first assay results anticipated in May.



Planned and existing holes at the Ertelien project (Source: www.kuniko.eu)



<u>Dragon Mining</u> reported results from underground drilling at its Jokisivu gold mine in southern Finland. The 13-hole, 2046m drilling campaign targeted the down plunge extension of the Arpola lode, one of the two main mineralized shoots at Jokisivu. Intersecting mineralization as high as 1.55m @ 83.40g/t Au or 3m @ 13.29g/t Au, the campaign was successful in identifying mineralization below the current underground development area.



3D model of the Jokisivu Gold mine with the location of recent drilling at the Arpola lode (Source: www.dragonmining.com)



On a further note, <u>Capella Minerals</u> announced a mutually agreed 90-day extension to close the sale of its central Norwegian projects to Polar Transition Metals AS, <u>Grangex</u> announced it entered into an extension regarding the acquisition of the Sydvaranger iron mine, <u>Artic Minerals</u> announced plans for a new drilling program at its Bidjovagge gold-copper project in northern Norway, <u>United Lithium</u> announced it increased its ownership in the Kietyönmäki Lithium project to 100%, <u>LKAB</u> announced it is forced to consider production cuts due to capacity issues with the ore railway, <u>NewPeak Metals</u> announced it finalized the sale documentation of its Finnish gold projects and <u>Karelian Diamond Resources</u> reported the identification of garnets formed in the diamond stability field up ice of its green diamond discovery in the Kuhmo region in eastern Finland.