



Program planned for 'gem' of a prospect

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A RESOURCE drilling program for China Yunnan Copper Australia's Gem copper prospect will start following the success of previous drilling campaigns within the Cloncurry district at Mount Isa.

The resource drilling program of 22 holes for about 2600m has been implemented to define as yet unexplored inferred resources at the deposit.

China Yunnan Copper Australia has completed an electro magnetic geophysical program to confirm the sub-surface geology of the prospect area.

The company said that a 3D model had also been developed to identify resources to

the south and at depth of the deposit.

The proposed drilling program would extend the identified mineralised zones and provide in-fill information of the mineralised zones which occurred under the surface, between the two main areas of drilling.

China Yunnan Copper Australia expected to delineate an inferred resource by the end of the March quarter.

Three previous drilling campaigns at the

Gem copper prospect had identified 38m at 1.25 per cent copper and 0.20g/t gold from 33m; 8m at 0.89 per cent copper and 0.25g/t gold from 183m; and 6m at 1.57 per cent copper and 0.19g/t gold from 53m.

In addition to this, a rare earth element target resource estimation was under way for

the Elaine Dorothy uranium prospect.

Results from the estimation are expected to highlight target areas for further drilling and quantify the grade potential of both uranium and rare earth elements mineral endowment.

The company planned to further develop its three target commodities, which include copper, gold and uranium, by targeting high-quality copper, gold and uranium projects with 11 wholly-owned exploration permits in the Mount Isa, Ravenswood-Pentland and Clermont regions of Queensland.

China Yunnan Copper Australia is also active in the Mary Kathleen project in Mount Isa with Goldsearch and in the Pentland Gold project with ActivEX.