



IGO ACQUIRES JV INTEREST IN CREASY GROUP SOUTHERN HILLS TENEMENTS

Independence Group NL ('IGO' or 'the Company') (ASX: IGO) announces that it has entered into tenement purchase and joint venture agreements (the **JV Agreements**) with three entities owned and controlled by Mark Creasy (the **Creasy Group**).

The group of tenements, to be called the Southern Hills tenements, are contiguous to the Nova Mining Lease and cover approximately 1,100km² of highly prospective Fraser Range geology over the primary gravity ridge west and southwest of Nova (refer Figure 1), which to date has only been partially assessed with regional soil sampling, isolated aircore drilling and electromagnetics.

Peter Bradford, IGO's Managing Director and CEO said: *"The acquisition of the 70 per cent joint venture interest in the Southern Hills tenements further strengthens IGO's position on the highly prospective Fraser Range. The Southern Hills tenements are a core package located proximal to the Nova Operation within favourable stratigraphy and structural setting. IGO is committed to discovery and we remain confident that there are further discoveries to be made on the Fraser Range."*

Past work has identified a number of targets on the Southern Hills tenements that have not been drill tested. In FY19, IGO intends to drill test these targets and supplement the past regional work with Spectrem^{PLUS} airborne electromagnetics over most of the Southern Hills tenement area. Follow-up ground electromagnetics, as well as additional regional aircore drilling will also form part of the exploration program.

Pursuant to the JV Agreements, IGO will pay the Creasy Group \$21.0 million within ten business days of the execution of the agreements to earn a 70% managing interest in the Southern Hills tenements. The \$21.0 million purchase price comprises approximately \$5.3 million in cash and approximately \$15.7 million in IGO shares at an issue price equal to the 20-day volume weighted average price to 28 June 2018.

IGO will manage and fund all exploration expenditure through to a feasibility study and thereafter standard dilution mechanisms apply. The maximum interest that IGO can earn under the JV Agreements is 95%.

IGO has committed in the order of \$50 million for exploration in FY19 with approximately 60 per cent of this earmarked for exploration at Nova and on the Fraser Range, including the Southern Hills tenements.

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Managing Director and CEO
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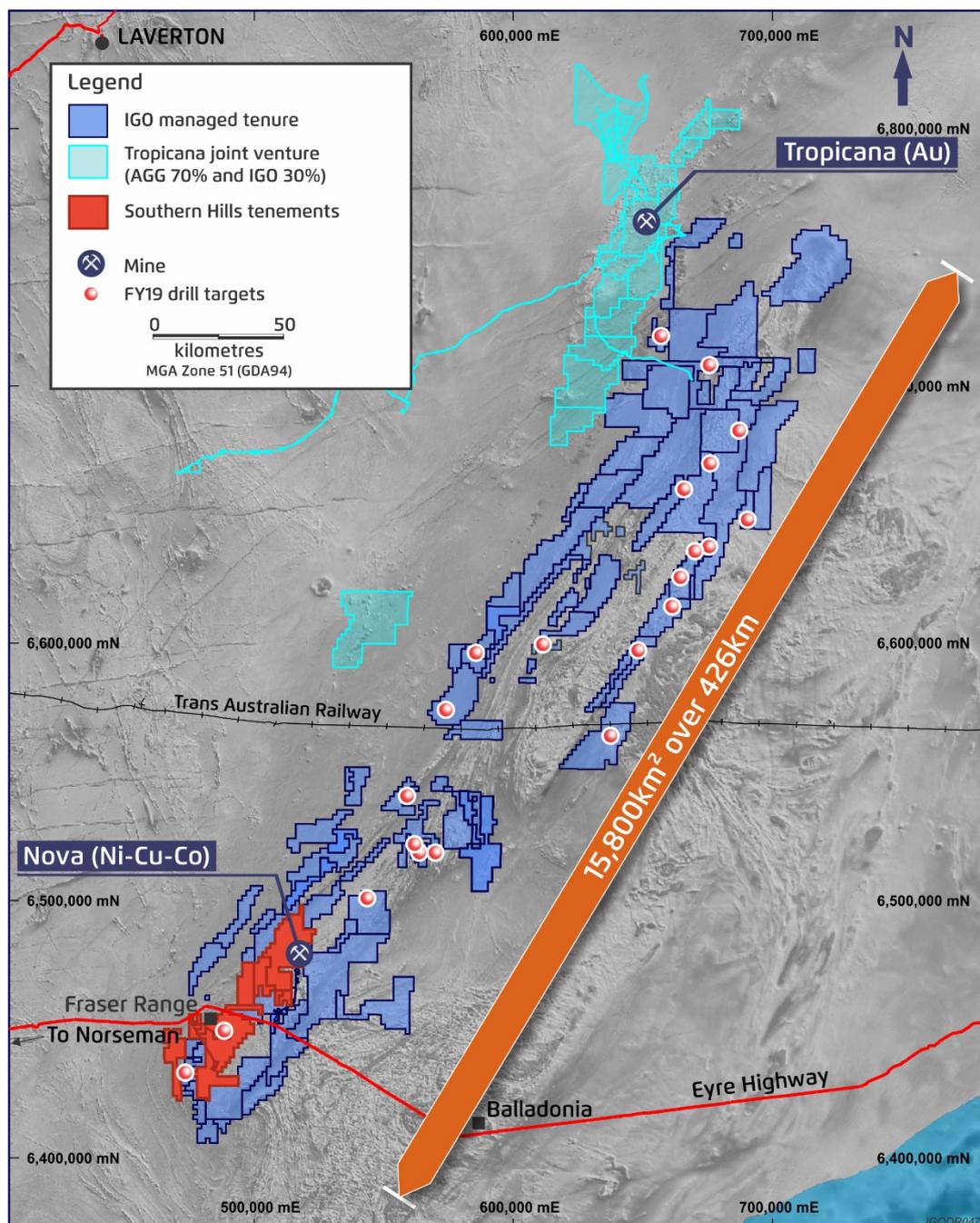


Figure 1: IGO tenement interests on the Fraser Range showing the location of the Southern Hills tenements

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