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# Camooweal 2D Seismic Survey

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**Acquisition on the Barkly Tablelands** 

#### Old rocks, new potential?





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# Outline

Overview of knowledge

- Data coverage pre-2017
- What we don't know

New data gathered 2017-2019

- GA's 2017 South Nicholson survey
- NWQ SEEBASE<sup>®</sup> model
- Field reconnaissance survey

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#### Data coverage pre-2017



Regionally good data coverage:

- Several old regional seismic lines (pre-2006)
- Large area we know little about

Red Box Area - sparse data

- 3 stratigraphic holes (~60m deep)
- 12 mineral holes (~600m deep)
- 1 petroleum well (~1000m deep)

# What we don't know

Geological uncertainty around:

- Extent of aquifers in Georgina Basin
- Thickness of the sedimentary succession below Georgina Basin
- Extent of South Nicholson Basin (Littles Range Fault?)
- Extent of Isa Superbasin
- What's below the Isa Superbasin





# Recent gathered data

2017 South Nicholson Basin Seismic Survey

(star denotes where the Camooweal survey ties into the South Nicholson Basin survey)











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## **Mineral Exploration**



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- Abundant coverage of Georgina Basin margin region by EPMs
- Limited elsewhere
- Revised extent of South Nicholson Basin south of Little's Range Fault
  - New opportunities???

#### SEEBASE® - basement model





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## Field Reconnaissance

Field work confirmed

- Proterozoic formations in an area previously not included in a Proterozoic basin
  - re-define Proterozoic basin extent





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## Mineral Exploration in Survey Area



**Primary Targets** 

- Gold (Yellow)
- Phosphate (Orange)
- Copper (Green)
- Lead (Blue)
- Zinc (Pink)

Various combinations of Cu, Pb, Ag and Zn form the secondary targets

#### Line 19Q-C3 6secs field stack

#### West

East



Shallow reflectors strong to 2 seconds, then patchy Poor reflectors at depth, some deep structure ????



Recording overprinted by earthquake offshore Broome on 14 July



#### Line 19Q-C2 6secs field stack

#### North

South



Base Georgina strong reflector visible (~600m) Train track reflectors visible (Isa Superbasin) Deep crustal reflectors visible Not quite a match with the SEEBASE<sup>®</sup> model



#### Line 19Q-C1 6secs field stack

West



East

Base Georgina visible, highly structured to east Good match with SEEBASE<sup>®</sup> model

Recording overprinted by Tennant Creek earthquake 1<sup>st</sup> August



# Conclusions

In Summary

- Since 2017 several new datasets for NWQ produced
  - Deep (20secs TWT) Seismic surveys (SNB, Camooweal)
  - NWQ SEEBASE<sup>®</sup>
- Building a comprehensive dataset for region
- Camooweal seismic data available early next year



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