

### **Ida Valley Lithium Project - Update**

**TechGen Metals Limited** ("**TechGen**" or the "**Company**") is pleased to provide an exploration update across its 100% owned Ida Valley Lithium Project located 50km north along strike from Delta Lithium's Mt Ida Lithium deposit in Western Australia. The Ida Valley Project comprises two granted Exploration Licences, E29/1053 and E36/1015. The Ida Valley Project lies within the northern sector of the Norseman-Wiluna Greenstone Belt.

#### STRATEGIC HIGHLIGHTS

- Inaugural 41 pegmatite rock chip samples from first pass field inspection of Lithium and Caesium soil anomalies at Northwest, Central and Southern targets are at the laboratory.
- Previous soil anomaly peak of 144.5ppm Lithium and 49.8ppm Caesium.
- > 500 soil sample pulps from previous gold testing have been submitted. These samples are located between the Central and Southern target zones. All samples being tested for 50 element suite with 4 acid digestion.
- Two programmes of Work (PoW) for drilling have been submitted with one already granted.
- Anthropological and related heritage surveys being booked for early Q1 2024.
- > 1,300 multi-element soil samples currently undergoing independent review and modelling.
- > Drilling planned for mid Q1 2024. All targets to be drill tested below the highly weathered profile of +30m vertical depth to obtain fresh unaltered samples for accurate analysis.



Photo 1: Samples of pegmatites at the Northwest target.



Photos 2 - 7: Samples of pegmatites at the Northwest target (sample ID IR86, IR92, IR80, IR100, IR103 & IR112).

**TechGen's Managing Director, Ashley Hood, commented**: "Quickly following on from the review of previous soil data that identified Lithium and Caesium soil anomalies only a matter of a few weeks ago a field inspection was completed that successfully identified a large and previously unidentified pegmatite field. The pegmatite field at the Northwest target has size and scale potential being approximately 2.2km x 1km in area and open in all directions and pegmatite samples are shown by additional photos within this announcement (photos 1 -7).

The pegmatites at the Northwest target are highly fractionated and weathered and appear associated with regional scale faulting. The pegmatites are offset to an airborne magnetic anomaly of unknown source that is currently being investigated through expert geochemical analysis of existing soils data. Given the age and weathering of these pegmatites we'd be encouraged to see ppm results in the high hundreds. An inaugural RC drilling campaign in Q1 2024 will determine the Lithium, Caesium and Tantalum ratios in the fresh pegmatites.

Every bit of planning to make this possible in such a short timeframe is underway, well maintained station access tracks are only a couple of hundred meters from the pegmatite filed, giving us another early advantage of getting boots and drill rigs on the ground.

We look forward to further updates as we progress through this new and exciting stage of the Company's critical minerals pathway, focusing on supplying the Tech-Generation the raw materials critical to a greener and more sustainable future."

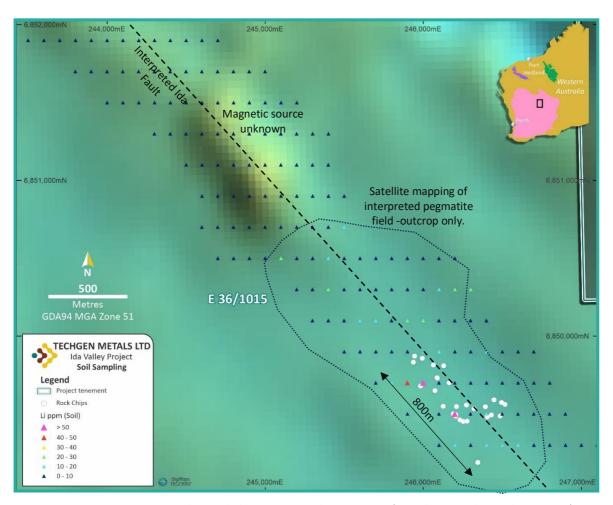


Figure 1: Pegmatite rock sample locations, Northwest target (sample examples in photos 2 - 7).

#### **Regional Prospectivity**

The Ida Valley Project is situated in an emerging world-class lithium province in Western Australia's Norseman-Wiluna Greenstone Belt. The Ida Valley project consists of greenstones (mafic and ultramafic units), granites and pegmatites. Test work to establish the lithium fertility of the project is new and ongoing.

The project has previously been subject to soil sampling surveys and RC drilling targeting gold mineralisation along the Ida Fault. The project contains its own concealed greenstone belt approximately 50km north and along strike from Delta Lithium's Mt Ida deposit (14.7Mt @ 1.2% Li<sub>2</sub>O; Refer to DLI ASX announcement 8<sup>th</sup> Aug 2023) and 100km south of Kathleeen Valley Lithium Deposit (156Mt @ 1.40% Li<sub>2</sub>O; Refer to LTR ASX announcement 19<sup>th</sup> October 2023).

Approximately 70% of the previous soil samples collected at the Ida Valley Project were assayed for multi-elements and review of this data to date has identified three areas of high concentrations in Lithium and Caesium (Northwest, Central and Southern targets). Some 500 previous soil samples were only assayed for gold and have now been resubmitted for multi-element analysis which will include Lithium, Tantalum, Caesium and Rubidium as well as other critical pathfinder elements.

The three areas currently identified are Northwest (peak soil values of 144.5ppm Li & 16.15ppm Cs – BBGA1707), Central (peak soil value of 92.2ppm Li – BBGA032) and Southern (peak soil values 102.5ppm Li & 49.8ppm Cs – BBAG509) zones. The Northwest area contains a 1.6km long +10ppm lithium soil anomaly with a peak of 144.5ppm lithium. The Central area contains a 2.5km long +10ppm lithium soil anomaly with a peak of 92.2ppm lithium. The Southern area peak value of 102.5ppm lithium and 49.8 caesium also has the highest recorded rubidium value at the project of 402ppm and occurs on the last line of sampling in this area. There is a data gap of 2.2km between Central and Southern where multi-element assays were not obtained previously given the programmes focus on gold. The soil samples from this area are currently being assayed for multi-elements.

The Company's Ida Valley gold RC drilling programs (refer to ASX announcements 17<sup>th</sup> June 2021 and 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2021 respectively) intersected pegmatites within amphibolite and ultramafic units with only stage 2 RC drill samples tested for multi-elements including lithium, with these selected assay results returning no anomalous lithium values from the drilled pegmatites. The Central (~350m) and Northwest (~18km) soil areas are located well away from any previous drilling activities.

Field logs recorded during previous soil sampling activities record widespread outcrops of granite, mafic rocks, pegmatite, pegmatite within granite and pegmatite veining in mafic rocks.



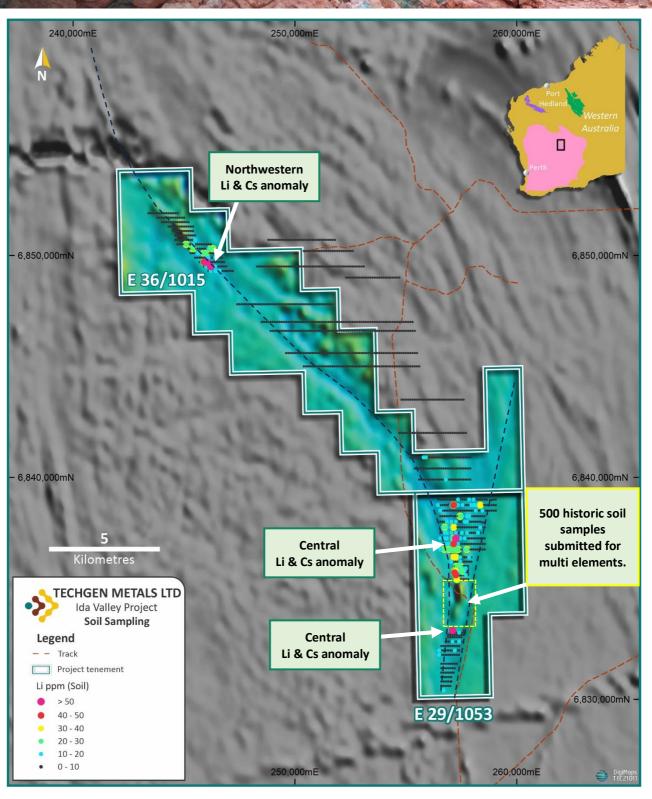


Figure 2: Ida Valley previous soil sampling locations and priority anomalies.



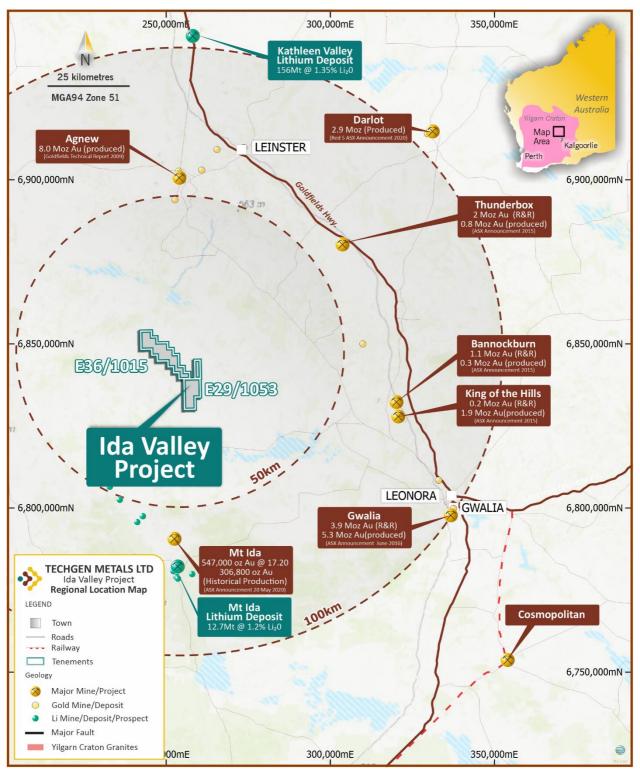
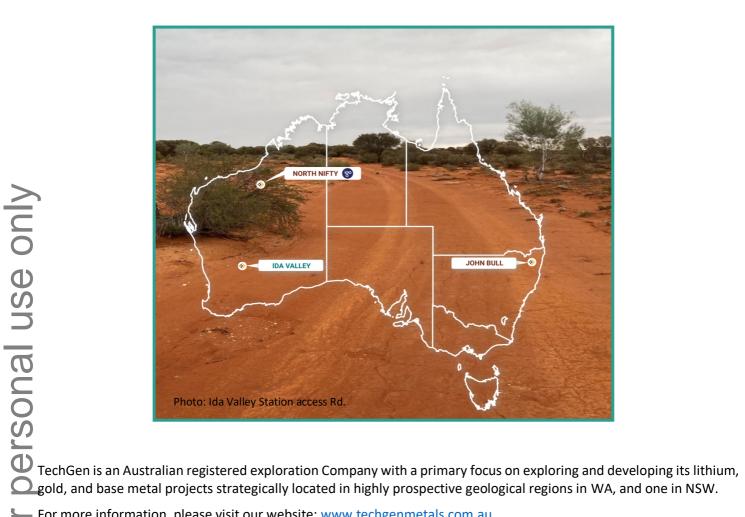


Figure 3: Ida Valley location- Leonora Mining District WA.

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# JORC Code, 2012 Edition – Table 1 report template Section 1 Sampling Techniques and Data

(Criteria in this section apply to all succeeding sections.)

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	Sampling techniques	<ul> <li>Nature and quality of sampling (eg cut channels, random chips, or specific specialised industry standard measurement tools appropriate to the minerals under investigation, such as down hole gamma sondes, or handheld XRF instruments, etc). These examples should not be taken as limiting the broad meaning of sampling.</li> <li>Include reference to measures taken to ensure sample representivity and the appropriate calibration of any measurement tools or systems used.</li> <li>Aspects of the determination of mineralisation that are Material to the Public Report.</li> <li>In cases where 'industry standard' work has been done this would be relatively simple (eg 'reverse circulation drilling was used to obtain 1 m samples from which 3 kg was pulverised to produce a 30 g charge for fire assay'). In other cases more explanation may be required, such as where there is coarse gold that has inherent sampling problems. Unusual commodities or mineralisation types (eg submarine nodules) may warrant disclosure of detailed information.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Ida Valley</li> <li>Previous soil samples were collected from between 0.50 - 1m depths.</li> <li>Approximately 250 grams of soil was collected into a paper sample packet.</li> <li>Soil was sieved to -2mm in the field.</li> <li>Samples were submitted to ALS Laboratories in Perth for drying and pulverising prior to assaying by ICP-MS following aqua regia digestion (AuME-TL43).</li> <li>The laboratory used internal standards to ensure quality control.</li> </ul>
Q	Drilling techniques	Drill type (eg core, reverse circulation, open-hole hammer, rotary air blast, auger, Bangka, sonic, etc) and details (eg core diameter, triple or standard tube, depth of diamond tails, face-sampling bit or other type, whether core is oriented and if so, by what method, etc).	No drilling discussed.
1 0 0 1	Drill sample recovery	<ul> <li>Method of recording and assessing core and chip sample recoveries and results assessed.</li> <li>Measures taken to maximise sample recovery and ensure representative nature of the samples.</li> <li>Whether a relationship exists between sample recovery and grade and whether sample bias may have occurred due to preferential loss/gain of fine/coarse material.</li> </ul>	No drilling discussed.
7	Logging	<ul> <li>Whether core and chip samples have been geologically and geotechnically logged to a level of detail to support appropriate Mineral Resource estimation, mining studies and metallurgical studies.</li> <li>Whether logging is qualitative or quantitative in nature. Core (or costean, channel, etc) photography.</li> <li>The total length and percentage of the relevant intersections logged.</li> </ul>	Ida Valley  Soil samples were logged for hole depth, location and colour.
	Sub-sampling techniques and sample preparation	<ul> <li>If core, whether cut or sawn and whether quarter, half or all core taken.</li> <li>If non-core, whether riffled, tube sampled, rotary split, etc and whether sampled wet or dry.</li> <li>For all sample types, the nature, quality and appropriateness of the sample preparation technique.</li> <li>Quality control procedures adopted for all sub-sampling stages to maximise representivity of samples.</li> <li>Measures taken to ensure that the sampling is representative of the in situ material collected, including for instance results for field duplicate/second-half sampling.</li> <li>Whether sample sizes are appropriate to the grain size of the material being sampled.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Ida Valley</li> <li>No compositing of samples was undertaken.</li> <li>The soil sample was placed in a pre-numbered calico bag and submitted to ALS Laboratories in Perth.</li> <li>Sample preparation involved drying and pulverising of the whole sample. A 25 gram sample charge digested for assaying.</li> <li>Laboratory repeats and standards were used.</li> <li>Sample sizes are considered appropriate for the grain size of the material sampled.</li> </ul>

<u> </u>	Quality of assay data and laboratory tests	<ul> <li>The nature, quality and appropriateness of the assaying and laboratory procedures used and whether the technique is considered partial or total.</li> <li>For geophysical tools, spectrometers, handheld XRF instruments, etc, the parameters used in determining the analysis including instrument make and model, reading times, calibrations factors applied and their derivation, etc.</li> <li>Nature of quality control procedures adopted (eg standards, blanks, duplicates, external laboratory checks) and whether acceptable levels of accuracy (ie lack of bias) and precision have been established.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Ida Valley</li> <li>The samples were delivered to ALS Laboratories in Perth.</li> <li>Samples were crushed and pulverised.</li> <li>Samples were assayed by ICP-MS following aqua regia digestion. This is considered an estimation of total gold content. A package of 50 multi-elements were also assayed for.</li> <li>The laboratory used internal standards to ensure quality control.</li> <li>The assaying and laboratory procedures used are considered appropriate for the material tested.</li> <li>No geophysical tools were used in determining element concentrations.</li> </ul>
se on	Verification of sampling and assaying	<ul> <li>The verification of significant intersections by either independent or alternative company personnel.</li> <li>The use of twinned holes.</li> <li>Documentation of primary data, data entry procedures, data verification, data storage (physical and electronic) protocols.</li> <li>Discuss any adjustment to assay data.</li> </ul>	lda Valley  No drilling discussed. Field data was collected onto paper log sheets and then entered digitally. Sample number, GPS coordinates and description were recorded in the field. No adjustment has been made to assay data.
al US	Location of data points	<ul> <li>Accuracy and quality of surveys used to locate drill holes (collar and down-hole surveys), trenches, mine workings and other locations used in Mineral Resource estimation.</li> <li>Specification of the grid system used.</li> <li>Quality and adequacy of topographic control.</li> </ul>	Ida Valley  Sample coordinates were taken from a Garmin hand held GPS unit.  The grid system used is GDA94/MGA94 Zone 51.  Topographic control is considered adequate.
rsona	Data spacing and distribution	<ul> <li>Data spacing for reporting of Exploration Results.</li> <li>Whether the data spacing and distribution is sufficient to establish the degree of geological and grade continuity appropriate for the Mineral Resource and Ore Reserve estimation procedure(s) and classifications applied.</li> <li>Whether sample compositing has been applied.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Ida Valley</li> <li>Soil sampling was along East - West sample lines which were generally 200m spaced with individual samples every 100m along lines.</li> <li>Data density is appropriately indicated in the announcement on location plans.</li> <li>No Resource or Ore Reserve estimates are presented.</li> <li>No sample compositing applied.</li> </ul>
or pel	Orientation of data in relation to geological structure	<ul> <li>Whether the orientation of sampling achieves unbiased sampling of possible structures and the extent to which this is known, considering the deposit type.</li> <li>If the relationship between the drilling orientation and the orientation of key mineralised structures is considered to have introduced a sampling bias, this should be assessed and reported if material.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Ida Valley</li> <li>Mineralisation orientations are interpreted as approximately North - South.</li> <li>Soil sample lines were oriented East - West to cover interpreted structures favourable for mineralisation.</li> <li>No sampling bias from the orientation of the sampling is believed to exist.</li> <li>No drilling discussed.</li> </ul>
F	Sample security	The measures taken to ensure sample security.	Ida Valley  Samples were taken and delivered to ALS Laboratories by contract personnel.
	Audits or reviews	The results of any audits or reviews of sampling techniques and data.	Ida Valley  No formal audit has been completed on the data being reported.

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## Section 2 Reporting of Exploration Results (Criteria listed in the preceding section also apply to this section.)

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	Mineral tenement and land tenure status	Type, reference name/number, location and ownership including agreements or material issues with third parties such as joint ventures, partnerships, overriding royalties, native title interests, historical sites, wilderness or national park and environmental settings.	<ul> <li>The Ida Valley Project comprises three Exploration Licences, namely E29/1053 and E36/1015. The project covers an area of 199km². The project is owned 100% by the Company.</li> </ul>
>		<ul> <li>The security of the tenure held at the time of reporting along with any known impediments to obtaining a licence to operate in the area.</li> </ul>	The Project lies on the Sturt Meadows (PL N050636) and Pinnacles (PL N049812) Pastoral Leases.
			The Ida Valley Project overlies the Sturt Meadows Pastoral Lease (PL N050635) and an area described as an "Other Heritage Place" titled Ida Valley (reference number 2895). The Other Heritage Place covers less than 5% of the area of the tenement.
SE	Exploration done by other parties	Acknowledgment and appraisal of exploration by other parties.	Minimal exploration has been completed within the Ida Valley Project. CSR Limited completed stream sediment sampling during 1988 and Herald Resources Limited completed a RAB/Aircore drilling program during 2001. The RAB/Aircore drilling by Herald Resources Limited was a minimum of 10km to the north of the RC drilling being reported here.
J	Geology	Deposit type, geological setting and style of mineralisation.	The Ida Valley Project lies within the northern sector of the Norseman-Wiluna Greenstone Belt in the Eastern Goldfields Province of the Archean Yilgarn Craton.
U			Surface geology of the area is not well understood due to lack of outcrop. Recent field traverses and mapping completed by TechGen located exposed faults and the presence of ultramafics, mafics, metasediments, pegmatites and granites.
i persor	Drill hole Information	<ul> <li>A summary of all information material to the understanding of the exploration results including a tabulation of the following information for all Material drill holes:         <ul> <li>easting and northing of the drill hole collar</li> <li>elevation or RL (Reduced Level – elevation above sea level in metres) of the drill hole collar</li> <li>dip and azimuth of the hole</li> <li>down hole length and interception depth</li> <li>hole length.</li> </ul> </li> <li>If the exclusion of this information is justified on the basis that the information is not Material and this exclusion does not detract from the understanding of the report, the Competent Person should clearly explain why this is the case.</li> </ul>	No drilling discussed.
	Data aggregation methods	<ul> <li>In reporting Exploration Results, weighting averaging techniques, maximum and/or minimum grade truncations (eg cutting of high grades) and cut-off grades are usually Material and should be stated.</li> <li>Where aggregate intercepts incorporate short lengths of high grade results and longer lengths of low grade results, the procedure used for such aggregation should be stated and some typical examples of such aggregations should be shown in detail.</li> <li>The assumptions used for any reporting of metal equivalent values should be clearly stated.</li> </ul>	No data aggregation.
	Relationship between mineralisation	<ul> <li>These relationships are particularly important in the reporting of Exploration Results.</li> <li>If the geometry of the mineralisation with respect to the drill hole angle is known, its nature should be reported.</li> <li>If it is not known and only the down hole lengths are reported, there should be a clear</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Ida Valley</li> <li>The soil sampling was regional in nature covering fault and shear zones interpreted from airborne magnetics images. The soil sampling program stepped out to the north and south of previously identified areas of soil, rock chip and RC drilling gold</li> </ul>

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widths and intercept lengths	statement to this effect (eg 'down hole length, true width not known').	anomalism.
Diagrams	<ul> <li>Appropriate maps and sections (with scales) and tabulations of intercepts should be included for any significant discovery being reported These should include, but not be limited to a plan view of drill hole collar locations and appropriate sectional views.</li> </ul>	Suitable diagrams have been included in the body of the report.
Balanced reporting	<ul> <li>Where comprehensive reporting of all Exploration Results is not practicable, representative reporting of both low and high grades and/or widths should be practiced to avoid misleading reporting of Exploration Results.</li> </ul>	The soil sampling discussed are from previous soil sampling programs completed in 2021 and 2022.
Other substantive exploration data	<ul> <li>Other exploration data, if meaningful and material, should be reported including (but not limited to): geological observations; geophysical survey results; geochemical survey results; bulk samples – size and method of treatment; metallurgical test results; bulk density, groundwater, geotechnical and rock characteristics; potential deleterious or contaminating substances.</li> </ul>	All meaningful and material exploration data has been discussed and no new exploration data is known.
Further work	<ul> <li>The nature and scale of planned further work (eg tests for lateral extensions or depth extensions or large-scale step-out drilling).</li> <li>Diagrams clearly highlighting the areas of possible extensions, including the main geological interpretations and future drilling areas, provided this information is not commercially sensitive.</li> </ul>	Future work at the Ida Valley Project will include mapping and rock chip sampling.