# Adyton Resources Completes over 4,000m Drilling at Wapolu and Prepares for Gameta Drilling with Unanimous Landowner Support

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Port Moresby, March 26, 2025 - <u>Adyton Resources Corp.</u> (TSXV: ADY) ("Adyton" or the "Company") is pleased to provide an update on its drilling and activities with Joint Venture partner, EVIH, at the Company's Wapolu and Gameta Gold Projects on Fergusson Island.

## **KEY HIGHLIGHTS**

- Over 4,000m of drilling completed at Wapolu, with the first phase of drilling expected to conclude in the coming weeks and mobilization of drill rigs to the nearby Gameta project is set to commence soon.
- Drilling site preparation commenced and Landholder Awareness completed at Gameta.
- First batch of Wapolu drill samples has been dispatched to the Intertek laboratory in Lae, PNG, for analysis.
- Successful completion of Wapolu Wardens Hearing, with a 100% vote in favour of renewal and support for Adyton.

Following mobilization by barge from Port Moresby in early December, EVIH successfully constructed a 20-person camp, established pioneering roads and drill pads, and completed 48 diamond drill holes totaling approximately 4,088m. Two diamond core rigs have been operating continuously through day and night shifts, with the first batch of 10 priority drill hole samples dispatched to the Intertek laboratory in Lae, PNG.

Drilling is also progressing at Adyton's 100% owned Feni Island Gold-Copper Project, with two diamond core rigs operating continuously through day and night shifts. Further updates on Feni drilling will be provided in due course.

"Drilling at Wapolu has progressed exceptionally well with 48 holes completed, totalling just over 4,000m," stated Tim Crossley, Chief Executive Officer. "This resource extension program, led by our JV partner EVIH, marks the first step towards evaluating the viability of restarting mining operations at the abandoned Wapolu gold mine project. Historically, Wapolu produced approximately 9,000 ounces of gold in the early 1990's before operations ceased due to low gold prices. As a past-producing brownfields site with over 18,000m of historical drilling and a 2022 Mineral Resource Estimate, we are confident in our ability to rapidly move the project forward to a restart of operations. With the first phase of drilling at Wapolu nearing completion, the EVIH team has already commenced awareness and site preparation activities for the upcoming drill program at the neighbouring and larger Gameta Gold Project."

Gary Wang, Chief Executive Officer of EVIH, added: "We are very pleased with the progress our team has made at Wapolu. The strong collaboration with the Wapolu landowners and the support from the local community has been instrumental in enabling us to set up our site and execute drilling efficiently. Our focus now is to complete this initial drill phase at Wapolu before relocating our rigs and drilling team to the nearby Gameta deposit. We are targeting to start drilling at Gameta by late April. In parallel, we will initiate the necessary work streams for permitting the restart of the Wapolu operation."

Figures 1 & 2: Wapolu core handling and sample preparation

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Figure 3: Premobilization community awareness at Gameta project

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#### Forward Work Plan

In the coming months, the Company's objectives include completion of the first phase of drilling at Wapolu and relocation of rigs to Gameta, dispatching all remaining Wapolu drill samples to the laboratory, restoring the Wapolu airstrip, and undertaking preliminary metallurgical testing and commencing mine permitting processes.

The Company remains committed to advancing its Fergusson Island gold projects and looks forward to providing further updates as drilling progresses.

The Fergusson Island Gold Project

The Fergusson Island Gold Project comprises the Wapolu and Gameta advanced Exploration Licenses on Fergusson Island in Milne Bay Province Papua New Guinea (Figure 4). This region of PNG is well known for discoveries including the nearby Islands of Misima (5Moz) and Woodlark (1.6Moz). The Company has previously reported the following mineral resource estimate (Table 1).

Ferguson Island Wapolu Project Geology and Background

Gold mineralization at Wapolu occurs in shallow dipping horizons within a regional detachment fault zone and the footwall metamorphic rocks. The surface colluvium also contains gold-bearing boulders.

The drill program comprises both step-out drill and infill drill holes. The step-out drill program is designed to test high value target extensions of the known mineralization which is open along strike and at depth. This exploration drilling is focused on extending and increasing the known resources. The infill holes are designed to increase confidence in the Mineral Resource Estimate sufficiently to satisfy the PNG Mineral Resource Authorities criteria to advance the project to a Mining Lease application.

Three drillholes have also been completed to collect samples for metallurgical testing to begin test work in EVIH's purpose-built laboratory in Port Moresby to be conducted in parallel to the ongoing exploration program.

The Fergusson projects are under a Joint Venture Agreement with EVIH, granting EVIH the right to acquire up to a 50% ownership interest in the project. This interest is contingent on the achievement of certain development milestones and a total investment of up to US\$9.5 million, allocated as follows:

- US\$8.5 million to fund project expenditures; and
- US\$1.0 million as a direct payment to the Company, with US\$500,000 already paid upon executing the agreement in May 2024.

For additional details, please refer to the official announcement dated May 13, 2024.

Figure 4: Fergusson Island Projects: Wapolu and Gameta

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Table 1: Mineral Resource Estimates

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Project Indicated Inferred
Au Tonnes Au Au Tonnes Au

(g/t) (million) (koz) (g/t) (million) (koz)

 Gameta exploration licence
 1.334.0
 173 1.0110.5
 340

 Wapolu exploration licence
 1.065.8
 200

 Fergusson Island Gold Project 1.334.0
 173 1.0216.3
 540

Gameta and Wapolu resources at 0.5g/t gold cut-off 1

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#### ABOUT ADYTON RESOURCES CORPORATION

Adyton Resources Corporation is focused on the development of gold and copper resources in world class mineral jurisdictions. It currently has a portfolio of highly prospective mineral exploration projects in Papua New Guinea on which it is exploring to expand its identified gold Inferred and Indicated Mineral Resources and expand on its recent significant copper drill intercepts on the 100% owned Feni Island ‎project. The Company's mineral exploration projects are located on the Pacific Ring of Fire on easy to access island locations which hosts several globally significant copper and gold deposits including the Lihir gold mine and ‎Panguna copper/gold mine on Bougainville Island, both neighboring projects to the ‎Company's Feni Island project.

Adyton has a total Mineral Resource Estimate inventory within its PNG portfolio of projects comprising indicated resources of 173,000 ounces gold and inferred resources of 2,000,000 ounces gold.

The Feni Island Project currently has a mineral ‎resource prepared in accordance with NI 43-101 dated October 14, 2021, which has outlined an initial inferred ‎mineral resource of 60.4 million tonnes at an average grade of 0.75 g/t Au, for contained gold of 1,460,000 ounces, ‎assuming a cut-off grade of 0.5 g/t Au. See the NI 43-101 technical report entitled "NI 43-101 Technical Report on the Feni Gold-Copper Property, New Ireland ‎Province, Papua New Guinea prepared for Adyton Resources by Mark Berry (MAIG), Simon ‎Tear (MIGI PGeo), Matthew White (MAIG) and Andy Thomas (MAIG), each an independent mining consultant ‎and "qualified person" as defined in NI 43-101,available under Adyton's profile on SEDAR+ at www.sedarplus.ca. Mineral resources are not mineral reserves and have not demonstrated economic viability.

The Fergusson Island Project currently has a mineral resource prepared in accordance with NI 43-101 dated October 14, 2021, which outlined an indicated mineral resource of 4.0 million tonnes at an average grade of 1.33 g/t Au for contained gold of 173,000 ounces and an inferred mineral resource of 16.3 million tonnes at an average grade of 1.02 g/t Au for contained gold of 540,000 ounces. See the technical report entitled "NI 43-101 Technical Report on the Fergusson Gold Property, Milne Bay &Irm;Province, Papua New Guinea" prepared for Adyton Resources by Mark Berry (MAIG), Simon &Irm;Tear (MIGI PGeo), Matthew White (MAIG) and Andy Thomas (MAIG), each an independent mining consultant &Irm;and "qualified person" as defined in NI 43-101,available under the Company's profile on SEDAR+ at www.sedarplus.ca. Mineral resources are not mineral reserves and have not demonstrated economic viability.

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#### **Qualified Person**

The scientific and technical information contained in this press release has been prepared, reviewed, and approved by Dr Chris Wilson BSc (Hons), PhD, FAusIMM(CP), FSEG, FGS, the Chief Geologist and a Director of Adyton, who is a "Qualified Person" as defined by National Instrument 43‐101 ‐ Standards of Disclosure for Mineral Projects.

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