Awalé Announces 100,000-Metre Drill Program at Odienné

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HIGHLIGHTS

- 12,000-metre discovery drill program on 100%-owned permits with C\$15 million cash on hand.
- Up to 88,000-metre discovery and resource definition drill program on the Odienné East JV permit throughout 2025-2026.
- Drilling begins October 2025, targeting first Mineral Resource Estimate in 2026.

Toronto, October 3, 2025 - <u>Awalé Resources Ltd.</u> (TSXV: ARIC) (OTCQX: AWLRF) (FSE: 2F60) ("Awalé" or the "Company") is pleased to announce a proposed program of up to 100,000 metres of resource definition and discovery drilling, through 2026, at the Odienné Project ("Odienné" or the "Project") in Côte d'Ivoire.

This large-scale program is planned to position Awalé to deliver a first Mineral Resource Estimate and Preliminary Economic Assessment for the Project in Q2 2026 and to advance toward a Pre-Feasibility Study in 2027 encompassing the BBM, Charger, and Empire zones.

In parallel, Awalé is aggressively advancing a systematic exploration program on the recently granted Sama and Seydou permits, where discovery drilling is designed to unlock the Project's district-scale potential and generate the next wave of discoveries. These highly prospective permits lie within the same mineralized system and along strike from BBM, Charger, and Empire.

"We are very pleased to launch 100,000 metres of drilling at the Odienné Project, the program consists of a combination of resource development and discovery drilling that is designed to deliver the first resource estimate and preliminary economic study for the Project. We have an impressive inventory of discoveries demonstrating Odienné as a district-scale gold and copper mineralized system, and we have confidence in the potential for the Project to deliver new discoveries in our recently granted permits.

Awalé is well-financed and supported to achieve this ambitious program and we look forward to delivering new discoveries and our first resources in 2026," said Andrew Chubb, CEO of Awalé Resources.

Drilling is currently planned to commence after the rainy season in October 2025, with up to five (5) rigs expected on site and near-continuous drilling planned throughout 2026. Drilling on any JV claim has been planned and remains subject to Newmont's ongoing approval. The Company will provide shareholders with updates on specific targets, timelines, and results as the program advances.

The Company also anticipates publishing assay results from earlier drilling at Charger, BBM, and Fremen in the near term.

Figure 1: Odienné Project - Permits and Targets Map

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gold and copper-gold deposits. Exploration activities are currently underway in the underexplored regions of Côte d'Ivoire, where the Company is exploring the Odienné Copper-Gold Project ("Odienné" or the "Project"), covering 2,346 km² across seven permits-five granted and two applications. This includes 797 km² in two permits held under the Awalé-Newmont Joint Venture ("OJV"). Awalé manages all exploration activities over the OJV, with funding provided by Newmont Ventures Limited ("Newmont").

Awalé has discovered four gold, gold-copper, and gold-copper-silver-molybdenum mineralized systems within the OJV and has recently commenced exploration on its 100%-owned properties.

The Odienné Project is underexplored and has multiple pipeline prospects with similar geochemical signatures to Iron Oxide Copper Gold (IOCG) and intrusive-related mineral systems with substantial upside potential. The Company benefits from a skilled and well-seasoned technical team that allows it to continue exploring in a pro-mining jurisdiction that offers significant potential for district-scale discoveries.

Qualified Person

The technical and scientific information contained in this news release has been reviewed and approved for release by Andrew Chubb, the Company's Qualified Person as defined by National Instrument 43-101. Mr. Chubb is the Company's Chief Executive Officer and holds an Economic Geology degree, is a Member of the Australian Institute of Geoscientists (AIG), and is a Member of the Society of Economic Geoscientists (SEG). Mr. Chubb has over 25 years of experience in international mineral exploration and mining project evaluation.

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On behalf of the Board of Directors

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