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**TSXV:BZ, ASX: BNZ** **13 August 2025**

# DRILLING TO ACCELERATE AT GLENBURGH FOLLOWING A$30M BOUGHT DEAL

## HIGHLIGHTS

- **Firm commitments received to raise A$30 million via bought deal at market**
- **Placement driven by demand from leading, high-quality long only offshore institutional investors**
- **The proceeds will enable Benz to accelerate drilling at Glenburgh following up the emerging bulk tonnage gold system at Icon and the exciting high grade gold trend at Zone 126**
- **4 rigs have been locked in, with drilling expected to be ongoing and aggressively ramped up**
- **Benz is well-funded with a pro-forma cash position of over $40 million following completion of the Placement[1]**

Benz Mining Corp. (TSXV: BZ, ASX: BNZ) (**Benz** or **the Company**) is pleased to announce that it has received firm commitments for a placement of 30,456,853 new fully paid CHESS Depositary Interests (**CDIs**) in the Company via a bought deal at an issue price of A$0.985 per CDI to raise A$30 million (before costs) (**Placement**).

The Placement was driven by strong demand from leading, high-quality offshore institutional investors, and was also supported by its existing large institutional shareholders. Benz's share register is now well-positioned with a broad range of long-only institutional shareholders who have demonstrated their support for the Company's strategy of aggressive exploration to fast track resource growth.

**Benz Chair, Mr Evan Cranston, commented:**

*"This is a transformational capital raising for Benz which will position the Company to significantly increase its exploration activities at the Glenburgh Project, following recent drilling successes at the Icon Prospect and at Zone 126.*

*"To have had such strong cornerstone demand from two leading offshore institutional funds who share our excitement and vision with the new exploration strategy at Glenburgh is extremely pleasing. The new discoveries at the Icon Apollo trend deserve their own dedicated rigs to rapidly unlock the size and scale of the emerging bulk tonnage system. The remaining rigs will continue to target high grade ounces along the Zone 126 trend and scout out new and exciting untested priority targets along out 18km mineralised trend.*

*"The demand received from these institutions, together with our existing large institutional shareholders, is seen as a strong endorsement of our recent discoveries and the exploration potential that remains within our belt-scale tenure.*

*"With a strengthened pro-forma balance sheet of A$40m[1] in cash, Benz is well funded to deliver a step change in exploration activities at Glenburgh, doubling drilling capacity to four rigs to fast track resource growth across multiple high priority targets.*

*"As we move into the next exciting chapter for the Company, I'd like to take this opportunity to welcome our new shareholders to the register and thank our exiting holders for their continued support."*

[1] *Based on Benz's closing cash of $10m as at 30 June 2025 and adjusted for gross Placement proceeds (excludes transaction costs).*

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**Use of Funds**

Proceeds from the placement will enable Benz to accelerate exploration across its gold portfolio, with a focus on its 100%-owned Glenburgh Gold Project in Western Australia – a new frontier gold district with multi-million-ounce potential.

Funding will be applied towards:

- **Glenburgh Gold Project (WA):**
  - Increasing drilling capacity to four rigs to accelerate testing of the emerging bulk-tonnage gold system at the Icon deposit, the high-grade Zone 126 trend, and other priority targets.
  - Geological modelling, including detailed televiewer interpretation, to deliver a resource model that honours Glenburgh's folded and metamorphosed geometry.
  - Progress towards an updated Mineral Resource Estimate once the majority of planned drilling is complete, ensuring it reflects the full scale of the Project's potential.
- **Mt Egerton Gold Project (WA):**
  - Exploration targeting high-grade near-surface mineralisation through RC drilling, mapping, and geochemical surveys.
- **Eastmain Gold Mine (Quebec, Canada):**
  - Scoping Study to assess early-stage technical and economic development options for the high-grade resource.
- **General:**
  - Working capital and corporate costs.

**Placement Details**

The Placement was undertaken at an issue price of A$0.985, being the closing share price on the ASX on Friday, 8 August 2025.

The Company will issue 30,406,091 CDIs under its existing placement capacity under ASX Listing Rule 7.1 (**Tranche 1 Placement**).

A Director of the Company intends to subscribe for 50,762 CDIs (A$50,000) in the Placement (**Tranche 2 Placement**), subject to shareholder approval at a general meeting that will be held in due course.

It is anticipated that settlement of the Tranche 1 Placement will occur on Wednesday, 20 August 2025 and the CDIs will be allotted and commence trading on Thursday, 21 August 2025. The Tranche 2 Placement is expected to complete in early October 2025. The Placement CDIs will rank equally with existing CDIs from the date of issue.

Euroz Hartleys Limited acted as Lead Manager to the Placement. Further details are set out in the Appendices 3B accompanying this announcement.

This announcement has been approved for release by the Board.

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**About Benz Mining Corp.**

Benz Mining Corp. (TSXV:BZ, ASX: BNZ) is a pure-play gold exploration company dual-listed on the TSX Venture Exchange and Australian Securities Exchange. The Company owns the Eastmain Gold Project in Quebec, and the recently acquired Glenburgh and Mt Egerton Gold Projects in Western Australia.

Benz's key point of difference lies in its team's deep geological expertise and the use of advanced geological techniques, particularly in high-metamorphic terrane exploration. The Company aims to rapidly grow its global resource base and solidify its position as a leading gold explorer across two of the world's most prolific gold regions.

The Glenburgh Gold Project features a Mineral Resource Estimate of 16.3Mt at 1.0 g/t Au (510,100 ounces of contained gold)[2].

The Eastmain Gold Project in Quebec hosts a Mineral Resource Estimate of 1,005,000 ounces at 6.1g/t Au[3] showcasing Benz's focus on high-grade, high-margin assets in premier mining jurisdictions.




For more information, please visit: https://benzmining.com/.

[2] Indicated: 13.5Mt at 1.0g/t Au for 430.7koz; Inferred: 2.8Mt at 0.9g/t Au for 79.4koz. See *Historical Mineral Resource Estimates*, below

[3] Indicated: 1.3Mt at 9.0g/t Au for 384koz; Inferred: 3.8Mt at 5.1g/t Au for 621koz

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**Competent Person's Statements**

The Mineral Resource Estimates for the Eastmain Project and the Glenburgh Gold Project were previously reported in accordance with Listing Rule 5.8 on 24 May 2023 and 6 November 2024, respectively. The Company confirms that it is not aware of any new information or data that materially affects the information included in the original market announcements and confirms that all material assumptions and technical parameters underpinning the Estimates continue to apply and have not materially changed. The Company confirms that the form and context in which the Competent Person's findings are presented have not been materially modified from the original market announcements.

**Forward-Looking Statements**

Statements contained in this news release that are not historical facts are "forward-looking information" or "forward looking statements" (collectively **Forward-Looking Information**) as such term is used in applicable Canadian securities laws. Forward-Looking Information includes, but is not limited to, disclosure regarding the acquisition of the Glenburgh and Mt Egerton projects as well as certain tenements adjacent thereto and the anticipated benefits thereof, planned exploration and related activities on the Glenburgh and Mt Egerton projects. In certain cases, Forward-Looking Information can be identified by the use of words and phrases or variations of such words and phrases or statements such as "anticipates", "complete", "become", "expects", "next steps", "commitments" and "potential", in relation to certain actions, events or results "could", "may", "will", "would", be achieved. In preparing the Forward-Looking Information in this news release, the Company has applied several material assumptions, including, but not limited to, that the tenements associate with the Glenburgh and Mt Egerton projects that are still pending grant or undergoing the renewal process will be granted and/or renewed, as applicable, in the timely manner and on reasonable terms, and all conditions precedent to completion of the acquisitions will be satisfied, in a timely manner; the Company will be able to raise additional capital as necessary; the current exploration, development, environmental and other objectives concerning the Company's Projects (including Glenburgh and Mt Egerton) can be achieved; and the continuity of the price of gold and other metals, economic and political conditions, and operations.

Forward-looking information is subject to a variety of risks and uncertainties and other factors that could cause plans, estimates and actual results to vary materially from those projected in such forward-looking information. Factors that could cause the forward-looking information in this news release to change or to be inaccurate include, but are not limited to, the risk that any of the assumptions referred to prove not to be valid or reliable, that occurrences such as those referred to above are realized and result in delays, or cessation in planned work, that the Company's financial condition and development plans change, and delays in regulatory approval, as well as the other risks and uncertainties applicable to the Company as set forth in the Company's continuous disclosure filings filed under the Company's profile at www.sedarplus.ca and www.asx.com.au. Accordingly, readers should not place undue reliance on Forward-Looking Information. The Forward-looking information in this news release is based on plans, expectations, and estimates of management at the date the information is provided and the Company undertakes no obligation to update these forward-looking statements, other than as required by applicable law.

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