

Charger aiming to grow 10.6Mt Medcalf Lithium Resource with a 10,000m drilling programme

KEY HIGHLIGHTS

- ***Reverse Circulation ("RC") drill rig has mobilised and commenced a 10,000m drilling program.***
- ***Drilling to commence in coming days and will focus on building on and further de-risking both the:***
  - ***Medcalf Inferred Mineral Resource Estimate ("MRE") of 10.6Mt @ 1.0% Li_2O and 107ppm Ta_2O_5 [1]***
  - ***Medcalf West Exploration Target of 3 – 5Mt @ 1.0% - 1.4% Li_2O [1]***
- ***This programme will effectively double the metres drilled at Medcalf.***
- ***The drill programme is fully funded by the recent sale of the Bynoe Lithium Project to Core Lithium for $3.75M cash.***

Cautionary Statement: The potential quantity and grade of the Medcalf West Exploration Target is conceptual in nature, there has been insufficient exploration work to estimate a Mineral Resource and it is uncertain if further exploration will result in defining a Mineral Resource.

Charger Metals NL (**ASX: CHR**, "**Charger**" or the "**Company**") is pleased to confirm that, following weather delays and rig availability, it has now mobilised an RC drill rig and commenced drilling at its 100%-owned Lake Johnston Lithium Project ("**Lake Johnston**") in Western Australia.

The 10,000m drilling programme is designed to test extensions and provide further infill at the 10.6Mt Medcalf Lithium Deposit, and to further define the 3-5Mt Medcalf West Exploration Target. The goal is to further de-risk geology, grow the total resource, and provide further diamond core samples for ongoing metallurgical and geotechnical test work.

Charger's Managing Director, Bryan Dixon, commented:

"*We are pleased to resume drilling at Lake Johnston with an additional 10,000m RC programme. This builds on the 10,936m drilling completed to date and is focused on further infill and extension drilling of the Medcalf Spodumene Deposit which we recently upgraded to* ***10.6 million tonnes at 1.0% Li_2O for 106kt contained Li_2O,*** *a significant increase from the maiden resource published 13 months ago. The programme will also test Medcalf West, which has an additional* ***Exploration Target of 3 – 5Mt @ 1.0% - 1.4% Li_2O.***

"This 10,000m programme will nearly double the total metres drilled to date and has the potential to increase the confidence as well as resource size given it remains open both down dip and along strike. The recent sale of our Bynoe Project fully funds the programme as well as ongoing mining and processing studies to demonstrate the economics of the Lake Johnston Lithium Project, which is located only 200km trucking distance from the port of Esperance, and within trucking distance of 4 spodumene concentration plants."

[1] Refer to ASX Announcement 23 June 2026 – "Medcalf Lithium Resource increases 34%".
Lithium MRE is calculated using a 0.4% Li_2O bottom cut-off. Tantalum MRE is calculated using 65ppm Ta_2O_5 bottom cut-off.

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Photo 1. VM Drilling's RC Rig: drilling underway at Medcalf Spodumene Deposit.

Following the recent Medcalf Mineral Resource being **upgraded to 10.6Mt @ 1.0% Li_2O and 107ppm Ta_2O_5** [2], representing a significant increase in contained Li_2O, the Charger Board now believes there is a critical mass and has committed to the completion of a **scoping study** on the Lake Johnston Lithium Project. It is worth noting that the Medcalf current resource is high drilling density predominately on a 40m by 80m grid which includes 10,936m of drilling and has come at a very economical cost of $32 per contained tonne of Li_2O including study costs.

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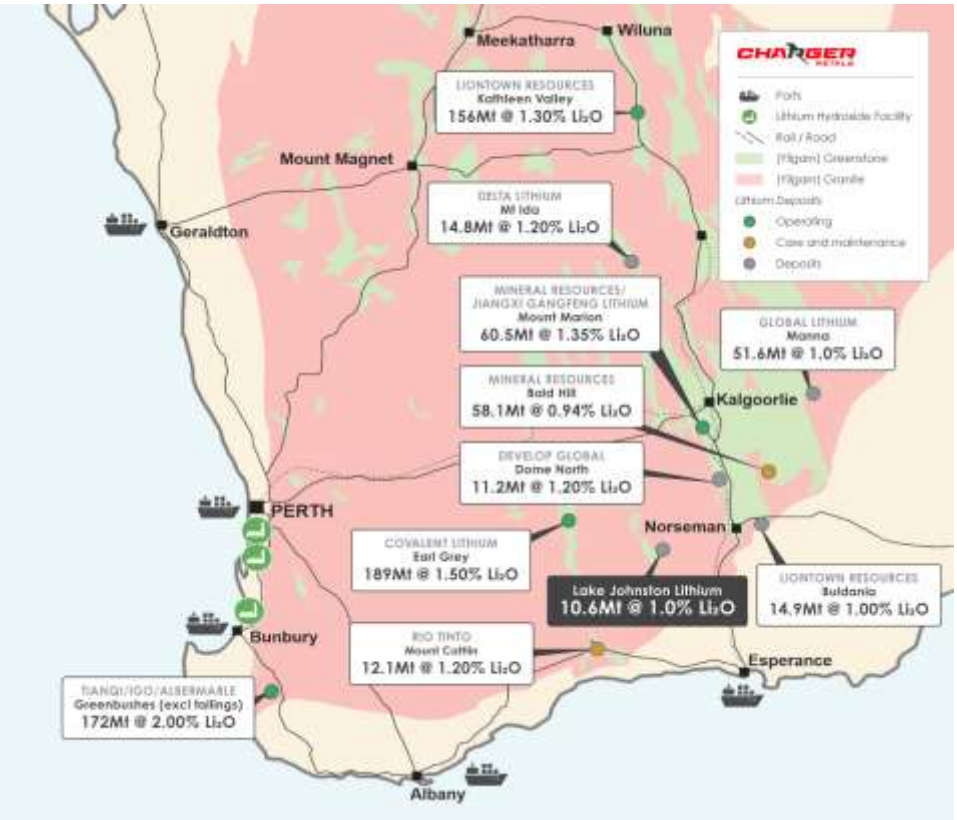


Figure 1. Location map of Lake Johnston Lithium Project in relation to other Yilgarn Block lithium projects. (Tonnages and grades shown for third party projects are estimates of current total Mineral Resources and/or Reserves based on publicly available information.)

Charger's recent sale of its Bynoe Lithium Project to Core Lithium Limited's (ASX: CXO; "Core") 100%-owned subsidiary for $3,752,000 cash, received on 17 July 2026, has provided the funding for Charger to focus on advancing its Lake Johnston Lithium Project towards development.[3]

Authorised for release by the Board.

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About Charger Metals NL

Charger Metals NL is a lithium focussed exploration Company actively exploring its Lake Johnston Lithium and Gold Project.

The Lake Johnston Lithium Project is located 450km east of Perth, in the Yilgarn Province of Western Australia. Lithium prospects occur within a 50km long corridor along the southern and western margin of the Lake Johnston granite batholith. Key target areas include the Medcalf and Medcalf West Spodumene Deposits, the Mt Gordon Lithium Prospects and much of the Mount Day LCT pegmatite field, prospective for lithium and tantalum minerals. The Lake Johnston Lithium Project is approximately 180km trucking distance to the Mt Cattlin Lithium Project, currently in care and maintenance.

[3] Refer to ASX Announcement 17 July 2026 "Sale of Bynoe Lithium Project Completes".

The Lake Johnston Lithium Project is located approximately 70km east of the large Earl Grey (Mt Holland) Lithium Project where Covalent Lithium Pty Ltd (manager of a joint venture between subsidiaries of Sociedad Química y Minera de Chile S.A. and Wesfarmers Limited) began mining and commissioning of the concentrator in March 2024. Mt Holland is understood to be one of the largest hard-rock lithium projects in Australia with Ore Reserves for the Earl Grey Deposit estimated at 189 Mt at 1.5% Li_2O.[4]

Table 1. Inferred Lithium Mineral Resource Estimate – June 2026[5]

Type	Tonnage Mt	Li_2O %	Ta_2O5 ppm	Rb_2O %	Contained Li_2O kt
Medcalf Lithium Pegmatites					
Weathered	0.31	0.94	109	0.12	2.9
Primary	10.3	1.00	107	0.13	103
Total	**10.6**	**1.00**	**107**	**0.13**	**106**

The Statement of Mineral Resources is reported in line with requirements of the 2012 JORC Code and is therefore suitable for public reporting.

Competent Person Statements

The information in this announcement that relates to exploration strategy and results is based on information provided to or compiled by Francois Scholtz BSc. Hons (Geology), who is a Member of The Australian Institute of Mining and Metallurgy. Mr Scholtz is a consultant to Charger Metals NL. Mr Scholtz has sufficient experience which is relevant to the style of mineralisation and exploration processes as reported herein to qualify as a Competent Person as defined in the 2012 Edition of the 'Australasian Code for Reporting of Exploration Results'. Mr Scholtz consents to the inclusion in this announcement of the matters based on this information in the form and context in which it appears. Mr Scholtz and the Company confirm that they are not aware of any new information or data that materially affects the information contained in the previous market announcements referred to in this announcement or the data contained in this announcement.

The information in this announcement that relates to Mineral Resource and Exploration Target estimates is based on information compiled by Shaun Searle BSc. Hons (Applied Geology), who is a Member of the Australian Institute of Geoscientists. The Company confirms that it is not aware of any new information or data that materially affects the information included in the Resource and Exploration Target announcement dated 23 June 2026 and, in the case of estimates of Mineral Resources and Exploration Target that all material assumptions and technical parameters underpinning the estimates in the relevant resource announcement 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 announcement.'

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[4] David Champion, Geoscience Australia, Australian Resource Reviews, Lithium 2018.
[5] Refer to ASX Announcement 23 June 2026 "Medcalf Lithium Resource increases 34%". Lithium MRE is calculated using a 0.4% Li_2O bottom cut-off and Tantalum MRE is calculated using a 65ppm Ta_2O_5 bottom cut-off.

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