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Critical Minerals.
High-tech Metals.

# Mines & Money IMARC 2025

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Australian Strategic Materials (ASM) is building a global rare earths and critical minerals business to provide the high-tech metals needed to solve the challenges of today and the future.







# Mine to metals strategy









Option to ship direct to global customers





# Growth through sales and partnerships







15t delivery across H2 2025<sup>1</sup> – part of 100t agreement<sup>2</sup> – deliveries commenced 07/25



supply chain





7.2t multi-specification order<sup>1</sup> – deliveries commenced 07/25





5-year binding sales & tolling framework agreed<sup>3</sup> – 5-tonne alloy order for magnet plant commissioning





29t NdPr metal ordered (19t delivered), delivered first heavy rare earth sale (Tb & Dy), MoU in place<sup>4</sup> Continuing negotiations with existing and new customers

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Refer ASX Announcement, 6 June 2025: <u>Growing momentum in metal and alloy sales</u>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Refer ASX Announcement, 16 May 2023: ASM signs agreement for sale of NdFeB alloy

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Refer ASX Announcement, 3 August 2023: ASM signs long-term metal sales and tolling framework agreement with USA Rare Earth

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Refer ASX Announcement, 15 July 2025: Heavy rare earth metals sale & MOU with Neo Performance

### KMP ramp-up





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**Furnaces** 

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**Strip Caster** 

**Installed capacity: 1,300tpa NdFeB** 

~US\$60M invested to date **Product suite**:

NdFeB alloy, NdPr metal



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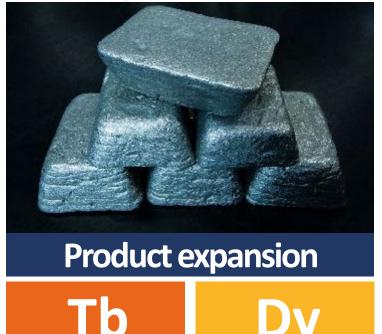
**Furnaces** 

2

**Strip Casters** 

**Designed capacity: 3,600tpa NdFeB** 

Capex investment ~US\$8M<sup>1</sup> Time ~18-months<sup>1</sup>



Terbium

Dy Dysprosium

**Heavy rare earth metals** 

Product expansion of terbium and dysprosium

### Potential Phase 3: Preliminary planning underway to bring total capacity to ~5,600 tpa<sup>2</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>The capex and time assumptions are based on current information from key vendors and may be subject to change. Commencement is subject to a range of matters such as assumptions about alignment with customer demand and the ability to fund and other economic assumptions.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> This is an aspirational statement and not intended to be a forecast, as the Company does not yet have reasonable grounds to expect that this will be achieved.

# KMP targeted financials



### **Based on estimated Phase 2 maximum production**



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Current installed capacity plus planned Phase 2 ramp-up

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>The estimated lead time for Phase 2 implementation is 18 months and will commence upon customer demand, with commencement being earlier or later than indicated.



# Incentives for US expansion



#### **Supporting America's Mineral Future**

- Executive Order Increasing US Mineral Production
- MP Materials & DoD Public-Private partnership<sup>1</sup>



- DoD whitepaper submitted seeking capex funding<sup>2</sup>

### **Supportive business environment**

- 45X tax credit, state-based grants and incentives

#### Made in America mandate

- Noveon Magnetics, USA Rare Earth<sup>3</sup>

#### **Competitive cost base**

- Supply and logistics costs, e.g. power













<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> MP Materials announcement: MP Materials Announces Transformational Public-Private Partnership with the Department of Defense to Accelerate U.S. Rare Earth Magnet Independence

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> For recent example of DoD funding see: https://www.defense.gov/News/Releases/Release/Article/3573402/dod-awards-127-million-to-increase-titanium-powder-production-for-defense-suppl/

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Recent customer developments: https://www.defense.gov/News/News-Stories/Article/Article/3700059/dod-looks-to-establish-mine-to-magnet-supply-chain-for-rare-earth-materials/; https://noveon.co/nidec-and-noveonmagnetics-enter-agreement; https://www.usare.com/article?i=144487

# American Metals Plant (AMP) project hurdles<sup>1</sup>



In the determination on proceeding with the AMP, ASM will consider whether the following project hurdles can be achieved.

### Capacity of 2,000 tpa of alloy

Initial production capacity, ability to expand to 4,000 tpa aligned to demand

### Non-China REE feedstock

Fully independent and diversified supply chain

AMP
targeting financials
broadly aligned
with KMP
target financials

### Up to 150 skilled jobs

Created at full capacity, supporting local employment and economic growth

### Accelerated delivery

Established expertise and operational knowledge will reduce time to bring facility online

**Targeted Timeline** 

Selection of the preferred US state for AMP

2025

Finalise AMP funding and permitting

2026

Construction commences targeted completion within 2 years

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# Prioritising rare earth production



### **Dubbo Project**



Unique, long life ore body



Tier 1 jurisdiction



Major approvals in place



Advanced process flowsheet & engineering



Environment, Social & Governance credentials

Rare Earth Options Assessment

to rare earth production

A\$5M International Partnerships in Critical Minerals Funding<sup>1</sup>

Heap Leach Option<sup>2</sup>

1. Simplified Flowsheet

2. Reduced Up-front Capital

3. Low Operating Costs

4. Robust Financials

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Refer ASX Announcement, 15 October 2024: <u>ASM awarded A\$5M Federal Government grant for Dubbo Project</u>

# Heap Leach Option - a transformational approach<sup>1</sup>



| 1. Simplified Flowsheet     | NdPr<br>oxide<br>1,157tpa | Tb<br>oxide<br>13 tpa | Dy<br>oxide<br>72 tpa | These production targets leverage proven heap leach technology and extensive in-house purification, separation and refining work <sup>2</sup> |
|-----------------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|---|
| 2. Reduced Up-front Capital | A\$740M                   |                       |                       | Capital forecast cost reduced by ~56% from A\$1.67B estimate 2021 Optimisation Feasibility Study <sup>3</sup>                                 |
| 3. Low Operating Costs      | Q1 costs                  |                       |                       | Operating forecast expenses in lowest quartile of ex-China rare earth producers <sup>4</sup>  |
| 4. Robust Financials        | IRR                       | 22.                   | 9%                    | Financials forecast across multiple pricing scenarios, including pre-tax NPV <sub>8</sub> % of A\$1,468 million <sup>5</sup>                  |

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Refer ASX Announcement, 11 July 2025: <u>Heap Leach Option delivers major cost reductions for Dubbo Project</u>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Average production targets for years 3-15 of mine life.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Refer to ASX Announcement, 7 December 2021: <u>Dubbo Project Optimisation Delivers Strong Financials</u>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup>Operating C1 Cast Cost over years 3-15 of mine life

# Support for our pathway to production







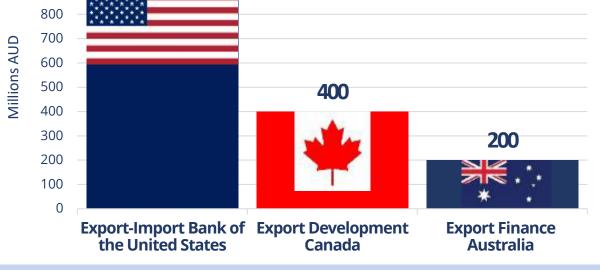


conditional Export Credit Agency support<sup>2</sup>

~A\$49M

**US EXIM Engineering** Multiplier Program<sup>3</sup>





**Targeted Timeline** 

**Complete PFS - H1** Commence pre-execution engineering & secure funding

2026

Commence **Dubbo Project** construction

2027

Complete **Dubbo Project** construction

2029

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Exchange rate (A\$: US\$) - 0.65

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Refer ASX Release, 1 April 2025: Extension of Letter of Interest from Export Development Canada and see also the previous ASM announcements referred to in that announcement. Funding support is conditional and non-binding.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Refer ASX Release, 25 March 2024: Bechtel contract to support ASM with engineering at the Dubbo Project

### ASM – mine to metals





Building an alternative global supply chain



In production of high-tech metals & alloys – ready to scale globally



Strong government strategic support



Dubbo Project construction ready



~A\$1.5 billion conditional non-binding debt funding support



Pursuing expansion & partnership opportunities



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Thank you

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