

## 30 April 2025

# Quarterly Activities and Cashflow Report for the period ending 31 March 2025

Boab Metals Limited (ASX: **BML**) ("**Boab**" or "**Company**") is pleased to provide the following activities and cashflow report for the quarter ending 31 March 2025. During the quarter, the Company continued progressing its flagship Sorby Hills Lead-Silver-Zinc Project ("**Sorby Hills**" or "**the Project**"), located in the Kimberley Region of Western Australia.

#### **HIGHLIGHTS**

- During the period, Boab finalised due diligence on the potential acquisition of the DeGrussa Processing Plant.
- Post Quarter end, Boab executed a binding Sale and Purchase Agreement ("SPA") with Sandfire Resources Ltd ("Sandfire, ASX SFR") to acquire the DeGrussa Processing Plant.
- The acquisition will significantly enhance project execution by derisking equipment procurement and reducing upfront capital costs for Sorby Hills.

## **DeGrussa Processing Plant SPA - Key Terms**

- o Total acquisition price of A\$10.0M comprising:
  - A\$1.5M deposit of which A\$0.5M is payable in cash and A\$1.0M to be paid in cash or shares (at Boab's election) at a price of A\$0.12/sh;
  - A\$6.0M payable in cash upon Completion; and
  - A\$2.5M payable in cash on or before the date that is 12 months from the sale of first concentrate from the Project.
- Completion (and the associated payment due at Completion) is conditional upon Boab reaching a Final Investment Decision ("FID") on the Sorby Hills Project.
- Any shares issued to Sandfire will be subject to a voluntary 12-month escrow period.
- Discussions continue with potential financiers to complement the binding US\$30M prepayment from Trafigura.
- Targeting FID for Sorby Hills in H2 2025.
- The Company had a cash balance of approximately A\$2.67M as at 31 March 2025.

**Boab Managing Director and CEO, Simon Noon, stated:** "Assessing the DeGrussa opportunity and negotiating the Sale and Purchase Agreement with Sandfire was the core focus of our efforts at Sorby Hills during the quarter and we are delighted to have achieved a successful outcome. The acquisition represents a key derisking event from both a capital expenditure and equipment procurement prospective and builds upon the significant project execution momentum that we have built over the past 6 months. We look forward to completing a competitive tender over the coming quarter to formally price the relocation, reconstruction and refurbishment contract ahead of a targeted H2 2025 FID."



### **Background Information**

Sorby Hills is located 50km from the regional centre of Kununurra in the East Kimberley of Western Australia and has access to existing sealed roads to transport the concentrate 150km from the mine site to the facilities at Wyndham Port. The Project comprises a Mineral Resource of 47.3Mt containing 1.5Mt Pb at 3.1% and 53Moz silver at 35g/t. The current Sorby Hills mine plan comprises 18.3Mt at 3.4% Pb and 39g/t Ag of which ~83% is classified as an Ore Reserve.

On 6 June 2024, Boab released the results of a Front-End Engineering & Design Study ("**FEED Study**") on the Project showing strong pre-tax economics including C1 operating costs of US\$0.36/lb payable Pb (incl. a net silver credit of US\$0.37/lb payable Pb), NPV<sub>8</sub> of A\$411M, IRR of 37%, A\$778M free cash flow, and an average annualised EBITDA of A\$126M. Pre-production capital costs were estimated to be A\$264M of which a new processing plant comprised A\$136M.

With operating costs covered by revenue generated by a historically non-volatile lead price, the Project free cash flow is exposed to movements in the price of silver.

Over the past 6 months, the Company has achieved a number of critical project execution milestones, including:

- execution of an option to acquire the remaining 25% of the Sorby Hills Project from joint venture partner Henan Yuguang<sup>1</sup>;
- execution of a Binding Offtake Agreement and US\$30M Prepayment Terms Sheet from global commodities trader Trafigura<sup>2</sup>; and
- receipt of formal confirmation from the WA Government that the Project's existing EPA
  Approval has been amended to allow Sorby Hills to be developed in a manner consistent
  with the FEED study<sup>3</sup>;

#### **Acquisition of the DeGrussa Processing Plant**

The acquisition of the DeGrussa Processing Plant (Figure 1) from Sandfire is another key milestone achieved toward reaching FID at Sorby Hills and represents a key derisking event from both an equipment procurement and capital cost perspective.

All major components for the Sorby Hills Processing Plant as proposed in the FEED Study have been secured via the DeGrussa Processing Plant acquisition (Figure 2) including an extensive equipment spares inventory. Importantly, the components are fit for purpose to achieve the targeted average ~103ktpa of concentrate production.

Key Terms of the acquisition are shown in Table 1. Over the coming quarter, Boab will complete a competitive tender to formally price the relocation, reconstruction and refurbishment contract ahead of a targeted H2 2025 FID.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> ASX Release 23 September 2024

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> ASX Release 10 December 2024

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> ASX Release 23 December 2024





Figure 1: The DeGrussa Processing Plant.

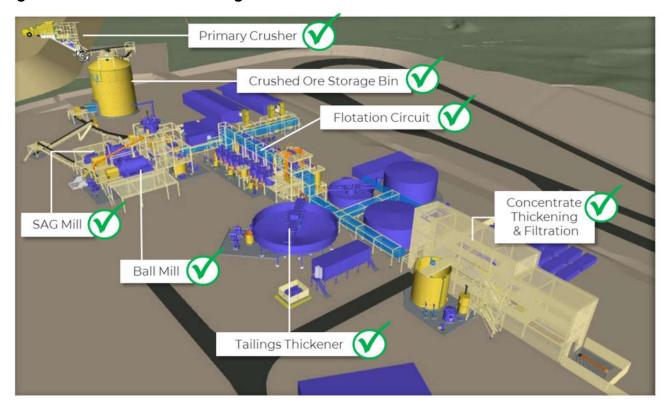


Figure 2: 3D Model of the Sorby Hills Processing Plant produced by GRES during FEED showing key components of the design that have been secured via the acquisition of the DeGrussa Processing Plant.



Table 1: Key Terms of the DeGrussa Processing Plant Acquisition

Term	Details
Price	<ul> <li>The Purchase Price for the Assets is A\$10.0M comprising</li> <li>A\$1.5M deposit A\$0.5M payable in cash and A\$1.0M payable in cash or shares at Boab's election. If in shares, then the share price shall be the 5-day VWAP calculated as of the date of execution of the SPA (i.e. A\$0.12/sh);</li> <li>A\$6.0M in cash on Completion; and</li> <li>A\$2.5M in cash on or before the date that is 12 months from the date of first sale or other disposal of Concentrate produced from the Sorby Hills Tenements.</li> </ul>
Conditions Precedent to Completion	<ul> <li>the parties agreeing an appropriate work schedule for the dismantling and removal of the Assets from the DeGrussa Mine Site (by 15 December 2025 or otherwise agreed);</li> <li>the Buyer obtaining relevant regulatory approvals (no later than 12 months after the execution date of the SPA or as otherwise agreed); and</li> <li>the Buyer confirming to Seller that its Board has approved FID in respect of the Project.</li> </ul>
Post Completion	<ul> <li>From Completion and until the commencement of Dismantling Works, Boab will pay the cost of any ongoing care &amp; maintenance programs (managed by Sandfire in accordance with the SPA) and applicable insurances.</li> </ul>

## **Financing Update**

The US\$30M Prepayment facility executed with Trafigura in December 2024 represented a cornerstone tranche of Boab's financing solution for Sorby Hills. With the Trafigura prepayment and associated concentrate Offtake in place, the Company has advanced discussions with lenders to provide the balance of the senior debt to fund Sorby Hills. The acquisition of the DeGrussa Processing Plant will enhance discussions with potential lenders as key a risk mitigation for project execution and a tangible asset to support credit considerations.

## **Approvals**

Boab has progressed the assessment of the Project under the Environment Protection and Biodiversity Conservation Act 1999, with the submission of the finalised response to queries from the regulator. The information provided by Boab was accepted by the regulator in late March; allowing for the assessment to continue to the next steps. Boab anticipates approval under the federal act being obtained early Q3 2025.



Upon the successful finalisation of amendments to the state Ministerial Statement in December of last year, Boab Metals formally submitted documentation under the Mining Act 1978 and Part V of the Environmental Protection Act 1986, being the Mining Proposal / Mine Closure Plan and the Works Approval application, respectively. These applications are currently under assessment with the relevant departments, with the expectation that these will be formally approved in Q3 2025.

In addition, Boab Metals submitted the Groundwater Operating Strategy to finalise the application for a licence to abstract water for the Project. The operating strategy is under assessment and pending approval in the coming period.

# **Financial and Corporate Overview**

The consolidated cash balance of the Company as at 31 March 2025 was A\$2.67M. During the period, the Company paid \$137K to related parties. These payments were made to Directors of Boab Metals Limited in relation to salaries and directors' fees, on normal commercial terms.

In addition to the \$2.67M in existing cash reserves the company has a A\$4.8M At The Market (ATM) Facility available for use at the company's absolute discretion.

On 13 March 2025, the Company released its half yearly report.

The Board of Directors have authorised this announcement for release to the market.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, PLEASE CONTACT:

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Table 1: Sorby Hills Mineral Resource Estimate – Pb Domains only.

	_	Grade			Contained Metal		
Resource Classification	Tonnes (Mt)	Pb	Zn	Ag	Pb	Zn	Ag
		%	%	g/t	kt	kt	koz
Measured	12.6	3.5%	0.4%	43	444	45	17,521
Indicated	11.0	3.4%	0.4%	34	377	46	12,114
Inferred	23.6	2.7%	0.5%	31	645	117	23,406
Total Resource	47.3	3.1%	0.4%	35	1,465	207	53,042

Note: Tonnes and Grade are rounded. Reported at a 1.0% Pb Cut-Off. Discrepancies in calculated Contained Metal is due to rounding.



# Table 2: Sorby Hills Ore Reserve Statement.

Ore Reserve	Ore	Grade		Contained Metal	
Category	(Mt)	Pb (%)	Ag (g/t)	Pb (kt)	Ag (Moz)
Proved	10.4	3.5%	42	358	14.1
Probable	4.9	3.5%	32	172	5.0
Total Ore Reserve	15.2	3.5%	39	531	19.1

Note: Tonnes and Grade are rounded. Reported at a 1.0% Pb cut-off. The above data has been rounded to the nearest 10,000 tonnes ore, 0.1% lead grade and 1,000 lead tonnes, 1g/t silver grade and 100,000 silver ounces. Discrepancies in calculated Contained Metal is due to rounding. Ore Reserves have been calculated using metal prices of A\$3,313.91/t Pb and A\$37.89/oz Ag and royalties of 4.3% of gross revenue including allowable deductions.



#### **About Boab Metals Limited**

Boab Metals Limited ("Boab", ASX: BML) is a Western Australian-based exploration and development company with interests in Australia and South America. In Australia, the Company is currently focused on developing the Sorby Hills Lead-Silver-Zinc Joint Venture Project in WA. Sorby Hills is located 50km from the regional centre of Kununurra in the East Kimberley and has access to existing sealed roads to transport concentrate from site to the facilities at Wyndham Port, a distance of 150km. Established infrastructure and existing permitting allows for fast-track development and production. Boab owns a 75% interest in the Joint Venture with the remaining 25% interest held by Henan Yuguang Gold & Lead Co. Ltd. Boab holds an option to acquire Yuguang's interest in the Project

## **Compliance Statements**

The Australasian Code for Reporting of Exploration Results, Mineral Resources and Ore Reserves (the 'JORC Code') sets out minimum standards, recommendations and guidelines for Public Reporting in Australasia of Exploration Results, Mineral Resources and Ore Reserves.

Information included in this activities report relating to Mineral Resources has been extracted from the Mineral Resource Estimate dated 17 December 2021, available to view at www.boabmetals.com.au. The Company confirms that it is not aware of any new information or data that materially affects the information included in the Mineral Resource Estimate and 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 Mineral Resource Estimate.

Information included in this activities report relating to Ore Reserves, Production Targets and Financial Forecasts has been extracted from the Sorby Hills Definitive Feasibility Study dated 19 January 2023 and Sorby Hills FEED Study Results dated 6 June 2024, both available to view at www.boabmetals.com.au. The Company confirms that it is not aware of any new information or data that materially affects the information included in the Ore Reserve Statement and that all material assumptions and technical parameters underpinning the estimates, production targets and financial forecasts 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 Ore Reserves Statement.



# **Metal Equivalent Calculation Method**

The contained metal equivalence formula is based on the Sorby Hills Feed Study including:

- Lead Price US\$2,253.19/t;
- Lead recovery of 91.0% (weighted average of oxide and fresh Pb recoveries);
- Lead Payability rate of 95%;
- Silver Price US\$27.4/oz;
- Silver recovery of 81.8% (weighted average of oxide and fresh Ag recoveries); and
- Silver Payability rate of 95%.
- Zinc Price US\$2.500/t
- Zinc Recovery of 91%
- Zinc Payability of 95%

It is Boab's opinion that all elements included in the metal equivalent calculation have a reasonable potential to be recovered and sold.

The formula used to calculate lead equivalent grade is:

where R is the respective metallurgical metal recovery rate, S is the respective smelter return rate, V is metal price/tonne or ounce, and G is the metal commodity grade for the suite of potentially recoverable commodities (i) relative to the primary metal (pri).

Metal equivalents are highly dependent on the metal prices used to derive the formula. Boab notes that the metal equivalence method used above is a simplified approach. The metal prices are based on the DFS values adopted and do not reflect the metal prices that a smelter would pay for concentrate nor are any smelter penalties or charges included in the calculation. Owing to limited metallurgical data, zinc grades are not included at this stage in the lead equivalent grade calculation.

# **FEED Study Macroeconomic Assumptions**

Assumption	Unit	FY2025	FY2026	FY2027	FY2028	FY2029+
Lead Price	US\$/t	2,259	2,268	2,269	2,254	2,251
Silver Price	US\$/oz	24.8	25.8	26.4	27.3	27.5
Exchange Rate	A\$:US\$	0.70	0.70	0.70	0.69	0.68



# **APPENDIX 1**

# **INTERESTS IN TENEMENTS**

Farm-In Agreements/ Projects/Tenements	Location	Held at Start of Quarter	Held at End of Quarter
Sorby Hills Project			
M80/196		75%	75%
M80/197		75%	75%
M80/285	NA/A A L'	75%	75%
M80/286	WA, Australia	75%	75%
M80/287		75%	75%
E80/5317		100%	100%
Borroloola West Project EL31354 EL26938 EL26939 EL28658 EL30305 MLN624	NT, Australia	100% 51% 51% 51% 51% 51%	100% 51% 51% 51% 51% 51%
Manbarrum Project EL24395 MA24518 MA26581	NT, Australia	100% 100% 100%	100% 100% 100%
Urrao Project			
2791	Colombia	100%	100%

# Appendix 5B

# Mining exploration entity or oil and gas exploration entity quarterly cash flow report

Name of entity	
BOAB ME	ETALS LIMITED
ABN	Quarter ended ("current quarter")
43 107 159 713	31 March 2025

Consolidated statement of cash flows		Current quarter \$A'000	Year to date (9 months) \$A'000
1.	Cash flows from operating activities		
1.1	Receipts from customers	-	-
1.2	Payments for		
	(a) exploration & evaluation (if expensed)	(527)	(1,956)
	(b) development	-	-
	(c) production	-	-
	(d) staff costs	(166)	(470)
	(e) administration and corporate costs	(221)	(762)
1.3	Dividends received (see note 3)	-	-
1.4	Interest received	40	147
1.5	Interest and other costs of finance paid	-	-
1.6	Income taxes paid	-	-
1.7	Government grants and tax incentives	-	-
1.8	Other:-		
	Recharge of staff costs and other administration costs to the Sorby JV	-	50
1.9	Net cash from / (used in) operating activities	(874)	(2,991)

Co	nsolidated statement of cash flows	Current quarter \$A'000	Year to date (9 months) \$A'000
2.	Cash flows from investing activities		
2.1	Payments to acquire or for:		
	(a) entities	-	-
	(b) tenements	-	-
	(c) property, plant and equipment	-	(11)
	(d) exploration & evaluation	-	-
	(e) investments	-	-
	(f) other non-current assets	-	(36)
2.2	Proceeds from the disposal of:		
	(a) entities	-	-
	(b) tenements	-	-
	(c) property, plant and equipment	-	-
	(d) investments	-	-
	(e) other non-current assets	-	-
2.3	Cash flows from loans to other entities	-	-
2.4	Dividends received (see note 3)	-	-
2.5	Other (provide details if material)	-	-
2.6	Net cash from / (used in) investing activities	-	(47)

3.	Cash flows from financing activities		
3.1	Proceeds from issues of equity securities (excluding convertible debt securities)	-	
3.2	Proceeds from issue of convertible debt securities	-	
3.3	Proceeds from exercise of options	-	
3.4	Transaction costs related to issues of equity securities or convertible debt securities	-	
3.5	Proceeds from borrowings	-	
3.6	Repayment of borrowings	-	
3.7	Transaction costs related to loans and borrowings	-	
3.8	Dividends paid	-	

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Coi	nsolidated statement of cash flows	Current quarter \$A'000	Year to date (9 months) \$A'000
3.9	Other (provide details if material)	-	-
3.10	Net cash from / (used in) financing activities	-	-

4.	Net increase / (decrease) in cash and cash equivalents for the period		
4.1	Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of period	3,544	5,708
4.2	Net cash from / (used in) operating activities (item 1.9 above)	(874)	(2,991)
4.3	Net cash from / (used in) investing activities (item 2.6 above)	-	(47)
4.4	Net cash from / (used in) financing activities (item 3.10 above)	-	-
4.5	Effect of movement in exchange rates on cash held	-	-
4.6	Cash and cash equivalents at end of period	2,670	2,670

Reconciliation of cash and cash equivalents at the end of the quarter (as shown in the consolidated statement of cash flows) to the related items in the accounts	Current quarter \$A'000	Previous quarter \$A'000
Bank balances	1,616	291
Call deposits	1,000	3,200
Bank overdrafts	-	-
Other (provide details)	54	53
Cash and cash equivalents at end of quarter (should equal item 4.6 above)	2,670	3,544
Payments to related parties of the entity	Current quarter \$A'000	
Aggregate amount of payments to related page associates included in item 1	(137)*	
Aggregate amount of payments to related page associates included in item 2		
	equivalents at the end of the quarter (as shown in the consolidated statement of cash flows) to the related items in the accounts  Bank balances Call deposits Bank overdrafts Other (provide details)  Cash and cash equivalents at end of quarter (should equal item 4.6 above)  Payments to related parties of the entity  Aggregate amount of payments to related p associates included in item 1  Aggregate amount of payments to related p	equivalents at the end of the quarter (as shown in the consolidated statement of cash flows) to the related items in the accounts  Bank balances Call deposits 1,000 Bank overdrafts - Other (provide details)  Cash and cash equivalents at end of quarter (should equal item 4.6 above)  Payments to related parties of the entity and their associates  Aggregate amount of payments to related parties and their associates included in item 1  Aggregate amount of payments to related parties and their

Note: if any amounts are shown in items 6.1 or 6.2, your quarterly activity report must include a description of, and an explanation for, such payments.

7.	Financing facilities  Note: the term "facility' includes all forms of financing arrangements available to the entity.  Add notes as necessary for an understanding of the sources of finance available to the entity.	Total facility amount at quarter end \$A'000	Amount drawn at quarter end \$A'000
7.1	Loan facilities	-	-
7.2	Credit standby arrangements	-	-
7.3	Other (please specify)	-	-
7.4	Total financing facilities	_	-
7.5	Unused financing facilities available at quarter end		
7.6 Include in the box below a description of each facility above, including the lender, rate, maturity date and whether it is secured or unsecured. If any additional finance facilities have been entered into or are proposed to be entered into after quarter expectation include a note providing details of those facilities as well.			itional financing

8.	Estimated cash available for future operating activities	\$A'000
8.1	Net cash from / (used in) operating activities (item 1.9)	(874)
8.2	(Payments for exploration & evaluation classified as investing activities) (item 2.1(d))	-
8.3	Total relevant outgoings (item 8.1 + item 8.2)	(874)
8.4	Cash and cash equivalents at quarter end (item 4.6)	2,670
8.5	Unused finance facilities available at quarter end (item 7.5)	-
8.6	Total available funding (item 8.4 + item 8.5)	2,670
8.7	Estimated quarters of funding available (item 8.6 divided by item 8.3)	3.05

8.8 If item 8.7 is less than 2 quarters, please provide answers to the following questions:

8.8.1 Does the entity expect that it will continue to have the current level of net operating cash flows for the time being and, if not, why not?

Answer: Not Applicable.

8.8.2 Has the entity taken any steps, or does it propose to take any steps, to raise further cash to fund its operations and, if so, what are those steps and how likely does it believe that they will be successful?

Answer: Not Applicable.

8.8.3 Does the entity expect to be able to continue its operations and to meet its business objectives and, if so, on what basis?
Answer: Not Applicable.
Note: where item 8.7 is less than 2 quarters, all of questions 8.8.1, 8.8.2 and 8.8.3 above must be answered.

## **Compliance statement**

- 1 This statement has been prepared in accordance with accounting standards and policies which comply with Listing Rule 19.11A.
- 2 This statement gives a true and fair view of the matters disclosed.

Authorised for release by the Board of Directors of Boab Metals Limited

#### Notes

- 1. This quarterly cash flow report and the accompanying activity report provide a basis for informing the market about the entity's activities for the past quarter, how they have been financed and the effect this has had on its cash position. An entity that wishes to disclose additional information over and above the minimum required under the Listing Rules is encouraged to do so.
- 2. If this quarterly cash flow report has been prepared in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards, the definitions in, and provisions of, AASB 6: Exploration for and Evaluation of Mineral Resources and AASB 107: Statement of Cash Flows apply to this report. If this quarterly cash flow report has been prepared in accordance with other accounting standards agreed by ASX pursuant to Listing Rule 19.11A, the corresponding equivalent standards apply to this report.
- 3. Dividends received may be classified either as cash flows from operating activities or cash flows from investing activities, depending on the accounting policy of the entity.
- 4. If this report has been authorised for release to the market by your board of directors, you can insert here: "By the board". If it has been authorised for release to the market by a committee of your board of directors, you can insert here: "By the [name of board committee eg Audit and Risk Committee]". If it has been authorised for release to the market by a disclosure committee, you can insert here: "By the Disclosure Committee".
- 5. If this report has been authorised for release to the market by your board of directors and you wish to hold yourself out as complying with recommendation 4.2 of the ASX Corporate Governance Council's Corporate Governance Principles and Recommendations, the board should have received a declaration from its CEO and CFO that, in their opinion, the financial records of the entity have been properly maintained, that this report complies with the appropriate accounting standards and gives a true and fair view of the cash flows of the entity, and that their opinion has been formed on the basis of a sound system of risk management and internal control which is operating effectively.