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Minotaur Exploration has elected to expand its drilling campaign again along the 3.3km-long Jericho copper system at Eloise JV with OZ Minerals (51%).

The decision to add a further 800m, to the already extended program, follows high grade copper-gold values noted visually in recent drill core that upgraded the J1 target.

The seven new holes will reduce gaps in the drilling along the J1 and J2 North systems to between 150-300m.

Mineralisation intersected demonstrates persistently strong similarities to the nearby Eloise copper deposit. The main Eloise lodes - Elrose and Levuka lodes - exhibit an orebody footprint spanning about 200m north-south, whereas the lodes plunge to significant depth, such as 1440m at Levuka.

Minotaur said the gaps between drill holes on both J1 and J2 North offer potential for discovery of an Eloise-scale deposit.