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Wellington mine's impressive finds

MINERS drilling at the Commonwealth Mine site 25 minutes from Wellington say they have made promising finds of gold, copper, lead and zinc.

The exploration is being carried out by Impact Minerals, a company backed by Perth billionaire Andrew "Twiggy" Forrest.

Impact managing director Dr Mike Jones has described the Commonwealth Mine project as similar in strength to the large Cadia mine near Orange.

On-site international geologist James Cumming is impressed.

"Our current drilling follows a successful 2014 drilling campaign where we tested known mineralisation shafts on Commonwealth Mine," he said.