Gold drilling underway at Tatyoon

Navarre Minerals is likely to know within a couple of months how much potential a Grange deposit in a 'Stawell Corridor' near Tatyoon, south of Ararat, has in producing the region's next major gold boom.

The Stawell exploration company has started drilling for gold in the area and plans to complete the \$450,000 exploration project within six weeks.

Plans include up to 2000 metres of combined reverse circulation and diamond drilling in 10 to 15 holes across 1500 metres of strike.

The Western District broadacre farmland's similar geology to the five-million ounce Magdala Gold Mine at Stawell prompted the search.

The Magdala Mine is owned and operated by Navarre Minerals' largest share-holder Crocodile Gold Corporation which has provided \$200,000 for the Grange drilling program.

The Stawell Corridor, running northsouth from Murtoa to the south coast, is responsible for the birth of the Wimmera's historic gold centres of Ararat and Stawell.

As well as the five-million ounce Stawell Gold Mine, the corridor is also home to the one-million ounce Ararat Goldfield.

Stawell Gold Mine geologists discovered the Tatyoon site while searching for a Stawell look-alike gold-producing area in a regional search program.

A major gold discovery and subsequent mining project would have an enormous impact on Ararat and Stawell district economies and communities.