

Energy, Mines and Resources Box 2703, Whitehorse, Yukon Y1A 2C6 Mineral Resources Branch (K-9) Mining Lands

September 14, 2017

Dan Hanson

File No: LP01222

Box 23322 Grande Prairie, AB T8V 7G7

Dear Sir/Madam:

Re: Class 3 Placer Mining Land Use Approval

Your application for a Class 3 approval has been approved:

	As submitted.
\boxtimes	Subject to the attached conditions.
	Subject to security deposit as received.

The effective date of this approval will be September 14, 2017. All work, including restoration, must be completed by September 13, 2022, and inspected before full security and/or completion certificates can be applied for.

The attached 'Operational Guidelines' offer additional mitigations that would enable you to enhance the environmental performance of your program, but are not approval conditions.

Please feel free to contact our office at (867) 996-2256 should you have any questions.

Regards

Briar Young

Chief, Mining Land Use

cc: EMR Natural Resources Officer, Compliance Monitoring and Inspections ENV Environmental Affairs, Environmental Protection Branch

Company Name LP01222

OPERATIONAL GUIDELINES

- The proponent is encouraged to refer to the following guidelines regarding soils and water quality, as applicable:
 - o Interpretive Bulletin 2013-01 Re-vegetation on Mineral Claims: http://www.emr.gov.yk.ca/mining/pdf/Interpretive Bulletin 2013-01 Re-vegetation on Mineral Claims.pdf
 - Environment Yukon's Best Management Practices for Works Affecting Water in Yukon: http://www.env.gov.yk.ca/publications-maps/documents/bestpractes_water.pdf
- The Proponent is encourage to refer to the following guidelines regarding humanbear conflicts and worker safety:
 - o Proponent's Guide: Assessing and Mitigating the Risk of Human-Bear Encounters: http://www.env.gov.yk.ca/publications-maps/documents/proponents_guide_bear_risk.pdf
 - O Guidelines for Industrial Activity in Bear Country:

 http://www.env.gov.yk.ca/publicationsmaps/documents/Guidelines for Industrial Activity in Bear Country.pd
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MINING LANDS MINERAL RESOURCES BRANCH GOVERNMENT OF YUKON

Pursuant to the *Placer Mining Act* and the *Placer Mining Land Use Regulation*, the Chief, Mining Land Use hereby grants a Class 3 approval to:

Dan Hanson Box 23322 Grande Prairie, AB T8V 7G7

APPROVAL NUMBER:

LP01222

PROPERTY NAME:

Minto Creek

UNDERTAKING:

Placer

CLASS:

Class 3 Approval

EFFECTIVE DATE:

September 14, 2017

EXPIRY DATE:

September 13, 2022 or until a Class 4 approval is

issued, whichever occurs first

This approval shall be subject to the restrictions and conditions contained herein and to the restrictions and conditions contained in the *Placer Mining Act* and the *Placer Mining Land Use Regulation* made thereunder as proposed in Mining Land Use Application LP01222.

Dated this September 14, 2017

Chief, Placer Land Use

PLACER MINING LAND USE APPROVAL

Class 3 LP01222 Dan Hanson

SCOPE OF APPROVAL: Claim Status Report (Appendix A)

Exploration Activity Report (Appendix B)

LOCATION:

115P09

Definitions

"Act" means the Placer Mining Act, SY 2003, c.13; SY 2013, c.18;

"Operator" means a person who is engaging in an operation;

"Chief" means Chief of Placer Land Use, pursuant to the Act.

"Effective date" means the date this Approval comes into force as evidence by the date of the signature of the Chief;

"Site" means the area bounded by the sum of the mineral claims described above under 'Scope of Approval':

"Inspector" means an inspector designated pursuant to the Act;

"Corridor" means a path from which trees and brush have been cut to accommodate a trail, waterline, fuel line or power line.

"Access road" means a road that provides access to a public highway or to a private road "Isolated road" means a road that does not provide access to a public highway directly or through a private road.

"Road" means a pathway for vehicular traffic the construction of which requires the movement of rock or earth.

"Trail" means an access to a site within a claim or lease that is constructed with little or no movement of rock or earth.

"Upgrading", in relation to road, means re-establishing a road that has not been useable for more than five years by vehicles of a type the road was originally designed to serve, modifying a road to provide usability for vehicles that are of a different type than those the road was originally designed to serve and any other upgrading or modifying of a road, other than for maintenance or erosion control.

PART ONE - GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

Duration of Approval

1. This Approval is valid upon signature of the Chief until the expiry date or until a Class 4 approval is issued. In the event that mineral titles lapse, or that agreements to operate on mineral titles are dissolved, the Approval becomes null and void for that portion of the operating plan, where there is no right to the minerals.

Operating Plan- Page 2 of 9 LP01222 Minto Creek 2. All outstanding reclamation continues to be the responsibility of the operator.

Compliance with Operating Conditions

3. All operating activities must comply with the Operating Conditions contained in Schedule 1 of the *Placer Mining Land Use Regulation*. These Operating Conditions are enforceable.

PART TWO - REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

Contact Numbers/Planning and Communication

4. Submissions and reports to the Chief should be made in duplicate to the following addresses:

Chief, Mining Land Use Box 2703, K-9 Whitehorse, Yukon Y1A 2C6 Mining Lands Officer Box 10, K-MA Mayo, YT Y0B 1G0 867-996-2256 mayo.mining@gov.yk.ca

5. The contact for the Operator will be:

Dan Hanson Box 23322 Grande Prairie, AB T8V 7G7 rivridge1@gmail.com (780) 831-0680

- 6. All spills must be reported immediately to the 24-Hour Yukon Spill Reporting Line (867) 667-7244 and to the Mayo Mining Inspections Office (Compliance, Monitoring and Inspections) at (867) 996-2568.
- 7. An operator who takes an emergency remedial measure shall, as soon as possible but not later than 10 days after taking it, send a written report to the Chief describing the duration, nature and extent of the emergency and the measures taken to respond to it.
- 8. The operator shall contact the Mayo Mining Inspections Office (Compliance, Monitoring and Inspections) at (867) 996-2568 at least 14 days prior to commencing the field season.
- 9. The operator shall contact the Mayo Mining Inspections Office (Compliance, Monitoring and Inspections) at (867) 996-2568 at least 14 days prior to leaving the site at the end of the operation

Heritage

10. All palaeontological resources uncovered during operations shall be reported to the Yukon Palaeontology Program, Government of Yukon in Whitehorse at (867) 667-8089 or (867) 667-5386.

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- 11. All archaeological resources uncovered during operations shall be reported to the Yukon Archaeology Program, Government of Yukon in Whitehorse at (867) 667-3771 or (867) 667-5386.
- 12. The report(s) developed for Section 21 & 22, shall be submitted to Government of Yukon

 Mining Lands, Mineral Resources Branch and the Heritage Resources Unit, Cultural
 Services Branch.

Wildlife

13. All incidents with wildlife shall be reported to the District Conservation Officer in Mayo (Northern Tutchone Region) at (867) 996-2247, as well as any other communication regarding wildlife.

PART THREE – TERMS AND CONDITIONS

Removal of Vegetative Mat

14. If the vegetative mat must be removed to carry out an operation, it must be removed so as to protect the seed and root stock contained within the mat and be stored separately from any overburden or bedrock removed for use in re-establishing the vegetative mat when the operation ceases.

Re-establishment of vegetative mat

- 15. All vegetated areas disturbed by operation activities, including fuel and waste storage areas, clearings, corridors, camps and supporting infrastructure, and trenches and drill site, must be left in a condition conducive to re-vegetation by native plant species or other species adaptable to the local environment to encourage re-vegetation comparable to similar, naturally occurring, environments in the area.
- 16. Conditions conducive to re-vegetation include provision of an adequate soil layer with moisture retaining ability, no soil contamination by hydrocarbons or other hazardous substances, provisions of adequate seed or root stock and contoured or otherwise stable slopes.
- 17. If adequate seed or root stock is not naturally available, re-seeding or transplanting of vegetation is required. Only non-invasive species may be used for re-seeding or transplanting. Consult with the Mining Inspector prior to seeding.

Erosion Control and Permafrost

- 18. All areas disturbed during an operation must be re-sloped, contoured or otherwise stabilized to prevent long term soil erosion, slumping and subsidence.
- 19. All activities must be carried out to avoid or minimize damage to and loss of permafrost.
- 20. The operator shall insulate the ground surface beneath all temporary structures and temporary facilities used in the project where permafrost is present to:
 - a) Prevent any vegetation from being removed, and

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Historic Objects and Burial Grounds

- 21. A Heritage Resources Impact Assessment shall be carried out ahead of ground disturbing activities in areas with an elevated potential for the presence of archaeological or historic sites.
- 22. Subject to the results of the Heritage Resources Overview Assessment, areas with elevated potential for the presence of heritage resources are to be buffered from ground disturbing activities. If this is not possible, the operator shall complete a Heritage Resources Inventory Assessment in advance of activities that disturb the ground surface within areas with elevated potential for the presence of heritage resources.
- 23. Operations must not be carried out within 30m of a known archaeological, palaeontological or burial site unless the Chief indicates, in writing, that such activities may be carried out.
- 24. Any sites containing archaeological objects or human remains, or burial sites discovered in the course of carrying out an operation must be immediately marked and protected from further disturbance and, and as soon as practicable, the discovery reported to the Chief. No further activities may be carried out within 30m of the site until the Chief indicates, in writing, that the activities may be resumed.

Disposal of Wastes/Cleanliness

- 25. All solid waste, including debris, equipment, barrels, drums, and scrap metal, must be safely stored on the site of the operation while the program is carried out and must be disposed of in accordance with the *Solid Waste Regulations*.
- 26. The operator shall keep all garbage, including kitchen waste, in a container that prevents access by bears and other wildlife, until properly disposed of in accordance with the Solid Waste Regulations.
- 27. When burning kitchen waste on site it must be burned regularly to reduce odours that might attract wildlife and be burned to ash by forced air or fuel fired incineration.
- 28. Campsites must be kept clean and tidy.

Fuel and Chemical Storage and Handling

- 29. If petroleum fuel storage capacity exceeds 4000L, a secondary containment structure must be constructed. The containment structure must be made of a material impervious to petroleum products and:
 - a) if there is a single storage tank, be of sufficient size to accommodate at least 110% of the capacity of the storage tank; or

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- b) if there is more than one storage tank, be of sufficient size to accommodate 110% of the capacity of the largest storage tank or 10% of the total capacity of all of the tanks, whichever is greater.
- 30. All petroleum products, including waste petroleum products, and any other hazardous substances must be stored in a secure fashion no less than 30m from the ordinary high water mark of any water body.
- 31. All fuel cache(s) must be protected with an earthen berm and flagged to prevent spills resulting from accidental contact with heavy equipment. Flags should be visible above the snow pack.
- 32. All petroleum products, including waste petroleum products, and any other hazardous substances, must be transferred and handled without spillage.
- 33. All waste petroleum products and any other special waste, as defined in the *Special Waste Regulations*, generated in the course of carrying out the operation must be disposed of in accordance with the *Special Waste Regulations* when the program ceases.
- 34. The operator shall clearly identify the owner, the contents and the date on fuel drums to establish and manage ownership and responsibility.

Spills and Spill Contingency Plans

- 35. A spill contingency plan for petroleum products and other hazardous substances must be prepared and posted in the camp and at all fuel handling locations used in carrying out the operation.
- 36. All fuel spill equipment and materials must be maintained in a state of readiness sufficient at all times to contain and clean-up any hazardous materials spills.
- 37. If a spill occurs, the spill contingency plan must be immediately implemented and notice given to the 24-hour Yukon Spill Report Line. As soon as practicable, an inspector must be contacted. Whatever remedial action is required to clean-up the spill and reclaim the affected land and water must be taken.
- 38. The location of any spills shall be clearly marked with stakes or flags.

Use of Vehicles

39. Vehicles must be maintained and operated to prevent spills of fuel, lubricants, coolants and oil.

Timber and Brush

- 40. Cut brush must not be piled so that it blocks movement of wildlife or people.
- 41. Leaning trees created by the cutting of lines, corridors and clearings must be felled.

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- 42. When it is economically viable to do so, timber suitable for sale must be salvaged and stockpiled.
- 43. All risk of fire hazard must be avoided.

Trenching

- 44. Trenching carried out by hand or using hand-held tools must be methodical.
- 45. All trenches must be stabilized and marked to minimize risk to the public.
- **46.** Open trenches shall be sloped at one end to avoid entrapment of wildlife.
- 47. Trenches constructed with mechanized equipment must be back filled by first depositing any removed overburden and bedrock and then replacing the vegetative mat that was removed to construct the trench.
- **48.** The operator must ensure that all employees and contractors working at the trench sites are aware of the operating conditions for trenching.

Drilling

- 49. All reasonable efforts must be made when drilling to minimize impact on wildlife and the public.
- **50.** Drill holes that pose a hazard or that lead to ground water must be plugged to prevent flow of water to the surface.
- 51. The location of drill holes must be marked by flagging or other suitable means at the location of the drill hole.
- **52.** The operator must ensure that all employees and contractors working at the drill sites are aware of the operating conditions for drilling.

Roads, trails, and off-road/trail use

- 53. All vehicles must be operated to avoid rutting and gouging of roads and trails.
- 54. If rutting, gouging, ponding or permafrost degradation occurs off road or trail, vehicle use must be suspended or relocated to ground that is capable of bearing the weight of the vehicle without causing such damage and the former routes must be restored in compliance with the operating conditions for re-establishment of the vegetative mat and erosion control.
- 55. Off road and trail routes must be reconnoitered and must be used in a way that minimizes ground disturbance, including damage to permafrost and sensitive wildlife habitat.

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- **56.** Use of skids on permafrost or wet ground is only permitted outside of winter where it is not reasonable to use any other means of transporting equipment.
- 57. Routes for trails must be reconnoitered and flagged.

Release of sediment

58. All reasonable care must be taken in carrying out activities near or adjacent to a water body to prevent sediment from entering a water body, unless otherwise permitted by law.

Wildlife

- 59. All attractants, including garbage, kitchen waste and strained solids from grey water, shall be stored in a container that prevents access by bears and other wildlife, until properly disposed according to the Solid Waste Regulation or burned daily to ash by forced air and fuel fired incineration according to the Air Emissions Regulations.
- **60.** The operator shall report any incidents involving wildlife to the area's Conservation Officer and report when bears are frequenting the camp area for advice on further mitigation.

Security

61. Security may be required at any time by the Chief.

Reclamation

62. Reclamation shall be progressive in nature where possible and completed before expiry of the approval.

PART FOUR - FINAL DECOMISSIONING

- 63. All petroleum products and any other hazardous substance must be removed from the site when the operation ceases.
- 64. All waste petroleum products and any other special waste, as defined in the Special Waste Regulations, generated in the course of carrying out the operation must be disposed of in accordance with the Special Waste Regulations when the program ceases.
- 65. Debris, equipment, fuel barrels, scrap metal and other waste at the work site shall be completely disposed of, so as not to attract wildlife, by removal to an authorized disposal site as often as is practicable throughout the mining season and completely at the cessation of the operation.
- **66.** Structures must be removed and the site restored at the end of the exploration program or prior to the expiry of this approval, whichever comes first, to a level of utility comparable to its previous level of utility.

Operating Plan- Page 8 of 9 LP01222 Minto Creek 67. Final reclamation will occur prior to the expiry of the exploration program or prior to the expiry of this approval, whichever comes first, according to standards outlined in the operating conditions for re-establishment of vegetative mat and erosion control.

PART FIVE - OTHER MATTERS

Applicable Laws

- 68. All other applicable legislation, regulations, laws, by-laws and ordinances must be complied with. Additional authorizations or approvals may be required. Any doubt as to whether an additional authorization or approval is required should be verified by a duly authorized official at the appropriate government body or bodies.
- 69. Notice of Schedule III must be provided to the Yukon Water Board ten (10) days prior to use of water.
- 70. Attached (Appendix B) is a list of the approved activities.
- 71. Attached (Appendix C) are the commitments that form part of this operating plan.



Claim Status Report

15 September 2017

	Claim Name and Nbr.	Grant No.	Expiry Date Registered Owner	% Owned E	% Owned Excess NTS #'s	Grouping	Permit
<u></u>	Amanda	P 514219		100.00	9 115P09	GM00176	LP01222
R	Garnett	P 514223	2018/09/19 Daniel Harvey Hanson	100.00	9 115P09	GM00176	LP01222
R	Geno D	P 514222	2018/09/19 Daniel Harvey Hanson	100.00	9 115P09	GM00176	LP01222
R	Holly	P 509254	2018/09/19 Daniel Harvey Hanson	100.00	13 105M12	GM00176	LP01222
R	Holly D	P 514221	2018/09/19 Daniel Harvey Hanson	100.00	9 115P09	GM00176	LP01222
R	Irish	P 48148	2018/09/19 Daniel Harvey Hanson	100.00	15 115P09	GM00176	LP01222
R	Jessica	P 509152	2018/09/19 Daniel Harvey Hanson	100.00	14 105M12	GM00176	LP01222
R	Jessica D	P 514226	2018/09/19 Daniel Harvey Hanson	100.00	9 115P09	GM00176	LP01222
R	Meagan	P 514224	2018/09/19 Daniel Harvey Hanson	100.00	9 115P09	GM00176	LP01222
R	Penny 1	P 509161	2018/09/19 Penny Rose Hanson	100.00	15 105M12	GM00176	LP01222
R	Roaring Fork	P 48101	2018/09/19 Daniel Harvey Hanson	100.00	15 115P09	GM00176	LP01222
R	Robyn	P 509094	2018/09/19 Daniel Harvey Hanson	100.00	15 105M12	GM00176	LP01222
R	Sean	P 514220	2018/09/19 Daniel Harvey Hanson	100.00	9 115P09	GM00176	LP01222
R	Taryn 1	P 509160	2018/09/19 Daniel Harvey Hanson	100.00	15 115P09	GM00176	LP01222
N	Taryn M	P 514225	2018/09/19 Daniel Harvey Hanson	100.00	9 115P09	GM00176	LP01222

Criteria(s) used for search:

CLAIM DISTRICT: 1000003 CLAIM STATUS: ACTIVE & PENDING DOCUMENT NUMBER: LP01222 REGULATION TYPE: PLACER

Left column indicator legend:

R - Indicates the claim is on one or more pending renewal(s).

P - Indicates the claim is pending.

Total claims selected: 15

F - Indicates Full Quartz fraction (25+ acres)

D - Indicates Placer Discovery

C - Indicates Placer Codiscovery B - Indicates Placer Fraction

P - Indicates Partial Quartz fraction (<25 acres)

L - Indicates the Quartz Lease. Right column indicator legend:



Appendix B MINING LAND USE

EXPLORATION ACTIVITY REPORT

LP01222 Class III

Daniel Harvey Hanson Box 23322 Grand Prairie, AB T8V7G7

CRITERIA	TERMS AND CONDITIONS	
	Total = 4000m	
Corridor Width		
	500m x 6m	
	4000L Diesel, 80L Gas	
	4m	
	2,140	
	10 people	
Off Road Use of Vehicles in summer		
Total length of corridors		
	1000m3	
	4 (25m x 10m x 5m≈ 12m3) = 5000m3	
Upgrading of access roads per operation		
	0,7km	
	CRITERIA	