

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

May 5, 2017

File No: LQ00367a

Manson Creek Resources Ltd. 800, 808 – 4<sup>th</sup> Ave SW Calgary, AB T2P 3E8

Re:

Class 3 Approval

Dear Sir/Madam:

Your application for an amendment to 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 May 5, 2017. All work must be completed by May 30, 2022, and inspected for restoration before full security and/or completion certificates can be applied for.

The attached 'Operational Guidelines' offer additional mitigations that would enable you to maximize the environmental performance of your program.

Please feel free to contact our office at (867) 456-3822 should you have any questions.

Yours truly,

Briar Young

Chief Mining Land Use

### Manson Creek Resources Ltd. LQ00367a

### **OPERATIONAL GUIDELINES**

- Flight paths and protocol should follow the published guidelines "Flying in Sheep Country: How to minimize disturbances from aircraft"
   http://www.env.gov.yk.ca/pdf/flying\_in\_sheep\_country.pdf and "Flying in Caribou Country: How to minimize disturbances from aircraft"
   http://www.env.gov.yk.ca/mapspublications/documents/flying\_caribou\_country.pdf.
- The proponent should contact the Regional Biologist for information on appropriate set back distances if raptor nests, dens or mineral licks are encountered.
- The proponent should minimize line cutting to the extent possible.
- Any ground altering activities associated with camp construction should be limited to area greater than 30 m from water.
- The proponent should make best efforts to communicate plans and timing of
  activities to other resource users (trappers, outfitters, wilderness tourism
  operators, quartz/placer miners, First Nation(s) and known subsistence harvesters)
  that may be affected by the proposed project as soon as practicable, prior to the
  actual commencement of activities to reduce land use conflicts and any potential
  negative impacts on other users.
- The proponent should conduct pre-activity surveys, using appropriate methods, in areas that are likely to contain Collared Pika (talus slopes). Environment Yukon should be contacted for advice on this matter.
- The proponent should report the results of pre-activity surveys and any rare wildlife species occurrences to the Yukon Conservation Data Centre for advice on possible mitigation.



### MINING LANDS MINERAL RESOURCES BRANCH GOVERNMENT OF YUKON

Pursuant to the *Quartz Mining Act* and <u>Quartz Mining Land Use Regulation</u>, the Chief, Mining Land Use hereby grants an amendment to a Class 3 Approval to:

Manson Creek Resources Ltd. 800, 808 – 4<sup>th</sup> Ave SW Calgary, AB T2P 3E8

APPROVAL NUMBER:

LQ00367a

UNDERTAKING:

Quartz

CLASS:

Class 3 Approval

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** 

May 5, 2017

**EXPIRY DATE:** 

May 30, 2022

This permit shall be subject to the restrictions and conditions contained herein and to the restrictions and conditions contained in the *Quartz Mining Act* and the <u>Quartz Mining Land Use Regulation</u> made there under as proposed in Mining Land Use Application LQ00367 and LQ00367a.

Dated this 5th day of May 2017

Briar Young

Chief, Mining Land Use

### MINING LAND USE APPROVAL Class 3 LQ00367a Manson Creek Resources Ltd.

SCOPE OF APPROVAL: See attached Appendix 'A'

NTS: 106C03 & 105N14

### PART ONE - GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

### **Definitions**

- "Chief" means Chief, Mining Land Use pursuant to the Act.
- "Corridor" means a path from which trees and brush have been cut to accommodate a trail, water line, fuel line or power line.
- "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 a 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 for which the road was originally designed to serve and any other upgrading or modifying of a road, other than for maintenance or erosion control.

### **Duration of Approval**

- 1. This Approval is valid upon signature of the Chief until the expiry date. In the event that claims lapse, or that agreements to operate on claims are dissolved, the Approval becomes null and void for that portion of the operating plan, where there is no right to the minerals.
- 2. All outstanding reclamation continues to be the responsibility of the operator.

### **Compliance with Operating Conditions**

3. All mineral exploration activities must comply with the *Operating Conditions* (appended) contained in Schedule 1 of the <u>Ouartz Mining Land Use Regulation</u>. 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-09

Mining Lands Officer

Box 10

Whitehorse, Yukon Y1A 2C6

Mayo, Yukon Y0B 1M0

5. The contact for the Operator will be:

Manson Creek Resources Ltd. 800, 808 – 4<sup>th</sup> Ave SW Calgary, AB T2P 3E8

- 6. All spills must be reported immediately to the 24-Hour Yukon Spill Reporting Line (867) 667-7244 and to the Mining Inspections Division Mayo (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.** A report shall be submitted at the beginning of each mining season outlining the exploration activities planned for the season including the proposed locations.
- 9. A report shall be submitted at the end of each mining season indicating exploration activities completed during that season. This report shall include detailed mapping with GPS coordinates of all areas worked, location of new construction, new areas of disturbance, areas of permafrost encountered, total disturbed area, and reclamation activities that have taken place to date.
- 10. Prior to commencing any burning operations, a Burning Permit must be obtained from the Fire Management Office in Mayo at (867) 996-3200, as well as any other communications regarding wildfire management.
- 11. The operator shall contact Mining Inspections at Mayo (867) 996-2568 at least 14 days prior to commencing the field season.
- 12. The operator shall contact Mining Inspections at Mayo (867) 996-2568 at least 14 days prior to leaving the site at the end of the operation.
- 13. The operator shall contact the local municipal solid waste facility prior to usage to ensure proper governance of waste.

### Heritage

- 14. 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.
- 15. 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.

### Wildlife

- 16. All incidents with wildlife shall be reported to the District Conservation Officer in Mayo (Northern Tutchone Region) at (867) 996-2202, as well as any other communication regarding wildlife.
- 17. The proponent shall maintain a detailed wildlife log for submission to the Chief of Mining Lands each year.

### PART THREE - TERMS AND CONDITIONS

### Removal of the Vegetative Mat

18. If the vegetative mat must be removed to carry out exploration activities, it must be removed so as to protect the seed and root stock contained within the mat and be stored separately from other overburden or bedrock removed for use in reestablishing the vegetative mat when the exploration program ceases.

### Re-establishment of the Vegetative Mat

- 19. All vegetated areas disturbed by exploration activities, including fuel and waste storage areas, clearings, corridors, temporary trails, camps and supporting infrastructure, and trenches and drill sites, 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.
- 20. Conditions conducive to re-vegetation include provision of adequate soil layer with moisture retaining ability, no soil contamination by hydrocarbons or other hazardous substances, provision of adequate seed or root stock, and contoured or otherwise stable slopes.
- 21. 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**

- 22. All areas disturbed during an exploration program must be re-sloped, contoured or otherwise stabilized to prevent long-term soil erosion, slumping and subsidence.
- **23.** All exploration activities must be carried out to avoid or minimize damage to and loss of permafrost.

### **Historic Objects and Burial Grounds**

- 24. Exploration activities must not be carried out within 30m of a known archeological site unless the Chief indicates, in writing, that such activities may be carried out.
- 25. Any sites containing archeological objects, palaeontological objects or human remains or burial sites discovered in the course of carrying out an exploration program must be immediately marked and protected from further disturbance 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 activities may be resumed.

### Disposal of Wastes/Cleanliness

- 26. All solid waste, including debris, equipment, barrels, drums, and scrap metal, must be safely stored on the site of the exploration program while the program is carried out and must be disposed of in accordance with the Solid Waste Regulation when the program ceases.
- 27. Camps must be kept clean and tidy.
- 28. The proponent 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.
- 29. 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.

### Fuel and Chemical Storage and Handling

- **30.** 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
  - (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 the tanks, whichever is larger.
- 31. 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.
- **32.** 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.

- 33. All petroleum products, including waste petroleum products, and any other hazardous substance, must be transferred and handled without spillage.
- 34. All waste petroleum products and any other special waste, as defined in the <a href="Special Waste Regulations">Special Waste Regulations</a>, generated in the course of carrying out the explorations program must be disposed of in accordance with the <a href="Special Waste Regulations">Special Waste Regulations</a> when the program ceases.
- 35. The proponent 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

- **36.** A spill contingency plan for petroleum products and other hazardous waste must be prepared and posted in the camp and at all fuel handling locations used in carrying out the exploration program.
- 37. All spill clean-up equipment and material must be maintained in a state of readiness sufficient at all times to contain and clean-up any hazardous material spills.
- 38. 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.

### Timber and Brush

- **39.** Cut brush must not be piled so that it blocks movement of wildlife or people.
- **40.** Leaning trees created by cutting of lines, corridors, temporary trails, and clearings must be felled.
- **41.** When it is economically viable to do so, timber suitable for sale must be salvaged and stock piled.
- **42.** All risk of fire hazard must be avoided.

### Drilling

- **43.** All reasonable efforts must be made when drilling to minimize the impact on wildlife and the public.
- **44.** Vegetation other than that within a drill sump, must not be covered with drill cuttings
- 45. Core must be stored in a stable fashion.
- **46.** Drill mud must be re-circulated when possible.
- **47.** All drill fluids must be contained in a sump.

- **48.** Drill holes that pose a hazard or that lead to ground water must be plugged in a suitable manner.
- **49.** The location of drill holes must be marked on the ground by flagging or other suitable means at the location of the drill hole.
- **50.** Drilling waste, including fluid, cuttings and mud must not be left within 30m of a water body.
- **51.** The operator must ensure that all employees and contractors working at the drill sites are aware of the operating conditions for drilling.
- **52.** The proponent shall avoid activities that impact wetland areas.

### **Release of Sediment**

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

### Wildlife

- **54.** The proponent shall submit an attractant management plan to the Chief for review and approval within 60 days from issuance of the approval.
- **55.** The plan will detail wildlife deterrent measures, all related training, and measures to manage potential wildlife attractants, including, but not limited to:
  - food;
  - toiletries and first aid materials;
  - kitchen waste;
  - grey water;
  - solvents and cleaning products;
  - fuel, including fuel caches and small quantities of fuel at work sites;
  - oil, lubricants and industrial wastes;
  - Seasonal shutdowns and mitigations for few and/or no people on-site;
  - incinerator residue; and
  - sanitary waste.
- **56.** The following mitigations shall be included in the attractant management plan:
  - The camp shall be equipped with properly maintained wildlife deterrent devices consistent with the *Guidelines for Industrial Activity in Bear Country* (http://www.env.gov.yk.ca/mapspublications/documents/Guidelines for Industrial Activity in Bear Country.pdf).
  - The proponent shall ensure that project personnel receive bear aware training. For guidance of training refer to the *Guidelines for Industrial Activity in Bear Country*.
- **57.** The Chief may require any additional information and/or adopt additional mitigation as required.

58. The approved plan will be incorporated as a condition of approval LQ00367a.

### **Security**

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

### Reclamation

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

### PART FOUR - FINAL DECOMMISSIONING

- **61.** Final reclamation will occur prior to the expiry of the operation, according to standards outlined in the operating conditions for re-establishment of vegetative mat and erosion control.
- **62.** All petroleum products and any other hazardous substance must be removed from the site of the exploration program when the program ceases.
- 63. All waste petroleum products and any other special waste, as defined in the Special Waste Regulations, generated in the course of carrying out the explorations program must be disposed of in accordance with the Special Waste Regulations when the program ceases.
- **64.** 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.
- **65.** Structures must be removed and the site restored at the end of the operation to a level of utility comparable to its previous level of utility.

### PART FIVE - OTHER MATTERS

### **Applicable Laws**

- **66.** All applicable federal, territorial, and First Nation law or local regulations, ordinances or by-laws must be conformed with at all times. 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.
- 67. Notice of Schedule III must be provided to the Yukon Water Board ten (10) days prior to use of water.
- **68.** Attached is a list of the exploration activities for which you are approved (Appendix B).



# LQ00367a- Appendix A

## Claim Status Report

05 May 2017

Chim Name and Nbr.	Grant No.	Expiry Date Registered Owner	% Owned	NIIIS#'s	Grouping	Permit
Frog 46	YC10564	2020/10/22 MANSON CREEK RESOURCES LTD. 100.00	O.001 .C	106C03	HM03187	LQ00367
Frog 55 - 56	YC10573 - YC10574	2020/10/22 MANSON CREEK RESOURCES LTD.	O.001 C	106C03	HM03187	LQ00367
Frog 66	YC10584	2020/10/22 MANSON CREEK RESOURCES LTD.	O.001 .C	106C03	HM03187	LQ00367
Frog 69 - 70	YC10587 - YC10588	2020/10/22 MANSON CREEK RESOURCES LTD.	O.001 C	106C03	HM03187	LQ00367
Frog 71 - 159	YD105803 - YD105891	YD105803 - YD105891 2019/10/22 MANSON CREEK RESOURCES LTD.	O. 100.00	106C03, 105N14	HM03187	LQ00367
Frog 164 - 167	YD156092 - YD156095	YD156092 - YD156095 2019/10/22 MANSON CREEK RESOURCES LTD.	O.0001 .C	106C03, 105N14	HM03187	LQ00367
Frog 168	YD156097	2019/10/22 MANSON CREEK RESOURCES LTD.	O.001 C	105N14	HM03187	LQ00367
Frog 169	YD156096	2019/10/22 MANSON CREEK RESOURCES LTD.	O.001 .C	105N14	HM03187	LQ00367
Frog 170 - 171	YD156098 - YD156099	YD156098 - YD156099 2019/10/22 MANSON CREEK RESOURCES LTD.	O.001 .C	105N14	HM03187	LQ00367

## Criteria(s) used for search:

CLAIM DISTRICT: 1000003 CLAIM STATUS: ALL OWNER(S): MANSON CREEK RESOURCES LTD. REGULATION TYPE: QUARTZ

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

P - Indicates the claim is pending.

Left column indicator legend:

L - Indicates the Quartz Lease.

P - Indicates Partial Quartz fraction (<25 acres) F - Indicates Full Quartz fraction (25+ acres)

Total claims selected: 103

D - Indicates Placer Discovery

C - Indicates Placer Codiscovery B - Indicates Placer Fraction

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### LQ00367a Appendix B

### MINING LAND USE

EXPLORATION ACTIVITY REPORT

LQ00367a Class III

MANSON CREEK RESOURCES 800, 808-4th Ave SW Calgary, AB T2P 3E8

ELEMENT	CRITERIA	TERMS AND CONDITIONS
Fuel Storage in a stationary container		205 L drums: 6150L Diesel, 5125L JetA/B, 1025L Gasoline and 1500lbs Propane in 100 lbs bottles.
Lines		17,5 km x 2 m
Nb of clearings per claim, including existing clearings		Up to 4 clearings per claim
Nb of person days per camp		1,110 person days per camp
Nb of persons in a camp at any one time		12 persons in camp at any one time
Surface area of each clearing	is Ye	No removal of vegetative mat. 225m2 where trees and brush only removed, 50m x 200m for camp.