



Whitehorse Mining District
102 - 300 Main Street (K-102)
Whitehorse, YT, Y1A 2B5

April 27, 2022

P2022_0065
By Email

Sawtooth Mining & Exploration Ltd

Dear Carl Cowell:

Re: Class 1 Notification P2022_0065 - Allowed with additional terms and conditions.

This letter is to inform you that your Class 1 Notification P2022_0065 is valid as of June 07, 2022.

Your Class 1 Notification and proposed work program (June 10, 2022 - August 20, 2022) is allowed to proceed with the following terms and conditions:

- You are reminded that a leave strip is required for all placer streams for the protection of riparian areas. This creek has a low habitat suitability classification, as defined in the Fish Habitat Management System for Yukon's Placer Mining, requiring a 5 meter leave strip. Please see the document attached for more information and appropriate setbacks. You are also reminded of the Schedule 1 Operating Condition that "all reasonable care must be taken in carrying out exploration activities near or adjacent to a water body to prevent sediment from entering a water body, unless otherwise permitted by law." Any deposit of waste (i.e. dirty water) requires the activity to be licensed regardless of the quantity of water being disposed.
- Drill holes shall be decommissioned and backfilled or plugged to avoid wildlife entrapment.

- You are reminded of Schedule 1 Operating Condition #17 which states: "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."
- The map provided identifies areas with elevated potential for heritage resources. The operator shall avoid ground disturbing activities within these areas unless prior approval has been granted by the Heritage Resources Unit. The operator may contact Holly Smith at the Heritage Resources Unit (867-332-4057 or holly.smith@gov.yk.ca) for more information on the areas of heritage potential to discuss potential mitigation options prior to conducting any ground disturbing activities.
- Upon discovery of a heritage resource the proponent shall notify the Heritage Department of Teslin Tlingit Council's Department of Lands, Resources, and Heritage in addition to the Government of Yukon, Chief of Mining Lands and Heritage Department.
- The operator shall cease work when any caribou are observed on active claim blocks until caribou move off on their own accord.

Security may be required at any time by the Chief. The operator must furnish security within thirty (30) days of receiving the written notice from the Chief of the requirement to post security.

To help improve the environmental performance of your program, you are encouraged to refer to the attached operational guidelines. In addition, you are encouraged to contact affected First Nations to further discuss your program.

Class 1 work cannot occur on claims/leases that have lapsed or pending claims/leases until they are granted by a Mining Recorder. Please ensure the claims/leases within your Class 1 Notification are in good standing prior to beginning your work program. Any work occurring on pending or lapsed claims/leases will be in contravention of the *Placer Mining Act* and *Territorial Lands (Yukon) Act* and representation work conducted will not be accepted by the Mining Recorder.

Please note: the notification will expire on June 06, 2023 and all reclamation must be completed at the end of the program or prior to the expiry of this notification, whichever comes first. All proposed activities must abide by Schedule 1 (Operating Conditions) of the *Placer Mining Land Use Regulation*. In the event that claims/leases lapse, a Class 3 or 4 authorization is issued, or that agreements to operate on claims/leases are dissolved, the Class 1 notification becomes null and void for that portion of the program, where there is no right to the minerals.

If you have any questions about this letter, please contact the district office by phone at 867-667-3190, fax at 867-667-5150, or email at whitehorse.mining@yukon.ca.

Sincerely,
Bobbie Milnes



Chief of Placer Land Use

cc

Tourism and Culture

Kwanlin Dün First Nation

Ta'an Kwäch'än Council

Teslin Tlingit Council