



Dawson Mining District Box 249 (K-DA) Dawson City, YT, Y0B 1G0

June 07, 2022

P2022\_0118 By Email

Natalia d' Entremont

Dear Natalia d' Entremont:

Re: Class 1 Notification P2022\_0118 - Dempster Highway - Allowed with additional terms and conditions.

This letter is to inform you that your Class 1 Notification P2022\_0118 is valid as of June 07, 2022.

Your Class 1 Notification and proposed work program (June 07, 2022 - June 07, 2023) is allowed to proceed with the following terms and conditions:

- The notification area overlaps with a moose late-winter range wildlife key area. Typically, placer exploration activities are carried out outside of winter months, however, activities have been proposed to occur year round. As such, the operator should plan activities to avoid use of the area in late-winter (Jan 1st – April 1st).
- The operator shall backfill each trench once a geological evaluation of the trench has been completed or prior to the end of the work program date identified in this Class 1, whichever occurs first.
- The map provided identifies areas with elevated potential for heritage resources. The operator shall avoid ground disturbing activities within these area(s) 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.

- The operator shall cease work when any caribou are observed on active claim blocks until the caribou move off on their own accord.
- The claims included in this notification overlap with trapping concessions #31 and may overlap with other guided recreational tours. You are encouraged to communicate plans and timing of activities to other land and resource users that may be affected by the proposed project (e.g. outfitter, Wilderness Tourism Association of Yukon, etc.) as soon as practicable and prior to the commencement of project activities to identify and resolve potential land use conflicts and any potential negative effects on other users.
- Upon discovery of a heritage resource the proponent shall notify the Heritage Department of Tr'ondëk Hwëch'in First Nation (867.993.7100 ext. 173), in addition to the Government of Yukon, Chief of Mining Lands and Heritage Branch.
- The operator shall communicate plans and timing of activities to affected First Nations as well as other land and resource users that may be affected by the proposed project as soon as practicable and prior to the commencement of project activities to identify and resolve potential land use conflicts and any potential negative effects on other users.
- The operator shall allow unimpeded access through the project site to First Nation citizens undergoing traditional pursuits.
- The operator shall install and maintain safety fencing around all [trenches/shafts] deeper than two meters and install covers over the openings of all [trenches/shafts] with logs, or similar material capable of preventing people or wildlife from inadvertently falling into the [trenches/shafts].
- There is a known mineral lick(s) in the vicinity of the project area. The operator shall contact the Dawson Regional Biologist (867-993-6461) for information on the exact location of mineral lick(s) in the vicinity of the project area. If a mineral lick is identified within the project area, the operator shall maintain a 100m no-disturbance buffer around the location of the mineral lick unless specified in writing from the Chief, Placer Land Use.

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 07, 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 867-993-5343, fax at 867-993-6747, or email at dawson.mining@yukon.ca.

Sincerely, Bobbie Milnes

Chief of Placer Land Use

cc Environmental Affairs Branch, Environment Tourism and Culture Tr'ondëk Hwëch'in