



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

June 06, 2022 P2022\_0140
By Email

Ground Truth Exploration Ltd.

Dear Ground Truth Exploration Ltd.:

Re: Class 1 Notification P2022\_0140 - Allowed with additional terms and conditions.

This letter is to inform you that your Class 1 Notification P2022\_0140 is valid as of June 06, 2022.

Your Class 1 Notification and proposed work program (June 06, 2022 - June 06, 2023) is allowed to proceed with the following terms and conditions:

- The operator shall install an electric fence around the food preparation and storage area, grey water sump and incinerator.
- The operator shall store all attractants, including garbage, kitchen waste and strained solids from grey water in a container that prevents access by bears and other wildlife, until properly disposed of according to the Solid Waste Regulation or burned daily to ash by forced air and fuel fired incineration according to the Air Emissions Regulations.
- 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].

- The operator shall backfill each [trench/shaft] once a geological evaluation of the [trench/shaft] has been completed or prior to the end of the work program date identified in this Class 1, whichever occurs first.
- The location of active raptor nests identified by the operator shall be reported to Environment Yukon, Conservation Data Centre (867-667-3684 or yukoncdc@gov.yk.ca).
- The operator shall plan flight routes to avoid flying over any observed active raptor nests, or if it cannot be avoided, fly at a minimum of 600 m above ground level when safe to do so.
- The map provided identifies areas with elevated potential for heritage resources. The operator shall avoid ground disturbing activities within this/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@yukon.ca) for more information on the areas of heritage potential to discuss potential mitigation options prior to conducting any ground disturbing activities.
- The notification area is in a fossil bearing drainage. As per the Schedule 1 Operating Conditions, all palaeontological resources uncovered during operations must be reported to the Yukon government.
- The operator shall ensure trenches are sloped on at least one end at a grade shallow enough to allow ungulates to exit the trench.
- The operator shall avoid land clearing within 1 km of observed raptor nests between May 1 and August 15.
- The operator shall not fly unmanned aerial vehicles (drones) within 500 m of an observed nest during the nesting period.

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

Sincerely, Bobbie Milnes

Chief of Placer Land Use

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