



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

August 02, 2022

P2022_0237 By Email

Wes Larson

Dear Wes Larson:

Re: Class 1 Notification P2022_0237 - Allowed with additional terms and conditions.

This letter is to inform you that your Class 1 Notification P2022_0237 is valid as of July 26, 2022.

Your Class 1 Notification and proposed work program (July 26, 2022 - July 25, 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 backfill each trench/test pit once a geological evaluation of the trench/test pit has been completed or prior to the end of the work program date identified in this Class 1, whichever occurs first.
- 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 any observed raptor nests between May 1st and August 15th.
- The operator shall not fly unmanned aerial vehicles (drones) within 500 m of an observed raptor nest during the nesting period.
- The location of active raptor nests identified by the operator shall be reported to Environment Yukon, Conservation Data Centre at yukoncdc@yukon.ca
- The operator shall not restrict access to [LSC R-50B] and shall not impede First Nation citizens undergoing traditional pursuits.
- 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 operator shall cease work when any bison, elk, moose or deer are observed on active claim blocks until bison, elk, moose or deer move off on their own accord.
- Upon discovery of a heritage resource the proponent shall notify the Heritage Department of Champagne and Aishihik First Nation in addition to the Government of Yukon, Chief of Mining Lands and Heritage Department.
- The proponent shall communicate plans and timing of activities to the Champagne and Aishihik First Nations Heritage, Lands and Resorces Department (867-634-4200).
- You are reminded that you must comply with the Schedule 1 Operating Conditions, especially #33, which states: "All reasonable care must be taken in carrying out an operation near or adjacent to a water body to prevent sediment from entering a water body, unless otherwise permitted by law." You are also reminded that a leave strip is required for all placer streams for the protection of riparian areas, and its dimensions are dependent on the stream's habitat suitability classification as defined in the Fish Habitat Management System for Yukon's Placer Mining.
- The claim included in this notification overlaps with First Nation traditional territories. You are encouraged to contact the CAFN Heritage Lands and Resources, Manager, Environmental Assessment and Natural Resources Ray Gunness (rgunness@cafn.ca, 867-634-4200) to further discuss this project.

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 July 25, 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, Jennifer Walterrs

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A/Chief of Placer Land Use

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