



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

September 29, 2022

P2022_0242 By Email

Dustin Phillips

Dear Dustin Phillips:

Re: Class 1 Notification P2022_0242 - Allowed with additional terms and conditions.

This letter is to inform you that your Class 1 Notification P2022_0242 is valid as of September 29, 2022.

Your Class 1 Notification and proposed work program (May 21, 2023 - July 31, 2023) is allowed to proceed with the following terms and conditions:

- The operator shall ensure trenches, shafts, and test pits are sloped on at least one end at a grade shallow enough to allow ungulates to exit the trench.
- The operator shall backfill each trench, shaft, and test pit once a geological evaluation of the trench, shaft, and/or 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 contact the Mayo Regional Biologist at 867-996-2162 for further information on the location of the nest and appropriate setback distances. No mining activities shall occur until the Regional Biologist is contacted.
- The operator shall report observed nest sites to Environment Yukon, Conservation Data Centre at yukoncdc@yukon.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 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 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 complete all proposed exploration activities between May 21, 2023 and July 31, 2023, and shall be limited to working on-site for a maximum of 14 days during this period.
- The proponent shall limit the use of helicopters to 2 flights per day, for a maximum of 14 days throughout the duration of this Class 1 Notification.
- The operator shall communicate plans and timing of activities and helicopter use to Mouni You, WRFN Lands Manager (lands.manager@wrfn.ca) at least thirty (30) days prior to the commencement of project activities in order to identify and resolve potential land use conflicts and any potential negative effects on other land users.
- The operator shall cease work when any moose are observed on active claim blocks until the moose move off on their own accord.
- 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.

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 September 29, 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

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