



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

August 17, 2022

P2022\_0247 By Email

Brian Mccaughan

Dear Brian Mccaughan:

Re: Class 1 Notification P2022\_0247 - Allowed with additional terms and conditions.

This letter is to inform you that your Class 1 Notification P2022\_0247 is valid as of August 17, 2022.

Your Class 1 Notification and proposed work program (August 17, 2022 - August 16, 2023) is allowed to proceed with the following terms and conditions:

- 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.
- 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."

- Earthworks shall be sloped at one end to allow for wildlife escapement and shall be reclaimed as soon as they are no longer required for mining purposes.
- If active bird nests are discovered, project activities shall be postponed in the nesting area until nesting is complete.
- Off road use in the summer should be kept to a minimum, as much as possible.
- Any brushing for stripping/clearing activities should be done in such a way as to not hinder wildlife movement through the stockpiling of brush material.
- The operator shall cease work when any moose, caribou, bears and sheep are observed on active claim blocks until wildlife move off on their own accord.
- The operator should share wildlife observation information with the First Nation of Na-Cho Nyäk Dun Lands and Resorces Department (867-996-2265 ext. 141).
- Upon discovery of a heritage resource the proponent shall notify the Heritage Department of First Nation Na-Cho Nyäk Dun (867-996-2265 ext.116) in addition to the Government of Yukon, Chief of Mining Lands and Heritage Department.
- The claim(s) included in the notification overlaps with wildlife key area for moose. To reduce impacts to moose, best management practices are encouraged and all wildlife should be given the right of way.
- 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.
- There are documented historical features within the notification area, as identified on the map provided. The operator shall not engage in ground-disturbing activities within 30 m of the(se) site(s) unless prior approval has been granted by the Chief of (Placer/Mining) Land Use. The operator is encouraged to contact Lee Whalen at the Historic Sites Unit (lee.whalen@yukon.ca) for more information on the historic sites prior to conducting any potentially 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 not engage in ground-disturbing activities within 30 m of the heritage trail unless prior approval has been granted by the Chief of Mining Land Use. The operator is encouraged to contact Lee Whalen at the Historic Sites Unit (lee.whalen@yukon.ca) for more information on the historic sites/reserves prior to conducting any potentially ground disturbing activities.

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 August 16, 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, Jennifer Walters

A/Chief of Placer Land Use

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Tourism and Culture First Nation of Na-cho Nyäk Dun Tr'ondëk Hwëch'in