



Dawson Mining District
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October 04, 2022

P2022_0302
By Email

Eric Stretch

Dear Eric Stretch:

Re: Class 1 Notification P2022_0302 - Allowed with additional terms and conditions.

This letter is to inform you that your Class 1 Notification P2022_0302 is valid as of October 04, 2022.

Your Class 1 Notification and proposed work program (October 04, 2022 - October 03, 2023) is allowed to proceed with the following terms and conditions:

- 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 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 an electric fence around the food preparation and storage area, grey water sump and incinerator.
- 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 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 a material capable of preventing people or wildlife from inadvertently falling into the trenches/shafts.
- 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 30th).
- The operator shall contact the Dawson Regional Biologist at 867-993-6461 for further information on the location of the nest(s) and appropriate setback distances. No mining activities shall occur until the Regional Biologist is contacted.
- 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).
- You are 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 Placer Mining. Please see the document attached for more information and appropriate setbacks.
- Please note that due to the size of the notification area the heritage assessment was limited to proposed work areas. The operator shall contact Holly Smith at the Heritage Resources Unit (867-332-4057 or holly.smith@yukon.ca) for information on heritage values should your work locations change as additional heritage assessment may be required, or to discuss potential mitigation options prior to conducting any ground disturbing activities.
- The operator shall be familiar with the identification of Spiked Saxifrage and if it is encountered it shall be avoided and its location recorded; information shall be shared with Yukon Conservation Data Center at yukoncdc@yukon.ca. An information sheet on Spiked Saxifrage is attached and available online at: <https://yukon.ca/sites/yukon.ca/files/env/env-spiked-saxifrage.pdf>.”

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 October 03, 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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