



Dawson Mining District
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October 28, 2022

P2022_0356
By Email

Sylvain Montreuil

Dear Sylvain Montreuil:

Re: Class 1 Notification P2022_0356 - AMENDED - Allowed with additional terms and conditions.

This letter is to inform you that your Class 1 Notification P2022_0356 is valid as of November 01, 2022.

Your Class 1 Notification and proposed work program (November 01, 2022 - October 31, 2023) is allowed to proceed with the following terms and conditions:

- The map provided identifies areas with elevated potential for heritage resources. The operator shall avoid ground disturbing activities within these areas 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 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 a 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 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 proponent shall communicate plans and timing of activities to the First Nation of Na-Cho Nyäk Dun Lands and Resources Department (867-996-2265 ext. 141).
- Drill holes shall be decommissioned and backfilled or plugged to avoid wildlife entrapment.
- 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 operator should share wildlife observation information with the First Nation of Na-Cho Nyäk Dun Lands and Resources Department (867-996-2265 ext. 141).
- 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.
- There are documented archaeological sites within the notification area, as identified on the map provided. The operator shall not engage in any ground-disturbing activities within 30 m of the site unless prior approval has been granted by the Chief of Placer Mining. The operator is encouraged to contact Holly Smith at the Heritage Resources Unit (867-332-4057 or holly.smith@yukon.ca) for information on the archaeological sites 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 sites unless prior approval has been granted by the Chief of Placer Mining. 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.

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 31, 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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