



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

February 03, 2023

P2022_0395 By Email

Carl Cowell

Dear Carl Cowell:

Re: Class 1 Notification P2022_0395 - Allowed with additional terms and conditions.

This letter is to inform you that your Class 1 Notification P2022_0395 is valid as of February 03, 2023.

Your Class 1 Notification and proposed work program (February 03, 2023 - November 05, 2023) is allowed to proceed with the following terms and conditions:

- 1. The notification area overlaps with a moose late-winter range wildlife key area. Typically, placer exploration activities are carried 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).
- 2. The operator shall avoid land clearing within 1 km of any observed active raptor nests between May 1st and August 15th.
- 3. The notification area overlaps with a raptor nesting wildlife key area and mapped nest sites. The operator shall contact the regional biologist at 867-996-2162 for further information on the location of the nest(s) and appropriate setback distances.
- 4. The location of active raptor nests identified by the operator shall be reported to Environment Yukon, Conservation Data Centre (867-667-3684 or

yukoncdc@yukon.ca).

- 5. 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.
- 6. 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.
- 7. The operator shall communicate plans and timing of activities to affected First Nations and other land and resource users as soon as practicable and prior to the commencement of project activities to identify and resolve potential land use conflicts and any potential negative effects on other users.
- 8. To control the spread of invasive species during boating operations associated with the project, the operator shall: 1) Check and remove mud, weeds and aquatic life from motors, boats, trailers and gear before leaving the area. 2) Drain water from bilges, pumps, coolers and buckets before leaving the area. 3) Clean the boat, trailer, and gear by freezing overnight, fully drying in the sun, or power washing.
- 9. Any moose the operator encounters within the active lease area shall be given the right-of-way until they move off on their own accord.
- 10. The operator shall not fly unmanned aerial vehicles (drones) within 500 m of a known or observed nest during the nesting period.
- 11. Drill holes shall be decommissioned and backfilled or plugged to avoid wildlife entrapment.

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 November 05, 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, Kelly Constable

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Chief of Placer Land Use

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