



Dawson Mining District
Box 249 (K-DA)
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February 15, 2023

P2023_0010
By Email

Carl Cowell

Dear Carl Cowell:

Re: Class 1 Notification P2023_0010 - Allowed with additional terms and conditions.

This letter is to inform you that your Class 1 Notification P2023_0010 is valid as of February 15, 2023.

Your Class 1 Notification and proposed work program (February 15, 2023 - February 14, 2024) is allowed to proceed with the following terms and conditions:

1. 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) Land Use. The operator is encouraged to contact heritage.review@yukon.ca for information on the archaeological sites to discuss potential mitigation options prior to conducting any ground disturbing activities.
2. 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 heritage.review@yukon.ca for more information on the areas of heritage potential to discuss potential mitigation options prior to conducting any ground

disturbing activities.

3. 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.
4. 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).
5. The operator shall cease work when any moose are observed on active claim blocks until moose move off on their own accord.
6. The notification area overlaps with a raptor nesting wildlife key area and mapped nest sites. The operator shall contact the regional biologist at (Paul.Boyce@yukon.ca) for further information on the location of the nest(s) and appropriate setback distances.
7. The operator shall avoid land clearing within 1 km of any observed active raptor nests between May 1st and August 15th.
8. 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).
9. The operator shall not fly unmanned aerial vehicles (drones) within 500 m of a known or observed active raptor nest during the nesting period.
10. The operator shall install an electric fence around the food preparation and storage area, grey water sump and incinerator.
11. 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.
12. 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.
13. The operator shall backfill each shaft once a geological evaluation of the shaft has been completed or prior to the end of the work program date identified in this Class 1, whichever occurs first.
14. 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.
15. 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.
16. 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 February 14, 2024 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



Chief of Placer Land Use

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