



Whitehorse Mining District  
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P2023\_0031  
By Email

Wes Larson  
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Dear Wes Larson,

Re: Class 1 Notification P2023\_0031 - Twin Lakes Exploration 2023 Allowed with additional terms and conditions.

This letter is to inform you that your Class 1 Notification P2023\_0031 is valid as of July 26, 2023.

Your Class 1 Notification and proposed work program (July 26, 2023 - July 25, 2024) is allowed to proceed with the following terms and conditions:

1. The operator shall not restrict access to LSC R-50B and shall not impede First Nation citizens undergoing traditional pursuits.
2. The map provided identifies areas with elevated potential for heritage resources. The operator shall not conduct land-altering activities within these areas unless prior approval has been granted by the Heritage Resources Unit. The operator may contact [heritage.review@yukon.ca](mailto:heritage.review@yukon.ca) for more information on the areas of heritage potential or to discuss potential mitigation options.
3. The operator shall install an electric fence around the food preparation and storage

- area, grey water sump, and incinerator.
4. 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.
  5. 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.
  6. Earthworks shall be sloped at one end to allow for wildlife escapement and shall be reclaimed as soon as the earthworks is no longer required for mining purposes.
  7. The location of active raptor nests identified by the operator shall be reported to the Regional Biologist (867-332-8462) and the Environment Yukon, Conservation Data Centre yukoncdc@yukon.ca).
  8. 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 material capable of preventing people or wildlife from inadvertently falling into the trenches/shafts.
  9. You are reminded that a leave strip is required for all placer streams for the protection of riparian areas. This creek has a high habitat suitability classification, as defined in the Fish Habitat Management System for Yukon's Placer Mining, requiring a 30 meter leave strip. Please see the document attached for more information and appropriate setbacks. You are also reminded of the Schedule 1 Operating Condition that "all reasonable care must be taken in carrying out exploration activities near or adjacent to a water body to prevent sediment from entering a water body, unless otherwise permitted by law." Any deposit of waste (i.e. dirty water) requires the activity to be licensed regardless of the quantity of water being disposed.
  10. 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."
  11. Upon discovery of a heritage resource the proponent shall notify the Heritage Department Manager of Champagne and Aishihik First Nations, Roberta Nakoochee, at rnakoochee@cafn.ca in addition to the Government of Yukon, Chief of Mining Lands and Heritage Department.
  12. The claim included in this notification overlaps with First Nations traditional territories. You are encouraged to contact the CAFN Heritage Lands and Resources, Manager, Environmental Assessment and Natural Resources Ray Gunness (rgunness@cafn.ca, 867-634-4200) to further discuss this project.
  13. Settling ponds/sumps shall be lined, and located away from Klusha creek. They shall be backfilled once no longer required for mining purposes.

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 July 25, 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 867-667-3190, fax at 867-667-5150, or email at [whitehorse.mining@yukon.ca](mailto:whitehorse.mining@yukon.ca).

Sincerely,  
Kelly Constable

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Kelly Constable".

Chief of Placer Land Use

cc  
Environmental Affairs Branch, Environment  
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Champagne and Aishihik First Nations  
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