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July 31, 2023

P2023\_0205  
By Email

McQuesten River Gold Corp.  
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Dear Clarke Ashley,

Re: Class 1 Notification P2023\_0205 - MRGC - McQuesten Mine Allowed with additional terms and conditions.

This letter is to inform you that your Class 1 Notification P2023\_0205 is valid as of July 18, 2023.

Your Class 1 Notification and proposed work program (July 18, 2023 - July 17, 2024) is allowed to proceed with the following terms and conditions:

1. 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."
2. The operator shall suspend exploration activities if moose are observed within 1 km of active work areas, until they move off on their own accord.
3. 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).

4. 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, Manager, Mining Lands and Heritage Department.
5. 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).
6. 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's Placer Mining. 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.
7. 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 Government of Yukon and the Yukon First Nation on whose traditional territory the resources are uncovered.
8. 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.

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 17, 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 867-996-2256, fax at 867-996-2617, or email at [mayo.mining@yukon.ca](mailto:mayo.mining@yukon.ca).

Sincerely,  
Paul Inglis

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Paul Inglis". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looping "P" and "I".

A/Manager, Mining Land Use

cc  
Tourism and Culture  
First Nation of Na-cho Nyäk Dun  
Tr'ondëk Hwëch'in