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P2023\_0298  
By Email

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Dear brian mccaughan,

Re: Class 1 Notification P2023\_0298 - linta exploration Allowed with additional terms and conditions.

This letter is to inform you that your Class 1 Notification P2023\_0298 is valid as of September 21, 2023.

Your Class 1 Notification and proposed work program (September 21, 2023 - September 20, 2024) is allowed to proceed with the following terms and conditions:

1. Please note, 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. Please also note, Schedule 1 Operating Condition "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.

2. 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, or prior to the end of the work program date identified in this Class 1, whichever occurs first.
3. Off road use in the summer should be kept to a minimum, as much as possible.
4. The operator shall suspend exploration activities if caribou are observed within 1 km of active work areas, until they move off on their own accord.
5. The operator shall share wildlife observation information (wildlife log) with Tr'ondëk Hwëch'in and First Nation of Na-Cho Ny?k Dun, prior to the expiry of this Notification.
6. Upon discovery of a heritage resource the proponent shall notify the Heritage Departments of Tr'ondëk Hwëch'in and First Nation Na-Cho Nyäk Dun, in addition to the Government of Yukon, Manager, Mining Lands and Heritage Department.
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.
9. There are documented archaeological sites within the notification area, as identified on the map provided. The operator shall not conduct any land-altering activities within 30 m of the(se) site(s) unless prior approval has been granted by the Manager, Mining Land Use. The operator is encouraged to contact [heritage.review@yukon.ca](mailto:heritage.review@yukon.ca) for information on the archaeological sites.
10. The operator shall notify the Dawson Regional Biologist (867-332-8462) of any newly identified Sharp-tailed Grouse lek locations.
11. Where possible, land clearing and stripping of the surface layer should take place outside of the Sharp-tailed Grouse nesting season (May 1 to August 31).
12. 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.
13. 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.
14. If a mineral lick is identified within the project area, the Proponent shall contact the Northern Yukon Regional Biologist at (867) 996-2162 for additional guidance and mitigation measures.
15. Drill holes shall be decommissioned and backfilled or plugged to avoid wildlife entrapment.
16. 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).
17. The Proponent shall take all necessary precautions to minimize disturbance to caribou specific habitat (lichen) within the project area. Where disturbance is unavoidable, the lichen mat shall be separately stored and replaced as soon as exploration activities are complete.
  18. The operator shall suspend exploration activities if sheep are observed within 1 km of active work areas, until they move off on their own accord.
  19. The operator shall cease work when any beaver or moose are observed on active claim blocks until beaver or moose move off on their own accord.
  20. The notification area overlaps with trapping concessions #31 and #23 and may overlap with other users, such as recreational tour guide companies. You are encouraged to communicate plans and timing of activities to other land and resource users that may be affected by the proposed notification activities (e.g. trapper, outfitter, Wilderness Tourism Association of Yukon, etc.). This should be completed as soon as practicable and prior to the commencement of notification activities to identify potential land use conflicts that may negatively effect other land users. The operator shall make best efforts to resolve these issues.
  21. The operator shall cease work when any grizzly bears are observed on active claim blocks until grizzly bears move off on their own accord.
  22. The operator shall allow unimpeded access through the project site to First Nation citizens undergoing traditional pursuits.
  23. The operator shall communicate plans and timing of activities to the affected First Nations and other land and resource users as soon as practicable and prior to the commencement of project activities to identify potential land use conflicts and any other potential negative effects on other users. The operator shall make best efforts to resolve these issues.
  24. The operator shall not remove any timber from claims for any purpose without an appropriate permit.

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.

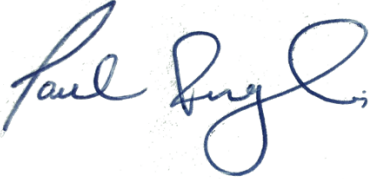
Class 1 work cannot occur on claims/leases that have lapsed or pending claims/leases until they are granted by a Mining Recorder. Please ensure the claims/leases within your Class 1 Notification are in good standing prior to beginning your work program. Any work occurring on pending or lapsed claims/leases 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 September 20, 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](mailto:dawson.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".

Chief of Placer Land Use

cc  
Environmental Affairs Branch, Environment  
Tourism and Culture  
First Nation of Na-cho Nyäk Dun  
Tr'ondëk Hwëch'in