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P2023_0391 By Email

Duncan Creek Golddusters Ltd. 150 Mallard Way Whitehorse, Canada, Y1A 0S7 troytaylordcy@gmail.com

Dear Troy Taylor,

Re: Class 1 Notification P2023_0391 - IM00506 Allowed with additional terms and conditions.

This letter is to inform you that your Class 1 Notification P2023_0391 is valid as of November 20, 2023.

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

- 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 for more information on the areas of heritage potential or to discuss potential mitigation options.
- 2. 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.

- 3. Drill holes shall be decommissioned and backfilled or plugged to avoid wildlife entrapment.
- 4. 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.
- 5. If active bird nests are discovered, project activities shall be postponed in the nesting area until nesting is complete. Refer to avoidance measures link: https://www.ceaa-acee.gc.ca/050/documents/p80054/121249E.pdf
- 6. The operator should avoid the area during spring calving season for moose, May 15 June 15.
- 7. The operator shall suspend exploration activities if caribou are observed within active work areas, until they move off on their own accord.
- 8. The operator shall allow unimpeded access through the project site to First Nation citizens undergoing traditional pursuits.
- 9. 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.
- 10. 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).
- 11. Linear disturbance shall be kept to a minimum. The operator shall reclaim all and corridors, by blocking access to corridors, and replacing cut brush on top, as soon as they are no longer required for mining purposes, or by the expiry of this class 1 whichever occurs first.
- 12. The operator shall not fly unmanned aerial vehicles (drones) within 500 m of a known or observed active raptor nest during the nesting period (May 1 August 15).
- 13. The operator shall avoid land clearing within 1 km of any observed active raptor nests between May 1st and August 31th.
- 14. The location of active raptor nests identified by the operator shall be reported to Environment Yukon, Conservation Data Centre (yukoncdc@yukon.ca).
- 15. The notification area overlaps with trapping concession 82 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.
- 16. Any brushing for trails, cutlines or corridors should be done in such a way as to not hinder wildlife movement through the stockpiling of brush material.
- 17. Off road use in the summer should be kept to a minimum, as much as possible.

 The operator shall share wildlife observation information (wildlife log) with First Nation of Na-Cho Ny?k Dun's Land and Resources Department (867)996-2265, prior to the expiry of this Notification.

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 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 867-996-2256, fax at 867-996-2617, or email at mayo.mining@yukon.ca.

Sincerely, Paul Inglis

A/Manager, Mining Land Use

cc Tourism and Culture First Nation of Na-cho Nyäk Dun