



Whitehorse Mining District  
102 - 300 Main Street (K-102)  
Whitehorse, YT, Y1A 2B5

May 20, 2022

Q2022\_0105  
By Email

Archer, Cathro & Associates (1981) Limited

Dear Heather Burrell:

Re: Class 1 Notification Q2022\_0105 - Allowed with additional terms and conditions.

This letter is to inform you that your Class 1 Notification Q2022\_0105 is valid as of May 20, 2022.

Your Class 1 Notification and proposed work program (June 01, 2022 - October 01, 2022) is allowed to proceed with the following terms and conditions:

- Please note that due to the size of the notification area the heritage assessment was limited to proposed work areas. The operator shall contact Holly Smith at the Heritage Resources Unit (867-332-4057 or [holly.smith@yukon.ca](mailto:holly.smith@yukon.ca)) for information on heritage values should your work locations change as additional heritage assessment may be required, or to discuss potential mitigation options prior to conducting any ground disturbing activities.
- The map provided identifies areas with elevated potential for heritage resources. The operator shall avoid ground disturbing activities within this/these area(s) unless prior approval has been granted by the Heritage Resources Unit. The operator may contact Holly Smith at the Heritage Resources Unit (867-332-4057 or [holly.smith@yukon.ca](mailto:holly.smith@yukon.ca)) for more information on the areas of heritage potential to

discuss potential mitigation options prior to conducting any ground disturbing activities.

- 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.
- The operator shall install an electric fence around the food preparation and storage area, grey water sump and incinerator.
- The operator shall cease work when any sheep are observed on active claim blocks until the sheep move off on their own accord.
- No Class 1 activities shall occur within sheep lambing wildlife key area, as identified on the map, between May 1st and June 15th.
- The claims included in the notification overlap with wildlife key area for thornhorn sheep winter range (Oct-Apr). While it is not anticipated that activities will overlap temporally, the site is being accessed by helicopter therefore, the operator and/or aircraft pilots should plan flight paths and protocols based on the published guideline(s): Flying in Sheep Country: How to Minimize Disturbance from Aircraft (<https://yukon.ca/en/flying-sheep-country>).
- The operator shall conclude activities in caribou fall breeding wildlife key areas as identified on GeoYukon by September 15th each year.
- The operator shall cease work when any caribou are observed on active claim blocks until caribou move off on their own accord.
- 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).
- The notification area overlaps locations with *Stellaria alaskana* (Alaska Starwort), a Yukon Conservation Data Centre species of conservation concern. The operator shall be familiar with the identification of Alaska Starwort and if it is encountered it shall be avoided and its location recorded; information shall be shared with Yukon Conservation Data Center at [yukoncdc@yukon.ca](mailto:yukoncdc@yukon.ca). An information sheet on Alaska Starwort is attached and available online at: <https://yukon.ca/sites/yukon.ca/files/env/env-alaska-starwort.pdf>.

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 *Quartz 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 May 19, 2023 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 *Quartz 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,  
Bobbie Milnes



Chief of Mining Land Use

cc  
Environmental Affairs Branch, Environment  
Tourism and Culture  
Kluane First Nation  
White River First Nation