



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

August 01, 2022

Q2022_0231 By Email

Kluane Drilling Ltd., Higher Ground Exploration Services

Dear Thi My Linh Pham:

Re: Class 1 Notification Q2022_0231 - Allowed with additional terms and conditions.

This letter is to inform you that your Class 1 Notification Q2022_0231 is valid as of August 15, 2022.

Your Class 1 Notification and proposed work program (August 15, 2022 - August 01, 2023) is allowed to proceed with the following terms and conditions:

- 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) for more information on the areas of heritage potential to discuss potential mitigation options prior to conducting any ground disturbing activities.
- 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) 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.

- Upon discovery of a heritage resource the proponent shall notify the Heritage Department of Selkirk First Nation in addition to the Government of Yukon, Chief of Mining Lands and Heritage Department.
- 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."
- You are 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."
- The operator shall cease work when any caribou are observed on active claim blocks until caribou move off on their own accord.
- The claims included in this notification overlap with trapline concession 144, 142, and 451, Outfitter concession 14, and may overlap with other guided recreational tours. You are encouraged to communicate plans and timing of activities to other land and resource users that may be affected by the proposed project (e.g. trapline owner, outfitter, Wilderness Tourism Association of Yukon, etc.) as soon as practicable and prior to the commencement of project activities to identify and resolve potential land use conflicts and any potential negative effects on other users.

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 August 14, 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.

Sincerely, Jennifer Walters

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A/Chief of Mining Land Use

cc Tourism and Culture Little Salmon/Carmacks First Nation Selkirk First Nation