



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

August 23, 2022

Q2022_0281
By Email

Snowline Gold Corp.

Dear Stephen Rennalls:

Re: Class 1 Notification Q2022_0281 - Allowed with additional terms and conditions.

This letter is to inform you that your Class 1 Notification Q2022_0281 is valid as of September 01, 2022.

Your Class 1 Notification and proposed work program (September 01, 2022 - August 31, 2023) is allowed to proceed with the following terms and conditions:

- The notification area overlaps with a moose late-winter range wildlife key area. 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 operator shall cease work when any moose, caribou, sheep, or bears are observed on active claim blocks until the moose, caribou, cheep or bears move off on their own accord.
- The notification area overlaps with a raptor nesting wildlife key area and mapped nest sites. The operator shall contact the regional biologist at 867-634-2439 for further information on the location of the nest(s) and appropriate setback distances. No mining activities shall occur until the Regional Biologist is contacted.
- The operator shall avoid land clearing within 1 km of any observed active raptor

nests between May 1st and August 15th.

- The operator shall plan flight routes to avoid flying over any observed active raptor nests, or if it cannot be avoided, fly at a minimum of 600 m above ground level when safe to do so.
- The operator shall not fly unmanned aerial vehicles (drones) within 500 m of a known or observed active raptor nest during the nesting period.
- The location of active raptor nests identified by the operator shall be reported to Environment Yukon, Conservation Data Centre (867-667-3684 or yukoncdc@gov.yk.ca).
- No Class 1 activities shall occur within sheep lambing wildlife key area, as identified on the map, between May 1st and June 15th.
- The notification area overlaps with a year-round wildlife key area for grizzly bear. If a suspected bear den site is encountered, project activities within 1 km of the den shall be suspended and the den site shall be immediately reported to the district Conservation Officer Services in Haines Junction at 867-634-2247 for advice on further mitigation.
- The operator shall install an electric fence around the fuel storage area.
- Upon discovery of a heritage resource the proponent shall notify Kluane First Nation Lands, Resources and Heritage Department (867-841-5501 ext. 233) in addition to the Government of Yukon, Chief of Mining Lands and Heritage Department.
- The operator shall share wildlife observation information with the Kluane First Nation Lands, Resources and Heritage Department (867-668-3108) and the Regional Biologist.
- A 30m buffer shall be maintained around any known and/or discovered heritage resources.
- 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."
- Since claims will be accessed by air, the operator shall review and follow applicable best management practices outlined in the publication "Flying in Caribou Country" (<https://yukon.ca/en/flying-caribou-country>) and "Flying in Sheep Country" (<https://yukon.ca/sites/yukon.ca/files/env/env-flying-sheep-country.pdf>).
- The operator shall report any wildlife injury or mortality to the regional biologist and Kluane First Nation Lands, Resources and Heritage Department at (867) 668-3108.
- 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."
- Earthworks shall be sloped at one end to allow for wildlife escapement and shall be reclaimed as soon as they are no longer required for mining purposes.
- Drill holes shall be decommissioned and backfilled or plugged to avoid wildlife entrapment.
- 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.
- The map provided identifies areas with elevated potential for heritage resources. The operator shall avoid ground disturbing activities within these areas 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.

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 31, 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,
Bobbie Milnes



Chief of Mining Land Use

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Environmental Affairs Branch, Environment
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