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April 20, 2023 Q2023\_0072 By Email

Archer, Cathro & Associates (1981) Limited Heather Burrell 41 MacDonald Road Whitehorse, Canada, Y1A 4R1 info@archercathro.com

Dear Heather Burrell,

Re: Class 1 Notification Q2023\_0072 - Harvest Allowed with additional terms and conditions.

This letter is to inform you that your Class 1 Notification Q2023\_0072 is valid as of May 24, 2023.

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

- 1. 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.
- 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."

- 3. 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."
- 4. The operator shall cease work when any caribou are observed on active claim blocks until caribou move off on their own accord.
- 5. All flights should follow best practices with respect to wildlife disturbance: https://yukon.ca/sites/yukon.ca/files/env/env-flying-caribou-country.pdf https://yukon.ca/sites/yukon.ca/files/env/env-flying-sheep-country.pdf
- 6. The operator should share wildlife observation information with the First Nation of Na-Cho Nyäk Dun Lands and Resources Department (867-996-2265 ext. 141), and Liard First Nation Lands and Resources Department (867-536-7901 ext. 30).
- 7. Upon discovery of a heritage resource the proponent shall notify the Heritage Department of First Nation Na-Cho Nyäk Dun (867-996-2265 ext.133), and Liard First Nation (867-536-7901) in addition to the Government of Yukon, Chief of Mining Lands and Heritage Department.
- 8. 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), and Liard First Nation Lands and Resources Department (867-536-7901 ext.30).
- 9. 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.
- 10. The operator shall install an electric fence around the food preparation and storage area, grey water sump, and incinerator.
- 11. The notification area overlaps with a raptor nesting wildlife key area and mapped nest sites. The operator shall contact the regional biologist at 867-996-2162 for further information on the location of the nests and appropriate setback distances.
- 12. The operator shall avoid land clearing within 1 km of any observed active raptor nests between May 1st and August 15th.
- 13. The location of active raptor nests identified by the operator shall be reported to the Regional Biologist (867-996-2162) and the Environment Yukon, Conservation Data Centre yukoncdc@yukon.ca).
- 14. The operator shall not fly unmanned aerial vehicles (drones) within 500 m of a known or observed active raptor nest during the nesting period.
- 15. The operator shall cease work when any sheep are observed on active claim blocks until the sheep move off on their own accord.
- 16. 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.

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 23, 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 *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 867-996-2256, fax at 867-996-2617, or email at mayo.mining@yukon.ca.

Sincerely, Kelly Constable

Chief of Mining Land Use

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