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Q2023_0073
By Email

Archer, Cathro & Associates (1981) Limited
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Dear Heather Burrell,

Re: Class 1 Notification Q2023_0073 - Rye Allowed with additional terms and conditions.

This letter is to inform you that your Class 1 Notification Q2023_0073 is valid as of April 27, 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 operator shall suspend activities within the wildlife key area for mountain goats as identified on the attached confidential map, between May 1st and June 15th. The operator shall cease work when any goats are observed on active claim blocks until the goats move off on their own accord.
2. The notification area overlaps with a raptor nesting wildlife key area and mapped nest sites. The operator shall contact the regional biologist at 867-536-3213 for further information on the location of the nest(s) and appropriate setback distances.
3. The operator shall not fly unmanned aerial vehicles (drones) within 500 m of a known or observed active raptor nest during the nesting period.

4. 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.
5. The operator shall be familiar with the identification of copper moss 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.
6. The operator shall communicate plans and timing of activities to First Nations and otherland and resource users that may be affected by the proposed project (e.g. trappers).
7. The operator shall cease work when any goats are observed on active claim blocks until the goats move off on their own accord.
8. 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.

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 April 26, 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 867-536-7366, fax at 867-536-7842, or email at watson.mining@yukon.ca.

Sincerely,
Kelly Constable

Kelly Crowder

Chief of Mining Land Use

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