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Q2023_0119 By Email

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Dear Bernie Kreft,

Re: Class 1 Notification Q2023_0119 - Dominion Mountain Allowed with additional terms and conditions.

This letter is to inform you that your Class 1 Notification Q2023_0119 is valid as of May 12, 2023.

Your Class 1 Notification and proposed work program (May 30, 2023 - October 31, 2023) is allowed to proceed with the following terms and conditions:

- 1. Please note that, due to the size of the notification area, the preliminary heritage desktop review was limited to proposed work areas. If work locations change, the operator shall contact heritage.review@yukon.ca prior to conducting any land-altering activities, as additional heritage review may be required.
- 2. 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.

- 3. There are documented archaeological sites within the notification area, as identified on the map provided. The operator shall not conduct any land-altering activities within 30 m of the(se) site(s) unless prior approval has been granted by the Chief of Mining Land Use. The operator is encouraged to contact heritage.review@yukon.ca for information on the archaeological sites.
- 4. The notification area is in a fossil-bearing drainage. As per the Schedule 1 Operating Conditions, all palaeontological resources uncovered during operations must be reported to the Government of Yukon and the Yukon First Nation on whose traditional territory the resources are uncovered.
- 5. There are documented historical features within the notification area, as identified on the map provided. The operator shall not conduct any land-altering activities within 30 m of the(se) site(s) unless prior approval has been granted by the Chief of Mining Land Use. The operator is encouraged to contact Lee Whalen at the Historic Sites Unit (lee.whalen@yukon.ca) for more information on the historic features.
- 6. Drill holes shall be decommissioned and backfilled or plugged to avoid wildlife entrapment.
- The operator shall backfill each trench once a geological evaluation of the trench has been completed or prior to the end of the work program date identified in this Class 1, whichever occurs first.
- 8. 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).
- 9. 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) in addition to the Government of Yukon, Chief of Mining Lands and Heritage Department.
- 10. Earthworks shall be sloped at one end to allow for wildlife escapement and shall be reclaimed as soon as the earthworks is no longer required for mining purposes, or prior to the end of the work program date identified in this Class 1, whichever occurs first.
- 11. Any brushing for trails, cutlines or corridors should be done in such a way as to not hinder wildlife movement through the stockpiling of brush material.
- 12. The operator shall communicate plans and timing of activities to the First Nation of Na-Cho Nyäk Dun Lands and Resources Department (867-996-2265).
- 13. 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).
- 14. The claim(s) included in the notification overlaps with wildlife key area for moose. To reduce impacts to moose, best management practices are encouraged and all wildlife should be given the right of way.
- 15. The notification area overlaps with trapping concession #54 and may overlap with other users, such as recreational tour guide companies. You are encouraged to communicate plans and timing of activities to other land and resource users that may be affected by the proposed notification activities (e.g. trapper, outfitter, Wilderness Tourism Association of Yukon, etc.). This should be completed as soon as practicable and prior to the commencement of notification activities to identify potential land use conflicts that may negatively effect other land users. The operator shall make best efforts to resolve these issues.

- 16. You are reminded of the Schedule 1 Operating Condition #39 that states "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."
- 17. There are documented historical features (the Ridge Road Trail) within the notification area, as identified on the map provided. The Ridge Road Heritage Trail is a heritage reserve managed by Tourism and Culture and Energy Mines and Resources. The operator shall not engage in ground-disturbing activities within 30 m of the heritage trail unless prior approval has been granted by the Chief of Mining Land Use. The operator is encouraged to contact Lee Whalen at the Historic Sites Unit (lee.whalen@yukon.ca) for more information on the historic sites/reserves prior to conducting any potentially 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 May 11, 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 867-993-5343, fax at 867-993-6747, or email at dawson.mining@yukon.ca.

Sincerely, Kelly Constable

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Chief of Mining Land Use

Tourism and Culture First Nation of Na-cho Nyäk Dun Tr'ondëk Hwëch'in