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Q2024_0023
By Email

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Dear Heather Burrell,

Re: Class 1 Notification Q2024_0023 - Rye Allowed with additional terms and conditions.

This letter is to inform you that your Class 1 Notification Q2024_0023 is valid as of June 01, 2024.

Your Class 1 Notification and proposed work program (June 01, 2024 - May 31, 2025) 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.
2. 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.

3. The operator shall install an electric fence around the food preparation and storage area, grey water sump, and incinerator.
4. 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 from the active work area until the goats move off on their own accord.
5. 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.
6. The location of active raptor nests identified by the operator shall be reported to Environment Yukon, Conservation Data Centre (yukoncdc@yukon.ca).
7. The operator shall not fly unmanned aerial vehicles (drones) within 500 m of a known or observed active raptor nest during the nesting period (May 1 - August 15).
8. The operator shall avoid land clearing within 1 km of any observed active raptor nests between May 1st and August 31st.
9. 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.
10. The operator shall avoid exploration and exploration related activities in wetlands, if avoidance is not possible, the operator shall minimize disturbance to wetlands.
11. All reclamation must be completed prior to the end of the work program date identified in this Class 1 notification, including but not limited to: closure of all test pits, trenches, hand shafts, removal of camps, etc. Reclamation must be completed to the standards listed in the Operating Conditions, Schedule 1 of the Quartz Mining Land Use Regulation. In areas where wetlands have been disturbed, reclamation shall be done in a manner that supports the return of wetland benefits to those areas.
12. The operator shall not alter, disturb, or destroy any existing roads or trails.
13. The operator shall not conduct trenching and exploration activities within 50 m of a campsite or cabin.
14. Please note, Schedule 1 Operating Condition #39 "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.
15. 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.
16. The notification area overlaps with trapping concession 112, and outfitting concession #9, 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.
17. The operator shall communicate plans and timing of activities, prior to the

commencement of activities, to Liard First Nation Lands and Resources Department (867-536-7901), and Ross River Dena Council Land and Resources Department (867-969-2277 ext. 204). The operator shall make best efforts to mitigate any identified potential impacts or concerns.

18. Upon discovery of a heritage resource the proponent shall notify the Heritage Department of Liard First Nation (867-536-7901), and Ross River Dena Council (867-969-2277 ect. 204) in addition to the Government of Yukon, Manager, Mining Lands and Heritage Department.
19. The operator shall not restrict access, availability and use of the area for traditional harvest or ceremonial purposes.
20. The operator shall cease work when any goats are observed from the active claim blocks until goats move off on their own accord.

For greater certainty, the conditions contained in this Notification pertain only to my authorities under the *Quartz Mining Act* and do not limit the authorizations, prohibitions, or restrictions in other federal, territorial or municipal laws.

Security may be required at any time by the Manager, Mining Land Use. The operator must furnish security within thirty (30) days of receiving the written notice from the Manager, Mining Land Use 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 31, 2025 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,
Paul Inglis

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Paul Singh". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a prominent loop at the end of the last name.

A/Manager, Mining Land Use

cc
Environmental Affairs Branch, Environment
Tourism and Culture
BC Kaska
Ross River Dena Council
Liard First Nation