

December 1, 2023

Mr. Todd Powell
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Yukon Government – Department of Energy, Mines & Resources
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Dear Mr. Powell,

RE: Quartz Mining License QML-0011 Quarterly Wildlife Report

The Quartz Mining License QML-0011 issued to Victoria Gold (Yukon) Corp. (VGC) requires the Licensee to provide quarterly monitoring reports of wildlife observations and incidents to the Director and the Inspector on the first working day in March, June, September and December of each year (Clause 13.8). The information contained herein with respect to wildlife reporting represents the quarterly monitoring report and includes observations collected in September, October, and November 2023, from the Eagle Gold Mine site.

Site activities were ongoing through the reporting period with regular wildlife observations. Wildlife mitigation measures continue to be implemented through mandatory Project site orientation, traffic control policies, pre-clearing wildlife surveys prior to vegetation disturbance, bulletins and memos, and implementation of the Project's management plans including the wildlife observation reporting program. Ongoing education is provided to site workers during toolbox meetings, through informational bulletins related to observing and documenting wildlife, and managing site waste according to permits and best practices.

Major construction and clearing work is prioritized to be conducted outside of the breeding bird window and no wildlife habitat features (e.g., mineral licks, dens, nest trees snags) have been identified in work areas.

Of particular note during the period of this report, in collaboration with the Yukon Conservation Office, a Marten was live trapped and relocated ~4km from site. Two squirrels were caught and released off the mine footprint. A loon was observed stuck in ice within a surface water containment pond however freed itself.

Please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions or concerns related to this report.

Sincerely,



Hugh Coyle
Victoria Gold (Yukon) Corp.

| Date | Time | Weather | Temp (C) | Species | Number of Animals | Sex (M/F) | Age Class | Type of Sign of Visual | Location | Behaviour | Additional Comments |
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| September 2022 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2023-09-02 | 13:50 | Cloudy | 7 | Moose | 3 | Female | Adult and Young | Visual | Potato Hills | Watching | A cow and two calves were observed on one of the exploration trails in Potato Hills. |
| 2023-09-06 | 9:00 | Cloudy | 4 | Weasel | 1 | Unknown | Adult | Visual | EBAM Shed | Watching | The weasel appeared to be curious/observing worker. |
| 2023-09-12 | 12:05 | Cloudy | 8 | Moose | 1 | Unknown | Young | Visual | Exploration road KM 2 | Walking | A young moose was standing at the side of the exploration road before running into the bushes. No adults were observed in the area. |
| 2023-09-09 | 15:13 | Cloudy | 8 | Moose | 1 | Male | Adult | Visual | Near Under Carriage Wash | Foraging | Animal was reported to be licking the road. |
| 2023-09-20 | 11:45 | Overcast | 1 | Black Bear | 3 | Female | Adult and Young | Visual | LTF Area | Walking | A bear with cubs was reported below the LTF. Environmental personnel went to investigate but the bears appeared to have moved on. |
| 2023-09-20 | 15:00 | Raining | 3 | Moose | 2 | Female | Adult and Young | Visual | Access road KM 26-28 | Running | No additional comments. |
| 2023-09-29 | 5:00 | Not recorded | 1 | Weasel | 1 | Unknown | Unknown | Visual | Pit Switchback 1 (1055 Bench) | Walking | The weasel was not concerned with nearby equipment or people. Observer was unsure of species. |
| 2023-09-30 | 15:00 | Raining | 1 | Squirrel | 1 | Unknown | Unknown | Visual | LV Shop | Brave | A squirrel was reported trying to get into employees' bags. A live trap was deployed, and the squirrel was successfully caught and relocated north of the site. |
| October 2022 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2023-10-06 | 8:30 | Not recorded | 1 | Loon | 1 | Unknown | Juvenile | Visual | Control Pond | Distressed | A loon was observed in apparent distress, potentially stuck in the ice at the Control Pond. Freezing temperatures rapidly formed ice. At 09:00, Environment confirmed the bird was stuck. Safety gear was obtained, and Environment personnel returned to the pond to free the loon. Fortunately, the loon had already managed to extricate itself and was spotted swimming in a small opening in the pond. Regular checks were conducted throughout the day. At approximately 12:00, ravens were observed harassing the loon. The last sighting of the loon on the pond was at 15:30. |
| 2023-10-16 | 13:30 | Clear | -5 | Ptarmigan | 7 | Unknown | Unknown | Visual | Exploration road KM 3 | Flying | Ptarmigans flew away from the vehicle while driving on the exploration road. |
| November 2022 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2023-11-11 | 12:00 | Windy | -7 | Lynx | 2 | Unknown | Adult and Young | Visual | Between Ewing Laydown and Haggart Creek | Walking | No additional comments. |
| 2023-11-13 | 9:45 | Snowing | -15 | Fox | 1 | Unknown | Adult | Visual | Access road KM 0 | Walking | A silver fox was walking on the road and digging in the dirt. Reported to the Environmental Coordinator. |

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| 2023-11-18 | 4:45 | Not recorded | Not recorded | Marten | 1 | Unknown | Adult | Visual | Camp area | Aggressive | A marten was observed in the camp area scavenging for food. When the night shift Loss Prevention Officer attempted to scare the animal away, it began hissing and bared teeth. Reported to the Environmental Coordinator. |
| 2023-11-18 | 13:00 | Snowing | -12 | Marten | 1 | Unknown | Adult | Visual | Camp area | Running | A marten was observed running through the camp courtyard near picnic tables. Environment personnel went to investigate and found fresh tracks between trailers, but no visual. |
| 2023-11-19 | 12:45 | Sunny | -27 | Lynx | 2 | Unknown | Young | Visual | Security Gate | Not recorded | A lynx with kittens was reported near the security gate. Environment personnel went to investigate and observed fresh tracks north and south of the security gate, but no visual. |
| 2023-11-19 | 19:45 | Clear | -29 | Marten | 1 | Unknown | Adult | Visual | Between Environment trailer and Maintenance luggage seacan | Habituated | Under the direction of the area Conservation Officer, Environment personnel deployed a live trap at approximately 17:00 between the Environment office trailer and the Maintenance luggage storage seacan. At approximately 18:45 a marten was observed in the trap. While personnel geared up, the marten had freed itself from the trap but was still trying to access the food inside and was not deterred by the presence of personnel. The trap was reset and within five minutes, the marten was caught again. Personnel released the animal without incident at KM 39.5 of the access road. |
| 2023-11-22 | 14:00 | Cloudy | -8 | Wolverine | 1 | Unknown | Unknown | Visual | 39.5 access road. | Crossing Road | The security gate reported a wolverine was spotted crossing the road at KM 39.5. The security gate contacted Environment. No wildlife card made. |
| 2023-11-24 | 13:00 | Clear | -9 | Fox | 1 | Unknown | Adult | Visual | Access road KM 23.5 | Hunting | Observed the fox for a few minutes, and it appeared to be hunting as it was circling the area on both sides of the road. The fox was not deterred by vehicle presence |
| 2023-11-27 | 12:00 | Cloudy | -2 | Lynx | 5 | Unknown | Adult and Young | Visual | Near SS shop | Walking | A lynx with kittens was spotted near the Site Services Shop. They were reported to the Environmental Coordinator. |
| 2023-11-28 | 13:00 | Clear | -10 | Lynx | 5 | Unknown | Adult and Young | Visual | Platinum Gulch waste rock stockpile | Walking | A lynx was observed with kittens near the Platinum Gulch waste rock stockpile; no signs of disturbance. |
| 2023-11-29 | 13:10 | Clear | -14 | Moose | 1 | Unknown | Young | Visual | Potato Hills | Deceased | Large amount of hair, and two severed legs found in the snow. Wolf scats present around kill site. |
| 2023-11-30 | 16:00 | Clear | -12 | Wolf | 4 | Unknown | adult | Visual | Potato Hills | Walking | A pack of wolves was observed following a trail across Potato Hills near the Project weather station. |
| 2023-11-30 | 14:00 | clear | -12 | Wolf | 1 | Unknown | Adult | Visual | Access Road km 39 | Walking | A lone black wolf was observed walking along the access road near the Project. Reported by NND Environmental monitor. |