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December 03, 2024

P2024_0339
By Email

Donald Maclean
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Dear Donald Maclean,

Re: Class 1 Notification P2024_0339 - IONA Allowed with additional terms and conditions.

This letter is to inform you that your Class 1 Notification P2024_0339 is valid as of December 21, 2024.

Your Class 1 Notification and proposed work program (May 05, 2025 - December 20, 2025) is allowed to proceed with the following terms and conditions:

1. The operator shall avoid exploration and exploration related activities in wetlands, if avoidance is not possible, the operator shall minimize disturbance to wetlands.
2. 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 Placer 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.
3. If bison and elk are present within the active work area, project activities shall cease

- until the wildlife have left the area on their own accord.
4. The location of active raptor nests identified by the operator shall be reported to Environment Yukon, Wildlife Key Area program (wka@yukon.ca).
 5. 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.
 6. The operator shall follow Environment Yukon's Preferred Practices document for works affecting Yukon waters (<https://yukon.ca/sites/yukon.ca/files/env/envpreferred-practices-works-affecting-yukon-waters.pdf>) including a 30 m stream buffer for trenching and overburden piles.
 7. If Hooker's Oatgrass or Three-flowered Avens is observed during project activities, further work should be planned to avoid or minimize disturbance to individual plants where possible and its location recorded; information should be shared with Yukon Conservation Data Center at yukoncdc@yukon.ca. An information sheet on Hooker's Oatgrass is available on the Yukon government website at: <https://yukon.ca/sites/yukon.ca/files/env/env-hookers-oatgrass.pdf>. Three-flowered Avens information sheet: <https://yukon.ca/sites/yukon.ca/files/env/env-three-flowered-avens.pdf>
 8. If active bird nests are discovered, project activities shall be postponed in active nesting area until nesting is completed.
 9. The Operator should become familiar with the identification of Bank Swallow and its habitat according to the Recovery Strategy for Bank Swallow in Canada: Bank Swallow (*Riparia riparia*) (ec.gc.ca) and report Bank Swallow observation to Environment Yukon, Conservation Data Centre (yukoncdc@yukon.ca).
 10. Trenching shall be sloped at one end to allow for wildlife escapement and shall be reclaimed as soon as the trench 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. The Proponent shall carry out all phases of the project in a manner that protects and avoids harming, killing or disturbing migratory birds/raptors or destroying or taking their nests or eggs.

For greater certainty, the conditions contained in this Notification pertain only to my authorities under the *Placer 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 *Placer 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 December 20, 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 *Placer 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 867-667-3190, fax at 867-667-5150, or email at whitehorse.mining@yukon.ca.

Sincerely,
Paul Inglis

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Paul Inglis". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Paul" and the last name "Inglis" clearly legible.

Manager, Mining Land Use

cc
Environmental Affairs Branch, Environment
Tourism and Culture
Champagne and Aishihik First Nations
Kwanlin Dün First Nation