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P2025_0036
By Email

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Dear Wilhelm (Willy) Driedger,

Re: Class 1 Notification P2025_0036 - Stony Creek Allowed with additional terms and conditions.

This letter is to inform you that your Class 1 Notification P2025_0036 is valid as of May 09, 2025.

Your Class 1 Notification and proposed work program (May 09, 2025 - September 30, 2025) is allowed to proceed with the following terms and conditions:

1. You are reminded of Schedule 1 Operating Condition #17 which states: "A spill contingency plan for petroleum products and other hazardous substances must be prepared and posted in the camp and at all fuel handling locations used in carrying out the operation."
2. The operator shall avoid exploration and exploration related activities in wetlands, if avoidance is not possible, the operator shall minimize disturbance to wetlands.
3. 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, removal of vehicles and equipment, etc. Reclamation must be completed to the standards listed in the Operating Conditions, Schedule 1 of the Placer Mining Land Use Regulation/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.

4. The operator shall install an electric fence around the food preparation and storage area, grey water sump, and incinerator.
5. 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.
6. Management of attractants and use of deterrents are effective ways to reduce conflict with bears. The operator shall report any incidents involving nuisance bears or wildlife exhibiting food condition or habituation to the area's District Conservation Officer (867-667-8005).
7. The operator shall suspend work when bison, elk or deer are observed on active claim blocks until the animals move off on their own accord.
8. The operator shall ensure trenches are sloped on at least one end at a grade shallow enough to allow ungulates to exit the trench.
9. The operator shall backfill each trench/shaft once a geological evaluation of the trench/shaft has been completed or prior to the end of the work program date identified in this Class 1, whichever occurs first.
10. The operator shall avoid land clearing within 1 km of any observed active raptor nests between May 1st and August 15th.
11. The location of active raptor nests identified by the operator shall be reported to Environment Yukon, Wildlife Key Area program (wka@yukon.ca).
12. Where possible, land clearing and stripping of the surface layer should take place outside of the nesting season, May 1 to August 31.
13. 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 site unless prior approval has been granted by the Manager of Mining Land Use. The operator is encouraged to contact heritage.review@yukon.ca for information on the archaeological sites.
14. 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.
15. The operator should become familiar with the identification of Hooker's Oatgrass (*Helictochloa hookeri*). If Hooker's Oatgrass is observed during project activities, further work should be planned to avoid individual plants where possible and their locations recorded; information should be shared with Yukon Conservation Data Center at yukoncdc@yukon.ca. Information sheets on Hooker's Oatgrass is attached and available at <https://yukon.ca/sites/yukon.ca/files/env/env-hookers-oatgrass.pdf>.

16. If active bird nests are discovered, project activities shall be postponed in active nesting area until nesting is completed.
17. The operator should become familiar with the identification of Three-Flowered Avens (*Geum triflorum*). If Three-Flowered Avens are observed during project activities, further work should be planned to avoid individual plants where possible and their locations recorded; information should be shared with Yukon Conservation Data Center at yukoncdc@yukon.ca. Information sheet on Three-Flowered Avens is attached and available at <https://yukon.ca/sites/yukon.ca/files/env/env-three-flowered-avens.pdf>.
18. The operator shall follow the “Placer Class 1 Activities and Prospecting Leases: Working Near Water” information sheet ([emr-placer-class-1-activities-prospecting-leases-working-near-water.pdf](https://yukon.ca/sites/yukon.ca/files/env/env-preferred-practices-works-affecting-yukon-waters.pdf)) and Environment Yukon’s “Preferred Practices document for works affecting Yukon waters” (<https://yukon.ca/sites/yukon.ca/files/env/env-preferred-practices-works-affecting-yukon-waters.pdf>) including a 30 m stream buffer for trenching and overburden piles.

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 May 08, 2026 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,

Tamera Johnson

A handwritten signature in purple ink, appearing to be 'Tamera Johnson', written in a cursive style.

A/Manager, Mining Land Use

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