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P2025\_0263  
By Email

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Dear Riley Gibson,

Re: Class 1 Notification P2025\_0263 - IM00535 Allowed to proceed.

This letter is to inform you that your Class 1 Notification P2025\_0263 and proposed work program is valid as of September 17, 2025.

Your Class 1 Notification and proposed work program (September 17, 2025 - September 17, 2026) is allowed to proceed.

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, 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.

3. 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](mailto:heritage.review@yukon.ca) for more information on the areas of heritage potential or to discuss potential mitigation options.
4. The location of active raptor nests identified by the operator shall be reported to Environment Yukon, Wildlife Key Area program ([wka@yukon.ca](mailto:wka@yukon.ca)).
5. The operator should avoid the area during spring calving season for moose, May 15 - June 15.
6. If active bird nests are discovered, project activities shall be postponed in the nesting area until nesting is complete. Refer to avoidance measures link: <https://iaac-aeic.gc.ca/050/documents/p80054/121249E.pdf>.
7. The operator shall share fish and wildlife observation information (e.g. wildlife logs, seasonal reports etc.), shared with other agencies (e.g. YG biologists, Yukon Conservation Data Center etc.), with the First Nation of Nacho Nyak Dun's Land and Resources Department (867)996-2265, prior to the expiry of this Notification.
8. 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.
9. Upon discovery of a heritage resource the proponent shall notify the Heritage Department of the First Nation of Nacho Nyak Dun (867-996-2265 ext.133) in addition to the Government of Yukon, Manager, Mining Lands and Heritage Department.
10. The operator shall ensure appropriate measures, including posting and/or distribution of a workplace harassment policy, are in place to ensure a safe workplace for all employees and visitors. The operator is reminded that this Notification does not remove the need to comply with other legislation or regulation, such as the Workplace Health and Safety Regulations ([https://laws.yukon.ca/cms/images/LEGISLATION/SUBORDINATE/2006/2006-178S/2006-178S\\_2.pdf](https://laws.yukon.ca/cms/images/LEGISLATION/SUBORDINATE/2006/2006-178S/2006-178S_2.pdf)) under the Occupational Health and Safety Act.
11. The operator shall not restrict access, availability, or use of the area for traditional harvest or ceremonial purposes.
12. The operator shall communicate plans and timing of activities to the First Nation of Nacho Nyak Dun Lands and Resources Department (867-996-2265). The operator shall make best efforts to resolve any potential concerns identified.
13. Please note, that a leave strip is required for all placer streams for the protection of riparian areas, and its dimensions are dependent on the stream's habitat suitability classification as defined in the Fish Habitat Management System for Yukon's Placer Mining. Please see the document attached for more information and appropriate setbacks. Please also note, Schedule 1 Operating Condition "all reasonable care must be taken in carrying out exploration activities 3 near or adjacent to a water body to prevent sediment from entering a water body, unless otherwise permitted by law." Any deposit of waste (i.e. dirty water) requires the activity to be licensed regardless of the quantity of water being disposed.
14. The operator shall suspend exploration activities if ungulates are observed from

- active work areas, until they move off on their own accord.
15. 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 Mayo Conservation Officer (867)-996-2202.
  16. 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.
  17. 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.

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.

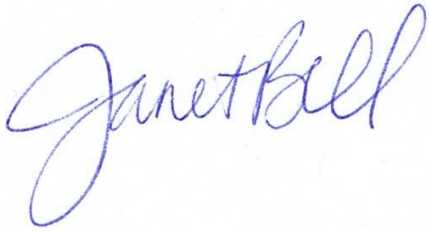
To help improve the environmental performance of your program, you are encouraged to refer to the attached operational guidelines. In addition, you are encouraged to contact affected First Nations to further discuss your program.

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 September 17, 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 867-996-2256, fax at 867-996-2617, or email at [mayo.mining@yukon.ca](mailto:mayo.mining@yukon.ca).

Sincerely,  
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Manager, Mining Land Use

cc

Tourism and Culture

First Nation of Nacho Nyak Dun