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By Email

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Dear Joshua Schmidt,

Re: Class 1 Notification P2026_0189 - lte 2345 Allowed with additional terms and conditions.

This letter is to inform you that your Class 1 Notification P2026_0189 is valid as of June 16, 2026.

Your Class 1 Notification and proposed work program (June 16, 2026 - June 15, 2027) 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, 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 claim(s) included in the notification overlaps with wildlife key area for moose. To reduce impacts to moose, best management practices are encouraged and all wildlife should be given the right of way.
4. 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 Manager, Mining Land Use. The operator may contact heritage.review@yukon.ca for more information on the areas of heritage potential or to discuss potential mitigation options.
5. The notification area is in a fossil-bearing drainage. As per the Schedule 1 Operating Conditions, all palaeontological resources uncovered during operations must be reported to the Government of Yukon and the affected First Nation on whose traditional territory the resources are uncovered.
6. 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.
7. The operator shall install an electric fence around the food preparation and storage area, grey water sump, and incinerator.
8. Management of attractants and use of deterrents are effective ways to reduce conflict with bears. The operator shall report to the TIPP line (1-800-661-0525) any wildlife incident, mortality and/or ongoing bear presence/habituation.
9. The notification area overlaps with a moose late-winter range wildlife key area. Typically, placer exploration activities are carried out outside of winter months, however, activities have been proposed to occur year round. As such, the operator should plan activities to avoid use of the area in late-winter (Feb 1st – April 30th).
10. If the Proponent identifies a sharp-tail grouse lek, they shall report its location to the Wildlife Key Area program (wka@yukon.ca). Activities shall not occur: a. April 1 to 20 between 5:00 am and 10:00 am within 500 m of an identified lek. b. April 20 to May 4 between 5:00 am and 10:00 am within 1 km of an identified lek.
11. 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.
12. Drill holes shall be decommissioned and backfilled or plugged to avoid wildlife entrapment.
13. 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.
14. The operator should become familiar with the identification of Spiked Saxifrage (*Micranthes spicata*). If Spiked Saxifrage is observed during project activities, further work should be planned to avoid 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 Spiked Saxifrage is available at <https://yukon.ca/sites/default/files/env/env-spiked-saxifrage.pdf>.

15. The operator should become familiar with the identification of Woodchuck. Information on this species can be found online at: <https://yukon.ca/en/woodchuck>. If active Woodchuck burrows are detected within the project area, they should be avoided during project activities. The operator shall report any observations of Woodchuck or active burrows, with location and any associated photos, to the Yukon Conservation Data Centre at: yukoncdc@yukon.ca.

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 June 15, 2027 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 867-993-5343, fax at 867-993-6747, or email at dawson.mining@yukon.ca.

Sincerely,
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