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Q2025_0100
By Email

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Dear Heather Burrell,

Re: Class 1 Notification Q2025_0100 - Rye Allowed with additional terms and conditions.

This letter is to inform you that your Class 1 Notification Q2025_0100 is valid as of July 25, 2025.

Your Class 1 Notification and proposed work program (June 01, 2025 - May 31, 2026) is allowed to proceed with the following terms and conditions:

1. 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.
2. The operator shall install an electric fence around the food preparation and storage area, grey water sump, and incinerator.
3. Since claims will be accessed by air, the operator shall review and follow applicable best management practices outlined in the publication "Flying in Sheep Country"

(<https://yukon.ca/en/flying-sheep-country>).

4. The operator shall suspend activities between May 1st and June 15th within mountain goat kidding habitat (steep and rocky terrain at or above the tree line).
5. 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.
6. The operator shall ensure trenches are sloped on at least one end at a grade shallow enough to allow ungulates to exit the trench.
7. The operator shall avoid exploration and exploration related activities in wetlands, if avoidance is not possible, the operator shall minimize disturbance to wetlands.
8. 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 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.
9. The operator shall conduct pre-activity surveys for Collared Pika and Collared Pika habitat (eg. talus slopes) prior to ground disturbing activities, within the work site area, in accordance with YG's Protocol for detecting Collared Pika, <https://yukon.ca/sites/default/files/env/env-protocol-detecting-collared-pika.pdf>. If Collared Pika are identified during the survey the operator shall maintain a 30m buffer around the area. The operator should report sightings of Collared Pika to the Yukon Conservation Data Centre (yukoncdc@yukon.ca).
10. The operator shall become familiar with the identification of Northern Beech Fern and typical habitat (wet, rocky areas) for the species in Yukon. Information on this species can be found online at: <https://yukon.ca/sites/default/files/env/env-northern-beech-fern.pdf>. If Northern Beech Fern 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.
11. The operator shall suspend exploration activities if caribou and/or goats are observed within active work areas, until they move off on their own accord.
12. Please note, Schedule 1 Operating Condition #39 "All reasonable care must be taken in carrying out exploration activities near or adjacent to a water body to prevent sediment from entering a water body, unless otherwise permitted by law.
13. The operator shall not conduct trenching, drilling and exploration activities within 50 m of a campsite or cabin.
14. The operator shall not alter, disturb, or destroy any existing roads or trails.
15. The operator shall allow unimpeded access through the project site to First Nation citizens undergoing traditional pursuits or ceremonial purposes.
16. The operator shall communicate plans and timing of activities to the Ross River Dena Council Lands and Resources Department (867-969-2277 ex.204) and other land and resource users (i.e. outfitters, trappers, etc.) as soon as practicable and prior to the commencement of project activities to identify and resolve potential land use conflicts and any potential negative effects on other users. The operator shall make best efforts to resolve these issues.

17. 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.
18. The operator shall avoid land clearing within 1 km of any observed active raptor nests between May 1st and August 31st.
19. The operator shall take all necessary precautions to minimize disturbance to seeping cliffs or rock faces with significant moss coverage, within the project area. Where disturbance is unavoidable, the moss coverage shall be separately stored and replaced as soon as exploration activities are complete.
20. The operator shall take all necessary precautions to minimize disturbance to caribou specific habitat (lichen) within the project area. Where disturbance is unavoidable, the lichen mat shall be separately stored and replaced as soon as exploration activities are complete.
21. 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."
22. 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 Carmacks Conservation Officer (867-969-2202).
23. 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 Liard First Nation Lands and Resources Department (867-536-5200), and Ross River Dena Council Lands and Resources Department (867-969-2277 ex.204), prior to the expiry of this Notification.
24. Upon discovery of a heritage resource, the operator shall notify the Heritage Departments of the Ross River Dena Council (867-969-2277), in addition to the Government of Yukon, Manager, Mining Land Use and Heritage Department. A 30m buffer shall be maintained around any discovered or known heritage resource.
25. There is a known mineral lick(s) in the vicinity of the project area. The operator shall contact the Wildlife Key Area program (wka@yukon.ca) for information on the exact location of mineral lick(s) in the vicinity of the project area. If a mineral lick is identified within the project area, the operator shall maintain a 100m no-disturbance buffer around the location of the mineral lick unless specified in writing from the Manager, Mining Land Use.
26. The operator shall submit a summary of project activities to Yukon Environment, Regional Biologist (traci.morgan@yukon.ca) at the end of the season. The summary shall include (1) shape files of Class 1 land disturbance and reclamation activities and (2) wildlife log detailing wildlife interactions and mitigations taken. This summary should be shared with RRDC.
27. The operator shall cease work when any ungulates are observed from active work areas until the ungulates move off on their own accord.
28. The location of active raptor nests identified by the operator shall be reported to Environment Yukon, Wildlife Key Area program (wka@yukon.ca).

29. Drill holes shall be decommissioned and backfilled or plugged to avoid wildlife entrapment.

For greater certainty, the conditions contained in this Notification pertain only to my authorities under the *Quartz 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 *Quartz 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 31, 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 *Quartz 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 867-536-7366, fax at 867-536-7842, or email at watson.mining@yukon.ca.

Sincerely,
Jennifer Walters

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Paul Stitz".

A/Manager, Mining Land Use

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