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Q2025\_0142  
By Email

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Dear Blaze Ettlinger,

Re: Administrative Amendment Class 1 Notification Q2025\_0142 - Hunker Allowed with additional terms and conditions.

This letter is to inform you that your Class 1 Notification Q2025\_0142 is valid as of 2025-06-17.

Your Class 1 Notification and proposed work program 2025-06-17 - 2026-06-16 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. 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.

4. 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.
5. Rusty Blackbird are a species of Special Concern and are expected to be present in the project area, especially in forest areas near wetlands and water. The operator shall take care to prevent harming Rusty Blackbird. If the operator observes confirmed or suspected Rusty Blackbird, these sightings should be reported to the Environment Yukon, Conservation Data Centre (yukoncdc@yukon.ca).
6. Little Brown Myotis (bat) are an Endangered species and are expected to be present in the project area, especially in forests near ponds and in dead trees, rock crevices, or any tree with cavities or loose bark. The operator shall take care to prevent harming Little Brown Myotis. If the operator observes confirmed or suspected Little Brown Myotis, these sightings should be reported to the Environment Yukon, Conservation Data Centre (yukoncdc@yukon.ca).
7. The operator should become familiar with the identification of the Twin-flowered Violet (*Viola biflora* ssp. *biflora*). If Twin-flowered Violet 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 Twin-flowered Violet is attached and available at <https://yukon.ca/sites/default/files/env/env-twin-flowered-violet.pdf>.
8. The operator should become familiar with the identification of the Dawson Wallflower (*Erysimum angustatum*). If Dawson Wallflower 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 Dawson Wallflower is attached and available on the Yukon government website at: <https://yukon.ca/sites/yukon.ca/files/env/env-dawson-wallflower.pdf>.
9. The operator should become familiar with the identification of the Williams' Catchfly (*Silene williamsii*). If Williams' Catchfly 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 Williams' Catchfly is attached and available at <https://yukon.ca/sites/yukon.ca/files/env/env-williams-catchfly.pdf>.
10. The operator shall ensure trenches are sloped on at least one end at a grade shallow enough to allow ungulates to exit the trench.
11. While a shaft needs to remain accessible during this Notification, the operator shall install fencing around the shaft, cover the opening with logs, or use a similar method to discourage ungulate wildlife from entering the shaft.
12. The operator shall avoid exploration and exploration related activities in wetlands, if avoidance is not possible, the operator shall minimize disturbance to wetlands.
13. 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.

14. You are reminded 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 Placer Mining. Please see the document attached for more information and appropriate setbacks.
15. The notification area overlaps with a moose late-winter range wildlife key area. Activities have been proposed to occur year round. As such, the operator should plan activities to avoid use of the area in late-winter (Jan 1st – April 1st).
16. 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.
17. The operator shall suspend exploration activities if caribou are observed within active work areas, until they move off on their own accord.
18. 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 Dawson Conservation Officer (867-993-5492).
19. If an active lek is found, exploration activities shall not occur within 1 km of the active lek from 5am to 10am.
20. Where possible, land clearing and stripping of the surface layer should take place outside of the nesting season, May 1 to August 31.
21. The claim(s) included in the notification also overlaps with wildlife key area for beaver and muskrat. To reduce impacts to beaver and muskrat, best management practices are encouraged and all wildlife should be given the right of way.
22. The operator shall provide Tr'ondëk Hwëch'in ("TH") with an Access Notice Certificate in advance if they plan to access TH parcel S-106B1. Contact TH, Land and Resources Branch at 867-993-7100.
23. The operator should become familiar with the identification of Woodchuck (*Marmota monax*). If Woodchuck 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](mailto:yukoncdc@yukon.ca). An information sheet on Dawson Wallflower is available on the Yukon government website at: <https://yukon.ca/en/woodchuck>.
24. 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)).
25. The operator shall not fly unmanned aerial vehicles (drones) within 500 m of a known or observed active raptor nest during the nesting period (May 1 - August 15).
26. The operator shall avoid land clearing within 500 m of any observed active raptor nests between May 1st and August 31st.
27. If active bird nests are discovered, project activities shall be postponed in active nesting area until nesting is completed.
28. There are documented historical features within the notification area, as identified on the map provided. The operator shall not conduct any land-altering activities within

- 30 m of the(se) site(s) unless prior approval has been granted by the Manager, Mining Land Use. The operator is encouraged to contact Lee Whalen at the Historic Sites Unit (lee.whalen@yukon.ca) for more information on the historic features.
29. 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.
  30. Please note that, due to the size of the notification area, the preliminary heritage desktop review was limited to proposed work areas. If work locations change, the operator shall contact heritage.review@yukon.ca prior to conducting any land-altering activities, as additional heritage review may be required.
  31. There are documented historical features (the Ridge Road Trail and the Klondike Mines Railway) within the notification area, as identified on the map provided. The operator shall not conduct any land-altering activities within 30 m of the(se) site(s) unless prior approval has been granted by the Manager, Mining Land Use. The operator is encouraged to contact Lee Whalen at the Historic Sites Unit (lee.whalen@yukon.ca) for more information on the historic features.

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 2026-06-16 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

867-993-5343, fax at 867-993-6747, or email at [dawson.mining@yukon.ca](mailto:dawson.mining@yukon.ca).

Sincerely,  
Jennifer Walters

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Jennifer Walters". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name being more prominent.

Manager, Mining Land Use

cc  
Environmental Affairs Branch, Environment  
Tourism and Culture  
Tr'ondëk Hwëch'in