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By Email

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Dear Heather Burrell,

Re: Class 1 Notification Q2026\_0168 - Hec Allowed with additional terms and conditions.

This letter is to inform you that your Class 1 Notification Q2026\_0168 is valid as of June 01, 2026.

Your Class 1 Notification and proposed work program (June 01, 2026 - May 31, 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 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](mailto:heritage.review@yukon.ca) for more information on the areas of heritage potential or to discuss potential mitigation options.
4. Please note that, due to the size of the notification area, the preliminary heritage desktop review was limited to proposed work areas. Any changes to the proposed work locations submitted in this Class 1 Notification will require an amendment. Please contact your district Mining Recorders office for more information.
5. A heritage resources impact assessment (HRIA) was conducted on portions of the Class 1 Notification area in 2016 (Permit 16-18ASR). The recommendations from the HRIA should continue to be adhered to. The operator may contact [heritage.review@yukon.ca](mailto:heritage.review@yukon.ca) for more information if required.
6. The Operator shall store all attractants, including garbage, food, food waste and strained solids from grey water in a container that prevents access by bears and other wildlife until attractants have been removed from the project site.
7. 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.
8. The notification area overlaps with a moose late-winter range wildlife key area. As such, the operator should plan activities to avoid use of the area in late-winter (Feb 1st – April 30th).
9. The operator shall suspend exploration activities if ungulates are observed from active work areas, until they move off on their own accord.
10. If active raptor nests are identified, the Operator shall avoid land clearing within 50m of observed raptor nests between April 1 and September 30. If two or more nests are within 100m of each other they shall be considered as one nest site and a 50m buffer applied around the whole area. The operator shall make best efforts to not island raptor nests, allowing for connectivity to the forest from nest sites. The Operator shall report observed raptor nest sites to Environment Yukon, Wildlife Key Area program ([wka@yukon.ca](mailto:wka@yukon.ca)).
11. The operator shall ensure trenches are sloped on at least one end at a grade shallow enough to allow ungulates to exit the trench.
12. 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.
13. The operator should become familiar with the identification of Leafy Thistle (*Cirsium foliosum*). If Leafy Thistle 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 Leafy Thistle is available at <https://yukon.ca/sites/default/files/env/env-leafy-thistle.pdf>.
14. 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).

15. The operator shall not impede Kwanlin Dun First Nations citizens undergoing traditional pursuits.
16. The operator shall communicate plans and timing of activities to Kwanlin Dun First Nation Heritage, Lands and Resources Department. The operator shall make best efforts to resolve any potential concerns identified.
17. 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(se) site(s) unless prior approval has been granted by the Manager, Mining Land Use. The operator is encouraged to contact [heritage.review@yukon.ca](mailto:heritage.review@yukon.ca) for information on the archaeological sites.

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.

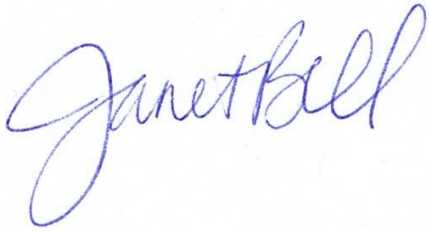
To help improve the environmental performance of your program, you are encouraged to refer to the attached operational guidelines. In addition, you are encouraged to contact affected First Nations to further discuss your program.

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, 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 *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 867-667-3190, fax at 867-667-5150, or email at [whitehorse.mining@yukon.ca](mailto:whitehorse.mining@yukon.ca).

Sincerely,  
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