



Whitehorse Mining District
102 - 300 Main Street (K-102)
Whitehorse, YT, Y1A 2B5

September 01, 2026

Q2026_0227
By Email

STILLWATER CRITICAL MINERALS
SUITE 904 - 403 GRANVILLE ST
VANCOUVER, Canada, V6C 1T2
shenderson@truepointex.com

Dear Anne Bordeleau,

Re: Class 1 Notification Q2026_0227 - Kluane Exploration Project Allowed with additional terms and conditions.

This letter is to inform you that your Class 1 Notification Q2026_0227 is valid as of September 01, 2026.

Your Class 1 Notification and proposed work program (September 01, 2026 - August 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 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. Heritage values were not reviewed based on the proposed scope of activities within the notification area (no ground-altering activity proposed). Other than general rock/soil sampling, prospecting, and airborne survey, no additional land-altering activity shall take place within the project area, until clearance has been given for heritage values. Should the operator decide to conduct additional work, the operator must apply for an amended work program.
4. Upon discovery of a heritage resource the proponent shall notify the Heritage Departments of Champagne and Aishihik First Nation (867-456-6888), Kluane First Nation (867-841-4274), and White River First Nation (867-862-7802), 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.
5. 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.
6. The operator shall suspend exploration activities if ungulates are observed from active work areas, until they move off on their own accord.
7. Since claims will be accessed by air, the operator shall review and follow applicable best management practices outlined in the publication "Flying in Caribou Country" (<https://yukon.ca/en/flying-caribou-country>) and "Flying in Sheep Country" (<https://yukon.ca/en/flying-sheep-country>). The "Flying in Sheep Country" guidelines shall also be applied to mountain goats. When possible flights should be consolidated to reduce the overall disturbance to wildlife from flights.
8. 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.
9. The operator shall communicate plans and timing of activities to Champagne and Aishihik First Nation (867-456-6888), Kluane First Nation (867-841-4274), White River First Nation (867-862-7802), and other land and resource users (i.e. outfitters and trappers) as soon as practicable and prior to the commencement of project activities to identify potential land use conflicts and any other potential negative effects on other users. The operator shall make best efforts to resolve these issues.
10. The operator shall not alter, disturb, or destroy any existing roads or trails.
11. The operator shall not restrict access, availability, or use of the area to First Nation citizens for traditional pursuits or ceremonial purposes.
12. The operator shall cease project activities in caribou fall breeding wildlife key areas, WKA ID 505 as identified on GeoYukon, between September 15 - October 20.
13. The operator is reminded that the harassment of wildlife is prohibited under Section 92 of the Wildlife Act. The operator should adjust drone flight paths as needed to avoid the harassment, disturbance and displacement of wildlife during flights.
14. The operator shall maintain a 50m no disturbance buffer around known and observed raptor nests from April 1 - 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 contact the Wildlife Key Area (WKA) program (wka@yukon.ca), for information on known raptor nests within the project area. The operator shall report any observed nests to the WKA program.

15. The operator should plan flight routes to avoid flying over any observed active raptor nests during the nesting season (April 1 - September 30), or if it cannot be avoided, fly at a minimum of 600 m above ground level when safe to do so.
16. 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.
17. The notification area overlaps with moose late-winter range wildlife key areas, WKA IDs 785, 770 and 4712 as publicly available on GeoYukon. The operator should plan activities to avoid use of the area in late-winter (February 1 – April 30).
18. There is a known mineral lick(s) in the vicinity of the project area. Until the operator contacts the Wildlife Key Area program (wka@yukon.ca) for the location of the mineral licks, the area as identified as WKA ID 3722 on GeoYukon shall be used as no-disturbance 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.
19. The Operator shall not conduct aerial or ground-based work within the sheep lambing wildlife key areas (WKA IDs 5246, 5372, 5373, 5356, 5374, 5355, as publicly available on GeoYukon) between May 1 and June 15.
20. The Operator shall not conduct aerial or ground-based work within the concentrated use mountain goat wildlife key areas, WKA IDs 3633, 3634 and 3763 as publicly available on GeoYukon, between May 1 and July 15.
21. 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>.
22. The notification area overlaps with grizzly bear fall, spring and summer wildlife key areas, WKA IDs 832, 828 and 827 on GeoYukon. All activities should be restricted to at least 1 km from a suspected or confirmed active bear den site.
23. No alteration, disturbance, or destruction shall occur to First Nation Heritage Route #2 and #9, as identified on GeoYukon.
24. There are areas with elevated potential for heritage resources that overlap Settlement Land parcel KFN R-1A. Heritage resources located on Settlement Land are owned and managed by the First Nation. The operator shall not conduct land-altering activities within these areas unless prior approval has been granted by the Kluane First Nation Heritage Department. The operator shall maintain a 30m buffer around known or discovered heritage resources.

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 August 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.

Sincerely,
Sarah Paschuk



A/Manager, Mining Land Use

cc
Environmental Affairs Branch, Environment
Tourism and Culture
Champagne and Aishihik First Nations
Kluane First Nation
White River First Nation