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P2024_0096
By Email

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Dear Erini Petroutsas,

Re: Class 1 Notification P2024_0096 - COOKY Allowed with additional terms and conditions.

This letter is to inform you that your Class 1 Notification P2024_0096 is valid as of May 30, 2024.

Your Class 1 Notification and proposed work program (May 30, 2024 - May 29, 2025) is allowed to proceed with the following terms and conditions:

1. 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, 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.
2. The Proponent shall avoid exploration and exploration related activities in wetlands,

- if avoidance is not possible, the Proponent shall minimize disturbance to wetlands.
3. 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."
 4. 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 until they move off on their own accord.
 5. The notification area overlaps with a moose late-winter range wildlife key area. The operator should plan activities to avoid use of the area in late-winter (January 1st – April 1st).
 6. Drill holes shall be decommissioned and backfilled or plugged to avoid wildlife entrapment.
 7. The operator shall suspend exploration activities if caribou are observed within 1 km of active work areas, until they move off on their own accord.
 8. The Proponent 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.
 9. The notification area overlaps with trapping concession #23 and may overlap with other users, such as recreational tour guide companies. You are encouraged to communicate plans and timing of activities to other land and resource users that may be affected by the proposed notification activities (e.g. trapper, outfitter, Wilderness Tourism Association of Yukon, etc.). This should be completed as soon as practicable and prior to the commencement of notification activities to identify potential land use conflicts that may negatively effect other land users. The operator shall make best efforts to resolve these issues.
 10. Management of attractants and use of deterrents are effective ways to reduce conflict with bears. The Dawson Conservation Office (867-993-8492) should be contacted in the event of ongoing bear presence/habituation at the camp.
 11. The operator shall allow unimpeded access through the project site to First Nation citizens undergoing traditional pursuits.
 12. The operator shall not operate heavy equipment between the hours of seven o'clock at night and seven o'clock in the morning (7:00 p.m. to 7:00 a.m.)
 13. The operator shall communicate plans and timing of activities to affected First Nations and other land and resource users as soon as practicable and prior to the commencement of project activities to identify potential land use conflicts and any potential negative effects on other users. The operator shall make best efforts to resolve these issues.
 14. The operator should share wildlife observation information with Tr'ondëk Hwëch'in and First Nation of Na-Cho Ny?k Dun.
 15. Upon discovery of a heritage resource the proponent shall notify the Heritage Department of Tr'ondëk Hwëch'in First Nation and First Nation of Na-Cho Nyäk Dun in addition to the Government of Yukon, Manager, Mining Land Use and Heritage Branch.
 16. 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.
17. Off road use in the summer should be kept to a minimum, as much as possible.
 18. Heritage resources located on Settlement Land are owned and managed by the First Nation. There are documented historical features (the South Fork Ditch) within the notification area, as identified on the map provided. The operator shall not engage in ground-disturbing activities within 30 m of the historic feature unless prior approval has been granted by the Chief of Mining Land Use. The operator is encouraged to contact the Tr'ondëk Hwëch'in Heritage Department and Lee Whalen at the Historic Sites Unit (lee.whalen@yukon.ca) for more information on the historic sites/reserves prior to conducting any potentially ground disturbing activities.
 19. 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.
 20. 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 for information on the archaeological sites.
 21. 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.
 22. 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.
 23. 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.
 24. The operator shall install an electric fence around the food preparation and storage area, grey water sump, and incinerator.
 25. 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.
 26. 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.
 27. If an active lek is found, exploration activities shall not occur within 1 km of the active lek from 5am-10am.
 28. If active bird nests are discovered, the operator shall postpone project activities in the active nesting area until nesting is completed. Typical nesting season is May 1 to August 31.

29. The operator shall contact the Wildlife Key Area program (wka@yukon.ca) for information on identifying mineral licks. 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.
30. The operator shall submit a summary of project activities to Yukon Environment (Paul.Boyce@yukon.ca, Biologist) at the end of the season. The summary shall include (1) maps or shape files of Class 1 land disturbance activities and (2) wildlife log detailing caribou and moose interactions and mitigations to minimize interaction with caribou.
31. The operator shall ensure trenches are sloped on at least one end at a grade shallow enough to allow ungulates to exit the trench and avoid entrapment.

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 May 29, 2025 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,
Paul Inglis

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Paul Singh". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large loop at the end of the last name.

Manager, Mining Land Use

cc
Environmental Affairs Branch, Environment
Tourism and Culture
First Nation of Nacho Nyak Dun
Tr'ondëk Hwëch'in