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P2024_0137
By Email

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Dear Ryanwood Exploration,

Re: Class 1 Notification P2024_0137 - ID02140 Allowed with additional terms and conditions.

This letter is to inform you that your Class 1 Notification P2024_0137 is valid as of June 11, 2024.

Your Class 1 Notification and proposed work program (June 11, 2024 - June 11, 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 operator shall avoid exploration and exploration related activities in wetlands, if

- avoidance is not possible, the Proponent shall minimize disturbance to wetlands.
3. The operator shall plan flight routes to avoid flying over any observed active raptor nests, or if it cannot be avoided, fly at a minimum of 600 m above ground level when safe to do so.
 4. 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).
 5. Management of attractants and use of deterrents are effective ways to reduce conflict with bears. The Conservation Office (867-xxx-xxxx) should be contacted in the event of ongoing bear presence/habituation at the camp.
 6. 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.
 7. The operator shall install an electric fence around the food preparation and storage area, grey water sump, and incinerator.
 8. 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.
 9. 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.
 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. The notification area overlaps with a moose late-winter range wildlife key area. Typically, placer exploration activities are carried out outside of winter months, however, 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 30th).
 12. Any moose encountered on the claim block shall be given the right-of-way until they move off on their own accord.
 13. 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.
 14. 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>).
 15. 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.
 16. The location of active raptor nests identified by the operator shall be reported to Environment Yukon, Wildlife Key Area program (wka@yukon.ca).
 17. The operator shall avoid land clearing within 1 km of any observed active raptor nests between May 1st and August 31th.
 18. There is a known mineral lick(s) in the vicinity of the project area. The operator shall contact the Paul Boyce, Regional Biologist (paul.boyce@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.

19. If an active lek is found, exploration activities shall not occur within 1 km of the active lek from 5am to 10am.
20. The operator shall submit a summary of project activities to Yukon Environment (paul.boyce@yukon.ca), Regional Biologist) at the end of the season. The summary shall include (1) map of Class 1 land disturbance activities and (2) wildlife log detailing caribou and moose interactions and mitigations to minimize interaction with caribou.
21. Where possible, land clearing and stripping of the surface layer should take place outside of the nesting season, May 1 to August 31.
22. 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.
23. 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.

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 June 11, 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 that reads "Paul Inglis". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looping initial "P".

Manager, Mining Land Use

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Environmental Affairs Branch, Environment
Tourism and Culture
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