



Whitehorse Mining District
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Whitehorse, YT, Y1A 2B5

August 23, 2024

P2024_0242
By Email

R. Glenn Smith
151 Otter Crescent
Haines Junction , Canada, Y0B 1L0

Dear R. Glenn Smith,

Re: Class 1 Notification P2024_0242 - Swede Johnson Exploration Probe Allowed with additional terms and conditions.

This letter is to inform you that your Class 1 Notification P2024_0242 is valid as of August 23, 2024.

Your Class 1 Notification and proposed work program (August 23, 2024 - August 22, 2025) 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, 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 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.
4. Management of attractants and use of deterrents are effective ways to reduce conflict with bears. The Conservation Office (867-634-2247) should be contacted in the event of ongoing bear presence/habituation at the camp.
5. The operator shall suspend activities if goats are observed within 1 km of active work areas.
6. No activities shall occur within mountain goat kidding habitat (steep and rocky terrain at or above the tree line), identified as WKA ID 3596 (see attached map), between May 1st and June 15th.
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 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.
9. The operator shall avoid land clearing within 1 km of any observed active raptor nests between May 1st and August 31th.
10. 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).
11. The location of active raptor nests identified by the operator shall be reported to Environment Yukon, Wildlife Key Area program (wka@yukon.ca).
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. 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.
14. 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.
15. Kluane First Nation Heritage Route #9 is mapped as traversing a portion of the project area. The operator is encouraged to contact the affected First Nations Heritage Department for more information on the Heritage Route prior to conducting any potentially land-altering activities in the vicinity.

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 August 22, 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 867-667-3190, fax at 867-667-5150, or email at whitehorse.mining@yukon.ca.

Sincerely,
Paul Inglis

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Paul Inglis". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Paul" and last name "Inglis" clearly legible.

A/Manager, Mining Land Use

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