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June 07, 2024 Q2024\_0071

By Email

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Dear Richard Clowater,

Re: Class 1 Notification Q2024\_0071 - Yukon Gold Project Allowed with additional terms and conditions.

This letter is to inform you that your Class 1 Notification Q2024\_0071 is valid as of June 07, 2024.

Your Class 1 Notification and proposed work program (June 07, 2024 - June 06, 2025) is allowed to proceed with the following terms and conditions:

- 1. CTFN First Nation Heritage Route #CTFN 11 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.
- 2. Heritage values were not reviewed based on the proposed scope of activities within the notification area. Other than general rock/soil sampling, prospecting, and airborne survey, no additional land-altering activity shall take place within the project claims, 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.
- The operator shall report any incidents involving nuisance bears or wildlife exhibiting food condition or habituation to the area's District Conservation Officer at 867-667-8005.
- The operator shall suspend activities between November 1 st and April 30th to avoid disturbing caribou. See attached maps and/or WKA ID 2245 and 4302 on GeoYukon.
- 5. The operator shall suspend exploration activities if caribou are observed from the active work area until they move off on their own accord.
- 6. The operator shall contact the Wildlife Key Area program (wka@yukon.ca) for information on the known location of raptor nests and appropriate setback distances. No mining activities shall occur until the Wildlife Key Area program (wka@yukon.ca) is contacted.
- 7. The operator shall report observed raptor nest sites to Environment Yukon, Wildlife Key Area program (wka@yukon.ca).
- 8. If active bird nests are discovered, project activities shall be postponed in the nesting area until nesting is complete.
- 9. 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).
- 10. The operator shall communicate plans and timing of activities to the KDFN's Development Assessment Specialist at (867) 334-9771.
- 11. The operator should share wildlife observation information with KDFN's Development Assessment Specialist at (867) 334-9771.
- 12. 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.
- 13. The operator shall avoid exploration and exploration related activities in wetlands, if avoidance is not possible, the Proponent shall minimize disturbance to wetlands.
- 14. 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.

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 June 06, 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 *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, Paul Inglis

Manager, Mining Land Use

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