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Q2024\_0077 By Email

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Dear Andrew Turner,

Re: Class 1 Notification Q2024\_0077 - Rogue Allowed with additional terms and conditions.

This letter is to inform you that your Class 1 Notification Q2024\_0077 is valid as of July 05, 2024.

Your Class 1 Notification and proposed work program (July 05, 2024 - July 04, 2025) is allowed to proceed with the following terms and conditions:

- 1. The Proponent shall avoid exploration and exploration related activities in wetlands, if avoidance is not possible, the Proponent 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. 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.
- 4. Drill holes shall be decommissioned and backfilled or plugged to avoid wildlife entrapment as soon as no longer required, or on or before October 31, 2024.
- Earthworks shall be sloped at one end to allow for wildlife escapement and shall be reclaimed as soon as the earthworks is no longer required for mining purposes, or prior to the end of the work program date identified in this Class 1, whichever occurs first.
- 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. 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."
- 8. 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".
- 9. The operator shall suspend exploration activities if caribou, sheep, moose, bear, or goats are observed within active work areas, until they move off on their own accord.
- If active bird nests are discovered, project activities shall be postponed in the nesting area until nesting is complete. Refer to avoidance measures link: https://www.ceaaacee.gc.ca/050/documents/p80054/121249E.pdf
- 11. The operator shall share wildlife observation information (wildlife log) with the First Nation of Nacho Nyak Dun's Land and Resources Department (867)996-2265, prior to the expiry of this Notification. This includes all wildlife information shared with other agencies (eg. YG Regional Biologist, Yukon Conservation Data Centre, etc.).
- 12. Upon discovery of a heritage resource the proponent shall notify the Heritage Department of the First Nation of Nacho Nyak Dun (867-996-2265 ext.133) in addition to the Government of Yukon, Manager, Mining Lands and Heritage Department.
- 13. The proponent shall communicate plans and timing of activities to the First Nation of Nacho Nyak Dun Lands and Resources Department (867-996-2265).
- 14. 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).
- The operator shall avoid land clearing within 1 km of any observed active raptor nests between May 1st and August 31th.
- 16. The operator shall report observed raptor nest sites to Wildlife Key Area program (wka@yukon.ca).
- 17. Please note that, due to the size of the notification area, the preliminary heritage desktop review was limited to proposed work areas. If work locations change, the operator shall contact heritage.review@yukon.ca prior to conducting any landaltering activities, as additional heritage review may be required.
- 18. 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.
- 19. The operator shall install an electric fence around the food preparation and storage area, grey water sump, and incinerator.
- 20. Management of attractants and use of deterrents are effective ways to reduce conflict with bears. The Dawson Conservation Office (867993-8492) should be contacted in the event of ongoing bear presence/habituation at the camp.
- 21. The notification area overlaps with a raptor nesting wildlife key area and mapped nest sites. The operator shall contact the Wildlife Key Area program at wka@yukon.ca for further information on the location of the nest(s) and appropriate setback distances.
- 22. 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.
- 23. No Class 1 activities shall occur within sheep lambing wildlife key area, as identified on the map, between May 1st and June 15th.
- 24. Since claims will be accessed by air, the operator shall review and follow applicable best management practices outlined in the publication "Flying in Sheep Country" (https://yukon.ca/en/flying-sheep-country). This includes avoiding helicopter supported exploration activities within 3.5 km of sheep lambing wildlife key areas (WKA) between May 1 and June 15 (when safe to do so).
- 25. The operator shall submit a summary of project activities to Yukon Environment (Joel.Potie@yukon.ca, Mayo Biologist) at the end of the season. The summary shall include (1) shape files of Class 1 land disturbance and reclamation activities and (2) wildlife log detailing caribou and sheep interactions and mitigations to minimize interaction with caribou and sheep.
- 26. The operator shall suspend activities during the post-calving period (June 1 to July 15) and during the rutting period (September 15-October 15) in areas of known use (see attached caribou telemetry map) and in alpine and subalpine zones. The operator shall contact the Mayo Regional biologist (joel.potie@yukon.ca) prior to starting work to confirm work locations during post calving and rutting periods.
- 27. 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.
- 28. Drill pads and sumps will be decommissioned when no longer required, or on or before October 31, 2024.
- 29. The operator shall be familiar with the identification of Grimmia atrata and Grimmia incurva. If they are encountered, they shall be avoided and their location recorded. This information shall be shared with Yukon Conservation Data Center at yukoncdc@yukon.ca.

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 July 04, 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 867-996-2256, fax at 867-996-2617, or email at mayo.mining@yukon.ca.

Sincerely, Paul Inglis

Manager, Mining Land Use

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