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May 24, 2024 Q2024_0081 By Email

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Dear Roger Hulstein,

Re: Class 1 Notification Q2024_0081 - NOOC Claims Allowed with additional terms and conditions.

This letter is to inform you that your Class 1 Notification Q2024_0081 is valid as of June 06, 2024.

Your Class 1 Notification and proposed work program (June 06, 2024 - December 31, 2024) 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. The operator shall suspend exploration activities if caribou are observed within 1km of active work areas, until they move off on their own accord.
- 4. 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. Should land-altering activities be approved in areas of heritage potential, please notify TKC- Lands and Resources Department Manager Dave Irvine at Irhmanager@taan.ca or (867) 668-3613 ext. 601.
- 5. Upon discovery of a heritage resource, the proponent shall notify the Ta'an Kw?ch'?n Council Lands and Resources Department Manager Dave Irvine at Irhmanager@taan.ca or (867) 668-3613 ext. 601, in addition to the Government of Yukon, Chief of Mining Lands and Heritage Branch.
- 6. The operator shall not conduct any land-altering activities within 30m of a discovered heritage resource unless prior approval has been granted, in writing, by the Manager, Mining Land Use. The operator is encouraged to contact heritage.review@yukon.ca for information. Should land-altering activities be approved in areas of a heritage resource, please notify the Ta'an Kw?ch'?n Council Lands and Resources Department Manager Dave Irvine at Irhmanager@taan.ca or (867) 668-3613 ext. 601.
- 7. The operator shall allow unimpeded access through the project site to First Nation citizens undergoing traditional pursuits.
- 8. The operator shall suspend exploration activities if sheep are observed within 1 km of active work areas, until they move off on their own accord.
- 9. Any moose encountered on the claim block shall be given the right-of-way until they move off on their own accord.
- 10. Since claims will be accessed by air, the operator shall review and follow applicable best management practices outlined in the publications "Flying in Caribou Country" (https://yukon.ca/en/flying-caribou-country) and "Flying in Sheep Country" (https://yukon.ca/en/flying-sheep-country)
- 11. 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.
- 12. Drill holes shall be decommissioned and backfilled or plugged to avoid wildlife entrapment.
- 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
- 14. The operator shall communicate plans and timing of activities to the Ta'an Kw?ch'?n Council Lands and Resources Department Manager Dave Irvine at Irhmanager@taan.ca or (867) 668-3613 ext. 601, and to other affected First Nations and other land and resources users as soon as practicable and prior to the commencement of project activities to identify potential land use conflicts and any

- other potential negative effects on users. The operator shall make best efforts to resolve these issues.
- 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. Linear disturbance shall be kept to a minimum. The operator shall reclaim all corridors/lines, by blocking access to corridors/lines and replacing cut brush on top, as soon as they are no longer required for mining purposes, or by the expiry of this Notification whichever occurs first.
- 17. Any brushing for trails, cutlines or corridors should be done in such a way as to not hinder wildlife movement through the stockpiling of brush material.
- 18. 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.
- 19. 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."
- 20. The operator shall ensure trenches are sloped on at least one end at a grade shallow enough to allow ungulates to exit the trench.
- 21. 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.

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 05, 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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