



## **Yukon Environmental & Socio-economic Assessment Act Decision Document**

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This document meets the Yukon government's requirements as a Decision Body as set out in the *Yukon Environmental & Socio-economic Assessment Act*.

### **Decision Document Issued By:**

<b>YG Decision Body:</b>	EMR Mineral Resources
<b>Federal Decision Body(ies):</b>	[where applicable]
<b>First Nation Decision Body(ies):</b>	[where applicable]

### **Project:**

<b>Project Name:</b>	Placer Mine at Nugget Gulch	<b>YESA File Number: 2009-0230</b>
<b>Proponent Name:</b>	Bernd Schmid	

### **Project Scope**

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The principal activity is a Class 4 placer mining program along Nugget Gulch, a tributary to Eldorado Creek, within the Klondike River Watershed. The proposed project is on 6 claims and located approximately 25 km south of Dawson City. Activities are proposed to occur between May and September annually for ten years.

#### **Principal Activities**

- Use of heavy machinery:
- Establishment and use of in-stream reservoirs
- Establishment and use of out-of-stream settling facilities
- Exploration activities (auger drilling)
- Material processing (approx. 5000m<sup>3</sup>/year)
- Mechanical stripping (approx. 4000m<sup>3</sup>/year)
- Water use (approx. 2000m<sup>3</sup>/day)

#### **Accessory Activities**

- Use of existing access trails & roads
- Storage and use of fuel (400 litres)
- Establishment of 3 man camp facility
- Wastes disposed of by using Community landfill



**Other Decision Bodies:**

<b>Other Decision Body Consultation:</b>	▪ [list decision bodies consulted where applicable]
<b>Consolidated Decision Document:</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N/A <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes ▪ [list decision bodies consolidated with where applicable]

**Non-Self Governing First Nations:**

<b>Non-Self Governing First Nation Consultation:</b>	▪ [list First Nation consulted where applicable]
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**Decision**

Pursuant to ss.75, 76 and 80, the Yukon government has considered the YESAA Assessment and:	
<input type="checkbox"/>	a) Accepts the following recommendation(s):
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<input type="checkbox"/>	b) Rejects the following recommendation(s) as follows for the reason(s) specified:
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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	c) Varies the following recommendation(s) as follows for the reason(s) specified:

**YG varies the following:**

- Any heritage resources located by the applicant while working within Tr’ondëk Hwëch’in traditional territory shall be reported to the Tr’ondëk Hwëch’in Heritage Department at 993-7100.

**Justification:**

*The project takes place on Commissioner’s land and falls within the mandate of Government of Yukon for heritage resources. YG Heritage is aware of the differences in heritage resource definitions by the THFA, UFA and YG heritage legislation. Reporting requirements to TH under the UFA 13.4.8 and 13.7.1 will be strictly observed. The First Nations Heritage Departments are the lead department for heritage issues on Category A or Category B settlement lands.*

**Replaced with:**

Any heritage resources located by the proponent should be reported to the Chief of Mining Land Use.



**Dates**

Project Recommendation Issued: <b>February 25, 2010</b>	Decision Document Issued: <b>March 11, 2010</b>
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**Recommendation Received From:**

Designated Office	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Location: Dawson City
Executive Committee	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Panel	<input type="checkbox"/>	a) Panel of the YESAB
	<input type="checkbox"/>	b) CEAA Panel
	<input type="checkbox"/>	c) Joint Panel (YESAB and other assessment body)

**Authorization**

By signing below, the Yukon government has exercised its authority as per YESAA s. 75 or s. 76 to issue a decision document on this project.

Name: Arlene Kyle Position: A/ Director, Mineral Resources

Signature:  Date: March 11, 2010

**Copies Forwarded to (as required by YESAA):**

- Other Decision Bodies [list] \_\_\_\_\_
- Project Proponent [name] Bernd Schmid
- DAP Branch, Executive Council Office \_\_\_\_\_
- YESAB Designated Office [location] Dawson City
- YESAB Executive Committee [when applicable] \_\_\_\_\_
- Minister Environment (Canada) [when applicable] \_\_\_\_\_
- Yukon Surface Rights Board [when applicable] \_\_\_\_\_
- Yukon Water Board [when applicable] \_\_\_\_\_
- Land Use Planning Commission: [when applicable] \_\_\_\_\_
- Independent Regulatory Agency [when applicable] \_\_\_\_\_
- Other Body/Person as Required [List] \_\_\_\_\_