



BULLETIN – May 2, 2022

As part of the planning for the implementation of the *Mineral Resources Act* (MRA), the NWT Mining Recorder's Office (MRO) has taken the initiative for the early implementation of the process for Notification of Application to Record Mineral Claims (NAR). This notification is pursuant to an enhanced administrative process, which is an interim measure until regulations for the MRA have been developed and the Act comes into force.

The process is designed to inform Indigenous Governments and Indigenous Organizations of mineral tenure and potential exploration activities in the Indigenous Governments and Indigenous Organizations area of interest. The intent of this notice is to provide a more transparent mineral claims issuance process and to support early and constructive communication between mineral claim owners and Indigenous Governments and Indigenous Organizations.

The NAR will contain the following information:

- a) the mineral claim name(s);
- b) the mineral claim identification number(s);
- c) the National Topographic System 1:50,000 map sheet number(s) for the location;
- d) a digital link to the Government of the Northwest Territories Mineral Tenure Map Viewer that shows mineral tenure information; and,
- e) the map coordinates of the location, which will correspond to those used by the Mineral Tenure Map Viewer.

Mineral exploration activities are important to the Northwest Territories and are of interest to northern residents and also Indigenous Governments and Indigenous Organizations. Mineral Exploration and Mining generate significant benefits to residents of the NWT and contribute a large portion of funding for NWT governments. The GNWT will encourage Indigenous Governments and Indigenous Organizations and Mineral Claim applicants to contact one another to begin, or continue, developing a positive working relationship as early as possible.

For questions, comments, or to request additional information, please contact Ms. Jessica Bos, Mining Recorder, and the Minister's delegate for issuing notices of application to record at the contact information below.

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