

SPECIAL USE PERMIT



LAKE CLARK NATIONAL PARK AND PRESERVE
240 West 5th Ave, Suite 236
Anchorage, AK 99501
907-644-3647(Anchorage) 907-781-2131(Port Alsworth)



Name Ian Cunningham-Dunlop			
Company/Organization JT Mining Inc.			
Street Address 405-375 Water Street			
City Vancouver	State BC	Zip Code V6B5C6	Country Canada
Telephone Number 1-604-629-1165	Cell Phone Number 1-604-961-0436		
Fax Number 1-855-629-1165			
Email Address lcunningham-dunlop@highgoldmining.com			

Park Alpha Code
LACL
Type of Use
Mineral exploration
Permit #
2024-LACL-SUP-005

is hereby authorized to use the following described land or facilities in Lake Clark National Park:
Figure 1 attached provided by JT mining for the 2024 field program.

The area must be restored to its original condition at the end of the permit.

The permit begins at 12:01 X am / pm on 07/01/2024. The permit expires at 11:59 am / X pm on 10/31/2024.

SUMMARY OF PERMITTED ACTIVITY: See description of work described below. No helicopter landing zone brushing is authorized.

Objective: The objective is to characterize baseline conditions to support the evaluation of a preferred access route between the Johnson Tract (JT) Project and tidewater and a port site.

Description: A Special Use Permit (SUP) proposal was submitted by HighGold requesting to perform engineering and environmental studies on LCNP lands between June 1st and October 31st of 2024. JT Mining initiated baseline studies to assess a preferred access route between tidewater and the Johnson Tract (JT) project. The studies are part of a program to establish cultural and environmental baseline data and are composed of both desktop studies and field-based surveys. The study area covers a broad area between the JT project to the coast, from Tuxedni Bay to the mouth of the Johnson River. Work will include up to approximately 68 hours of helicopter flying time to transport groups of 2-4 professionals to select locations, set-out and picked-up at established landing sites and perform technical tasks that require limited to no ground disturbance. A cumulative total of roughly 21 days of field work is anticipated between the various groups and activities. Field work is planned from June to October.

The field program proposed for 2024 includes the following environmental and engineering studies.

- Reconnaissance-level engineering field surveys
- Cultural resources reconnaissance surveys
- Water quality sampling
- Wetland delineation mapping

The Johnson Tract Project (the Project) is located 125 miles southwest of Anchorage, Alaska. The Project area covers 20,942 acres of land (Figure 1) within Lake Clark National Park (LACL). The Project area is divided into two blocks, South Tract, a private inholding within LACL where Cook Inlet Region Inc. (CIRI) owns the surface and mineral estates, and North Tract where CIRI owns the mineral estate but the surface estate is held by LACL (see attached figure). On May 21, 2019, J T Mining Inc. (JTMI) entered into a lease agreement with CIRI. The lease grants JTMI rights of access and the right to explore for and develop the minerals in the Property.

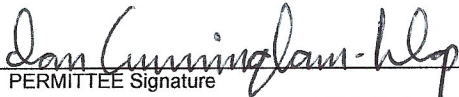
Person on site responsible for adherence to the terms and conditions of the permit (include contact information)
Allegra Cairns, Director Environment and Permitting, +1 (503) 520-2374 and acairns@highgoldmining.com

Authorizing legislation or other authority

Alaska National Interest Lands Conservation Act and the 1976 Cook Inlet Land Exchange Act

APPLICATION FEE	<input type="checkbox"/> Received	Amount
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Not Required	\$
PERFORMANCE BOND	<input type="checkbox"/> Required	Amount
	<input type="checkbox"/> Not Required	\$
LIABILITY INSURANCE	<input type="checkbox"/> Required	Amount
	<input type="checkbox"/> Not Required	\$
COST RECOVERY	<input type="checkbox"/> Required	Amount
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Not Required	\$
LOCATION FEE	<input type="checkbox"/> Required	Amount
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Not Required	\$

ISSUANCE of this permit is subject to the attached conditions. The undersigned hereby accepts this permit subject to the terms, covenants, obligations, and reservations, expressed or implied herein.


 PERMITTEE Signature Title: *Senior VP Exploration* Date: *2024-06-08*
 Digitally signed by SUSANNE GREEN Date: 2024.06.07 13:29:06 -08'00'
 SUSANNE GREEN Title: Superintendent Date:
 Authorizing NPS Official
 Authorizing NPS Official (additional, if required) Title: Date:

CONDITIONS OF THIS PERMIT

Failure to comply with any of the terms and conditions of this permit may result in the immediate suspension or revocation of the permit. [36 CFR 1.6(h)]

1. The permittee is prohibited from giving false information; to do so will be considered a breach of conditions and be grounds for revocation: [36 CFR 2.32(a)(3)].
2. This permit may not be transferred or assigned without the prior written consent of the Superintendent.
3. The permittee shall exercise this privilege subject to the supervision of the Superintendent or designee, and shall comply with all applicable Federal, State, county and municipal laws, ordinances, regulations, codes, and the terms and conditions of this permit. Failure to do so may result in the immediate suspension of the permitted activity or the revocation of the permit. All costs associated with clean up or damage repairs in conjunction with a revoked permit will be the responsibility of the permittee.
4. The permittee is responsible for making all necessary contacts and arrangements with other Federal, State, and local agencies to secure required inspections, permits, licenses, etc.
5. The park area associated with this permit will remain open and available to the public during park visiting hours. This permit does not guarantee exclusive use of an area. Permit activities will not unduly interfere with other park visitors' use and enjoyment of the area.
6. This permit may be revoked at the discretion of the Superintendent upon 24 hours notice.
7. This permit may be revoked without notice if damage to resources or facilities occurs or is threatened, notwithstanding any other term or condition of the permit to the contrary.
8. This permit is made upon the express condition that the United States, its agents and employees shall be free from all liabilities and claims for damages and/or suits for or by reason of any injury, injuries, or death to any person or persons or property of any kind whatsoever, whether to the person or property of the Permittee, its agents or employees, or third parties, from any cause or causes whatsoever while in or upon said premises or any part thereof during the term of this permit or occasioned by any occupancy or use of said premises or any activity carried on by the Permittee in connection herewith, and the Permittee hereby covenants and agrees to indemnify, defend, save and hold harmless the United States, its agents, and employees from all liabilities, charges, expenses and costs on account of or by reason of any such injuries, deaths, liabilities, claims, suits or losses however occurring or damages growing out of the same.
9. Permittee agrees to carry general liability insurance against claims occasioned by the action or omissions of the permittee, its agents and employees in carrying out the activities and operations authorized by this permit. The policy shall be in the amount of \$ N/A per Occurrence, \$ 1,000,000 Aggregate and underwritten by a United States company naming the United States of America as **additional insured**. The permittee agrees to provide the Superintendent with a Certificate of Insurance with the proper endorsements prior to the effective date of the permit.
10. Permittee agrees to deposit with the park a bond in the amount of \$ N/A from an authorized bonding company or in the form of cash or cash equivalent, to guarantee that all financial obligations to the park will be met.
11. Costs incurred by the park as a result of accepting and processing the application and managing and monitoring the permitted activity will be reimbursed by the permittee. Administrative costs and estimated costs for activities on site must be paid when the permit is approved. If any

additional costs are incurred by the park, the permittee will be billed at the conclusion of the permit. Should the estimated costs paid exceed the actual costs incurred; the difference will be returned to the permittee.

12. The person(s) named on the permit as in charge of the permitted activity on-site must have full authority to make any decisions about the activity and must remain available at all times. He/she shall be responsible for all individuals, groups, vendors, etc. involved with the permit
13. Nothing herein contained shall be construed as binding the Service to expend in any one fiscal year any sum in excess of appropriations made by Congress or administratively allocated for the purpose of this permit for the fiscal year, or to involve the Service in any contract or other obligation for the further expenditure of money in excess of such appropriations or allocations.
14. If any provision of this permit shall be found to be invalid or unenforceable, the remainder of this permit shall not be affected and the other provisions of this permit shall be valid and be enforced to the fullest extent permitted by law.
15. While within Lake Clark National Park, all food and scented or odorous items must be stored in a manner that is secure from bears and other wildlife.
16. To prevent the spread of invasive species into the park, clothing, gear, and other equipment should be cleaned and be free of soil or plant material before entering the park.
17. If previously unidentified archeological resources are encountered, work in the discovery area will be interrupted until a NPS archeologist is contacted, able to assess the site, and the State Historic Preservation Officer has been consulted regarding the significance of the discovery using the National Register Criteria (60.4). In most instances, if archeological materials are discovered, that area will be avoided and work will continue in another area. Initial contact upon a discovery should be to Lake Clark National Park Cultural Resources Program Manager Liza Rupp at (907) 781-3170.
18. If a field crew encounters a freshly excavated bear den or a bear denning, work in the area may only continue if a minimum separation distance of one kilometer can be maintained. This distance will limit bear disturbance and minimize the chance for a negative human-bear encounter. Encounters will be reported to Lake Clark National Park Natural Resources Program Manager Buck Mangipane as soon as possible at (907) 717-7044. GPS coordinates for the den will be transmitted to Mr. Mangipane. Helicopter flights will be kept to the minimum needed to transport field crews. If a bear is observed during flight, a minimum distance of one kilometer should be maintained to minimize disturbance. When this distance can't be maintained, an alternative flight path should be considered.
19. Any ground disturbance resulting in removal of vegetation will be restored after soil or rock samples are removed.

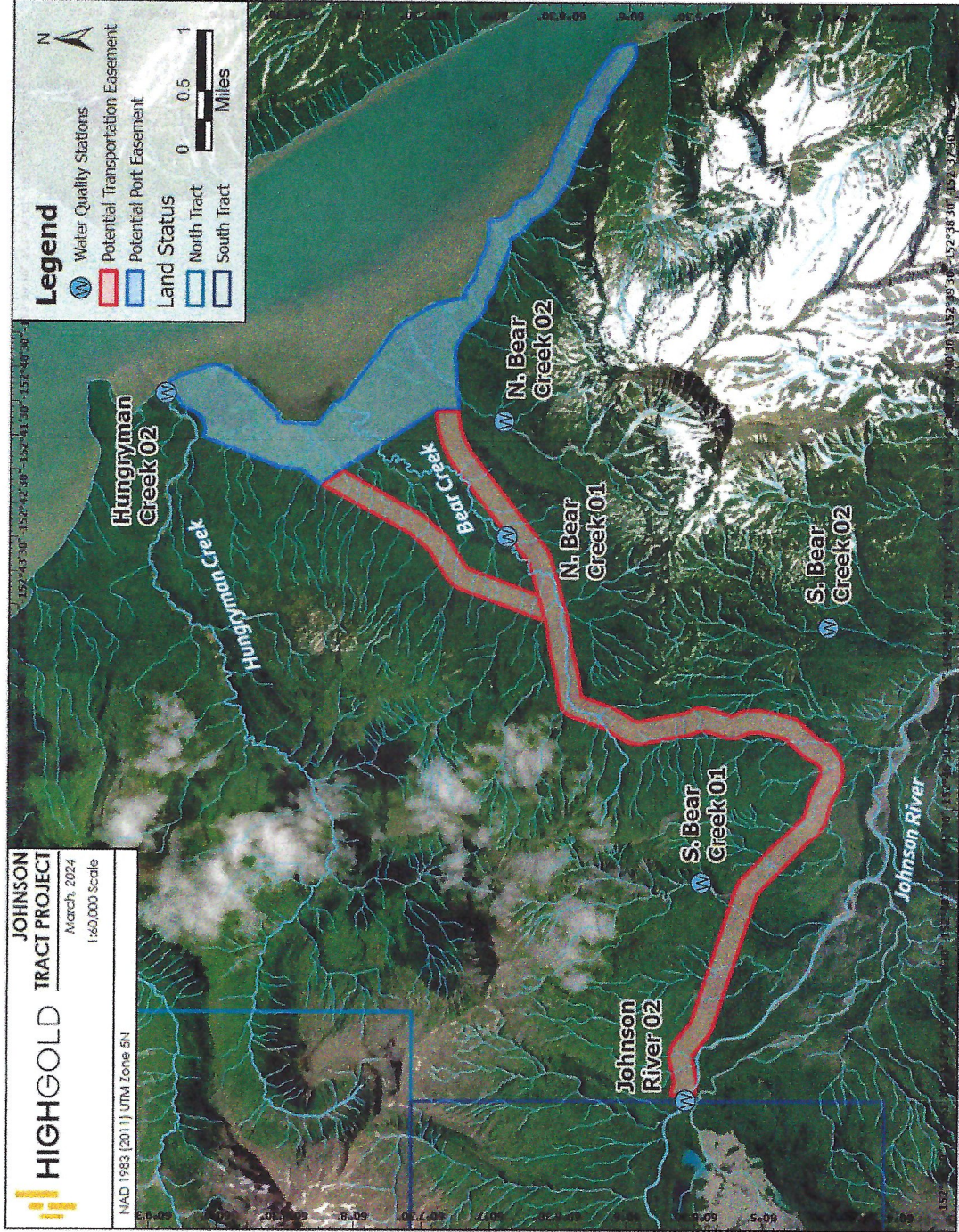


Figure 1 Work areas for 2024 Field Program