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REMARKS:

Yukon Coroner's Service, Dawson City RCMP and Yukon Workers' Compensation Health and Safety Board's Occupational Health and Safety Branch were notified of a placer mine fatality shortly after 12:45 pm on Friday, April 23, 2021. The incident had occurred near Black Hill Creek approximately 73 kms from Dawson City at Stuart Placer Ltd. The driver of a D-10N Caterpillar bulldozer lost control of the vehicle while traversing a patch of ice on the Black Hills Creek Road as he travelled towards the camp. The vehicle slid off the road onto a steep embankment and rolled completely over. The vehicle continued to travel, now in reverse approximately 250 feet, sliding down a second embankment and traveling another 450 feet before coming to a stop. The driver of the D-10N was found deceased in the cab of vehicle where it had come to a stop.

The driver is identified as 41 year old Richard Matthew "Red" CULL, a seasoned heavy duty operator at placer mine-sites in the area.

Yukon Coroner's Service continues our investigation with the assistance of the Yukon Workers' Compensation Health and Safety Board's Occupational Health and Safety branch and the Dawson City detachment of the RCMP.

We extend our sincere condolences to the family and friends of Mr. CULL and the placer mining community.