




**MINERALS PROGRAM INSPECTION REPORT**  
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The Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety has conducted an inspection of the mining operation noted below. This report documents observations concerning compliance with the terms of the permit and applicable rules and regulations of the Mined Land Reclamation Board.

<b>MINE NAME:</b> Golden Mine	<b>MINE/PROSPECTING ID#:</b> M-1976-007-UG	<b>MINERAL:</b> Clay (general)	<b>COUNTY:</b> Jefferson
<b>INSPECTION TYPE:</b> Surety-Related Inspection	<b>WEATHER:</b> Clear	<b>INSP. DATE:</b> January 25, 2024	<b>INSP. TIME:</b> 11:30
<b>OPERATOR:</b> The Denver Brick Company	<b>OPERATOR REPRESENTATIVE:</b>	<b>TYPE OF OPERATION:</b> 110c - Construction Limited Impact	
<b>REASON FOR INSPECTION:</b> Normal I&E Program	<b>BOND CALCULATION TYPE:</b> None	<b>BOND AMOUNT:</b> \$298,000.00	
<b>DATE OF COMPLAINT:</b> NA	<b>POST INSP. CONTACTS:</b> None	<b>JOINT INSP. AGENCY:</b> None	
<b>INSPECTOR(S):</b> Eric Scott	<b>INSPECTOR'S SIGNATURE:</b> 	<b>SIGNATURE DATE:</b> January 26, 2024	

**GENERAL INSPECTION TOPICS**

This list identifies the environmental and permit parameters inspected and gives a categorical evaluation of each. No problems or possible violations were noted during the inspection. The mine operation was found to be in full compliance with Mineral Rules and Regulations of the Colorado Mined Land Reclamation Board for the Extraction of Construction Materials and/or for Hard Rock, Metal and Designated Mining Operations. Any person engaged in any mining operation shall notify the office of any failure or imminent failure, as soon as reasonably practicable after such person has knowledge of such condition or of any impoundment, embankment, or slope that poses a reasonable potential for danger to any persons or property or to the environment; or any environmental protection facility designed to contain or control chemicals or waste which are acid or toxic-forming, as identified in the permit.

(AR) RECORDS----- <u>NA</u>	(FN) FINANCIAL WARRANTY----- <u>Y</u>	(RD) ROADS----- <u>Y</u>
(HB) HYDROLOGIC BALANCE----- <u>Y</u>	(BG) BACKFILL & GRADING----- <u>Y</u>	(EX) EXPLOSIVES----- <u>NA</u>
(PW) PROCESSING WASTE/TAILING---- <u>NA</u>	(SF) PROCESSING FACILITIES----- <u>NA</u>	(TS) TOPSOIL----- <u>NA</u>
(MP) GENL MINE PLAN COMPLIANCE- <u>Y</u>	(FW) FISH & WILDLIFE----- <u>NA</u>	(RV) REVEGETATION---- <u>NA</u>
(SM) SIGNS AND MARKERS----- <u>Y</u>	(SP) STORM WATER MGT PLAN---- <u>NA</u>	(RS) RECL PLAN/COMP-- <u>NA</u>
(ES) OVERBURDEN/DEV. WASTE----- <u>Y</u>	(SC) EROSION/SEDIMENTATION--- <u>Y</u>	(ST) STIPULATIONS----- <u>NA</u>
(AT) ACID OR TOXIC MATERIALS----- <u>NA</u>	(OD) OFF-SITE DAMAGE----- <u>NA</u>	

Y = Inspected / N = Not inspected / NA = Not applicable to this operation / PB = Problem cited / PV = Possible violation cited

## **OBSERVATIONS**

This was an inspection for the Golden Mine, a 70.15 acre 112c clay mine, conducted by Eric Scott of DRMS. On January 17, 2024 Denver Brick requested that the Golden Mine be placed into Temporary Cessation (TC) status to allow the permittee to pursue additional required permitting with Jefferson County. DRMS sent out the required notices of TC consideration to the county and municipalities within 2 miles as required on January 18, 2024. To date, no comments or objections have been received by the Division. This inspection was conducted by DRMS to verify the current condition of the site and the adequacy of the existing bond prior to placing the request for TC on the Consent Agenda for the February 21, 2024 MLRB hearing.

The site is located within State of Colorado property which is bounded by Hwy 93 to the east, the City of Golden to the South, private residential property on the west (other side of the hogback ridge), and State property containing previously reclaimed clay mining sites to the north. DRMS accessed the site from the gated entrance to the permit area located further west along the site access road.

It was noted that the site identification sign was present (photo 1) and that the permit boundary, including access roads, was clearly marked by T-posts with white PVC pipe placed over them. There was no mining activity taking place during the inspection, and no mining equipment present on site (photos 2-4). No product stockpile was present during this inspection. DRMS noted that the conditions on-site are essentially unchanged from the time the permit conversion was approved by the MLRB and therefore the existing reclamation bond is still adequate. Denver Brick needs to secure proper permitting from Jefferson County prior to commencing expanded mining operations. Therefore, DRMS will place the request for Temporary Cessation status on the Consent Agenda for the February 21, 2024 MLRB hearing unless objections are received.

No other issues were noted during this inspection.

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## **PHOTOGRAPHS**

**Photo 1 - Site identification sign at gated entrance.**

**Photos 2-4 - Site conditions, scanning from NW to SW across working face.**

**Photo 3**

**Photo 4**