



**COLORADO**  
Division of Reclamation,  
Mining and Safety  
Department of Natural Resources

February 28, 2025

Matt Welte  
Summit Brick & Tile Co.  
PO Box 533  
Pueblo, CO 81002-0533

**Re: Patton Clay Mine - File No. M-1998-067**  
**Summit Brick & Tile Co.**  
**Acreage Release Request (AR-1)**  
**Acreage Reduction Request**

Dear Matt Welte:

On February 28, 2025 the Division of Reclamation, Mining and Safety concluded its review of the Acreage Release Request application submitted to the Division on November 7, 2024, addressing the following:

Requesting to reduce the permitted area by 80.0 acres.

The decision reached by the Division is: Approve. In accordance with Rule 4.17.2(5), the Division is required to wait thirty (30) days from this notice to allow for appeal of the Division's decision. Once this period closes, if no appeal is submitted, the Division's decision will be final.

The permit area was reduced to 200.00 acres, through the release of -80.00 acres in this permit action. Because the permit is not totally released, you are still liable for filing annual reports and fees. Please submit a Technical Revision and update the mining and reclamation plan maps to depict the reduced permit area.

Bond Held:	\$29,500.00
Prior Liability:	\$29,500.00
Change in Liability:	\$0.00
Revised Liability:	\$29,500.00
Prior Permit Acreage:	280.00
Change in Permit Acreage:	-80.00
Revised Permit Acreage:	200.00
Prior Affected Acreage:	131.00
Change in Affected Acreage:	-14.00



Revised Affected Acreage:	117.00
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If you have any questions, please contact me by telephone at (720) 666-1065, or by email at [Jocelyn.carter@state.co.us](mailto:Jocelyn.carter@state.co.us).

Sincerely,



Jocelyn L. Carter  
Environmental Protection Specialist

cc: Julie A. Welte  
Amy Eschberger, DRMS

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