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THE NATIONAL ARCHIVE FOR QUARRYING AND MINING INDUSTRIES ON COMPANY VISIT TO NORGE MINERALER AS



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The mining industry archive on company visit to Norge Mineraler AS

The mining industry archive's first company visit in 2023 went to Norway Minerals AS south of Rogaland. The company is in the establishment phase of mapping and collecting samples with the goal of starting up the extraction of minerals. As of today, approximately 162 core drilling operations have been carried out, the deepest of which is 2201 metres! According to the company, this is the deepest borehole ever made onshore in Norway.

Norge Mineraler AS focuses on the extraction of critical raw materials, i.e., materials that are economically important and where there is supply risk associated with access. The EU has defined a number of elements as Critical Raw Materials (CRM). Norge Mineraler AS focus is mainly on the Bjerkreim-Sokndal intrusion where the elements vanadium and titanium occur, as well as the mineral apatite. From apatite, phosphate is extracted, which is an important component in, among other things, artificial fertilizers. Titanium is extracted from ilmenite and provides white pigment for use in a variety of products. Vanadium is used in steel alloys.

The mining industry archive had an interesting, guided tour of the Helleland area with Community liaison officer Erik Joa before we met the company management at the head office in Egersund: General Manager Monika Øksnes, Project Director Tim Galusky and Kristian Bader, Operations Adviser in the parent company Norge Mining. The latter two participated via video link.

Norge Mineraler AS assesses the results of the mapping and sampling at Helleland so far as very positive and continues the process towards mineral extraction.

Read more about Norge Mineraler AS and Norge Mining [here](#)



Torkel Thime from the mining industry archive and Erik Joa from Norge Mineraler AS at the Øgrey dam at Teksevannet, Helleland (Photo: Norwegian Mining Industry Archive)



Erik Joa, Community Liaison officer at Norge Mineraler AS, provides information about the geological deposits the company is investigating. Here at the Øgrey dam at Teksevannet (Photo: Norwegian Mining Industry Archive)



Norge Mineraler AS has carried out several test drillings that have resulted in approximately 74,000 m of drill cores. Selected samples are sent for further analysis. The company's geologists provide information about the findings (Photo: Norwegian Mining Industry Archive)

