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## Innvilget søknad om bruk av drone i Lyngsalpan landskapsvernområde

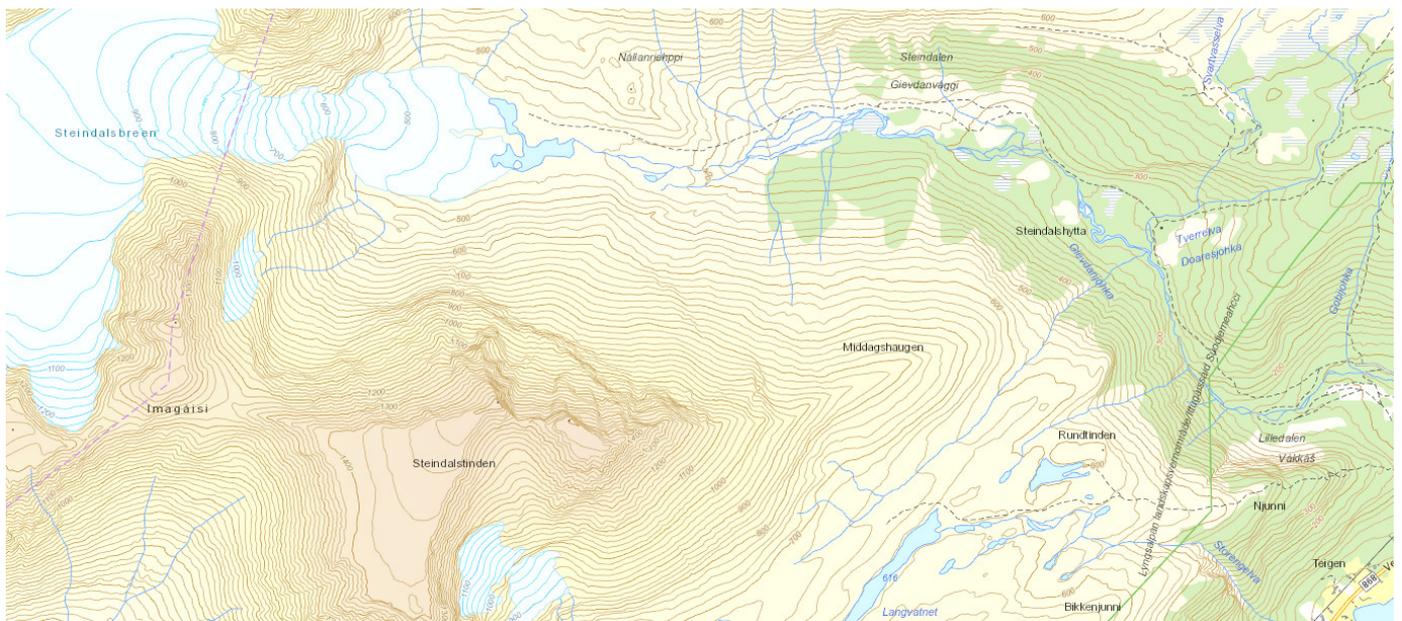
### Vedtak

Pursuant to section 48 of the Biodiversity Act, permission is granted for the use of a drone for filming at Steindalsbreen on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> of August 2021. Permission has been granted to the BBC to film the area and the retreat of the glacier.

Please do not film people hiking in the area without their permission. Take down the drone if birds of prey are observed to prevent intimidation or injury.

### Bakgrunn

BBC has been visiting the manager at the office to talk about climate-change in the environment and how it concerns Norwegians on daily basis. They also want to visit a glacier in the Lyngen - Alps to see how it is decreasing. They supply to use a drone to make a film of the glacier from above.



## **Grunnlaget for avgjørelsen**

Steindalen is in Lyngen Alps protected area and it is not allowed to use drone in the area, due to regulations § 3, point 6.2. There is, however, possible to apply to use the drone to make films from above. Assessments and decisions are made in accordance with the Natural Diversity Act § 48.

## **Vurdering**

There is not allowed to fly drone in the protected area. We like to keep the number of drones at a low level in the protected area and are strict in giving permits. Drones are disturbing, both for animals and birds as well for the people hiking in the area.

The border for the protected area has made an managementplan for the area, and have made some guidelines for drones: There is not possible to give permission to private persons who just wants to have good films from the area. It is just possible to give permission to professional photographers who is making an production to promote tourism, values in the protected area or important news from the area. It is also possible to give permission to the owners of grazing animals in the area, such as reindeerherders and sheepfarmers. Some parts of the year it will be harder to get a permission than other parts. During breedingseason and myth- and migrationseason it is also harder to get permission.

This application is to make a film about climatechange wich concern us all and will be shown on BBC with millions of viewers. Climate change is absolutely visible next to the glaciers and good filming of the glaciers might put extra focus on it. There are about 140 glaciers in the protected area so this is one of the best locations to film this. It Is also quite easy to walk up to the glacier in Steindalen.

In August, nature tolerates more and chicks and other animal species do not have young children who might be disturbed by a drone. There are not registrated species who might be harmed of a drone in August.

The knowledge base is good enough for the application to be decided, compare to the Natural Diversity Act § 8. The Act § 9 will not be used. A permit in this case will not make precedent. All applications must be considered on a separate basis.

## **Konklusjon**

The application for the use of a drone can be granted

### **Klageadgang:**

Dette vedtaket kan påklages innen tre uker til Miljødirektoratet. Eventuell klage sendes til Lyngsalpan verneområdestyre. Klagen må inneholde opplysninger om hvilket vedtak som påklages, årsaken til klagen, hvilke endringer som ønskes og eventuelt andre opplysninger som kan ha betydning for vurdering av klagen

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