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## **Avslag på bruk av drone i Lyngsalpan landskapsvernområde/Rejection of Application for use of drone in the Lyngen Alps protected area**

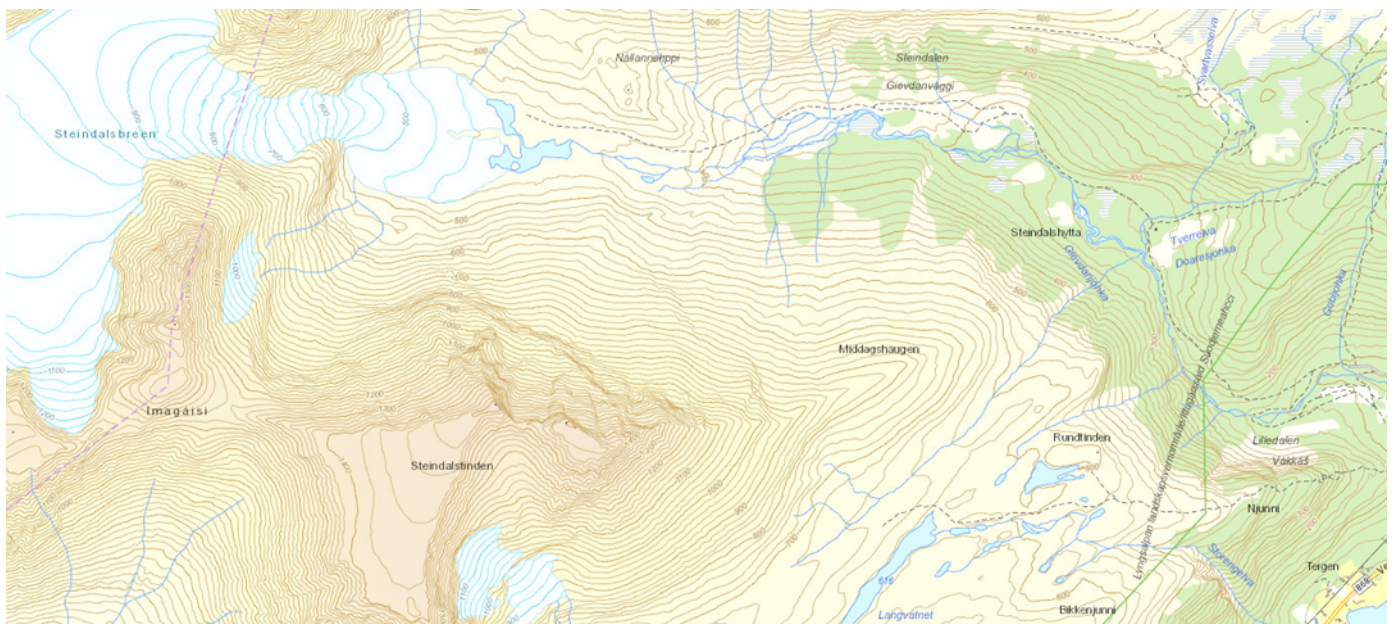
### **Vedtak**

The application for the use of a drone is rejected based on section 48 of the Biodiversity Act.

The refusal is because there is no authority to allow the use of drones in the landscape protection area based on the specified criteria in the application, referred to the management plan decided of the management Board of the protected area.

### **Bakgrunn**

The manager in Lyngen Alps received an application to use drone in the Lyngen Alps protected area on Saturday August 7 th. Janne Heinikoski is an amateur photographer from Finland who wants to use a drone to film the glacier in Steindalen. The purpose is to achieve aerial photographs of the glaciers, which he wants to post on his social media page and make it available for people to purchase as a fine print in the future if the pictures turn out good.



### **Grunnlaget for avgjørelsen**

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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 management plan for the area, and there are some guidelines for permit use of 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 a 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 reindeer herders and sheep farmers. Some parts of the year it will be harder to get a permission than other parts. During breeding season and myth- and migration season it is also harder to get permission.

The applicant in this case is an amateur photographer who wants nice pictures from the area to post on social media. The application does not satisfy the criteria for being able to grant a dispensation since he is an amateur photographer and the only purpose is to get nice pictures from the glacier.

## Konklusjon

The application cannot be accommodated

### Klageadgang/right of appeal:

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/ This decision can be appealed within three weeks to the Norwegian Environment Agency. Any complaint is sent to Lyngsalpan protected area board. The appeal must contain information about which decision is being appealed, the reason for the appeal, what changes are desired and any other information that may be relevant to the assessment of the appeal.

Med hilsen

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