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Subject: Verneprosess for Sannesnåsa naturreservat, Drangedal kommune
Hi,

Because it is necessary that I respond quickly, I hope it is okay that I reply in English.

I regret that we do not appear to have received the earlier messages. I have examined the proposal and, although the measures to be applied for the protection of the area may not affect our activities as an early-stage minerals explorer, they do effectively make that area of the licence valueless for us, as we would not be able to move into a development phase or partner with another company for development.

We must therefore object that this proposal deprives us of valid exploration area, which makes the costs incurred in yearly fees wasted. That said, it is not a large part of our overall area and if there were suitable compensation for the fees already spent on licencing the protected area, we would not continue to object.

When is the decision to establish the protected area likely to be made? We are planning field work at the moment and, obviously, there is no point in us working on this area if it will be set off-limits for development.

Best regards
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On Wed, May 4, 2022 at 4:12 PM 'Steen, Odd Frydenlund' via Contact <contact@transition-elements.com> wrote:

Hei,

Etter oppfordring fra DMF (se deres vedlagte uttalelse til saken), i forbindelse med at vi har meldt oppstart på verneprosess (oktober 2021) på bl.a. SANNESNÅSA naturreservat, og seinere sendt området på formell høring (januar 2022) oversender vi saken til dere for uttalelse. Vi har også sendt over saken tidligere i vår epost datert 28. januar i år. Vi ber nå om innspill som en siste mulighet i saken.

Vi ber om deres eventuelle uttalelse **innen 12 dager, det vil si innen utgangen av 16. mai.**

Med vennlig hilsen

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