

# The Permitting Process in Sweden

## Bergsstaten Presentation

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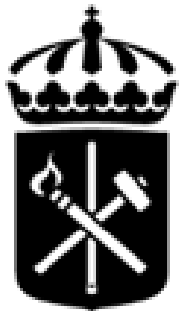
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*Bergsstaten is a unit within SGU that independently processes and makes decisions in matters governed by the Minerals Act (Minerallagen (1991:45)).*

*Swedish Code of Statutes (SFS) Ordinance (2008:1233) on the Instructions for the Geological Survey of Sweden*

#### *Organization*

*Section 13 An organizational unit called Bergsstaten operates in conjunction with the Geological Survey of Sweden, with responsibility for handling matters relating to the exploration and exploitation of minerals. Bergsstaten is headed by the Chief Mining Inspector (bergmästaren), who makes decisions in accordance with the Minerals Act (1991:45). Ordinance (2012:805).*

*Section 14 Bergsstaten is responsible for its own decisions and is accountable for its operations to the agency management. The agency management is responsible, vis-à-vis the Government, for ensuring that Bergsstaten is allocated the funding and other resources required for its operations, and that activities are conducted in accordance with regulations, efficiently, and are reported in a reliable manner.*

#### *Appointments and Duties*

*Section 15 The Director General is the head of the Geological Survey of Sweden.*

*Section 16 The Chief Mining Inspector (Bergmästaren) is appointed by the Government.*

#### *Minerals Act (1991:45)*

*Minerals Ordinance (1992:285), Kaivoslain säädökset*





### > Mineralrättigheter

Kartvisaren Mineralrättigheter visar områden där det finns gällande undersökningstillstånd och bearbetningskoncessioner samt ansökningar om nya.



### > Bergsstaten e-tjänster

Bergsstatens e-tjänster för prospektörer. Här kan du se dina undersökningstillstånd och ärenden.



### > Diarium

Här hittar du alla pågående ärenden i Bergsstatens diarium. Uppdatering av diariet görs varje natt.

## Aktuellt



### > Bergsstaten lanserar ny e-tjänst och logotyp

I dag, den 11 februari, 2026 lanserar Bergsstaten en ny e-tjänst för att underlätta...  
11 februari 2026

### > Avvikande telefon- och öppettider

Vanligtvis kan du kontakta oss per telefon eller besöka vårt kontor i Luleå på vardagar mellan kl...  
8 december 2025

### > Bergmästaren ger grönt ljus för stort grafitprojekt i Vittangi

8 december 2025

> Fler aktuella händelser

## Kontakt

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Här får du hjälp om du har en allmän fråga till Bergsstaten eller om det gäller något särskilt ärende.

## Kungörelser

### > Undersökningstillstånd för Bockgruvan 100

Bergsstaten har den 12 februari 2026 beslutat att bevilja McKnight Resources AB undersökningstillstånd för området Bockgruvan 100, Arvika kommun (Dnr BS 200-1820-2025).  
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### > Undersökningstillstånd för Kälen nr 100

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### > Undersökningstillstånd för Djupsjöberget nr 100

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> Fler kungörelser

## Frågor och svar

### > Vad kostar det att söka ett undersökningstillstånd?

### > Krävs det en gällande arbetsplan för att få utföra flygmätningar?

### > Vad gäller vid överlåtelse av undersökningstillstånd och bearbetningskoncessioner?

### > Vem kan söka ett undersökningstillstånd?

> Fler frågor och svar

## Undersökningstillstånd

> Här hittar du information om vad ett undersökningstillstånd innebär

## Mer information

### > Bergverksstatistik 2024

Detaljerade uppgifter om bland annat svensk malmproduktion ([pdf](#), nytt fönster)

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Typical start of an exploration project



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Exploration permit  
Right to explore for mineralisation, low impact exploration.



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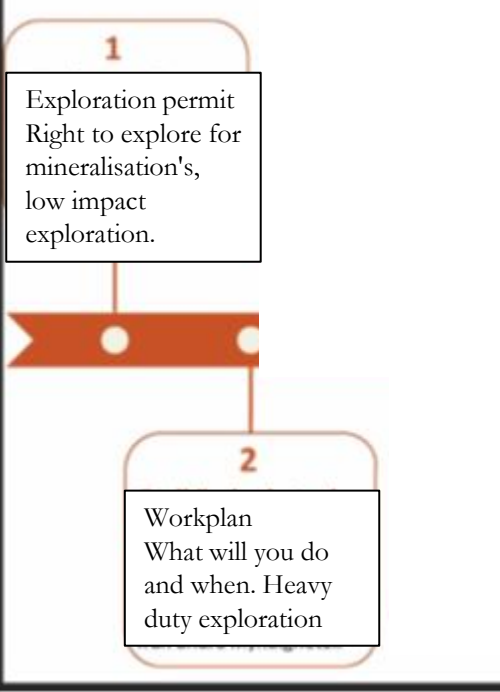
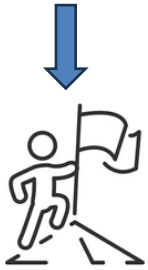
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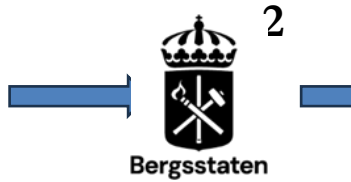
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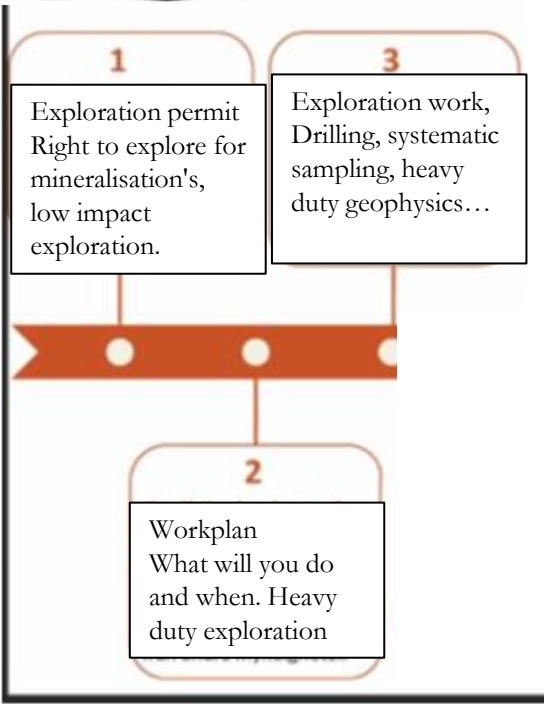
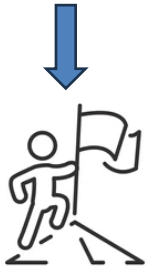


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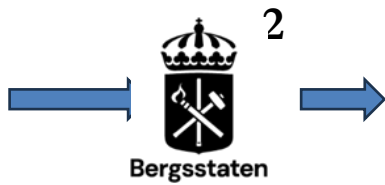
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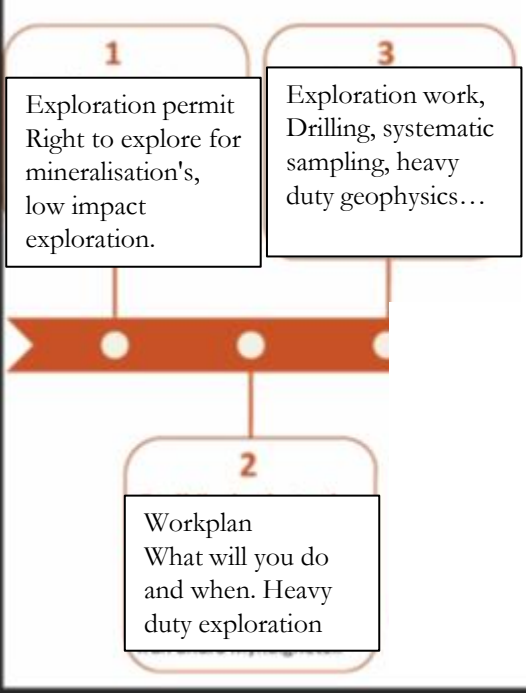
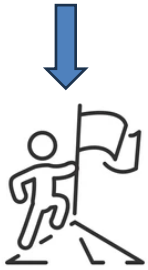


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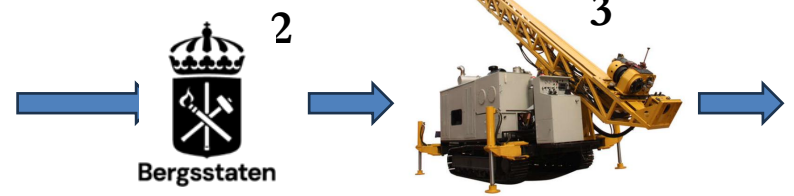


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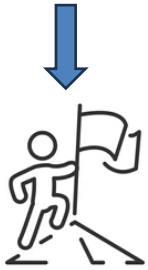


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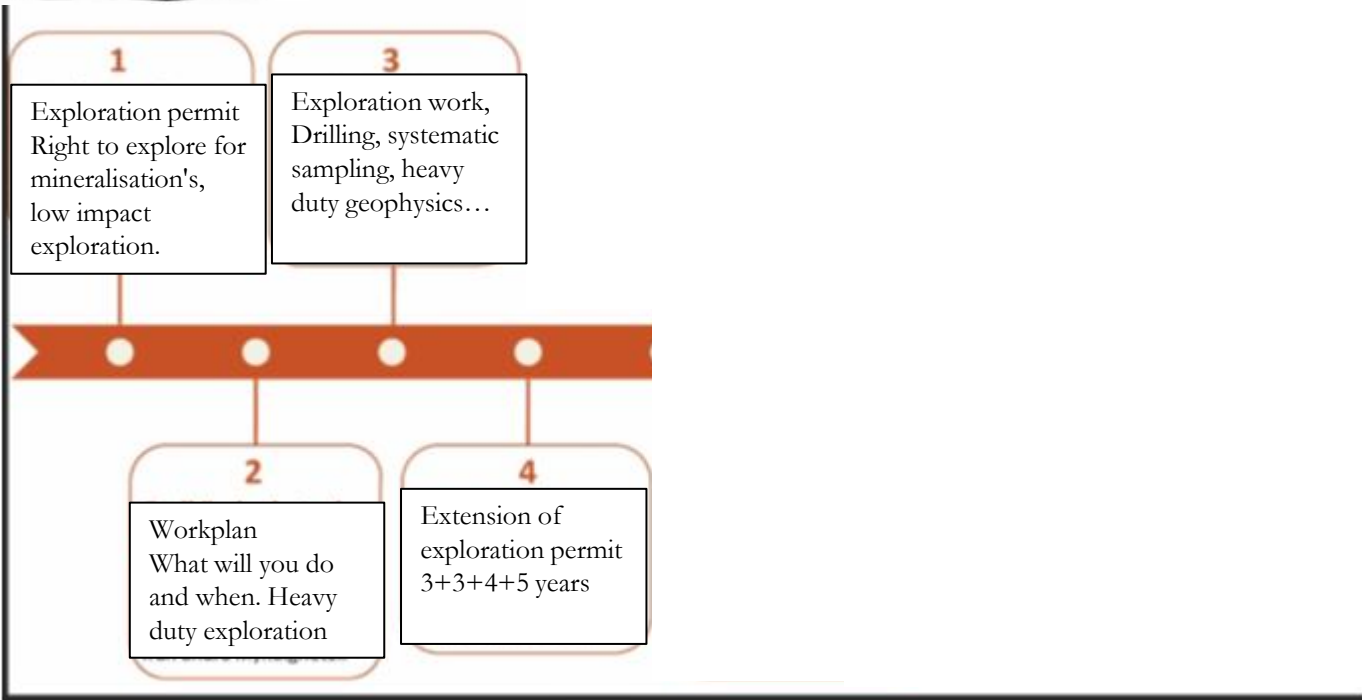


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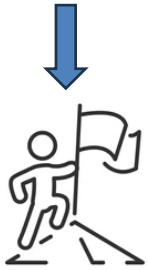


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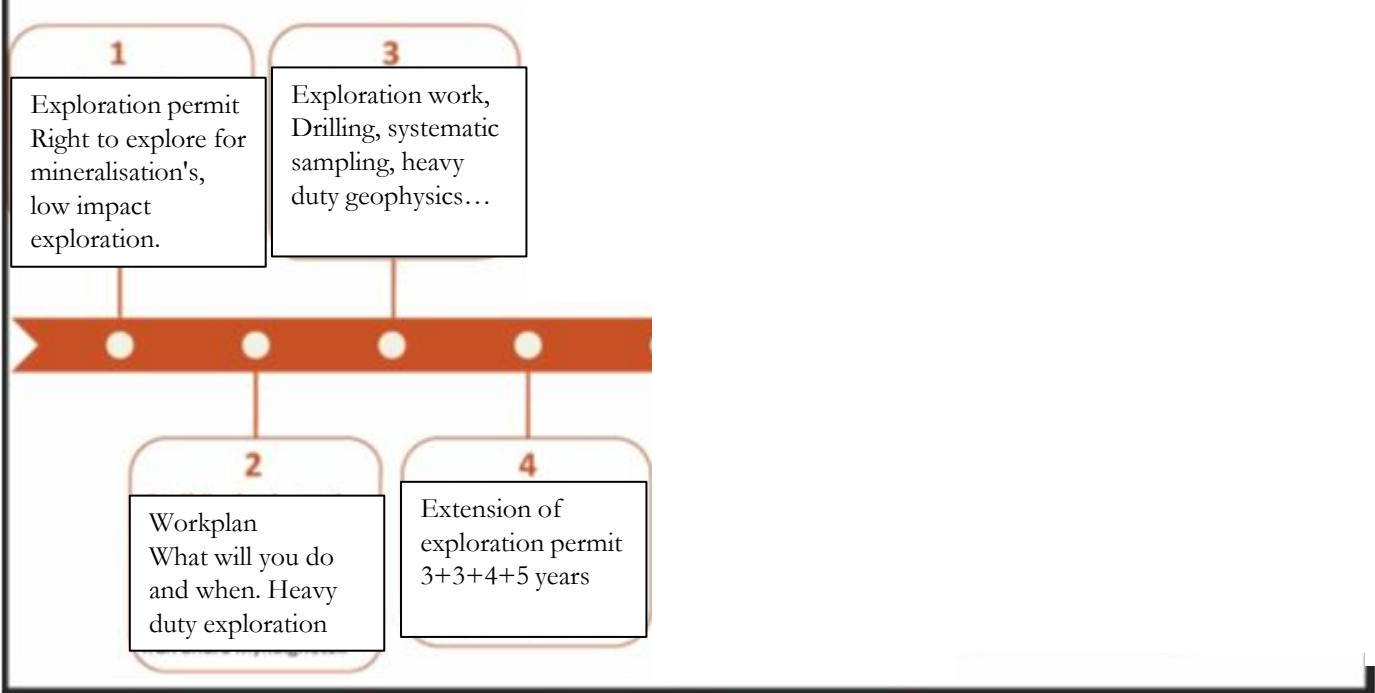


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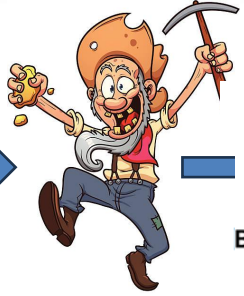
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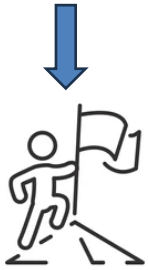
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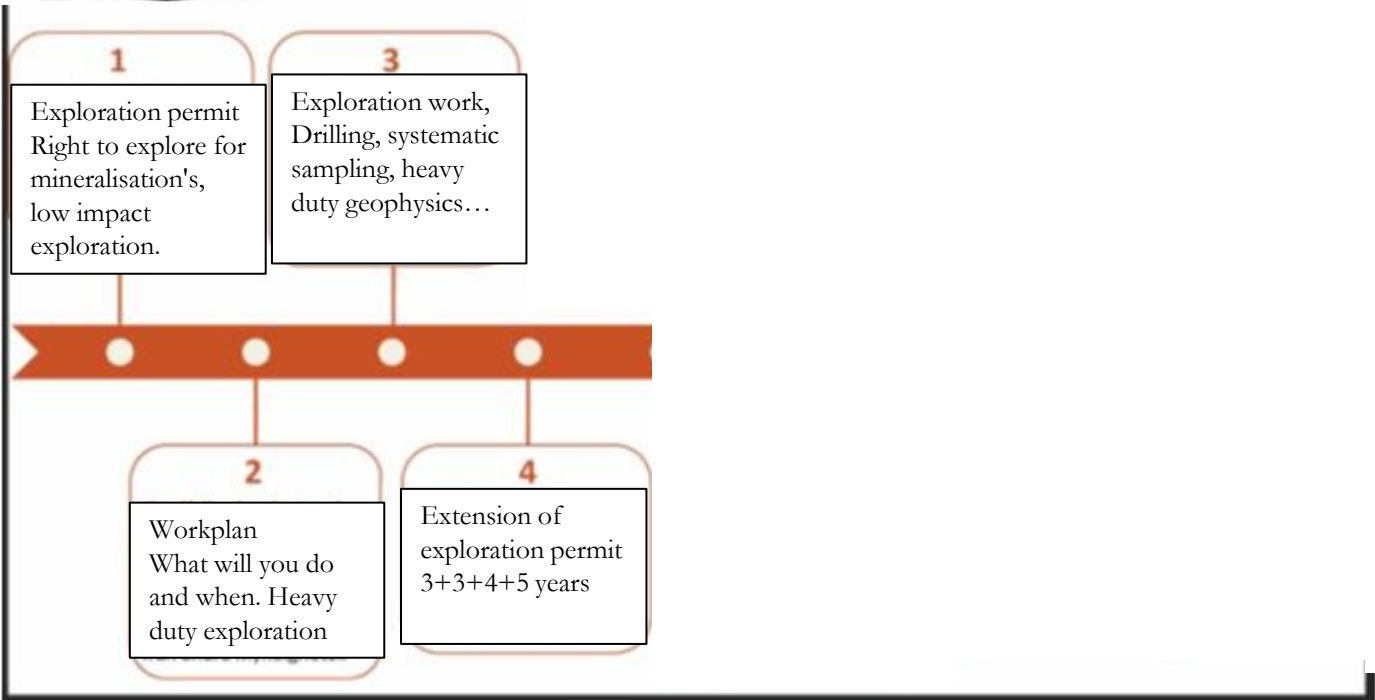


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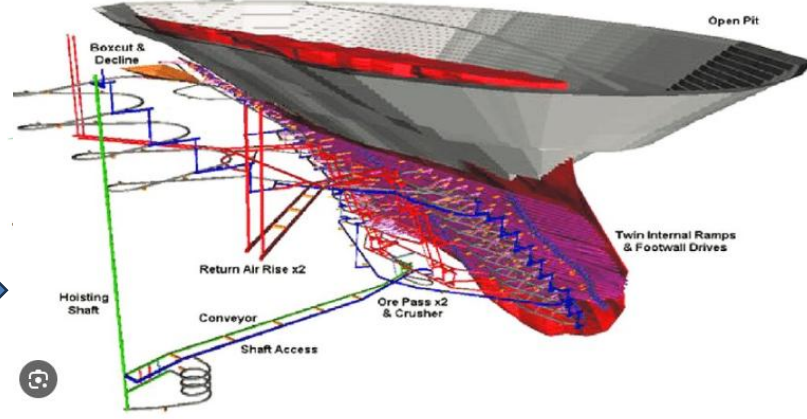
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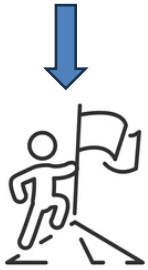
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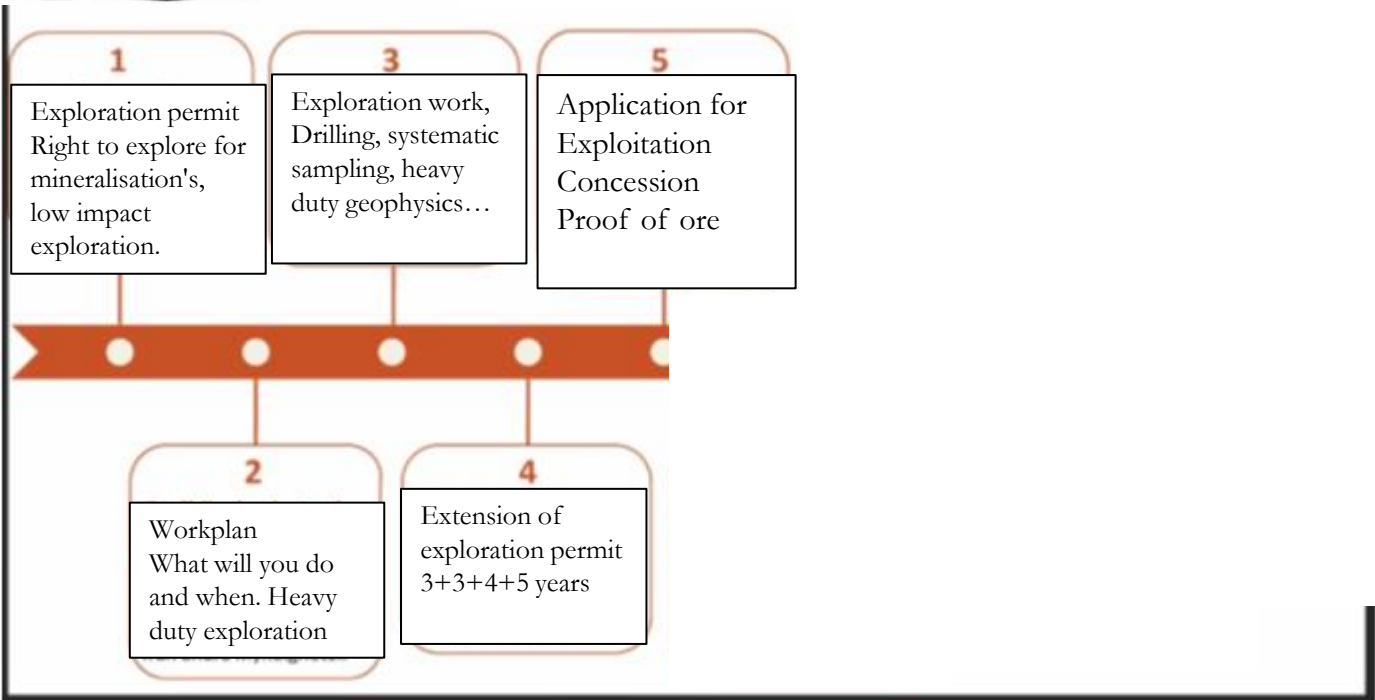


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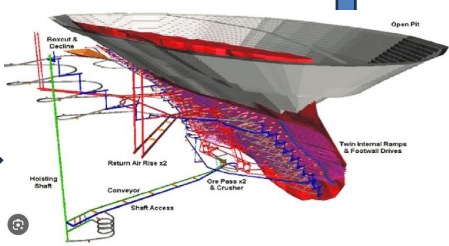
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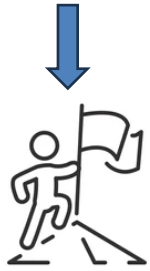
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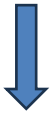
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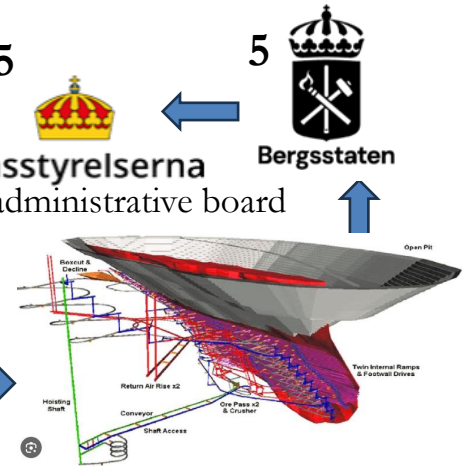
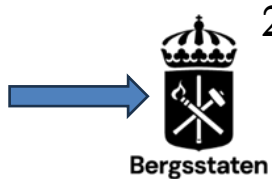
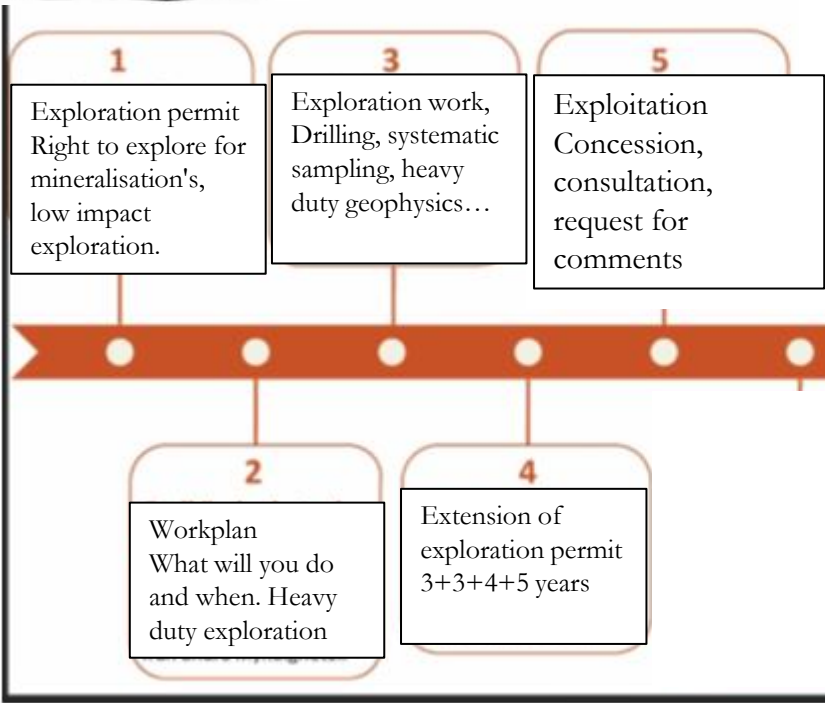
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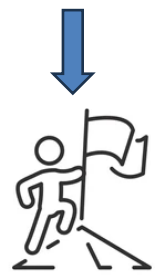
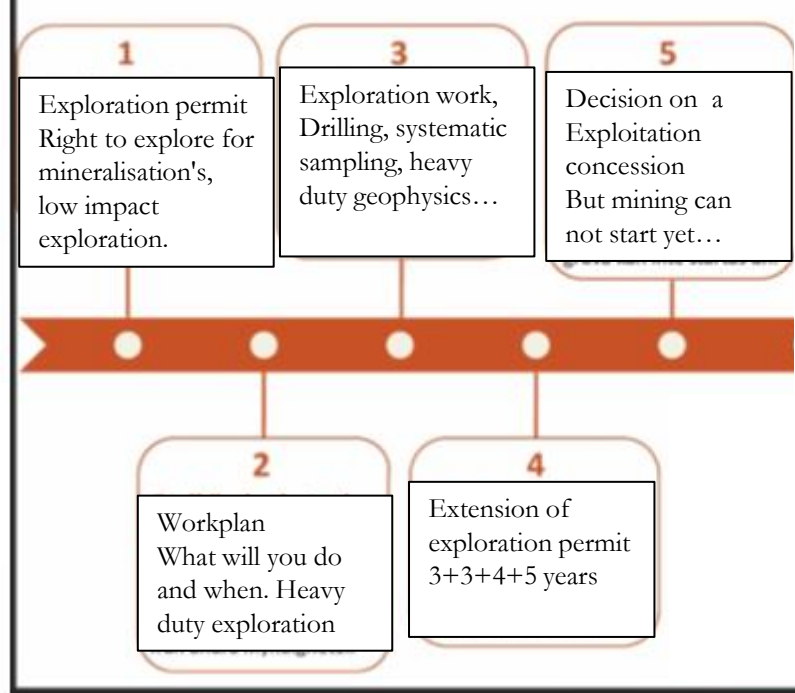


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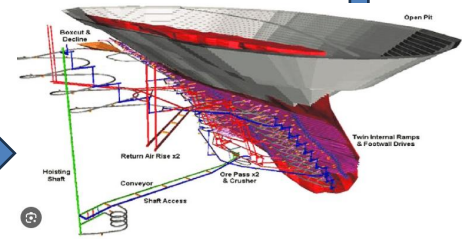
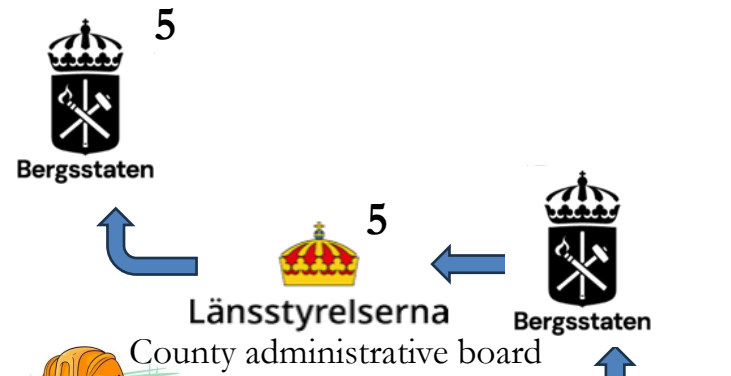
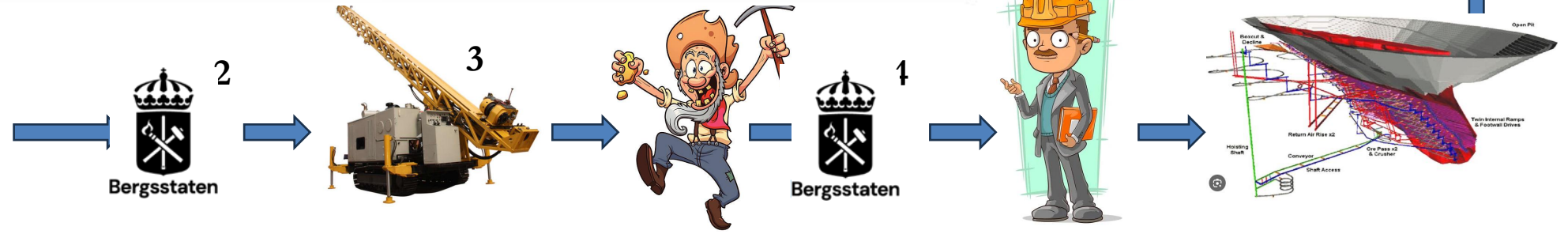


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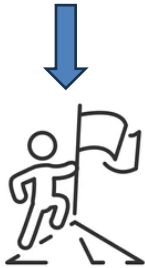
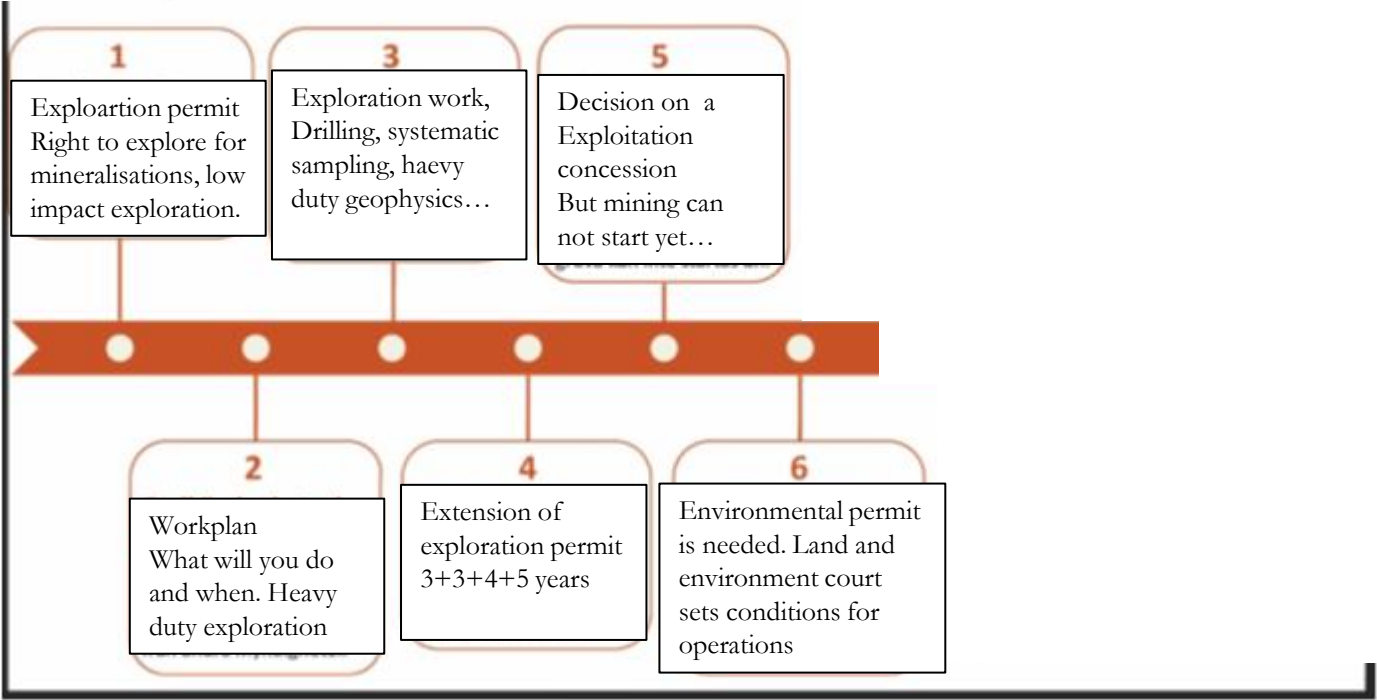
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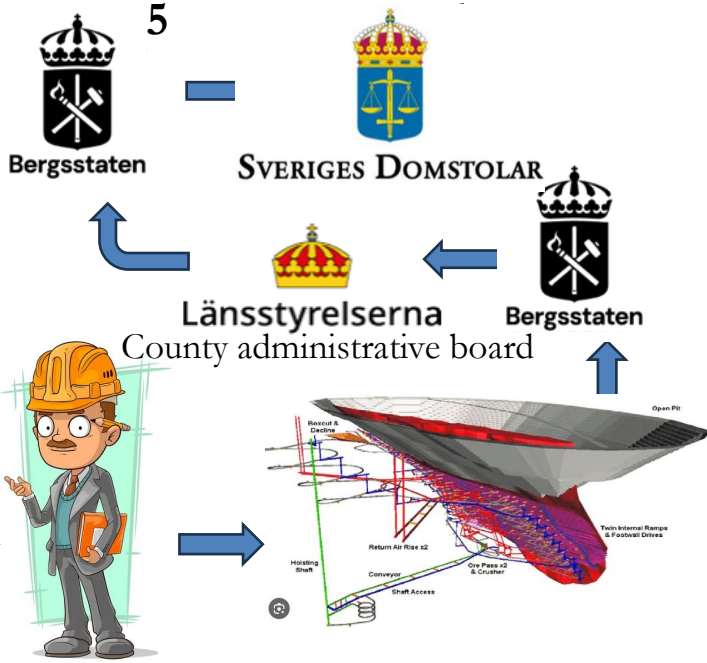


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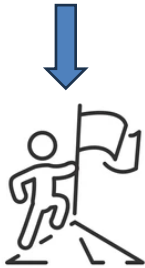
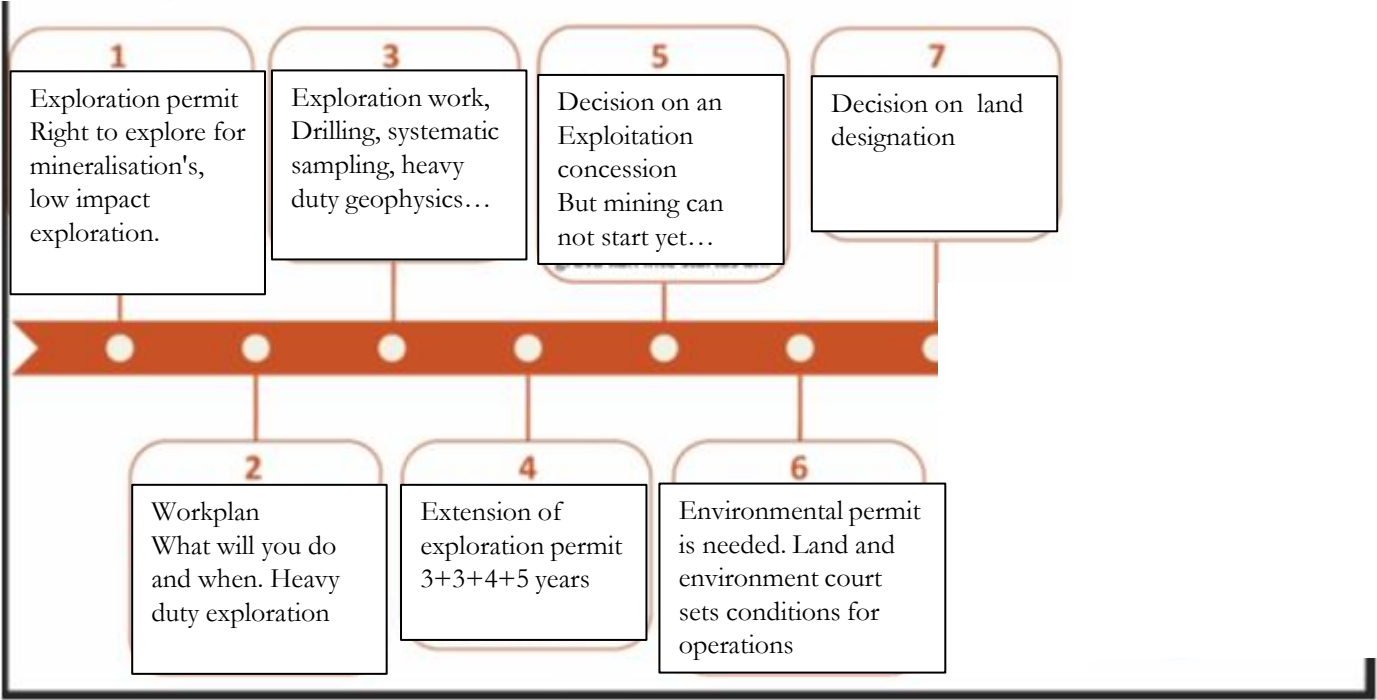
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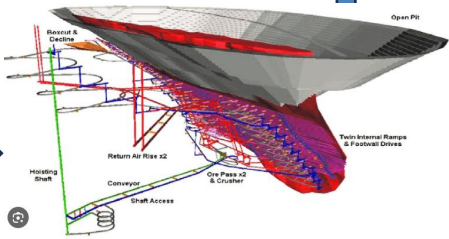
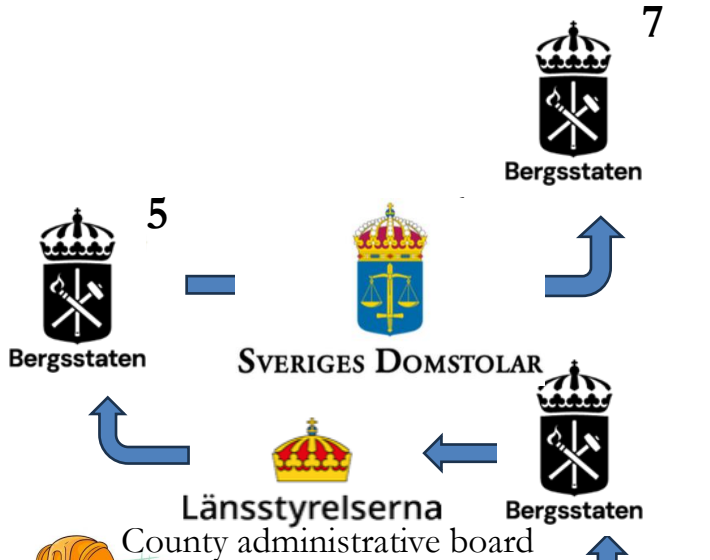
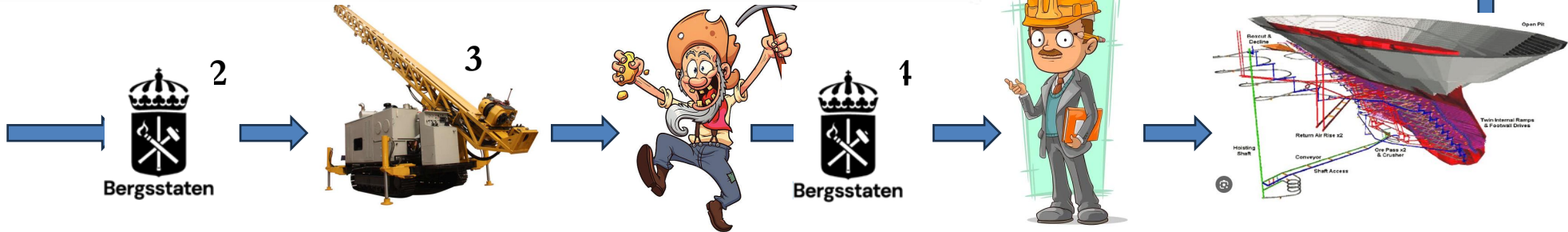
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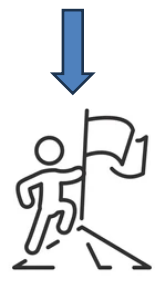
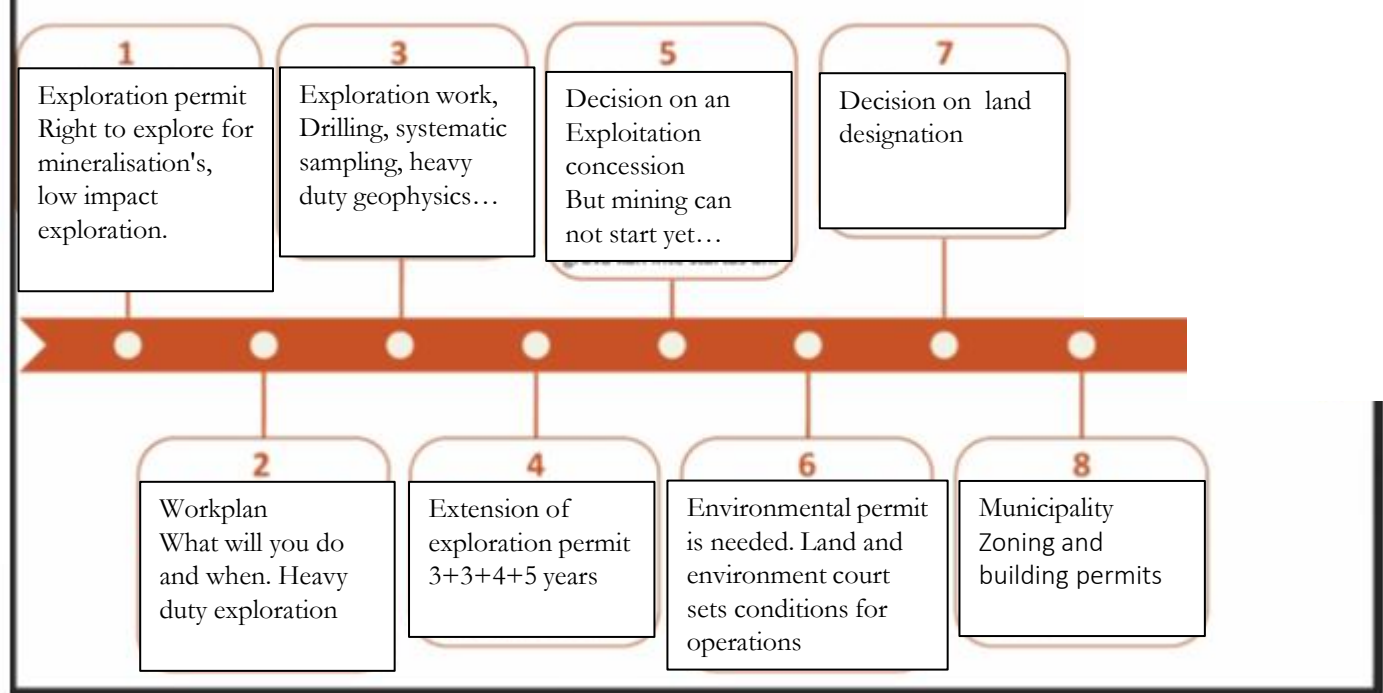
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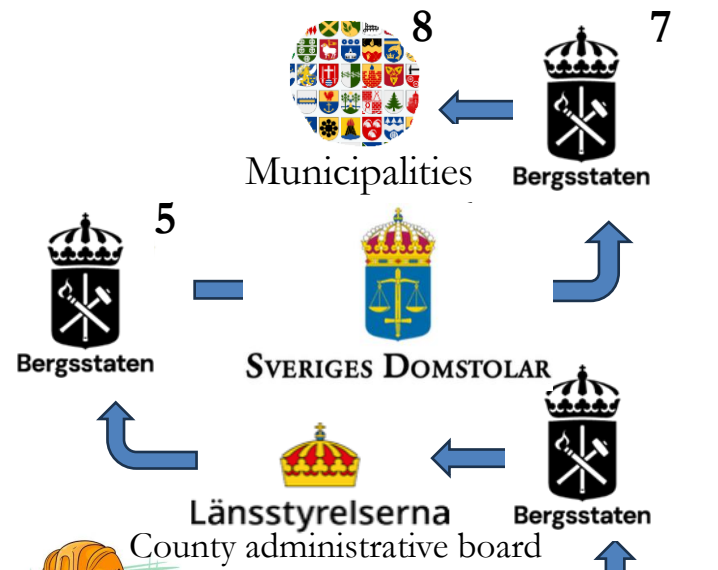
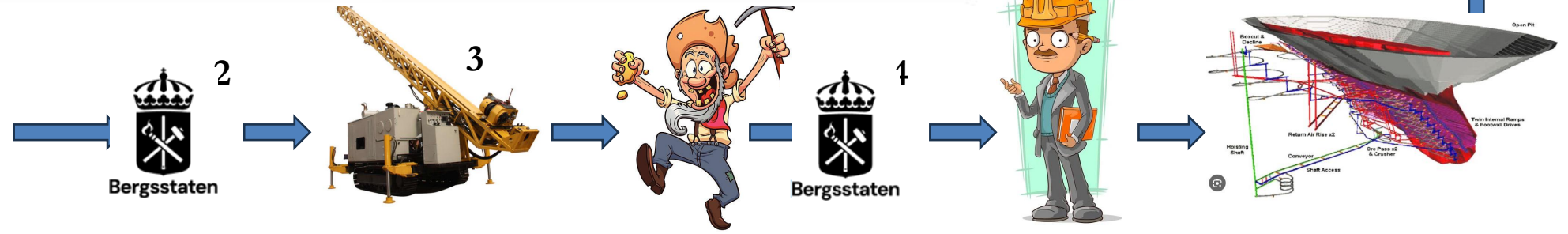


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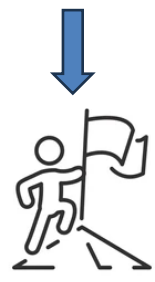
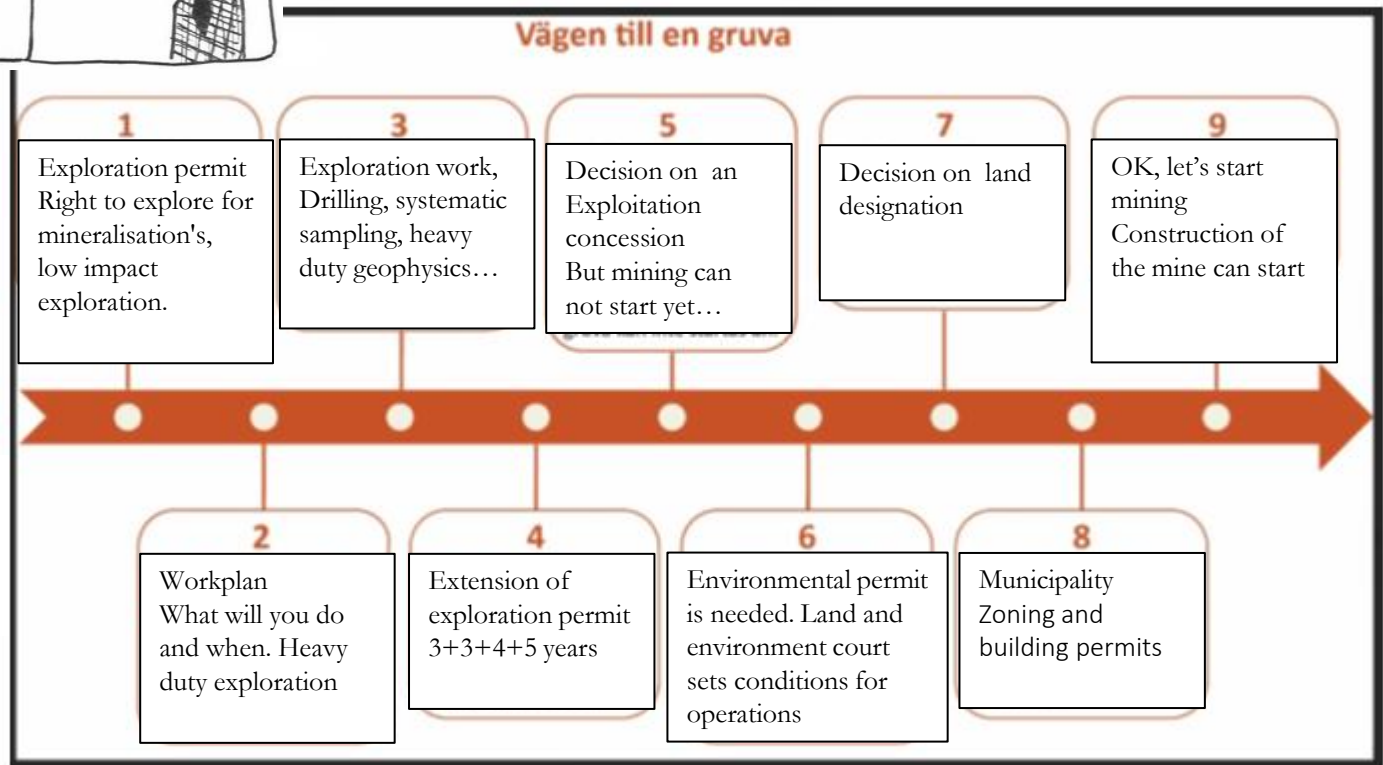
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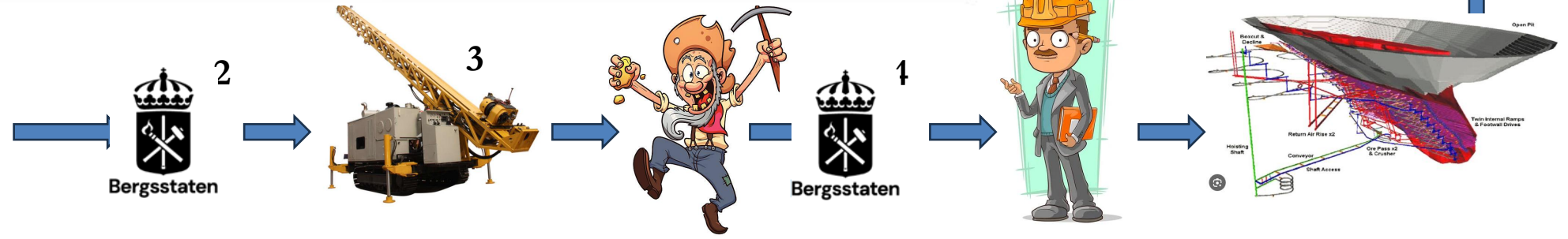


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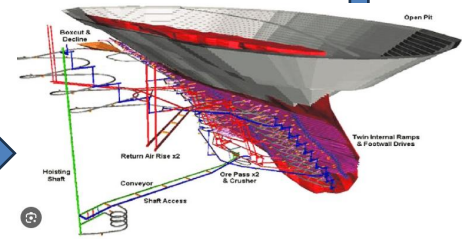
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Länsstyrelserna  
County administrative board



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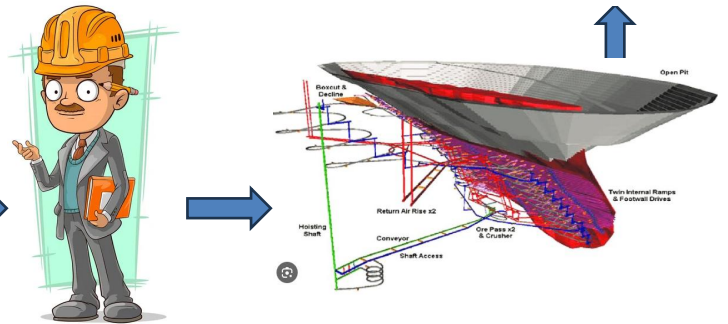
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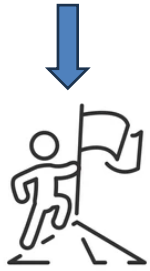
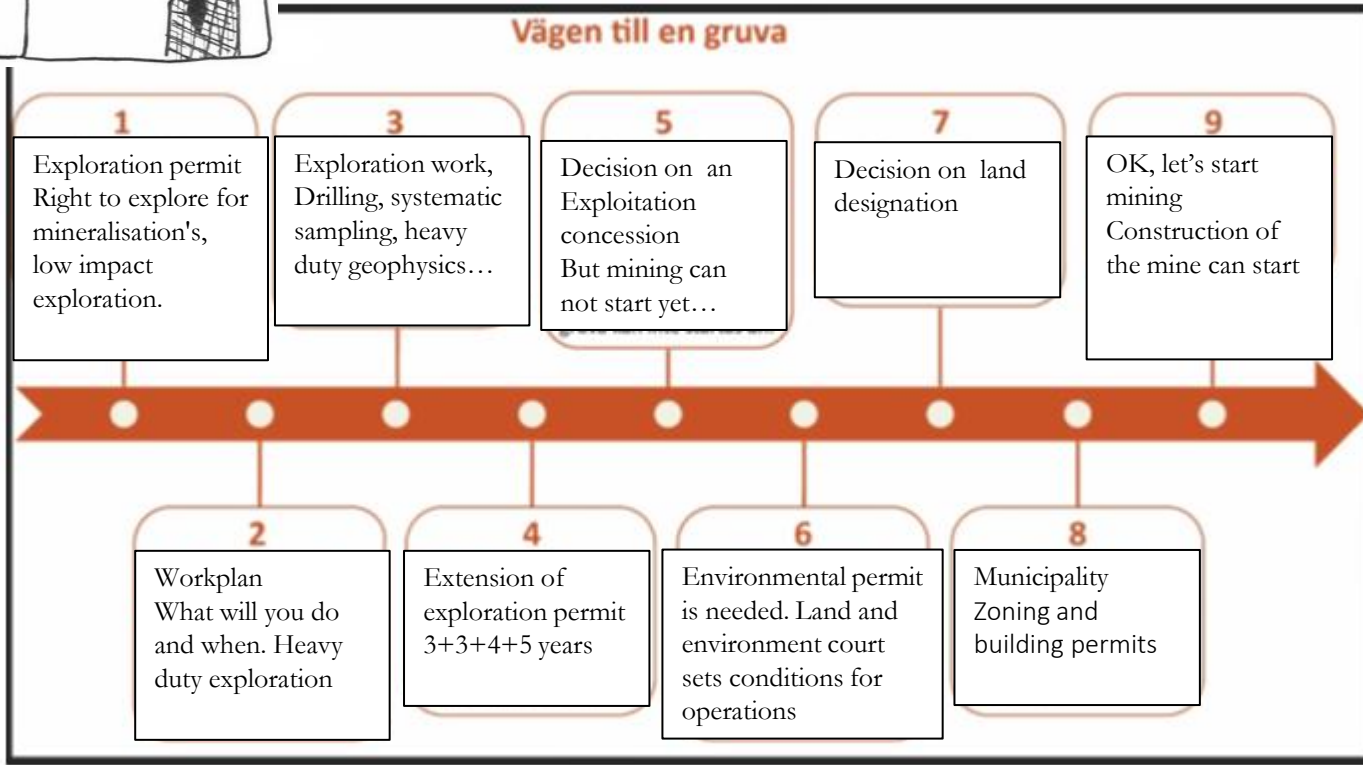


Operating mine

10. Notification of mining operations
11. Mineral compensation
12. Mine inspections
13. Back-up material
14. Extended Exploitation permit
15. Notification of mining operations
16. Exploitation permit ceasing
17. Final map



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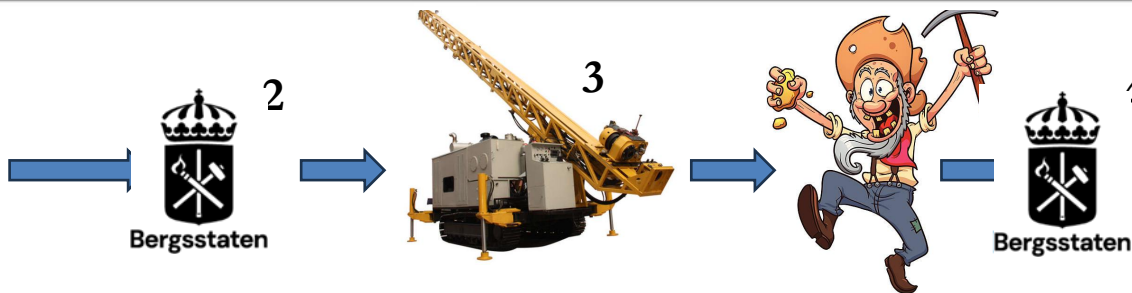


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<https://www.sgu.se/bergsstaten/om-bergsstaten/kartvisaren-mineralrattigheter/>

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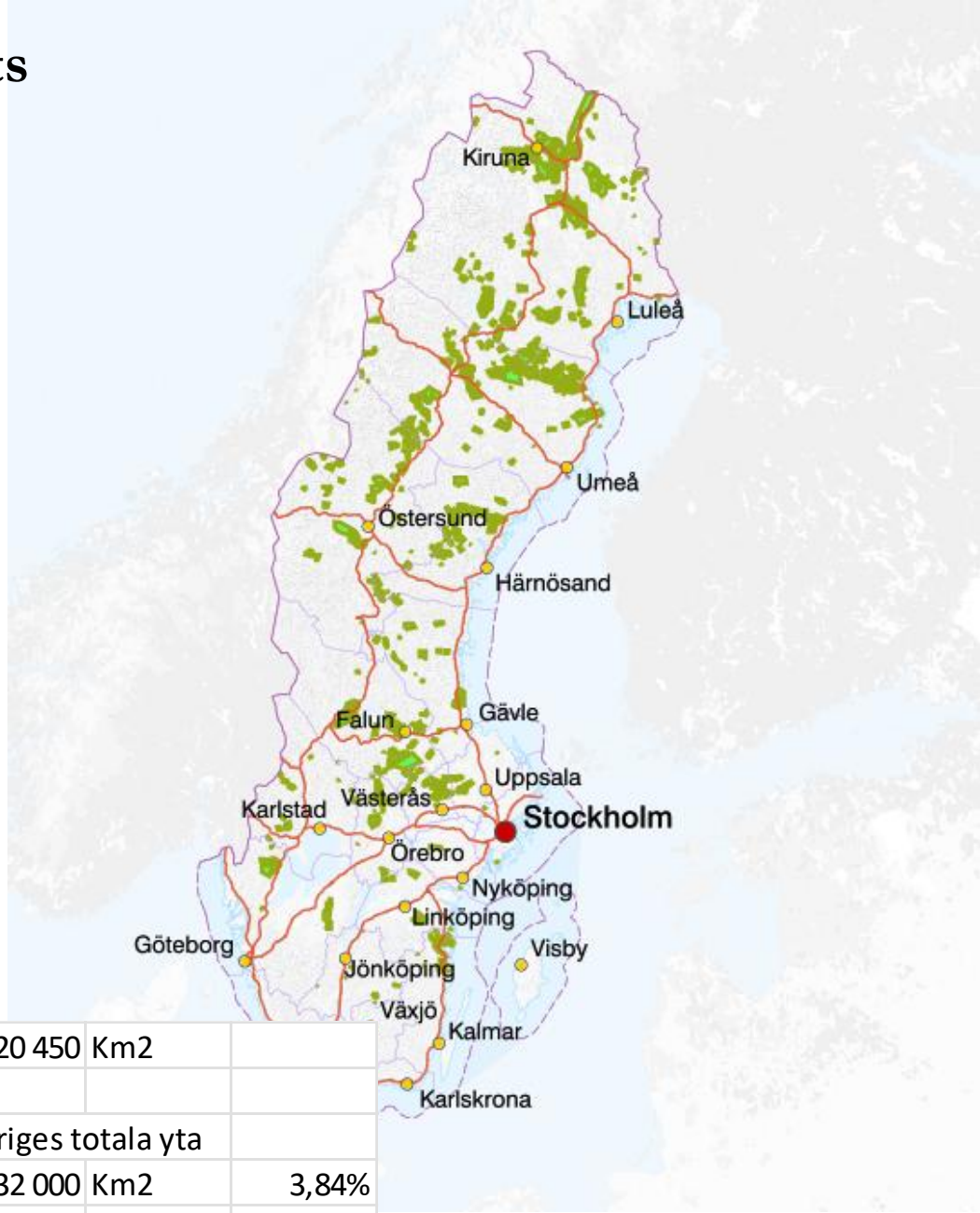
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Hektar	Km2	Frekvens	lativa procenttal
500	5	262	33,16%
1000	10	133	50,00%
2000	20	141	67,85%
3000	30	64	75,95%
4000	40	57	83,16%
5000	50	34	87,47%
10000	100	59	94,94%
15000	150	25	98,10%
20000	200	5	98,73%
30000	300	3	99,11%
50000	500	5	99,75%
Större		2	100,00%
Max = 69 793	698		

Sum	2 044 963 Hektar	20 450 Km2	
		Sveriges totala yta	
		532 000 Km2	3,84%
		Sveriges landyta	
		410 000 Km2	4,99%



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1/1-2026

<https://www.sgu.se/bergsstaten/om-bergsstaten/kartvisaren-mineralrattigheter/>

Exploration permits 790 pcs

Application-fee  
500 kr/2000ha

Exploration-fee  
Y1-3 20 kr/ha/3a  
Y4-6 21 kr/ha/a  
Y7-10 50 kr/ha/a  
Y10-15 100 kr/ha/a

Hektar	Km2	Frekvens	lativa procenttal
500	5	262	33,16%
1000	10	133	50,00%
2000	20	141	67,85%
3000	30	64	75,95%
4000	40	57	83,16%
5000	50	34	87,47%
10000	100	59	94,94%
15000	150	25	98,10%
20000	200	5	98,73%
30000	300	3	99,11%
50000	500	5	99,75%
Större		2	100,00%
Max = 69 793	698		



# Exploitation Concessions

1/1-2026

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Exploitation Concessions 144 pcs

12 180 Hektar	122 Km2	
	Sveriges totala yta	
	532 000 Km2	0,02%
	Sveriges landyta	
	410 000 Km2	0,03%



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Operating mines 13 pcs

Land designations 105 pcs

28 902 Hektar	289 Km2		
		Sveriges totala yta	
		532 000 Km2	0,05%
		Sveriges landyta	
		410 000 Km2	0,07%

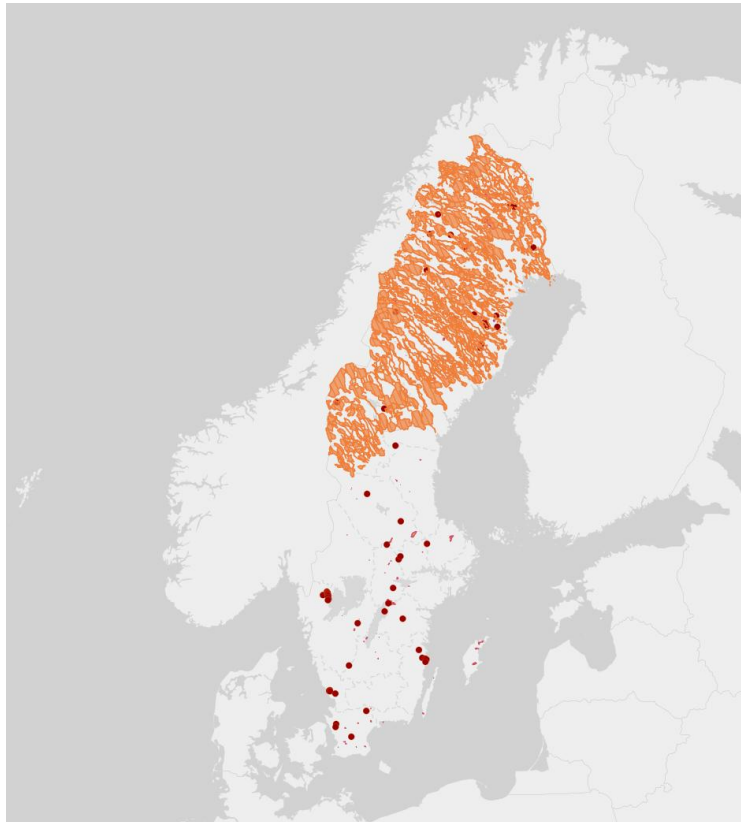


# Kansalliset intressialueet

## Områden för riksintresse

### Areas of national interest

Rensköttsel  
Poronhoito  
Reindeer husbandry



Exploration permit – Sámi reindeer herding community is notified if reindeer husbandry is carried out in the area, as well as other rightsholders, landowners and authorities.

Work plan – Consultation: Sámi reindeer herding community and other rightsholders present their view and opinion on what should be taken into account. If no agreement is reached, Bergsstaten determines and approves the work plan.

Mining concession – Consultation: Sámi reindeer herding community and other rightsholders present their view and opinion on the project and on what should be taken into account. The County Administrative Board considers the various interests involved. If Bergsstaten and the County Administrative Board do not agree, the matter is referred to the Government of Sweden for a decision.

Land access permit – Consultation: Sámi reindeer herding community and other rightsholders present their view and opinion on what should be taken into account.



# News in the field of legislation

Uranium is since 1 January 2026 a concessionary mineral again.

Uranium can be explored for in all valid exploration permits.

Valid exploitation concessions have to be renewed/updated if you are planning on extracting uranium.



# News in the field of legislation

## CRMA, strategic projects

Projektnamn	Typ	Företag	Ämne
NorthCYCLE	Återvinning	Northvolt Revolt	Mangan, litium, grafit, nickel och kobolt
ReeMAP Project: Gruvan i Malmberget, Industriparken för kritiska mineral i Luleå, och fyndigheten Per Geijer	Flera integrerade projekt	LKAB	Utvinning och förädling av sällsynta jordartsmetaller och fosfor
Talga Natural Graphite One	Utvinning	Talga	Grafit



# News in the field of legislation

CRMA, these County administrative boards are the designated contact points for strategic projects:

Länsstyrelsen i Västerbottens län, Länsstyrelsen i Dalarnas län, Länsstyrelsen i Stockholms län,  
Länsstyrelsen i Örebro län, Länsstyrelsen i Västra Götalands län och Länsstyrelsen i Skånes län



# Other news

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Explorers "My page"

Exploration permit application, on-going

Reporting of explorationwork, on-going



Kiitoksia !  
Thank you !

