

### **Final approval for test mining at Kallak**

**Summary:** The approval for test mining at Kallak made by the Norrbotten County was appealed to the Land- and Environmental Court by an individual. The Land- and Environmental Court decided against the appeal concluding that the individual did not have the right to appeal. The individual appealed the decision made by the Land- and Environmental Court to the High Court for Land- and Environmental matters. The High Court for Land- and Environmental matters has not granted leave to appeal. Since decisions made by the High Court for Land- and Environmental matters cannot be appealed the approval for test mining at Kallak is now approved.

**Background:** Decisions by the Land- and Environmental Court which have been appealed must be considered by the Swedish High Court for Land- and Environmental matters only if the Swedish High Court for Land- and environmental matters notifies leave to appeal.

Leave to appeal is notified:

- If there is reason to doubt the accuracy of the decision made the Land and Environment Court,
- If it is not possible to assess the accuracy of the decision made by the Land and Environment court without an appeal,
- If it is of importance to the leadership of law enforcement that the appeal is heard by a higher court, or
- If there are exceptional reasons to consider the appeal.

Decision by the Swedish High Court for Land- and environmental matters are, in accordance with Chapter 5. 5 § Law (2010:921) on the Land and Environment Court's, final and cannot be appealed.

The Swedish High Court for Land- and Environmental matters has reviewed the investigation of the case and concluded that there is no reason to grant leave to appeal. The Land and Environment Court's final decision therefore stands.