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Sent: Wednesday 27 April 2022 11:23
To: cdp <cdp@leitrimcoco.ie>
Subject: Gold prospecting

Urgent

If you can please make a submission/observation to the Leitrim County Development Plan in relation to Gold Mining in Co.Leitrim. As you may be aware Minister Eamon Ryan recently granted prospecting licenses for 47 townlands in the county. We need as many as people as possible to register their opposition to this carbon heavy, energy intensive industry which has potential to damage air and water quality, tourism, agriculture amongst many other things. Opposition to mining needs to be reflected in the County Development Plan. Below is a sample/template submission/observation you can send or edit/amend and send to cdp@leitrimcoco.ie This needs to be done before 4pm today (Wednesday April 27th).

Kind regards
Treasure Leitrim

Leitrim County Development Plan

To whom it may concern,

There is a growing body of evidence that the mining of gold is an energy intensive and carbon heavy process that has the potential to negatively impact on a wide range of areas including water quality, landscape, agriculture, tourism and biodiversity amongst others. The carbon heavy, energy intensive nature of the industry is also not compatible with the sustainable future that we are trying to create for this and following generations. The possible development of such an extractive industry would be incompatible with our obligations to urgently tackle climate change and the worst impacts of the climate emergency. This matter has become all the more urgent with the granting of prospecting licenses for 47 townlands in the county. The Leitrim County Development plan should reflect the unanimous will of Leitrim County Councillors who have registered their opposition to gold mining.

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