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**Statement of opinions on supplementary documentation for Environmental Impact Assessment of Nord Stream Gas Pipeline**

The County Administrative Board of Kalmar County has been afforded the opportunity of giving its opinions on supplementary documentation for an Environmental Impact Assessment for the Nord Stream Gas Pipeline project through the Baltic Sea. According to the instructions in the referral for consultation, such opinions must concern what should be described in the Environmental Impact Assessment regarding the impact on the environment within Swedish areas arising from the laying of the pipeline in, respectively, the Russian, Finnish, Danish and/or German economic zones or territorial waters.

**Background**

Nord Stream AG is planning a gas pipeline in the Baltic Sea between Vyborg in Russia and Greifswald in Germany. This is proposed to be laid through the economic zones of Finland, Sweden and Denmark. Within the Swedish zone, a maintenance platform is also planned, to the east of Gotska Sandön.

**Opinions**

In line with its previous statements, the County Administrative Board considers that the Environmental Impact Assessment should carefully describe the justifications for the chosen pipeline route, in relation to other alternatives both in water and on land, and should describe thoroughly the environmental consequences of the various routes.

Decisions on this case have been made by county councillor Anne-Li Fiskesjö following reports by Annika Lindahl, nature unit.

Anne-Li Fiskesjö

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Annika Lindahl