Priority areas and our functions

Collate and communicate environmental information

Exercise regulatory authority

Supervise and guide regional and local government levels

Give professional and technical advice

Participate in international environmental activities

Our professional responsibility
Biodiversity - a global responsibility
National biodiversity action plan

Norway’s biodiversity targets:

- good ecological status in ecosystems
- safeguarding threatened species and habitats
- maintaining a representative selection of nature
Good ecological status

- Specific Management goals specified for each ecosystem to be developed
- Development of scientifically based indicators for what is considered to be ‘good ecological status’.
- Management based on specific management goals is to be in place by 2020
Environmental risk assessment assignments

- Alien species
- GMO
- Microorganisms
- CITES
Chronic wasting disease (CWD)

- First case in Europe detected in the Southern part of Norway in April 2016

- VKMs assessments from June 2016 and March 2017 states: “culling of Nordfjella reindeer is a necessary, immediate response to the current situation”.
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