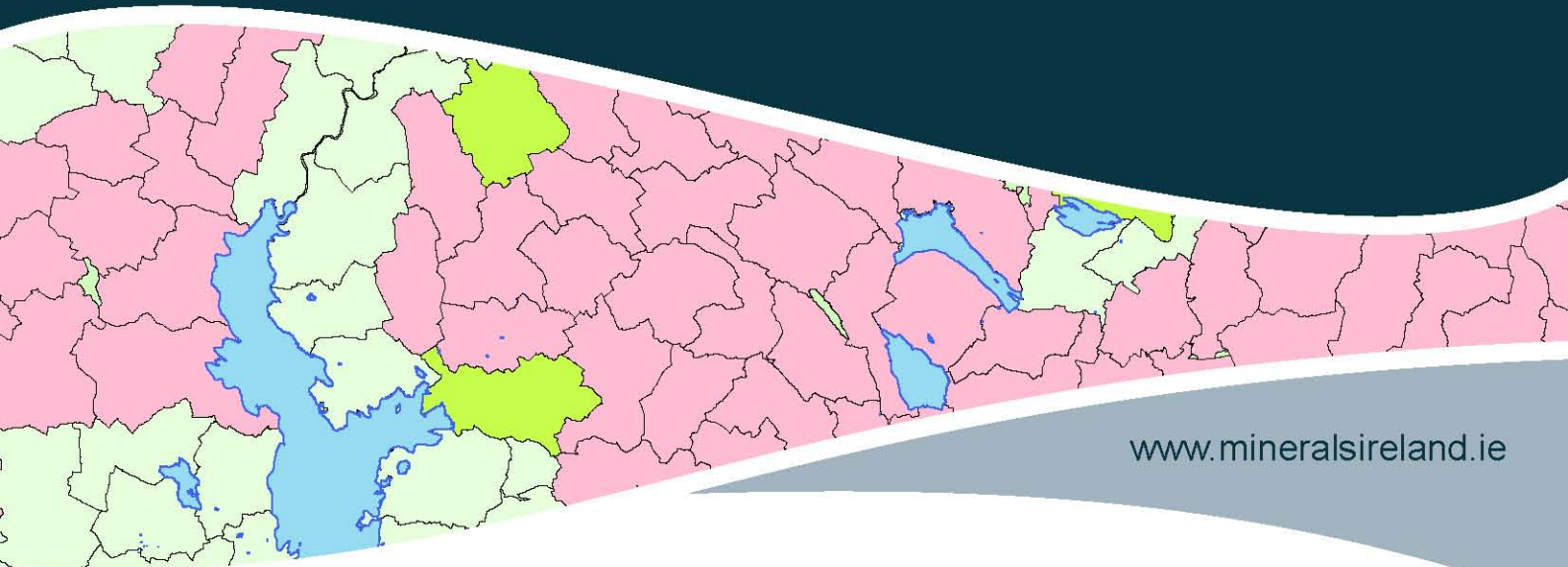


PROSPECTING LICENCE AREAS OPEN FOR APPLICATION UNDER COMPETITION

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**PROSPECTING LICENCE AREAS
OPEN FOR APPLICATION UNDER EQUAL COMPETITION
UNTIL 30th September, 2010**

These include areas for which licences were current on 9th April 2010 but have become available in the period to 23rd July 2010 and areas that were offered but were subsequently declined in the same period.

1228	Westmeath	3066	Monaghan
1229	Westmeath	3267	Limerick
2193	Monaghan	3777	Kildare
2254	Monaghan	3981	Westmeath
2590	Clare		

**THE ARRANGEMENT OF 'INTERIM'
PROSPECTING LICENCE COMPETITIONS**

Ground available for application under competition is offered every three months through publications that normally issue on 1st February, 1st May, 1st August and 1st November. The competition listed in publications that issue on 1st February and 1st August are termed 'interim' competitions. Such publications are limited to providing a list of competition areas and an update of the current prospecting licence situation, namely:-

- Prospecting Licence areas open for application under equal competition. **Interested parties have two months in which to apply for such areas**, with all applications received during that period deemed to have been received at the same time.
- A list of current prospecting licences that have been granted since the cut-off date of the previous competition publication.
- A list of all prospecting licences that have been offered and advertised, but not yet granted.

These 'interim' competition publications do not include a revised prospecting licence map, full list of current licences, details of restricted licences etc. **They should be used, therefore, in conjunction with the preceding publication, in this case the publication dated 1st May, 2010 (Minerals Publication MP 04/10).** If required, copies of the latter publication can be obtained free of charge from the Exploration and Mining Division of the Department of Communications, Energy and Natural Resources.

APPLICATION PROCEDURE

All applications for prospecting licences must be made **directly by the applicant** to:-

The Secretary General, Department of Communications, Energy and Natural Resources,
Exploration and Mining Division, Beggars Bush, Haddington Road, Dublin 4

on **Form No. 1**, accompanied by a **fee of €190 per prospecting licence area**. Copies of Form No.1 are available from the above address, or may be printed/downloaded from our website <http://www.mineralsireland.ie>. All payments must be in Euro, and cheques and bank drafts drawn on a bank branch located in the Republic of Ireland. All cheques and bank drafts should be made payable to "The Department of Communications, Energy and Natural Resources" and endorsed "Account payee only".

Prospecting Licences should be issued within four months of the application date (or the closing date of the competition, if the area sought is in competition), provided that the applicant complies fully with application requirements, responds rapidly to any queries, and causes no delay in supplying a satisfactory insurance policy.

STATEMENTS OF INTEREST

A company that has not reached the stage of making a formal application for a Prospecting Licence may establish its interest in an area with the Exploration and Mining Division by written submission of a "Statement of Interest" on the relevant form. A Statement of Interest will normally relate to open ground or areas open for application at any time and for which the company may make a formal application following a review of data.

The procedure for lodging Statements of Interest over areas is outlined in the 1st May and 1st November publications. Their period of validity extends up to a maximum of six months (unless there are exceptional circumstances), that is until the next edition of the map showing areas held under State Mining and Prospecting Facilities. A copy of the application form is available from our website <http://www.mineralsireland.ie>.

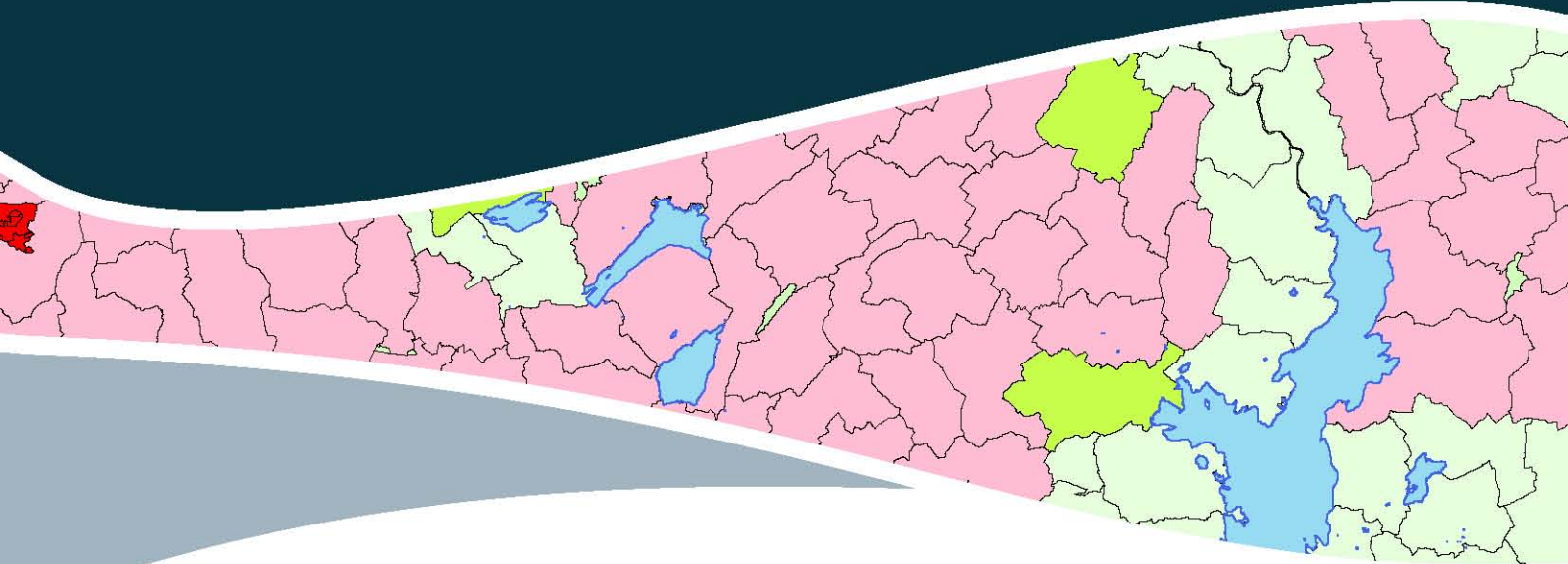
PROSPECTING LICENCE AREAS GRANTED SINCE 9th APRIL, 2010

The following prospecting licences, which were granted since 9th April 2010, are restricted to certain minerals. The licensed minerals are abbreviated as follows: Base Metals (Bm); Barytes (B); Gold (G); Silver (S); Platinum Group Elements (PGE).

PL Area	Licensee	Start	County	Minerals
1140	Ánu	12/05/2010	Cavan	Bm, b, s, g, PGE
2819	Mytilus Minerals Limited	22/06/2010	Donegal	Bm, b, s, g, Fluorite
2988	Ánu	12/05/2010	Cavan	Bm, b, s, g, PGE
3072	Mytilus Minerals Limited	22/06/2010	Donegal	Bm, b, s, g, Fluorite
3372	Mytilus Minerals Limited	22/06/2010	Donegal	Bm, b, s, g, Fluorite
3383	Ánu	12/05/2010	Sligo	Bm, b, s, g, PGE
3384	Ánu	12/05/2010	Sligo	Bm, b, s, g, PGE
3751	Ánu	12/05/2010	Roscommon	Bm, b, s, g, PGE
3752	Ánu	12/05/2010	Roscommon	Bm, b, s, g, PGE
4037	Ánu	12/05/2010	Sligo	Bm, b, s, g, PGE

PROSPECTING LICENCE AREAS OFFERED AND ADVERTISED

PL Area	Licensee	County	PL Area	Licensee	County
1814	Unicorn Mineral Resources Ltd	Kilkenny	3694	Unicorn Mineral Resources Ltd	Kilkenny/Tipperary
1815	Unicorn Mineral Resources Ltd	Kilkenny	3695	Unicorn Mineral Resources Ltd	Kilkenny
2803	Oriel Selection Trust Ltd	Donegal	3706	Unicorn Mineral Resources Ltd	Tipperary
2923	Bowpark Exploration (Ireland) Ltd	Sligo	3856	Grosvenor Exploration & Mining Services (Ireland) Ltd	Donegal
2964	Grosvenor Exploration & Mining Services (Ireland) Ltd	Donegal	3971	Oriel Selection Trust Ltd	Donegal
3007	Grosvenor Exploration & Mining Services (Ireland) Ltd	Donegal	3978	Oriel Selection Trust Ltd	Donegal
3008	Grosvenor Exploration & Mining Services (Ireland) Ltd	Donegal	3979	Oriel Selection Trust Ltd	Donegal
3062	Grosvenor Exploration & Mining Services (Ireland) Ltd	Donegal	4005	Terra Energy Ltd	Leitrim
3094	Grosvenor Exploration & Mining Services (Ireland) Ltd	Donegal	4006	Terra Energy Ltd	Cavan/Leitrim
3380	Bowpark Exploration (Ireland) Ltd	Sligo	4007	Terra Energy Ltd	Leitrim
3381	Bowpark Exploration (Ireland) Ltd	Sligo	4008	Terra Energy Ltd	Leitrim
3382	Bowpark Exploration (Ireland) Ltd	Sligo	4009	Terra Energy Ltd	Leitrim
3385	Bowpark Exploration (Ireland) Ltd	Sligo	4010	Terra Energy Ltd	Sligo
3389	Bowpark Exploration (Ireland) Ltd	Mayo	4011	Terra Energy Ltd	Leitrim/Roscommon
3390	Bowpark Exploration (Ireland) Ltd	Mayo	4012	Terra Energy Ltd	Sligo/Roscommon
3391	Bowpark Exploration (Ireland) Ltd	Mayo	4013	Terra Energy Ltd	Cavan/Leitrim
3392	Bowpark Exploration (Ireland) Ltd	Mayo	4014	Terra Energy Ltd	Cavan/Leitrim
3393	Bowpark Exploration (Ireland) Ltd	Mayo	4015	Terra Energy Ltd	Cavan/Leitrim
3394	Bowpark Exploration (Ireland) Ltd	Mayo	4016	Terra Energy Ltd	Leitrim
3395	Bowpark Exploration (Ireland) Ltd	Mayo	4017	Terra Energy Ltd	Leitrim
3396	Bowpark Exploration (Ireland) Ltd	Sligo	4038	Bowpark Exploration (Ireland) Ltd	Sligo
3496	Grosvenor Exploration & Mining Services (Ireland) Ltd	Donegal	4039	Bowpark Exploration (Ireland) Ltd	Sligo
3693	Unicorn Mineral Resources Ltd	Kilkenny	4040	Bowpark Exploration (Ireland) Ltd	Sligo



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