

Responsibly Produced Peat in process to renew certificate

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Responsibly Produced Peat intends to renew the RPP-certificate to the company named in this document. This intended decision is based on the fact that the company meets the requirements of the RPP certification scheme version 3.0. The fulfilment of the criteria is checked by an independent qualified inspector, including inspection at location.

During a period of 6 weeks, from **January 5 until February 16, 2024**, Responsibly Produced Peat offers parties concerned the opportunity to provide comment on the proposed decision. Questions and comments can be sent to info@responsiblyproducedpeat.org. Without further objections, after this comment period, the certificate for the location in concern will be renewed for another 5 years.

Company name	SIA Klasmann-Deilmann Latvia 23, Kulturas street, Zilaiskalns, Valmiera municipality, LV-4222 Latvia
Extraction site	Name site: Ozolmuiza
	GPS coordinate entrance peatbog: Latitude : N 57,62023° Longitude: E 25.190438
	Total licensed area: 177.43 ha
	License information: License number CS20ZD0260
Site description	
<u>Environment of the location:</u> Peat extraction site is surrounded by natural peat bog areas as well as forest areas. Some parts involve also open water windows. The nearest dwellings are about 500m to 1km distance from the extraction site. The nearest Natura 2000 site is Augstroze at about 3km distance. There are micro-reserves for birds in the forest districts around the site. https://ozols.gov.lv/pub – cad.no. 96520020081 [use format “file Geodatabase” and enter cadastral number in search bar]	
<u>Protected areas:</u> Bypass ditches have been made and straight ones closed to form the buffer zones in areas where open water windows are located closer to the melioration. Where the spot is very wet or the bypass ditch doesn't function, peat dams have been installed and strengthened to avoid water running out. Hydrological and vegetation monitoring have been installed to monitor water fluctuations and effect of drainage in adjacent areas, also ornithology assessment is provided every 5 years.	

Time in exploitation:
since 1999

Expected end of production based on peat reserves: 2060 (end license)

License valid till: 31 July 2061

Remarks resulting from re-inspection:

- Criterion 4.1.1 Vegetational and ornithological monitoring will be continued the next 5 years.
- Criterion 5.1.1: A more detailed after-use plan will be provided by December 2024.

Link to [location on Google earth](#)

See figure 2 for license boundaries.

Figure 1 - Nature information Ozolmuiža:

orange = 7110*, Pristine raised bog

orange with horizontal shading = 7120, degraded high bogs where natural regeneration is possible or underway,

dark green = 9010* old or natural boreal forest ,

dark green horizontal lines = 9020*, old mixed broadleaf forests

dark green with cross shading = 91D0*, bog woodland

dark green with diagonal lines upwards = 9080*, fennoscandian deciduous swamp woods

dark green with diagonal lines downwards = Oak forests, 9160

dark blue with vertical lines = 3150 Eutrophic lakes with submerged aquatic plants and aquatic plants,

red line = micro reserve

red dots are redlist species. In the license area are observed:

Black Woodpecker - *Dryocopus martius*

The common crane - *Grus grus* (in the middle)

The grouse - *Lyrurus tetrix* (right upper corner)

Black Woodpecker - *Dryocopus martius* (left upper corner)

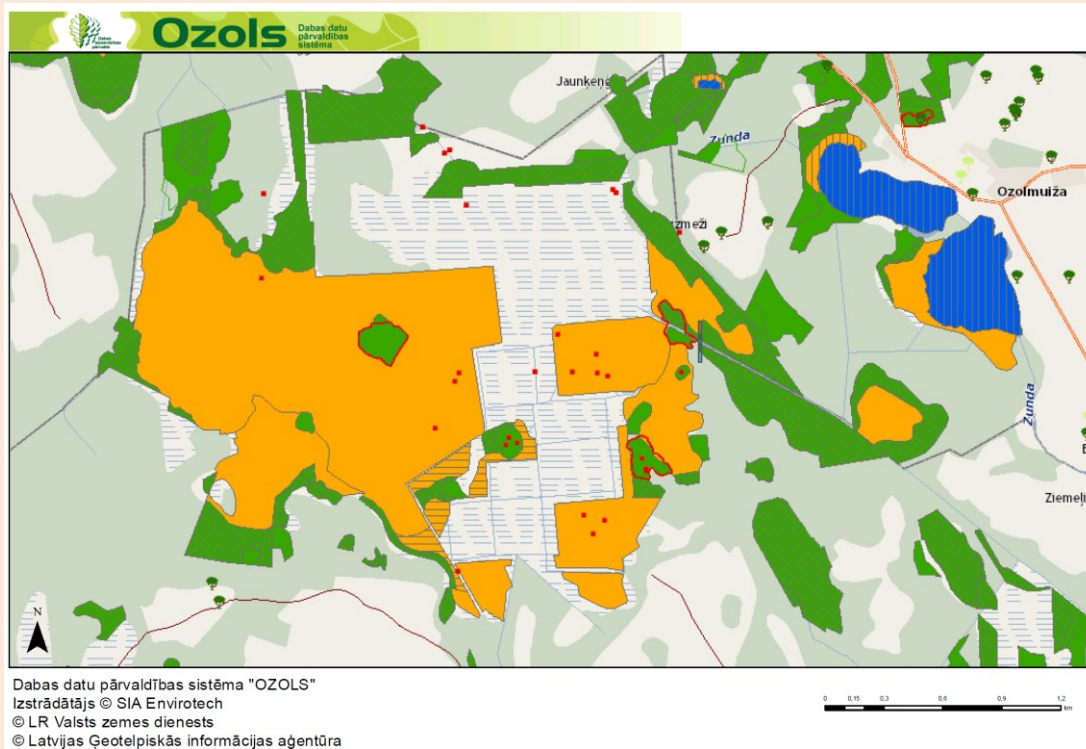


Figure 2: License boundaries

