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SD: Could be free for Swedish uranium mine

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The government is discussing removing the ban on mining uranium. In Falköping, where Sweden's only former uranium mine was located, the issue is a stinging wound and the resistance is massive, TT reports. Photo: Björn Larsson Rosvall

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The government, which wants to expand nuclear power, is opening up for Swedish uranium mining or extraction from mining residues, [according to Swedish radio Ekot](#). A proposal to tear up the ban on uranium extraction, which was decided by the previous Social Democrat-led government, is expected to come soon.

The proposal will be partly about being able to use uranium as a by-product in other extraction, and partly about how Swedish uranium mining can be possible, according to the radio channel. In Skövde, both the Moderates and the Sweden Democrats do not rule out the possibility of a break.

"If an application is profitable for the company that wants to mine and it complies with all the environmental regulations contained in the legislation, it is free to do so," says Tobias Andersson (SD), member of parliament and councillor in Skövde, [to Ekot](#).

In Sweden, uranium has only been mined in Ranstad, which is located between Skövde and Falköping, where weak profitability and local resistance led to the municipalities closest to it vetoing.