

In the Spring of 2016 the municipality of Egedal Kommune decided to protect its drinking water against pesticides in an area of 67 hectares near the rural town of Søsum. Since October 2016 25 private owners and 9 farmers, as from September 2017, will no longer be allowed to use pesticides on their land. This action is taken to protect the well 'Bjellekær Kildeplads' which every year deliver 1,2 mio m<sup>3</sup> clean drinking water to 30.000 people in the region of Copenhagen. Private owners and farmers will be offered a financial. The Danish farmers' union has contested this decision and compensation scheme is still under negotiation.

