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**Cc:** [UKRI FOI Requests](#)  
**Subject:** RE: Freedom of Information request - Plans of abandoned mines (other than coal & shale) Scotland (Our Ref: IDA 276669)  
**Date:** 17 September 2020 17:06:52  
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Dear [REDACTED]

Our ref: IDA 276669

Thank you for your request made under the Freedom of Information Act. Because your request concerns environmental information we have considered it under the terms of the Environmental Information Regulations.

You have requested the 'plans of abandoned mines (other than coal & shale) Scotland'. The way to access this data is via the Non-coal mining plans portal, on our website, here <https://www.bgs.ac.uk/data/miningPlans/>.

Please search the portal to identify the plans you need. In some cases you will be able to view the scan via a link in the record details but the portal will also direct you to the organisations who own each plan and if there is no scan available you can use the contact link to get in touch with the owner and request a copy. Please note that where the contact is BGS Enquiries you will be directed to our GeoRecords service and there may be a charge for the staff time involved in scanning the record if it is not already available to view.

I hope this fully answers your questions. If you feel we have failed to comply with your request in accordance with the requirements of the Regulations, you have the right to ask for an internal review (Regulation 11). Internal review requests should be submitted in writing within 40 working days after the date on which you believe we failed to comply with the requirements – normally the date of receipt of our response to your request. This should be addressed to The Complaints Officer at NERC, Polaris House, North Star Avenue, Swindon, Wilts SN2 1EU. There is no charge for this review.

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Regards

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From: [REDACTED]  
Sent: 30 August 2020 14:10  
To: enquiries <[enquiries@bgs.ac.uk](mailto:enquiries@bgs.ac.uk)>  
Subject: Freedom of Information request - Plans of abandoned mines (other than coal & shale) Scotland

Dear British Geological Survey,

Would it be possible to obtain the 'Plans of abandoned mines (other than coal & shale) Scotland'?

Yours faithfully,

[REDACTED]

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Please use this email address for all replies to this request:

[REDACTED]

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