Summary of Land Management Plan Proposals

Under Burnmouth forms part of the Eskdale & Liddesdale Estate, which is approximately 4 miles south of Newcastleton. The aim is to link up two existing forested areas by planting a mixture of commercial conifers while incorporating native broadleaves and open space to extend and link isolated areas of native woodland.

The primary objectives for the plan area are: to create woodland to lock up carbon and help maintain water management through creation of riparian buffers; and, To establish and grow trees capable of yielding high quality logs for construction grade timber.

Total Plan Area	760ha
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Tree Species breakdown	2015 (current)	2024 (end of plan period)
Primary species: Sitka spruce	n/a	55%
Secondary species: NF, NS, DF	n/a	14%
Native broadleaf	n/a	7%
Open space	n/a	20%

Planned Operations	2015-2024 plan period
Felling	0ha
Thinning	0ha
Restock	0ha
New planting	80ha

Significant Environment /	
Conservation Features	
Designated sites	None
Long Term Retention	1.4%
Natural Reserve	1.1%

Critical Success Factors

- Successful establishment of crop on rough, weedy, wet site
- exclusion of deer with deer fencing
- exclusion of livestock with fence renewal/upgrade
- exclusion of rabbits and hares with rabbit-proof netting
- creation of suitable planting positions using a variety of ground preparation methods and improvement of site drainage in accordance with Forest and Water guidelines
- establishment of conifers and broadleaves to UKWAS and UKFS standard
- control of deer browsing/pest species to reduce tree damage/mortality
- clear management arrangements between FES and Buccleuch Estates.

Consultation and Further Information

During the development of this plan we have consulted publically including meetings with representatives of the local community and stakeholders known to have an interest in this plan area. For further information on the plan please contact: Robin Fuller, Planning Forester, Forestry Commission Scotland on 0300 067 6923 or robin.fuller@forestry.gsi.gov.uk.

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