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From:

Sent: 13 January 2022 10:19

To:

Cc:

Subject: RE:

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Dear , Cc

Thanks for getting back to me and confirming that a full EIA would be required before consent could be considered for the proposals to put a cover of game crop down in a field proposed by . Can I just confirm that EIA would be required for any field that has not been previously cultivated not just those within the SAC?

Will if you could let us know how you wish to proceed that would be much appreciated.

Many thanks

| Area Officer

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From:

Sent: 30 December 2021 11:54

To:

Subject: FW:

I have checked our records relating to the area proposed to be sown with game crop cover.

It would appear that the proposal is to sow approximately 4 hectares within a parcel of 33.673 hectares. Our records describe the parcel as Payment Region 3 and is considered to be rough grazing.

You advise that this is part of the Moorfoot Hills Site of Special Scientific Interest and also part of the Moorfoot Hills Special Area of Conservation. You also confirm that the site shows no signs of previous cultivations or liming etc.

On the basis of the above information we would not be in a position to give consent for the proposal to go ahead.

A Full Environmental Impact Assessment would be required before any consent could be considered.

I hope that this helps.

Kind regards

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]
Senior Agricultural Officer
SGRPID
Galashiels
03002441400

From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 17 December 2021 08:33
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: FW: [REDACTED]

Morning [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Please advise re below. Does this require action from ourselves or can I just file it?
And if filing only, please advise as to where I should be filing it

Many thanks

[REDACTED]

Rural Payments and Inspections Directorate
Cotgreen Road
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Galashiels
TD1 3SG
0300 244 1400

Email: sgrpil.galashiels@gov.scot



From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 16 December 2021 17:24
To: [REDACTED]

Cc: SGRPID Galashiels <SEERAD_Galashiels@gov.scot>

Subject: [REDACTED]

Hi [REDACTED], Cc SGRPID galashiels

I'm just getting in touch with regards to your SSSI consent request to put a cover of game crop down in a field within the Moorfoot Hills Special Area of Conservation (SAC) and Moorfoot Hills Site of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI). Having been on site on the 15 November 2021 this area does not appear to have been improved in anyway previously e.g. not ploughed or limed (as shown in the attached photos). Therefore the advice that I have received from our Planning and Environmental Assessment Manager is that this proposal may require a full Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA), please see SERAD guidance on EIA and Agriculture Regulations (attached) – see page 11 of this guidance in relation to game bird cover. Therefore I have copied in the local SGRPID office for their advice on this matter.

If EIA is deemed necessary then you will need consent from SGRPID via the EIA regs and a separate SSSI consent from NatureScot would not be required as SGPRID are legally required to consult us on the impacts of the proposal during the EIA process. Due to the Moorfoot Hills SAC being a European site SGRPID will also be required to carry out a Habitats Regulations Appraisal <https://www.nature.scot/professional-advice/planning-and-development/environmental-assessment/habitats-regulations-appraisal-hra> for this proposal and should consult NatureScot as part of this process as well.

I hope these comments are useful to you at this stage and that SGRPID are able to advise further on the matter.

Many thanks

[REDACTED] | Area Officer

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From: [REDACTED]

Sent: 14 October 2021 12:44

To: [REDACTED]

Subject: FW: [REDACTED]

Hi [REDACTED],

Thank you for this. The grid reference is: NT407462

Kind regards

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]



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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 13 October 2021 16:43
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: [REDACTED]

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Hi [REDACTED]
Thanks for your e-mail and apologies for my slow reply. I'm not familiar with what three words therefore can you provide a grid reference for this field?

Many thanks

[REDACTED] | **Area Officer**

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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 04 October 2021 17:18
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: [REDACTED]

Hi [REDACTED]

I apologise for the multiple emails.

I wanted to ask a question about a parcel of land at [REDACTED]

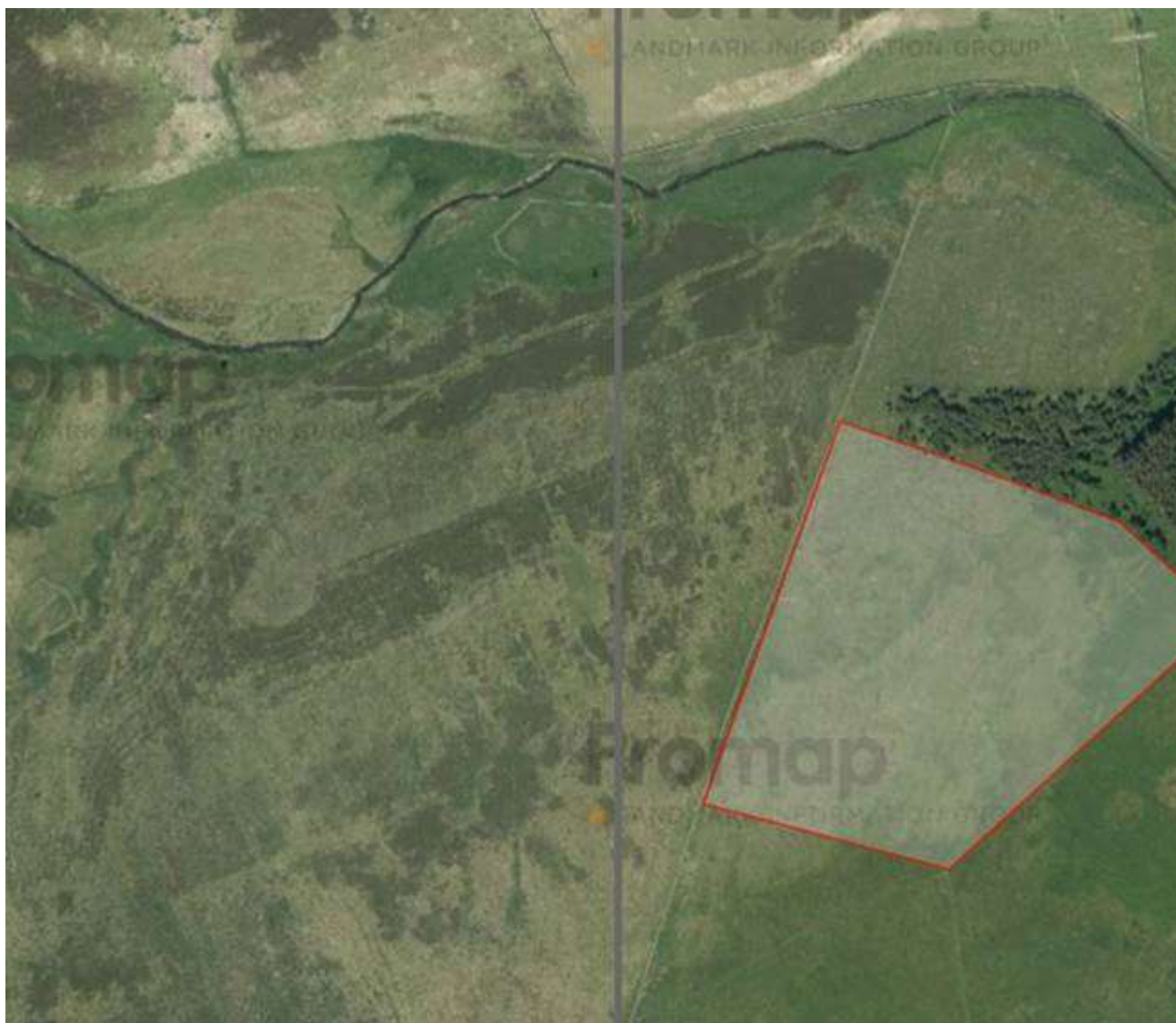
Please find below an aerial screen shot of a field. The what three words location for this field is: salary.bracelet.goats

Ideally, I would like to look at putting a cover crop in this field. However, I believe that this field is currently designated as part of the SAC. I find it strange that this parcel is designated as the vegetation type is not at all similar to the western side of the wall.

Could you let me have your thoughts on this?

Kind regard

[REDACTED]



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