

EIA Screening decision proforma

Business details			
Business reference number	[REDACTED TEXT]	Name	[REDACTED TEXT]
Main location code	[REDACTED TEXT]	EIA ID	2025-013

Proposed works details				
Location CPH	[REDACTED TEXT]	Type	Non improved / Semi natural / sensitive land	
Location name	[REDACTED TEXT]		Restructuring above thresholds	
Grid reference	NX617458		Drainage	
Nearest Town	Kirkcudbright		Irrigation	
Description of proposed works	Land restructuring in 5 fields. Levelling land to allow for the passage of large machinery during silage operations. Proposed operations are to strip back the topsoil, break and spread the rock, grade and level the ground, then reseed.			

Initial check (LPIS, PastMap etc)	comments
Are any significant earthworks proposed within 25m of a railway or classified road? (If yes refer customer to LA planning department, and reject screening application)	No, NX/62490/47299 – A and B are within 25m of u40S (non-classified public road)
Does the project involve creating new tracks, or any other action that would require planning permission or approval from LA planning, or fall under Forestry EIA regulations? (if yes refer customer to LA planning or FS, and reject screening application)	No
Does the proposed work involve removing earth/rock from farm unit? (If yes refer customer to LA planning and SEPA, and reject screening application)	No
Does the proposed work involve infilling depressions or hollows with material not from the immediate area? (If yes consult with SEPA)	No
Check designations and cross compliance layers, and PastMap. Are there monuments close to the proposed works? (If yes consult with HES for scheduled monuments, and LA archaeologist for non-scheduled monuments)	NX/61399/45468, and NX/61606/45274 are adjacent to the Bourge Coast SSSI. PastMap indicates unscheduled archaeology - Whitehill Canmore , and Manxman's Rock Canmore .
Does the project involve any Semi-natural / uncultivated / sensitive areas, or potentially effect any habitat, landscape, or wildlife species (If yes, consult with NatureScot)	Previous site visit (2024-017) confirmed majority of knowes have been limed and received applications of manure recently. Vegetation appears to be productive grasses but given time of year unable to confirm.
Does the project potentially effect the water environment, pose a pollution risk, or potentially have any other effects under SEPAs remit? (if yes consult with SEPA)	Yes - NX/61496/45780 D, F and G are close to a watercourse on the map.

Check if proposals breach thresholds
The project as described is below 5000 cubic metres. There is potential for the knowes to be semi-natural, to which no threshold applies.

Check EIA tracker for previous projects at location	
2024-017	

Local Authority Planning consultation	
Our questions	N/A
Reply	N/A

Historic Environment Scotland / Local Authority Archaeologist consultation	
Our questions	See previous application 2024-017
Reply	Per the previous application, LA archaeologist has requested the applicant check for prehistoric rock art on knowes prior to commencing works. This request will be added to the screening outcome letter.

NatureScot consultation	
Our questions	See previous application 2024-017
Reply	Per the previous application, applicant has removed the elements NS raised concerns about in the previous application.

SEPA consultation	
Our questions	See previous application 2024-017
Reply	<p>Per the previous application, applicant has removed the elements which SEPA confirmed would be too close to the watercourse.</p> <p>For the three knowes SEPA identified in NX 61496/45780 which are close to the burn, SEPA requested that RPID “make reference to these in your response that they need to be extremely careful working the ground to avoid soil sediment causing pollution in the adjacent burn” The application contains a credible plan to minimise the risk of significant impacts to surface water with specific reference to these knowes.</p>

Scottish Forestry consultation	
Our questions	N/A
Reply	N/A

Outcome			
Full EIA required?	NO		
Statement of reasons for decision	<p>This application is essentially a resubmission of 2024-017 with all the elements which the consultees raised concerns about removed. As nothing has been added, the consultees were not contacted, and their previous responses reviewed.</p> <p>RPID do not believe there to be significant environmental risks which would necessitate a full EIA report be commissioned.</p>		
Deciding officer	[REDACTED TEXT]	Countersigning officer	[REDACTED TEXT]
Date	17/06/2025	Date	17/06/2025

Acronyms:

EIA Environmental Impact Assessment
 FS Forestry Scotland
 HES Historic Environment Scotland
 LA Local Authority
 LPIS Land Parcel Identification System
 SEPA Scottish Environmental Protection Agency