Moors for the Future Partnership

Moorland Restoration in the Peak District and South Pennines 2010+

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Who are Moors for the Future?

What do we do?

How do we do it?

What do you need to do to get involved?
Moors for the Future Partnership

Project started in 2003

Three main areas:

• Research
• Restoration
• Information and Awareness

2003 - 2008 funded by Heritage Lottery Fund
(£4.7million, £2million on moorland restoration)

2008 - 2010 managing projects for members of the Partnership
(£1.5million on moorland restoration)

2010+ commencement of 3 major restoration projects
(£11million on moorland restoration)
Restoration 2003 - 2008

Bare Peat Restoration (Fire Sites) 500Ha:
• Brash harvesting, transport and spreading
• Geo-textile Application
• Lime, Seed and Fertiliser Application
• Plug planting

Upland Path Works (Trampling damage and wildlife disturbance) 14km:
• Stone flag paths
• Sub Strata and aggregate paths
• Stone pitch paths
Bleaklow Fire Site Restoration -
2003

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Bleaklow Fire Site Restoration - 2006

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Fire Site Restoration - 2008

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Black Hill Fire Site Restoration - 2006

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Black Hill Fire Site Restoration - 2008

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Black Hill Fire Site Restoration - 2010

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Restoration Works 2008-2010

Yorkshire Water Services:
• Bare Peat Restoration
• Stock Fencing
• Dry stone wall restoration
• Clough woodland creation
• Flailing and sward diversification
• Grip blocking

Partner Projects:
• Upland pathworks
• Bare Peat Restoration
• Gully blocking and re-profiling

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Restoration 2010+

Moors for the Future:
- NE SSSI recovery project for the remaining moorland area £4 m (2 year project)
- Making Space for Water in the Upper Derwent Valley £600k (EA acting as applicant)
- MoorLife £5.5m

Work for Partners:
- SSSI recovery project for YWS Estate
- SSSI recovery project for NT High Peak Estate
- BIFFA Project NT High Peak Estate
Projects 2010+

MoorLife+:  
• Bare Peat Restoration  
• Gully blocking  
• Sphagnum Application

Natural England Conservation Plans:  
• Bare Peat Restoration  
• Stock Fencing  
• Dry stone wall restoration  
• Clough woodland creation  
• Flailing and sward diversification  
• Grip blocking  
• Gully re-profiling  
• Upland pathworks

Making Space for Water  
• Bare Peat Restoration  
• Gully blocking

Partner Projects:  
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• Gully re-profiling  
• Upland pathworks

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Works required

• **Bare Peat Restoration** – Heather brash cutting and Spreading; Geotextile spreading; Various helicopter contracts;

• **Gully blocking** – Using timber, stone or plastic dams;

• **Stock Fencing** – Sheep or cattle fencing;

• **Dry stone wall restoration**;

• **Clough woodland creation**;

• **Flailing and sward diversification**;

• **Grip blocking** – Using machines, timber, stone or plastic dams;

• **Gully re-profiling** – Using machines;

• **Upland pathworks** - Stone flag paths; Sub Strata and aggregate paths; Stone pitch paths

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Works required
Main Works Area

Moorland Areas
South of Calderdale and East of Manchester

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Whole Works Area

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Moorland Project Timescales

**EU Life+**
April 2010 to March 2015

**NE Farm Conservation Plans**
April 2010 to March 2012
(or two years from the date the plan starts)

**Making Space for Water**
April 2010 to March 2012

**Partner Projects**
April 2010+
Moorland Restoration Year

Tendering:

• 3-6 months ahead
• Standardised tender formats and documentation
• Set return dates, first tenders due out mid-May

Works on the ground:

• August to March on non shooting moorland areas
• October / November to March on shooting moors
Tendering process

•All MFF contracts held by PDNPA, signed by Head of Law

•All PDNPA contracts must comply with Standing Orders

•Contract likely to be bigger than £10,000? – Full tendering process required

•Tender documents contain all Contract requirements
Tender evaluation based on:

- **Cost**
- **Compliance with specification**
- **Ability to undertake works**
- **Capacity to undertake works within appropriate timescales**
- **Appropriate information supplied – Easier to assess tender**
Tendering process

• Generally, what are people’s concerns?
  • Size and bureaucratic nature of documentation
  • Liquidated damages
  • Risk assessments and Method statements