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To : HS2 FoI Requests

26-6315 (4), FOLLOW UP

Dear HS2,

Thank you for your responses to my previous requests, which are quite clear. However, question 4 –

“... please indicate what calculations have been made of the biodiversity which will result from the designs specified in the above two proposals, and which biodiversity metric was employed in this calculation.”

requested the Biodiversity predicted or expected to result from the areas covered by the quoted Bringing into Use applications, while your response states that the No Net Loss values are not available for individual locations. This may well be the case, but clearly the eventual Net Loss calculation requires the initial and final biodiversity values, and it would be prudent to assess these when planning the restoration of the landscape.

My follow up questions are –

1. Has some estimate been made of the *biodiversity* which will result from the two bringing into use applications referenced in 26-6315 ?
2. *a) If so*, please indicate the biodiversity contribution from the area, linear and watercourse elements in each application area.

b) If not, please indicate what steps are being taken to ensure that the project will in fact achieve the ‘No Net Loss’ goal, on completion.

Regards,

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