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Subject: FW: 15NP0052 - Replacement of existing vented causeway bridge with a single span bridge

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From: Robert Mayhew Sent: 15 July 2015 12:56 To: DC Consultation Cc: Rebecca Adams

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Dear Rebecca,

15NP0052 - Notification for prior notification of forestry development: Replacement of existing vented causeway bridge with a single span bridge at Yoke Burn, Kidland Forest, Alwinton, Morpeth, Northumberland

Thank you for consulting me on the above application. I can confirm that this proposed structure is set within an existing forest comprising numerous compartments of predominantly coniferous trees at various stages of the timber growing cycle.

On a point of accuracy, I would suggest that the proposed bridge would in fact cross the River Alwin rather than the Yoke Burn as stated on the application form.

Whilst the proposed bridge structure will be more imposing than the existing piped ford (Irish Bridge), given its location I do not believe that it will have a substantial effect upon the landscape character or views of this part of the National Park. I welcome the fact that the applicant proposes to remove the Irish Bridge thereby removing redundant structures from the landscape and that the site will be landscaped after the works are completed.

This development is set within a commercial forest and I can confirm that no notable trees will be affected as a result of the proposed works. Tree protection measures are not thought necessary in this case.

If you require any further information with respect to this application please do not hesitate to get in touch.

regards

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