CAIRNGORMS NATURE Action Plan 2013-2018

Final Report Case Studies

UPLANDS **Peatland Action**

Restoring Scotland's peatland

Peatland Action is primarily about delivering on-theground habtiat restoration in the Cairngorms National Park. Project work is focused on restoring degraded upland blanket bog and re-vegetating features such as bare peat pans, erosion gullies and peat hags.

In the last four years we have helped to put peatlands back on the road to recovery by:

- blocking 19 km of drains with peat dams
- re-vegetating 94 km of peat hags and eroded gullies
- initiating re-vegetation on 27 ha of bare peat

Project work has been undertaken primarily with funding from the Cairngorms National Park Authority and has involved eight estates across the National Park during 2014-2017.

This work covers some 779 ha and further work is likely to be needed to bring the sites to a near natural state.

Peatland Action currently supports one full-time project officer in the National Park. A further project officer will be appointed in 2018 to help continue to deliver restoration projects across the Park.

Find out more ...

- Peatland Action
- Peatland Action youtube channel
- Glenshee Ski Centre infographic [pdf]
- IUCN What's so special about Peatlands [pdf]
- SNH Peatland Action factsheet: Benefits [pdf]









