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FW: Achieving No Net Loss of Biodiversity on the Greater West Programme - STAGE 1

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Dear all,

Over the past 2 years, Network Rail has been engaging with local authorities and nature conservation groups about its commitment to No Net Loss of Biodiversity on the Greater West Programme, project delivering the electrification of the railway line between Maidenhead and Cardiff.

As most of the administrative 'challenges' have now been overcome, I am writing to let you know of this exciting funding opportunity for biodiversity in Wiltshire.

We are looking to create new woodland, provide better links between woodlands, and to enhance existing woodland and scrub mosaic, though other habitats could be considered. We believe this is a great opportunity to make a significant difference for wildlife and the local community. We are particularly interested in supporting landscape scale projects (e.g. 5 ha of woodland enhancement or 10ha of woodland creation) but also smaller projects getting together as one under a partnership.

Please find attached a briefing note providing more details about this initiative, as well as the Stage 1 Form to submit your project proposals.

Do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or ideas you'd like to discuss.

Regards,

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