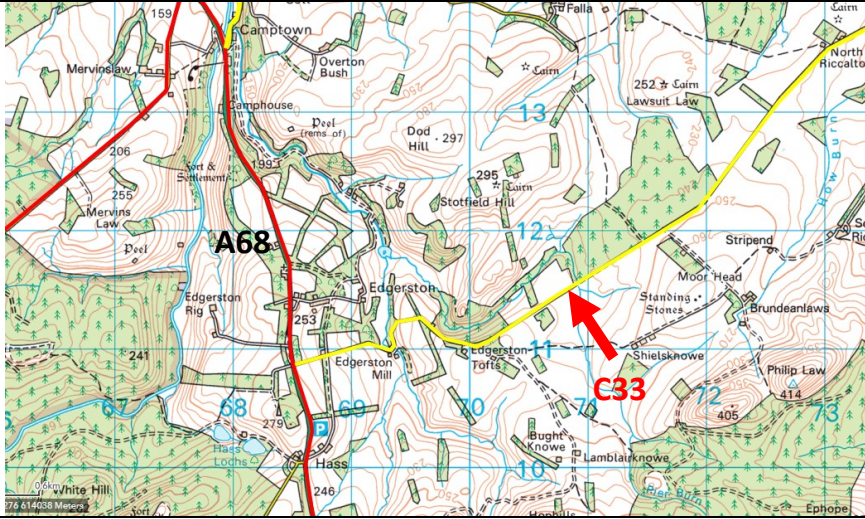


Timber Transport Management Plan

Borders Timber Transport Group

Location:	C33
Purpose:	Detail the pre-conditions and arrangements to sustain timber haulage on this sensitive road. The plan is there to protect this narrow road and verges, and preserve it for the use of local residents, agriculture and forestry. Restrictions are being sought through this Timber Transport Management plan and it is ensuring that harvesting plans are communicated.
Road Number:	C33 (Grid Ref: 370017, 611029)
Map:	
Agreed Routes Status:	Consultation Route C33
Contact:	Brian Young, SBC byoung@scotborders.gov.uk
Community Council:	Jedvalley Community Council jvcc.secretary@gmail.com
Protocol:	• No more than 4 loaded lorries per day (Monday to Friday) with one hour between loads. The one hour between loads is important as it allows the road to recover from being deflected by HGVs. • The Council have indicated that they would like to restrict timber haulage from 1st November to 31st March. This seasonal restriction is evidence based from the previous operations and is there to prevent damage at the worst possible time of year. • Haulage must stop in frost heave conditions. Only use wagon and drag lorry configurations with low ground pressure. Artics have caused damage to this route in the past and its more suited to wagon and drag lorries given the tight corners and to limit verge over run. See Tread Softly guidance for further details.

	• Consultation route so ensure there is adequate consultation prior to haulage. This should be with the Community and the Council over the use of the road. • Prior to haulage residents are to be contacted as timber haulage operations will likely generate complaints and prior warning helps to mitigate this. • In addition, consultation should be made with the other Forest Managers operating in this area to ensure that in so far as possible, that timber harvesting takes account of other harvesting operations carried out by others. • Monitor carefully the condition of the C33 and report any deterioration to the road or verges to the Council - this needs passing to the timber lorry drivers. An early meeting onsite to monitor progress and discuss issues should be arranged as required.
Caution:	• Warning signs should be erected along the C33 and along the A68 (trunk road) either side of the junction as this is fast moving. Visibility at this junction is poor.