

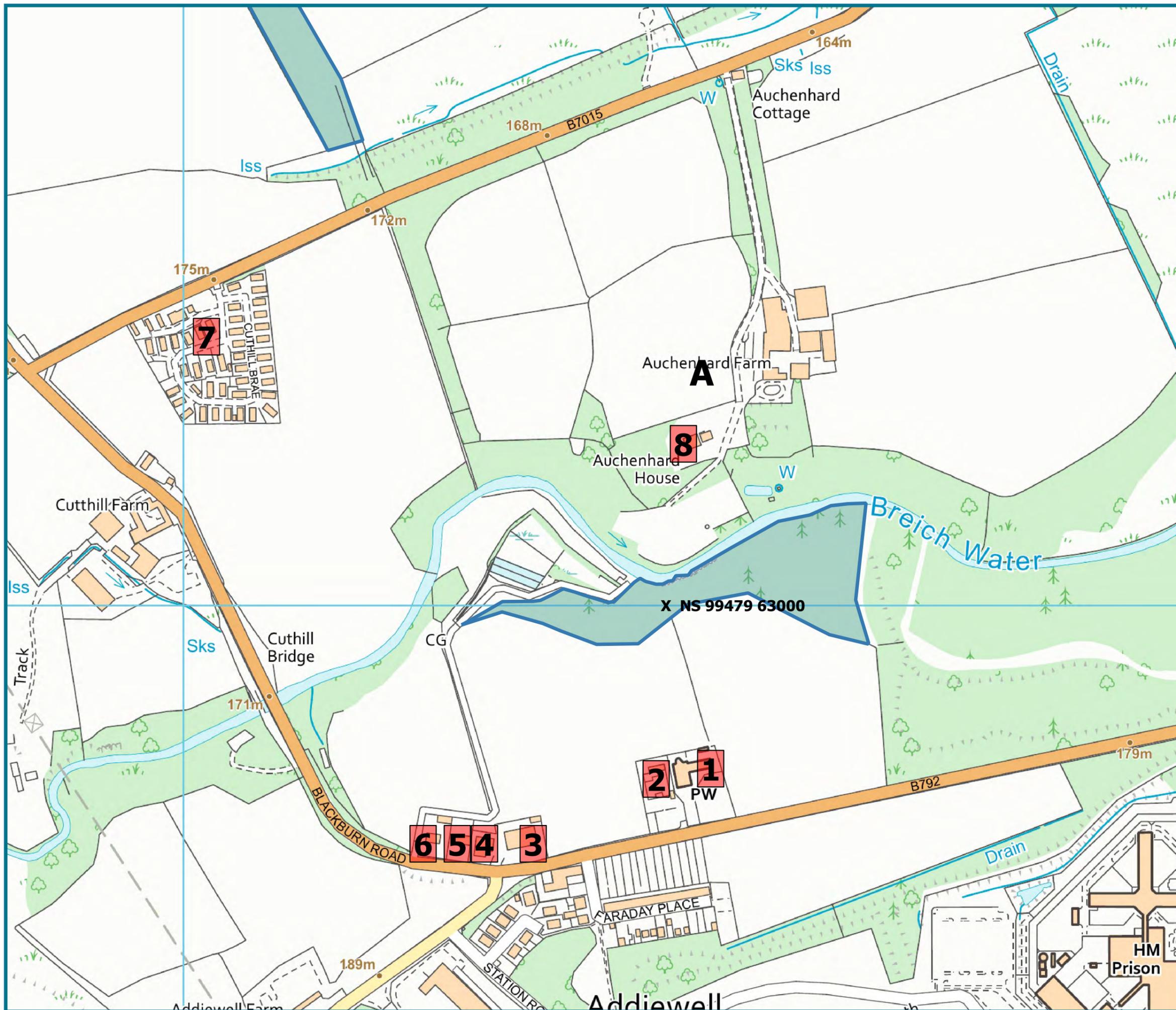


Addiewell Farm Felling Permission Application

Consulted Neighbours

Woodland Boundary

1:3500 @ A3



Our ref: ADD001 ^{Redacted} _{Redacted} 240620

Your ref:

Date: 24/06/2020

Dear Sir/Madam

ADDIEWELL FARM FELLING PERMISSION

I am writing to inform you about tree harvesting work in the vicinity of your property. ^{Redacted}
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RedactedRedactedRedactedRedacted Please see the attached maps. The mature conifer trees
will be felled in August/September and will be replaced by a mixture of Sitka spruce and native
broadleaves.

All work will be managed to ensure the safety of neighbours and the public, as well as adjacent
property and the environment.

If you have any questions or comments, please get in touch.

Yours sincerely,

Redacted

Redacted BSc
Forestry Manager

E-mail: ^{Redacted} [@drrural.co.uk](mailto:Redacted@drrural.co.uk)



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Grid Reference (of centre of principal felling area): NS 99479 63000		
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Do you give consent for Scottish Forestry to access your land?	YES <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	NO <input type="checkbox"/>
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Please provide detailed information about the proposed felling operations.

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Total Area (ha)				1.74	Total Volume m³:		410		

You must give your reasons below for carrying out this work and any additional information that would help us consider your application, such as any constraints or sensitivities that you have planned for, particularly where you want the felling approval to go beyond 2 years. If you have selected thinning, you must provide us with the thinning prescription you intend to use.

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Broadleaved trees along the watercourse are to remain. Trees will be felled away from the watercourse and remaining broadleaved trees.

Addiewell Bing Nature Reserve is adjacent to the harvesting site. The work will have no negative impact on the reserve. The reserve trees close to the boundary will have more light until the planted Sitka spruce reach maturity. Trees will be felled away from the boundary. The planting of native broadleaves will add to the native woodland resource.

Whilst responsible public access to the countryside is permitted, there are no marked, designated or regularly used footpaths in the work area or extraction route. Signage will be placed at the entrance to the field, where Heras fencing and a gate currently restrict access to the field. At the western end of the site, signage will be placed on the access track to the waterworks. Public access is not permitted within the waterworks.

No services have been noted on site.

Pastmap – No features within or close to the work area or extraction route. See attached.

Land Information Search – No designations within or close to the work area or extraction route. See attached.

Ancient Woodland Inventory Scotland – The riparian zone is categorised as Long-Established (of plantation origin). See attached.

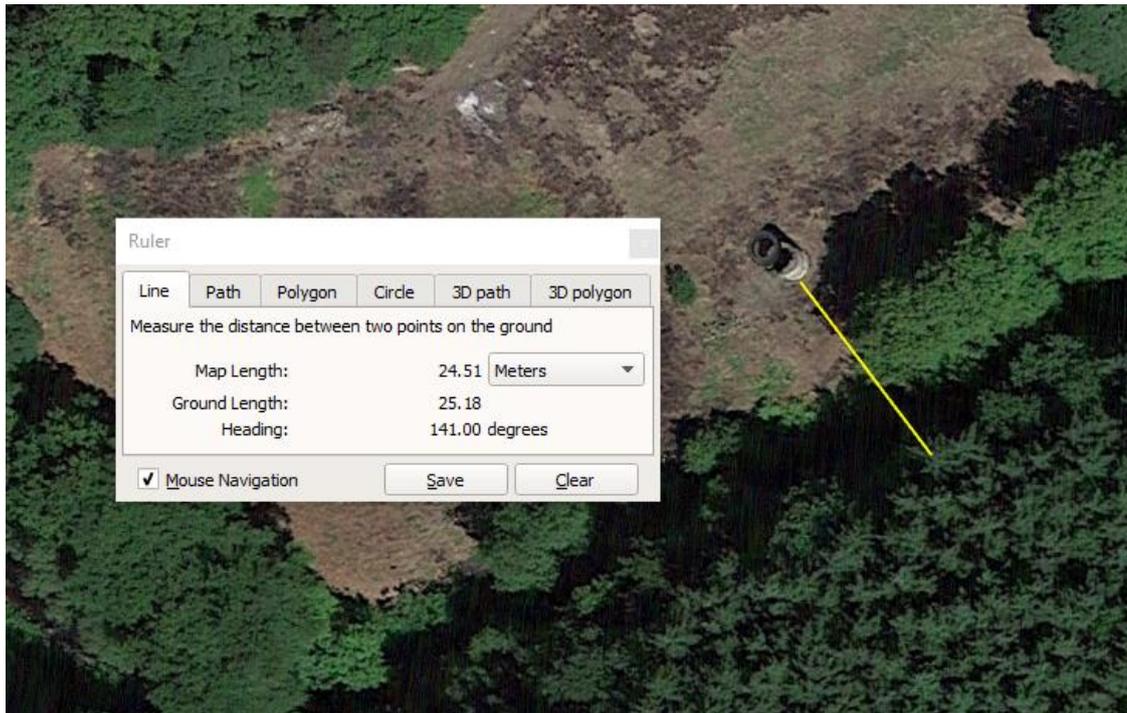
OS 1:25,000 – No footpaths within or close to the work area or extraction route. See attached.

Strava Heatmap – No recorded routes from 'public' activities within the last two years. See attached.

Please provide details on the stakeholder engagement you have undertaken, this must include contact with adjacent properties and potentially affected neighbours.

Individual	Date contacted	Date feedback received	Response	Action
1	24/06/2020 Hand delivered letter and maps. Discussed operations.	24/06/2020 Interested to know what was happening. Thanked me for getting in touch.		None
2	24/06/2020 Hand delivered letter and maps. Discussed operations.	24/06/2020 Interested to know what was happening. Discussed wider forestry. Thanked me for getting in touch.		None
3	24/06/2020 Hand delivered letter and maps. Discussed operations.	24/06/2020 Hadn't noticed recent operations. Thanked me for getting in touch.		None
4	24/06/2020 Hand delivered letter and maps.	24/06/2020 Took letter. No comment.		None
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7	24/06/2020 Hand delivered letter and maps. Discussed operations.	24/06/2020 Thanked me for getting in touch.		None
8	24/06/2020 Hand delivered letter and maps. Discussed operations.	24/06/2020 I explained the current situation. They are unhappy that they didn't know the harvesting was starting under the Felling Licence. They said that they would do what they could to stop the planned harvesting. They have approached the owner to try and buy the trees, but he isn't interested. They requested to see the Environmental Impact Assessment. They are concerned that felled trees could hit the tower (scheduled monument). They said that the trees were protected as they are ASNW.	24/06/2020 I understood their position regarding not being notified. I explained there is not an EIA. I doubted that trees could hit the tower. I agreed that the lower area appeared on the AWIS layer on the Map Viewer and explained that it was LEPO. I tried to explain what that meant but they weren't interested in discussing it further.	24/06/2020 Measured trees to tower (see below). Likelihood of one of the trees able to reach the tower going the wrong way is very low. Severity of potential damage caused by tip of tree is low. This will be highlighted in the RA. 26/06/2020 Updated restock map hand delivered.

Distance from trees to tower.



Please provide information on any features or issues that you have identified.

Feature / Issue	Constraint	Opportunity
<i>e.g. Scheduled monument in NW corner of site</i>	<i>Risk of damage to monument</i>	<i>Work with HES to identify exclusion zone and agree actions for working within exclusion zone.</i>
See above.		

Part 3 – Proposed Restocking

We expect the area to be restocked unless you are thinning. Under the Forestry and Land Management (Scotland) Act 2018, we attach a continuing condition to the permission to secure restocking. You will be notified of these conditions before we issue the permission.

Restocking Proposal Table:

Use the table below to tell us how you intend to restock the areas felled. Please note that you can group felled areas together that are to be restocked in the same way. You must show a restock proposal for 100% of the felled area. If you intend to restock an alternative area, you must submit a map of the alternative area. You must give only one species choice per row.

Felling Site/Cpt(s)	Restocking proposal	Species (one per row)	% of site	Area (ha)	Density (stems per ha)	No of Trees	Alt Restock Site/Cpt (s)
A	RF	SS	64%	1.33	2,500	4,650	
A	RF	MB	13%	0.26	1,100	275	
A	RF	DOG	24%	0.49			
Total Area:				2.08			

- The restocking proposal should be either to replant the felled area (RF), restock by natural regeneration (NR), plant an alternative area (AA), restock with coppice regrowth (CR), restock with individual trees (IT), plant an alternative area with individual trees (AAIT), or create designed open ground (OG).
- If you are intending to deforest the site, insert do not intend to restock (DIR) in the Restocking Proposal column. Note that your application is unlikely to be approved if the site is to be deforested and no alternative area of restocking is proposed (see the Scottish Government's Policy on Control of Woodland Removal).

Please give a detailed description of your restocking proposals here. Please provide an evidenced justification where you want the restocking approval to go beyond the standard 2 years, for example the submission of a *Hylobius* management plan. (Use a separate sheet if necessary)



Native broadleaves will be planted along the watercourse, at 1,100 per hectare, and will be protected by 1.2m tubes. The remainder of the site will be planted with Sitka spruce, at 2,500 per hectare, as a future crop. Browsing will be monitored and control implemented if required. Restocking will take place in the 2020/2021 season. Treated trees will not be used.

You must provide maps showing the felling and restocking areas of your application. The map must meet the standards we require. These are set out in the [mapping standards page](#) on our website.

Part 4 – The Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1997

1. Are there any Tree Preservation Orders on the trees to be felled?

No [Please delete as appropriate]

If Yes, give details below:

The following Tree Preservation Order applies to the trees in this application

Order Made by:	
Nearest Town or locality name:	
Title of Order:	Date of Order:

2. Are any of the trees to be felled in a Conservation Area?

No [Please delete as appropriate]

The following Conservation Area applies to the trees in this application

Details of Conservation Area: _____

Part 5 – Declarations

I hereby apply for a permission to fell the trees described in this application and I certify that:

- I am the landowner or an occupier of the land with written permission of the landowner;
- Where the landowner is a business, I am authorised to sign legal contracts on behalf of that business;
- If I am acting on behalf of the landowner or occupier, I have submitted a signed mandate form with this application;
- Any necessary consents from any other person(s) if required, have been obtained;
- I have made the necessary checks with the local planning authorities regarding Tree Preservation Orders and Conservation Areas;
- I have notified all stakeholders that may be affected by the felling in this application and sought their views prior to submitting this application;
- I have read, understand and hereby acknowledge that Scottish Ministers may process any of my personal data contained in or relating to this application in accordance with the terms of [Scottish Forestry's Privacy Notice](#);
- Where applicable and appropriate I have submitted an EIA screening opinion form for operations contained within this application under the Forestry (Environmental Impact Assessment) (Scotland) Regulations 2017;
- I have read and understand this application fully and, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the information given in this application is complete, true, and accurate; and
- I accept that any false or misleading information provided in this application constitutes an offence and may result in any felling permission based on this application being revoked at any time.

Redacted

Signed

Print Redacted

Date 24/06/2020

[This application may only be signed by the owner of the land or the occupier of that land where they have written permission to do so. For land owned by a business it must be signed by someone with the authority to sign legal contracts on behalf of that business. If you are an agent signing this on behalf of the aforementioned you must append a copy of your mandate.]

DO NOT START FELLING UNTIL YOU HAVE AN APPROVED FELLING PERMISSION

From: Redacted ^{Redacted} ^{Redacted}@drrural.co.uk>

Sent: 26 June 2020 10:48

To: Scottish Forestry Conservancy, Central Scotland <centralscotland.cons@forestry.gov.scot>

Cc: RedactedRedactedRedactedRedacted @forestry.gov.scot>

Subject: Addiewell Farm Felling Permission Application

Dear Sir/Madam

Please see the attached felling permission application for Addiewell Farm, West Lothian.

Attached documents:

Agent mandate

Application

Harvesting map

Restocking map

Consulted neighbours map

Consultation letter

LIS report and snip

Pastmap snip

OS map snip

Strava snip

AWIS snip

If you have any questions or require any further information, please don't hesitate to get in touch.

Regards

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Redacted **Forestry Manager**



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From: Redacted @drrural.co.uk>
Sent: 10 July 2020 16:50
To: RedactedRedactedRedactedRedacted @forestry.gov.scot>
Cc: ADD001.612.19 - Addiewell Farm - Timber Harvesting <ADD00161219@drrural.co.uk>
Subject: RE: West Lothian - Timber Haulage

Hi Redacted

Please see the attached updated Application and Map taking into account your comments below.

Have a good weekend.

Regards

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