

Consultation outcome: Solway Firth potential Special Protection Area: outcome

Updated: Link to consultation outcome added

Special Protection Areas (SPAs) are special sites designated under the [EU Birds Directive](#) to protect rare, vulnerable and migratory birds.

The proposal is to extend the existing Upper Solway Flats and Marshes Special Protection Area (SPA) to create the Solway Firth SPA.

The proposed new boundary will include and protect the internationally important wintering populations of:

- red-throated diver
- common scoter
- goosander

The site is mainly situated in Scottish inshore waters. Scottish Natural Heritage will lead the consultation. See the details on their website using the link above.