This is a return visit to the Forestry Commission’s North Cumbria Forests, previously visited by CCFG in 2014 during the National conference. The area has a long history of conifers, particularly Douglas fir, under CCF management and we will revisit two forests Wythop and Dodd Wood. We will see a variety of CCF thinning regimes and underplanting. We will look at mixed species broadleaf CCF management and on Dodd Wood visit a site where large Douglas fir overstorey and first thinning of the understorey have been carried out by high lead extraction. We will have the benefit of both local staff with many years’ knowledge of the sites and Forest Research during our visit. Detailed information on each site to be visited will be available.

Start 09.30 Peil Wyke CA139YG, NY204306

- Meet at the Forestry Commission’s Peil Wyke office.
- Toilets and ample car parking.
- All attendees to travel from this point in mini bus to be provided be prepared to be away from your vehicle for all morning and afternoon. No dogs in the mini bus.

Lunch at Dodd Wood CA12 4QE, NY235281

- Bring your own picnic lunch or you can buy lunch at the Sawmill Tearoom
- Toilets and tap water available.

Finish 15.00 – 15.30 back at Peil Wyke

Please bring suitable outdoor clothing and clean safety footwear, high vis jackets/bibs and safety helmets. All mandatory for site visits, as well as a picnic lunch + drink.

*Places are limited and pre-booking is essential.*
Please contact the CCFG administrator administrator@ccfg.org.uk to book your place.