

Sheffield trails

The green light has been given for the creation of the first ever all-weather mtb trails in Wharncliffe Wood, near Sheffield. The Forestry Commission has linked up with independent local riders' organisation, SingletrAction, to create a new surfaced XC route in the 1,200-acre wood, together with a tough downhill course. Wharncliffe's rocky terrain has been a magnet for off-road riders since the 1980s and it was also the ideal training ground for Steve Peat. In addition to a new 'black'-rated downhill trail, a 10-mile XC route will be built, mostly from scratch, using the wood's natural contours. For more information on SingletrAction, visit www.singletraction.org.uk.

More on the Forestry Commission's Active Woods campaign can be found at www.forestry.gov.uk.
