

# Stacking Functions

Phase 1 of project 'A Regenerative Dartmoor' .  
Listening to land managers in the catchments of the Rivers Walkham & Tavy.

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**Stacking Functions is a Permaculture design concept.  
It describes one input or action that delivers multiple benefits.**

Firstly, thank you for your participation, you can remain anonymous in this process should you wish. Any personal information you do give will be held only for the duration of this project and not given to any third party without your expressed consent.

There are no right or wrong answers, I just want your honest responses and wherever you would like to elaborate, please do.

If any of my questions throw up questions from your side, make a note at the side and we'll circle back at some point.

We all see things from our own point of view, we all have our own agenda.

In the interest of full disclosure, here is my pov & my agenda:

I grew up in the Walkham Valley.

I noticed a decline in biodiversity on my own land, at my own hand, through poor grazing practice.

I needed to understand why this had happened and what I had to do to get it back.

I studied Permaculture Design and Holistic Management.

I practice AMP grazing (or a version of it)

I grow nutrient dense chemical free plants, meat and fibre.

Year on year, our biodiversity / natural capital has increased.

I am keen to empower farmers/ land managers to deliver a more nature friendly approach whilst retaining a thriving business.

I am passionate that farmers who deliver produce through truly regenerative systems should get a premium for their produce.

You will be aware that the single farm payment is being phased out & ELM scheme is being phased in - Environmental Land Management.

I would like to empower land managers in the Dartmoor catchments to be in a position to achieve the highest component payments possible, as soon as ELM is launched.

I would like Dartmoor to be a flagship National park with thriving plants, animals, businesses & people.

I want to learn what the obstacles are to you delivering this.

I'd like to know what you think about all of these topics.

The Devon Environment Foundation have awarded me a small grant towards the costs of my project.

I remain fully independent and must underline that this is a personal project and has no connection whatsoever with the Dartmoor ELM Test n Trials.



If you'd like to discuss any of this in more depth, please get in touch and thank you very much for taking part.