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File ref: NY 70/10

County: Cumbria **Site Name:** Scandal Beck, Brunt Hill

District: Eden

Status: Site of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI) notified under Section 28 of the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981.

Local Planning Authority: Eden District Council

National Grid Reference: NY 742023 **Area:** .038 (ha) .096 (ac)

Ordnance Survey Sheet 1:50,000: 91 **1:10,000:** NY 70 SW

Date Notified (Under 1981 Act): 1987 **Date of Last Revision:** –

Other Information:

This is a new site.

Description and Reasons for Notification:

Scandal Beck at Brunt Hill lies 2 km south-east of the village of Ravenstonedale. The exposure along the beck is important for Quaternary studies in Northern England. The sequence of deposits comprises (1) till; (2) a series of fluvial sands, silts and clays containing organic lenses and peat layers that probably date from the Ipswichian interglacial; (3) till. The exposure at Scandal Beck is unique in Northern England and provides key evidence for interpreting late Quaternary stratigraphy.