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SITE OF SPECIAL SCIENTIFIC INTEREST CITATION

CARMARTHENSHIRE

WAUN-DDU

Date of Notification: 1973, 1983

National Grid Reference: SN 822305

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Site Area: 34 ha

Description:

This site lies on the undulating summit ridge of Mynydd-Bâch, Trecastell. It is notable for the variety of mire types occurring within a small area. On the north-eastern side of the site tall herb-dominated soligenous flushes with sharp-flowered rush *Juncus acutiflorus*, lesser skullcap *Scutellaria minor* and whorled caraway *Carum verticillatum* occur. These contrast with small sedge flushes supporting amongst others tawny sedge *Carex hostiana*, flea sedge *C. pulicaris* and the brown mosses *Drepanocladus* sp. and *Campylium stellatum* to the north.

Waun-Ddu itself is a large area of acidophilous mire vegetation formed into pools and hummocks. Major constituents of the vegetation are cotton-grass *Eriophorum* spp, bog moss *Sphagnum* spp and cross-leaved heath *Erica tetralix*.

Remarks:

Within the Brecon Beacons National Park.

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