



Summary of Land Management Plan Proposals

Loch Trool LMP is a priority area in Galloway Forest District for conservation and biodiversity with the primary management objective being habitat expansion and connectivity, focusing on linking two designated oak wood with seedlings grown from acorn collected from existing Loch Trool stands.

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| Total Plan Area | 3107.0ha |
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| Species breakdown | 2017 (current) | 2027 (end of plan period) |
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| Primary species: Sitka Spruce | 36% | 21% |
| Secondary species: Mixed BL | 11% | 30% |
| Native broadleaf | 11% | 30% |
| Open space | 24% | 22% |

| Planned Operations | 2016–2026 plan period |
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| felling | 841.8ha |
| thinning | 0.00ha |
| restock | 655.2ha |
| road construction | 4760m |
| road upgrade | 10000m |

| Significant Environment / Conservation Features | |
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| Designated sites | Merrick Kells SSSI Glenhead & Buchan Oakwood SSSI Caldons Oakwood SSSI Glentool Oadkwoods SAC |
| Minimum Intervention / Natural Reserve | 30% of plantation |

Critical Success Factors:

- Establishment of oak areas to link the existing SSSI's.
- Improved water quality within R Dee catchment
- Completion of planned forest road construction

Consultation and Further Information:

During the development of this plan we have consulted publically with stakeholders known to have an interest in this plan area. For further information on the plan please contact Euan Wiseman, Planning Forester, Forestry Commission Scotland on 03000676387 or euan.wiseman@forestry.gov.uk