

Please complete this form to find out if you need consent from Forestry Commission Scotland, under the **Forestry (Environmental Impact Assessment) (Scotland) Regulations 2017**, to carry out your proposed forestry project. Please refer to Schedule 2 Selection Criteria for Screening Forestry Projects under <u>Applying for an</u> <u>opinion</u>. If you are not sure about what information to include on this form please contact your <u>local Conservancy office</u>.

#### Proposed Work

Please put a cross in the box to indicate the type of work you are proposing to carry out. Give the area in hectares and where appropriate the percentage of conifers and broadleaves

Proposed Work	select	Area in hectares	% Conifer	% Broad- leaves	Proposed work	select	Area in hectares
Afforestation	$\boxtimes$	7.8		100	Forest roads		
Deforestation					Forest quarry		
Location of work		Stratheskie Field, Benmore Forest NC 2939 0913					

#### Description of Forestry Project and Location

Provide details of the forestry project (size, design, use of natural resources such as soil, and the cumulative effect if relevant).

Please attach map(s) showing the boundary of the proposed work and other known details.

It is proposed to establish a small native broadleaf woodland within a current area of rough grazing permanent pasture. The surrounding area was discounted on the grounds of peat depth and botanical interest by the FLS Open Habitat Ecologist. The area will be planted with NVC W4 species to achieve 80% of area covered by trees with 20% open ground for internal space.

Provide details on the existing land use and the environmental sensitivity of the area that is likely to be affected by the forestry project.

Permanent pasture used for rough grazing of sheep and cattle. The only adjacent sensitivity is the River Oykel SSSI/SAC and it is anticipated that afforestation of grassland in this case will only have a positive/neutral effect.

# Description of Likely Significant Effects

Provide details on any likely significant effects that the project will have on the environment (resulting from the project itself or the use of natural resources) and the extent of the information available to assist you with this assessment.

None

Include details of any consultees or stakeholders that you have contacted in order to



make this assessment. Please include any relevant correspondence you have received from them.

The full list of consultees is provided in the LMP External Consultation Log - Appendix 1, however it is also worth noting the detail contained in the LMP Proposals section of this plan relating to the support for planting this area from the FLS Open Habitat Ecologist.

# Mitigation of Likely Significant Effects

If you believe there are likely significant effects that the project will have on the environment, provide information on the opportunities you have taken to mitigate these effects.

N/A

### Sensitive Areas

Please indicate if any of the proposed forestry project is within a sensitive area. Choose the sensitive area from the drop down below and give the area of the proposal within it.

Sensitive Area	Area
Select	

Property Details				
Property Name:	West Sutherland F	utherland Forest, Rosehall, Lairg		
Business Reference Number:		Main Location Code:		
Grid Reference: (e.g. NH 234 567)	NC 3390 0336	Nearest town or locality:	Rosehall, By Lairg	
Local Authority:		Highland Council		

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