

Lochaber Forest District
Map Type: SITE ANALYSIS
Location: Glen Garry
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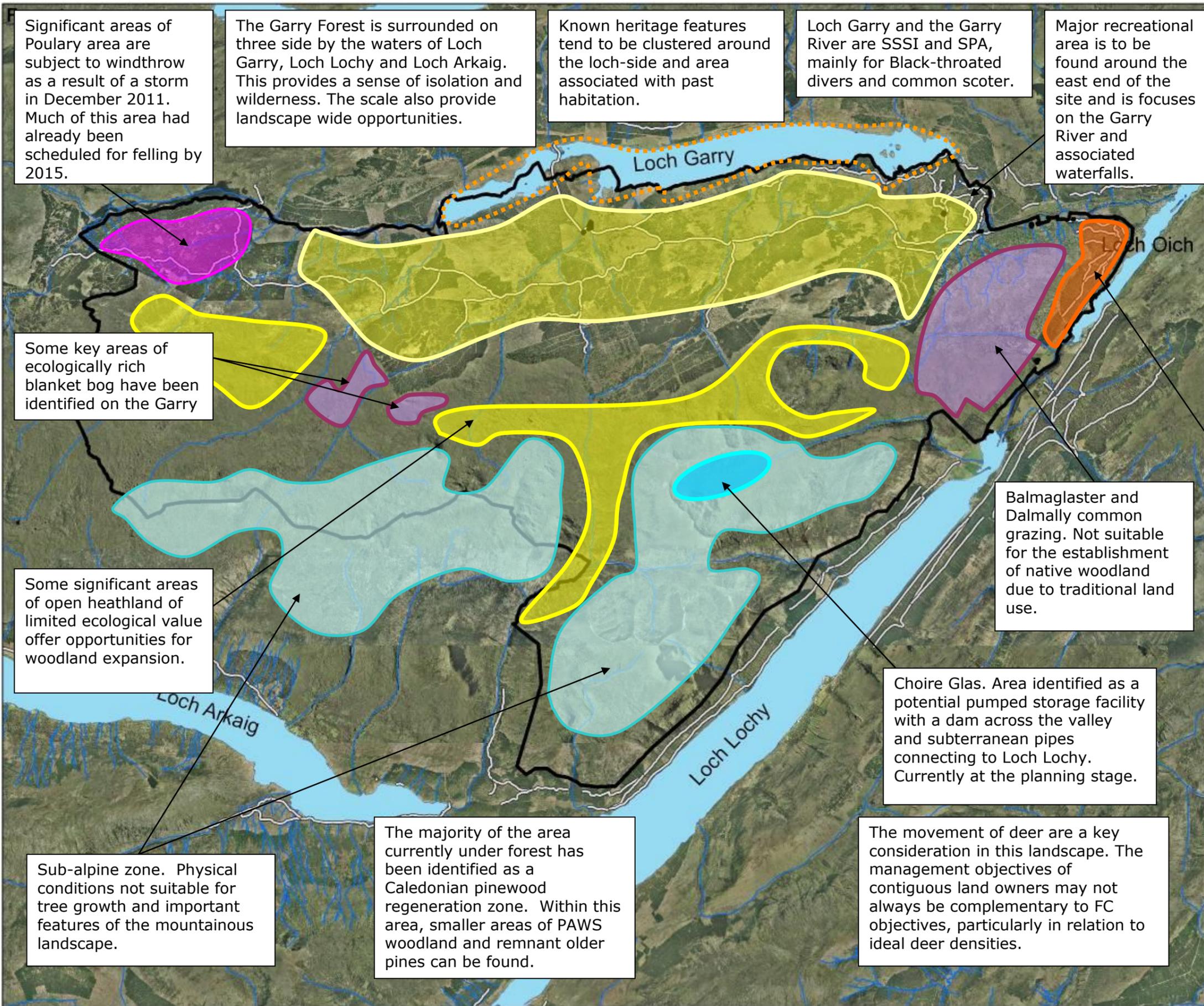
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Area of steep ground contiguous with the A 82. Much of this area falls within the area of the A82 Management Strategy.

Opportunities for micro-hydro electricity generating along some of the burns running towards Loch Garry.



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Significant areas of Poulary area are subject to windthrow as a result of a storm in December 2011. Much of this area had already been scheduled for felling by 2015.

The Garry Forest is surrounded on three side by the waters of Loch Garry, Loch Lochy and Loch Arkaig. This provides a sense of isolation and wilderness. The scale also provide landscape wide opportunities.

Known heritage features tend to be clustered around the loch-side and area associated with past habitation.

Loch Garry and the Garry River are SSSI and SPA, mainly for Black-throated divers and common scoter.

Major recreational area is to be found around the east end of the site and is focuses on the Garry River and associated waterfalls.

Some key areas of ecologically rich blanket bog have been identified on the Garry

Some significant areas of open heathland of limited ecological value offer opportunities for woodland expansion.

Sub-alpine zone. Physical conditions not suitable for tree growth and important features of the mountainous landscape.

The majority of the area currently under forest has been identified as a Caledonian pinewood regeneration zone. Within this area, smaller areas of PAWS woodland and remnant older pines can be found.

The movement of deer are a key consideration in this landscape. The management objectives of contiguous land owners may not always be complementary to FC objectives, particularly in relation to ideal deer densities.

Balmaglaister and Dalmally common grazing. Not suitable for the establishment of native woodland due to traditional land use.

Choire Glas. Area identified as a potential pumped storage facility with a dam across the valley and subterranean pipes connecting to Loch Lochy. Currently at the planning stage.

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Steep slopes containing maturing conifers above the A 82. These areas will be harvested as part of the A 82 project over the next ten years. The longer term vision will be to establish a vegetation structure maintains slope stability reducing the need for intensive management.

