Summary of Land Management Plan Proposals

Clauchrie is a small forest in the Nith valley dominated by Sitka spruce. The plan aims to continue diversification of both the age structure and species composition to make it more resilient to climate change, and to enhance the area for biodiversity.

The primary objective for the plan area is to produce high quality timber from Sitka spruce, with an increased contribution from other conifer species.

Total Plan Area	235ha
-----------------	-------

Tree Species breakdown	2014 (current)	2024 (end of plan period)
Primary species: Sitka spruce	59%	27%
Secondary species: Other conifers	22%	41%
Native broadleaf	7%	13%
Open space	26%	17%

Planned Operations	2014-2024 plan period
Felling	0ha
Thinning	255ha
Restock	11ha
Forest road construction	0m
Forest road upgrade	-m

Significant Environment /		
Conservation Features		
Designated sites	None	
Managed for conservation /	14%	
biodiversity		
Long Term Retention	2%	
Natural Reserve	1%	

Critical Success Factors

- Monitor woodland for Phytophthora ramorum symptoms and react accordingly.
- Obtaining resources and skills for the management of LISS areas.
- Maintaining productive timber outputs.
- Continued diversification and restructuring of the woodland.

Consultation and Further Information

During the development of this plan we have consulted publically including meetings with representatives of the local community and stakeholders known to have an interest in this plan area. For further information on the plan please contact: Robin Fuller, Planning Forester, Forestry Commission Scotland on 0300 067 6923 or robin.fuller@forestry.gsi.gov.uk.



