



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 [Applying for an opinion](#). If you are not sure about what information to include on this form please contact your [local Conservancy office](#).

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	<input type="checkbox"/>				Forest roads	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	15.9
Deforestation	<input type="checkbox"/>				Forest quarry	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Location of work							

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.
<p>To facilitate harvesting, forest management and peatland restoration the following roads (new construction to cat1a standard) are required:</p> <p>34778 North Loch Ailsh Extension – 2730 x 15 m NC 3021 1094 to NC 3224 1181 34777 Stratheskie North Spur – 130 x 15 m NC 3010 1090 to NC 3004 1101 34779 South Loch Ailsh Spur – 150 x 15 m NC 3166 1017 to NC 3177 1026 34469 Stratheskie East Spur – 1100 x 15 m NC 3021 0962 to 2924 0995 34470 Stratheskie West Spur – 180 x 15 m NC 2892 0925 to NC 2900 0940 34989 Ledmore North Spur – 70 x 15 m NC 2840 0968 to NC 2841 0975 35414 Ledmore South Spur – 110 x 15 m NC 2835 0967 to NC 2835 0956 34982 Cnoc Chaornaidh Spur – 1120 x 15 m NC 3077 0750 to NC 3125 0831 34401 Knock Craggie Extension – 710 x 15 m NC 3288 0675 to NC 3216 0699 34833 Allt Rugaidh Extension – 790 x 15 m NC 3432 0679 to NC 3501 0688 34750 Glas Choille Spur West – 670 x 15 m NC 2895 0791 to NC 2870 0850 34751 Glas Choille Spur East – 510 x 15 m NC 2939 0794 to 2916 0835 34645 Craggie Extension – 400 x 15 m NC 3013 0588 to 2979 0587 34752 Craggan Extension – 1390 x 15 m NC 3600 9896 to NC 3470 9858</p> <p>Roadlines can be viewed spatially at Map 11 - Approved Coupes and Roads.</p>



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

The existing land use of the areas affected by the construction of the proposed roads is first and second rotation non native conifer forest intended for timber production. No site lies within a designated site however the River Oykel SSSI and SAC could potentially be affected by forest operations.

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.

The most likely significant effect on the nearby designated freshwater habitats will be positive. Harvesting extraction distances will be significantly reduced, leading to less likelihood of soil erosion and diffuse or point source pollution. Run - off from forest roads drainage will be carefully managed into settlement ponds. Watercourse crossings will be bridged with higher specification materials rather than forwarder built temporary log bridges.

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 who have been involved in discussion about these proposals and their responses are contained in Appendix 1 - External Consultation Log. SEPA have been involved along with SNH as the proposals developed and are aware of our aims in protecting the sensitive aquatic habitats in the LMP area.

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.

We do not believe that there will be significant negative effects from these proposals. As noted above we believe that the proposals themselves will lead to positive impacts on forest operations and ongoing management of the land within the LMP area.

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...	



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

Owner's Details			
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Agent's Details			
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