



**West Strathyre
Land Management Plan**

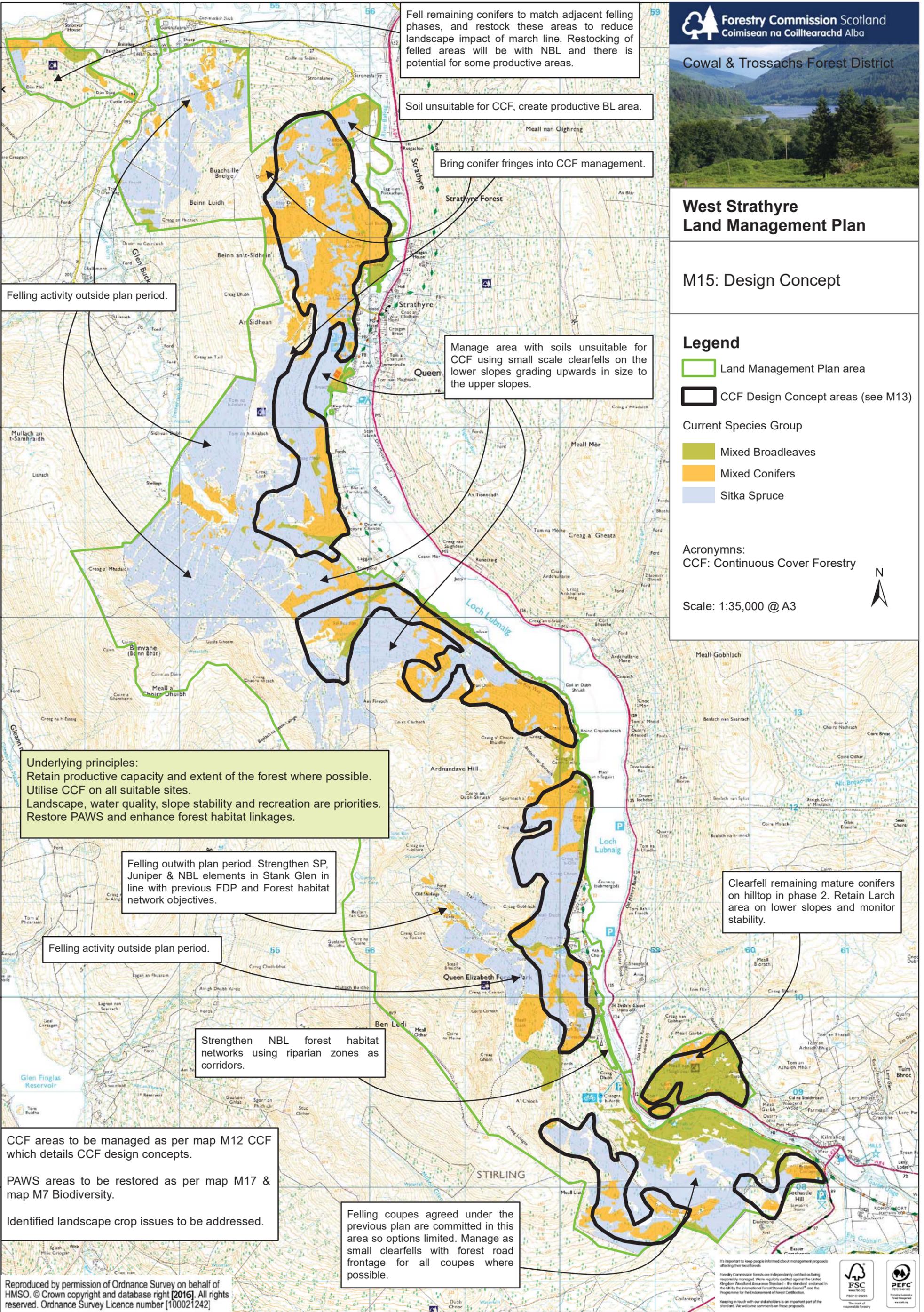
M15: Design Concept

Legend

- Land Management Plan area
 - CCF Design Concept areas (see M13)
- Current Species Group
- Mixed Broadleaves
 - Mixed Conifers
 - Sitka Spruce

Acronyms:
CCF: Continuous Cover Forestry

Scale: 1:35,000 @ A3



Fell remaining conifers to match adjacent felling phases, and restock these areas to reduce landscape impact of march line. Restocking of felled areas will be with NBL and there is potential for some productive areas.

Soil unsuitable for CCF, create productive BL area.

Bring conifer fringes into CCF management.

Felling activity outside plan period.

Manage area with soils unsuitable for CCF using small scale clearfells on the lower slopes grading upwards in size to the upper slopes.

Underlying principles:
Retain productive capacity and extent of the forest where possible.
Utilise CCF on all suitable sites.
Landscape, water quality, slope stability and recreation are priorities.
Restore PAWS and enhance forest habitat linkages.

Felling outwith plan period. Strengthen SP, Juniper & NBL elements in Stank Glen in line with previous FDP and Forest habitat network objectives.

Felling activity outside plan period.

Strengthen NBL forest habitat networks using riparian zones as corridors.

CCF areas to be managed as per map M12 CCF which details CCF design concepts.

PAWS areas to be restored as per map M17 & map M7 Biodiversity.

Identified landscape crop issues to be addressed.

Felling coupes agreed under the previous plan are committed in this area so options limited. Manage as small clearfells with forest road frontage for all coupes where possible.

Clearfell remaining mature conifers on hilltop in phase 2. Retain Larch area on lower slopes and monitor stability.