



Map Annotations

Concept Map

- **Sustainable timber resource** - Our main objective is to continue managing Bin and Deveron Woods as a sustainable and reliable source of timber for the regional economy. We'll harvest crops at the right age and carry out thinning where it adds value, helping us produce high-quality timber for local markets.
- **Recreational use** - The forests are well used by local people, which means we need to plan operations carefully. We'll manage work sensitively and share clear information so people understand what's happening.
- **Low Impact Silvicultural Systems (LISS)** - Some areas are steep, exposed or sensitive to ground damage, and a few stands may have missed earlier thinning windows. Where conditions allow, we'll keep moving suitable forests towards LISS to create a more diverse and resilient woodland.
- **Water environment** - Working near rivers, burns and private water supplies brings extra controls. We'll use these areas to strengthen riparian woodland, improve habitat links and add buffers where needed.
- **SSSI and SAC** - Several protected sites risk being affected by non-native tree spread and nearby forestry operations. We'll manage these areas carefully, remove unwanted regeneration and use extra protection measures where needed.
- **Landscape** - Felling size and timing must reflect the local landscape. We'll design harvesting and restocking to soften forest edges and improve how the forest fits into its surroundings.
- **Windblow** - Some exposed areas have suffered repeated storm damage in recent years. We'll recover timber quickly and design future felling to improve long-term forest stability.
- **Access** - Some commercial crops at South Balnoon have no road access. We'll create new forest roads so we can manage windblow and carry out thinning safely.
- **Heritage and environment** - The forest supports priority species and important heritage features, which affects when and how we can work. We'll map these assets and make sure they guide all future management decisions.
- **Deep peat** - Some areas contain deep peat, including sites that should be restored and others that need further assessment. We'll review each site and choose the right long-term management approach.
- **PAWS and LEPO** - The plan area includes ancient woodland sites and large areas of long-established woodland. We'll restore PAWS where possible and manage LEPO areas to protect old woodland features and improve long-term condition.