

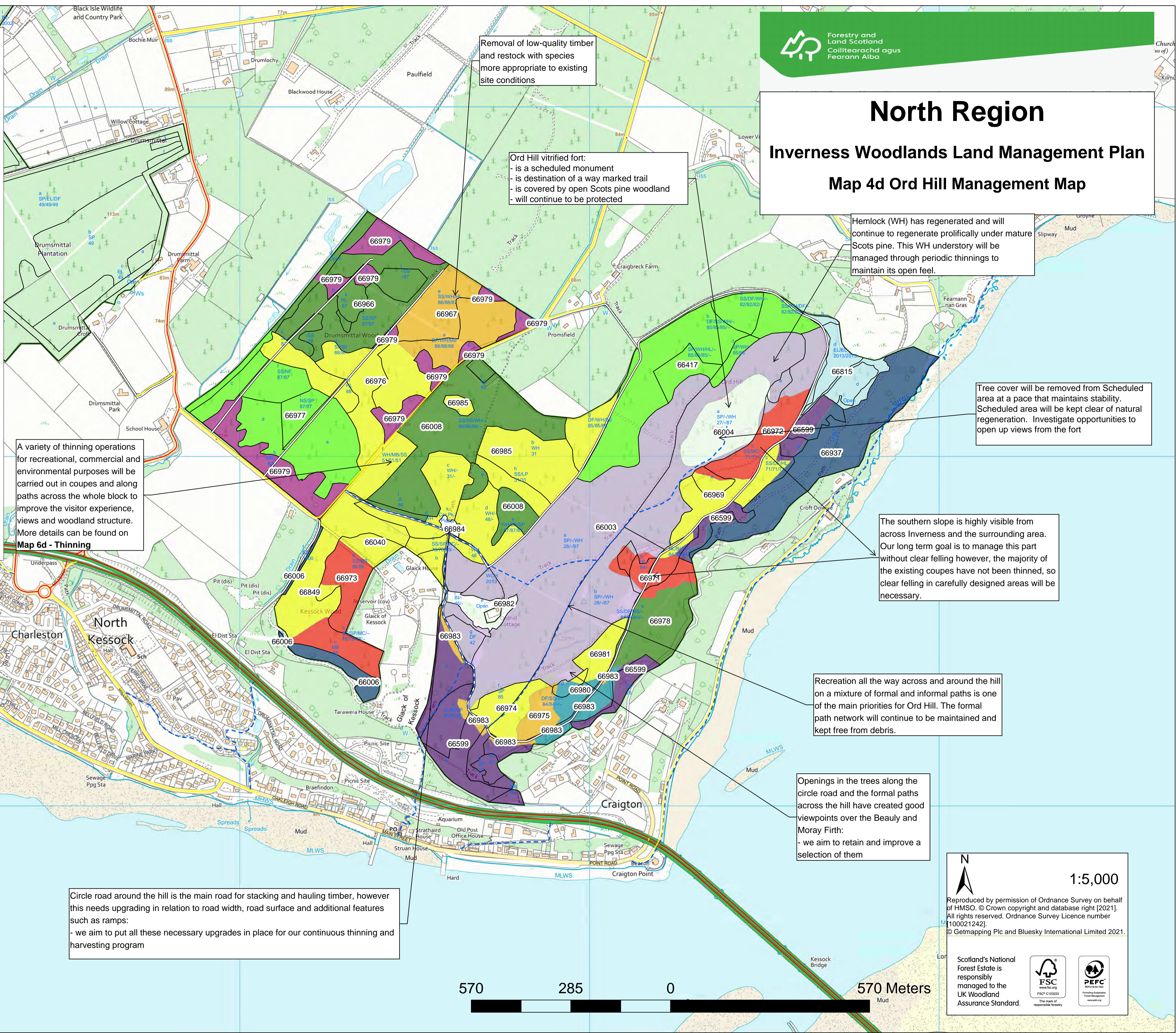
North Region

Inverness Woodlands Land Management Plan

Map 4d Ord Hill Management Map

Legend

- Forest Roads
- Core Paths
- Timber Transport Routes**
 - Agreed Route
 - Consultation Route
 - Severely Restricted Route
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 - Excluded Route
- Management Coupes - Felling Phase**
 - Felled or fell year requires review (2011 - 2020)
 - Phase 1 felling (2021 - 2025)
 - Phase 2 felling (2026 - 2030)
 - Phase 3 felling (2031 - 2035)
 - Phase 4 felling (2036 - 2040)
 - Phase 5 felling (2041 - 2045)
 - Phase 6 felling (2046 - 2050)
 - Phase 7 felling (2051 - 2055)
 - After 2055
 - Long Term Retention (Fell after Phase 3)
 - Natural Reserve
 - Minimum Intervention
 - Coppice
 - Low Impact Silviculture
 - Open
 - Blocks



Removal of low-quality timber and restock with species more appropriate to existing site conditions

Ork Hill vitrified fort:
- is a scheduled monument
- is destination of a way marked trail
- is covered by open Scots pine woodland
- will continue to be protected

Hemlock (WH) has regenerated and will continue to regenerate prolifically under mature Scots pine. This WH understorey will be managed through periodic thinnings to maintain its open feel.

Tree cover will be removed from Scheduled area at a pace that maintains stability. Scheduled area will be kept clear of natural regeneration. Investigate opportunities to open up views from the fort

A variety of thinning operations for recreational, commercial and environmental purposes will be carried out in coupes and along paths across the whole block to improve the visitor experience, views and woodland structure. More details can be found on **Map 6d - Thinning**

The southern slope is highly visible from across Inverness and the surrounding area. Our long term goal is to manage this part without clear felling however, the majority of the existing coupes have not been thinned, so clear felling in carefully designed areas will be necessary.

Recreation all the way across and around the hill on a mixture of formal and informal paths is one of the main priorities for Ord Hill. The formal path network will continue to be maintained and kept free from debris.

Openings in the trees along the circle road and the formal paths across the hill have created good viewpoints over the Beauly and Moray Firth:
- we aim to retain and improve a selection of them

Circle road around the hill is the main road for stacking and hauling timber, however this needs upgrading in relation to road width, road surface and additional features such as ramps:
- we aim to put all these necessary upgrades in place for our continuous thinning and harvesting program

LAND MANAGEMENT PLAN APPROVAL

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