

Ormaig & Salachry thinning

Scale @ A1: 1:10,000

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Amenity thinning is focused on the removal of essentially problem trees that are impacting adversely on site infrastructure, recreation areas, ecologically sensitive open ground and native woodland areas. There is usually no measureable volume removed and fellings may target small, scattered and individual trees in order to achieve the thinning objective. The scale of the operations makes representation of these areas on maps difficult. In general the approach would be to remove minimum numbers of trees to achieve the objective of removing the adverse impacts arising from cover within these targeted areas. Within Ancient Woodland Sites (AWS) there is also a priority of removing non-native species and protecting remnants.

Silvicultural Thinning

Silvicultural thinning is undertaken to achieve a silvicultural objective. This may involve the management of Continuous Cover Forestry (CCF) areas or thinning of clearfell crops to improve stem quality. There is usually a significant and measurable output in terms of both timber volume and economic output. The location of these areas is determined by site access, slope, soil conditions, exposure and crop characteristics. The areas shown for this type of thinning are indicative and implementation will depend on market conditions.

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