

Summary of North Rannoch Land Management Plan 2016-2026 Proposals

The Land Management Plan for North Rannoch is composed of two forest blocks, Rannoch Lodge and Talladh a Bheithe. These forests are typical of many commercial upland forest which are heavily influenced by soil type, climate and the legacy of an even age structure. Both forests have sizable areas of PAWS designated ground and scattered heritage features of which some are exposed and others are still under tree cover.

Total Plan Area	1508 ha
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Species breakdown	Current	End of the plan period
Primary species: SS	30%	25%
Secondary species: LP (beginning of the plan)	19%	14%
Secondary species: SP (end of the plan)	9%	16%
Native broadleaf	7%	10%
Open space	20%	21%

Planned operations	
Felling	225 ha
Thinning	282 ha
Restock	225 ha
New planting	0 ha
Road construction	800 m + 2 access points (TAB)
Road upgrade	0 m

Significant environment/ Conservation features	
Designated sites	Five known unscheduled ancient monuments. 15 recorded features are found (TAB) and are recorded in the National Monument Record of Scotland and Tay-FD data sets.
Vulnerable species populations	Presence of water quality sensitive species (fresh water pearl mussel and salmonids). Populations of red squirrel, black grouse and pearl bordered fritillary are present
A listed buildings	None
Minimum intervention & natural reserve	9% of plantation

Critical Success Factors

- The deer population is maintained at a level where browsing has minimal impact,
- Windblown areas are cleared and restocked as per the recommendations of this plan,
- Site/species selection principles are applied to restocking coupes,
- Landscape design is carried out to a high standard in order to reflect the NSA sensitivities,
- CCF coupes are actively managed.

Consultation and Further Information

During the development of this plan we have consulted publically including meetings with the local community representatives and stakeholders known to have an interest in this plan area. For further information on the plan please contact Arttu Varis, Planning Forester & Programme Manager, Forestry Commission Scotland on 0300 067 6380 or arttu.varis@forestry.gsi.gov.uk

Legend

-  Road Segments
-  North Rannoch Blocks
-  Blocks

