

Callander Land Management Plan 2016-2026

Summary of Proposals

Callander Land Management Plan area is adjacent to the town after which it is named and is split into two distinct units either side of the River Teith (see location map). The woodlands are situated on the Highland Boundary Fault, and Callander Craggs form an impressive backdrop to the town. The mix of conifer and broadleaved woodland are set against a rugged mountain landscape when viewed from the south. The key objectives for Callander emphasise the importance of recreation and landscape. Clearfelling will deal with recent wind damaged stands and restocking will be with a mix of conifers and broadleaved species. Management options for 48.2ha of Balameanoch wood remain under review and approval was not sought for management of this area.

Total Plan Area	203ha
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Species breakdown	Current	End of the plan period
Sitka and Norway spruce	27.5%	6.7%
Scots pine	7.3%	5.3%
Other conifers	24.2%	19.5%
Oak and birch	3.9%	16.3%
Other broadleaves	21.9%	31.7%
Open space	15.2%	20.5%

Planned operations	
Felling	26.5ha; much of this deals with windblown trees
Thinning	approximately 8ha
Restock	35.9ha of which 11.1ha is conifer and 24.8ha broadleaf
New planting	none
Road construction	none
Road upgrade	Roads in Coilhallan and the Craggs were upgraded shortly before the plan was approved. A short section of road was also built in the Craggs section to facilitate windblow clearance and restocking.

Significant environment/ Conservation features	
Designated sites	There are no designated sites in the plan area though Coilhallan borders the Eas Gobhain, part of the River Teith SAC.
Vulnerable species populations	Black grouse use the woodlands as do various birds of prey; there is a population of red squirrels.
A listed buildings	None
Minimum intervention & natural reserve	In 7.1ha of the plan area management operations will be restricted to those necessary for conservation objectives.

Consultation and Further Information

During the development of this plan we have consulted publically including meetings with the local community and stakeholders known to have an interest in this plan area. For further information on the plan please contact:

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