Summary of Forest Design Plan Proposals

This is the first forest plan covering former farmland at Springhall near Glenfarg in lowland Perthshire. The Land Management Plans focus is on the creation of new woodland where focus is primarily timber production with a strong biodiversity component planting native broadleaves, retaining open land and protecting existing habitat to increase diversity.

Total Plan Area	91.8 ha

Species breakdown	Current	End of the plan period
Primary species: SS	23%	23%
Secondary species: WRC	9%	9%
Native broadleaf	27%	27%
Open space	18%	18%

Planned operations	Plan period
Felling	0 ha
Thinning	0 ha
Restock	0 ha
New planting	66.7 ha
Road construction	0 m
Road upgrade	0 m

Significant environment/ Conservation features	
Designated sites	None but priority open habitat Low-land acid grassland (6.8ha)
Vulnerable species populations	some signs of geese, common wildfowl and passerine
A listed buildings	None
Minimum intervention & natural reserve	0% of plantation

Critical Success Factors:

At the end of this plan period we should have established young woodland with good future productive potential and a wide range of options available for future managers.

- The biodiversity value of the site will be enhanced by developing native woodland habitats,
- Continued management of the Lowland Acid Grassland area to maximise its environmental value,
- Recreational use of the woodland will have become well established.

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 <u>arttu.varis@forestry.gsi.gov.uk</u>

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