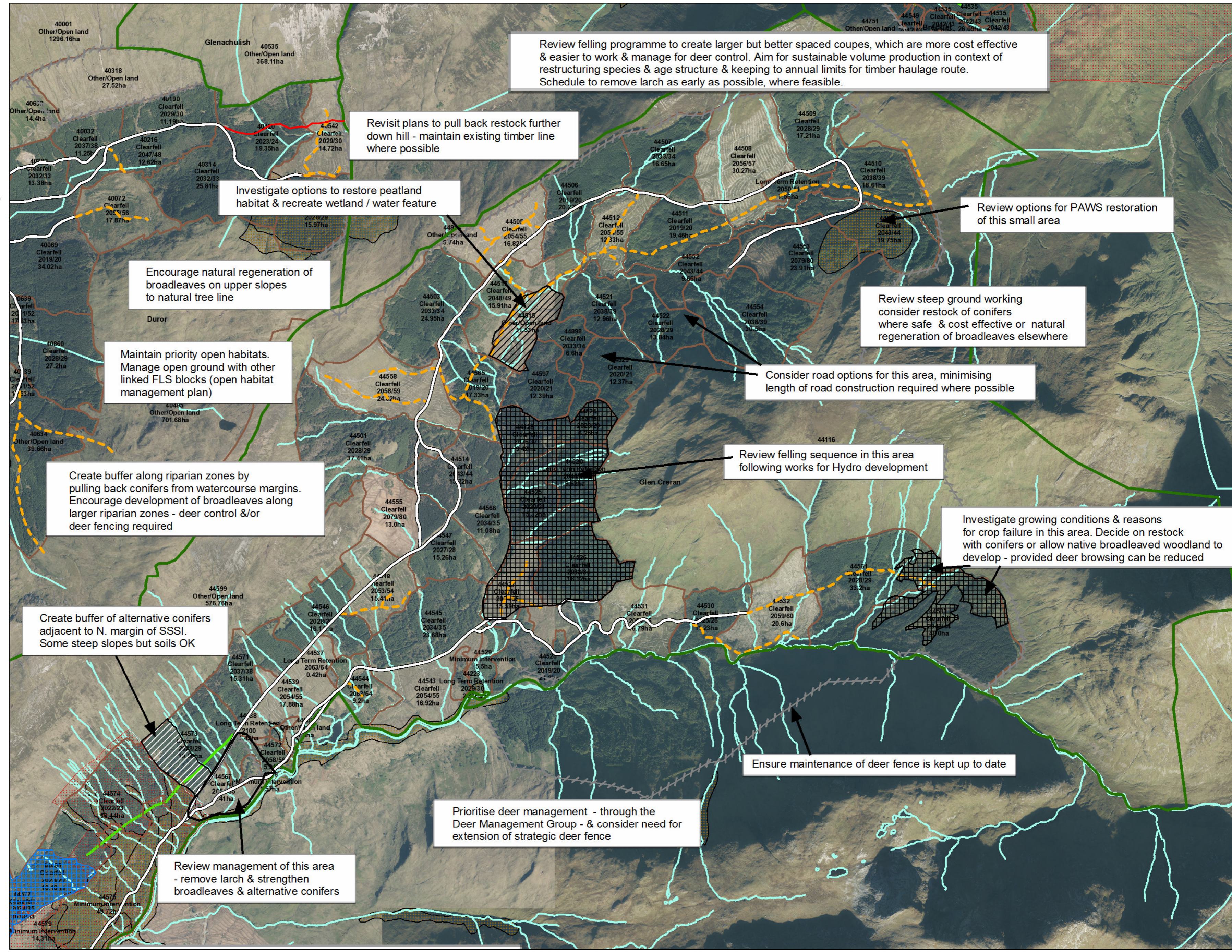


Creran upper zone concept map

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Legend

Forest Roads	Ranger Access	
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Sites of Special Scientific Interest (Scotland)	Fences (Scot.)	
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Rec - Walking	Management Coupes	
Easy	Management Coupes	
Easy - All Ability (Scotland Only)	Planned Roads	
Moderate	Planned Roads	
Difficult	Watercourses	
Strenuous (Scotland Only)	Watercourses	
Blocks	Ancient Woodland Inventory (Scot.)	
	Ancient (of semi-natural origin)	
	Long-Established (of plantation origin)	



Review felling programme to create larger but better spaced coupes, which are more cost effective & easier to work & manage for deer control. Aim for sustainable volume production in context of restructuring species & age structure & keeping to annual limits for timber haulage route. Schedule to remove larch as early as possible, where feasible.

Revisit plans to pull back restock further down hill - maintain existing timber line where possible

Investigate options to restore peatland habitat & recreate wetland / water feature

Review options for PAWS restoration of this small area

Encourage natural regeneration of broadleaves on upper slopes to natural tree line

Review steep ground working consider restock of conifers where safe & cost effective or natural regeneration of broadleaves elsewhere

Maintain priority open habitats. Manage open ground with other linked FLS blocks (open habitat management plan)

Consider road options for this area, minimising length of road construction required where possible

Create buffer along riparian zones by pulling back conifers from watercourse margins. Encourage development of broadleaves along larger riparian zones - deer control &/or deer fencing required

Review felling sequence in this area following works for Hydro development

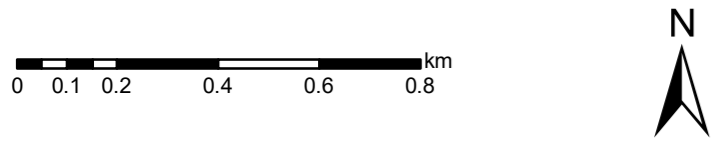
Investigate growing conditions & reasons for crop failure in this area. Decide on restock with conifers or allow native broadleaved woodland to develop - provided deer browsing can be reduced

Create buffer of alternative conifers adjacent to N. margin of SSSI. Some steep slopes but soils OK

Ensure maintenance of deer fence is kept up to date

Prioritise deer management - through the Deer Management Group - & consider need for extension of strategic deer fence

Review management of this area - remove larch & strengthen broadleaves & alternative conifers



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