

Accessible text from Map 1 – Analysis & Concept

Concept 1

Maintain and protect areas of priority habitats and areas that support botanically rich ground-flora communities.

Analysis 1

Sensitive areas will be left open and those Ground Water Dependant Terrestrial Ecosystems which have not been assessed as botanically rich will be planted with low density native species where this will enhance the wetland habitat.

Concept 2

Identify opportunities for successful woodland establishment through facilitation of deer management operations.

Analysis 2

Open space, access and infrastructure will be built into the plan with timescales to allow for wildlife management control in advance of any operations to reduce the current population.

Concept 3

Enhance species diversity in the wider plan area for biodiversity, habitats and water quality.

Analysis 3

Woodland creation will be sympathetic to the wider Tannylaggie block to provide increase diversity through careful species choice and application of good silvicultural practice, enhancing local native broadleaf cover in consideration with other ecosystems services.

• Concept 4

Investigate opportunities for woodland carbon code projects

Analysis 4

Appropriate native broadleaved species will be established on plantable areas. Peatland edge woodland will be established through flat planting, low density broadleaves to optimise carbon capture across the site.

• Concept 5

Create access to the site for future forest management operations

Analysis 5

Infrastructure will be investigated that reflects the size and requirements of the site. Existing ATV tracks will be utilised and improved where appropriate, to allow access for continued management of the woodland.

Plan Objectives

- 1. To afforest Kilquhockadale with broadleaves to enhance diversity within the Tannylaggie Land Management Plan
- 2. To protect and enhance areas of deep peat and priority habitats
- 3. To sequester carbon through woodland creation and retention of peatland.
- 4. To provide opportunities to enhance wildlife management to the wider block area.

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