



Map Annotations

Aultmore LTP Map 4: Concept

- Plant Health - Areas of larch to be retained for structural and age diversity. These areas will be monitored for signs of *Phytophthora ramorum* and removed if necessary in the future.
- Water environment – Working near rivers, burns and private water supplies brings extra protection measures. We'll use these areas to strengthen riparian woodland, improve habitat links and buffers where needed.
- The rest of the forest will be managed under commercial clearfell/restock prescriptions adapting to soil characteristics and fitting in with the landscape.
- Potential area for peatland restoration. Create openings via thinning racks to enable better assessment of the area's hydrological unit.
- Long established woodlands of plantation origin (LEPO) areas in Aultmore do not have high conservation value. So will continue to be managed as commercial woodland or undergo peatland restoration, as appropriate.
- Plant health – Some coupes are in programme for felling due to Dothistroma Needle Blight (DNB) infection. These Phase 2 coupes will be assessed and retained if infection has stabilised. The threat of DNB is considered low and Lodgepole pine will continue to be planted in mixture with Sitka spruce.
- Extend quarry to facilitate with required road maintenance and construction.
- Areas identified as suitable for peatland restoration. All restored areas will be surrounded by a 60m wide low density native mixed broadleaf buffer to prevent infilling with conifers.
- Areas of younger crop which are not performing at timber objectives will be reviewed for biomass felling.