

## Summary of proposals

The following outcomes are required and the following issues have been addressed in the plan revision: -

### **Economic context**

- ◆ Approval for 706.2ha of felling and 707.5ha of restocking is being sought, for completion within the first 10 years of the plan.
- ◆ Timber production from felling operations is currently estimated at 34.3Km<sup>3</sup>/annum.
- ◆ Reassessment of felling dates to ensure process of restructuring is on track.
- ◆ Construction of new roads requires EIA approval for 18.9Km of new roading and felling approval for 24.9 ha of associated roadline felling within the first 5 years of the plan. A further 6.8Km of new roading is required in the following 5-year period.
- ◆ Outline proposals for 36.0ha of new planting, for completion within the first 10 years of the plan. In addition, a further 6.1ha of new native woodland by natural regeneration may be achieved. Approval will be sought by amendment to the plan at a later date.

### **Environmental context**

- ◆ Full restoration of PAWS is incorporated, in line with current policy.
- ◆ Development of habitat network framework for native woodlands, open space and riparian corridors.
- ◆ Protection of sensitive conservation features through appropriate silvicultural design.

### **Social context**

- ◆ Introduction of further design improvements associated with the existing recreation facilities, roads and viewpoints, including response to the new Visitor Zone analysis.
- ◆ Re-assessment of upper planting lines, in particular at Lettermore, from a landscape perspective, post 2004 Mull Strategy, in recognition of current policy on deforestation and taking account of conservation sensitivities.