



Ormaig and Salachry Land Management Plan Summary

Ormaig and Salachry LMP was approved on 8-9-2016 and runs for 10 years.

Vision

The plan for Ormaig & Salachry covers 945ha. The plan combines two separate plans that covered each forest; Ormaig (736.64ha) and Salachry (208.34ha). Combining associated plans is part of a wider district strategy for efficiency savings and broader vision for the area. Ormaig Forest is located north-west of Kilmartin, beside Loch Craignish and opposite Ardfarn. Salachry straddles the A816, to the north of Kilmartin. Both lie on the periphery of Kilmartin Glen, an area rich in archaeology, with Ormaig in particular holding a large number of archaeological sites. The forests are primarily commercial conifer forests, although Ormaig has a significant band of coastal native woodland and associated Ancient Woodland sites. Harvesting is close to completion of felling all first rotation crops in both forests, with restructuring progressing reasonably well in each. Access to Ormaig is shared with a number of others, including Ormaig House, an area of private ground located within Ormaig Forest. The privately owned Salachry Croft lies in the centre of Salachry Forest, but is associated with an area of agricultural land owned by FCS. External land use includes private forestry, various grades of agricultural land associated with neighbouring farms and Loch Craignish which has several fish farms and marina at Ardfarn.

The primary objectives for the plan area are:

- Timber production – commercial conifer areas.
- Development of internal habitat networks, with contributions to the wider external networks.
- Species diversification or change in response to the Climate Change agenda and plant health issues.
- Landscape enhancement from key public viewpoints.
- Full restoration of Ancient Woodland Sites.
- Protection and enhancement of archaeological sites.
- To comply with the Forest and Water Guidelines.
- To comply with UKWAS guidance for certification.



Total Plan Area	945hectares (ha)
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Summary of Land Management Plan Proposals

SPECIES	2017		2026	
	AREA (ha)	%	AREA (ha)	%
Sitka spruce	567.3	60	460.3	48.7
Norway spruce	17.3	1.8	38.5	4
Scots pine	1.8	0.2	19.5	2.1
Lodgepole pine	5.7	0.6	4.5	0.5
Macedonian pine	-	-	-	-
Western red cedar	-	-	5.6	0.6
Douglas fir	10.1	1	9.7	1
Noble fir	4	0.4	7	0.7
Western hemlock	0.5	0.1	1.7	0.2
Larches	24.8	2.6	16.7	1.8
Grand fir	0.8	0.1	0.8	0.1
Native Broadleaves	77.6	8.2	166.3	17.6
Sycamore	0.2	-	0.2	-
Felled	58.7	6.2	-	-
Internal open space	153	16.3	187.1	19.8
Open hill tops	7.6	0.8	11.5	1.2
Lost land	3.8	0.4	3.8	0.4
Water	5.6	0.6	5.6	0.6
Agriculture	6.7	0.7	6.7	0.7
TOTALS	945.5	100	945.5	100



Planned Operations	2017– 2026 plan period
Felling Restocking Natural regeneration	179.9ha 167.0ha 68.8ha
Significant Environment / Conservation Features	
Area of Great Landscape Value (AGLV)	Both Ormaig and Salachry lie within the councils Area of Great Landscape Value (AGLV)
Natural reserves	16.7ha
Ancient Woodland	The western edge of Ormaig is designated and an ancient woodland.

Critical Success Factors:

- Timber production requires completion of felling (179.9ha) and restocking (167.0 ha), within 10 years of felling. (see section 5.1 Forest Operations area statements)
- Timber production 25.9 Km³ - requires completion of felling program.
- PAWS restoration requires completion of felling program to remove exotics.
- Protection of archaeological features requires adherence to Scheduled Monument Management Plan prescriptions and to the UKFS Forests and Historic Environment guidance.

Consultation and Further Information:

Council area: Argyll & Bute council

Community council: Dunadd Community Council, Craignish Community Council

Consultation: Public consultation August 2014

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Location Map

