Scottish Forestry

The Plant Health (Official Controls and Miscellaneous Provisions) (Scotland) Regulations 2019

The Plant Health (*Phytophthora pluvialis*) (Scotland Demarcated Area No. 2) Notice

A plant health inspector appointed by the Scottish Ministers for the purposes of The Plant Health (Official Controls and Miscellaneous Provisions) (Scotland) Regulations 2019 ("the Regulations") has confirmed the presence of *Phytophthora pluvialis* on premises in part of the region of Highland known as Ross-shire. In exercise of the powers conferred by regulation 17 of the Regulations, I give the following notice:

Citation

- 1. This notice
 - a) may be cited as the Plant Health (*Phytophthora pluvialis*) (Scotland Demarcated Area No. 2) Notice; and
 - b) with effect from midday on 19th July 2022 revokes and replaces the Plant Health (*Phytophthora pluvialis*) (Scotland Demarcated Area No. 1) Notice made on 8th December 2021.

Demarcated area

2. Pursuant to regulation 17(2)(a) of the Regulations, the area in Highland within the boundary described in Annex 1, and shown depicted on the map in Annex 2, is demarcated.

Restriction on felling relevant susceptible material without prior notification

- 3 a. Pursuant to regulation 17(2)(b) of the Regulations, a person must notify Scottish Forestry in advance in writing of their intention to fell any relevant susceptible material within the demarcated area.
- 3 b. Scottish Forestry can be contacted at Highland and Islands Conservancy, Fodderty Way, Dingwall, Ross-Shire, IV15 9XB Email: highland.cons@forestry.gov.scot

Prohibition on the movement of relevant susceptible material

4. Pursuant to regulation 17(2)(b) of the Regulations, no person may move any relevant susceptible material out of or within the demarcated area specified in this notice, unless authorised in writing by an inspector.

Relevant susceptible material

- 5. For the purposes of paragraphs 3 and 4 above, relevant susceptible material means
- (a) the following material that has originated within the demarcated area -
 - (i) any wood of the genus *Tsuga*, *Pseudotsuga*, *Pinus and Notholithocarpus*, other than in the form of wood packaging material or dunnage;
 - (ii) any isolated bark of the genus *Tsuga, Pseudotsuga, Pinus and Notholithocarpus*;
 - (iii) any trees of the genus *Tsuga, Pseudotsuga, Pinus and Notholithocarpus*, including felled or fallen trees, fruit, seeds, leaves or foliage.
- (b) any plants for planting of the genus *Tsuga*, *Pseudotsuga*, *Pinus* and *Notholithocarpus* that has originated or is residing within the demarcated area.

Commencement of restriction and prohibition

6. The measures stipulated in this notice apply on and after midday on 19th July 2022 until further notice.

Signed

David Signorini

Chief Executive, Scottish Forestry – 11th July 2022

ANNEX 1

Description of the extent of the demarcated area

The boundary begins on the Skye Bridge at NG 7499 2730 on the A87. At this point the boundary heads north following the coastline offshore past Erbusaig Bay, Portnacloich and Duirinish on to the Eilean a Chait lighthouse. From here the boundary heads due north to Kishorn Island thus ensuring that all of Loch Carron and its shoreline to the east is included within the demarcated area. The boundary excludes Kishorn Island itself and follows the south eastern coastline of Loch Kishorn north wards once more continuing along the start of the River Kishorn to the road bridge where the minor road from Tornapress to Applecross intersects with it at NG 8341 4230.

Here the boundary follows the minor road 400 m East to the junction with the A896 at NG8376 4217. At the junction the boundary turns north and follows the A896 past Rassal and Couldoran woods to the junction with the track at the south end of Loch an Loin at NG 8517 4468. Here the boundary leaves the main road and follows the track east then north along the shore of Loch an Loin to the point where it crosses the Allta Ghiuthais at NG8589 4523. The boundary then follows the right hand fork in the track north east along the north bank of the Allt a Ghiuthais. It continues to follow this track encircling Sgurr a Gharaidh and Glas Bheinn inside the demarcated area until it meets Tullich Wood at NG 9174 4284.

The boundary skirts the northern perimeter of the Tulloch woodlands along the northern bank of the Abhainnn Bhuachaig watercourse, until it crosses beneath the A896 public highway at NG 9256 4256. Here the boundary follows the A896 to where it terminates at the road junction with the A890 at NG 9318 4315, and continues to follow the A890 south east past Strathcarron railway station, then turning south west for 350 m before turning left onto the minor road past Achintee at NG 9410 4179.

The boundary follows the track through Achintee farm and joins a hill path past the reservoir at NG 9449 4158 following the hill path south east crossing the Allt a Ghiubhais at NG 9539 4043. The boundary continues on along the track in a south east then easterly direction until it meets a larger track at NG 9947 3855. Here it follows the easterly fork for 1000m until the bridge at NH 0028 3819. The boundary then follows the Uisge Dubh or Black Water south to NH 0013 3641.

At this point the boundary circles Ben Killilan and Sguman Coinntich inside the demarcated area. From the Black Water it turns south west to follow the River Ling to NG 9787 3454. It then turns south east and follows the Allt Gleann a Choire Dhomhain for 3.5 km. At the waterfall at NH 0021 3192 it turns south west and follows the Allt a Choire Chaoil for 1.5 km. At NG 9955 3062 it follows the tributary that runs south east for 1 km.

At NH 0035 3006 the boundary continues in a south easterly direction, moving across the hill until it joins the Allt a Ghlas Choire at NH 0055 3000. At this point it follows the Allt a Ghlas Choire south west for 4.5 km until it flows into the River Elchaig. At NG 9644 2824 the boundary begins to follow the River Elchaig in a south easterly direction for 3 km. At NG 9911 2690 the boundary leaves the watercourse and heads south for 1.5 km crossing Carnan Cruithneachd. At NG 9909 2539 the boundary turns south west following the watercourse of an unnamed stream for 800 m until it flows into the Allt na Teangaidh. The boundary follows this watercourse south west turning slightly south at NG 9844 2460 where the river becomes the Allt Mam Turc.

The boundary leaves the watercourse and joins the perimeter of the forest block at NG 9847 2413 which it follows in a south easterly direction for 2 km.

At NG9990 2216, the boundary follows the perimeter of the forest block south west for 250 m to NG9968 2203. At NG 9970 2201 it follows the course of the Alt Choinneachain, initially north west and then south west until it joins the Abhainn Chonaig which it follows south west. At NG 9646 2108 it turns south east to follow the course of the River Croe for 3 km. At NG 9884 1860 it turns south west for 5 km crossing the Fiver Sisters mountains .

At NG 9704 1400 it crosses the A87. It then follows the watercourse of the Allt Mhalagain south, turning south west along the Allt Coire Toiteil watercourse until NG 9521 1165. It then heads slightly north west for approximately 1.5 km as moves around Sgurr na Sgine until it joins the Allt Coire Mhalagain at NG 9375 1200.

It follows the Allt Coire Mhalagain south west until it joins the Abhainn Gleann Dubh Lochain at NG 9199 0971. It follows the watercourse of the Abhainn Gleann Dubh Lochain until it flows into the Dubh Lochain. It runs through the loch and then follows the watercourse of River Arnisdale west through Glen Arnisdale until it flows into the sea at Loch Hourn at NG 8464 0940.

It then follows the coastline offshore north west past Eilean Rarsaidh and around Sandaig Island, north east past Port a' Gharaidh and Gleneig Bay, north west around Kyle Rhea, north to Loch Alsh and then north west until it meets up again at the Skye bridge at NG 7499 2730.

ANNEX 2 - Map of demarcated area

