Delays in felling due to marketing constraints and to restocking, plus deer damage have affected forest restructuring. Species choice will be affected unless increased protection from deer is given.

Exposure severely limits opportunities to thin and reduces future species choices.

View from ferry routes to consider

Low value crops have been cut to waste or put into forwarder tracks, creating problems for restocking.

Open land has been proposed for new planting

Recreation routes to consider

Protection and setting of historicallly important townships to consider

Mingary Burn SAC to protect

Glen Gorm public road is enclosed by conifers, some starting to blow over road. Powerline corridor also vulnerable to windblown trees

Significant areas of low value Lodgepole pine, some now affected by Dothistroma and others by windblow, to consider. Species choice at next rotation is limited by soils.

No forest roads currently in the Erray section of Ardmore

Recreation toutes to consider

Backcloth to Dervaig is important in the landscape

Opportunity to consider improvements to access, setting and interpretation of Scheduled Ancient Monuments

Access constraints apply to the Lettermore forest road. Opportunity to consider alternative haul route along west side of Loch Frisa,

Backcloth to Mishnish lochs has important landcsape sensitivities

Significant areas of failed Lodgepole pine in Aros - decision needed on what to do with these areas.

Only one forest road in Aros - significant investment in road construction required to access timber

Access to Baliscate Chapel to be created. Setting of chapel needs improving.

All three woodland areas are important for wildlife, especially raptors. More localised conservation interests include; Hazel Gloves fungus, Junpier, Lesser Twayblade and salmonid populations.

Soils permit a range of future species choices in lower areas with Brown earths. Choices are much more limited in higher areas with shallow soils and on extensive areas of deep peat.

Significant area of Ancient Woodland sites in eastern part of Aros, along with stretches of exisiting native woodland

Rhododendron spreading in from Aros Park

Deep peats, bogs and large watercourses/drains present access issues.

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Opportunities & Constraints Map

Scale: 1:18,000

Date: November 2011

Legend

- SAC
- Forest roads
- Ancient Woodland sites
- Open, other
- Other conifers
- NS
- SS
- Pines
- Larches
- Broadleaves
- SSSI
- Blocks

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