

## **Argyll Timber Transport Group.**

### **Timber Traffic Management Plan: U10 Ardmaddy Rd from Auchnasaul to Ardmaddy Castle entrance**

This Timber Traffic Management Plan (TTMP) has been prepared so that the structure of the roads named and associated verges are protected during operations associated with in-forest road construction or upgrading as well as timber haulage operations while preserving them for the use of local residents, agriculture and other forestry users. The purpose of this local agreement is specifically to ensure that reasonable access is maintained for the forestry owner/s and their neighbours, but in a sustainable fashion and in accordance with regional and national forest strategies. Refer to [www.argyll-bute.gov.uk/transport-and-streets/timber-transport](http://www.argyll-bute.gov.uk/transport-and-streets/timber-transport)

**Pre-conditions:** The following schedule relates to the sensitive Council road U10 from Auchnasaul to Ardmaddy. The plan is to protect the narrow road and verges. Notification to the council roads department of the intent to start haulage operations must be made one month in advance of commencement.

#### **Lorry Configuration:**

Three axle wagon and drag configurations with twin wheel or maxi-tyre units only, equipped with CTI system preferably. No artics or super singles are permitted.

#### **Frequency & Timing:**

The minimum time between loads leaving the forest will be 30 minutes. Due consideration must be given to avoiding opposing Timber Traffic on U10 at all times. At the programmed rate of production, haulage shall not exceed 25 loads per week or 5 loads per day.

#### **Seasonal & Weather Condition Restrictions:**

Timber haulage on this road should only occur from April - October avoiding the winter period and at no more than the scheduled rate of despatch. This means that if for any reason, any timber remains after that date, there should be further consultation with the OLI TO prior to its movement, at a further reduced rate if necessary.

#### **Driver Awareness & Speed Limits:**

Drivers involved with the haulage must be familiar with the nature of the road and should have read and be in possession of this management agreement, prior to operating on this route. On the unclassified section of road from Ardmaddy to where it meets the B844 at Auchnasaul, the maximum speed (loaded or empty) will be 20 mph. This may be reduced to 15 mph during excessively wet periods.

#### **Access points/Loading:**

These should be agreed with the A&BC prior to any haulage being carried out and should meet standard requirements, [detailed in protocols](#) and guidance on the webpage.

#### **Awareness & engagement:**

#### **Maintenance of Forest Road Entrances:**

#### **Monitoring & review:**

Road conditions are subject to periodic inspections by Council staff during the period of operations. Parallel inspections by the ATTG Project Officer will be carried out when practicable. Any deterioration

of the road surface observed by interested parties (hauliers, land owner, agents etc.) must be notified to the local Council Roads Operations office as soon as practicable.

Haulage should be suspended immediately if there is any doubt that significant damage is evident or likely to occur and only resumed after consultation with A&BC Technical Officer- OLI.

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