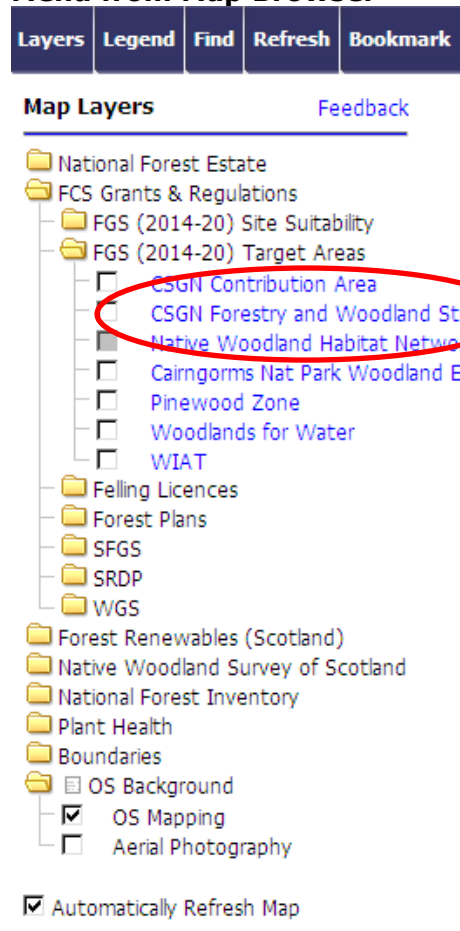


Using the FCS Map Viewer to find the Forestry and Woodland Strategy (FWS) Information

Click on the box next to "CSGN Forestry and Woodland Strategy Areas". Please note that this layer is only visible to 1:25,000 scale.

Use the 'Find' tab to enter the Grid Reference of your site and zoom to that location. The map will then be centred to your Grid Reference and you can adjust the scale as required.

Menu from Map Browser



The screenshot shows the 'Map Layers' menu with the following items:

- Layers
- Legend
- Find
- Refresh
- Bookmark

Map Layers [Feedback](#)

- National Forest Estate
- FCS Grants & Regulations
 - FGS (2014-20) Site Suitability
 - FGS (2014-20) Target Areas
 - CSGN Contribution Area
 - CSGN Forestry and Woodland Str
 - Native Woodland Habitat Network
 - Cairngorms Nat Park Woodland E
 - Pinewood Zone
 - Woodlands for Water
 - WIAT
 - Felling Licences
 - Forest Plans
 - SFGS
 - SRDP
 - WGS
- Forest Renewables (Scotland)
- Native Woodland Survey of Scotland
- National Forest Inventory
- Plant Health
- Boundaries
- OS Background
 - OS Mapping
 - Aerial Photography

Automatically Refresh Map

Hints: (click to expand)

To find the information on the different coloured areas on the map, use the identify tool on the top menu bar of the Browser



Click on this icon and then click the cursor on any area of the map (the area in which you wish to plant trees) to show information in the "Identify Results" area at the top right of the screen. The spot

on which you click on the map retains a red dot so that you can see the last area on the map that you clicked on.

Example of the “Identify Results panel

Identify Results

Coordinate Position

British National Grid: 364798, 672191

NGR: NT 647 721

CSGN Forestry and Woodland Strategy

Areas

FWS Classification: Sensitive

Landscape Zone: Upland and Upland Fringe

Strategy: Edinburgh and Lothians

Interpreting the ‘Identify Results’ Panel

1. “FWS Classification”

Across each Forestry and Woodland Strategy the land area has been classified by its sensitivity to woodland expansion, based on the Scottish Government's “The Right Tree in the Right Place” guidance.

This is a strategic process which offers a broad overview of the sensitivity of a site to new woodland. It only indicates the level of potential for expansion. It does not illustrate areas that will or should be planted.

FWS Classification Definitions:

Existing	land currently under woodland cover
Preferred	land which offers the greatest scope to accommodate expansion of a range of woodland types on land where sensitivities are, in general, likely to be limited
Potential	land which offers considerable potential to accommodate expansion of a range of woodland types, but where at least one significant sensitivity exists
Sensitive	areas where a combination of sensitivities means there is limited scope to accommodate further woodland expansion - Limited woodland expansion is only likely to be possible within sensitive areas where it is of a scale and character which can be accommodated without significant negative impacts and/or where it would positively enhance the features of interest
Unsuitable	land which is physically unsuitable for woodland expansion
Urban	larger settlements within which opportunities for woodland creation are often too small to map at a strategic scale
Urban Fringe	priority fringe areas where a range of woodland types can deliver significant social, environmental and economic benefit
Not Available	identifies areas where a FWS is not available

If your proposal sits in the following FWS Classification areas, you may be eligible for the CSGN Contribution.

- Preferred
- Potential
- Sensitive
- Urban
- Urban Fringe

Your proposed planting must be of the appropriate type and scale to support the relevant FWS. You need to refer to the text of this document when preparing your Statement

2. "Landscape Zone"

Five of the six FWS regions in the CSGN have been split up into sub-regional landscape zones which are broadly based on landscape character types (e.g. coastal margins; lowland hills, ridges and plateaux). This information is provided to allow applicants to locate their proposal within a sub-region and then refer to corresponding section in the FWS which will outline the local opportunities for woodland expansion and what type and scale of woodland (softwood, native or mixed) is considered most appropriate at that site.

3. "Strategy"

This identifies which Forestry & Woodland Strategy (FWS) location is covered by. The six Forestry & Woodland Strategies covering the CSGN are:

[Glasgow & Clyde Valley FWS](#)

[Edinburgh & Lothians FWS](#)

[Fife FWS](#)

[Stirling & Clackmannanshire FWS](#)

[Ayrshire & Arran FWS](#)

Falkirk FWS