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Subject: FW: CNPA response to prior notifications at Invercauld Estate
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Hello,

Can this response from Cairngorms National Park Authority please be uploaded to all the relevant applications listed at the top of the email.

Sorry for the big task!

Many thanks,

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Jane

Please see below.

Thank you.

Dee.

From: David Allan
Sent: 13 June 2016 15:29
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Cc: Planning
Subject: CNPA response to prior notifications at Invercauld Estate

CNPA Response to prior notifications:
2016/0175/NOT (APP/2016/1462), 2016/0176/NOT (APP/2016/1463), 2016/0177/NOT (APP/2016/1465), 2016/0187/NOT (APP/2016/1467), 2016/0178/NOT (APP/2016/1468), 2016/0179/NOT (APP/2016/1474), 2016/0180/NOT

(APP/2016/1476), 2016/0181/NOT (APP/2016/1479), 2016/0182/NOT (APP/2016/1480), 2016/0183/NOT (APP/2016/1481), 2016/0184/NOT (APP/2016/1483), 2016/0185/NOT (APP/2016/1484), 2016/0206/NOT (APP/2016/1464) – Formation of agricultural tracks, and, 2016/0215/NOT (APP/2016/1639) repairs to an agricultural track, at Invercauld Estate.

CNPA have reviewed the above prior notifications and offer the following comments.

1. The applicant has submitted supporting evidence which provides some justification that these tracks may be required for agricultural purposes, including: agricultural holding number, tenant details and livestock numbers. It is noted that a review of the site plans, OS maps and aerial photography also strongly suggests that these are key locations for sporting activities, particularly grouse shooting. Therefore the Local Authority should be satisfied that the proposed tracks are in fact reasonably required for agriculture.
2. It is noted that the proposed works are to be achieved through the use of borrow pit ditches to gain locally won materials and that there is no excavation of existing tracks proposed. However, the drawings provided to demonstrate construction and repair layout are unscaled. As such it is not possible to fully appraise this detail in relation to landscape and natural heritage.
3. No detail has been provided on drainage – this is of potential significance as insufficient consideration of drainage requirements may contribute to degradation of the tracks and associated pollution from washout of track construction materials.
4. There is also potential for adverse impacts to watercourses which feed into the adjacent SAC from pollution/sedimentation during construction, particularly at locations where the tracks cross watercourses. Further detail could be provided to demonstrate how any adverse impacts will be mitigated.
5. The drawings provided to demonstrate construction and repair layout and the detail on manner of construction are generic to all applications. As such, it is not possible to fully appraise any locationally specific requirements.
6. As the proposed works are largely confined to existing sections of tracks, and will constitute some consolidation of the existing network, there is likely to be a negligible landscape impact provided works are carried out to a high standard.

I hope this is of assistance and if you wish to discuss further please do get in touch.

Best Regards,

David

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