

Re: Harvesting and Haulage at Tyn y Cwm, Dolwyddelan.

Natural Resources Wales are about to undertake forest operations at Tyn y Cwm Forest, Dolwyddelan, to clearfell the conifer crop here including larch which has been infected with *Phytophthora ramorum*; affected larch trees will be removed to control the spread of the disease. The affected area covers approx. 5.8 hectares.

Contractors working on behalf of Natural Resources Wales will be putting in place Health and Safety signage, and I would urge you to take note of these and obey all warnings if you use the woods. Because of the location of the site, the work requires both traffic management and access management to keep everyone safe. This may mean short intervals of temporary public access restriction to the site. We will work to reduce the impact on the local community wherever possible, but our priority is to keep everyone safe. We thank everyone in advance for their cooperation. All our operators will be in radio contact to keep disruption to a minimum. No forest operations will be happening at weekends.

Haulage will commence soon after the start of the work. All timber will be removed along the access routes highlighted as a blue dotted line on the plan and onto the main A470 public highway (see next page.) There will be haulage restrictions Monday to Fridays, also no haulage at weekends and public holidays.

Public Rights of Way will remain open, but may need to be excluded temporarily for short delays, to be managed with banksmen by the contractors. For safety reasons, once the felling of relevant sections has been completed and timber is at roadside, we will review the management of the affected waymarked trails.

Residential and agricultural accesses will remain open at all times, but may be subject to possible short delays while timber lorries are uplifting. Public Rights of Way trails will remain open and be managed with banksmen by the contractors for safety reasons for the duration of the work. Once the felling of relevant sections of this operation have been completed and timber is at roadside then we will review the management of the affected waymarked trails.

Haulage will be from MON-FRI AFTER 9.30AM AND IN THE AFTERNOONS AFTER SCHOOL CLOSING HOURS. The safety of children must be paramount. NO HAULAGE BETWEEN 20.00HRS AND 9.30AM.

If you have any enquiries regarding this work please contact North West Wales's Forest Operations Team on 0300 065 3000 or email ForestOperationsNW@cyfoethnaturiol.cymru