

## ACTION

<b>1. Policy &amp; Legislation</b>	<b>Lead</b>	<b>Partner</b>	<b>2002</b>	<b>2003</b>	<b>2005</b>	<b>2010</b>	<b>Meets Objective</b>
1.1. Complete designation of proposed Natura 2000 sites that include montane habitat.	SNH.		*				1
1.2. Establish Wildlife Sites identified as having the best montane habitats and incorporate these into the planning system.	SWT	LL&TIC, SC.	*	*	*	*	2
<b>2. Site Safeguard &amp; Management</b>							
2.1. Implement schemes that aim to maintain or achieve favourable conservation status at all montane cSACs.	SNH	LO.			*	*	1
2.2. Encourage positive opportunities for montane habitat safeguard.	SC, SNH	RSPB, SWT.	*	*	*	*	1
2.3. Encourage positive management of montane SSSIs by issuing Site Management Statements.	SNH	LO, SC, LL&TIC	*	*			2, 3
2.4. Encourage positive management of montane SSSIs by agreeing Management Agreements and Plans	SNH	NTS, LO.				*	1, 2
2.5. Encourage deer populations to be managed at appropriate densities.	SNH, LO	FE, LO RSPB, DMG, DCS, NTS.	*	*	*	*	1, 2
2.6. Develop a management policy for feral goats and implement.	NTS, SNH	FE, LO, DMG, DCS RSPB, NTS.		*	*	*	1, 2
2.7. Identify areas most vulnerable to recreational disturbance (birds, vegetation); establish programme of path restoration/repair.	SNH, LL&TIC	NTS, FE SC	*	*	*	*	1, 2

<b>3. Site Safeguard &amp; Management</b>	<b>Lead</b>	<b>Partner</b>	<b>2002</b>	<b>2003</b>	<b>2005</b>	<b>2010</b>	<b>Meets Objective</b>
3.1. Encourage organised events to be held away from most vulnerable montane areas and outwith bird breeding and stalking seasons (eg. orienteering, mountain marathon etc).	Rangers	LO	*	*	*	*	1, 2, 3
3.2. Continue protection of woolly willow as a national BAP species where it exists (Meall Ghaordie) and expand species range by further planting (Ben Heasgarnich).	SNH		*	*	*	*	1, 2, 3
<b>4. Advisory</b>							
4.1. Promote use of the Rural Stewardship Scheme to encourage appropriate grazing.		FWAG, SAC.	*	*	*	*	1, 2, 3
4.2. Discourage burning in montane areas; and encourage the use of the Muirburn Code in the adjacent upland.	SNH.	FWAG, SAC.	*	*	*	*	
<b>5. Research &amp; Monitoring</b>							
5.1. Survey of status/extent of montane habitat plus rare vegetation/key bird areas outwith the LL&TIC area. Pass this information on to CARSE.	UWG	CARSE, RSPB.			*	*	1, 2
5.2. Agree important areas of montane habitat to be included as Wildlife Sites/targets for Rural Stewardship Scheme.	UWG			*	*	*	1, 2, 3
5.3. Identify best grazing practice and management to use as example/advisory.	UWG	FWAG, SAC, SNH.		*	*	*	1, 2
5.4. Monitor management statements for SSSIs.	SNH			*	*	*	1
5.5. Assess the condition of all montane SSSIs every 6 years using the Site Condition Monitoring Initiative.	SNH	LO			*	*	1
5.6. Continue to monitor birds of prey and possible impacts through disturbance, egg thefts and other illegal	CSRSG	PWLO	*	*	*	*	1, 2

activities.							
<b>6. Communications &amp; Publicity</b>							
6.1. Improve education of upland user to ecological damage caused and ways of minimising.	LBAPO	RA, SC, MCS, TO, RS	*	*	*	*	3
6.2. Publicise positive work on montane through LBAP process.	LBAPO		*	*	*	*	3
<b>7. Plan Monitoring</b>							
7.1. Monitor and review the progress of this plan, and review actions and objectives in general annually and in detail, every five years.	UWG						All

### Abbreviations.

CARSE	Central Area Recording System for the Environment.
CSRSG	Central Scotland Raptor Study Group.
DCS	Deer Commission Scotland.
DMG	Deer Management Group.
FC	Forestry Commission.
FE	Forest Enterprise.
FWAG	Farming & Wildlife Advisory Group.
LBAPO	Local Biodiversity Action Plan Officer.
LO	Landowners.
MCS	Mountaineering Council of Scotland.
NTS	National Trust for Scotland.
PWLO	Police Wildlife Liaison Officer.
RA	Ramblers Association.
SC	Stirling Council.
SAC	Scottish Agricultural College.

SNH Scottish Natural Heritage.  
SWT Scottish Wildlife Trust.  
TO Tour operators.  
UWG Upland working group.