



# Joining up nature across central Scotland



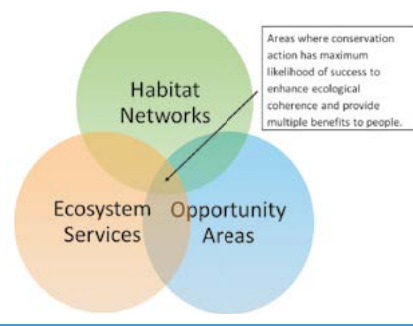
**Map 2: Initial Proposed Management Zone**

**EcoCo LIFE Scotland - 'Demonstrating the implementation of integrated habitat networks to improve ecological coherence in the Central Scotland Green Network area'**

- Management Zone
- Site of Community Importance (SAC)
- Site of Community Importance (SPA)
- Site of Special Scientific Interest

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- **EcoCo LIFE is a four year EU LIFE+ funded biodiversity project running from September 2014 to August 2018 being led by Scottish Natural Heritage.**
- **It's a £2.3 million (€3.1 M) project for habitat creation and restoration within the Central Scotland Green Network area to improve ecological coherence and provide socioeconomic benefits.**
- **“Improved ecological coherence” aims to improve habitat connectivity and species resilience concentrating on four habitats comprising; peatlands, open mosaic habitat, wetlands and freshwater.**
- **The project is developing an “ecological coherence protocol” to determine a decision-making method to identify the best places to improve ecological coherence and contribute to wider ecosystem services.**
- **EcoCo LIFE is bringing science and stakeholders together at local and national levels to better understand, develop and promote landscape scale ecological management approaches.**

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