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Attachments: Photos.pdf; TFL00477520 Plot Map.pdf; TFL00477520 Location Map.pdf
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From: McManus, Jade **On Behalf Of** Felling Forest Service
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Hi all,

Please see below notification of unlicenced clearfelling that we wish to bring to your intention urgently.

The forestry inspectorate has advised of the following:

There are several problems here that we will need to take action on. These are as follows:

- This forest was licenced but subsequently withdrawn after an appeal on the licence TFL00477520, the landowner has now fully clearfelled the area with no licence in place.
- There has been extreme deep rutting from forwarding the timber approximately 700 meters from the forest up through a green field which has caused drastic sedimentation release and run-off into the downstream Killarney National Park, Macgillycuddy's Reeks and Caragh River Catchment SAC. (500 meters away)
- There has been an environmental pollution incident on site too, which would appear to have been a burst pipe from the forwarder travelling through the deep ruts along the extraction route. This has caused hydraulic fluid to mix with the sediment water and running off into the down stream Killarney National Park, Macgillycuddy's Reeks and Caragh River Catchment SAC.

I have attached the original referral maps along with the photos that the forest inspector took yesterday when inspecting the area.

Please contact me with any further queries in relation to this.

Many thanks,

Jade

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