

Hi Cyril,

I don't have a record of the complaint number but I understand that it is to do with the forestry operations that took place next to the Glenaboy stream in November 2021. Attached is a scan of my notebook from the day (24 November 2021) that I called out to the incident. I'm afraid it hasn't scanned very well so this is the transcript of my notes:

'Glenaboy stream nr Lyre  
W983888

Cyril received a complaint re silt from timber harvesting getting into the Glenaboy and then into the Blackwater SAC @ Tallow.

I called into the site at 1200-1300. No machines on site, no-one present. Can see ground in stream floodplain is v. wet & has been badly churned up, liquid mud present in machine tracks, looks as though thinning operations were in progress. Lots of brash in the machine tracks, deliberate measure to control silt? No run off now reaching the stream. At some point a temporary crossing has been put in over the stream, consists of timber and brash. Thinning has also gone on on the far west side of the stream. Rang Andrew Gillespie IFI and left a message asking him to ring back.'

I don't have any notes of Andrew's return call to me but from memory, he said that they were aware of the issue and had called out one or two days earlier and were looking into it and had requested remedial action. As IFI were handling this, I took no further action.

I can try and rescan the notes if you need a clearer copy. I don't have any photographs on file and don't recall taking any on the day either.

Regards

David Rees  
Conservation Ranger,