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To all Registered Foresters and other Stakeholders

## Native Woodland Conservation Scheme 2023–2027

The Minister is pleased to open the Native Woodland Conservation Scheme (NWC Scheme) 2023–2027 for new applications.

Full details of the Scheme are available on the Department's website at <u>gov - Native Woodland Conservation Scheme (www.gov.ie)</u>

In relation to projects under the previous version of the Scheme available under the last Programme, specifically:

- 1. applications on-hand with the Department and awaiting the completion of the assessment process, and
- 2. approvals issued by the Department but not yet utilised on-the-ground,

the Department will be contacting the relevant Applicants and Registered Foresters to advise them of the next steps and the options available to them under the new Programme.

Any queries should be directed to forestryappenq@agriculture.gov.ie

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