

DAT360

17th February 2025

Dear Bev,

**NRW Screening Request FLA181 24-25 Cresselly Barn Farm**

In order to assess anomalies identified on LiDAR data a site visit was carried out on 6<sup>th</sup> February 2025 to Cresswell Barn Farm and further historic features have been identified, details below. To comply with UKFS Forests and the historic environment guidance we make the following recommendations:

- Historic features will be marked out and excluded from the operational area where practical. These measures will be communicated to all staff on-site.
- Historic features will be avoided for storing or stacking of timber and machinery parking.
- Trees will be felled away from historic features and extracted using low-impact methods with only established extraction routes used.
- Where possible felling by hand is preferred on historic features. No machinery will cross the historic features identified.
- Report any objects found that fall within the scope of the law for archaeological finds to the relevant authority, Henneb: Trust for Welsh Archaeology.
- Implement measures to minimise soil compaction and disturbance during operations, as required by the guidance for felling licences. Where possible, prioritise operations during dry conditions to reduce ground disturbance.

The consultation lies within the Registered Historic Landscape Milford Haven Waterway HLW (D) 3. The historic maps also record this area as broadleaf woodland. Therefore, restocking with native broadleaf would be more appropriate.

<https://dyfedarchaeology.org.uk/HLC/milford/milfordhavenmap.htm>

The consultation area lies in an area with significant remains relating to Pembrokeshire's coal mining industry. This was largely rural in character, and by the early nineteenth century it was in decline; the last colliery closed with Nationalisation in 1947. Nevertheless, it was a significant industry. Because of its rural character and relatively early decline, it is more likely that eighteenth-century and earlier mining features survive here than elsewhere in the country.



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The area visited was covered with dense vegetation which made it difficult to locate and determine the dimension. The coal pits survive as deep hollows with earth bank and surrounded by mounds of spoil. (See attachment for Cadw report)

### Historic Environment Features

PRN106174 YERBESTON POST MEDIEVAL COAL WORKINGS SN05790863  
An extensive area of coal workings labelled 'CROP HOLES' and 'OLD TIP' on the 1921 Geological Survey map. One of many coal working sites in the vicinity of Yerboston. A.Day. March 2015.

PRN106173 YERBESTON POST MEDIEVAL COAL WORKINGS SN05900847  
An extensive area of coal workings labelled 'TRENCH' and 'SHALLOW WORKINGS' on the 1921 Geological Survey map. One of many coal working sites in the vicinity of Yerboston. A.Day. March 2015.

PRN106176 WADDOCK LAKE POST MEDIEVAL COAL WORKINGS SN05500826  
A c300m long line of roughly E - W aligned coal workings on a vein labelled 'MANY OLD HOLES AND TIPS' on the 1921 Geological Survey map. A.Day. March 2015.

PRN106300 WADDOCK LAKE POST MEDIEVAL COAL WORKINGS SN05630809  
Old shafts are marked on the 1921 Geological Survey map in a small pocket of woodland. A.Day. March 2015.

PRN103387 WADDOCK LAKE POST MEDIEVAL MINE SHAFT SN0574407977  
Shaft recorded on the 1907 2nd edition Ordnance Survey map, labelled as 'old' and presumed disused by this time. A.Day. March 2015. The site was visited on 06/02/2025 and the feature survives as a substantial earthwork with mature trees. A.Powell 2025.

PRN106099 YERBESTON POST MEDIEVAL MINE SHAFT SN0594808160  
An old shaft is marked on the 1921 Geological Survey map. One of many coal working sites in the vicinity of Yerboston. A.Day. March 2015.

PRN103386 WADDOCK LAKE SN05840789  
'Old coal pit' recorded on the 1865 1st edition Ordnance Survey map and presumed disused by this time. A.Day. March 2015.

PRN106301 WADDOCK LAKE SN05880793  
Old shafts are marked on the 1921 Geological Survey map in woodland. A. Day. March 2015.



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PRN106175 YERBESTON SN0626008330  
Labelled 'MOUTH OF OLD WATER LEVEL' on the 1921 Geological Survey map. One of many coal working sites in the vicinity of Yerboston. A. Day. March 2015.

PRN106171 YERBESTON POST MEDIEVAL COAL WORKINGS SN06250862  
An area of former coal workings shown on historic mapping to the south of Yerboston. F Murphy 2015

PRN103394 YERBESTON POST MEDIEVAL COAL MINE SN06190856  
Former coal workings shown on historic mapping, situated to the south of Yerboston hamlet. F Murphy 2015

PRN106170 YERBESTON POST MEDIEVAL COAL WORKINGS SN06250848  
Marked as 'Old Shafts' on the 1921 Geological Survey map. One of many coal working sites in the vicinity of Yerboston. A. Day. March 2015.

PRN106307 WADDOCK LAKE POST MEDIEVAL LEVEL SN0591107635  
An 'ADIT' is labelled on the 1921 Geological Survey map. A. Day. March 2015.

PRN106308 WADDOCK LAKE POST MEDIEVAL COAL WORKINGS SN05810755  
A small area is labelled 'SHAFTS' on the 1921 Geological Survey map. A. Day. March 2015.

PRN103385 BROOKSIDE POST MEDIEVAL COTTAGE SN05470752  
Possible cottage recorded on the 1865 1st edition Ordnance Survey map. Not shown on subsequent maps (M.Ings, 2012)

PRN103384 CRESSWELL FARM POST MEDIEVAL COAL WORKINGS SN05440754  
Coal shaft recorded on the 1865 1st edition Ordnance Survey map. One of several coal working sites in the vicinity of Cresswell Farm. A. Day. March 2015.

PRN103383 CRESSWELL FARM POST MEDIEVAL COAL WORKINGS SN05340771  
Coal shaft recorded on the 1865 1st edition Ordnance Survey map. One of several coal working sites in the vicinity of Cresswell Farm. A. Day. March 2015.

PRN103382 CRESSWELL FARM POST MEDIEVAL COAL WORKINGS SN05340773  
Coal shafts recorded on the 1865 1st edition Ordnance Survey map. Labelled as 'old' on the 1907 2nd ed. O.S. Map. One of several coal working sites in the vicinity of Cresswell Farm. A. Day. March 2015.





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PRN130888                      CRESSWELL FARM POST MEDIEVAL QUARRY                      SN0593207702  
"Old Quarry" recorded on 1st Edition Ordnance Survey Map. A. Powell 2024.

PRN130889                      THORNE FARM POST MEDIEVAL FORD                      SN0601907717  
Ford recorded on 1st and 2nd Ordnance Survey Maps. A. Powell 2024.

PRN130890                      THORNE FARM POST MEDIEVAL FOOTBRIDGE                      SN0601307730  
Footbridge recorded on 2nd Edition Ordnance Survey Map. A. Powell 2024.

PRN130891                      CRESSWELL FARM POST MEDIEVAL COAL WORKING                      SN0582507973  
Old Shaft (Coal) recorded on 1st and 2nd Edition Ordnance Survey Maps. A. Powell 2024.

PRN130893                      CRESSWELL FARM POST MEDIEVAL BUILDING                      SN0594408191  
Building recorded on 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition Ordnance Survey Map. A. Powell 2024.

PRN130916                      CRESSWELL FARM POST MEDIEVAL COAL WORKINGS                      SN0568908139  
A collection of coal working features identified on lidar. Site visit 06/02/2025 confirms they survive as substantial earthworks and hollows. A. Powell 2025.

PRN130917                      CRESSWELL POST MEDIEVAL COAL WORKINGS                      SN0568008489  
Three coal working features identified on lidar. Site visit 06/02/2025 confirms one survives as earthworks. The other features could not be located due to area being overgrown. A. Powell 2025.

PRN130918                      CRESSWELL POST MEDIEVAL COAL WORKINGS                      SN0552108255  
Coal working features identified on lidar. Site visit 06/02/2025 confirmed they survive as substantial earthworks. A. Powell 2025.

PRN130919                      CRESSWELL POST MEDIEVAL COAL WORKINGS                      SN0579608010  
A coal working feature identified on Lidar. Visited on 06/02/2025 and the feature survives as a substantial earthwork surrounded by mature trees. A. Powell 2025.

PRN130920                      CRESSWELL POST MEDIEVAL COAL WORKINGS                      SN0575908037  
A coal working feature identified on Lidar. Visited on 06/02/2025 and the feature survives as a substantial earthwork surrounded by mature trees. A. Powell 2025.

PRN130921                      CRESSWELL POST MEDIEVAL COAL WORKINGS                      SN0574008081  
A coal working feature identified on Lidar. Visited on 06/02/2025 and the feature survives as a substantial earthwork surrounded by mature trees. A. Powell 2025.

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PRN130922 CRESSWELL POST MEDIEVAL COAL WORKINGS SN0571608110

A coal working feature identified on Lidar. Visited on 06/02/2025 and the feature survives as a substantial earthwork surrounded by mature trees. A. Powell 2025.

PRN130923 CRESSWELL POST MEDIEVAL COAL WORKINGS SN0566608154

A coal working feature identified on Lidar. Visited on 06/02/2025 and the feature survives as a substantial earthwork surrounded by mature trees. A. Powell 2025.

PRN130924 CRESSWELL POST MEDIEVAL COAL WORKINGS SN0565008167

A coal working feature identified on Lidar. Visited on 06/02/2025 and the feature survives as a substantial earthwork surrounded by mature trees. A. Powell 2025.

PRN130925 CRESSWELL POST MEDIEVAL COAL WORKINGS SN0553808230

A coal working feature identified on Lidar. Visited on 06/02/2025 and the feature survives as a substantial earthwork surrounded by mature trees. A. Powell 2025.

PRN130926 CRESSWELL POST MEDIEVAL COAL WORKINGS SN0553808230

A possible coal working feature identified on Lidar. The feature could not be located during a site visit on 06/02/2025 as the area is heavily overgrown. A. Powell 2025.

PRN130927 CRESSWELL POST MEDIEVAL COAL WORKINGS SN0568908480

A coal working feature identified on Lidar. Visited on 06/02/2025 and the feature survives as a shallow hollow surrounded by mature trees. A. Powell 2025.

PRN130928 CRESSWELL POST MEDIEVAL COAL WORKINGS SN0568608521

A possible coal working feature identified on Lidar. The feature could not be located during a site visit on 06/02/2025 as the area is heavily overgrown. A. Powell 2025.

PRN130929 CRESSWELL POST MEDIEVAL COAL WORKINGS SN0534107859

A coal working feature identified on Lidar. Visited on 06/02/2025 and the feature survives as a substantial earthwork with mature trees. A. Powell 2025.

PRN130930 CRESSWELL POST MEDIEVAL COAL WORKINGS SN0539507845

Coal working feature recorded during a site visit on 06/02/2025. The feature survives as a substantial earthwork with a mature tree on top. A. Powell 2025.

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CRESSWELL POST MEDIEVAL COAL WORKINGS

SN0535407807

Coal working feature recorded during site visit 06/02/2025. One of several coal working sites in the vicinity of Cresswell Farm. The feature exists as a substantial earthwork with mature trees and is marked on modern mapping. A. Powell 2025.

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YERBESTON POST MEDIEVAL SETTLEMENT

SN0600008000



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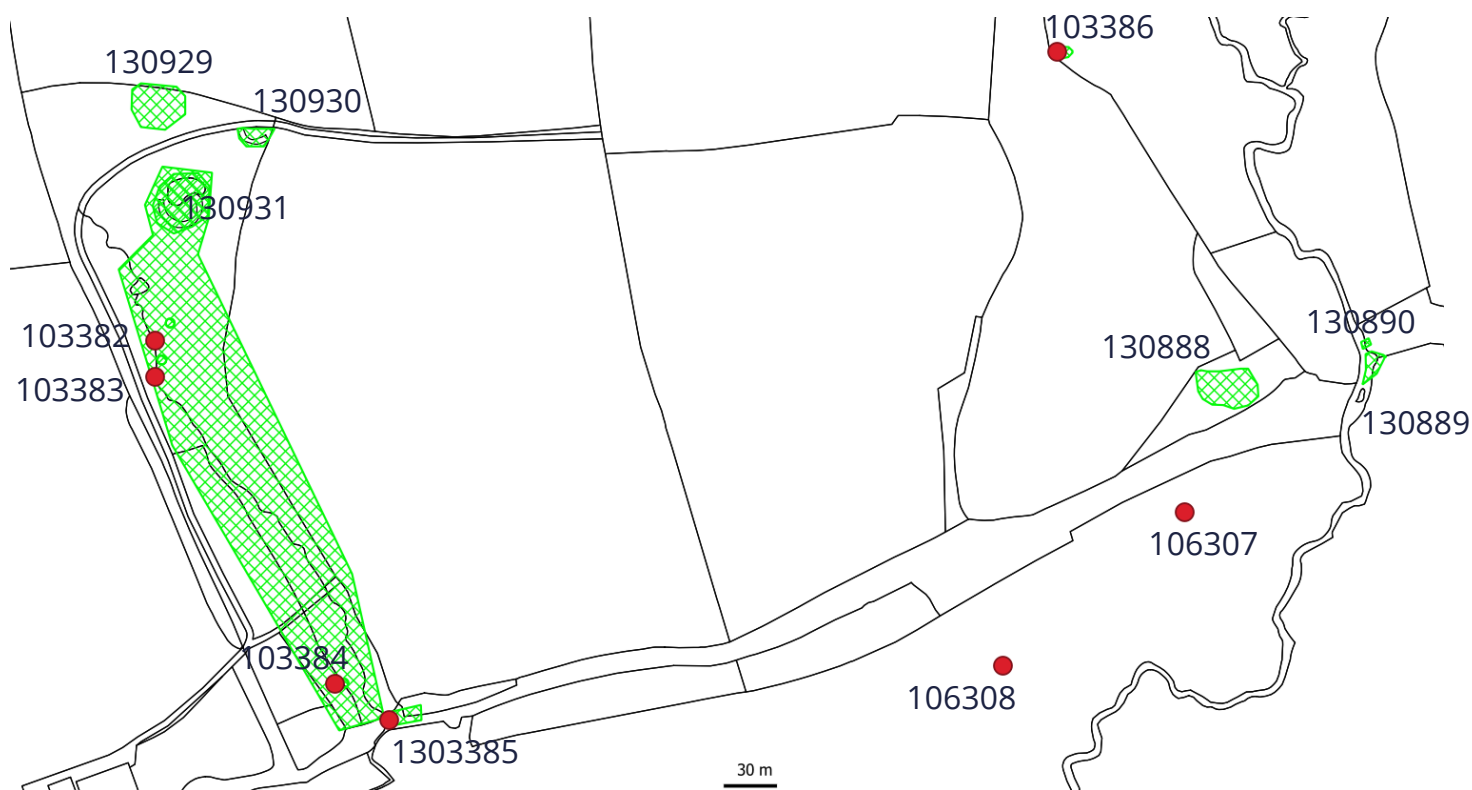
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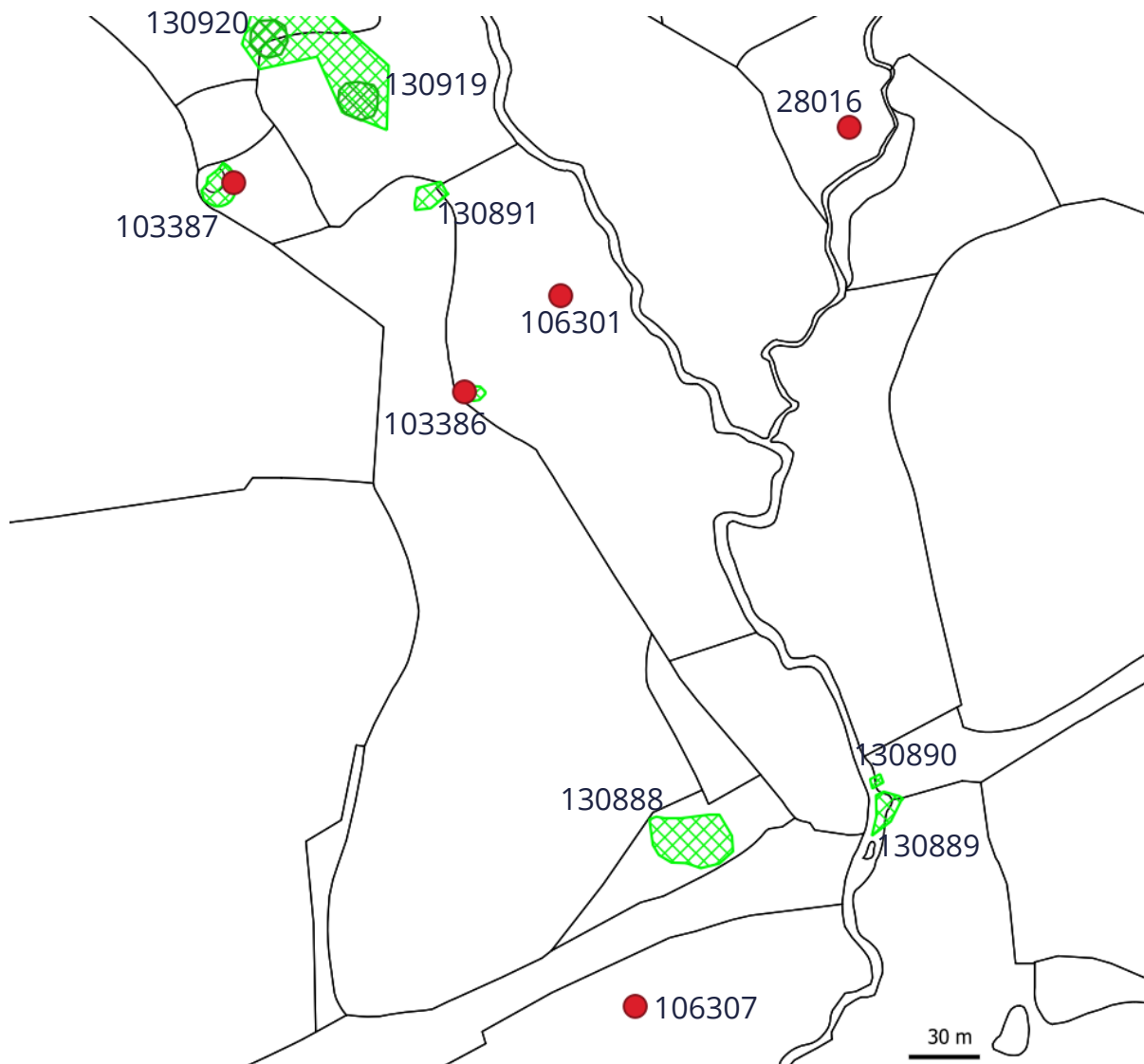
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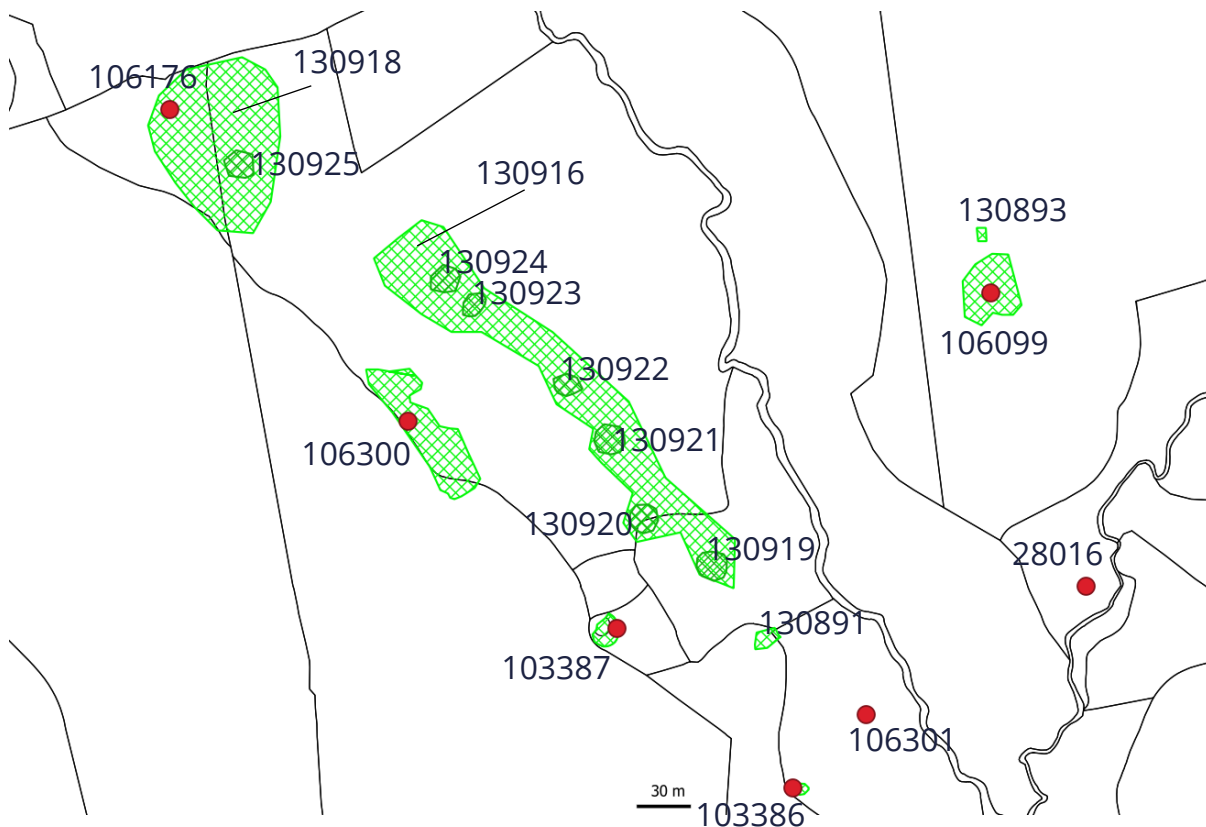
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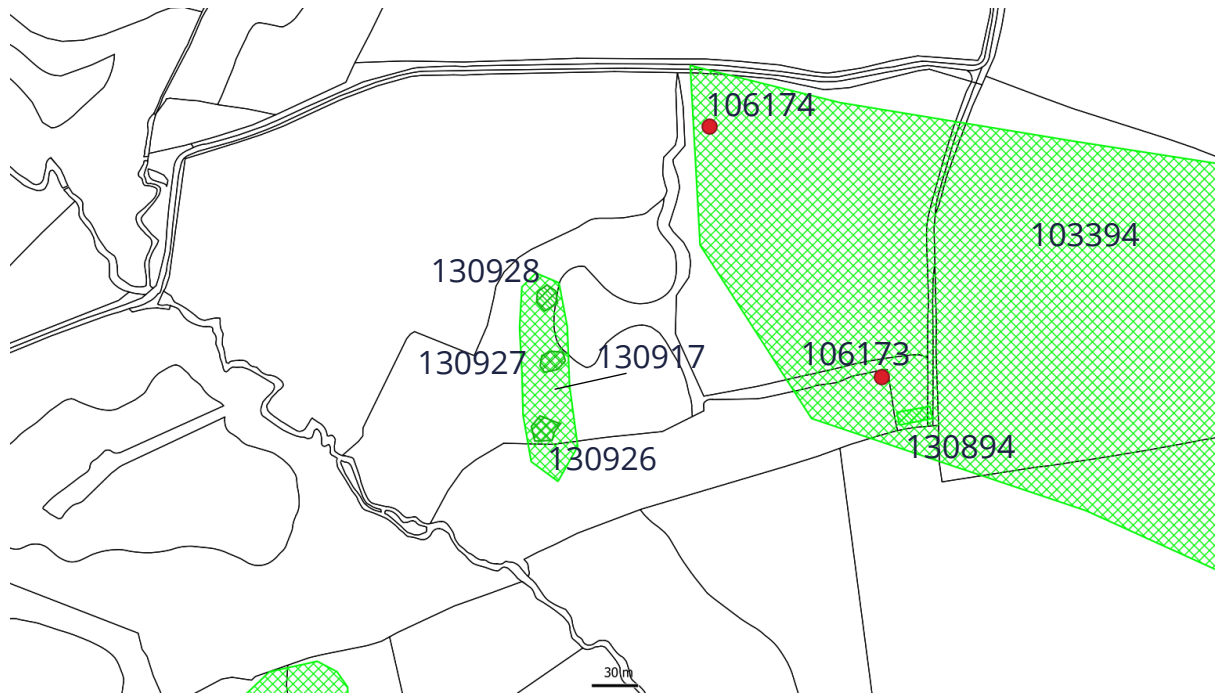
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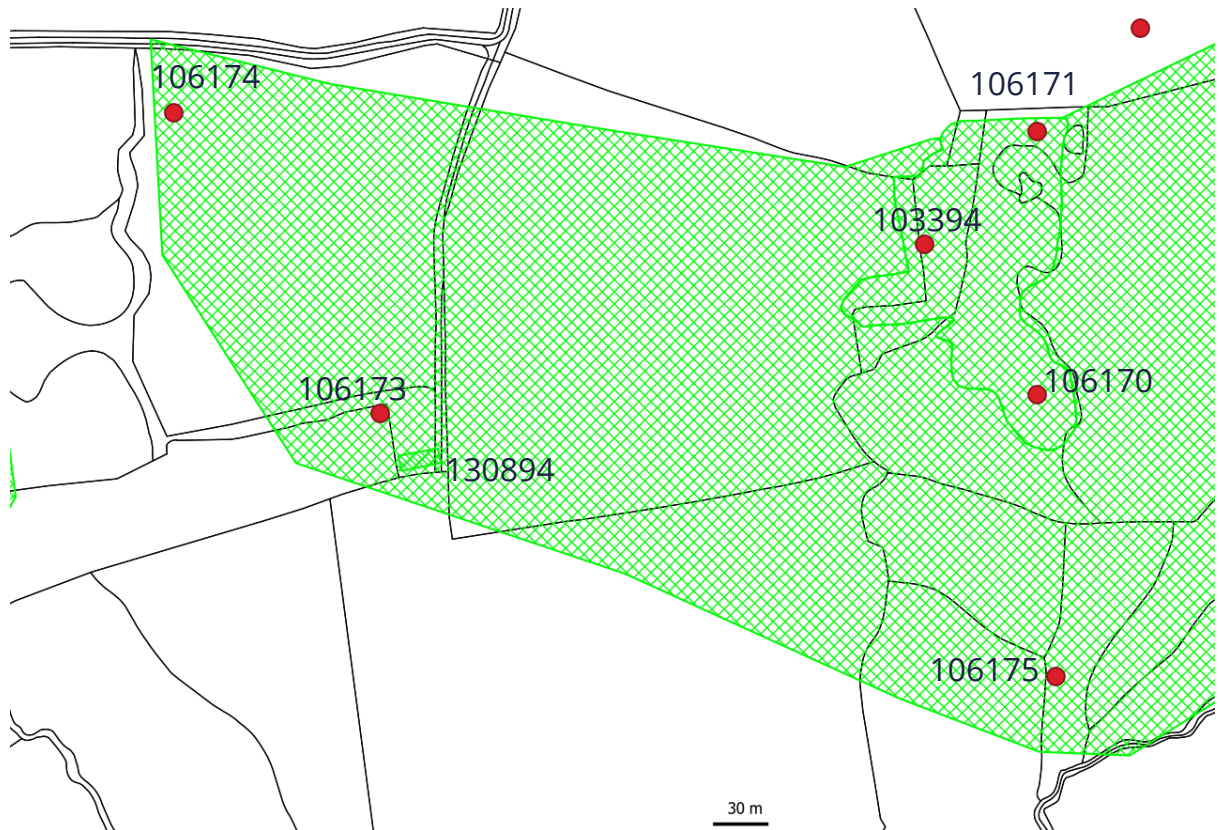
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We advise that these historic environment features (labelled on the maps above and marked with a green polygon and or red spot) be protected from damage during forest operations, to comply with UKFS Forests and the historic environment guidance.

There is always the possibility for previously unknown remains to survive within this area of which we have no knowledge. Should further archaeological features or finds be identified it is important that Heneb – The Trust for Welsh Archaeology, Heritage Management Dyfed region is informed and further information and advice can then be provided as required.

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