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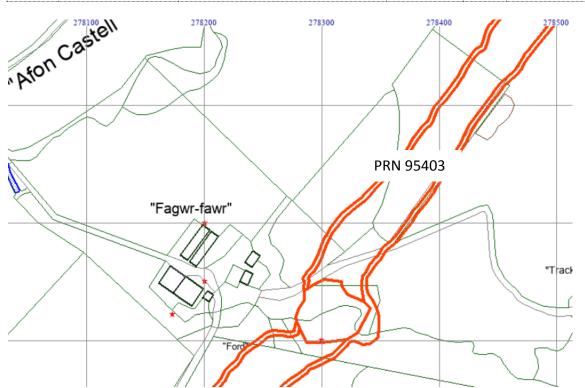
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Dear Suzanne,

FLA 50 19-20 Fagwr Fawr

Thank you for your consultation. I have checked the map boundaries against the regional Historic Environment Record (HER) and other sources and noted historic mining activity which may be affected by the proposals:

| PRN | Site Name | Summary | Period | Туре | NGR |
|-------|------------------|----------------------------------|----------|------|------------|
| 95403 | CASTELL MINE; | Two leats recorded on the | POST | Leat | SN77488120 |
| | NEW CASTELL; | Ordnance Survey 1st edition | MEDIEVAL | | |
| | DYFFRYN | map (1887) running roughly | | | |
| | CASTELL; CASTLE; | parallel to one another, serving | | | |
| | WEST ESGAIRLLE; | wheel pit and crusher house | | | |
| | GWAITHDDU; | (PRN 95394). Described as being | | | |
| | CRIPAU BACH | well-preserved when visited by | | | |
| | | R Protheroe-Jones in 1993 | | | |
| | | (mine 115, no.15). | | | |



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The remains of these leats will be very vulnerable to forestry operations. Care should be taken to avoid damage to the profile of earthworks during felling and the earthworks should be left unplanted during restocking to avoid damage from root growth and future tree throw.

In addition there are a number of features recorded on the periphery of the consultation area centred on SN77778156 where mining remains may again be vulnerable to forestry operations and extraction:

| PRN | Site Name | Summary | Period | Туре | NGR |
|-------|--|---|------------------|------------------|------------|
| 95409 | CASTELL MINE; NEW CASTELL; DYFFRYN CASTELL; CASTLE;WEST ESGAIRLLE; GWAITHDDU; CRIPAU BACH | Building recorded on Ordnance Survey 1st edition map (1887). Described as being adapted for agricultural use with concrete blocks at the west end when visited by R Protheroe-Jones in 1993 (mine 115, no.22). | POST MEDIEVAL | Mine Building | SN77868151 |
| 95410 | CASTELL MINE; NEW CASTELL; DYFFRYN CASTELL; CASTLE;WEST ESGAIRLLE; GWAITHDDU; CRIPAU BACH | Small, square mine building recorded on 1887 1st edition and 1905 2nd edition Ordnance Survey maps. No surviving traces noted when the site was visited by R Protheroe-Jones in 1993 (mine 115, no. 23). Aerial photographs (OS. Next Perspectives, 2009) indicate the site of the building to now be within/on the edge of conifer plantation (M.Ings, 2013) | POST MEDIEVAL | Mine Building | SN77798150 |

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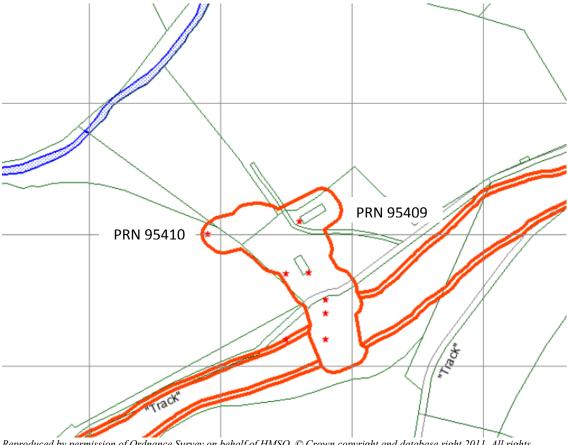


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Please ensure that contractors are aware of historic environment features and their vulnerability, and that care is taken to avoid damage during forestry operations.

The consultation area lies within the Registered Landscape of Outstanding Historic Interest, Upland Ceredigion (HLW (D) 2) and the Historic Landscape Character Area of Dyffryn Castell;

http://www.dyfedarchaeology.org.uk/HLC/uplandceredigion/dyffryncastell.htm

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 Dyfed Archaeological Trust Heritage Management is informed and further information and advice can then be provided as required.

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