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CELTIC RAINFORESTS WALES

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THE SUCCESSES AND CHALLENGES OF DELIVERING LANDSCAPE SCALE CONSERVATION ACROSS THE CELTIC RAINFORESTS OF WALES.

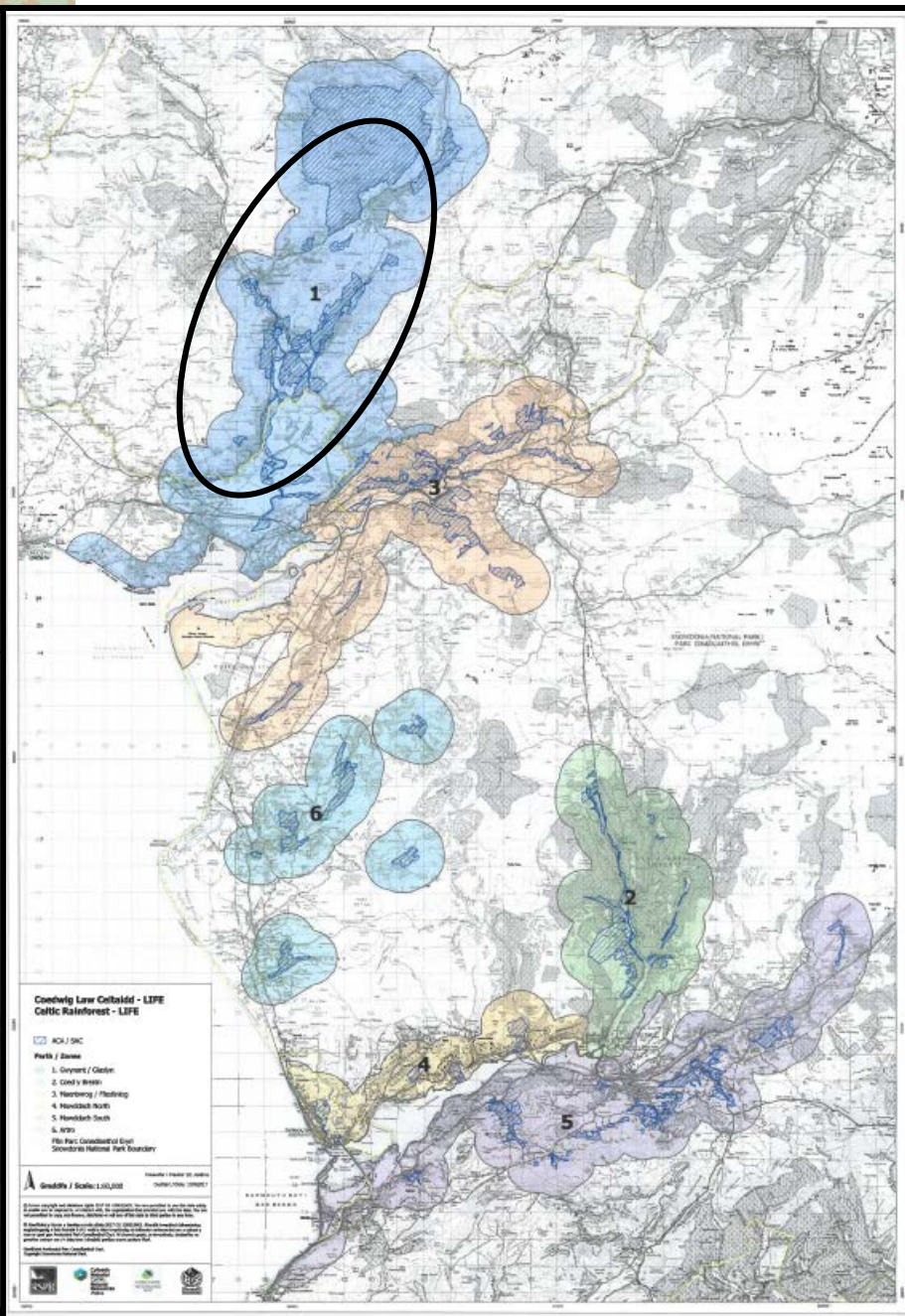
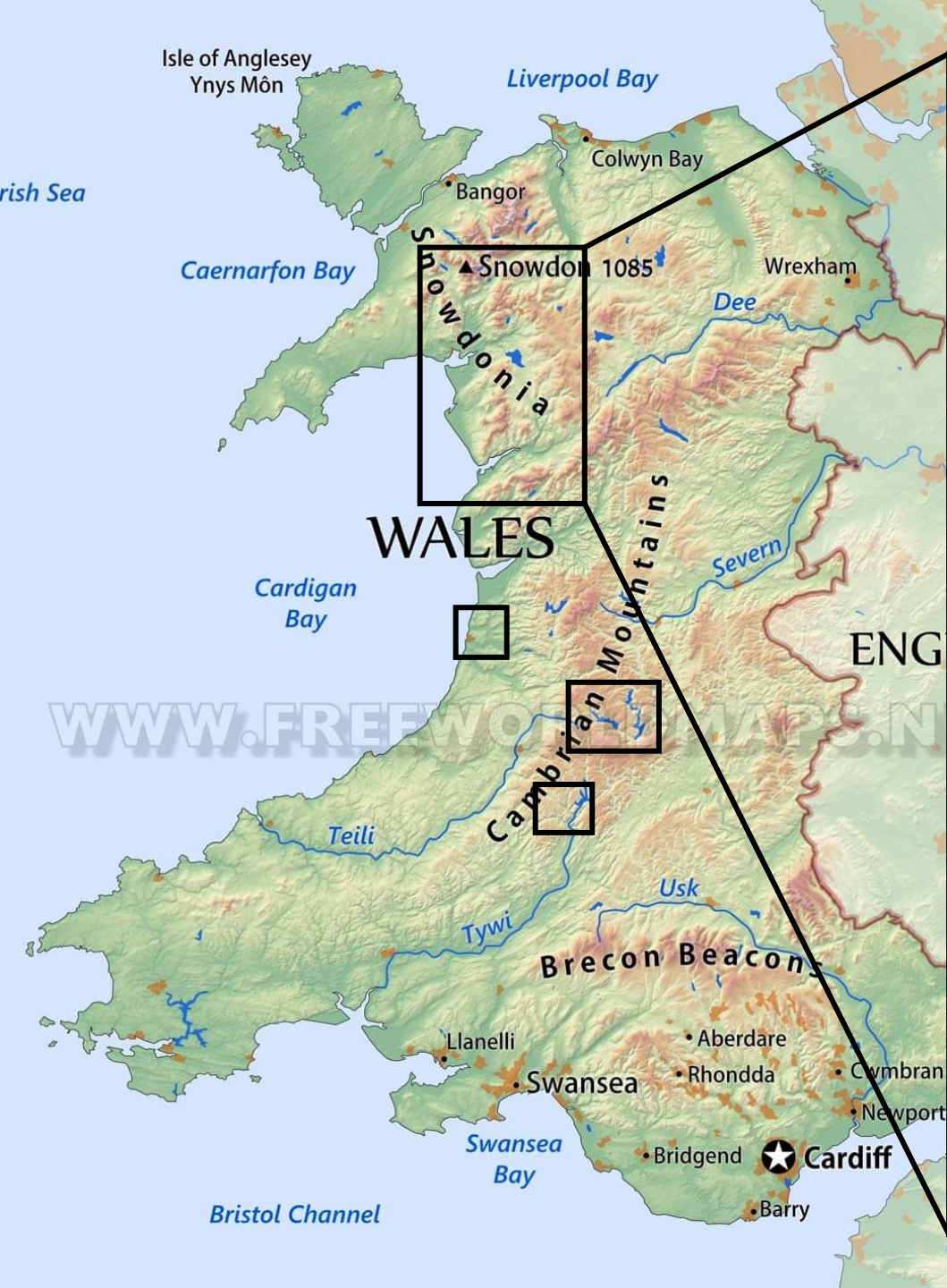


Primary Objectives

1. Eradicate *Rhododendron ponticum*, and reduce other IAS, with mechanisms established to maintain efforts long term.
2. Undertake active woodland management, grazing and restoration that will improve habitat condition, supported by local partnerships.
3. Demonstrate best practice methods to UK and EU stakeholders.
4. Increase the cultural, wildlife and natural capital value of temperate rainforests amongst key stakeholders.

Case study 1:
control of
Rhododendron
ponticum (Rp)





Focus of Rp
management
pre-2018

Estimated
583 ha
(Snowdonia
Rhododendron
Strategy
2008)

Achievements to date (spring 2025)

Area	Treated (KPI) - hectares
Total Area of Rp Managed within SAC (north)	1,428.1 (959.1)
Total Area of Rp Managed outside of SAC (north)	6,550.6 (6,697.9)
Total (north)	7,978.64 (7,657.0)



Primary Challenges

1. Contractor availability
2. Identifying landowners
3. Complexity of managing high volume of contracts
4. Resources / Staffing
5. Lack of enforcement powers

Case study 2: conservation grazing



Over grazed



Under grazed



Challenges



Installing
infrastructure



Finding a grazier



Finding the right
grazing level/stocking
density



Monitoring for
wild/trespass grazing



Expense



Diolch

Multumesc

Thank you