

Glen Affric Hydro Scheme monthly newsletter – February 2017



Alt Garbh takes shape

The powerhouse sub-structure is complete with final floor slab poured, and the outfall structure is complete and the screen has been installed.

In the penstock corridor the polyethylene pipe welding is complete with 1600 metres of pipe strung along the penstock corridor waiting to be laid (*pictured above*).

At the intake the bypass pipes have been installed, but the river has not been diverted.

There is good news that the public road on the south side of Cannich has re-opened meaning that HGVs can now bypass the village of Cannich and avoid the narrow road past the primary school. Work has now begun to upgrade the existing track from Cogie to the intake (*pictured right*).



Abhainn Gleann nam Fiadh



Pictured: precast units installed and made water tight.

The powerhouse wall construction is underway and due for completion by the end of February; whilst the outfall chamber has been completed with the outfall pipe laid and land reinstated to a high standard.

In the penstock corridor 600 metres of pipe has been laid (or 20 percent of the total). No pipe has been laid recently as this would impede access to the intake. At the intake we have sealed between the precast units and grouted the joints.

Pipe deliveries to Abhainn Gleann nam Fiadh have safely reached the site and trucks are being escorted from Fasnakyle along the narrow Glen Affric road.

Electrical installation and turbine supply

SSE Power Distribution has amended their plans and will no longer install a new transformer. This will require running a longer cable run from Fasnakyle power station. The turbine manufacturer is on track to deliver turbines in mid-March.

Health, safety and the environment

There were no health, safety or environmental issues last month.

Further information

To keep everyone up to date on the progress of the schemes we have posted information notes at Dog Falls car park, Allt na h-Imlrich car park, River Affric car park and at the foot of each scheme.

We are also providing up to date information to the local and wider community via the Forest Enterprise Scotland web site, Green Highland Renewables web site and a dedicated Twitter feed.



Pictured: powerhouse wall construction.

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