



STORM OPHELIA - ALL COILLTE FORESTS CLOSED TO PUBLIC MONDAY, 16TH OCTOBER

- **Coillte Forests across the country closed on Monday, 16th October with no public access allowed**

Sunday 15th October 2017: Coillte has closed all their forests across the country on Monday, 16th October following the status red wind warning Met Eireann have issued for Hurricane Ophelia. All Coillte recreation facilities will be closed on Monday, 16th October and **no public access is permitted to any Coillte Forests until further notice**. Further updates will be provided as the situation evolves.

Coillte would like to remind the public to be vigilant for fallen trees and to contact emergency services if any roads or access routes are blocked by fallen trees.

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About Coillte

Coillte is a commercial forestry company, owned by the State, that manages approximately 7% of the country's land. Coillte operate three strong businesses from this land - their core Forestry Business, a Wood Panels manufacturing business MEDITE SMARTPLY and a Land Solutions business. Coillte export to over 30 countries worldwide and in the financial year 31 December 2016 generated EBITDA of €98 million. Coillte's vision is to be the best Forestry and Land Solutions company in Europe. To find out more visit www.coillte.ie