Tayside Biodiversity Partnership





## **TAYSIDE BIODIVERSITY PARTNERSHIP**

c/o Dundee City Council, Floor 13, Tayside House, Dundee. DD1 3RA Telephone: 01382 443042 (or leave a message on: 01738 850566); e-mail: tayside.biodiversity@ukf.net www.taysidebiodiversity.co.uk

## **PHOTOCALL OPPORTUNITY**

### <u>Birnam Institute, Birnam:</u> <u>Thursday, 29<sup>th</sup> January</u>

9.30am, 12 noon and 3.45pm

# PRESS RELEASE

#### Sustainable River Management Seminar

For Immediate publication EXCLUSIVE TO THE PERTHSHIRE ADVERTISER

Such was the success of the first riparian seminar held three years ago in Birnam that a further 80 people from across Scotland will descend on the Institute again on Thursday, 29<sup>th</sup> January.

Organised by the Tayside Biodiversity Partnership's Water and Wetland sub-group, there will be a range of UK-wide speakers, including Dr Jenny Mant of the River Restoration Centre, and Calum Sinclair of the Rivers & Fisheries Trusts of Scotland. Trevor Hastings from Faskally's Fisheries Research Service will chair the day and also introduce speakers from the Scottish Environment Protection Agency, Moray Council and the World Wildlife Fund.

Subjects under discussion will include an update on the Flooding Bill and the Controlled Activities Regulation and there will be case studies from across the UK on sediment management techniques and fishery management planning and audit.

"This event is Partnership working at its best" says Catherine Lloyd, Tayside Biodiversity Partnership's

Co-ordinator,. "So many organizations and individuals are playing their part in the seminar and we have been generously sponsored by key fisheries organizations to ensure that there is no charge to delegates."

"The last riparian seminar presentations were put on the Partnership's website <u>www.taysidebiodiversity.co.uk</u> and proved to be the most popular items to be downloaded for over 18 months! We hope it will be possible to put this year's presentations on the website too which will open up the subject beyond the 80+ people who are attending".

She continued: "Delegates are converging on Tayside from right across Scotland and from many organizations, private and statutory. It promises to be a useful networking day as well as one with up to the minute information on the complex subject of River Management for Biodiversity, Fish and People."

- ENDS -

copyright Tayside Biodiversity Partnership - please contact the Biodiversity Co-ordinator if you wish to use any of the information given in the press releases