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Dear Sir or Madam

## Cairngorms National Park: Consultation on draft Order to Modify Designation Order

Members of Scottish Environment LINK have been long-term supporters of national parks in Scotland and we welcome the opportunity to respond to this consultation. We understand that the draft Order will implement the changes to the board previously consulted on and amend the boundary of the Park to include additional adjacent land in Perth and Kinross Council area.

We do not wish to comment on the proposed changes to the National Park board.

We support the proposed extension of the southern boundary into Perth and Kinross.

We also urge Scottish Ministers to commence work to identify further areas suitable for national park status in Scotland.

Please do not hesitate to contact me should you wish to discuss these comments further.

Yours sincerely

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Convener LINK Planning Task Force

The following Scottish Environment LINK members support this response:

Archaeology Scotland



- Association for the Protection of Rural Scotland
- John Muir Trust
- Mountaineering Council of Scotland National Trust for Scotland
- Ramblers Scotland
- Royal Zoological Society of Scotland
- RSPB ScotlandScottish Wild Land Group