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**FAO Stephanie Scott**

Dear Madam

**MACCAFERRI ROADMESH**

Further to your enquiry regarding our use of "Roadmesh" on the single track B873 Syre to Altnaharra road in Sutherland.

I can confirm that the section of road is in good condition and is at present showing no signs of rutting or reflective cracking. The road is poorly founded on weak soils and peat, prior to the use of the Roadmesh and bituminous overlay the road was rutted and deformed and had longitudinal and transverse cracking. The use of mesh was chosen as the route is subject to timber extraction from adjacent woodland.

We have continued to use roadmesh on several sections of weak road since the initial trial in 1995, these are also performing well.

Unfortunately photographs of the road prior to remedial works are not available however I have enclosed a recent photo of the road taken during our inspection.

Yours faithfully



**Campbell Stewart**  
Roads & Community Works Manager, Caithness, Sutherland & Easter Ross

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