
Site no.: B5

Site name: Burn of Gowal

Grid reference: [NO 23841 80481]

Locality: Upper reaches of Glen Clova, south of Broad Cairn

GCR Status: N/A

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Type: Natural landform and natural exposures

Description: A glen on the flanks of which gently dipping sheet joints formed parallel to the land surface of a pre-glacial shallow river valley are truncated by the classically U-shaped form of a glacially incised valley. The area also contains good exposures of the contact between the Lochnagar Granite Pluton and its country rocks (Dalradian Supergroup).

Justification: A good example of glacial modification of a pre-glacial landscape (perhaps one of the best in the CNP outwith the Cairngorm Mountains). Also one of the best examples in the CNP of the contact between a major intrusion and its host rocks.

[References](#)