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	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
<b>Amphibians</b>												
Great crested newt	Hibernating		Aquatic and terrestrial survey			Habitat and larvae only			Habitat		Hibernating	
<b>Aquatic survey</b>												
Freshwater pearl mussel	Unsuitable river conditions		Sub-optimal		Optimal for surveying					Unsuitable river conditions		
White-clawed crayfish	Little activity		Hand search	No surveying (breeding)		Hand search				Little activity		
<b>Birds</b>												
All species	Wintering bird		Breeding bird and migrant		Breeding bird		Little activity		Migrants		Wintering bird	
<b>Habitats</b>												
Phase 1 Habitat Survey	Sub-optimal for survey			Optimal survey period					Sub-optimal for survey			
NVC	Unsuitable		Sub-optimal	Optimal survey period			Sub optimal	Unsuitable				
<b>Mammals</b>												
Badger	Little activity	Bait marking and sett survey			Sett survey			Sett survey			Little activity	
Bat	Hibernation roost survey possible		Low activity	Activity surveys				Low activity	Hibernation roost possible			
Otter	No seasonal limitations on surveying											
Red squirrel	No seasonal limitations on surveying (March and May optimal)											
Water vole	Little activity	Habitat survey	Activity surveys						Habitat survey	Little activity		
<b>Reptiles</b>												
All species	Hibernating		Sub-optimal	Optimal		Sub-optimal			Optimal	Sub-optimal	Hibernating	

## Ecological Survey Timetable

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