

# OVERVIEW OF THE UK BAP REVIEWS – JULY 2005

Three reviews are being conducted by the Biodiversity Reporting & Information Group [BRIG](#):

1. 2005 UK BAP Reporting Round
2. UK BAP Targets Review
3. UK BAP Priority Species & Habitats Review

## UK BAP Targets Review (duration September 2004 – mid 2006)

- Aim: update existing UK BAP Species and Habitats targets and make them SMART<sup>1</sup>
- Involves Lead Partners, Lead Agencies, their steering groups and LBAPs
- Guidance note was issued in September 2004
- First drafts of targets were due in April 2005
- Consultation period: August to September 2005
- BRIG and Standing Committee consideration: October to December 2005
- Opportunity to update targets in January/February 2006 prior to publication in summer 2006
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- Working Group Chair: English Nature

### <sup>1</sup> SMART Targets:

<b>S</b> Specific	Target fits predefined categories toward viability
<b>M</b> Measurable	Possible to monitor and report progress
<b>A</b> Achievable	Biologically and pragmatically achievable
<b>R</b> Relevant	Represent progress towards long-term viability
<b>T</b> Time-bound	Incorporate time-limited milestones

## 2005 UK BAP Reporting Round (duration October 2005 – June 2006)

- 3<sup>rd</sup> UK BAP reporting round (previously [Lead Partners 1999](#); [Lead Partners](#) & [LBAPs 2002](#))
- Involves Lead Partners, Lead Agencies, their steering groups and LBAPs
- [Guidance note](#) was issued in February 2005
- Biodiversity Action Reporting System [BARS](#) will be used to answer the 2005 questions
- 2005 report will be published in time for the UK BAP Partnership Conference in June in Belfast
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- Working Group Chair: RSPB

## UK BAP Priority Species & Habitats Review (duration April 2005 – end 2006)

- Aim: ensure the correct species and habitats are listed as UK BAP priorities
- Involves Lead Partners, Lead Agencies, their steering groups and a wide range of expert groups
- Guidance notes were issued in April 2004
- [Terrestrial and freshwater species](#); [terrestrial and freshwater habitats](#); and [marine species and habitats](#) are being treated separately
- There are 3 stages in the Species and Habitats Review:
  - Stage 1 (scientific stage) – best available data are used to assess each UK species and habitat against 4 criteria. **This stage is underway.** [Contacts](#) co-ordinate Stage 1 and establish a network of experts and expert groups who deliver the necessary information on the species and habitats. Generates a candidate list to be produced in March 2006.
  - Stage 2 (the need for action) - examining how feasible or appropriate it is to conserve the species and habitats selected in Stage 1. Planning for this stage is underway. The final UK BAP priorities will be approved in this stage.
  - Stage 3 (implementation stage) - identifying a suite of implementation mechanisms to conserve the priority species and habitats considered collectively. Planning for this stage is underway.
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