

## **Ecological Activity Planning Calendar**

This calendar does not preclude the need to undertake protected species surveys and mitigation prior to construction works.

Organism and life-cycle stage	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	
Wildflowers (excl. INNS) <sup>1</sup>													
Glow worms (Blunder & Newtown Locks) <sup>2</sup>													
Nesting birds													
Fish spawning in Main River section of Stroudwater													
Elver migration upstream – tidal waters River Severn													
Protected Species – breeding and hibernation seasons	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	
Badgers (setts)	Breeding												
Bats (trees, structures)	Hibernation			Breeding						Hibernation			
Dormice	Hiber	nation		Breeding						Hibernation			
Great Crested Newts	Hibernation		Breeding								Hibernation		
Otters			Breeding										
Reptiles	Hibernation		Breeding								Hibernation		
Water voles			Breeding										
White-clawed crayfish			Breeding										
Invasive Non-native Species (INNS)	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	
Himalayan balsam				Cutting/pulling up			Flowering and seed release						
Giant hogweed									ng and seed release				
American mink	Report sightings to Gloucestershire Wildlife Trust (GWT) – see <a href="https://www.gcer.co.uk/records.html">https://www.gcer.co.uk/records.html</a> Email:gcer@gloucestershirewildlifetrust.co.uk												
Signal crayfish	Report Signal Crayfish here - http://www.brc.ac.uk/risc/signal_crayfish.php												

General maintenance period

Do not disturb

INNS optimum treatment period (see CCT's INNS Management Plan)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> CCT (July 2017). "Management Plan, Invasive Non-native Species (INNS)".

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> CCT (July 2018). "Canal Vegetation Management Guidelines for supporting biodiversity".