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What research questions need to be answered to help deliver Scotland's RBMP?

1. *How can we incorporate non-monetary value into the RBMP?*

2. *What are the multiple benefits of improving status, and at what time & spatial scales do these occur?*

3. *Should we be calculating ecosystem 'debt'*

4. *What are the barriers to delivering the benefits of nature valuation*

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What are the key data needs and knowledge gaps?

1. *Gap in understanding of what interventions are needed to gain benefits*

2. *Lack of case studies which measure the benefits of intervention*

3. *Poor centralised data on usage and value of freshwaters.*

4. *Lack of tools for valuation*

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Other points worth mentioning…

1. *Issues of scale and bias*

2. *Freshwater ecosystems and related policies do not exist in isolation of other ecosystems and management strategies.*