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Crayfish in Scotland - Lead Organisations: University of Glasgow & Clyde River Foundation

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Date the form was completed: 06/08/10

Organisation managing project: University of Glasgow, Clyde River Foundation

Project Partners:

Funders: Scottish Natural Heritage, Scottish Environment Protection Agency, University of Glasgow

Project type: Desktop study/review, field project, outdoor experimental and laboratory study

Key Topics: Base line surveys, monitoring populations, predicting invasion non-native crayfish, ark site area/site assessment, barriers against crayfish, impacts on ecology-

macrophytes/macroinvertebrates/amphibians/fish, impacts on habitat, burrowing, impacts on angling, behaviour, trapping programme and wild harvest

Species: White-clawed crayfish and Signal crayfish

Project Location:

Coverage Type: <u>Multiple waterbodies</u>

Project timescale: September 2008-2012

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