

# Obstacles to fish movement RBMP2 Objective setting

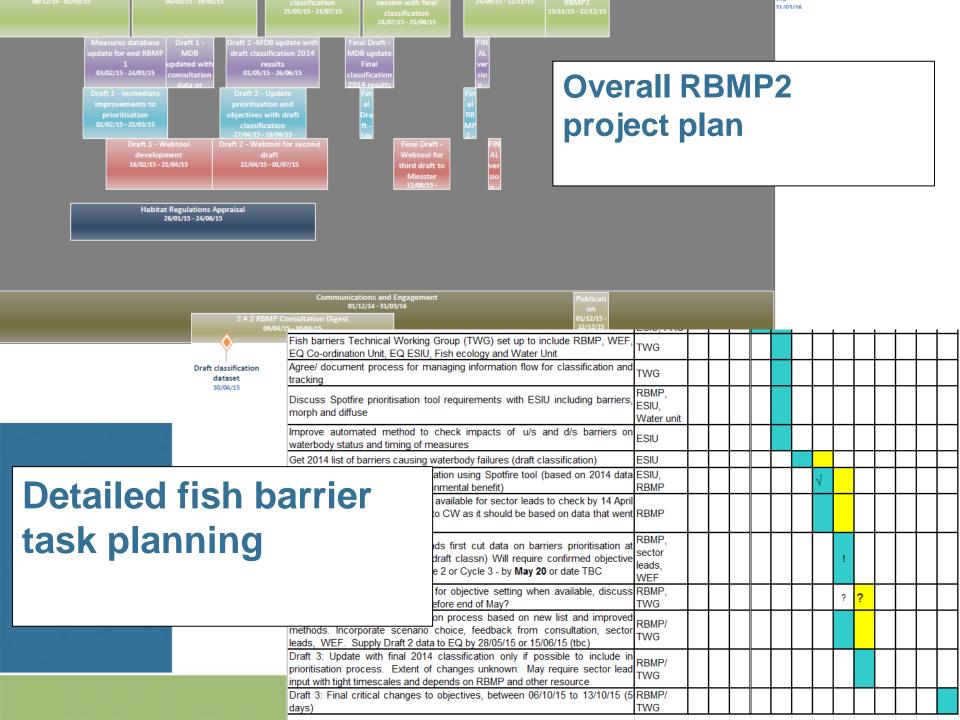
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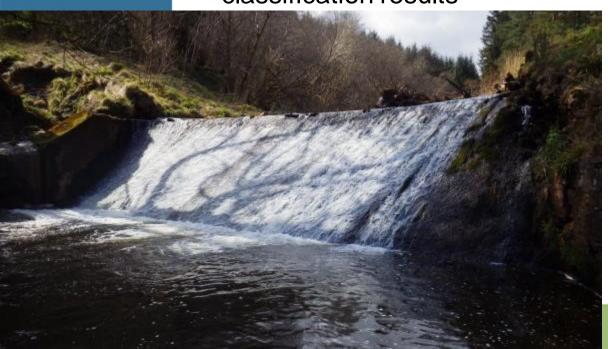






### **Progress update**

- Technical Working Group
- Classification <u>Prioritisation</u> Restoration
- Environmental benefit balanced with practical delivery
- Working on the list, with new classification results



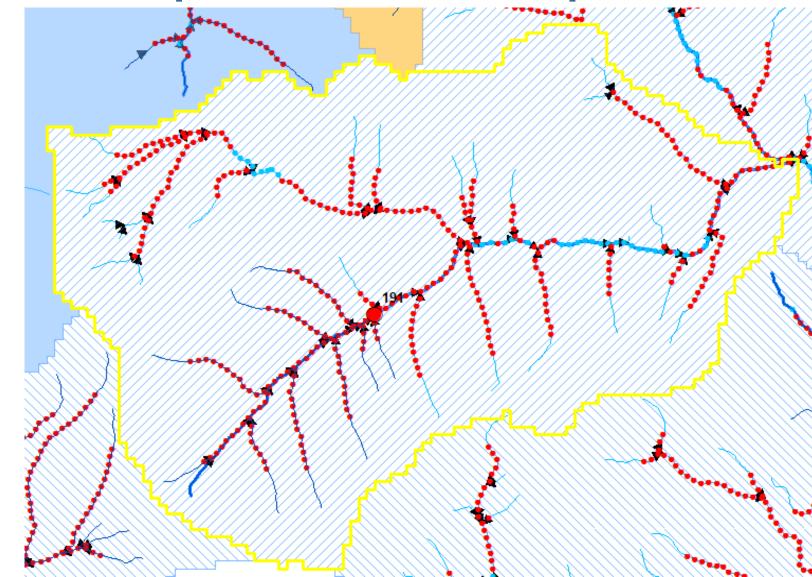


## Incorporating slope into classification – the method

- Points were generated at an interval of 50 metres along the length of the digital river network
- Calculated the percentage slope for each point (excluding points on lochs)
- Location of sampling sites (>1600 SEPA and fishery trust) analysed for slope statistics and presence of salmon fry/ parr
- Salmon fry and parr do not occur on rivers with a maximum slope > 10%
- Conservative approach, evidence based



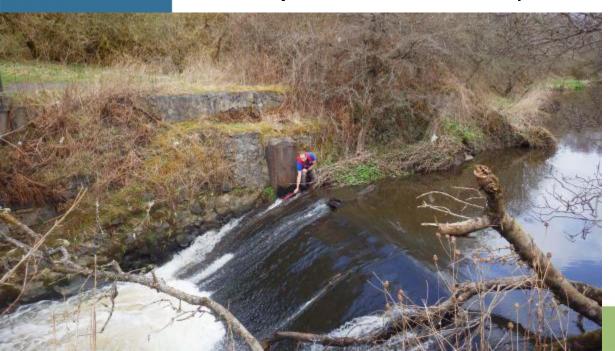
# Point dataset symbolised by slope value red: > 10% slope, blue <= 10% slope





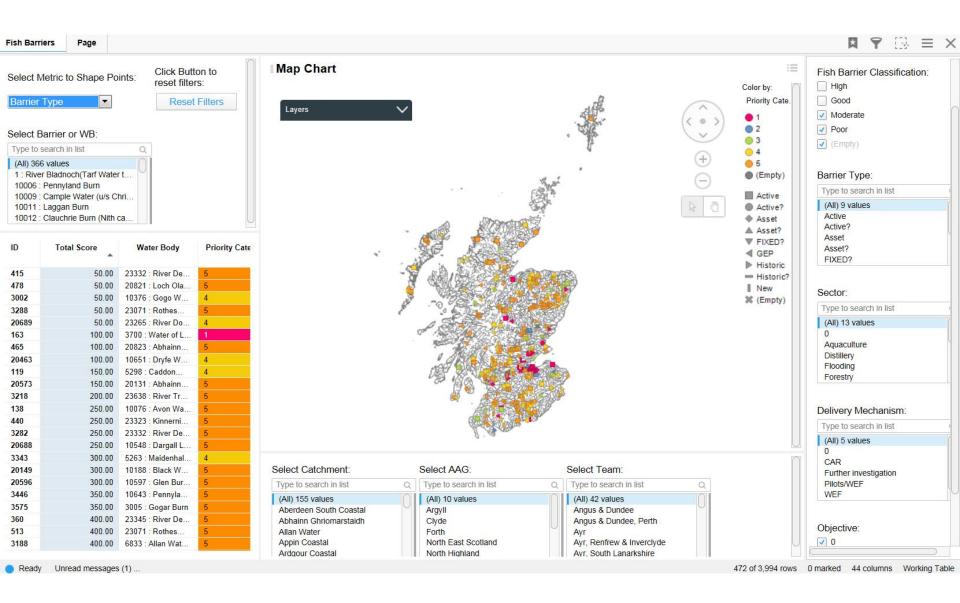
### **Prioritisation - Improving data**

- Engagement on RBMP2 consultation
- Focus on physical condition and fish barriers with local authorities and key responsible authorities
- Fish ecology screened for high priority ones to visit
- WEF active and pre-application projects
- Currently collating it all to produce appropriate objectives for the final plan

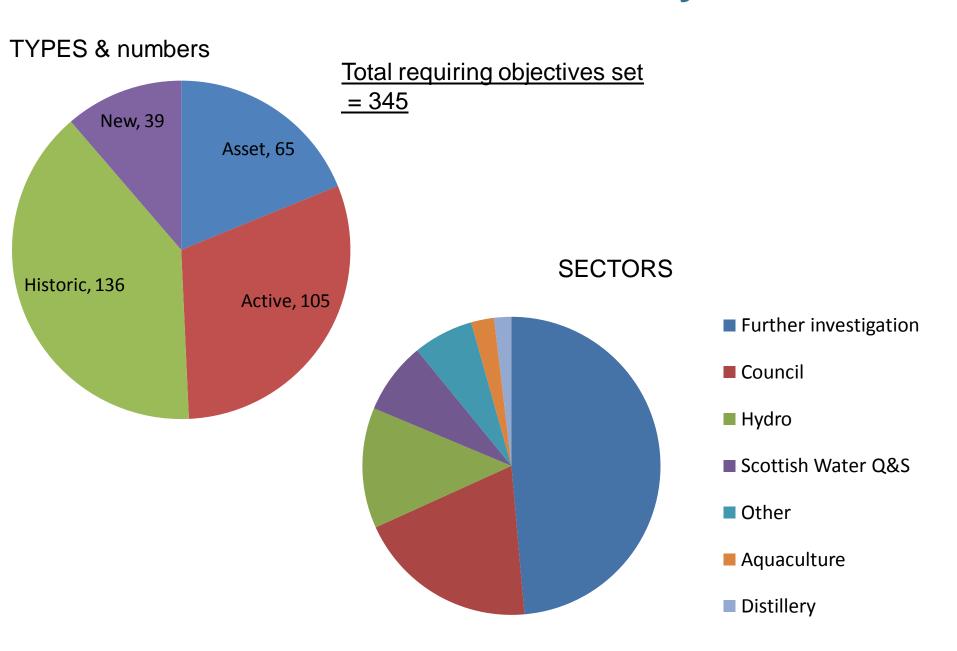


GIS informatics tool developed to help

#### **Prioritisation with GIS informatics tool**



#### Fish barrier data at 18 May 2015





#### **Current tasks**

- Technical stage of prioritisation done
- 345 barriers we need to set objectives for
- Currently doing Manual stage considering other factors
- Sector leads, WEF
- Some focused additional engagement
- Owners and use
- OBJECTIVES for RBMP2 by mid June



### **Restoration - During Cycle2**

Plan for delivery phase being developed