

The International Union of Railways (UIC) is the worldwide professional association representing the railway sector and promoting rail transport. UIC leads an innovative and dynamic sector, helping our members find opportunities and build success. The purpose of UIC's Ecological Effects of Railways on Wildlife (rEVERse) project is to understand railway's role in the loss and gain of biodiversity and its habitats in Europe. It will seek to set out how railways can manage land in an ecologically sensitive way, providing solutions and best practice examples.



UIC is seeking solutions and best practice to manage rail lineside in a way that can help **halt and reverse the loss of biodiversity**.

This poster provides information about Theme 6:
“Organisational KPIs, and ideally where these have evidence of biodiversity gain”

UNITED KINGDOM

In 2020 Network Rail in the UK published their Biodiversity Action Plan. This committed the company to a series of time-bound, meaningful and measurable biodiversity targets:

SOLUTION

- *2021: Publish new biodiversity standard to help us better care for plants and other wildlife.*
- *2024: Collect baseline information about our diverse railway habitats so that we can manage them effectively. + Run a reliable railway and look after all existing plants and wildlife on our land in a way that causes no net loss of biodiversity.*
- *2025: Increase levels of biodiversity near the railway by creating new habitats or managing invasive weeds. + Lead the way in land management, advising others on how to manage and increase biodiversity.*



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