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BACKGROUND	GOALS	QUESTIONS	ASSUMPTIONS	USERS
What is the background to the research? Why is the research being carried out?	What are the key goals of the research?	Which key questions are trying to be answered?	Which assumptions need to be validated? Are there any hypotheses to be tested?	Who should participate in the research? Who are the key users?
STAKEHOLDERS  Who has a stake in the research? Who will the research findings need to be communicated to?	METHODS  What is the best way to answer the research questions?  Which research methods and tools are likely to be most effective?	OUTPUTS  What should the research outputs be? How will the research be used?	RESEARCHERS  Who should carry out the research?  Who else should be involved in carrying out the research?	SCHEDULE  When does the research need to be carried out?

