**Applied Research Design Summary**

After reading Chapter 1 of the Bickman and Rog (2009) textbook, you will use the template below to summarize the given information in the sections of Chapter 1. All sections of the template must be addressed. Longer sections in the textbook will have longer summaries, and shorter sections will have shorter summaries, as noted in each heading. Please see each section for the sentence requirement. The final product should be approximately 1200–1500 words. Citations and references are not required.

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| **Making Trade-Offs and Testing Feasibility**  *Write one to three sentences per heading in the section.* |
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This assignment is due by 11:59 p.m. (ET) on Sunday of Module/Week 2.