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Project holder	La Grande Community Council Jiguamiandó River Community Council Turriquitadó Community Council Biotrade S.A.S	
Project Type/Project activity	AFOLU (Agriculture, Forestry, and Other Land Use) REDD+ Project	
Grouped project	This project is ungrouped	
Version number of the Project Document to which this report applies	Project Document V5.0 (31/05/2024) Monitoring Report V5.0 (31/05/2024)	
Applied methodology	<ul> <li>BCR STANDARD. From differentiated responsibility to common responsibility.</li> <li>BioCarbon Registry, Version 3.2 of September 23, 2023 (Hereinafter BCR Standard).</li> <li>METHODOLOGICAL DOCUMENT AFOLU SECTOR. Quantification of GHG Emission Reductions. REDD+ Projects. BCR0002. Version 3.1 of September 15, 2022 (Hereinafter REDD+ methodological document).</li> </ul>	
Project location	Country: Colombia Department: Chocó Municipalities: Carmen del Darién and Riosucio	



Project starting date	January 2, 2019	
Quantification period of GHG emissions reductions/removals	January 2, 2019, to January 01, 2049 (30 years)	
Estimated total and mean annual amount of GHG emission reductions/removals	216,748.17 tCO2e/year 6,502,445.05 tCO2e (30 years)	
Monitoring period	1st Monitoring Period (02/01/2019 to 31/12/2022)	
Total amount of GHG emission reductions/removals	391,258 tCO2e/year 1,565,034 tCO2e (total monitoring period)	
Contribution to Sustainable Development Goals	SDG 4, SDG 9, SDG 11, and SDG 15	
Special category, related to co- benefits	Biodiversity Conservation Category	
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## *1 Executive summary*

The JIGRANTU REDD+ Project is in the category of projects in the AFOLU sector (Agriculture, Forestry and Other Land Uses), sectoral scope 14 Forest, REDD+ activities. It is in the Colombian Pacific region towards the northeastern part of the department of Chocó and has a total area of 74,012.27 hectares belonging to the municipalities of Carmen del Darién and Riosucio. A large part of the project area is framed within the territories of the Community Council of La Grande, the Community Council Río Jiguamiandó and the Community Council Turriquitadó, which are configured as the owners of the project, together with Biotrade S.A.S.

The ecosystems that present the greatest representativeness in the area correspond to Humid Basal Forest and Basal Flood Forest, which have vegetation cover characteristic of dense terra firma forest and dense floodable forest (1.05%), swampy areas (3%) and mosaic of crops, pastures, and natural spaces (5.77%). As of the project's start date (2019), 68,898.97 hectares correspond to eligible areas, i.e. areas of stable forest.



Figure 1. Project Location Map

Source: Taken from Project Document V5.0

The main objective of the project is the reduction of GHG emissions caused by deforestation of forests through the execution of mitigation actions of four (4) strategic lines: i) strengthening of governance and culture, ii) capacity building, iii) actions for the sustainable development of the territory, and iv) monitoring and control. Additionally,



through the special category (co-benefits) of Biodiversity Conservation, the project focuses on the conservation and recovery of the swamps as a measure to protect the populations of the manatee (Trichechus manatus) and the hicotea turtle (Trachemys callirostris), species that inhabit these ecosystems and are in a high degree of vulnerability.

During its 30-year quantification period(02/01/2019 to 01/01/2049), the project seeks the certification of activities that allow a net reduction of emissions equal to 6,502,445 tCO2e. Specifically, during the first monitoring period (02/01/2019 to 31/12/2022) the project achieved, under the development of the strategic lines, a total reduction of 1,565,034 tCO2e.

During validation and verification, ICONTEC's audit team identified a total of 31 findings: 22 Requests for Corrective Action, 8 Requests for Clarification, and 1 Requests for Future Action; these were satisfactorily attended by the project owners during the audit process, ensuring that the documentation conforms to the reference parameters.

The scope of the validation and verification included documentary review, on-site tours and interviews with direct and indirect actors, consultation of official sources of information, issuance of findings and preparation of the final report; under compliance with the criteria of ISO/IEC 17029:2019, the BCR Standard, the REDD+ Methodological Document REDD+ and the respective BCR tools.

ICONTEC confirmed that the reported GHG emission reductions (ex-ante and ex post) are based on an adequate and consistent estimate, and do not incur material errors.

## 2 Objective, scope and criteria

Considering the provisions of the reference frame, which constitutes the requirements for the audit, its objectives are as follows:

- Assess the likelihood that implementation of the planned GHG Project will result in increased removals or reduced GHG emissions reported by the project proponent.
- Validate compliance with the regulatory requirements and those established by the program and the reference to determine the viability of the implementation of the GHG Project.
- Verify compliance in the implementation of the mitigation project activities, including those associated with the methodology selected for the project.
- Evaluate and verify compliance with the principles of the monitoring, verification, and reporting system necessary to comply with current legislation.
- Provide an independent third-party opinion that has evaluated the implementation and reduction/removal of GHG emissions of this project registered under BioCarbon Registry.
- Evaluate and verify compliance with the principles of the monitoring, verification, and reporting system necessary to comply with current legislation.



• Provide confidence to different stakeholders in the quality of the project and its ability to achieve certified GHG reductions/removals.

The scope of validation and verification involves an objective review to determine that the GHG project meets the following criteria:

- ISO Standards
  - ISO/IEC 17029:2019 Conformity assessment General principles and requirements for validation and verification bodies
  - ISO 14064-2:2019 Greenhouse gases Part 2: Specification with guidance at the project level for quantification, monitoring and reporting of greenhouse gas emission reductions or removal enhancements
  - ISO 14064-3:2019 Greenhouse gases Part 3: Specification with guidance for the verification and validation of greenhouse gas statements
  - ISO 14065:2020 Greenhouse gases Requirements for greenhouse gas validation and verification bodies for use in accreditation or other forms of recognition
- METHODOLOGICAL DOCUMENT AFOLU SECTOR. Quantification of GHG Emission Reductions. REDD+ Projects. BCR0002. Version 3.1 of September 15, 2022 (Hereinafter REDD+ methodological document)
- BCR STANDARD. From differentiated responsibility to common responsibility. BioCarbon Registry, Version 3.2 of September 23, 2023 (Hereinafter BCR Standard). GHG Project Validation and Verification Manual. Version 2.1 as of February 13, 2023.
- BCR TOOL. SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS (SDG). Version 1.0. June 2023
- BCR TOOL TO DEMONSTRATE COMPLIANCE WITH THE REDD+ SAFEGUARDS. Version 1.1. January 2023
- BCR TOOL. AVOIDING DOUBLE COUNTING (ADC). BCR avoid double counting of emissions reductions/removals. Version 1.0 March 2023
- BCR TOOL. PERMANENCE AND RISK MANAGEMENT. BCR project holder take actions to ensure the project benefits are maintained over time. Version 1.0 March 2023
- BCR TOOL. NO NET HARM ENVIRONMENTAL AND SOCIAL SAFEGUARDS (NNH). BCR project activities do not cause any net-harm to the environment or to local communities and society in general. Version 1.0 March 2023
- BIOCARBON GUIDELINES. BASELINE AND ADDITIONALITY. BCR projects generate verified carbon credits (VCC) that represent emissions reductions, avoidance, or removals that are additional. Version 1.1 February 2023
- Specific national regulations on carbon markets



- Resolution 1447 of 2018 of the Ministry of Environment and Sustainable Development
- Resolution 831 of 2020 of the Ministry of Environment and Sustainable Development
- Other documents
  - IPCC 2006 Guidelines for National GHG Inventories
  - Good Practice Guidance for Land Use Land-Use Change and Forestry (2003)
  - Proposed Reference Level of Forest Emissions from Deforestation in Colombia for REDD+ Payment for Results under the UNFCCC (2020)

Thus, the scope of the project's validation and verification audit involved:

- Validation and verification of the projected GHG emission reductions during the quantification period (02/01/2019 to 01/01/2049) and those reported during the monitoring period (02/01/2019 to 31/12/2022).
- Validation and verification of compliance with the provisions of the BCR Standard and others that may be applicable, considering the limits of the GHG project, the reference scenario and baseline scenario, additionality criteria, ownership and rights of carbon, co-benefits, consultation with stakeholders, environmental and social aspects, among others.
- Assessment of the project's uncertainty, conservative approach, and mitigation objectives.

ICONTEC conducted the validation and verification audit of the GHG project in accordance with its code of ethics, regulations, and internal procedures, which are consistent with the requirements established in the corresponding GHG program. In addition, the audit exercise carried out used a risk-based approach, which focuses on the identification and assessment of the potential risks associated with the declaration of GHG emission reductions and the controls put in place to mitigate them.

In accordance with the above, the audit team (Alejandra Torres and Laura García) together with the project owners (La Grande Community Council, Río Jiguamiandó Community Council, Turriquitadó Community Council and Biotrade SAS) planned the validation and verification. The validation and verification plan included communication with project owners, stakeholders, service providers, technical team, and on-site tours to corroborate the project boundaries and obtain evidence of the approaches set out in the documentation, assessing its level of assurance and materiality.

The validation and verification were not intended to provide consultancy services to the GHG project holder(s). However, requests for clarification (CL), corrective action (CAR), or future action (FAR) issued in the audit exercise may have provided clarification on the requirements to improve project delivery.



## 3 Validation and verification planning

### 3.1 Validation and verification plan

The validation and verification audit corresponds to an objective, systematic and documented evaluation of a GHG project with respect to compliance with established criteria, seeking to demonstrate that it conforms to the requirements specified in national standards and BCR methodological documents.

In accordance with the requirements established in ISO 17029:2019 and ISO 14064-3:2019, the procedure performed to complete the validation and verification contemplated:

- a) Pre-engagement activities (To be agreed with the client)
  - The type of service: Validation and Verification
  - Objectives, criteria and scope (described in section 2)
  - Assurance level and materiality: 95% and 5%, respectively (described in section 3.3).
- b) Selection of a validation and verification team (described in section 3.2).
- c) Planning of validation and verification (described in section 3.4).
  - Strategic analysis and risk assessment
  - Development of an evidence collection plan/sampling plan
  - Development of a validation and verification plan
- d) Socialization of the audit plan and sampling plan with the client.
- e) Execution of validation and verification activities in accordance with the established audit plan (described in section 4).
- f) Collection of documentary and on-site evidence in accordance with the established sampling plan (described in section 4).
- g) Evaluation of GHG declarations (described in sections 5 and 6).
- h) Issuance of the final validation and verification report and opinion (described in section 8).

In compliance with PE-PS-013 Specific validation and verification procedure for ICONTEC GHG mitigation projects, the planning of the validation and verification service included:

- Development of strategic analysis and risk assessment (F-PS-1001). During November 2023, the audit team conducted a detection, control, and inherent risk assessment to evaluate the sources and magnitude of potential errors, omissions, or distortions for GHG project activities. This evaluation considered as the main input the Project Document, the Monitoring Report, Calculation sheets for baseline, project and leaks, and records of the implementation of the monitoring plan (Table 1).
- In accordance with the results of the risk assessment, the audit team considered it necessary to coordinate a visit to the site to corroborate aspects related to the relevance of GHG sources, sinks and reservoirs, spatial limits of the project,



property and carbon rights, project implementation status, data control and management, among others (see section 3.4). This means that the evidence collection plan included a documentary review of the information declared by the proponent, cross-referencing of secondary information and a site visit (tours and interviews).

- The established audit plan (Annex 2) was consistent with the criteria, scope, objectives and level of assurance mentioned in literal a, and was developed following the sampling plan. The audit plan presented a detailed schedule of on-site audit activities, allowing the evaluation of qualitative and quantitative evidence to be addressed in an organized manner. The on-site assessment was conducted from November 27 to December 02, 2023.

During the document review and site visit stages, the probability that the implementation of the planned GHG project will produce the GHG reductions declared and projected by the project proponents was evaluated, to subsequently establish an independent opinion on the validation and verification of the GHG reduction of the project and approve a baseline scenario for the monitoring period.

### 3.2 Audit team

Listed below is ICONTEC's regulatory framework to carry out the selection of the validation and verification team for GHG projects and the monitoring of the qualification of personnel in technical services:

- PE-PS-013 SPECIFIC VALIDATION AND VERIFICATION PROCEDURE FOR GHG MITIGATION PROJECTS, section 5.3. Personnel qualification.
- E-PS-114 QUALIFICATION REQUIREMENTS FOR VALIDATION AND VERIFICATION SERVICES FOR GHG MITIGATION PROJECTS
- E-PS-0064 MONITORING THE PERFORMANCE OF VALIDATION AND VERIFICATION PROFESSIONALS
- P-CP-0001 PROCEDURE TO QUALIFY AND/OR AUTHORIZE PERSONNEL IN TECHNICAL SERVICES
- P-CP-0002 MAINTENANCE OF QUALIFICATIONS AND/OR COMPETENCE FOR TECHNICAL SERVICES
- F-PS-625 SERVICE BASE TECHNICAL UNIT VALIDATION AND VERIFICATION

ICONTEC ensures that the designation of validation and verification audit teams for GHG projects follows the guidelines of the procedures described above and, therefore, the selected audit team has the required professional skills and the respective qualification in the AFOLU sector (Annex 1).

The qualification described in Annex 1 was taken from the internal document "FCP002CONSOLIDADOVALIDACIONYVERIFICACIONPROFESIONALESCALIFICA-DOS20240527" updated on May 27, 2024, which is constituted as an official consolidated document of the validation and verification technical unit.



The validation and verification roles and activities carried out by each professional during the audit are detailed below:

Table 1. Audit team

Full name(s)	Role(s) or responsibility(s) Activity(s) carried ou		
María Alejandra Torres	Lead Auditor	Documentary Review	
Gómez		On-site visit	
		Joint Validation and Verification Report	
		Declarations	
Laura María García Murillo	Auditor	Documentary Review	
		On-site visit	
		Joint Validation and Verification Report	
Víctor Manuel Nieto Rodríguez	Technical Reviewer	Technical Review	
Camilo Andrés Carvajal Guerra	Technical Unit Leader	Review of final documents	
Martha Ivón Corredor	Validation & Verification	Final Documentation Approval	
Rodriguez	Manager	Sign declarations	

Source: This report

In compliance with the provisions of the BCR Validation and Verification Manual v2.3, ICONTEC establishes a policy framed in the guarantee of impartiality, confidentiality, independence and management of the conflict of interest that is required to act and make decisions objectively, autonomous, suitable and reliable, during all activities associated with the provision of the service and commercial management.

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To ensure that there is no conflict of interest in conformity assessment activities, ICONTEC does not assign professionals who declare a conflict of interest, familiarity, affinity or consulting activities related to the services or project participants. If an ICONTEC professional has been part of said activities, this professional will not be able to provide services to said organization for at least two years following the cessation of the activity. Specifically, during the audit team selection stage, qualified professionals sign the



declaration of impartiality using the form "F-GV-119 Declaration of Impartiality CDM-14065", which constitutes a declaration of the non-existence of conflicts of interest.

The terms of confidentiality are referred to in the contract signed between the parties (client and ICONTEC) in the thirteenth clause and, additionally, within the contract of each professional is provided the code of ethics "PO-GE-001 Code of Ethics V2.0".

The Code of Ethics seeks to materialize ICONTEC's philosophy, by establishing guiding criteria for action based on the highest principles and values of all its members and stakeholders. This Code is applied by all ICONTEC employees, bound by an employment contract, whether for a fixed term or indefinite; for the provision of services (contractors and subcontractors); and all those who, without a contractual relationship, have any type of relationship with ICONTEC, under any modality (members of the Board of Directors and other collegiate bodies). Contractors and subcontractors are those natural or legal persons who at any time provide their services to ICONTEC or on its behalf.

As a mechanism to safeguard impartiality, the ICONTEC Board of Directors established an Impartiality Committee as an advisory body to deal with issues related to Impartiality Risk Management. This initiative responds to the interest of this collegiate body to ensure trust and transparency in the provision of validation and verification services. The composition of the Committee considers the participation of external and independent people, and on their own behalf or on behalf of an entity associated with the interest groups related to the services provided by the institution.

ICONTEC assesses the risks resulting from its validation and verification activities and has taken appropriate provisions to cover the legal liabilities resulting from its operations in each of its fields of activity and geographical areas in which it operates. In this regard, ICONTEC has taken the contractual and extra-contractual civil liability insurance policy identified LRCG-126201966-1 with the insurer Zurich Colombia Insurance S.A. in force until December 31, 2024, for an amount of up to COP \$3,000,000,000. Likewise, it has the civil liability insurance policy for errors and omissions identified with the same insurer, policy EOFF-126070543-1 valid until December 31, 2024, with coverage up to USD \$5,000,000.

Additionally, ICONTEC has accreditation with ONAC (Annex 7) under the requirements specified in the standard "ISO/IEC 17029:2019 General principles and requirements for validation and verification organizations" with scope in the sectors:

- Afforestation and reforestation
- Energy industries (renewable/non-renewable sources)
- Energy demand
- Transport
- Waste management and disposal



### 3.3 Level of assurance and materiality

In accordance with the guidelines of the BCR v3.1 Standard and ISO 14064-3:2019, the information declared by the client presented the level of assurance agreed upon at the beginning of the validation and verification activities, that is, it was not less than 95%. The validation and verification team evaluated the materiality of the information through the audit plan and considered that the relative importance was not greater than 5%.

In this regard, ICONTEC executed a validation and verification audit plan (section 3.1) by developing: 1) strategic analysis and risk assessment and 2) evidence collection plan/sampling plan, which made it possible to minimize the risk (control, inherent and detection) that the validation and verification team did not detect a material discrepancy that could affect the GHG declaration.

Table 2 identifies and evaluates the level of risk associated with potential errors, omissions or misrepresentations that could occur during validation and verification activities, and Table 3 establishes the control mechanisms (evidence collection plan) to minimize the potential risks identified.

The validation and verification team defined the following criteria for evaluating the level of assurance (95%) and materiality (5%) of the REDD+ JIGRANTU Project:

- Project owners and development team. The ownership information effectively delivered corresponds to the Jiguamiandó River Community Council, La Grande Community Council and Turriquitadó Community Council. Additionally, the legal makeup of the Biotrade team was evident. There are no material discrepancies in this information.
- Project limits. The cartographic information related to the project limits conforms to the BCR criteria for its delimitation. This information was cross-referenced with official cartography and information recorded during the site visit. The cartographic adjustments requested by the audit team are not configured as material errors.
- Baseline and Additionality. Identification of the most plausible baseline scenarios and demonstration of additionality meets BCR methodological criteria. During the site visit, the social, political and environmental context of the territory was confirmed. The material discrepancy from baseline was no more than 5%.
- Property and rights over carbon. The information related to the ownership or ownership of the land in the project areas was consistent with what was described in the resolutions and/or agreements for the allocation of the collective territory to the Community Councils, the alliance agreements between the parties and the governance structures. of the Community Councils. There were no material discrepancies.
- Carbon calculator. The information sources associated with the activity data, emission factors, carbon pools and emission sources included were relevant for the development of the baseline scenario and project scenario. The adjustments made



in the quantification of the emissions reduction are not derived from errors greater than 5%.

- Uncertainty evaluation. The evaluation of precision, uncertainty and error associated with the geographical information sources used, emission factors and other quantification parameters meet the criteria established by BCR. There were no material discrepancies.
- Design and monitoring of the Monitoring Plan. The evaluation of the design of the Monitoring Plan and its implementation did not present any material discrepancies.
- Compliance with the Sustainable Development Goals (SDG). The evaluation of compliance was carried out by reviewing activities implemented. There were no material errors.
- Control and management of data quality. The project has an Operational Plan that allows it to periodically manage the quality of the recorded data. There were no material discrepancies.
- Consultation with interested parties. Through information recorded in meetings and interviews with the project's stakeholders, the occurrence of spaces for consultation and socialization around the implementation of the project was corroborated. There were no material discrepancies with respect to what was declared.
- Compliance with national legislation. The legal framework of the project is complete and relevant. No material errors were detected.
- Criteria and indicators related to Cobenefits. Information related to project cobenefits was evaluated as provided in BCR and implementation activities.
- BCR specific tools and guides. This information was evaluated in accordance with the criteria and guidelines established by BCR.

All versions of the validation and verification report, before being sent to the customer, are subject to an independent internal technical review to confirm that all validation and verification activities have been completed in accordance with ICONTEC's procedures. Therefore, ICONTEC has issued its conclusion with respect to this verification exercise (section 8).

### 3.4 Sampling plan

In accordance with ISO/IEC 17029:2019, the audit planning process included risk assessment, preparation of the sampling plan/evidence collection plan and design of the audit plan (Annex 2). The sampling plan considered the risk assessment of potentially erroneous statements, and designed evidence collection activities to control the sources of potential errors, omissions or misrepresentations and the logistical arrangements with holders for access to the territory.

Tabla 2 shows the risks and treatments that may occur within the audit process in its different phases and that may result in errors in the estimation of the carbon calculation. This assessment was considered to define the audit sampling plan following the



# indications of "PE-PS-013 Specific Validation and Verification Procedure for GHG Projects".

Table 2. Strategic analysis and risk assessment

No.	Risks that may lead to			Risk control system in the	
	errors, omissions and potential distortions	Risk Level	Justification	verification plan and/or in the sampling or evidence collection plan	
Cont	rol Risks:				
1	Human error in quantifying emissions. Inaccuracy: double counting, significant manual transfer of key data, or inappropriate use of emission factors	Middle	Activity data and emission factors are downloaded from official and traceable sources.	100% of the data indicated in the spreadsheets is cross-checked with the information available in the source of the activity data and emission factors.	
2	Lack of full data coverage: Exclusion of significant sources, incorrectly defined limits, leakage effects.	Low	Lack of knowledge of the requirements of the methodology related to its applicability.	In the validation, it was ensured that the applicability requirements of the methodology were included in the audit plan. In the verification, it was ensured to include in the audit plan that the total data from the monitoring period have been considered within the defined limits of the project.	
3.	Inconsistency: lack of documentation of methodological changes in the calculation of GHG emissions or removals in relation to those used in previous years.	Middle	Lack of knowledge of the requirements of the quantification methodology and/or the requirements of the BCR program.	The audit plan considers reviewing the status of the project for changes that could affect the quantification of GHG removals or reductions.	
Inher	ent Risk:				
4.	Dependency on a technology platform designed for data capture: Occurrence of omissions and errors in the transfer of raw or raw data to the emission reduction excel spreadsheet.	Middle	Failures in data transfer quality control due to an unclear QA/QC procedure.	Verify the quality management procedures and instructions designed for this purpose. The auditor established a space in the audit plan to conduct interviews with the personnel responsible for recording data and verifying it through compliance with its procedures.	
5.	Facts Discovered After Validation or Verification	Middle	Project changes that may affect the GHG Validation and Verification statement.	The audit plan included an in-person visit to the project facilities to confirm the implementation status.	
Deteo	ction Risk:				
6.	Delays in the calibration of measurement or monitoring equipment related to the quantification of GHG reductions.	High	There is no record of the frequency of calibration of the equipment established to carry out the measurements in the monitoring.	The audit plan included the time period to verify the calibration status of 100% of the monitoring equipment.	
7	Insufficient information to demonstrate the	Low	All land tenure documents are up to date.	The auditor included in the audit plan the time period to verify if the	



No.	Risks that may lead to		Risk Assessment	Risk control system in the
	errors, omissions and potential distortions	Risk Level	Justification	verification plan and/or in the sampling or evidence collection plan
	possession of the rights to use the land on which the forestry activity takes place.			measurement equipment is installed according to the monitoring plan and conducted interviews with the responsible personnel to determine their level of knowledge regarding quality controls and corrective maintenance.

Source: This report

The criteria chosen within the sampling plan allowed us to generate a validation and verification procedure that detected the statements with the highest risk of material discrepancy and minimized the probability of audit errors.

Table 3. Sampling plan criteria

Criteria	Type of evidence	Evidence collection plan	Cross check
Project holders and developer team	Qualitative	Review of the documents that establish the legitimacy of the Community Councils and evidence of legal formation of the Biotrade team. Interviews with the legal representatives of the Community Councils and the Biotrade team. Interviews with residents of the communities that are part of the Community Councils. Review of the documents that establish the legitimacy of the Review of the official cartography of the National Land Agency -ANT associated with the Community Councils.	/313/-/321/ /40/-/42/ /44/-/55/ /56/-/65/
Project limits	Qualitative and quantitative	Review of the mapping of the project boundaries in accordance with the BCR criteria for their delimitation. Site tours to evaluate the correspondence of the vegetation coverage present in the project area and the spatial context of the reference area and leakage area.	/56/-/65/ /169/-/201/



Criteria	Type of evidence	Evidence collection plan	Cross check
Baseline and Additionality	Qualitative	Review of the identification of the most plausible baseline scenarios and	/1/
Additionality		demonstration of additionality under the BCR methodological criteria.	/123/-/149/
		Field tours and interviews to	/151/-/163/
		corroborate the social, political and environmental contexts described in	/204/-/206/
		the project documentation.	/336/-/344/
Carbon ownership and	Qualitative	Review of the resolutions and agreements for the allocation of the	/313/-/321/
rights		collective territory to the Community Councils that own the project.	/34/-/39/
		Legal review of the contractual agreements between the parties and review of the benefit distribution system.	/43/-/55/
		Review of the governance structures of the Community Councils.	
		Interviews with representatives of the Councils and habitants of the territory to corroborate aspects related to compliance with social and environmental Safeguards and SDGs.	
Carbon calculator	Quantitative	Review and evaluation of the relevance of the information sources	/60/-/65/
curculator		associated with the activity data, emission factors, carbon pools and	/29/-/32/
		emission sources included.	/150/
		Review of the temporal limits of the project in accordance with the	/1 /
		methodological criteria established by BCR.	/3/
		Review of other sources of	/29/-/32/
		information that relate annual deforestation rates for the region or other nearby projects.	/202/-/203/



Criteria Type of evidence		Evidence collection plan Cross che	
		Review of satellite images and historical dynamics of deforestation in the region.	
Uncertainty assessment	Quantitative	Evaluation of the precision, uncertainty and error associated with the geographical information sources used, emission factors and other	/60/-/65/ /29/-/32/
		quantification parameters.	/150/
		Review of control and quality systems to periodically evaluate the accuracy of activity data and emission factors.	/146/
Non-permanency and reversal risk	Qualitative and quantitative	Review and evaluation of the development of the BCR non-	/5/-/13/
assessment	quantitutive	permanency tool.	/1/
Design and monitoring of the	Qualitative and quantitative	Evaluation of the design of the Monitoring Plan and monitoring its	/1/
Monitoring Plan		implementation through the review of indicators.	/17/-/18/
		Evaluation of relevance and	/20/-/22/
		compliance with the Sustainable Development Goals (SDG).	/15/
		On-site tours to the areas where REDD+ activities were implemented and interviews with those responsible for monitoring.	/241/-/312/
Control and management of	Qualitative	Review of the Project Operational Plan.	/14/
data quality			/220/
		Review of the timing, responsible party, result, among others, of the indicators of the project Monitoring Plan.	/323/
		Interviews with the development team and those responsible for monitoring activities to demonstrate control processes in the monitoring records.	



Criteria	Type of evidence	Evidence collection plan	Cross check
Consultation with stakeholders	Qualitative	Interviews with project stakeholders to corroborate the occurrence of socialization of the project's objectives and activities in the territory. Review of evidence (meeting minutes, attendance lists, photographs, emails, etc.) of the socialization spaces provided.	/82/-/111/ /211/ /240/
Compliance with national legislation	Qualitative	Legal review of the legal framework applicable to project activities. Review of the environmental legal matrix of the project. Interviews with project stakeholders to inquire about the occurrence (or potential occurrence) of conflicts or impacts derived from project implementation or non-compliance with REDD+ activities under the local and regional regulatory framework.	/33/ /1/
Criteria and indicators related to Cobenefits	Qualitative and quantitative	Review and evaluation of compliance of the Cobenefits with the requirements established by BCR.	/275/ /292/ /1/ /3/
BCR Specific Tools and Guides	Qualitative and quantitative	Evaluation of the application of the tools and guides provided by BCR.	/1/ /3/ /15/ /22/ /5/-/13/ /19/

Source: This report



The sampling plan or evidence collection plan made it possible to evaluate the conformity of the documentation provided, including the control and assurance of the quality of the information and the risk management associated with the audit.

Together with the project developer, the strategic points to visit during the on-site audit were specified, based on accessibility conditions, population density, implementation actions and security issues. By prior call (via telephone or WhatsApp), the inhabitants of the three (3) Community Councils and interested parties were invited to participate in the meetings and interviews carried out by the audit team at the selected strategic points (details in section 4.3 and section 4.4).

In accordance with the provisions of section 10.2.4 of the BCR Validation and Verification Manual v2.3 and literal a. From section 3.1 of this report, the development and execution of the evidence collection plan (Table 2) allowed us to achieve an assurance level of no less than 95%.

Through the different rounds of findings, the proponent made the pertinent modifications and clarifications based on the observations issued by the audit team to reach the agreed assurance level.

Considering the evaluation and treatment of non-conformities evidenced throughout the audit exercise, ICONTEC determines that:

- The analysis procedures used in the sampling plan and audit plan remain representative.
- The evidence collected is appropriate and sufficient to generate a conclusion of the validation and verification process.

## 4 Validation and verification procedures and means.

### 4.1 Preliminary assessment

As described in section 3.1 of this report and in accordance with section 10.2.1 of the Validation and Verification Manual v2.3, the preliminary validation and verification activities contemplated the evaluation of the relevance of the type of service, objectives, criteria and scope of service.

The information reviewed by ICONTEC to determine the purpose and scope of the validation and verification was:

- Project Document /1/ y /2/, so that it was confirmed that the project activity (reduction of GHG emissions) and the selected methodological reference (BCR0002 v3.1) correspond to an activity and methodology applicable under the conditions of the BCR program, respectively.



- Project Document /1/y/2/and Monitoring Report /3/y/4/, so that the relevance of the Monitoring Plan and its implementation was verified under the requirements of the BCR0002 v3.1 methodology
- Project Document /1/ y /2/, context of deforestation in the territory /151/-/163/ and legal compliance matrix /33/, so that it was evident that the determination of the baseline *considered* the criteria established by the BCR standard and is in line with the current legal regulatory framework.
- 4.2 Document review

The documentary review is the corroboration of information to verify that the project documentation meets the criteria and scope established in section 2 of this report. This corroboration was carried out by reviewing the data and information from the GHG project, cross-checking the information sources used and recalculation procedures.

In accordance with the development of preliminary activities (section 4.1) to establish the purpose and scope of the validation and verification activities, the audit plan began with the documentary review by the audit team during November 22 and 23, 2023 (4 days in total, 2 days each auditor).

Annex 4 details the list of all documents reviewed during the audit; *h*owever, the elements evaluated during the documentary review are summarized and referenced below:

- Project Document /1/-/2/ and formulation evidence /24/-/28/ and /324/-348/, where the application of BCR methodology and tools/guides was verified.
- Monitoring Report /3/-/4/ and evidence of implementation in the monitoring period /241/-/312/, where compliance with the Monitoring Plan established in the validation and implementation status of the project was *verified*.
- Carbon calculator /29/-/32/, where the sources of information and parameters used in the estimation of the baseline and scenario of the project were reviewed (sources and sinks of GHG, estimation of the deforestation rate, factors emissions, quantification of emissions and GHG reductions, among others) and was crossed with the information /150/, /153/, /202/ and /203/.
- Primary cartography /56/-/65/ and official cartographic sources /169/-/201/ used in the delimitation of the project area and monitoring the dynamics of land use change.
- Compliance with the environmental, social and carbon regulatory framework /33/-/55/ through the legal matrix of the project.
- Supporting documents for land tenure and carbon rights /313/-/321/, where the legitimacy of the ownership of the territory in the project areas was verified.
- Controls and procedures established to ensure the quality, control and management of project information /11/, /14/, 17/, /19/, /322/ and /323/.
- Communication with interested parties /66/-/122/ and spaces for consultation with project proponents /211/-/240/.



In this sense, the documentary review activity, as a means of validation and verification, followed the criteria established in the evidence collection plan (section 3.4). The declared GHG data and information have documentary support developed and systematized by BIOTRADE SAS and the Community Councils that comply with the principles of the BCR Standard:

• Comprehensiveness: The content of the documentation addressed social, environmental, biological, legal and quantification issues in detail, providing a complete description of the context of the project area.

• Accuracy: The content reviewed was based on reliable sources of information and met benchmarking criteria.

• Coherence: The declared information had the respective secondary documentary references and associated documentary annexes. There is documentary consistency in all project documentation.

• Updated: The documentary content is current and complies with the guidelines established in the applicable legal regulations as well as the guidelines of the ISO standards (section 2).

### 4.3 Interviews

The development of the interviews was carried out mainly in person during the on-site visit, from November 27 to December 2, 2023. As evidenced in Table 4, during the on-site audit, a total of 8 meetings/interviews were conducted and approximately 135 people attended:

- Project holders. In-person interviews with habitants and legal representatives of the three (3) Community Councils (La Grande, Río Jiguamiandó and Turriquidadó). In accordance with the information recorded in the population censuses /324/-/326/, the audit team conducted interviews in 12 of the 13 communities that make up the Community Councils that own the project. Additionally, in-person interviews were carried out with Biotrade technical staff. The evidence of assistance is provided in Annex 3.

Community Council	Number of communities	Attending Communities
Río JiguamiandóCommunity Council	11	10 (72 people)
La Grande Community Council	1	1 (36 people)
Turriquitadó Community Council	1	1 (6 people)
TOTAL	13 (100%)	12 (92,3%)



- Other stakeholders. In-person interviews with Community Councils of bordering territories, Environment Secretariat of Carmen del Darién -SAMA, Association Of Community Councils and Territorial Ethnic Organizations of Bajo Atrato - ASCOBA, Affairs for Black Communities of the Mayor's Office of Carmen del Darién. Evidence of attendance is provided in Annex 3.

Through the different topics addressed during the interviews, it was evident that the owners and interested parties have an acceptable knowledge of the project, recognize the main objectives and the status of the implementation of the project in the territory; this information corroborates the evidence related to the spaces for socialization, consultation and concertation annexed /82/-/11/, /211/-/235/, /274/ and /276/. The occurrence and theme of the supports referenced above was consistent with the information described by the interviewees, who expressed the occurrence of sessions that addressed safeguards, distribution of benefits, implementation activities, co-benefits, conservation agreements, among others.

Table 4. Interviews conducted during the on-site audit.

Date	Activity	Participants	Place	Topics
27.11.2023	Audit Opening Meeting	7 participantsBiotrade Team	Presential: Hotel Belén de Bajirá Remote: via Teams	Audit Plan Sampling Plan
27.11.2023	Interview with legal representatives, neighbors and institutions	9 participants Association of Community Councils of Bajo Atrato (ASCOBA) Villanueva Montaño Community Council Curvaradó Community Council Murindó Community Council	Presential: Hotel Belén de Bajirá	<ul> <li>Introducing attendees and permission to record</li> <li>Knowledge of the REDD+ project and the holders</li> <li>Objective of the GHG Project</li> </ul>



Date	Activity	Participants	Place	Topics	
		La Grande Community Council		- Duration and commitments	
		Río Jiguamiandó Community Council		-Climate change	
		Ministry of Agriculture and Environment of the Carmen del Darién		- Acronym REDD+	
		Mayor's Office (SAMA)		-Deforestation	
		Black Communities Issues Mayor's Office Carmen del Darién		- Importance and conservation of forests	
				- Dates of socializations of the project with the different actors and start date of the project - Trainings received - Other companies	
28.11.2023	Interview with La Grande Community Council	<b>36</b> participants	Presential: La Grande Community Council	<ul> <li>Other companies with REDD+ projects in the territory</li> <li>Lines of action</li> <li>Contract and/or contractual agreements between the parties</li> <li>Profit sharing</li> </ul>	
29.11.2023	Interview Turriquitadó Community Council	6 participants	Presential: Turriquitadó Community Council	<ul> <li>Project owners and project areas         <ul> <li>Records of deforestation monitoring in the verification period</li> <li>Carbon credit market                 <ul> <li>Resource</li></ul></li></ul></li></ul>	
30.11.2023	Interview with the Nueva Esperanza Community (Community	23 participants	Presential: Nueva Esperanza Community	- management and accountability	



Date	Activity	Participants	Place	Topics
	Council Jiguamiandó)			<ul> <li>Environmental and social safeguards</li> <li>Consult beforehand</li> <li>Free, prior, and informed consent</li> </ul>
01.12.2023	Interview with the Pueblo Nuevo Community (Community Council Jiguamiandó)	27 community participants	Presential: Pueblo Nuevo Community	
01.12.2023	Interview with the Jigua Center Community (Community Council of the Jiguamiandó River)	22 community participants	Presential: Centro Jigua Community	
05.12.2023	Audit Closing Meeting	5 participants BIOTRADE Biotrade Team	Remote: via Teams	Closure meeting Socialization of findings

#### Source: This report

Through the topics addressed, it was evidenced that the direct and indirect actors of the project presented an acceptable knowledge in terms of the objective and state of implementation of the project in the territory. In this sense, the audit team issued one (1) Future Action Request (FAR) framed in reinforcing the documentary management of the project activities (templates for the attendance record and Monitoring Plan) and differentiating the different groups of the population (children, women, elderly, minorities).



### 4.4 On-site visit

The site visit (November 27 to December 2, 2023) initially included travel of the Biotrade audit team and technical team to the municipality of Apartadó (Antioquia) and then included travel to the urban area of the municipality of Belén de Bajirá (Chocó), where the opening meeting, socialization of the audit plan and interviews with interested parties were held.

Subsequently, the audit team and the Biotrade technical team began the river tours along the Atrato River towards the main population centers of the Community Councils, such as: La Grande community, Turriquitadó community, Nueva Esperanza community, Pueblo Nuevo community, Centro Jigua community and Pueblo Nuevo community (Table 5).

Date	Route description	Place	Implementation activities
28.11.2023	River tour in the Atrato River with BIOTRADE team and artisanal fishermen from the La Grande	Ciénaga del Burro Ciénaga La Chiquita Ciénaga Grande	Maintaining Conditions for the Conservation of the Caribbean Manatí and the Hicotea Turtle Recognition of fauna and flora
	Community Council	Cichaga Granue	Replacement of wooden boats with
29.11.2023	River tour on the	Ciénaga del Tigre	fiberglass boats
	Atrato River with BIOTRADE team and artisanal fisherman from the Turriquitadó Community Council		Prioritization of the productive activity of artisanal fishing as the main form of subsistence and income generation for communities
30.11.2023	River tour in Jiguamiandó River and land tour in Nueva Esperanza	Humanitarian Zones and Biodiversity Zones	Follow-up of the restoration process in the Jiguamiandó River area Recognition of Humanitarian Zones
	community		and Biodiversity Zones
01.12.2023	River tour in Jiguamiandó Community Council	Pueblo Nuevo Community	Recognition of fauna and flora
01.12.2023	River tour in Jiguamiandó Community Council	Jigua Center Community	-

Table 5. On-site audit activities

Source: This report



The activities carried out within the framework of the on-site audit are detailed below:

- November 28, 2023. River tour of the Atrato River and wetlands with Biotrade team and artisanal fishermen from the La Grande Community Council

With the accompaniment of some artisanal fishermen from the community of La Grande, river tours were carried out along the Ciénaga del Burro, Ciénaga La Chiquita and Ciénaga Grande located in the territory of the La Grande Community Council. Given that these ecosystems are home to a great diversity of aquatic fauna and flora, the project has implemented REDD+ activities framed mainly in conservation actions for species such as the Manatee and the Hicotea turtle. These ecosystem characteristics, described in /1/ and /275/, were corroborated on site through the sighting of the Manatee feeders, the habitat of the Hicotea turtle, the state of conservation of the water bodies, relicts of Cativales (plant associations with predominance of the forest species Prioria copaifera located in flooded areas) and artisanal fishing activities. The replacement of wooden boats with boats made of fiberglass was also evident, with the aim of exerting less pressure on forests and avoiding degradation due to selective forestry activities.

- November 29, 2023. River tour of the Atrato River and wetlands with Biotrade team and artisanal fishermen from the Turriquitadó Community Council

With the accompaniment of an artisanal fisherman from the community of Turriquitadó, river tours were carried out along the Ciénaga del Tigre located in the territory of the Community Council of Turriquitadó. There, areas where conservation actions have been implemented, mainly framed in the care of the Manatee and the Hicotea turtle, were also visited. These ecosystem characteristics, described in /1/ and /275/, were corroborated on site through the sighting of the Manatee feeders, the habitat of the Hicotea turtle, the state of conservation of the water bodies and artisanal fishing activities. Landscape reading activities were also carried out where the geography of the foothills of the western mountain range (east of the swamp) and administrative limits with the department of Antioquia (Atato River at the height of Murindó) were located.

- November 30, 2023. River tour of the Jiguamiandó River and tour of the community of Nueva Esperanza with the Biotrade team and legal representatives of the Community Councils.

On the way to the communities of the Jiguamiandó River Community Council, observation activities were carried out along the Jiguamiandó River, such as: recognition of reforestation activities along the banks of the river and adaptation of the river channel (affected years ago due to the diversion of waters for mining activities), recognition of important forest species (Caracolí, Choibá, Cativo, Cedro, Congo de agua, among others). Subsequently, a tour was carried out throughout the Humanitarian Zones and Biodiversity Zones, cataloged by the



communities as centers of peaceful resistance of the civilian population where armed actors are not received or supported and the governance structures of the Community Council are legitimized.

- December 01, 2023. Tour in the communities of Pueblo Nuevo and Centro Jigua with the Biotrade team and legal representatives of the Community Councils.

Activities were carried out to recognize important forest species (Caracolí, Choibá, Cativo, Cedro, Congo de agua, among others) along the banks of the river and tours inside the population centers of said communities.

In all cases, during the activities the audit team collected GPS tracking data, conducted interviews and took georeferenced photographs to correlate and analyze the correspondence of the information in the project documents with the realities of the territory evidenced on site (Photographs 1 and Figure 2).

The river routes along the Atrato River and the Jiguamiandó River made it possible to more efficiently corroborate the information related to the plant coverage and project limits described in the project cartography /56/-/65/. No additional deforested areas were evident than those reported during the monitoring period, nor were there any other sources of emissions other than those included in the quantification of GHG reductions. The site visit allowed us to satisfactorily verify that the procedures, calculations and methodologies used to obtain the activity data and emission factors are robust and representative /29/-/32/. Additionally, on-site activities evidenced the relevance and occurrence of the implementation activities reported for the monitoring period /241/-/312/.



Photographs 1. On-site audit tours and meetings



Source: This report







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## 4.5 Clarification, corrective and forward actions request.

During the validation and verification audit, ICONTEC detected a total of 31 findings (22 CAR, 8 CL and 1 FAR), these non-conformities were presented to the project developer and, subsequently, were resolved through communications and meetings between the parties and adjustments to project documents. The findings mainly addressed issues related to contractual agreements, monitoring plan and implementation activities, mapping, document management and data registration, REDD+ safeguards, SDGs, start date, baseline, among others.

Annex 5 of this validation and verification report details the types of findings issued by the audit team (CAR, CL or FAR), the non-compliance reference, the date of issuance of the finding, the description of the request, the responses provided by the project owners and the information or documentation attached to deal with the non-conformity, and the conformity evaluation made by the audit team in response to said responses. All requests were satisfactorily attended to by the project owners during the audit process, guaranteeing that the documentation is in line with the criteria and scope of section 2.



ICONTEC considers a finding to be satisfactorily closed only if the persons responsible for the GHG project modify or rectify the project document or monitoring report and provide additional information or evidence that the responses comply with the identified finding.

The evaluation of the project stakeholder consultation was addressed through findings CAR 4, CAR 19 and CAR 20 (Annex 5). During the monitoring period, compliance with the following Sustainable Development Goals was verified through evidence /15/: SDG 4. Quality education, SDG 9. Industry, innovation and infrastructure, SDG 11. Sustainable cities and communities, SDG 15. Life in terrestrial ecosystems.

The evaluation of compliance with the project's stakeholder consultation processes was addressed through findings CAR 1, CAR 2, CAR 7 and CAR 12 (Annex 5). Through evidence /33/-/39/, /215/, /217/ and /218/ the audit team corroborated the consultation, consultation and socialization procedures.

The evaluation of compliance with the project's legal regulatory framework was addressed through finding CAR 12 (Annex 5). Through the evidence /33/-/55/, /208/-/210/, /313/-/321/ the audit team verified that the project complies with the current environmental, legal and social regulatory framework.

The evaluation of compliance with the design and implementation of the project Monitoring Plan was addressed through CAR 4, CAR 6, CAR 17 and CAR 19 (Annex 5). Through evidence /20/-/23/ and /241/-/312/ the audit team verified the relevance of the design of the Sampling Plan and the implementation activities executed during the monitoring period.

### 4.5.1 Clarification requests (CLs)

During the validation and verification, a total of eight (8) clarification requests were issued, which were related to updating the project information on the BCR platform, identification and correction of spatial limits, filing of procedures and consultations with institutions, detail of spaces for socialization and consultation, occurrence of forestry exploitation, among others. The solution to all the findings and the related documentation to respond to them can be found in Annex 5 of this document.

### 4.5.2 Corrective actions request (CARs)

During the validation and verification, a total of twenty-two (22) requests for corrective actions were issued, which were related to the emission factors used to quantify GHG reductions, estimation of uncertainty, compliance with environmental and social safeguards, compliance to the SDGs, correspondence of figures and values in all documents presented, adjustment of typographical errors in GHG documents, updating of land tenure documents and registration minutes of Community Councils, delimitation of the reference region, adjustments to the Monitoring Plan, Benefit Distribution System, adjustments to the contractual agreements between the parties, adjustment of the Project Document and Monitoring Report according to the BCR template, adjustments to the



cartography, adjustment to the start date, baseline and causes and agents of deforestation, among others.

The solution to all the findings and the related documentation to respond to them can be found in Annex 5 of this document.

### 4.5.3 Forward action request (FARs)

During the validation and verification, the audit team identified one (1) requests for future action framed in reinforcing the documentary management of the project activities (templates for the attendance record and Monitoring Plan) and differentiating the different groups of the population. (children, women, elderly, minorities).

## 5 Validation findings

### 5.1 Project description

The evaluation of compliance with the validation activity was framed within a systematic, independent and documented procedure. The declared project information was evaluated in accordance with the scope and criteria described in section 2, the BCR Validation and Verification Manual v2.3 and the guidelines of the ISO 14064-3:2019 standard.

During the validation phase, ICONTEC reviewed the project design documentation and information to ensure compliance with the BCR standard and the BCR002 methodology through cross-referencing of information with interviews, visits to project areas and verification of parameters and calculations used in the quantification of GHG emissions and reductions. The audit team's evaluation included the following:

- <u>Project owners and development team</u>. The land ownership information delivered /313/-/321/ corresponds to the Río Jiguamiandó Community Council, La Grande Community Council and Turriquitadó Community Council. In addition, the legal composition of the Biotrade team /40/-/42/ and the governance structures of the Community Councils /44/-/55/ were verified.
- <u>Project limits.</u> The cartographic information related to the limits of project /56/-/65/ meets the BCR criteria for its delimitation. This information was crossreferenced with official cartography /169/-/201/ and information recorded during the site visit (section 4.3 and 4.4).
- <u>Baseline and Additionality.</u> The identification of the most plausible reference scenarios and the demonstration of additionality /1/, /123/-/149/, /151/-/163/, /204/-/206/, /336/-/344/ comply with the BCR methodological criteria. During the site visit and interviews, the social, political and environmental context of the territory was verified.
- <u>Property and rights over carbon.</u> The information related to the ownership or ownership of the land in the project areas was consistent with what was described in the resolutions and/or agreements for the assignment of the collective territory


to the Community Councils /313/-/321/, the alliance agreements between the parties /34/-/39/ and the governance structures /43/-/55/ of the Community Councils.

- Carbon calculator and GHG mitigation results. The information sources associated with the activity data /60/-/65/ and /29/-/32/, emission factors /29/-32/ and /150/, carbon pools and emission sources included /1 / /3/ and /29/-/32/, were corroborated and consistent with the BCR criteria established for the development of the baseline scenario and the project scenario. Additionally, historical deforestation in the reference scenario was consistent with the official information crossing from IDEAM /202/-/203/.
- <u>Uncertainty evaluation</u>. The evaluation of the precision, uncertainty and error associated with the geographical information sources used /60/-/65/, emission factors and other quantification parameters /29/-/32/ and /150/ meet the criteria established by the BCR. The audit team also verified the sources of uncertainty through:
  - https://storage.googleapis.com/earthenginepartners-hansen/GFC-2022v1.10/download.html
  - https://www.researchgate.net/publication/258529161\_High Resolution\_Global\_Maps\_of\_21st-Century\_Forest\_Cover\_Change
  - http://www.gofcgold.wur.nl/redd/sourcebook/GOFC-GOLD\_Sourcebook.pdf
- Design of the Monitoring Plan. The evaluation of the design of the Monitoring Plan  $\frac{1}{17}-\frac{18}{20}-\frac{22}{\text{shows compliance with the requirements of the BCR.}$
- <u>Compliance with the Sustainable Development Goals (SDG)</u>. The evaluation of compliance was carried out by reviewing Monitoring Plan 1//17/-/18//20/-/22/ and the activities implemented /15/ and /241/-/312/ during the monitoring period
- <u>Control and management of data quality.</u> The project has an Operational Plan that allows it to periodically manage the quality of the recorded data. This information was verified through evidence /14//220//323/.
- <u>Consult interested parties</u>. Through information obtained through interviews with the project actors (section 4.3 and Annex 3), the existence of spaces for consultation and socialization around the implementation of the project /82/-/11/ and /211/ was confirmed. -/240/.
- <u>Compliance with national legislation</u>. It was verified that the development of the project's legal framework is robust and relevant /33/, complying with the BCR criteria.
- <u>Criteria and indicators related to Cobenefits</u>. The information related to the cobenefits of the project was evaluated through the design of activities framed in the conservation of biodiversity /1/ /17/-/18/ /20/-/22/
- <u>Application of the BCR methodology, tools and specific guides</u>. This information was evaluated through the Project Document /1/, Monitoring Report /3/, SDG /15/, REDD+ Safeguards /22/, and evaluation of social and environmental aspects /5/-13/ and /19/.



### 5.2 Project type and eligibility

The step-by-step carried out to assess the conformity of the information provided by the project owners, based on the conditions established in the BCR Standard v<sub>3.2</sub> and the BCR Validation and Verification Manual v<sub>2.3</sub>, was as follows:

- 1. <u>Preliminary evaluation:</u> The project developer submitted to ICONTEC a form with sufficient information to determine and know the purpose, scope and validation and verification criteria. This form contains, among others, the specificity of the standard, the type of project and its location, the applicable methodology, the type of data (own or national) for the estimation of emission reductions and the regulations in force.
- 2. <u>Contractual Agreement:</u> Based on the information mentioned above, ICONTEC presented the client with a commercial proposal that included a detailed schedule for the development of the audit and the designation of the audit team in charge of its execution; this selection was based on the criteria of qualification and impartiality of the professionals (section 3.2). Since the commercial proposal was accepted, the contractual agreement between the parties was concluded.
- 3. <u>Validation and Verification Plan:</u> The audit team, using the documentation provided by the developer, began the document review according to the schedule and criteria set forth in the service proposal. The audit team reviewed the set of documents and based on this information, developed an audit plan (section 3.4), which included the criteria, scope, project description, level of assurance, sampling plan activities, resources, sampling plan/evidence collection plan, and schedule of on-site activities. This document is socialized and agreed with the developer, since he is the one who has the most contextualized logistical panorama, which mainly favors the execution of the on-site audit.
- 4. <u>Development of the validation and verification audit:</u>
  - On-site audit. Once the audit plan was consolidated, the audit team executed the sampling plan/evidence collection plan during the on-site visit, which included the development of interviews/meetings with stakeholders and indirect actors, tours along the project boundaries, verification of the activities of the monitoring period, inter alia (sections 4.3 and 4.4); This is in order to review the correspondence and coherence of what is documented by the developer against what is evidenced in the territory by the audit team.
  - Preliminary audit report. This document included a general discussion of the details captured and evidenced through the interviews and communication with the parties, as well as the conformity assessment of the scope of service. The audit team informed and presented to the developer the non-compliances (CAR, CL or FAR) detected during the document review and on-site visit, providing clarity on the origin of the non-conformity.



- Resolution of audit findings: After the developer acknowledged the reported breaches, resolved the requests submitted in a timely manner and described the mechanisms or adjustments it made to process the resolution of the breaches. The audit team verified whether these proposed changes or annexes were appropriate and wrote its conclusion in the audit report.
- Final Audit Report: The audit report reflected responses to findings, discussions, and modifications to the validation and verification service documents. The audit report presented the conclusions regarding compliance with the requirements and criteria for validation and verification set out.
- Technical Review Stage and Final Decision: Once the final audit report is completed, the document is presented to the assigned technical review team. This technical reviewer issued the final opinion on the audit and reviewed whether the audit process was satisfactory in relation to the specific requirements of the validation and verification program. After the adjustments proposed in the technical review, the Validation and Verification Management endorsed the final opinion of the validation and verification service, which confirms the conformity of the service performed.
- Statement of Validation and Verification: ICONTEC issued a statement of validation and verification addressed to intended users (section 9 and section 10), describing the level of assurance, objectives, scope, audit criteria, and mitigation goals expected/achieved during the quantification period or monitoring period, respectively.
- Request for final decision to the GHG program: After the successful completion of the audit and in accordance with the BCR certification program, the project registration procedure will be carried out. The program will conduct a review and approval and, if applicable, request additional information or propose modifications to the audit or project documents; when this situation arises, ICONTEC and the developer will process the adjustments and send a new set of documents to the GHG program.

On the other hand, Table 6 presents the detail of how the developer approached the identification of the scope, type and scale of the project, project activities.

Eligibility criteria	Evaluation by validation body
Scope of the BCR Standard	"Measurable reductions and/or removals of GHG emissions generated by the implementation of GHG removal activities and/or REDD+ activities (AFOLU Sector)"
	The audit team validated through the criteria of the "METHODOLOGICAL DOCUMENT AFOLU SECTOR. Quantification of GHG Emission Reductions. REDD+ Project. BCR0002 v3.1" that the

Table 6. Project type and eligibility



Eligibility criteria	Evaluation by validation body
	main activity of the project is the reduction of emissions from deforestation in a project area of 74,088.67 hectares.
Project type	"REDD+ Activities"
	The project is in the category of projects in the AFOLU (Agriculture, Forestry and Other Land Uses) sector, sectoral scope 14 Forest. The implementation of the project includes activities aimed at reducing emissions due to deforestation, as well as promoting the conservation and sustainable management of forests and the increase of forest carbon stocks.
Project activity(es)	The Project activities were designed based on the analysis of the causes and agents of deforestation, as well as the Ethnodevelopment Plans of the three (3) Community Councils. During autonomous spaces such as the General Assembly of the Community Councils, the lines of action, programs and activities were defined, framed in a Benefit-Sharing System and implemented through an Operational Manual (both documents designed by the REDD+ JIGRANTU Project).
	In summary, the lines of action or strategic lines were coded as follows:
	A. Strengthening Governance and Culture
	B. Capacity building
	C. Sustainable development
	D. Conservation and Monitoring
	The design or descriptive sheet of each activity has an ID, direct or underlying cause, compliance with the Ethnodevelopment Plan, consultation mechanism, responsibility and roles in implementation, implementation schedule and progress indicators.
Project scale (if applicable)	According to the BCR v3.2 Standard, REDD+ projects are not subdivided into categories related to project scale, so the scale assignment does not apply to this project.

Fuente: Based on the joint validation and verification report template v1.2 and developed in this report

# 5.3 Grouped project (if applicable)

### The JIGRANTU REDD+ Project is not a grouped project.



### 5.4 Other GHG program

The audit team verified using RENARE (available at https://renare.ideam.gov.co/GPY2web/#/gpy/iniciativas/datos-basicos/consultar/4181) and cartographic analysis (Figure 5) that the REDD+ JIGRANTU Project has not been registered in any other GHG program. The cartographic verification of this information was carried out on March 205, 2024, through the registration platforms of the different GHG certification programs (BCR, VCS, Cercarbono, COLCX and Gold Standard). Initially, the filter "country=Colombia" was applied in the search engine and, subsequently, the cartography<sup>1</sup> associated with each of the AFOLU projects located in the department of Chocó was reviewed.

Table 7. AFOLU Projects in GHG Certification Program Platforms

N°	Certifying Program	Project ID	Project Name	Localization	State
1	Gold Standard	-	No AFOLU projects in the department of Chocó	-	-
2		4480	REDD+ Mangroves of Bajo Baudó'	Cuevita Community Council Pavasa Community Council Villa María de Purrichá Community Council Virudó Community Council San Agustín de Terrón	Rejected by Administrador
3	Verra	3210	Bajo Atrato REDD+Project	Community Council Community Council of the Quiparadó River Basin Community Council of the Curbaradó River Basin Community Council of the Salaquí River Basin Cacarica River Basin Community Council Community Council of the Middle Truandó River Basin La Teresita Community Council Bocas de Taparal Community Council	Under validation

<sup>1</sup> If the cartographic file is not available for download or problems with its visualization in GIS software, the textual description of the location is used.



N°	Certifying Program	Project ID	Project Name	Localization	State
				Dos Bocas Chintadó Community Council	
				La Nueva Truandó Community Council	
				Clavellino Community Council	
4		3218	Origen Atrato-Baudó REDD+ Project	San Isidro Community Council Villa Conto Community Council Major Community Council of the Popular Peasant	Under validation
5		2723	Condoto REDD+	Organization of Alto Atrato Condoto-Iró Community Council	Registered
6		2356	REDD+ Conservation of Ethno Sustainable Afro- Colombian Community in the Tropical Rain Forest of Colombia	Bajo Atrato Community Council	Under validation
7		2071	Cocomacia Community REDD+ Program, Choco/Antioquia Colombia	Community Council of the Integral Peasant Association of Atrato	Under development
8		1806	Riscales REDD+ Project	General Riscales Community Council	Registration and verification approval requested
9		856	The Chocó-Darién Conservation Corridor REDD Project	Community Council of the Tolo River Basin and Southern Coastal Zone of Acandí	Registered
10		1390	Carmen del Darién REDD+ Project	Domingodó Community Council La Madre Community Council Chicao Community Council Community Council of Vigía de Curvaradó and Santa Rosa de Limón Rio Montaño Community Council Apartadó-Buenavista Community Council	Verification approval requested
11		1396	Pepe River and Acaba REDD+ Project	Río Pepe Community Council Community Council of the Baudó River and its Tributaries	Verification approval requested
12		1400	Concosta Red+ Project	Pacific Coast Community Council	Verification approval requested
13		1391	Sivirú-Usaragá-Pizarro- Pilizá (SUPP) REDD+Project	Sivirú Community Council	Verification approval requested



N°	Certifying Program	Project ID	Project Name	Localization	State	
				Community Council of San Andrés de Usaragá		
				Pizarro Community Council		
				Community Council of Pilizá		
14		1399	Mutatá REDD+ Project	Chontadural Cañero Indigenous Reservation	Verification approval requested	
				Alto Río Bojayá Indigenous Reservation		
15		BCR- CO-259- 14-007	Emberá Sur REDD+	Pichicora, Chicue, Puerto Alegre Indigenous Reservation	Listed	
				Uva Pogue-Quebrada Taparal Indigenous Reservation		
				Alto Río Cuia Indigenous Reservation		
16	BioCarbon Registry	try BCR- CO-259- E	Registry BCR-	Emberá Norte REDD+	Indigenous Reservation Napipi Opogadó Doguadó Indigenous	Listed
		14 000		Reservation Reservation		
		PCR-		Los Delfines Community		
17	ВГА-14-		Cupica REDD+ Dolphin Conservation Project	Council Cupica Community Council	Registered	
18		99	Pedeguita and Mancilla REDD+	Pedeguita and Mancilla Community Council	Certified	
19	-	61	Cocoman Frontera REDD+	Juradó Community Council Novita Community Council	Certified	
	CERCARBONO			ACISANP Community Council		
20		22	ARLEQUIN REDD+ Conservation Project	COCOILLO Community Council	Certified	
				COCOMACER Community Council		
				Community Council of San Francisco del Cugucho		
				Puerto Echeverry Community Council		
21	21 COLCX	COLCX- 14-0035	Cuenca Alta Baudó REDD+ Project	Bellavista Dubaza Community Council	Complete Registration	
				Puerto Alegre and La Divisa Nauca Indigenous Reservation		
				Dominico Londoño y Apartadó Indigenous Reservation		



N°	Certifying Program	Project ID	Project Name	Localization	State
				Aguaclara and Bella Luz of the Amporá River Indigenous Reservation	
				Ríos Catrú, Dubasa, Ancoso Indigenous Reservation	
				Ríos Jurubidá, Chorí and Alto Baudó Indigenous Reservation	



As of the date of review, as evidenced in Table 7 and Figure 5, ICONTEC satisfactorily verified that the REDD+JIGRANTU Project is not partially or totally registered in another GHG certification program (detail in section 6.8), and that the neighboring AFOLU projects do not overlap with the areas of the JIGRANTU REDD+ Project; this indicates the permanence of each carbon credit in the long term and the non-occurrence of double counting in the areas of project implementation.

To comply with the criteria of the BCR Standard, the audit team evaluated that:

- a) The project has not been registered on any other registration platform. The audit team verified the cartography of other GHG projects through the registration platforms of other certifiers and verified through cartographic review (Table 7 and Figure 5), that the project areas /60/-/62/ are not registered in another program
- b) The reductions or eliminations generated by project /29/ are not part of any other GHG project (Table 7 and Figure 5).
- c) The project developer demonstrates compliance with the requirements established in the national legal framework with the legal compliance matrix /33/ and all the regulations it complies with for the establishment and operation of the project and comply with the rules and procedures established by the standard.
- d) The project complies with the provisions of the "BCR STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURES"

ICONTEC satisfactorily verified this information and, in addition, found that the project has no partial or total registration in other climate change mitigation standards or certification programs and is not implemented in areas that overlap with other mitigation initiatives.

### 5.5 Quantification of GHG emission reductions and removals

During the audit exercise, the developer used and applied in an appropriate way the "METHODOLOGICAL DOCUMENT AFOLU SECTOR. Quantification of GHG Emission Reductions. REDD+ Project. BCR0002 v3.1" and the tools and guides provided by BCR; This means that the limits of the project comply with the conditions of applicability set out in the methodology and therefore, it is susceptible to registration and certification in the



BCR program. In addition, project documentation and monitoring of GHG emission reductions was verifiable under the ISO 14064-3:2019 framework.

The assessment of the quantification of GHG emission reductions considered the review of the conservative approach to the data, the management of uncertainty, the carbon pools included, the additionality analysis, the estimation of the baseline or reference scenario, the management of leakage, the risk of non-permanence, and the mitigation results of the analysis period.

#### 5.5.1 Start date and quantification period

The audit team verified that the JIGRANTU REDD+ Project had a start date of January 2, 2019, the compliance evaluation was verified through Resolution 0010 of 2019 issued by CODECHOCÓ /28/, in which a Persistent Forest Use is granted in the Jiguamiandó River Community Council. In accordance with the criteria of the BCR Standard (section 10.4 and section 10.5), BCR0002 Methodology v3.1 (section 9) and Validation and Verification Manual (section 9) it was verified that:

- The evidence associated with the start date /24/ and /28/ is framed within a forest management strategy. Additionally, it was confirmed that during 2019 (start year) deforestation in the project area /63/-/65/ was not found to be related to the location of forestry exploitation permits /58/-/59/ and, Therefore, the start date of the project consists of the start of activities that lead to the effective reduction of GHG emissions.
- The start date (January 2, 2019) is within five (5) years prior to the start of the validation, since the commercial agreement between Biotrade and ICONTEC was signed on November 9, 2023.

In accordance with the BCR Standard (section 10.5), the audit team verified through Project Document /1/ and spreadsheets /29/ that the project contemplates a quantification period of 30 years, complying with literal b) REDD+ Projects described in the BCR Standard.

#### 5.5.2 Application of the selected methodology and tools

#### 5.5.2.1 Title and Reference

ICONTEC evaluated the application of the most recent versions of the methodology and the tools and guidance in accordance with what is described in the BCR Validation and Verification Manual v2.3, The following are the documents implemented and developed in the project:

- METHODOLOGICAL DOCUMENT IN THE AFOLU SECTOR. Quantification of GHG Emission Reductions. REDD+ Project. BCR0002. Version 3.1
- BCR Standard. From differentiated responsibility to common responsibility. Version 3.2
- GHG Project Validation and Verification Manual. Version 2.3



- BCR TOOL. SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS (SDG). Version 1.0.
- BCR TOOL TO DEMONSTRATE COMPLIANCE WITH THE REDD+ SAFEGUARDS. Version 1.1.
- BCR TOOL. AVOIDING DOUBLE COUNTING (ADC). BCR avoid double counting of emissions reductions/removals. Version 1.0.
- BCR TOOL. PERMANENCE AND RISK MANAGEMENT. BCR project holder take actions to ensure the project benefits are maintained over time. Version 1.0.
- BCR TOOL. NO NET HARM ENVIRONMENTAL AND SOCIAL SAFEGUARDS (NNH). BCR project activities do not cause any net-harm to the environment or to local communities and society in general. Version 1.0
- BIOCARBON GUIDELINES. BASELINE AND ADDITIONALITY. BCR projects generate verified carbon credits (VCC) that represent emissions reductions, avoidance, or removals that are additional. Version 1.2.

#### 5.5.2.2 Applicability

The JIGRANTU REDD+ Project is part of the scope of Reducing Emissions from Deforestation and complies with the conditions of applicability of the BCR Standard and the REDD+ Methodological Document as follows:

Conditions of applicability of the Standard	Meets	Description of Compliance
The methodological documents contain the applicability criteria and detailed steps for the quantification and monitoring of the results against the design and implementation of GHG Projects and other GHG projects, by given project type.	Yes	It was verified that the project is developed under the guidelines of the METHODOLOGICAL DOCUMENT AFOLU SECTOR. Quantification of GHG Emission Reductions. REDD+ Project. BCR0002. v3.1; which provides REDD+ project owners with the procedures, models, parameters and data to quantify the GHG emission reductions attributable to project activities.
The holders of GHG Projects, in the AFOLU sector, can only certify and register, in this program, those initiatives whose start date is	Yes	The project start date is January 2, 2019 and falls within the five (5) years prior to the start of validation <sup>3</sup> (section 5.5.1).

Table 8. Conditions of applicability of the Standard

<sup>3</sup> Validation of the project began in November 9, 2023.



Conditions of applicability of the Standard	Meets	Description of Compliance
defined within the five (5) years prior to the start of the validation.		
The owner of the GHG project must demonstrate that it complies with the legislation related to activities carried out in the field of GHG activities.	Yes	The project owners have a documented procedure "PD-T-GIC-01-01 Procedure for Information Management in REDD Projects", which establishes the guidelines for the periodic updating and control of the legal legislation applicable to the project. In addition, the project owners attached the "Legal Compliance Matrix" document, which details the laws, decrees, rules and regulations that correspond to the project and how they are complied with.

#### Source: This report

Table 9. Conditions of applicability of the REDD+ Methodological Document

Conditions of applicability of the methodology	Meets	Description of Compliance
The areas in the geographical boundaries of the project correspond to the category of forest (according to the national definitions of forest for the Clean Development Mechanism) at the start of the project activities and ten years before the start date of the project.	Yes	It was verified that the eligible area (stable forest) of the project covered an area of 68,898.97 hectares and was delimited according to the criteria set forth in the REDD+ Methodological Document: it is framed within the geographical limits of the project area (area titled to the three Community Councils), corresponds to areas that meet the category of forest (according to the national definition) at the beginning of the project activities and ten (10) years prior to date at the beginning of the project. The reference area has a total area of 149,105,28 hectares of which 132,858 ha remain at the time of the start of the project (2019). For the definition of the reference region, areas with restricted access, associated with protected areas of National Natural Parks of Colombia, were excluded. verified documentation was /56/ to /65/.
The causes of deforestation identified include expansion of the agricultural frontier, mining,	Yes	An analysis of the causes and agents of deforestation identified in the project reference area (section 3.3.3 of the PD) was appropriately



Conditions of applicability of the methodology	Meets	Description of Compliance
timber extraction, and infrastructure expansion.		developed by the holders, identifying five (5) causes of deforestation including, but not limited to, the expansion of the agricultural frontier, mineral extraction, timber extraction, and infrastructure expansion.
The identified causes of forest degradation include selective logging, logging, forest fires, forest grazing and expansion of the agricultural frontier - illicit crops.	N/A	The REDD+ JIGRANTU project does not contemplate the quantification of emissions and reduction of emissions due to forest degradation.
Reduction in deforestation or degradation is not expected to occur in the absence of the project.	Yes	The holders conducted a barrier analysis (section 3.4 of the PD) which indicated that deforestation reduction is not expected to occur in a no-project scenario, due to the social, environmental and economic dynamics of the region.
It is possible that, in areas at the boundaries of the project, carbon stocks in soil organic matter, leaf litter and dead wood may decrease, or remain stable.	Yes	It was verified that the stock of carbon contained in soil organic matter, leaf litter and dead wood can decrease (or remain stable) over time within the project boundaries, because deforestation processes affect the dynamics of decomposition of organic matter.
The quantification of GHGs other than CO <sub>2</sub> should be included in the quantification of emissions caused by forest fires during the monitoring period.	Yes	It was verified that, in the event of forest fires being detected, the associated GHG emissions (other than CO <sub>2</sub> ) will be estimated, and these emissions will be included in the quantification of the emission reduction for the corresponding period.
		However, during this verification period there was no occurrence of disturbances associated with forest fires.

#### Source: This report

### 5.5.2.3 Methodology deviations (if applicable)

The JIGRANTU REDD+ project does not present methodological deviations during this monitoring period.



#### 5.5.3 Project boundary, sources and GHGs

In accordance with the criteria provided in the BCR Standard and BCR0002 methodology (section 8), the audit team successfully validated through mapping and on-site tours (section 4.4) and cartography of the project /60/-/65/, that the JIGRANTU REDD+ Project is located in the Colombian Pacific region in the municipalities of Carmen del Darién and Riosucio, in the northeast of the department of Chocó, Colombia (Figure 3).

Through cartography /63/-/65/ it was verified that the project area has an area of  $74,012.27^5$  hectares, where 68,898.97 hectares correspond to eligible areas, that is, areas with stable forest during the period 2009-2018 (10 years). The audit team also evaluated the correspondence of land cover /199/ in the project areas against the eligibility analysis /61/ /1/ and confirmed that the areas with forest cover (dense forest) correspond to the eligible areas of the project. Compliance assessment of the eligibility analysis is addressed in section 5.5.3.1 of this report.

Through the Titling Resolutions of the Community Councils /315//318//321/ it was verified that the project area falls within the territorial limits titled to the Community Council of the Jiguamiandó River, the La Grande Community Council and the Council Turriquitadó Community, who are configured as owners of the project together with Biotrade S.A.S. Additionally, the audit team crossed the cartography of the eligible project area /61//64/ with the location of the forestry exploitations /58/, and verified that the areas under concession are consistent with the definition of stable forest.

Through the evidence /60/ and the Project Document /1/ it was verified that the reference area of the project covers an area of 149,105.28 hectares. The evaluation of compliance with the criteria established in the REDD+ Methodological Document was addressed as follows:

a) The reference area is framed outside the project area /62/

b) The agents and determinants of deforestation identified in the reference area can access the project areas /336 / /344/ /151/-/163/ and section 3.2.1.1 of the Project Document /1/

c) The project area is of interest to the agents acting in the reference area /336 / /344//151/-/163/ and section 3.2.1.1 of the Project Document /1/

d) The figures of land tenure and land use rights were characterized in the reference region /62/ and section 3.2.1.1 of the Project Document /1/

<sup>5</sup> The three (3) Community Councils cover a total area of 77,836.22 (as provided in the Titling Resolutions). However, the official cartography of the National Land Agency (ANT) for these Community Councils adds up to an area of 74,012.27 hectares, so out of conservatism the latter was taken as a project area.



d) Exclusion of restricted access areas (protected areas) from the reference region /62//198/ and section 3.2.1.1 of the Project Document /1/

In addition, the audit team verified the delimitation of the reference region /62/ using official cartographic information such as: land cover and use /201//199//190/, biomes and ecosystems /197/, drainage /169/-/ 183/, geology and geomorphology /195/, soils /188/, protected areas /198/, in a way that corroborated the similarity of biophysical characteristics between the reference area and the project area. More details of the procedures to delimit the project reference area are described in section 5.5.4 of this report.

Figure 3. Spatial boundaries of the project



Source: Prepared by Biotrade SAS (2023), taken from PD v5.0

Through the evidence /56/-/57/ /60/ and the Project Document /1/ it was verified that the leakage area of the project covers a forest area of 40,330.90 hectares. The evaluation of compliance with the criteria established in the REDD+ Methodological Document was addressed as follows:

a) the forest areas that are within the range of mobility (rivers and roads, mainly) of the identified deforestation agents were verified based on the analysis of the probability of mobilization carried out based on biotic, physical and social components /56/- /57/ /60/ and section 3.2.1.2 - 3.2.1.2.1 of the Project Document /1/.



b) the exclusion of forest areas with restricted access to deforestation agents was verified mainly through mapping of road and drainage infrastructure /169/-/183/, national protected areas /198/.

Section 5.5.7 of this report also describes the procedures for delineating the project leak area.

Within the REDD+ JIGRANTU project, the inclusion of carbon reservoirs contained in aboveground biomass, groundwater biomass and organic carbon in the soil, the source of emissions associated with the combustion of woody biomass and types of GHGs such as CH4 and N2O was verified /29/ /1/ and /3/. This information is in line with the provisions of the REDD+ Methodological Document (Table 11, Table 12), which: 1) describes aboveground biomass and groundwater biomass are configured as significant reservoirs and are therefore mandatory to be included within the project boundaries, while carbon stocks contained in soil organic carbon are optionally included; and 2) it is mentioned that CH4 and N2O emissions must be included in the quantification of the respective monitoring period in the event of forest fires.

The review of the project documents (specifically the PD, RM and carbon calculator) showed that the quantification of GHG emission reductions was estimated considered the emission factors /150/ associated with the included reservoirs; during this monitoring period, there were no fires and therefore the emissions associated with CH4 or N2O were not quantified.

In accordance with the above, ICONTEC verifies that the project satisfactorily supported the choice and inclusion of the carbon pools defined to quantify the changes in the carbon stocks at the project boundaries, as well as the selection of emission sources and GHG types.

#### 5.5.3.1 Eligible areas in the GHG project boundaries (for AFOLU projects)

The audit team verified that the eligible area (stable forest) of the project covered an area of 68,898.97 hectares /63/-/65/ and was delimited according to the criteria established in the REDD+ Methodological Document: it falls within the geographical limits of the project area /315//318//321/ (area titled to the three Community Councils), corresponds to areas that meet the forest category at the beginning of the project activities and ten (10) years before the date of start of the project (2009-2018) /60/-/65/.

Regarding the cartographic inputs used to determine the forest/non-forest areas during the historical period and the monitoring period: Hansen et al. (2013) and Hansen et. al (2010), it was confirmed that the technical sheet (available at https://www.globalforestwatch.org/map/) of the inputs complies with the definition of national forest /150/ and the cartographic precision required by the BCR /146/.



Table 10. Eligible Project Areas by Community Council

Community Council	Area (ha)	Forest (ha)	% Forest
Jiguamiandó	51,504.33	50,854.48	73,8
La Grande	13,252.14	11.363,09	16,5
Turriquitadó	9,255.80	8.635,62	12,5
Total	74,012.27	68,898.27	100,0

Source: Biotrade S.A.S (2023), taken from Areas deforestación V4.0.xlsx

In accordance with the above, ICONTEC verified that the project satisfactorily supports the choice and delimitation of the eligible areas within the project boundaries, in line with the provisions of the REDD+ Methodological Document.

#### 5.5.4 Baseline or reference scenario

The determination of the base scenario or reference scenario was carried out as described in the REDD+ Methodological Document and the BioCarbon Gidelines Baseline and Additionality v1.2 tool. The audit team considered that the assumptions used in identifying the baseline are adequately justified and the sources of information used for its estimation are considered reasonable. The steps taken to evaluate the project's reference scenario are detailed below:

a) the assumptions /123/-/163/ and the methods, parameters, data sources and factors /29/ /150/, are applied transparently and adequately justified

b) the uncertainty of the data from the reference period is considered using the technical sheets of the cartographic inputs of Hansen et al. (2013) and Hansen et. al (2010) and the uncertainty of emission factors /150/

c) national policies and circumstances /33/ were considered relevant, listed in Project Document /1/

d) the procedures to identify the base scenario are consistent with the emission factors /150/, activity data /30/, GHG emissions projection variables and other relevant parameters /29/

e) the implementation of procedures to guarantee data quality according to the ISO 14064-2 standard and the requirements of the applied methodology /14/ and /323/

The evaluation of compliance with the reference or baseline scenario potentially represents what would happen in the absence of the GHG project (scenario without project) and, therefore, supports its additionality.

Specifically, the JIGRANTU REDD+ Project chose criterion (c) "changes in carbon stocks within the project boundaries, identifying the most likely land use at the start of the



project" to support the development of the baseline. The steps taken to identify the noproject scenario are presented below:

- a) Step o. Preliminary screening base on the starting date of the Project activity
- b) Step 1. Identification of alternative scenarios
- c) Step 2. Barriers analysis (section 5.5.5)
- d) Step 3. Impact of project registration (section (5.5.5)

## a) Step o. Preliminary screening base on the starting date of the Project activity

In accordance with what is mentioned in section 5.5.1, the relevance of the supports that support the project start date (January 2, 2019), which is defined within the five (5) years prior to the start of the project validation, was verified /24/ and /28/.

### b) Step 1. Identification of alternative scenarios

Sub-step 1a. List of credible alternative land use scenarios that would have occurred on the land within the project boundary of the project activity.

The audit team verified that the probable land use alternatives in the project areas are credible and realistic, since they obey the spatial and temporal context of the territory /133/-/145/ and /336/-/344/. As a result of this previous identification of the economic practices or trends of the region and their dynamics over time, three (3) possible land use alternatives were established in the scenario without a project:

Alternative 1) Continuation of the previous land use (prior to project implementation); A scenario that involves the use of timber for housing development and social infrastructure, the expansion of the agricultural frontier, illegal timber extraction, illegal mining and illicit crops.

Alternative 2) REDD+ projects without certification of emission reductions; voluntary control of the activities that cause the loss of forests in their territory, preventing the expansion of the agricultural frontier, illegal extraction of timber and illegal mining, and promotion of the development of activities framed in the monitoring of biodiversity and conservation actions.

Alternative 3) Optimization of agricultural practices and development of environmentally friendly value chains; Adoption of sustainable strategies that improve agricultural productivity and allow the development of value chains aligned with fair trade and the valorization of local agroecological products.

This list of alternatives was duly supported and consistent with the attached documentary supports, such as: development of surveys for the socioeconomic characterization of the Community Councils /325/-/335/, Analysis of the incentives of the agricultural sector with impacts on biodiversity in Colombia /161/, Comprehensive Plan for Agricultural and Rural



Development with a Territorial Focus in the Department of Chocó /142/, Sustainable Production Model with a focus on Biocultural Rights for Chocó biogeographic plan proposed by the IIAP /128/, Carmen del Darién Development Plan 2020-2023 /125/, Riosucio Development Plan 2020-2023 /126/, Integrated Management Plan for the Lower and Middle Atrato Wetlands /143/, Comprehensive Climate Change Plan for the Department of Chocó /127/, Strategic Plan Project for the Colombian Pacific Macro-basin /144/, among others.

#### Sub-step 1b. Consistency of land use alternatives with applicable laws and regulations.

The audit team evaluated the legal consistency of the three (3) land use alternatives in the scenario without a project under the regulations of the official documents attached by the owner: Carmen del Darién Development Plan 2020-2023/125/, Riosucio Development Plan 2020-2023 /126/, Integrated Management Plan of the Lower and Middle Atrato Wetlands /143/, Comprehensive Climate Change Plan for the Department of Chocó /127/, Strategic Plan Project for the Colombian Pacific Macro-basin /144/, Comprehensive Strategy for Deforestation Control and Forest Management /162/, Analysis of Incentives in the Agricultural Sector with Impacts on Biodiversity in Colombia /161/, Monitoring of Territories Affected by Illicit Crops 2021 /160/, Atlas of the Regional Characterization of the Problem Associated with Illicit Drugs in the Department of Chocó /159/. These documents are framed in compliance with the laws and regulations of national and sectoral policies. In this sense, it was evidenced that Alternative 2 and Alternative 3 comply with current national and local regulations, since they are scenarios that are configured from the development of productive or conservation activities that respect the environment; On the contrary, Alternative 1 describes activities that do not comply with the legal framework but obey systematic dynamics in the territory.

Thus, it was satisfactorily verified that the list of alternatives that comply with national and/or sectoral mandatory legislation and standards includes the three (3) likely land use alternatives in the no-project scenario identified.

In this sense, and in accordance with the guidelines of the REDD+ Methodological Document, it was corroborated that the baseline scenario corresponded to Alternative 1, since it was the only scenario that was not affected by the identified barriers /1/.

ICONTEC validated that Alternative 1 is the most plausible land use scenario for the project baseline, given that the previous occurrence of economic and subsistence activities in the project area is highly probable (permanence of deforestation for expansion of areas agriculture, illegal mining and logging, expansion of infrastructure and illicit crops). In compliance with the BCR 002 Methodology version 3.1, ICONTEC validated and verified the determination of the geographical limits of the Reference Region, meeting the following criteria:

a) The reference region may include all or part of the project area: The project includes part of the project area, this was corroborated based on the delimitation of the reference



region based on the incidence of navigable rivers speaking in terms of access to the area, enclosing the main basins and evaluating the similarity of biophysical characteristics, soil cover and land tenure rights. Considering this and the deforestation trend, the reference region reflects what is happening in terms of land use change in the project area.

b) The agents and determinants of deforestation/degradation identified in the reference region can access the project area: The project proponent demonstrates that those responsible for forest loss in the reference region and in the project area are similar. The communities that practice subsistence agriculture with crops such as banana, cassava and corn, in addition to raising livestock for commercialization and self-consumption, are responsible and determinants of deforestation/degradation in the reference region, in addition to loggers, coca growers and miners. The direct causes behind deforestation and land degradation include the expansion of areas intended for agriculture and livestock, timber extraction, illicit crops and mining activity. Based on the analysis presented by the proponent in the Project Document in section 3.3.3.1 and the evaluation of the cartography /56/ to /65 ICONTEC validates and verifies that the project meets this condition.

c) The project area is of interest to the agents identified in literal b: The direct and indirect agents identified within the REDD+ project that, according to the practice of their economic activity, impact the composition, diversity and structure of the forest, in addition to the characterization of access to the project area shows that it is of interest to the agents and determinants of deforestation/degradation identified in the reference region. The information sources referenced by the project are considered sufficient, current and appropriate to support the analysis carried out.

d) The land tenure and use rights in the reference region must be characterized: The project showed from national cartography and legal documentation that both the project area and the reference area are collective territories of three Community Councils. of Afrodescendant communities, Río Jiguamiandó, La Grande and Turriquitadó, with recognition and titling of collective territories according to Law 70 of 1993. These councils have their own titling resolution as collective territories. Therefore, they are considered to adequately comply with the characterization of land tenure and land tenure rights in the reference region.

e) Exclude areas with restricted access to agents and drivers of deforestation and degradation: It was validated and verified that zoning in accordance with the legal and regulatory framework contemplates the restrictions or exclusions determined by current standards or laws. In addition, restricted access areas associated with protected areas of the National Natural Parks of Colombia were excluded from the definition of the reference region. Likewise, the tree covers of commercial forest plantations, palm plantations and trees planted for agricultural production is excluded.

The REDD+ project carried out a land use analysis where the main land uses in the project area and the reference area correspond to dense forest, clean pastures, secondary or transitional vegetation and mosaic of crops, pastures and natural areas. Based on the cartographic validation carried out by the land use coverage indicated in Table 10 of



section 3.2.1.2 of the Project Document /1/ and the above, it is considered that the reference region is like the project area in terms of access, agents and determinants of deforestation/degradation and possible changes in land use and that the Project complies with the methodological criteria of BCR002.

#### 5.5.5 Additionality

The audit team validated compliance with the additionality criteria under the guidelines of the BCR Standard (section 10.6), REDD+ Methodological Document (section 9), BCR Baseline and Additionality tool v1.2. (section 8.2) and BCR Validation and Verification Manual. The steps followed to evaluate the additionality of the project are detailed below:

#### c) Step 2. Additionality analysis: Barriers analysis

The additionality demonstration of the REDD+ JIGRANTU Project was carried out based on the analysis of barriers /5/-/13/ and /1/, determining: i) which barriers (investment, social, institutional, among others) prevent or limit the implementation of the project, and ii) which do not prevent at least one of the probable land use alternatives of sub-step 1b.

Sub-step 2a. Identification of barriers that would prevent the implementation of at least one alternative land use scenarios.

The audit team successfully assessed the identification of barriers impeding the implementation of the project (investment barriers, social barriers, institutional barriers, barriers due to local environmental conditions, barriers related to the market and transport, and barriers related to land tenure) /5/-/13/ /275/.

Sub-step 2b. Show that the identified barriers would not prevent implementation of at least one of the identified land use alternatives (except the project activity).

The audit team verified, using the information described in section 3.4.1.2 of Project Document /1/, that some of the barriers identified in substep 2a prevent the implementation of Alternative 2 and Alternative 3. While investment and social barriers directly affect the activities of Alternative 2, since the lack of investment capital prevents an effective transition to sustainable production systems, which results in an ineffective mechanism to counteract business as usual; Alternative 3 is affected by investment, social, institutional, market and transport barriers, and land tenure barriers, which delay and delay the adoption of sustainable strategies that improve agricultural productivity and allow the development of value chains aligned with fair trade and the valorization of local agroecological products.

#### d) Step 3. Project registration impact

The audit team corroborated the information that supports how the certification and registration of the project, and the benefits and incentives associated with its



implementation, reduce the identified barriers /1/ /13/ /19/. Benefits and incentives such as financial income obtained from the sale of CCV, employment opportunities derived from income generation, strengthening of territorial management and governance capacity and the reduction of GHG emissions derived from the implementation of project activities, they guarantee the continuity of actions that seek to reduce deforestation. Considering the above, it was satisfactorily verified that the project does not correspond to the base scenario and, therefore, the project is additional.

Through the interviews carried out (section 4.3) with interested parties (mainly institutions), ICONTEC verified that the activities of the GHG Project do not derive from compliance with a defined environmental regulation nor are they part of a mandatory environmental compensation.

In accordance with the compliance evaluation described, it was confirmed that the project demonstrates that the reference scenario does not correspond to the project scenario, which supports the additionality of REDD+ activities, and indicates how the project record and the benefits of its implementation they manage to reduce the impact of the identified barriers.

#### 5.5.6 Conservative approach and uncertainty management

In accordance with the BCR Standard and BCR0002 Methodology, uncertainty management is determined by the accuracy of the maps used to estimate activity data values and the application of discounts on emission factors (if necessary).

It was verified that the technical sheets of the activity data (available at https://www.globalforestwatch.org/map/) associated with the baseline and scenario of the project: forest/non-forest maps /60/-/62/ prepared by Hansen et al. (2010) and Hansen et al. (2013), meet the definition of national forest /150/ and present a precision in the "loss of tree cover" data set of 99.5% for the tropics and a standard error of 4.7%, which is in line with the REDD+ Methodological Document "For activity data, the precision must be greater than 90%."

The emission factors associated with the carbon contents per deposit were taken from NREF /150/. This document describes the uncertainty associated with carbon deposits or reservoirs: 8.8% for aboveground biomass and 8.1% for underground biomass and soil organic carbon. However, to estimate the combined uncertainty of the individual parameters, the use of the methodology proposed by GOFC-GOLD (2016) /146/ was confirmed; In this way, it was verified that the estimate of the total uncertainty associated with the emission factor corresponds to 6.94% /1/.

Additionally, it was verified that the project presented the combination of uncertainties of the activity data and emission factors /1/ to determine the total uncertainty associated with the project's GHG reductions: 8.38%.



The audit team evaluated uncertainty management in the baseline scenario as follows: The application of uncertainty management procedures /146/ was verified. In accordance with the methodology (section 13.1) and the BCR Standard (11.1), the precision of the activity data was greater than 90% /1/ and the emission factors used /29/ /1/ were consistent with the inventories of GHG and national reference scenarios /150/.

The audit team evaluated the management of uncertainty in the project scenario as follows: The application of uncertainty management procedures /146/ was verified. In accordance with the methodology (section 13.1) and the BCR Standard (11.1), the precision of the activity data of the scenario with project was greater than 90% /1/ and the emission factors used /29/ /1/ /3 / were consistent with GHG inventories and national reference scenarios /150/.

Compliance assessment of the consistency and coherence of activity data, emission factors and estimation of GHG emissions and reductions is addressed in section 6.2.3.

Given that the emission factors used in the quantification of GHG emissions reductions are consistent with the emission factors used for the construction of the national reference scenarios /150/, the owner did not apply them in the calculations /29/ and documents of the project /1/ /3/ percentages defined for the discount factor established in the GOFC-GOLD (2016) /146/.

The audit team validated and verified that the levels of uncertainty associated with the activity data and emission factors comply with the criteria of the BCR Standard and the REDD+ Methodological Document. Thus, it was concluded that the project uses reliable data and has a conservative approach to uncertainty management.

### 5.5.7 Leakage and non- permanence

During the documentary review, it was evidenced that the project owners identified risks of non-permanence associated with fires, floods, land tenure disputes, conflict between project actors, non-appropriation of project activities, governance deficit and community participation; Each of them was assigned a risk level, mitigation measure, monitoring indicator, reporting procedure, and monitoring frequency. In addition, the risk of leaks will be managed through spatial and mapping monitoring of the leak area and community monitoring, to reduce the displacement of GHG emissions.

The project owners guarantee that the project activities will be maintained during the quantification period through mechanisms such as: contractual agreements signed between the parties, design and development of a risk management plan, design and implementation of the Monitoring Plan, and reserve of 20% of the total quantified emission reductions for each verified period, 10% it's an individual reserve and the other 10% it's a general reserve.

The audit team validated and satisfactorily verified that the risks of leakage and nonpermanence of the project will be evaluated during each monitoring period according to



the guidelines of the Permanence and Risk Management v1.0 tool and the procedures of the established Monitoring Plan.

#### 5.6 Monitoring plan

The audit team reviewed the documentation related to the design of the project's Monitoring Plan under the criteria of the BCR Standard (section 21), the BCR002 methodology (section 14) and the BCR Monitoring, Reporting and Verification (MRV) (section 10). The audit team's evaluation included the following criteria:

a) data and information necessary to estimate GHG reductions or emissions during the quantification period; sources of information associated with activity data /60/-/65/ and /29/-/32/, emission factors / 29/-32/ and /150/, carbon pools and emission sources included /1 / /3/ and /29/-/32/, were corroborated and consistent with the BCR criteria established for the development of the base scenario and the project scenario. Furthermore, historical deforestation in the reference scenario was consistent with the official information crossing from IDEAM /202/-/203/. Additionally, the audit team verified the inclusion of GHG emissions from the granted forest exploitation and corroborated the use of the respective data/parameters in the quantification of biomass /58/ /32/ /29/. It was confirmed that the sustainable use of forests and other productive activities are part of the Monitoring Plan of the project /16/ /18/.

b) complementary data and information to determine the base or reference scenario; the assumptions /123/-/163/ and the methods, parameters, data sources and factors /29/ /150/ are applied in a transparent manner and adequately justified; the uncertainty data is considered using the cartographic input technical sheets of Hansen et al. (2013) and Hansen et. al (2010) and the uncertainty of emission factors /150/; national policies and circumstances /33/, listed in /3/, were considered relevant; the procedures to identify the base scenario are consistent with the emission factors /150/, activity data /30/, GHG emissions projection variables and other relevant parameters /29/; the implementation of procedures to guarantee data quality according to the ISO 14064-2 standard and the requirements of the applied methodology /14/ and /323/.

c) the specification of all potential emissions occurring outside the project boundaries, attributable to the activities (leakages) of the GHG Project, were verified by monitoring deforestation in the leakage area /30//3/.

d) information related to the evaluation of the environmental and social effects of the project activities; it was verified through the evaluation matrix with project /19/. In addition, the audit team considered the evaluation of the following aspects:

- Monitoring the permanence of the REDD+ project. The identification of the risks of permanence of the project and the design of mitigation measures were verified /11/ /19/. It was confirmed that these mitigation measures are framed in the activities of the Monitoring Plan /18/ /20/ /21/.



- REDD+ Safeguards Monitoring. It was verified that the project designed thirteen (13) indicators within the Monitoring Plan to monitor REDD+ Safeguards /18//20/ /21/. It was confirmed that each compliance indicator included safeguard ID, indicator ID, indicator name, type, objective, unit of measurement, monitoring methodology, monitoring frequency, person responsible for measurement, result of the indicator in the reporting period, performance information, supporting documents and observations /22/.
- Monitor the implementation of REDD+ activities. It was verified that the project designed, based on the matrix of environmental and social effects by project activities /19/, a total of 72 indicators framed in 42 activities and four (4) lines of action /17/ and an implementation schedule and monitoring /16/ /18/ /20/ /21/. It was confirmed that each activity has an activity ID, indicator ID, indicator name, type, goal, measurement unit, monitoring methodology, monitoring frequency, measurement manager, indicator result in the reporting period, documents that they support the information and observations.

e) established procedures for the management of GHG reductions or removals and related quality controls for monitoring activities; it was confirmed that the project has an Operational Plan that allows it to periodically manage the quality of the recorded data /14//220//323/.

f) description of the methods defined for the periodic calculation of GHG reductions or removals and leakages; the audit team verified that the procedures carried out to design the Monitoring Plan contemplate:

- Monitoring of project limits. It will be verified that the limits will have periodic (annual) monitoring of deforestation or disturbance events through satellite monitoring of forest cover (forest/non-forest maps) /30/.
- Monitoring of emissions and reductions of the project. It was verified that the monitoring of the estimation of emissions and reductions in the project is derived from the cartographic analysis of the limits of the project (forest/non-forest maps) /30/ /31/. The data conversion parameters /29/ are used correctly and, therefore, the mitigation results /3/ are consistent and traceable.
  - DA<sub>redd+,year</sub> Annual deforestation in Project Area / CSB<sub>proy,year</sub> Annual change in forest cover in Project Area
  - DA<sub>f,year</sub> Annual deforestation in Leakage Area / CBS<sub>f,year</sub> Annual change in forest cover in Leakage Area
  - EA<sub>redd+,year</sub> Annual emissions in the Project Area
  - EA<sub>f,year</sub> Annual emissions in the Leakage Area
  - RE<sub>DEF, REDD+</sub> Reduction of Emissions from Deforestation Avoided in the Monitoring Period.

g) the assignment of roles and responsibilities to monitor and report the variables relevant to the calculation of reductions or eliminations; was verified by evidence  $\frac{16}{18}$ ,  $\frac{20}{21}$ 



/3/. Additionally, it was verified that the project has the design of a total of 72 indicators framed in 42 activities and four (4) lines of action /17/ and an implementation and monitoring schedule /16/ /18/ /20/ /21/ (detail in literal d).

h) procedures related to the evaluation of the project's contribution to the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs); the SDG monitoring design was verified using evidence /15/ and the monitoring plan associated with its compliance was corroborated /22//20/21//18//1//3/.

i) criteria and indicators related to the project's contribution to sustainable development objectives; Compliance with the SDG criteria and indicators was verified through evidence |15|/22|/20/21|/18|/1|/3|.

j) procedures associated with the monitoring of co-benefits of the special category, as appropriate; It was verified that the project has a monitoring plan for REDD+ activities, which includes monitoring and compliance with co-benefits  $\frac{17}{18}$ ,  $\frac{120}{21}$ .

k) defined criteria and indicators to demonstrate additional benefits and measurement of co-benefits and the specific category, as appropriate; It was confirmed that the project has a monitoring plan for REDD+ activities, which includes the methodology, frequency and those responsible for monitoring the criteria and indicators of the co-benefits /17/ /18/ /20//21/.

The audit team considers that the design of the Monitoring Plan satisfactorily addresses the monitoring of REDD+ activities, GHG mitigation results, SDGs, co-benefits, among others. The design of the Monitoring Plan consistently records the monitoring of relevant data and parameters of the monitoring period /20/ /21/ (activity ID, indicator ID, indicator name, type, goal, unit of measurement, monitoring methodology, monitoring frequency, responsible for measurement, indicator result in the report period, documents supporting the information and observations). Furthermore, in accordance with the implementation schedule of the Monitoring Plan /16/, it was verified that all project activities have a reasonable execution schedule that contemplates the entire quantification period (30 years).

## 5.7 Compliance with applicable legislation

The audit team verified the project's compliance and monitoring with the requirements related to regulations, laws, decrees and resolutions framed in the scope of the GHG project, environment, human rights, ethnic communities, among others, in the REDD+ Legal Compliance Matrix /33/. In addition, it was confirmed that the project has a documented procedure /14/ /323/ that establishes guidelines for the updating and control of, among other things, legal information, that is, the periodic evaluation of the applicable national legislation.



#### 5.8 Carbon ownership and rights

The audit team satisfactorily verified that the ownership of the REDD+ JIGRANTU project /313/-/321/ /40/-/42/ /44/-/55/ /56/-/65/ corresponds to the three (3) Community Councils: Jiguamiandó River Community Council, La Grande Community Council and Turriquitadó Community Council, and the company Biotrade S.A.S, who oversee the technical component.

As the property of the project belongs mainly to the Community Councils (authority of the collective territory), Biotrade S.A.S. assured that it complied with the consultation and formulation processes through free, prior and informed consent procedures carried out in meetings and socializations with the communities linked to the Community Councils /213/-/235/, complying with the guidelines of Law 70 It was verified that during the General Assembly (highest authority according to article 4 of Decree 1445 of 1995), the alliance agreement with Biotrade S.A.S. /215/-/217/-/218/ through democratic approval and under the internal regulations of the Community Councils /208/-/210/.

As indicated by the BCR Standard, the project demonstrated that the three (3) Community Councils hold land tenure through the titling resolutions/313/-/321/: Resolution 2801 of November 22, 2000, Resolution 2806 of November 22, 2000, Resolution 2799 of November 22, 2000.

The alliance contracts entered into between Biotrade S.A.S and each Community Council consider /34/-/39/: REDD+ definitions, legal framework of the agreement, purpose of the alliance, responsibilities of the parties, benefit-sharing system, term of the contract, assignment of the contract, causes of loss of quality, causes of dissolution of the alliance, intellectual property, commercialization of carbon credits, socio-environmental safeguards, settlement of the alliance contract, inspection and surveillance, among others.

ICONTEC considers that the information evaluated is sufficiently robust to justify the project's land ownership and carbon rights.

#### 5.9 *Risk management*

The audit team adequately verified compliance with the guidelines established in the Permanence and Risk Management Tool v1.0, which seeks to comprehensively evaluate the risks associated with the GHG project in social, environmental and financial terms /11//19/. In these reviewed documents, a characterization of the potential risks in each Community Council was corroborated under the social, environmental and financial dimensions, as input for the creation of a probability and impact matrix (probability of occurrence and impact of the affectation), following the PMBOK<sup>®</sup> Guide (Project Management Fundamentals Guide). Furthermore, each identified risk is associated with a specific mitigation measure, which is in line with the strategic lines defined in the Monitoring Plan /18//20//21/.



It was confirmed that the probability of facing social risks was addressed considering the history /123/-/129/ and current situation of the communities, evidenced by the information collected during the socialization and participation spaces /324/-/335/. Environmental risks were addressed by estimating the probability of their occurrence based on official data from IDEAM, the Colombian Geological Service (SGC), the Participatory Rural Diagnosis of the project and secondary data from the Special Characterization Plans of each Community Council /5/- /12/ /204/-/206/. It was verified that the financial risks were analyzed using detailed information on the project's cash flow /13/, market trends and previous experience in implementing similar projects.

To avoid the risk of reversal, alliance agreements were entered into between Biotrade SAS and each Community Council for a duration of 30 years, detailing all responsibilities and other clauses associated with the Parties /34/-/39/. As mentioned above, it was verified that the risks identified as potential by the implementation activities present a specific mitigation measure, which is in line with the strategic lines defined in the Monitoring Plan /18//20//21/. Additionally, in line with the provisions of the BCR Standard, the program makes a reserve of 20% of the total GHG emissions reductions quantified in each verified period, in order to ensure a LCC reserve that can counteract the materialization of any risk that occurs within the limits of the project /1//3//29/.

#### 5.10 Environmental aspects

The audit team satisfactorily verified that the evaluation of the environmental aspects was carried out using the Conesa methodology (2010) and under the application of the guidelines of the BCR Net Environmental Harm and Social and Environmental Safeguards v1.0 tool. This methodology assigns an importance value to each effect using value scales for the criteria established by it, which allows them to be classified into different ranges depending on their nature.

By means of previous analysis, an area of direct and indirect influence and a characterization of the biotic environment were defined; The result of this analysis resulted in an important value matrix, which identifies the possible impacts or effects (positive or negative) that the project's activities may generate on biodiversity and ecosystems. Of the nine (9) impacts identified, three (3) were categorized as potentially negative and six (6) as potentially positive.

### 5.11 Socioeconomic aspects

The audit team verified the socio-economic assessment carried out by the project under the guidelines of the No Net Environmental Harm and Social and Environmental Safeguards v1.0 tool. of BRC. This analysis included a socioeconomic characterization based mainly on the municipality of Carmen del Darién, since it represents the municipality with the greatest territorial influence in the Community Councils that are part of the project and allowed to evaluate the main socioeconomic effects of the project activities under credible and reliable assumptions.



The socioeconomic characterization analyzed the following components: main settlements, demography and population, history of the settlement of the territory, land uses and economic activities, and sociocultural information; This was considered appropriate as it represents the social and economic context of the project.

# 6 Verification findings

## 6.1 Project and monitoring plan implementation

### 6.1.1 Project activities implementation

The audit team verified that the activities implemented during the verification period /20//21//3/ follow the guidelines established in the validated Monitoring Plan /1/. There is consistency and coherence between monitoring and the design of the Monitoring Plan in terms that the implemented activities are aligned with the methodologies and objectives of the indicator and follow the established execution schedule /16/.

Below is the detail of the evaluation of compliance with the Monitoring Plan in the verification period:

Strategic Line: Strengther	ning Governance and Culture			
Program:Aa.Formulationanddevelopment of tools for governanceAaı.Formulation of the EthnodevelopmentPlan.	Cross check One (1) document for the formulation of the REDD+ JIGRANTU Project /1/, for the management of own resources that allows progress in the construction of self- government instruments such as the Ethno- Development Plan and the Environmental Management Plan for Collective Territories			
<ul><li>Program: Ac. Strengthening Afro culture and knowledge</li><li>Ac6. Strengthening of cultural events with the participation of different generations.</li></ul>	<ul> <li>Cultural recovery plan /276/-/278/</li> <li>Realization of the patron saint festivities /280/-/284/</li> </ul>			
Strategic line	Strategic line Capacity Building			

Table 11. Activities implemented during the reporting period



Program. Bee. Capacity building for the implementation of the REDD+ project Be8. Strengthening of REDD technical capacities with emphasis on increasing socio- ecosystem resilience for adaptation to climate change.	The workshops, meetings and socialization spaces /213/-/218/ carried out with the community of the Community Councils during the formulation process of the REDD+ JIGRANTU project are reported, considering that knowledge was imparted on the REDD+ mechanism, climate change, actions to reduce GHG, carbon market, among other related topics (6 events)
<ul><li>Program. Bf. Capacity Building for the Implementation of Actions</li><li>Bf12. Capacity building in sustainable productive actions with emphasis on increasing socio-ecosystem resilience.</li></ul>	<ul> <li>2 events were presented during the first monitoring period for the strengthening of Sustainable Productive Projects:</li> <li>Progress through the ASOPESVIGRAN association in the Community Council of La Grande /241/-/243/</li> <li>Strengthening and sustainable production of banana cultivation in the Jiguamiandó River Community Council /244/-/261/</li> </ul>
Sustainable Devel	opment Strategic Line
Program. <b>Ch. Improvement of Social,</b> <b>Cultural and Productive Infrastructure for</b> <b>Sustainable Development</b> Ch26. Construction and maintenance of bridges and roads	One (1) report on the construction and maintenance of bridges and roads carried out in the Community Council of the Jiguamiandó River /262/-/271/
Conservation and M	onitoring Strategic Line
Program. <b>Dj. Conservation of biodiversity</b> <b>and ecosystem services</b> Dj34. Diagnosis of the state of ecosystems and ecosystem services	One (1) diagnostic document of the conservation actions of the REDD+ JIGRANTU Project carried out by the social team of Biotrade SAS detailing the conservation actions that have been carried out by the Community Councils that are part of the Project, and the degree work carried out by one of the members of the Community Council of La Grande in which it is intended to know the traditional use of meat and by-products of wild birds in Curvaradó and La Grande /272/-/275/
Program. Dj. Conservation of biodiversity and ecosystem services	One (1) Manati sighting record document in the Community Councils of La Grande and Turriquitadó during the first monitoring



manatus) and the Hicotea turtle (Trachemys callirostris)	
and ecosystem services	One (1) report of the conservation actions report detailing the follow-up to the restoration of the Jiguamiandó River unblocking process in the Community Council of La Grande /285/-/291/

Source: This report

#### 6.1.2 Monitoring plan implementation and monitoring report

The audit team verified that the Monitoring Plan /1/ /16/ /18/ of the REDD+ JIGRANTU project was executed in accordance with the requirements of the selected methodology, since it specifies and details the data and information necessary to estimate GHG emissions and emissions reductions during the project quantification period /3/ /29/-/32/, data and complementary information to determine the baseline /123/-/163/ /29/ /150/ /30/ /14/ /323/, the documentary supports that evidence the implementation of REDD+ activities (section 6.1.1), compliance with safeguards /22/ and SDG /15/, the evaluation related to the environmental and social effects of the activities of the project /19/ /11/ and the procedures established for document management and quality control /14/ /323/.

In accordance with the above, the evaluation carried out supports reliable monitoring, follow-up and control practices of the GHG project activities, as well as the procedures to ensure the quality of this data, in accordance with the ISO 14064-2 standard.

The auditor has verified all the parameters presented in the monitoring plan against the criteria of the BCR Standard (section 21), the BCR002 methodology (section 14) and the BCR Monitoring, Reporting and Verification (MRV) (section 10).

#### 6.1.2.1 Data and parameters

The audit team verified that the REDD+ JIGRANTU project presented the monitored data and parameters of the activities, as follows:

• Data and parameters determined at registration and not monitored during the monitoring period, including default values and factors.

Data / Parameter	A(REDD+proy,1)
Data unit	Hectares (ha)
Description	Forest area in the project area at the start of the monitoring period
Source of data used	Hansen et al. (2010) and Hansen et al. (2013)



	University of Maryland Global Land Analysis and Discovery (GLAD) Laboratory in partnership with Global Forest Watch (GFW)
Value(s)	68,898.97 ha /3/ /29/-/30/ /61/
Indicate what the data are used for (Baseline/ Project/ Leakage emission calculations)	It is used to quantify the annual change in the area covered by forest in the project area
Justification of choice of data or description of measurement methods and procedures applied	Calculated from the result of remote sensing (GIS) data analysis.
Additional comments	N/A

Data / Parameter	Aı,f
Data unit	Hectares (ha)
Description	Forest area in the leakage area at the start of the monitoring period
Source of data used	Hansen et al. (2010) and Hansen et al. (2013) University of Maryland Global Land Analysis and Discovery (GLAD) Laboratory in partnership with Global Forest Watch (GFW)
Value (s)	40,1330.02 ha /3/ /29/-/30/ /56/-/57/ /60/
Indicate what the data are used for (Baseline/ Project/ Leakage emission calculations)	It allows us to know the forest losses that have occurred between two periods of time in leaks area
Justification of choice of data or description of measurement methods and procedures applied	Calculated from the result of remote sensing (GIS) data analysis.
Additional comments	N/A

Data / Parameter	Reference Area
Data unit	Hectares (ha)
Description	Forest area in the reference area at the start of the monitoring period



Source of data used	Hansen et al. (2010) and Hansen et al. (2013) University of Maryland Global Land Analysis and Discovery (GLAD) Laboratory in partnership with Global Forest Watch (GFW)
Value (s)	132.857.70 ha /3/ /29/-/30/ /62/
Indicate what the data are used for (Baseline/ Project/ Leakage emission calculations)	They are used to quantify the annual change in the area covered by forest in the project area
Justification of choice of data or description of measurement methods and procedures applied	Calculated from the result of remote sensing (GIS) data analysis.
Additional comments	N/A

Data / Parameter	СТеq
Data unit	tCO2e/ha/year
Description	Tonnes of carbon dioxide equivalent per hectare per year
Source of data used	NREF Colombia (IDEAM, 2020)
Value (s)	313.3 tCO2e/ha/year /3/ /150/
Indicate what the data are used for (Baseline/ Project/ Leakage emission calculations)	It is used for the calculation of emissions in the baseline scenario and project scenario
Justification of choice of data or description of measurement methods and procedures applied	Emission Factors for Carbon Reservoirs in the Pacific Biome
Additional comments	N/A

Data / Parameter	Year of Initiation
Data unit	Year
Description	Year of project start
Source of data used	Default



Value (s)	It is validated on January 2, 2019/24//28/
Indicate what the data are used for (Baseline/ Project/ Leakage emission calculations)	2019
Justification of choice of data or description of measurement methods and procedures applied	The start year is used to indicate the exact date of the start of the CO2 emissions quantification during the monitoring report
Additional comments	The start year is established 5 years before the start date of the validation according to the BCR guidelines, considering that the validation began in November 2023 (section 5.5.1)

Data / Parameter	Year of End of Monitoring Period
Data unit	Year
Description	This is the year in which the first monitoring period ends
Source of data used	Default
Value(s)	2022 It is established 4 years after the start of the project considering a conservative approach to quantification /29/ /24/ /3/
Indicate what the data are used for (Baseline/ Project/ Leakage emission calculations)	2022
Justification of choice of data or description of measurement methods and procedures applied	The start year is used to indicate the exact date of completion of the CO2 emissions quantification during the monitoring report



Additional comments	The year of completion is established 4 years after the start date of validation

#### • Data and parameters monitored

The variables related to the validation and verification process of the project are presented, considering that its execution horizon is 30 years /1/. These parameters evaluate the generalities of the project, related to the deforestation of the eligible areas.

Data/ Parameter	CSByear
Data Unit	Ha/year
Description	Annual change in forest area covered in the reference region
Measured/Calculated/Default	Calculated
Source of data used	University of Maryland's Global Land Analysis and Discovery (GLAD) Laboratory in partnership with Global Forest Watch (GFW)
Monitored Parameter Value	1,541.74 /3/ /29/-/30/ /62/
Indicate what the data is used for	Deforestation is used as part of the quantification of emissions within the project
Justification for the choice of	The data for the calculation of deforestation in the REDD+
data or description of the	JIGRANTU Project were taken from the Global Land Analysis
measurement methods and	and Discovery (GLAD) Laboratory at the University of
procedures applied	Maryland in partnership with Global Forest Watch (GFW)
	that provide up-to-date annual data on forest loss on a global scale, using Landsat-type imagery with a resolution of 30 x 30 meters.
Monitoring Equipment	Latest Report 2022
Measurement Frequency	Annual
Calculation Method	Satellite Imagery Processing
Quality Control Procedures	According to the University of Maryland's Global Land
Applied	Analysis and Discovery (GLAD) Laboratory in partnership
	with Global Forest Watch (GFW)

Data/ Parameter	EAIb
Data Unit	tCO2e/ha
Description	Annual emission in the baseline scenario (tCO2/ha)
Measured/Calculated/Default	Calculated
Source of data used	NREF Colombia (IDEAM, 2019) and the University of
	Maryland's Global Land Analysis and Discovery (GLAD)
	Laboratory in partnership with Global Forest Watch (GFW)
Monitored Parameter Value	482,994.75 /3/ /29/-/30/ /62/ /150/



Indicate what the data is used for	Provides insight into annual emissions in the baseline scenario from Global Forest Watch deforestation and carbon dioxide equivalent data taken from NREF 2019
Justification for the choice of	The data used are taken from the national reference NREF
data or description of the	validated by resolution 1447 of 2018 and data from the
measurement methods and	University of Maryland's Global Land Analysis and Discovery
procedures applied	(GLAD) Laboratory in partnership with Global Forest Watch
	(GFW) with resolutions of 30 x 30 meters
Monitoring Equipment	Latest report presented in 2019 NREF
Measurement Frequency	Annual
Calculation Method	Based on the provisions of the REDD+ Methodological
	Document
Quality Control Procedures Applied	N/A

Data/ Parameter	A(REDD+proy,2)
Data Unit	ha
Description	Forest area in the project area at the end of the monitoring period (ha)
Measured/Calculated/Default	Measured
Source of data used	University of Maryland Global Land Analysis and Discovery (GLAD) Laboratory in partnership with Global Forest Watch (GFW)
Monitored Parameter Value	67.355,20 /3/ /29/-/30/ /61/
Indicate what the data is used for	They are used to quantify the annual change in the area covered by forest in the project area (ha)
Justification for the choice of data or description of the measurement methods and procedures applied	Calculated from the result of remote sensing data analysis.
Monitoring Equipment	Latest Report 2022
Measurement Frequency	Annual
Calculation Method	Satellite Imagery Processing
Quality Control Procedures Applied	According to the University of Maryland's Global Land Analysis and Discovery (GLAD) Laboratory in partnership with Global Forest Watch (GFW)

Data/ Parameter	CSBproj,year
Data Unit	ha
Description	Annual change in forest area covered in the project area (ha)
Measured/Calculated/Default	Measured
Source of data used	- Year of project start
	- Year of completion of the project



	- Forest area in the project area at the start of the monitoring period (ha)
	<ul> <li>Forest area in the project area at the end of the monitoring period (ha)</li> </ul>
514.59	514.59 /3/ /29/-/30/ /61/
Indicate what the data is	It allows us to know the forest losses that have occurred
used for	between two periods of time in the project area
Justification for the choice of	
data or description of the	Based on annual changes in deforestation, CO <sub>2</sub> emissions
measurement methods and	during the monitoring period are quantified
procedures applied	
Monitoring Equipment	Latest Report 2022
Measurement Frequency	Annual
Calculation Method	Satellite Imagery Processing
Quality Control Procedures	According to the University of Maryland's Global Land
Applied	Analysis and Discovery (GLAD) Laboratory in partnership
	with Global Forest Watch (GFW)

Data/ Parameter	EAREDD+project,year
Data Unit	tCO <sub>2</sub> e
Description	Annual emission in the project area (tCO2/ha)
Measured/Calculated/Default	Calculated
Source of data used	NREF Colombia (IDEAM, 2019) and the University of
	Maryland's Global Land Analysis and Discovery (GLAD)
	Laboratory in partnership with Global Forest Watch (GFW)
Monitored Parameter Value	161,211.20 /3/ /29/-/30/ /61/ /58/ /32/
Indicate what the data is used for	Allows you to know the annual emissions in the project area
Justification for the choice of	The data used are taken from the national reference NREF
data or description of the	validated by resolution 1447 of 2018 and data from the Global
measurement methods and	Land Analysis and Discovery Laboratory (GLAD) of the
procedures applied	University of Maryland in partnership with Global Forest
	Watch (GFW) with resolutions of 30X30 meters
Monitoring Equipment	Latest Report 2022
Measurement Frequency	Annual
Calculation Method	Satellite Imagery Processing
Quality Control Procedures	According to the University of Maryland's Global Land
Applied	Analysis and Discovery (GLAD) Laboratory in partnership
	with Global Forest Watch (GFW)

Data/ Parameter	A2,f
Data Unit	ha
Description	Forest area of the leakage area at the end of the monitoring period (ha)


Measured/Calculated/Default	Measured			
Source of data used	University of Maryland Global Land Analysis and Discovery			
	(GLAD) Laboratory in partnership with Global Forest Watch			
	(GFW)			
Monitored Parameter Value	39.843,42 /3/ /29/-/30/ /60/			
Indicate what the data is	It allows us to know the forest losses that have occurred			
used for	between two periods of time in the leakeage area			
Justification for the choice of				
data or description of the	Calculated from the result of remote sensing data analysis.			
measurement methods and				
procedures applied				
Monitoring Equipment	Latest Report 2022			
Measurement Frequency	Annual			
Calculation Method	Satellite Imagery Processing			
Quality Control Procedures	According to the University of Maryland's Global Land			
Applied	Analysis and Discovery (GLAD) Laboratory in partnership			
	with Global Forest Watch (GFW)			

Data/ Parameter	CSBf,year		
Data Unit	ha		
Description	Annual change in forest area covered in leakage area (ha)		
Measured/Calculated/Default	Calculated		
Source of data used	- Year of project start		
	- Year of completion of the project		
	- Forest area in the leak area at the start of the monitoring period (ha)		
	- Forest area in the leak area at the end of the monitoring period (ha)		
Monitored Parameter Value	162.20 /3/ /29/-/30/ /60/		
Indicate what the data is	It allows quantifying the annual change in the area covered		
used for	by forest in the project area (ha)		
Justification for the choice of data or description of the measurement methods and procedures applied	Calculated from the result of remote sensing data analysis.		
Monitoring Equipment	Latest Report 2022		
Measurement Frequency	Annual		
Calculation Method	Satellite Imagery Processing		
Quality Control Procedures Applied	According to the University of Maryland's Global Land Analysis and Discovery (GLAD) Laboratory in partnership with Global Forest Watch (GFW)		

Data/ Parameter	EAf,year
Data Unit	tCO2e



Description	Annual emission in the leakage area (tCO2/ha)		
Measured/Calculated/Default	Calculated		
Source of data used	- Annual deforestation in the leakage area		
	- Carbon dioxide		
Monitored Parameter Value	10,702.19 /3/ /29/-/30/ /60/ /150/		
Indicate what the data is used for	Quantifies net GHG emission reductions		
Justification for the choice of data or description of the measurement methods and procedures applied	It represents the leaks that correspond to the displacement of deforestation due to the implementation of project activities		
Monitoring Equipment	Latest report presented in 2019 NREF		
Measurement Frequency	Annual		
Calculation Method	Based on the provisions of the methodological document of the AFOLU Sector		
Quality Control Procedures Applied	N/A		

Data/ Parameter	REDEF,REDD+proy		
Data Unit	tCO2e		
Description	Reduction of emissions from deforestation avoided in the		
	project scenario		
Measured/Calculated/Default	Calculated		
Source of data used	- Year of project start		
	- Year of End of the First Monitoring Period		
	- Annual Emission from Deforestation in the Baseline		
	Scenario		
	- Annual emission of deforestation in the project area		
	- Annual emission from deforestation in the leakage area		
Monitored Parameter Value	1,565,033.62 /3/ /29/-/30/ /62/		
Indicate what the data is	It allows us to know the reduction of emissions due to		
used for	deforestation avoided in the scenario with the project		
Justification for the choice of			
data or description of the	Based on this value, the total GHG reduction is quantified,		
measurement methods and	subtracting discounts for uncertainty and forest harvesting		
procedures applied			
Monitoring Equipment	Latest Report 2022		
Measurement Frequency	Annual		
Calculation Method	Satellite Imagery Processing		
Quality Control Procedures	According to the University of Maryland's Global Land		
Applied	Analysis and Discovery (GLAD) Laboratory in partnership		
	with Global Forest Watch (GFW)		

The audit team verified the application of the Monitoring and Verification Report Tool V3.0 of April 2022 (section 9 and section 10), as follows:



- Confirmation of applicability conditions (detail of the compliance evaluation in section 5.5.2)
- Description of the Monitoring System, including data collection, procedures (detail of the compliance evaluation in section 5.6 and section 6.1)
- Information about data generation, aggregation, recording, calculation and reporting (detail of the compliance evaluation in section 6.1)
- organization structure, roles and responsibilities of personnel, and emergency procedures for de the monitoring procedure /1//3/
- parameters used to calculate baseline, project emissions reductions, and leakage as well as other relevant parameters required by the applied methodology and the monitoring plan (detail of the compliance evaluation in section 5.5.4, section 6.2.3 and section 6.1.2)
- processes related to models and methods used to sampling and quality control /3/ (detail of the compliance evaluation in section 6.1.2)
- specific information on how data and parameters will be monitored during the monitoring period /3/ (detail of the compliance evaluation in section 6.1.2)

#### 6.1.2.2 Environmental and social effects of the project activities

The audit team verified that the project carried out an environmental assessment using the effects categorization methodology developed by Conesa (2010). This methodology assigns a level of relevance to each effect by applying value scales to the criteria established by it, thus allowing classification into different levels according to their nature.

With the implementation of activities during this monitoring period (section 6.1.1), positive impacts on the elements of the biotic environment (flora, fauna, and ecosystems) were identified due to the repopulation of fauna species due to relocation activities and recovery of ecosystems due to reforestation activities.

Regarding the social factor, positive impacts were evidenced by the implementation of the project's activities, such as: actions aimed at strengthening REDD technical capacities for the administration, formulation and execution of projects, capacity building for the implementation of community monitoring actions of biodiversity and ecosystems and design of the diagnosis of the environmental and social supply to favor the implementation of projects Productive.

# 6.1.2.3 Procedures for the management of GHG reductions or removals and related quality control for monitoring activities

The audit team verified that the information associated with GHG emissions and reductions monitoring activities presents associated control and quality procedures /3/ /323/ /14/ /220/. The reliability and consistency of the data and information necessary to estimate GHG reductions or emissions during the quantification period and monitoring period was verified, such as: sources of information associated with activity data /60/-/65/ and /29/-/32/, emission factors /29/- $_{32}/$  and /150/, carbon pools and emission sources



included /1 / /3/ and /29/-/32/, data conversion parameters /29/ /3/; and it was confirmed that they have adequate uncertainty management (detail of compliance evaluation in section 5.5.6)

# 6.1.2.4 Description of the methods defined for the periodic calculation of GHG reductions or removals, and leakage

The audit team evaluated compliance with the defined methods for the periodic calculation of GHG reductions or removals, and the leak data and information as follows:

- Information sources associated with activity data (2019-2022) /60/-/65/ and /29/-/32/, emission factors / 29/-32/ and /150/, carbon pools and emission sources included /1 / /3/ and / 29 /-/32/, were corroborated and consistent with the BCR criteria established for follow-up to the monitoring period. Additionally, the audit team verified the inclusion of GHG emissions from the granted forest use and corroborated the use of the respective data/parameters in the quantification of biomass /58/ /32/ /29/.

- The specification of all potential emissions occurring outside the project boundaries, attributable to GHG Project activities (leakages), were verified by monitoring deforestation in the leakage area /30//3/.

- The procedures established for the management of GHG reductions or removals and related quality controls for monitoring activities were verified through control and quality procedures established by project /14/ /220/ /323/.

- It was verified that the monitoring of the limits has periodic (annual) monitoring of deforestation or disturbance events through satellite monitoring of forest cover (forest/non-forest maps) /30/.

- It was verified that the monitoring of project emissions and reductions (2019-2022) is derived from the cartographic analysis of the project boundaries (forest/non-forest maps) /30/ /31/. The data conversion parameters /29/ are used correctly and therefore the mitigation results /3/ are consistent and traceable.

ICONTEC considers that the methods defined for the periodic monitoring of the quantification of GHG emissions and removals are robust and consistent.

# 6.1.2.5 Assignment of roles and responsibilities for monitoring and reporting the variables relevant to the calculation of reductions or removals

The audit team verified the assignment of roles and responsibilities to monitor and report the relevant variables for the calculation of reductions or eliminations /16/ /18/ /20/ /21/ /3/. Additionally, it was verified that the project has assignment of roles and responsibility throughout the 72 indicators of REDD+ implementation activities /17/ and an implementation and monitoring schedule /16/ /18/ /20/ /21/.



The process of assigning roles and responsibility was verified through the Governance Structure for the design, implementation and verification of REDD+ actions /1/ which, among other things, aimed to consolidate a Technical Committee for the operation and coordination of monitoring, reporting and check.



Figure 4. Governance Structure JIGRANTU REDD+ Project

Source: Taken from Project Document V5.0

It was confirmed that both the Community Councils and Biotrade S.A.S. are effectively articulated to strengthen the capacities of the teams in the field and the correct execution of the actions /16//18/, since shared responsibilities are presented to address the monitoring of the project area, monitoring of the Safeguards and SDGs, monitoring of REDD+ activities and monitoring of emissions and emissions reductions within the project boundaries.

## 6.1.2.6 Procedures related whit the assessment of the project contribution whit the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)

The audit team verified that the JIGRANTU REDD+ Project complies with the Sustainable Development Goals (SDG) according to the guidelines of the SDG Tool v1.0 of the BCR /3//15/. It was evident that the contribution to the SDGs is addressed transversally to the implementation of the four (4) strategic lines of the project through the REDD Activities Matrix /18/ /20/ /21/ (Table 11), and its contribution has criteria such as: project activity with which it is related, contribution of the activity, type of activity, unit of measurement of the activity (activity indicator) and the respective supports.



During this monitoring period, the contribution to the following SDGs was confirmed:

- SDG 4. Quality education (Activities Be8 and Bf12) /213/-/218/, /241/-/243/, /244/-/261/
- SDG 9. Industry, innovation and infrastructure (Activity Ch26) /262/-/271/
- SDG 11. Sustainable Cities and Communities (Activity Ac6) /276/-/278/, /280/-/284/

• SDG 15. Life of terrestrial ecosystems (Activities Dj34, Dj37, Bf12, Dj36 and Aa1) /241/-/243/, /244/-/261/, /272/-/275/, /285/-/291/

6.1.2.7 Procedures associated with the monitoring of co-benefits of the special category, as applicable

The audit team verified that the project owners designed a model of criteria or indicators, in line with the criteria of the BCR Standard, which allow monitoring of the "Biodiversity Conservation" component through activity Dj36. Strengthening the conservation and monitoring of the manatee Trichechus manatus and the turtle Trachemys callirostris, which seeks to generate positive effects on the populations of the manatee (Trichechus manatus) and the turtle (Trachemys callirostris) with actions aimed at improving the protection and monitoring of these species in their natural habitats, as they are marine animals that face various threats such as habitat loss, water pollution, bycatch, climate change and poaching.

Specifically, the Dj36 activity has two (2) indicators to report its progress during the monitoring periods:

Name	No. of Strategy Documents for Strengthening the Conservation and Monitoring of the Manatee (Trichechus manatus) and the Hicotea Turtle (Trachemys callirostris)		
Indicator ID	Indicator 63Dj36		
Guy	Product		
Goal	Two (2) documents in the third monitoring period (V3)		
Unit of Measurement	Number of documents		
Responsible for measurement	Monitoring, Reporting and Verification Coordinator; Project Director of Jiguamiandó, Project Director of La Grande, Project Director of Turriquitadó; Biotrade S.A.S development team		



Name	Reports with measures and actions aimed at improving the protection and supervision of the manatee (Trichechus manatus) and the turtle (Trachemys callirostris)		
Indicator ID	Indicator 64Dj36		
Guy	Product		
Goal	One (1) document in each monitoring period		
Unit of Measurement	Number of documents		
Responsible for measurement	Monitoring, Reporting and Verification Coordinator; Project Director of Jiguamiandó, Project Director of La Grande, Project Director of Turriquitadó; Biotrade S.A.S development team		

### 6.2 *Quantification of GHG emission reductions and removals*

The JIGRANTU REDD+ Project annually quantified the reduced GHG emissions of the monitoring period within the spatial boundaries of the project area from the start date (or January 2019) to 31 December 2022. It should be noted that the reserve value applied to the total quantified GHG emission reductions for the corresponding period is 20%, in accordance with the provisions of the Permanence and risk management v1.0 Tool

#### 6.2.1 Methodology deviations (if applicable)

Not applicable, the project does not present methodological deviations with respect to the REDD+ Methodological Document during this monitoring period.

#### 6.2.2 Baseline or reference scenario

The quantification of reduced GHG emissions from deforestation for the REDD+ JIGRANTU Project is based on the delimitation of the identified forest cover areas within the project boundaries and the use of data and parameters required in the calculation methods set out in the REDD+ Methodological Document. The project's baseline scenario responds to the biophysical conditions and dynamics of deforestation in the territory (causes and agents), which are estimated from its historical trend in the decade prior to the start date of the project.

#### Deforestation in the baseline scenario

To calculate the rate of forest loss, an analysis was carried out comparing the extent of forest and non-forest areas at two specific time points; in this case, the years 2009 and 2018. The analysis considered only those areas that were covered with forests on the first



date and that had been cleared on the second, thus ensuring that this change occurred during the study period (gross deforestation).

#### 6.2.3 Mitigation results

#### 6.2.3.1 GHG emissions reduction/removal in the baseline scenario

The quantification of GHG emissions and reductions in the baseline scenario was estimated for the project limits in accordance with section 13 of the BCR BCR0002 Methodology. The compliance evaluation carried out by the audit team is described below:

a) Activity data. The audit team verified that the baseline scenario activity data described in calculations /29/-/30/ are derived from the forest/non-forest maps /60/-/62/, prepared by Hansen et al. (2010) and Hansen et al. (2013), corresponding to the period 2009-2018 and, in addition, the respective adjustments to national circumstances are applied /150/. It was confirmed that the deforestation analysis described in calculation sheet /29//30/, forest/non-forest maps /60/-/62/ and Project Document /1/ is estimated based on the criteria described in section 13.2.1 of the methodology. Additionally, the projection of activity data (deforestation) during the project quantification period was verified based on the average historical deforestation rate (2009-2018) /29/.

b) Emission factors. The carbon pools and associated emission factors were described in calculation sheet /29/ and Project Document /1/ and presented correspondence with the carbon contents and emission factors of the Pacific biome /150/. The conversion variables applied to the calculations /29/ comply with the procedures described in section 13.3.1 of the methodology.

c) Uncertainty management. The application of uncertainty management procedures /146/ was verified. In accordance with the methodology (section 13.1) and the BCR Standard (11.1), the accuracy of the activity data was greater than 90%/1/ and the emission factors used /29//1/ were consistent with the inventories of GHG and national reference scenarios /150/.

d) GHG emissions. The audit team verified that the baseline emissions quantification described in the calculations /29/ is consistent with the baseline activity data /60/-/62/ and emission factors /150/ and is estimated based on the criteria described in section 13.4.1 of the methodology.

Calendar Year	Baseline deforestation Dalb (ha)	Increase due to national circumstances	Annual emissions GHG Ealb (tCO2e)
2009	863,76		270.599,88
2010	726,89		227.720,96
2011	58,07		18.192,47
2012	813,52		254.857,99

Table 12. Emissions in the Baseline Scenario



Calendar Year	Baseline deforestation Dalb (ha)	Increase due to national circumstances	Annual emissions GHG Ealb (tCO2e)
2013	285,72		89.510,47
2014	256,69		80.416,87
2015	225,30		70.580,71
2016	753,81		236.153,86
2017	3.168,25		992.548,37
2018	1.072,17		335.889,43
2019	1.544,64	0,39	670.596,96
2020	920,52	0,45	416.967,68
2021	799,50	0,50	374.746,95
2022	1.360,55	0,54	654.480,92
2023	1.149,36		360.070,35
2024	1.142,45		357.907,70
2025	1.135,59		355.758,04
2026	1.128,77		353.621,30
2027	1.121,99		351.497,38
2028	1.115,25		349.386,23
2029	1.108,55		347.287,75
2030	1.101,90		345.201,88
2031	1.095,28		343.128,53
2032	1.088,70		341.067,64
2033	1.082,16		339.019,13
2034	1.075,66		336.982,92
2035	1.069,20		334.958,94
2036	1.062,78		332.947,12
2037	1.056,39		330.947,37
2038	1.050,05		328.959,65
2039	1.043,74		326.983,85
2040	1.037,47		325.019,93
2041	1.031,24		323.067,80
2042	1.025,05		321.127,40
2043	1.018,89		319.198,65
2044	1.012,77		317.281,49
2045	1.006,69		315.375,84
2046	1.000,64		313.481,63
2047	994,63		311.598,80
2048	988,66		309.727,29

Source: Taken from Calculadora JIGRANTU V3\_310524.xlsx



In conclusion, the audit team satisfactorily verified the quantification associated with the baseline scenario, considering the data, parameters and equations described, and considers that the estimate is reliable and consistent with the REDD+ Methodological Document and the BCR Standard.

#### 6.2.3.2 GHG emissions reduction/removal in the project scenario

The quantification of GHG emissions and reductions in the scenario with the project was estimated for the leak area and project area in accordance with section 13 and section 14.5 of the BCR BCR0002 Methodology. The compliance evaluation carried out by the audit team is described below:

a) Activity data. The audit team verified that the ex ante estimate in the project area /29/ is derived from the projection of the decrease (70%) in deforestation due to the implementation of REDD+ activities with respect to the baseline, that is, it was estimated that In the project quantification period, deforestation in the project area decreases by 70% with respect to the baseline activity data /1/. Likewise, it was verified that the ex ante estimate in the leakage area was derived from the projection of the increase (10%) in deforestation due to the implementation of REDD+ activities with respect to the baseline, that is, it was estimated that in during the project quantification period, deforestation in the leak area increases by 10% compared to the base activity data /1/. Furthermore, the application of the respective adjustments to national circumstances was confirmed /150/.

On the other hand, the audit team verified that the activity data of the monitoring period (ex post) described in the calculations /29/-/30/ are derived from the forest/non-forest maps /60/-/62/, prepared by Hansen et al. (2010) and Hansen et al. (2013), corresponding to the period 2019-2022. It was confirmed that the deforestation analysis of the monitoring period described in spreadsheet /29//30/, forest/non-forest maps /60/-/62/ and Monitoring Report /3/ is estimated based on the criteria described in section 14.5 of the methodology.

b) Emission factors. The carbon pools and emission factors associated with the project scenario were described in spreadsheet /29/, Project Document /1/ and Monitoring Report /3/ and presented correspondence with the carbon contents and emission factors. emission from the Pacific biome /150/. The conversion variables applied to the calculations /29/ comply with the procedures described in section 13 and section 14.5 of the methodology.

c) Uncertainty management. The application of uncertainty management procedures /146/ was verified. In accordance with the methodology (section 13.1) and the BCR Standard (11.1), the precision of the activity data of the scenario with project was greater than 90%/1/ and the emission factors used /29//1//3 / were consistent with GHG inventories and national reference scenarios /150/.

d) GHG emissions. The audit team verified that the quantification of GHG emissions with project  $\frac{1}{3}$  corresponds to the calculations  $\frac{29}{1}$ , the activity data  $\frac{60}{-62}$  and the



emission factors /150/ and is estimated at based on the criteria described in section 13 and section 14.5 of the methodology. Additionally, during the monitoring period, the inclusion of GHG emissions from the forestry exploitation granted was confirmed /58//32//29/.

e) Reduction of GHG emissions. The audit team verified that the quantification of GHG emissions reductions in the scenario with project /1//3/ corresponds to the calculations /29/, activity data /60/-/62/ and emission factors /150/. The quantification of ex ante and ex post reductions /29/ complies with the procedures described in sections 13.5 and 14.5 of the methodology.

Year	Baseline def (ha)	Baseline Emissions GHG (tCO₂e)	Project def (ha)	Project Emissions GHG (tCO₂e)	Leakage def (ha)	GHG emissions leakage area (tCO₂e)	Reduction of GHG emissions (tCO2e)
2019	1.544,64	670.596,96	463,39	150.706,61*	155,16	53.469,89	466.420,45
2020	920,52	416.967,68	276,15	104.180,49*	61,97	21.355,26	291.431,92
2021	799,50	374.746,95	239,85	101.719,95*	110,00	37.907,10	235.119,90
2022	1.360,55	654.480,92	408,16	127.869,93	159,47	54.954,18	471.656,81
2023	1.149,36	360.070,35	344,81	108.021,11	121,28	41.794,06	210.255,18
2024	1.142,45	357.907,70	342,74	107.372,31	120,91	41.666,90	208.868,49
2025	1.135,59	355.758,04	340,68	106.727,41	120,54	41.540,13	207.490,50
2026	1.128,77	353.621,30	338,63	106.086,39	120,18	41.413,74	206.121,17
2027	1.121,99	351.497,38	336,60	105.449,22	119,81	41.287,74	204.760,43
2028	1.115,25	349.386,23	334,58	104.815,87	119,45	41.162,12	203.408,24
2029	1.108,55	347.287,75	33 <sup>2</sup> ,57	104.186,33	119,08	41.036,88	202.064,54
2030	1.101,90	345.201,88	330,57	103.560,56	118,72	40.912,03	200.729,29
2031	1.095,28	343.128,53	328,58	102.938,56	118,36	40.787,55	199.402,42
2032	1.088,70	341.067,64	326,61	102.320,29	118,00	40.663,45	198.083,89
2033	1.082,16	339.019,13	324,65	101.705,74	117,64	40.539,74	196.773,66
2034	1.075,66	336.982,92	322,70	101.094,88	117,28	40.416,39	195.471,65
2035	1.069,20	334.958,94	320,76	100.487,68	116,93	40.293,42	194.177,83
2036	1.062,78	332.947,12	318,83	99.884,13	116,57	40.170,83	192.892,15
2037	1.056,39	330.947,37	316,92	99.284,21	116,21	40.048,61	191.614,55
2038	1.050,05	328.959,65	315,01	98.687,89	115,86	39.926,76	190.344,99
2039	1.043,74	326.983,85	313,12	98.095,16	115,51	39.805,28	189.083,42
2040	1.037,47	325.019,93	311,24	97.505,98	115,16	39.684,17	187.829,78
2041	1.031,24	323.067,80	309,37	96.920,34	114,81	39.563,43	186.584,03

Table 13. Emissions and reduction of GHG emissions in Project Scenario



Year	Baseline def (ha)	Baseline Emissions GHG (tCO2e)	Project def (ha)	Project Emissions GHG (tCO₂e)	Leakage def (ha)	GHG emissions leakage area (tCO2e)	Reduction of GHG emissions (tCO2e)
2042	1.025,05	321.127,40	307,51	96.338,22	114,46	39.443,06	185.346,12
2043	1.018,89	319.198,65	305,67	95.759,59	114,11	39.323,05	184.116,00
2044	1.012,77	317.281,49	303,83	95.184,45	113,76	39.203,41	182.893,63
2045	1.006,69	315.375,84	302,01	94.612,75	113,42	39.084,13	181.678,95
2046	1.000,64	313.481,63	300,19	94.044,49	113,07	38.965,22	180.471,92
2047	994,63	311.598,80	298,39	93.479,64	112,73	38.846,67	179.272,50
2048	988,66	309.727,29	296,60	92.918,19	112,38	38.728,47	178.080,63

\* Includes emissions from forest harvesting

Source: Taken from Calculadora JIGRANTU V3\_310524.xlsx

In conclusion, the audit team satisfactorily verified the quantification of GHG reductions associated with the project scenario, taking into account the data, parameters and equations described, and considers that the estimate is reliable and consistent with the REDD+ Methodological Document and the BCR Standard.

#### 6.3 Environmental and social effects of the project activities and no net harm

The audit team satisfactorily verified that the evaluation of the environmental aspects of the project followed the guidelines of the BCR No Net Harm Environmental and Social Safeguards tool /275//5/-/11//19/. Through the review of the Diagnosis of Conservation Actions of the project /275/, the identification and analysis of impacts on the biotic environment (fauna, flora and ecosystems) derived from the project activities was evidenced, where it was confirmed that all impacts were positive.

The evaluation of the implementation of activities during this monitoring period (section 6.1.1) corroborated the positive environmental impacts reported on the elements of the biotic environment (flora, fauna and ecosystems) due to the repopulation of fauna species due to the activities of relocation and recovery of ecosystems due to reforestation activities. In addition, it was verified that the project presents a strategy for adaptation to climate change /3/, transversal to the implementation activities /16/-/18/, with which the national policies /33/ and direct actions of the Action Plan are articulated. Monitoring the resilience of socioeconomic and ecological systems in the territory, with the aim of guaranteeing sustainability and development.

Table 14. Measurement of impacts on the biotic environment



Biotic environment /19/			
<b>Flora</b> Positive			
<b>Fauna</b> Positive			
<b>Ecosystems</b> Positive			

The evaluation of the implementation of activities during this monitoring period (section 6.1.1) corroborated the reported socio-environmental impacts /18/ /20/-/21/ and their alignment with the current regulatory framework /33/: actions directed to strengthen REDD technical capacities for the administration, formulation and execution of projects; development of capacities for the implementation of monitoring actions, community analysis of biodiversity and ecosystems; and design of the diagnosis of the environmental and social offer to favor the implementation of projects. In this sense, it was confirmed that there were no negative social impacts due to the implemented activities.

#### 6.4 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)

The audit team verified the project's contribution to the SDGs through the guidelines of the BCR SDG v1.0 Determination Tool. The monitoring of the SDGs presented the criteria and indicators of compliance in a transparent and consistent manner.

Table 15 shows the details of the monitoring of the SDGs in the current verification period.

SDGs	<b>Global indicators</b>	Project indicators	Results for the monitoring period
4. Quality Education	4.3.1 Participation	ate of youth and REDD technical dults in formal and capacities with on-formal emphasis on increasing ducation and socio-ecosystem raining in the resilience for adaptation revious 12 months, to climate change	The project together with the developer carried out workshops, meetings and socialization spaces with the 3 Community Councils during the formulation process and the development of the project. These activities were identified by the audit team during the on-site visit and
		Bf12. Capacity Building in Sustainable Productive Actions with Emphasis on Increasing Socio-Ecosystem Resilience	documentary evidence. Through the ASOPESVIGRAN Association and the banana project that is being implemented in Jiguamiandó, it promotes the creation of sustainable employment, contributes to the development of the local economy and resilience to environmental challenges, economic diversification, among others.
			Attached information was provided to verify this information.

 Table 15. Contribution to the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)



SDGs	<b>Global indicators</b>	Project indicators	Results for the monitoring period
9. Industry, Innovation and Infrastructu re	9.1.2 Volume of transport of passengers and cargo, by means of transport	Ch26. Construction and maintenance of bridges and roads	During the verification period, the Jiguamiandó River Community Council carried out maintenance and construction of some access roads, roads and bridges that allow the continuous improvement of communication and urban development. Attached evidence of its implementation was provided.
11. Sustainable Cities and Communiti es	11.4.1 Total per capita expenditure for the preservation, protection and conservation of all cultural and natural heritage, disaggregated by source of funding (public and private), type of heritage (cultural and natural) and level of government (national, regional and local/municipal)	Bc6. Strengthening cultural events with the participation of different generations	The Community Councils carried out cultural rescue activities and patron saint festivities, in which a large part of the community participated. The report of expenses and cultural activities is presented as attached evidence.
15. Life on land	15.1.1 Forest area as a proportion of total area	Dj34. Diagnosis of the state of ecosystems, ecosystem services and vulnerability to the effects of climate change	The project has a stable forest area of 93% of the total area of the project (74,012.27 hectares). Among the activities carried out by the Community Councils, conservation actions framed in the care and conservation of fauna and flora present in the ecosystems of the territory stand out. Some of these activities have resulted in the publication of scientific research articles or material. These activities were visited by the audit team during the audit.
	15.2.1 Progress in sustainable forest management	DJ37. Design and implementation of a community monitoring program for the conservation and increase of ecosystem resilience.	The Community Council of La Grande made a report on the follow-up to the process of unblocking the Jiguamiandó River, framed in the execution of restoration activities with native species on the banks of the river.



SDGs	<b>Global indicators</b>	Project indicators	Results for the monitoring period
			These activities were visited during the audit.
		Bf12. Capacity Building in Sustainable Productive Actions with Emphasis on Increasing	Through the ASOPESVIGRAN Association, contracts have been generated that help the conservation, protection and strengthening of
		Socio-Ecosystem Resilience	artisanal fishing in Afro communities in the region.
			Evidence supporting the contractual processes was delivered.
	15.5.1 Red List Index	Dj36. Strengthening the conservation and monitoring of the manatee (Tricherus manatus) and the turtle (Trachemys callirostris)	Within the Community Councils of Turriquitadó and La Grande, a report was made on the sighting of manatees within the territory, where it is possible to identify within the lagoons that are part of the eligible areas of the project, the areas where these specimens are found.
			During the audit site visit, important areas of habitat for this species were identified (feeders, transit areas, etc.). There was also evidence of activities related to the transfer of specimens of turtles for the repopulation of some lagoons.
	15.6.1 Number of Countries that have adopted legal, administrative and regulatory frameworks for fair and equitable	Aaı. Formulation of the ethno-development plan	Colombia has adopted different legislative, administrative, and regulatory frameworks to comply with the fair and equitable distribution of benefits, such as Environmental and Social Safeguards.
	benefit-sharing		During the monitoring, the Project Document constitutes a first approach, in terms of environmental and social characterization, to what the formulation of the Ethnodevelopment Plan proposes as an instrument to promote participation in decision- making and legal and regulatory frameworks that promote a fair and equitable distribution of the benefits derived from the use of natural resources.

Source: This report based on Monitoring Report V5.0



#### 6.5 *Climate change adaptation*

ICONTEC verified that the project complies with the National Plan for Adaptation to Climate Change – PNACC, considering that the promotion of sustainable development in the face of Climate Change in Colombia contemplates four (4) strategies:

- 1. The National Plan for Adaptation to Climate Change PNACC
- 2. Colombia's Low Carbon Development Strategy ECDBC
- 3. The Comprehensive Strategy for Deforestation Control and Forest Management "Forests Territories of Life" (EICDGB)
- 4. The Disaster Financial Protection Strategy.

The project holders demonstrate the inclusion of the proposed strategic lines in the national Climate Change policies and address aspects framed in Colombian regulations, such as: improvement of the conditions for the conservation of biodiversity and its ecosystem services in the project areas and areas of influence, presents proposals for areas with restoration processes in areas of special environmental importance, It designs and implements adaptation strategies based on an ecosystem approach, and strengthens the local capacities of communities to make informed decisions that allow them to anticipate negative effects of climate change.

During the documentary review and field visit, it was confirmed that the project integrates climate change mitigation with the aim of reducing GHG emissions caused by deforestation and tends to develop resilience to the impacts associated with climate change and climate variability.

PNACC Objective s	PNACC Strategies	Lines of action/ Programmes/ Activities	Observation	Audit Team Opinion
	1A. Strengthening the management of climate,	B. Capacity Building:	Considering that the EICDGB and the PNACC are strongly	Through REDD+ projects, it is possible to demonstrate that capacity building processes
EDGE	hydrological and oceanographic knowledge, and on the potential	Bee. Capacity building for the implementation of the REDD project	linked, it is necessary to build capacities to increase resilience both in the	can provide sufficient technical capacity to address climate variability events. The execution of training framed
KNOWLEDGE	impacts of their variations in the context of Climate Change	Be8. Strengthening ofREDDtechnicalcapacitieswithemphasison	restoration approach and in the productive strategies to make effective the	in the mitigation of Climate Change adds to this strategy, since they are actions that generate strategies of climatic
		increasing socio- ecosystem resilience for adaptation to climate change.	adaptation to climate change.	resilience.

Table 16. Project actions related to climate change adaptation



PNACC Objective	PNACC Strategies	Lines of action/ Programmes/	Observation	Audit Team Opinion
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	1B. Education, training, communication and public awareness on climate change	B. Capacity Building: Bee. Capacity building for the implementation of the REDD project Bf12. Capacity building in sustainable productive actions with emphasis on increasing socio- ecosystem resilience.	Communities perceive an increase in pests, diseases in crops and changes in rainy and summer seasons, as well as an increase in temperature, which directly affects agricultural production. Education on the effects of climate change is included in the process of strengthening capacity for the design and implementation of PPS.	
PLANNING	2 A. Incorporating Climate Variability and Change into State Planning Instruments	A. Strengthening Governance and Culture:	Decree 1384 of August 25, 2023, which regulates Chapter IV and the other environmental provisions contained in Law 70 of 1993, in relation to renewable natural resources and the environment, in the collective territories awarded, in process or occupied ancestically and/or traditionally by black communities, Afro- Colombian, Raizal and Palenquera, and is added to Title 12 of Part 2 of Book 2 of Decree 1076 of 2015 - Single Regulatory Decree of the Administrative Sector of the Environment and Sustainable Development Sector and other provisions are issued"Determines that the councils for environmental administration must carry out:	From the Community Councils that are part of the project, the audit team identified that different trainings and inductions were and will be carried out framed in the construction of documents that make viable and strengthen the governance tools of Afro communities.



PNACC Objective s	PNACC Strategies	Lines of action/ Programmes/ Activities	Observation	Audit Team Opinion
		Aa. Formulation and development of tools for governance Aa1. Formulation of the Ethno- Development Plan Ba2. Construction of the Environmental Management Plan for the Community Councils	In ARTICLE 2.2.12.2.1. Ethno-development plan and ARTICLE 2.2.12.2.2. Environmental management plan for collective territories adjudicated in process or occupied ancestry and/or traditionally. For the development of these two actions, activities Aa1 and Aa2 are contemplated in the SDB, where the EACC and the analysis of Risks and vulnerability will be contemplated.	
	2B. Development of resilient investment projects	D. Sustainable development Ch. Improvement of Social, Cultural and Productive Infrastructure for Sustainable Development	For the increase of both ecosystem and social resilience, it is necessary for productive systems to increase their biodiversity, so that this biodiversity increases socio- ecosystem functions and in this way the impacts caused by climate variability and change can be absorbed and assimilated more easily, due to this the project has a biodiverse sustainable production strategy that generates diverse income for families but that in turn At the same time, they are in accordance with the environmental offer of the territory and social needs.	The project has initiated the implementation of several projects related to sustainable development, such as the improvement of territorial infrastructure and productive projects which are framed within the lines of action and promote the climate resilience capacity of communities.
DEVELO PMENT TRANSFO RMATIO	3A. Managing the impacts of climate change	D. Conservation and Monitoring.	Without an in-depth diagnosis of socio- ecosystem	It was identified during the on-site review that Climate Change has had a negative



PNACC	PNACC Strategies	Lines of action/	Observation	Audit Team Opinion
Objective s		Programmes/ Activities		
	on biodiversity and the supply of ecosystem services	DJ34. Diagnosis of the state of ecosystems, ecosystem services and vulnerability to the effects of climate change.	vulnerability, it is not possible to build management plans and actions to avoid the impacts of increasingly frequent extreme weather events, once	impact on biodiversity and the supply of ecosystem services, which has been generating a migration of the population from forests to cities, especially young people. The project, with its strategic lines, is generating monitoring and
		DJ37. Design and implementation of a community monitoring program for conservation and increased ecosystem resilience	strategies, management plans and actions are designed, it is necessary to carry out monitoring schemes in order to continuously improve based on the experience generated. It is because of this that design and evaluation is an ongoing process for climate change adaptation strategies to be evolutionary and adaptive over time.	strategies for conservation, culture and recognition within the territory.
	3B. Agricultural production and food security, adapted to	C. Sustainable development	PPS is a strategy that can help not only improve ES and ecosystem	
	climate change	Ci31. Implementation of PPS with an emphasis on adaptation to climate change.	conservation but can also contribute to building capacity and new knowledge that contribute to generating diversity in sources of income.	
	3C. Prospective Risk Reduction in Basic Infrastructures	D. Conservation and Monitoring. DN41. Risk management plan in accordance with Nature-based Solutions (NbS)	The risk assessment will help us to identify areas with greater vulnerability as areas susceptible to mass removal, places where it is necessary to implement restoration actions to avoid the removal event, productive and restoration actions can be used to minimize territorial risk.	The developer, through one of its strategic lines, will identify and carry out a risk management plan in accordance with Nature- Based Solutions (NBS), which will provide the line to identify the vulnerability and how the project can mitigate those risks.



PNACC Objective s	PNACC Strategies	Lines of action/ Programmes/ Activities	Observation	Audit Team Opinion
	3D. Green Growth of Human Habitats	Ch. Improvement of Social, Cultural and Productive Infrastructure for Sustainable Development Ci. Sustainable Productive Projects	PPS will help increase socio-ecosystem resilience.	The project complies with the strategy and aims to generate actions that directly increase resilience.

Source: This report

#### 6.6 Co-benefits (if applicable)

As indicated in chapter 6.1.2.7 of this report, a review of the compliance parameters associated with co-benefits was carried out for the current monitoring period; therefore, the audit team satisfactorily verified the activities framed in the special category "Biodiversity Conservation" and considers that the related information is reliable and credible, given that:

- 1. The project develops effective actions and measures to halt the loss of biological diversity, ensuring that ecosystems continue to provide essential services
- 2. Project activities have not included the introduction of invasive species

#### 6.7 *REDD*+ safeguards (if applicable)

The audit team verified that the REDD+JIGRANTU Project addresses the interpretation of safeguards using the BCR REDD+ Safeguards Tool /3/ /22/ /23/. The evaluation of compliance with the Safeguards during this monitoring period evidenced, through documentary support, the conformity of the measures aimed at preventing the impact of social, economic or environmental rights. It was verified that the project designed thirteen (13) indicators within the Monitoring Plan for monitoring REDD+ Safeguards /18/ /20/ /21/ and it was confirmed that each compliance indicator includes safeguard ID, indicator ID, name of the indicator, type, objective, unit of measurement, result of the indicator in the reporting period, performance information, supporting documents and observations /22/.

Interpretation of BCR Safeguards	Project Indicator	Compliance
1. "The complementarity or	SVG1.1. Complementarity	As evidence of compliance, the
compatibility of measures	and compatibility of REDD+	document analyzing the
with the objectives of	activities with national and	complementarity and compatibility of
national forest programmes	international agreements	the REDD+ JIGRANTU Project is
and relevant international		presented, relating various national and
conventions and		international policies focused mainly on
agreements".		forest management and adaptation to

Table 17.	Monitoring	of REDD+	safeguards



Interpretation of BCR Safeguards	Project Indicator	Compliance
		climate change. The construction of this analysis document will be constantly updated so that new policies that consider these issues are included and analyzed /23/
2. "The transparency and effectiveness of national forest governance structures, taking into account national legislation and sovereignty. Provide transparent and	SVG2.1. Legal Compliance	The legal compliance matrix of the REDD+ JIGRANT Project was developed, which is in line with section 4 of the DP and will be continuously updated considering the advances in the national policy /33/
consistent information that can be accessed by all stakeholders and updated regularly. Be transparent and flexible to allow for improvements over time.	SVG2.2. Socialization, disclosure and transfer of information.	There were several meeting spaces with project actors, leaders and communities of the Community Councils, institutions and organizations, displaced community and neighbors of the project /82/-/111/ /211/-/235/
Build on existing systems, if any."	SVG2.3. PQRDS system	The procedure for the follow-up of all the requirements for the processing of the PQRDS is presented, aligned with the Dl39 activity. PQRDS system /3/ /322/
3. "Respect for the knowledge and rights of indigenous peoples and members of local communities, taking into consideration relevant international obligations and national circumstances and legislation, and bearing in mind that the United Nations General Assembly has adopted the United Nations Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples"	SVG3.1. Ancestral and local knowledge	As part of the recognition of local communities, the project's activities are in line with the provisions of Decree 1384 of 2023 with the formulation of the Ethno-development Plan and the Environmental Management Plan of the community councils (Activities AaI and Aa2). In addition, the Ac5 activity with the strategy document for the rescue and multiplication of ancestral knowledge, with per capita information on the protection of cultural heritage, is considered as evidence of compliance /204/-/206/ /276/-/284/
	SVG3.2. Recognition of local communities	As a support for compliance, the community mapping document of the REDD+JIGRANTU Project is presented, which shows a characterization of the communities present in the territory and the Benefit Distribution System, which was built considering the rights, qualities and qualities of the communities /207/-/210/ /217/ /236/- /240/
	SVG3.3. New forms of sustainable land use	The implementation of Sustainable Productive Projects (PPS) with emphasis on adaptation to climate change (Ci31 Activity) considers new forms of sustainable use of the territory, compliance is linked to indicator 52Ci31



Interpretation of BCR Safeguards	Project Indicator	Compliance
		PPS implementation report document /244/-/261/
4. "The full and effective participation of stakeholders, in particular indigenous peoples and local communities, in the measures referred to in paragraphs 70 and 72 of the present decision"	SVG4.1. Full and effective participation of local communities	For the follow-up and reporting of this safeguard, the decisions that must be approved in the assembly are considered, considering the Internal Regulations of the community councils and in which it is required to ratify the decisions taken. The minutes of the assemblies held for the approval of the REDD+ JIGRANTU Project of the 3 Community Councils are presented /215/ /217/-/218/ /220/-/222/
5. The compatibility of measures with the conservation of natural forests and biological diversity, ensuring that those referred to in paragraph 70 of this decision are not used for the conversion of natural forests, but instead serve to incentivize the protection and conservation of those forests and the services derived from their ecosystems and to enhance other social and environmental benefits	SVG5.1. Conservation, protection, restoration and sustainable use of ecosystems	Documents that serve as the basis for the diagnosis of the state of ecosystems, ecosystem services and vulnerability to the effects of climate change are considered (Indicator 58Dj34). The document on conservation actions presents the follow-up of the activities carried out by the community for the protection and conservation of ecosystems. In addition, the document on Traditional use of wild birds by Afro- descendant communities of the lower Atrato River basin, Colombia, associated with ecosystem services in the region, is presented /274/ /275/ /241/-/243/ /285/-/308/
environmental benefits	SVG5.2. Use and exploitation	As evidence of compliance, the
	of natural resources	summary of the persistent forest exploitation permits and resolutions granted by CODECHOCO to the Community Council of the Jiguamiandó River, in accordance with the provisions of Decree 1076 of 2015 and what is related to community forestry, is presented. /303/-/308//32//29//58/
	SVG5.3. Forest control and surveillance	It includes forest monitoring activities, which are carried out through analysis of Geographic Information Systems (GIS), supervision of the state of the covers through tours and actions where the areas of GHG emissions are identified. Each monitoring report aims to reduce at least 10% of the average deforestation that occurred in the previous 2 years. /30/ /63/-/65/
6. Taking measures to address reversal risks	SVG6.1. Decrease Reversal Risks	The risk analysis of the REDD+ JIGRANTU Project is shown, mitigation measures relate to the project activities



Interpretation of BCR Safeguards	Project Indicator	Compliance
		that address the various risks (section
		5.9) /5/-/13/ /19/
7. Taking action to reduce the displacement of emissions	SVG7.1. Forest control and surveillance for the control of emission displacement	To comply with this safeguard, the report on the development of GIS monitoring actions of the leakage area and community monitoring with the identification of critical areas and events of GHG emissions in order to reduce the displacement of emissions are taken into account. The establishment of the leakage area for the monitoring of deforestation in this area is presented.
		/3/ /29/-/30/ /56/-/65/

Source: This report based on Project Document V5.0 and Monitoring Report V5.0

#### 6.8 Double counting avoidance

In accordance with the criteria established in the Avoiding Double Counting (ADC) tool, the registration platforms of the different GHG certification programs (BCR, VCS, CERCARBONO, COLCX and Gold Standard) were reviewed and it was evident that there is no double counting for overlapping areas with other projects (Figure 5).

Specifically, as of June 20, 2024, as evidenced in section 5.4, the audit team satisfactorily verified that the JIGRANTU REDD+ Project is not partially or fully registered in another GHG certification program, and that neighboring AFOLU projects are not overlap with the areas of the JIGRANTU REDD+ Project /60/-/62/. Additionally, the audit team verified that the project already has registration (ID 4181) on the RENARE platform (available at https://renare.ideam.gov.co/GPY2-web/#/gpy/iniciativas/datos-basicos/consultar/4181); this indicates the permanence of each carbon credit in the long term and the non-occurrence of double counting in the project implementation areas.

Additionally, through the cartographic analysis /60/-/62/ it was evident that the boundaries of the project do not overlap each other, thus ensuring that the activity data are not being quantified more than once for each analysis period. Below is the cartographic detail of the projects closest to the limits of the REDD+ JIGRANTU project, which is in line with the projects described in Table 7.



Figure 5. REDD+ projects closest to the JIGRANTU REDD+ Project area







Source: This report

Additionally, the audit team evaluated the following criteria to ensure sound and transparent accounting and avoid overestimation of project-related benefits:

#### Table 18. Double Counting Criteria

Criterion	Happens?	Justification
A ton of CO2e is accounted for more than once to demonstrate compliance with the same GHG target.	No	A ton of CO2e is not accounted for more than once to demonstrate compliance with the same GHG target.
One ton of CO2e is accounted for to demonstrate the fulfilment of more than one GHG target.	No	One ton of CO2e is not counted to demonstrate compliance with more than one GHG target.



Criterion	Happens?	Justification
A ton of CO2e is used more than once for remuneration, benefits or incentives.	No	The serial guarantees that a CCV will not be issued more than once.
A ton of CO2e is verified, certified or credited by assigning more than one series to a single mitigation result.	No	The serial guarantees that a CCV will not be issued more than once.

Source: Taken from Project Document v5.0

#### 6.9 Stakeholders' Consultation

#### Community Consultation

The process of selecting Biotrade S.A.S. as the guarantor of the conditions and compliance with the requirements established by the communities of the Community Councils (section 5.8) is detailed in a robust manner through the evidence of the minutes of the meeting and agreement, and attendance lists attached by the owners. Below is a list of the different spaces that have been held with the communities of the Community Councils under the procedures of free, prior and informed consent; most of the workspaces have been conducted in person in the project area or in urban capitals of the region, using audiovisual and printed material in large format with graphic content, images and simple texts that facilitate the understanding of the different REDD themes.

No.	Date and place	Thematic	Participation (total people)
1	13 and 14 July 2022 Escalar Room – Apartadó	Socialization about REDD projects, carbon credits and work proposal by Biotrade S.A.S	8
2	20 and 21 October 2022 Jigua Center Community Hall	Work space with leaders of the Community Councils of Turriquitadó, La Grande and Río Jiguamiandó. Preliminary to the ASSEMBLIES.	26
3	October 22 and 23, 2022 Jiguamiandó River Community Council	ASSEMBLY - What is the REDD+ mechanism? - Steps to build the JIGRANTU REDD+ Project - Alliance Contract Explained - Benefit Distribution System and Organizational Chart - Autonomous space for voting on the JIGRANTU REDD+ Project	146
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Table 19. Spaces for meeting and consultation with communities



No.	Date and place	Thematic	Participation (total people)
		- Working group for the collection of information on the Participatory Rural Diagnosis -DRP.	(
4	October 25, 2022 Socialization of the Caño Seco and Bella Flor Remacho community project	<ul><li>What is the REDD+ mechanism?</li><li>Steps to build the JIGRANTU REDD+ Project</li></ul>	32
5	October 28 and 29, 2022 La Grande Community Council	<ul> <li>ASSEMBLY</li> <li>What is the REDD+ mechanism?</li> <li>Steps to build the JIGRANTU REDD+ Project</li> <li>Alliance Contract Explained</li> <li>Benefit Distribution System and Organizational Chart</li> <li>Autonomous space for voting on the JIGRANTU REDD+ Project</li> <li>Working group for the collection of information on the Participatory Rural Diagnosis -DRP.</li> </ul>	90 (27 colony displaced) 48
6	October 28 and 29 Turriquitadó Community Council	<ul> <li>ASSEMBLY</li> <li>What is the REDD+ mechanism?</li> <li>Steps to build the JIGRANTU REDD+ Project</li> <li>Alliance Contract Explained</li> <li>Benefit Distribution System and Organizational Chart</li> <li>Autonomous space for voting on the JIGRANTU REDD+ Project</li> <li>Working group for the collection of information on the Participatory Rural Diagnosis -DRP.</li> </ul>	30
7	November 01, 2022 Scalar Lounge – Apartadó	<ul> <li>Socialization project for displaced population</li> <li>What is the REDD+ mechanism?</li> <li>Steps to build the JIGRANTU REDD+ Project</li> <li>Alliance Contract Explained</li> <li>Benefit Distribution System and Organizational Chart</li> </ul>	29
8	12 June 2023 Balen de Bajira	Workspace with Leaders     Audit Considerations     Socialization Operating Manual     Conservation Actions Process Review     Fiduciary commitments	18
9	June 21, 2023 Meet platform (virtual)	Logistical preparation and budget for field trip for diagnostic survey, conservation actions	3
10	August 24, 2023 Meet platform (virtual)	Meeting with leaders to present progress of the project formulation	5
11	October 13, 2023	Work meeting with leaders and FIDUCIA	9



No.	Date and place	Thematic	Participation (total people)
	Oceano Apartadó Building		(total people)
12	October 14, 2023 Apartadó Scalar Room	<ul> <li>Socialization of PdD results in the colony of displaced La Grande and Jiguamiandó communities, residents of Apartadó.</li> <li>Presentation of FIDUCIA's work methodology.</li> </ul>	52
13	October 14, 2023 Saxon Chigorodó Hall	<ul> <li>Socialization of PdD results before Colonia community displaced Jiguamiandó, residents of Chigorodó.</li> </ul>	39
	October 16 acres	- Presentation of FIDUCIA's work methodology.	00
14	October 16, 2023 La Grande Community Council	<ul> <li>Socialization of PdD results.</li> <li>Analysis of risks, barriers, benefits and safeguards.</li> </ul>	88
15	October 17, 2023 Turriquitadó Community Council	<ul> <li>Socialization of PdD results.</li> <li>Analysis of risks, barriers, benefits and safeguards.</li> </ul>	22
16	October 18, 2023 Curvaradó	<ul> <li>Socialization of PdD results in the community colony of displaced La Grande and Jiguamiandó, residents of Curvaradó.</li> <li>Analysis of risks, barriers, benefits and safeguards.</li> </ul>	41
17	October 19, 2023 Caño Seco Community Jiguamiandó River Community Council	- Socialization of PdD results.	35
18	October 20, 2023 New Hope Community Jiguamiandó River Community Council	<ul> <li>Socialization of PdD results.</li> <li>Analysis of risks, barriers, benefits and safeguards.</li> </ul>	42
19	October 22, 2023 Laguna Community Jiguamiandó River Community Council	- Socialization of PdD results.	39
20	October 23, 2023 Urada Community Jiguamiandó River Community Council	- Socialization of PdD results.	19
21	October 23, 2023 Puerto Lleras Community Jiguamiandó River Community Council	- Socialization of PdD results.	25
22	October 24, 2023 Pueblo Nuevo Community Jiguamiandó River Community Council	<ul> <li>Socialization of PdD results.</li> <li>Analysis of risks, barriers, benefits and safeguards.</li> </ul>	67



No.	Date and place		Thematic	Participation (total people)
23	October 25, 2023 Jigua Center Community Jiguamiandó River Community Council	-	Socialization of PdD results.	55

Source: Taken from Project Document V5.0

During these spaces, it was estimated that 78% of the Community Councils' involvement or participation in the project's workshops and meetings would be involved; This considering the census information data of the Councils, an average family composition of five (5) members, in which at least one (1) member per family has participated.

#### Consult with neighbors

The neighboring communities, which correspond to three (3) Community Councils and an Indigenous Reserve, have been integrated into socialization spaces, through the participation of leaders and legal representatives in meetings to present the project, who have been personally invited by leaders of Jiguamiandó and La Grande. The documentary evidence includes attendance lists and meeting minutes.

Table 20. Spaces for socialization with neighbors of the REDD+ JIGRANTU project

Date & Place	Thematic	Neighboring Community	Participants
01 and 02 November 2022 Apartadó Scalar Room	Socialization of the REDD mechanism	Urada Jiguamiandó Indigenous Reservation	11
October 26 Nativity scene of Bajira	Socialization of PDD, institutional actors and neighbors	<ul> <li>PDI Community Council</li> <li>Vigía de Curvaradó Community Council</li> <li>Montaño Community Council</li> </ul>	3

Source: Taken from Project Document v5.0

#### Consultation with Institutions and Organizations

During this monitoring period, the project owners carried out an analysis of the institutional actors and organizations of importance in the participation of socialization spaces of the REDD+ JIGRANTU Project, in which thirteen (13) organizations and institutions within the territory were identified, invited to the presentation of the Project Document (October 26, 2023 in Belén de Bajirá). The identification of important organizations and attendance lists of the meeting have the appropriate documentary support.



#### 6.9.1 Public Consultation

The public consultation of the REDD+ JIGRANTU Project on the BioCarbon Registry platform began on October 21, 2023, and concluded on November 20, 2023. Throughout this period, no public comments were received from stakeholders, institutions, or other actors involved in the platform.

## 7 Internal quality control

During the audit, the audit team verified the evaluation of evidence collection activities to assess the design and effectiveness of the information and data control system, considering the following:

- Selection and management of GHG data and information
- Procedures for collecting, processing, consolidating, and reporting GHG data and information
- Control systems and processes to ensure the validity and accuracy of GHG data and information
- Design and maintenance of the GHG information system
- Systems, processes, and specialized personnel that support the GHG information system to ensure data quality
- Maintenance and calibration of measuring equipment and instruments
- Compliance with legal requirements related to the implementation of the forestry project

## 8 Validation and verification opinion

ICONTEC successfully validated and verified the JIGRANTU REDD+ Project under compliance with the METHODOLOGICAL DOCUMENT AFOLU SECTOR. Quantification of GHG Emission Reductions. REDD+ Projects. BCR0002. Version 3.1 y el BCR STANDARD. From differentiated responsibility to common responsibility. BioCarbon Registry, Version 3.2.

The conformity assessment set out in this report demonstrates that the project is in line with all the guidelines applicable at the different stages or phases of validation and verification:

- 1. Documentary review of project design, monitoring plan and Ex Ante and Ex Post estimation of GHG emission reductions
- 2. Documentary and on-site review and evaluation with interviews
- 3. Resolution of non-conformities, issuance of the audit report and final opinion of validation and joint verification.



All requests made by the audit team were successfully closed as indicated in Annex 5 to this report.

Specifically, the conclusions can be summarized as follows:

- The project is aligned with all the criteria of the REDD+ Methodological Document and the BCR Standard; as well as BCR's tools and guides:
  - BCR TOOL. SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS (SDG). Version 1.0.
  - BCR TOOL TO DEMONSTRATE COMPLIANCE WITH THE REDD+ SAFEGUARDS. Version 1.1.
  - BCR TOOL. AVOIDING DOUBLE COUNTING (ADC). BCR avoid double counting of emissions reductions/removals. Version 1.0
  - BCR TOOL. PERMANENCE AND RISK MANAGEMENT. BCR project holder take actions to ensure the project benefits are maintained over time. Version 1.0
  - BCR TOOL. NO NET HARM ENVIRONMENTAL AND SOCIAL SAFEGUARDS (NNH). BCR project activities do not cause any net-harm to the environment or to local communities and society in general. Version 1.0
  - BioCarbon Registry. 2023. BIOCARBON GUIDELINES. BASELINE AND ADDITIONALITY. BCR projects generate verified carbon credits (VCC) that represent emissions reductions, avoidance, or removals that are additional. Version 1.2
- The development and justification of the additionality of the project is sufficiently justified in the Project Document
- The design and follow-up of the Monitoring Plan is coherent and adequate.
- The Ex-Ante projection of the project's GHG emission reductions during the 30-year quantification period (02.01.2019 to 01.01.2049), has been conducted in a concrete, precise, transparent, and conservative manner. A total of 6,502,445 tCO2e is estimated during the quantification period and an average annual reduction of 216,748.17 tCO2e.
- The Ex-Post estimation of the project's GHG emission reductions during the monitoring period from 02.01.2019 to 31.12.2022, has been conducted in a concrete, accurate, transparent and conservative manner. A total of 1,5065,034 tCO2e was reached.

ICONTEC has verified, with a reasonable level of assurance, that the GHG emission reductions mentioned above have been achieved.

ICONTEC considers that the project developer monitors and reports its GHG actions in accordance with the principles and rules of the quantification of emission reductions that are verifiable within the framework of the ISO 14064-3:2019 Standard.



In conclusion, the audit team issues a positive validation opinion for the reduction of quantified GHG emissions for the total duration of the project and a positive verification opinion for the reduction of quantified GHG emissions in the current monitoring period.

ICONTEC's audit team drafted this joint validation and verification report in accordance with the respective format provided on the BCR platform.

## 9 Validation statement

The project validation statement can be found as an attachment

### 10 Verification statement

The project validation statement can be found as an attachment.

#### 11 Annexes

11.1 Annex 1. Competence of team members and technical reviewers

Table 21. Acreditation audit team.

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### 11.2 Annex 2. Audit Plan

GHG	JIGRANTU REDD+ PROJECT
Mitigatio	
n Project	
Initiative	
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person Type of	Validation X Verification x
audit	Fully remote Partially remote x
	greetings, I am writing to you to submit the proposal for the audit plan to be carried out on
the GHG mi	tigation project presented by your organization. Also, for the opening and closing meeting of
the audit, I v	would like to thank you for inviting the relevant people from the areas that will be audited.
	/ balance of information of the audit team, I thank you for having an agenda and a physical or
remote space	ce to hold the meeting, as well as access to the basic documentation of the GHG Project.
Regarding t	he occupational health and safety conditions applicable to your organization, please inform
	making the on-site visit so that the audit team can request the necessary personal protection
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	tion that becomes known from the execution of this audit will be treated confidentially by the
audit team a	and Icontec. The language of the audit and its report will be in Spanish.

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Audit	FION SERVICES. - ISO 14064-2:2019
Criteria	- BCR V3.2 Standard
	- Quantifying GHG Emission Reductions REDD+ Projects BCR0002 V3.1
	Tools:
	<ul> <li>BIOCARBON GUIDELINES Baseline and Additionality V1.2</li> </ul>
	- BCR Tool Avoiding Double Counting V1.0
	- Tool to demonstrate compliance with REDD+ Safeguards V1.1
	<ul> <li>Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) V1.0 Tool</li> <li>BCR Tool Monitoring, Reporting and Verification (MRV) V1.0</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>BCR Tool Monitoring, Reporting and Verification (MRV) V1.0</li> <li>BCR Tool No Net Harm Environmental And Socia Safeguards (NNH) V1.0</li> </ul>
	- BCR Tool Permanence and Risk Management V1.0
	The validation and verification of the GHG mitigation project will be carried out by:
Objective	- Auditing with the support of technological means, partially remote
s of the	For validation:
audit	Assess the likelihood that the implementation of the planned GHG project will result in the
	GHG removals/reductions declared by the project owner, considering the following:
	Compliance with applicable validation criteria, including the principles and requirements of
	relevant GHG standards or programs within the scope of validation.
	The establishment, justification and documentation of the GHG mitigation project.
	The relevance of the planned GHG project controls.
	For verification:
	Verify compliance in the implementation of mitigation project activities, including those
	associated with the methodology selected for the project, considering the following:
	Compliance with applicable verification criteria, including the principles and requirements of
	relevant GHG standards or programs within the scope of verification.
	Information and documentation of GHG project planning, including procedures and criteria
	for the project, baseline, quality control and assurance, risk management, and GHC verification documents.
	The emissions, removals, emission reductions, and removal increases that are reported in the GHG baseline and project.
	Any significant changes in emissions, removals, emission reductions, and increases in GHC
	removals since the last reporting period, or since project validation,



	Compliance with the actual principles and controls of the project and the monitoring, verification and reporting system necessary to comply with its documented procedures and current legislation in accordance with the audit criteria.
Scope of the audit	<ul> <li>Project boundaries including project scenarios and baseline scenarios:</li> <li>The PMCC REDD+ JIGRANTU Project is in the Colombian Pacific region, in the department of Chocó and has an area of 76,173 hectares belonging to the municipalities of Carmen del Darién (85%) and Riosucio (15%). Within these areas are the Community Councils of La Grande, Río Jiguamiandó and Turriquitadó, who are configured as the proponents of the project.</li> <li>The main objective of the project is to promote integral sustainable development under the principles of participation, transparency, trust, justice and equity through the REDD mechanism in the community councils of Río Jiguamiandó. In this sense, the initiative is part of the execution of mitigation actions through the reduction</li> </ul>
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	Source: DDP Jigrantú REDD+ Project V2.0
	Reference area: 146,964.19 hectares Leakage area: 44,633 hectares Project area: 76,173.36 hectares Eligible area (stable forest): 71,172.47 hectares
	Physical infrastructure, activities, technologies and processes of the GHG project
	Since 2015, the community councils of La Grande, Río Jiguamiandó and Turriquitadó have been exploring economic options to manage their territory independently. Its main objective



has been to protect its territory, preserve biological diversity, develop sustainable production projects, improve access roads and strengthen social infrastructure, as well as public services.

Therefore, to more effectively achieve the objectives established by the community, the Councils generate alliances with Biodrate, a private consulting firm whose current focus is the formulation of REDD+ projects in indigenous and Afro-descendant collective territories in the Amazon and in the Colombian Pacific, to manage a project on Emission Reductions Due to Deforestation and Forest Degradation.

Conservation activities and/or actions are framed within the following specific objectives:

- Formulate and execute the ethno-development plan, promoting governance and rescuing cultural practices
- Improve the social, cultural and productive infrastructure for the sustainable development of the communities that live in the project area.
- Strengthen the technical capacities of leaders, youth and women to give long-term sustainability to the project's actions.
- Design and implement the strategy for the restoration, conservation and monitoring of nature, the mechanism of oversight and participatory control.
  - Sources, sinks and/or reservoirs of GHGs and types of GHGs

Source: Combustion of woody biomass, in case of forest fires.

Sinks and/or Reservoirs: Aboveground biomass, groundwater biomass, soil organic carbon using NREF emission factors for the Pacific biome.

Sink	Included?	Justification/Explanation
Aboveground tree biomass	Yes	It is the most representative carbon deposit originated by the execution of the project's actions
Underground biomass	Yes	Significant carbon accumulation from the implementation of project activities
Soil Organic Carbon	Yes	This deposit is included considering that the carbon content is expected to change in the project scenario

Type of GHG: CO2 and, if applicable, CH4 and N2O.

• Defined time periods to execute the project activity

Project duration: 10.01.2017 to 10.01.2047 (30 years). A reduction in total GHG emissions of 5,253,855.88 tCO2e is projected, which when applying the uncertainty discounts (489,860.34 tCO2e), results in 4,763,995.54 net tCO2e.

First verification: 10.01.2017 to 31.12.2021.



Level of Assuranc e	Agreed with the client – 95%		teriality - teriality	Agreed with the client – 5%
Sampling Plan / Evidence Collectio n Plan	Information and documentation of and criteria for the project, baseline verification documents, are listed in	, quality co	ntrol and assura	
	Parameters	Samp	ling (%) 🛛 🖌	Assurance Level (100%)
	Methodologies and tools used for the calculation of removals		00	100
	Formulas for Calculating Removals	1	00	100
	Evidence collection		in the 3 ty Councils	100%
		Indirect Interviews	Actor	
		Walkthrou project bo		
		Evidence conservat implemen	of ion actions ted	
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Opening meeting	27/11/2023	Но	ur	
Closing Meeting		Но	ur	
Date on which the audit plan was complete d	23/11/2023			



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martes, 28 de noviembre de 202	3 La Grande		Recorridos acciones de conservación cienágas
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miércoles, 29 de noviembre de 202	3 Turriquitadó		Recorridos acciones de conservación cienágas
8		20	Entrevistas a la comunidad
jueves, 30 de noviembre de 202	3 Jigua-Nueva Esperanza	20	Recorrido restauración
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#### **Remarks:**

- During the interviews, the audit team will review the documentation referenced in the project description and/or in the monitoring report.
- This business plan is flexible and can be modified in agreement with the project owner.
- All project owner personnel related to the GHG Projects must be available if requested by the audit team for the purpose of assessing any requirements
- During any phase of this evaluation process (document review, prior to the site visit, site visit, drafting of the audit report or technical review) findings may be declared, which must be resolved before the relevant documentation (project description, monitoring report, spreadsheets, audit reports, among others) is sent to the GHG program.
- The schedule of Validation/Verification activities is described in document F-GV-086 NOTIFICATION OF SERVICES VALIDATION AND VERIFICATION



## 11.3 Annex 3. Interviews

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# 11.4 Annex 4. Documentation review

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2	-	BCRFormato- Proyectos-de- GEI_sp - English.docx	Project Document v5.0 (English)	Biotrade (2024)	Biotrade
3	Monitoring Report	RM_JIGRANTU_V 5 ESP.docx	Monitoring Report v5.o (Spanish)	Biotrade (2024)	Biotrade
4		BCR_Monitoring- Report- Format.docx	Monitoring Report v5.0 (English)	Biotrade (2024)	Biotrade
5	Risk analysis	Amenaza por cambio climatico.jpg	Environmental risk mapping	Biotrade (2024)	Biotrade

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13		Flujo de fondo proyecto JIGRANTU V2.o.xlsx	Project cash flow details	Biotrade (2024)	Biotrade
14	Operational manual	Manual Operativo Proyecto REDD+ JIGRANTU V4pdf	JIGRANTU Project Operational Manual	Biotrade (2024)	Biotrade
15	SDG	Herramienta- ODS_REDD+JIGR ANTU-V3.xlsx	SDG tool development	Biotrade (2024)	Biotrade
16	Benefit Sharing System	Cronograma de implementacion SDB V2.o.xlsx	Activity implementation schedule	Biotrade (2024)	Biotrade
17		SDB_JIGRANTU- V3.0 23012024.xlsx	Benefit distribution system (SDB) by strategic line	Biotrade (2024)	Biotrade
18		1. Plan de seguimiento acciones REDD V3.o.xlsx	Monitoring plan for REDD+ activities	Biotrade (2024)	Biotrade



19	Environmental assessment	Matriz de Evaluación Con Proyecto V1.o.xlsx	Impact evaluation matrix derived from implementation	Biotrade (2024)	Biotrade
20	Follow-up Monitoring Plan	1. Fichas actividades REDD monitoreo periodo V1.xlsx	Monitoring activities of the monitoring report	Biotrade (2024)	Biotrade
21	_	2. Fichas indicadores monitoreo periodo V1.xlsx	Monitoring indicators of the monitoring report	Biotrade (2024)	Biotrade
22	_	1. Plan de seguimiento de Salvaguardas.xlsx	Monitoring of REDD safeguards	Biotrade (2024)	Biotrade
23	_	SVG-1.1 Analisis politicas.xlsx	Complementarity and compatibility analysis	Biotrade (2024)	Biotrade
24	Start date	1. Anexo Sustento fecha de Inicio Proyecto REDD.pdf	Project start date annex	Biotrade (2024)	Biotrade



25		Sentencia T-622	Report to Sentence T-622 of 2016 Río Atrato as a subject of rights	Centro Sociojurídico para la Defensa Territorial SIEMBRA	Biotrade
26		2. 2018_diciembre_Te rcer-Informe-de- avance-de- cumplimiento-de- la-sentencia-T- 622.pdf	3rd follow-up report to Sentence T-622 of 2016	MADS (2018)	Biotrade
27		3. Diciembre_Plan- de-Accion-Orden- Quinta-cuenca- rio-atrato_opt.pdf	Environmental Action Plan Sentence T-622 of 2016	MADS	Biotrade
28	_	Resolución 0010 de 2019.pdf	Forest Harvesting Authorization	CODECHOCÓ (2019)	Biotrade
29	Carbon calculator	Calculadora JIGRANTU V3_310524.xlsx	Quantification of project emissions and reductions	Biotrade (2024)	Biotrade



30		Areas deforestación V4.o.xlsx	Project deforestation analysis	Biotrade (2024)	Biotrade
31	_	Mapa de bosque no bosque.pdf	Forest Non-forest map detail	Biotrade (2024)	Biotrade
32		InformaciónReleva nteMF.xlsx	Detailed quantification of emissions from forestry exploitation	Biotrade (2024)	Biotrade
33	Legal compliance	Matriz de cumplimento legal_REDD+JIGR ANTU.xlsx	Project legal compliance matrix	Biotrade (2024)	Biotrade
34	_	Contrato No 009 de 2022 CC Mayor de la Cuenca del Río Jiguamiando.pdf		Biotrade and Project Holders (2022)	Biotrade
35	_	Contrato No 10 de 2022 CC	CC La Grande- Biotrade alliance agreement	Biotrade and Project Holders (2022)	Biotrade



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321		Resolucion 02799_2000_Turri quitadó Titulo Colectivo.pdf	Adjudication of collective territory CC Turriquitadadó	INCORA (2000)	Biotrade
322	Petitions, Complaints, Claims or Suggestions	Procedimiento PQRDS Proyecto REDD+ JIGRANTU.pdf	PQRSD Management Procedure REDD+ JIGRANTU REDD+ Project	Project holders	Biotrade
323	Information management	Procedimiento Gestión de la Información en Proyectos REDD+	Procedure for Information Management in REDD+ Projects	Biotrade (2022)	Biotrade



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325			CENSO GLOBAL LA GRANDE 2023.xlsx	Population census CC La Grande	Project holders	Biotrade
326			CENSO GLOBAL TURRIQUITADO 2023.xlsx	Population census CC Turriquitadó	Project holders	Biotrade
327			Encuestas JIGRANTU 2022.xlsx	Compilation of socioeconomic survey CC of project	Biotrade (2022)	Biotrade
328			Encuesta Feider Luis Jaramillo Moreno.pdf	Evidence of socioeconomic survey in CC	Biotrade (2022)	Biotrade



329	Encuesta Hamer Romaña Deniz - Jigrantú.pdf	Evidence of socioeconomic survey in CC	Biotrade (2022)	Biotrade
330	Encuesta Ivan Barrios Vargas - Jigrantú.pdf	Evidence of socioeconomic survey in CC	Biotrade (2022)	Biotrade
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333	Encuesta Norelia Paz - Jigrantú.pdf	Evidence of socio- economic survey in CC	Biotrade (2022)	Biotrade
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# 11.5 Annex 5. Clarification requests, corrective action requests and forward action requests

# REQUESTS FOR CORRECTIVE ACTIONS, CLARIFICATIONS, AND FUTURE ACTIONS

The table below explains how ICONTEC has dealt with the Request for Corrective Action (SAC), Request for Clarification (SA) or Request for Future Action (SAF) describing how the PP has modified the design of the GHG Project, corrected the DDP, the monitoring report, or provided additional explanations or evidence that satisfied ICONTEC's requests.

This table also explains the issues related to the findings, the responses provided by the GHG Project holder, the means of validation/verification of such responses and their documentary references, as well as the changes that resulted to the DDP or monitoring report or its accompanying documents:

CAR No.	01	Requirement No.	BCR V3.2 Standard Section 8	Date: 04.12.2023				
Description of the CAR								
	1. During the documentary review, it was evident that the Project Document (V2.0 of 03 Nov 23) and the Monitoring Report (V1.0) are incomplete, therefore, it is requested:							
<ol> <li>Attach the Project Document (PDD) and the Monitoring Report (RM) fully completed according to the methodological guidelines and sections described in the BCR templates.</li> <li>Reference in these documents (or in any that so requires) the use and version of the tools and guides provided by BCR, and if applicable, attach the necessary supports for the development and/or compliance with them.</li> <li>It is recommended to attach in section 5 of the PDD information summarizing the responsibilities and obligations of each of the parties involved in the development and implementation of the project.</li> </ol>								
Project Develop	per's Response			Date: 19-12-2023				
<ol> <li>This finding is answered as follows:         <ol> <li>The Project Document (PDD) and the Monitoring Report (RM) are attached, fully completed in accordance with the methodological guidelines and the sections described in the BCR templates.</li> <li>The documents referred to the use and version of the tools and guides provided by BCR and the necessary supports.</li> </ol> </li> <li>In section 5. Paragraph 5.1. The Project Document (PDD) includes information on the responsibilities and obligations of the three (3) Community Councils and the company Biotrade SAS involved in the project (the four parties with ownership of the project).</li> </ol>								
Documentation submitted by the project developer								



DDP version 2.0

Monitoring Report Version 1.0

Evaluation of the audit team

Date: 26-12-2023

1. In the PDD, the following must be complied with:



# 1.1 Project Overview 2 General description of the project Describe the project objectives and activities, including any activities that will result in GHG emission reductions. Include the following in the description: (a) A brief description of the existing scenario prior to the implementation of the project activities. (b) Details of how the project activities will result in GHG emission reductions. (c) The special category(jes) to which the project is proposed to apply, with a brief description of the criteria under which the project demonstrates compliance. (d) A brief summary of how the project activities will contribute to the achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals.

(e) An average estimate of emission reductions attributable to the project activities.

### As stated within the template:

componen el proyecto se obtiene una extension de 74.088,67 ha, de las cuales 68.349,26 ha corresponden a bosque elegible para el proyecto REDD+.

El provocto limito al porto con al consolo comunitario de Río de Cunvaradó, al occidente

- 1.1.1. A total of 67,431 ha of forest are found by mapping at the beginning of the project with the layer named Forest Area 2022.
- 1.1.2. The public comment period for the project is not within the PDD.
- 1.1.3. All those responsible for the indicators mentioned within the PDD should be reviewed
- 1.1.4. Not all cartographic layers of the areas presented in the documents are found

**1.2.** It is closed because it is complied with throughout the document

**1.3.** REPRESENTATIVES OF THE COMMUNITY COUNCILS: The mention of Messrs. MELKIN ROMAÑA CUESTA, FAWER PAZ CÓRDOBA and ALCIDES PANESSO PALACIOS as representatives of the Community Councils of the Jiguamiandó, La Grande and Turriquitadó River corresponds to what is stated in Alliance contracts 009, 010 and 011 respectively.

RESPONSIBILITIES OF COMMUNITY COUNCILS:

In the Project Document (PDD) (PROJECT BCR\_FORMATO Version 2) in its Chapter 5 Ownership and Rights of Carbon, subchapter 5.1 Project Owner, a series of "Responsibilities and obligations of the Community Councils" and the "Obligations and responsibilities of BIOTRADE S.A.S". are included. The following are the observations on the adoption of these obligations in Alliance Contracts 009, 010 and 011 signed between BIOTRADE S.A.S. and the Community Councils of the Jiguamiandó, La Grande and Turriquitadó, respectively:



- 1.3.1. Responsibilities and obligations of the Community Councils: They are transcribed in Clause Seven, paragraph 1 of each of the contracts, with small variations that refer to the name of each Community Council with the exception of numeral 7 where it is stated that emphasis should be placed on the Monitoring Report which is originally defined between the years 2018 to 2022, something that is suggested to be reviewed so that it is in accordance with The actual times of the project (project lifetime).
- 1.3.2. In the contracts, one more obligation is added to those contained in the Project Document (PDD) (PROJECT BCR\_FORMATO Version 2) in its Chapter 5 Ownership and rights of carbon, subchapter 5.1 Project Owner, it is the inclusion in numeral 1 that refers to the declaration made by each Community Council about the non-existence of a previous contract, agreement, pact or alliance with the same object of the contract or that prevents or hinders the development of the contract. For reasons of traceability and correspondence between the Project Document and the Alliance Contracts, it is considered to relocate this obligation to the body of the latter, either as an independent Clause, as a section within the same Clause or as the legal technique dictates.
- 1.3.3. Obligations and Responsibilities of BIOTRADE S.A.S.: In the Alliance Agreements, they are set forth in the first paragraph of the Sixth Clause, which is unnamed. The paragraph indicates that BIOTRADE S.A.S., as a Party I, is specially obliged in the Alliance Contracts to comply with a series of eight (8) obligations, of which only four (4), those included in numerals 5 to 8, correspond to those established in the Project Document (numerals 4 to 7 in Chapter 5 Ownership and rights of carbon, subchapter 5.1 Project Owner in the specific part of Obligations and Responsibilities of BIOTRADE S.A.S. Again, it is suggested for reasons of coherence, traceability and correspondence between the Project Document and the Alliance Contracts that both instruments be harmonized and adequately articulated in this substantial aspect of the agreement between the parties, essential for the fulfillment of the contractual object.

Open

### CAR open

Project Developer's Response

Date: 23-01-2024



## 1.

- 1.1.1.The Project Description was added in section 2 of the PDD.
- 1.1.2. The forest area at the beginning of the Project corresponds to the 2019 Forest Area layer because the quantification period begins in this year, for this reason the 2019 layer should be consulted and not the 2022 layer since the latter would be the one at the end of the first verification period.
- 1.1.3.Section 10.4 of the PDD includes the public comment period for the project: "The public consultation of the REDD+ JIGRANTU project on the BioCarbon Registry platform began on October 20, 2023 and concluded on November 19 of the same year. Throughout this period, no public comments were received from stakeholders, institutions, or other actors involved in the platform."
- 1.1.4. Information was provided on those responsible for the implementation and measurement of the indicators mentioned within the PDD
- 1.1.5. It was included inside folder 7. CARTOGRAPHY subfolder V.3 the GeoPackage and the Geodatabase containing the forest area by community council, leakage area, and reference area layers considering that they were the cartographic layers that were needed. The rest of the layers are inside the V.2 subfolder.
- **1.2.** Already resolved in the previous findings report.
- **1.3.** Regarding the observations presented regarding the harmonization and coherence between the responsibilities and obligations of the technical documents, especially in the PDD and the Alliance Contracts between BIOTRADE SAS and each of the Community Councils, another clarification of the Alliance Contracts 009, 010 and 011 was advanced; clarification modifications that were advanced in the sequential order of the clauses of the minutes of contracts. The clarity for each of the observations indicated by the auditor is developed below:
  - 1.3.1. In the minutes of the Alliance Contracts 009, 010 and 011, the first paragraph of the seventh clause is adjusted, with clarifying modifications as follows:

**CLAUSE FIVE. MODIFY**, in order to harmonize the obligations and responsibilities of the **COMMUNITY COUNCIL OF LA GRANDE**, IN THE DIFFERENT TECHNICAL DOCUMENTS OF THE REDD+ JIGRANTU Project, especially with the Project Document (PDD), the modification of the **FIRST PARAGRAPH is advanced. CLAUSE SEVEN. RESPONSIBILITIES AND OBLIGATIONS OF PART II.** Where the wording of the information of the monitoring and quantification reporting period of the GHG emission reductions of the REDD+ JIGRANTU Project is adjusted, specifically in items 7 and 11; It also includes two additional items to the responsibilities and obligations of the **COMMUNITY COUNCIL OF LA GRANDE**, being as follows:

### FIRST PARAGRAPH. CLAUSE SEVEN. RESPONSIBILITIES AND OBLIGATIONS OF PART II (...)

7. Facilitate, cooperate and transmit the information and help manage documentary information that is in the possession of other private or public organizations that has been developed with the Community Council, in order to guarantee quality in the process of preparing the Project Document (PDD) and the Monitoring Report (RM), especially of the



**retroactivity** period, set by the carbon standard defined for the formulation of the REDD project. (...)

**11.** Contribute to the Monitoring, Reporting and Verification Coordinator, as well as to the technical committee of the REDD+ JIGRANTU Project, in the preparation of the Monitoring Reports and quantification of GHG emission reductions during the useful life of the project.

**12.** Jointly establish the Governance System (SG) and the Operational Manual (OM) detailing the responsibilities and actions required for the correct financial execution and implementation of the REDD activities defined in the Benefit-Sharing System (WFS).

**13.** THE **COMMUNITY COUNCIL OF LA GRANDE** will be the BENEFICIARY TRUSTOR, for the administration of the financial resources of the project and contribute to its correct implementation of the REDD+ JIGRANTU Project.

**Note**: The Beneficiary Settlor is defined as the group, ethnicity and/or person to whom the resources that the constituent settlor contributes and/or transfers to the trust as an ally (without fiduciary rights) will be transferred, such assets and/or resources are 100% of the respective beneficiary settlors.

1.3.2.It is considered unnecessary to relocate in the body of Alliance Contracts 009, 010 and 011, the obligation and responsibility associated with the "declaration of the non-existence of a previous contract, agreement, pact or alliance with the same object of the contract or that would prevent or hinder the development of the ALLIANCE CONTRACT between BIOTRADE and each Community Council"; since, in the minutes of each of the Alliance Contracts, it is described in numeral 6 of the "CONSIDERATIONS PART II", an extension description associated with this condition, which is presented below:

CONSIDERATIONS PART II ... "6. That as of the date of signing this Contract, the Greater Community Council of the Jiguamiando River Basin has not signed an alliance agreement with any other national or foreign company, public or private, to carry out the following types of activities; Design or execution of projects for the reduction of emissions due to deforestation and degradation (REDD+), avoiding greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions, due to the reduction of deforestation and forest degradation and reduction projects of the "REDD+" type, mitigation, capture and sequestration of greenhouse gases to be implemented in the Territory of the Community Council, b) Implementation of PES projects or other projects that obtain carbon credits. c). Monitoring, Reporting, Verification or Certification of projects for the reduction, mitigation, and capture of greenhouse gases in the Territory of the Community Council, d). Technical and scientific support for the development of projects for the reduction, mitigation, capture and sequestration of greenhouse gases to be implemented in the Territory of the Community Council, e). Management of registration process(s) with entities, standards or technical norms, whether national or international, in the field of carbon, f). Management of processes for the issuance of certified emission reduction units in any of the commercial and technical denominations such as CERS, VCUs, GS CERs, VERs, etc. (Carbon Credits) before entities, standards or technical norms, whether national or international, in terms of carbon, g). Commercialization and its associated activities such as promotion, negotiation, sale and transfer of certified emission reduction units in any of its commercial and technical denominations such



as CERS, VCUs, GS CERs, VERs, etc. As well as all those activities related to the development of projects for the reduction, mitigation, capture and/or sequestration of greenhouse gases to be implemented in the Territory of the Community Council."

1.3.3. The harmonization and proper articulation of the responsibilities and obligations of BIOTRADE SAS was advanced. This fulfillment involved a specific clause in the other side of each of the alliance contracts. The following is a description of this setting:

**CLAUSE FOUR. MODIFY**, to harmonize the obligations and responsibilities of BIOTRADE SAS, in the different technical documents of the REDD+ JIGRANTU Project, especially with the Project Document (PDD), the **FIRST PARAGRAPH OF THE SIXTH CLAUSE is included. OBLIGATIONS AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF PART I**, the following obligations and responsibilities arising from the exercise of the joint formulation of the Project, considered relevant, consequently, five (5) obligations and responsibilities are added to those established in the minutes of the alliance contract, leaving a total of thirteen (13) obligations and responsibilities for BIOTRADE SAS, the obligations that are added are:

### FIRST PARAGRAPH OF THE SIXTH CLAUSE. OBLIGATIONS AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF PART I (...)

- Jointly establish the Governance System (SG) and the Operational Manual (OM) detailing the responsibilities and actions required for the correct financial execution and implementation of the REDD activities defined in the Benefit-Sharing System (WFS).
- 10. It will provide the administrative, financial and technical support required by the steering committees, technical committees and the oversight and control committee.
- 11. It will support decision-making processes in the implementation of the REDD+ actions of the WDS.
- 12. It will implement the project's REDD+ actions according to the technical and social guidelines of the Community Council.
- 13. BIOTRADE SAS will be the CONSTITUENT TRUSTEE, for the administration of the financial resources of the project and contribute to its correct implementation by each of the Community councils that make up the REDD+ JIGRANTU Project.

**Note**: The Constituent Settlor is defined as the person and/or company that will transfer the assets and/or resources to the TRUST and has the responsibility to comply with the object of the Trust Agreement.

Documentation submitted by the project developer



- <u>Version 3 of the map</u> that includes the forest area by community council, in the leakage area, and in the reference area
- <u>GeoPackage</u> and <u>Geodatabase</u> of the forest area by community council, in the leakage area, and in the reference area
- <u>DoP V. 3.0</u>
- Otheryes to Alliance Contract 009.
- Also to Alliance Contract 010.
- Otheryes to Alliance Contract 011.

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- **1.1.1.** Section 2 of PDD V3.0 was adjusted so that it complies with the methodological benchmarks described in the template provided by BCR. **Closed numeral**
- **1.1.2.** The cartography was adjusted, and it was satisfactorily verified that the eligible area (forest area at the start of the project- 2019) matches throughout the project information and is derived from the layers:
  - APRioJiguamiando Area\_de\_bosque\_2019
  - ABLaGrande Area\_de\_bosque\_2019
  - ABTurriquitado Area\_de\_bosque\_2019

However, within the V3.0 cartography there are other layers associated with the forest area ("ABLaGrande – GFW\_La Grande", "ABRioJiguamiando – GFW\_RioJiguamiando" and "ABTurriquitado – GFW\_turriquitado"), which do not correspond to the previously mentioned layers. It is requested to clarify what is the reason for the eligible areas of these layers not matching? Do they correspond to different periods? What information differentiates that group of layers?

The layers of GFW\_LaGrande, GFW\_RioJiguamiando and GFW\_Turriquitado show only the loss of forest from the different years, while the other layers ABLaGrande, ABRioJiguamiando and ABTurriquitado present the forest area year by year. The forest area is derived from the Global Forest Watch layer of the GFW project area, in this the year-by-year losses are considered, the gridcode 0 corresponds to the forest area to 2022, for the rest of the years it is necessary to take the loss of the year analyzed plus the sum of the loss of the years after it.

### **Closed numeral**

- **1.1.3.** Section 10.4 of PDD V3.0 has been adjusted to include information related to public comments on the project. **Closed numeral**
- **1.1.4.** Section 2.3 of PDD V3.0 has been adjusted to include information related to the responsible parties involved in each implementation and measurement activity during this monitoring period. In addition, it was clarified that those responsible for the implementation and measurement of the activities set out in the project's Monitoring Plan will be consolidated as the Governance System makes the clarifications and appointments it deems pertinent. **Closed numeral**
- **1.1.5.** The V3.0 of the cartography was appended, which includes layers of forest area per Community Council by year (historical period and monitoring period), forest area in the reference area by year (historical period and monitoring period) and forest area in the leakage area by year (historical period and monitoring period). **Closed numeral**

### 1.2. Closed numeral

### 1.3.

- **1.3.1.** The "OTROSÍ" are provided to the Alliance contracts 009, 010 and 011 of 2022 in which the modifications related to the responsibilities and obligations of the parties were made, so that it is in line with the information described in the project documents. These modifications also included the adjustment to the period of quantification of the project's emission reductions, complying with the guidelines for the start date set forth in the BCR Standard. **Closed numeral**
- **1.3.2.** The section "CONSIDERATIONS PART II" (numeral 6) of the Alliance Contracts includes the necessary information to clarify the previous non-existence of a contract, agreement,


pact or alliance with the same contractual object of the present that prevents or hinders the development of this contract. **Closed numeral** 

**1.3.3.** The "OTROSÍ" are provided to the Alliance contracts 009, 010 and 011 of 2022 in which the modifications related to the number and description of responsibilities or obligations of the parties were made, so that such information is consistent throughout the project documents. **Closed numeral** 

Since all the numerals of the application have been resolved, the CAR is closed.

CAR No.	02	No.	BCR V3.2 Standard		Date: 04.12.2023
			18. Safeguards	REDD+	
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**Description of the CAR** 

During the on-site audit and through the evidence collection mechanisms, it was mentioned that within the distribution percentage established for the communities (70%), 5% of this total will be directed exclusively to cover the administrative issues involved in the implementation of the project. However, this agreement or distribution is not evidenced within the contracts or within the project documents.

It is requested that this information be adjusted so that these agreements are explicitly mentioned.

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In the joint construction of the Operational Manual -MO (supported in <u>minutes of meeting with community</u> <u>No. 08</u> of June 12, 2023), it was evidenced that the project should invest resources both in the administrative process, as well as in operating expenses and payroll of the personnel linked to the project, according to this, the legal representatives of the Community Councils decided that 5% of the total project would be allocated to this item.

The agreement on the 5% administration was established at the joint construction meeting of the Operational Manual – MO in Belén de Bajira on June 12, 2023, where it was made explicit to all stakeholders. As stated in the document <u>Operational Manual REDD+ JIGRANTU Project V2</u>. in Table 3. and detailed in Note 1 to Chapter 7.

The finding is answered by adjusting to the Benefit Sharing System -BSS of the REDD+JIGRANTU Project.

## Documentation submitted by the project developer

Minutes 08. 12062023 Operational manual construction

JIGRANTU V2 REDD+ Project Operational Manual

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The aspect related to the agreement between the parties to allocate 5% of the income to the operating expenses and payroll of the personnel linked to the project, is not referenced in the Tenth Clause called "Income" of Alliance Contracts 009, 010 and 011 of 2022, which indicates that the economic income derived from the sale of the bonds will be divided in a proportion of 70% for the Community Council and 30% for BIOTRADE S.A.S., therefore the aforementioned 5% is not contractually supported nor is it binding on the parties.

The Operational Manual is reviewed, and the distribution is found, and specifically it is obtained from the initial 70% that corresponds to the community councils, so the request is met.

## CAR closed

CAR No.	03	Requirement No.	Methodology V3.1	BCR0002	Date: 04.12.2023			
			8.2 Reference	Region				
Description o	f the CAR							
The methodology BCR0002 in its chapter 8.2, related to the Reference Region for the estimation of the baseline, indicates that the project should consider the following criteria:								
a	) La región	de referencia puede	e incluir todo o pai	rte del área de	l proyecto;			
b	<ul> <li>b) Los agentes y determinantes de deforestación/degradación, identificados en la región de referencia, pueden acceder al área del proyecto;</li> </ul>							
c)	) El área del	proyecto es de inte	erés para los agent	es identificado	os en el literal b, arriba;			
d	) Las figuras de tenencia de la tierra y derecho de uso del suelo deben estar caracterizadas en la región de referencia;							
e	) Excluir las degradacio		restringido a los a	igentes y mot	ores de deforestación y			
Performing the review of the cartography, it is evident that the first step is not complied with, as evidenced below:								
The correspon	iding adjust	ments and modif	ications must be	made to cor	nply with the methodology.			



Project Developer'	ect Developer's Response     Date: 19-12-2023						
The BCR0002 standard. METHODOLOGICAL DOCUMENT AFOLU SECTOR. Quantification of GHG Emission Reductions. REDD+ Projects. Version 3.1. where in its numeral 8.2. Reference region for baseline estimation is expressed as follows:							
" (a) the reference	" (a) the reference region <b>may</b> include all of part of the project area;"						
However, taking into account that the BCR STANDARD document. From differentiated responsibility to common responsibility. Version 3.2. In its numeral 3 it expresses:							
"3. General Terms							
The following gener	al terms apply fo	or this Standard:					
<ul> <li>a. "Shall" is used to indicate that the requirement shall be met;</li> <li>b. "Should" is used to suggest that, among several possibilities, a course of action recommended as particularly appropriate;</li> <li>c. "May" is used to indicate that it is permitted."</li> </ul>							
Therefore, it means requirement.	s what is perm	issible, or can be c	arried ou	it. Consequent	ly, it is not a mandatory		
Documentation submitted by the project developer							
Attached is the e-mail response received by the BCR Technical Committee, in the folder: REDD+ PROJECT JIGRANTU/17. AUDIT, VALIDATION AND VERIFICATION/2. First round of findings/3. Appendices First Round of Findings/1. Corrective Actions/A. Corrective 3. <u>Annex</u>							
Evaluation of the audit team   Date: 26-12-2023							
The finding is solved with the developer's response.							
CAR closed							
CAR No.	04	Requirement	17.	Sustainable	Date: 04.12.2023		

CAR No.	04	Requirement No.	17. Sustainable Development goals	Date: 04.12.2023		
			SDG – Tool			
			BCR V3.2 Standard			
Description of the CAR						
To comply with the SDGs, it is necessary to include within the strategic lines the contributions that the project has in terms of gender inclusion, the elderly and everything related to the minority populations characterized in the Community Councils that are part of the project.						



## Project Developer's Response

Date: 19-12-2023

Date: 26-12-2023

The Benefit Sharing System conceived at General Assemblies and adjusted in meetings with leaders, was designed to ensure that the benefits derived from the sale of VCUs were equitable and responsive to the needs of the Community Councils. In this context, four strategic lines were established aimed at improving the well-being of Afro-Colombian communities, reducing poverty and preserving the ecosystems present in the Community Councils (CCs).

The first strategic line, "**Strengthening Governance and Culture**", arises from the need to formulate and implement the ethno-development plan, promoting governance and rescuing cultural practices in the CCs. However, in response to gender inclusion and the empowerment of minority groups that historically do not participate in governance, program 1.2, "**Strengthening the participation of women, youth and other minority groups in Community Councils**", has been created. This program seeks to provide spaces for participation, leadership, and empowerment in governance for decision-making that impacts their communities. Specifically, two actions have been designed to develop this program:

1.2.1 Participation and governance empowerment programmes for women and youth in Community Councils.

1.2.2 Design and implementation of a participation strategy for women, youth, older adults and other minority groups.

The second strategic line, "Capacity Building", arose from the need to strengthen the technical capacities of leaders, youth and women to ensure the long-term sustainability of the project's actions. However, within the actions, there was no evidence of the direct participation of these groups, so two actions have been included to ensure the direct participation of women:

2.2.1 Sustainable productive actions led by women.

2.3.1 Undergraduate, postgraduate, courses or training programs for women.

With the incorporation of these numerals in the BSS, the aim is to promote the participation of women and other minority groups, creating equitable decision-making spaces for all. It is important to note that, to access future benefits, requirements documents will be established in which the profiles will be detailed, giving priority to minority groups in the CCs.

## Documentation submitted by the project developer

<u>JIGRANTU REDD+ Project Operational Manual V2</u> detailing Table 3 Benefit-sharing System of the JIGRANTU REDD+ Project

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1. Within the indicators, it is mandatory that they can represent the participation of minority populations within the project

2. In addition, it is mandatory that the SDGs are named within the activities, which are intended to be complied with by the activities carried out.

CAR open

Project Developer's Response Date: 23-01-2004



					minority populations
Indicator ID	Name	Guy	Goal	Unit of Measurement	Monitoring Methodology
6Bb4	No. of Engagement Strategy Documents	Product	5 documents in the V3 monitoring period	Number of documents	For the measurement and reporting of this indicator, the preparation of the participation strategy documents is considered: 1. For women, 2. For young people, 3. For the elderly, 4. For people with disabilities and 5. For Other Minority Groups
7Bb4	% Participation of women	Impact	50%	Percentage of participation of women	For the measurement and reporting of this indicator, the number of women participating in the meetings, workshops or surveys carried out is taken into account
8 Bb4	% Youth Participation	Impact	25%	Percentage of participation of young people (14- 25 years)	For the measurement and reporting of this indicator, the number of young people participating in the meetings, workshops or surveys carried out is taken into account
9 Bb4	% Participation of Older Adults	Impact	100%	Percentage of Older Adult Participation	For the measurement and reporting of this indicator, the number of adults over 60 years of age, participants in special programs, is taken into account
10 Bb4	% Minority Group Participation	Impact	100%	Percentage of minority groups	For the measurement and reporting of this indicator, the number of people from minority groups participating in special programs is taken into account
11 Bb4	% Participation of people with disabilities	Impact	100%	Percentage of people with disabilities	For the measurement and reporting of this indicator, the number of people with disabilities participating in special programs is taken into account

2. In Chapter 2.3 of the PDD, each one of the fact sheets in the description of the activities was adjusted, including the relationship with the SDGs.

Documentation submitted by the project developer

- <u>DPP V. 3.0</u>

Evaluation of the audit team

Date: 29.01.2024

**4.1 and 4.2** It was satisfactorily evidenced that there are specific indicators within the implementation activities that seek to monitor and follow up on the participation of women, older adults, and minority groups. In addition, all the activities of the strategic lines of the project (42 activities in total) are framed in the fulfillment of specific SDGs, so that the contribution to these objectives has a robust document management derived from the implementation of the activities. **Closed numerals.** 

CAR closed.



CAR No.	05	Requirement No.	7. BCR V3.2 Standard	Date: 04.12.2023				
Description of the CAR								
It is requested to update the table of contents of the document "Operational Manual of the REDD+ JIGRANTU Project V3.0 of December 30, 2022" since it was evidenced that it presents information related to another project, which may cause confusion in readers.								
Project Developer	r's Response		C	Date: 19/12/2023				
The table of contents of the <u>JIGRANTU REDD+ Project V2 Operational Manual was updated</u> and it was verified that all the information coincided with the name JIGRANTU REDD+ PROJECT.								
Documentation s	ubmitted by the	e project developer						
Operational Manual version 2.0 (19/12/2023): JIGRANTU REDD+ Project Operational Manual V2								
Evaluation of the audit team     Date: 27-12-2023								
Corrections are made.								
CAR closed.								

CAR No.	06	Requirement No.	7.	Date: 04.12.2023					
			BCR V3.2 Standard						
Description of the	Description of the CAR								
discrepancies with 1.1. The docu integrates mentions t the "Opera 4 strategic 1.2. The inform December is presente 1.3. In the doc integrates information	<ol> <li>During the documentary review, it was evident that some of the project documents present discrepancies with each other, for example:         <ol> <li>The document "Diagnosis of the conservation actions of the REDD+ JIGRANTÚ project that integrates the Community Councils: Turriquitadó, La Grande and Jiguamiandó August, 2023" mentions that 38 REDD actions were defined, grouped into 13 programs and 4 strategic lines; while the "Operational Manual of the REDD+ JIGRANTU V3.0 Project of December 30, 2022" mentions 4 strategic or investment lines, 13 programs and 37 REDD actions.</li> </ol> </li> <li>The information in Table 2 of the "Operational Manual of the REDD+ JIGRANTU Project V3.0 of December 30, 2022" presents discrepancies, in terms of the areas of the project, compared to what is presented in PDD V2.0</li> <li>In the document "Diagnosis of the conservation actions of the REDD+ JIGRANTÚ project that integrates the Community Councils: Turriquitadó, la Grande and Jiguamiandó of August 2023" the information related to the resolution of persistent forest exploitation does not coincide with the information contained in Table 42 of PDD V2.0</li> </ol>								
	This information (and any other information susceptible to inconsistencies) is requested so that all project documents are consistent and coherent.								



## **Project Developer's Response**

Date: 19/12/2023

- 1.
- 1.1. The document "Diagnosis of the Conservation Actions of the REDD+ JIGRANTU PROJECT, which integrates the Community Councils: Turriquitadó, La Grande and Jiguamiandó. Version 2.0" and the <u>JIGRANTU V2 REDD+ Project Operational Manual</u> were adjusted so that the 4 strategic lines, 15 programs and 41 REDD actions were in agreement.
- 1.2. The information in Table 2 of the <u>JIGRANTU V2 REDD+ Project Operational Manual</u> was updated considering the adjustments made.

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l Proyecto "Proyecto REDD					
correspondiente a los límites	de los 3 conse	jos comunitario	os titulados o	a comunidades i	negras:
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Consejo	Resolución	Área Total	Área Total	Área efectiva	% AB* que
Consejo	de titulación	Titulada (ha)	ANT (ha)	en bosque (ha)	aporta
Consejo Comunitario Río Jiguamiandó	2801 del 22 nov 2000	54.973,84	51.580,73	48.376,65	70,8
Consejo Comunitario La Grande	2806 de 22 nov 2000	13.455,53	13.252,14	11.343,12	16,6
Consejo Comunitario Turriquitadó	2799 del 22 nov 2000	9.406,86	9.255,80	8.629,49	12,6
Total	Total		74.088,67	68.349,26	100,0

El consejo comunitario La Grande comprende un área titulada de 13.455,53 ha conforme a lo establecido en la Resolución 2806 del 22 de noviembre del 2000; el consejo comunitario Río Jiguamiandó cuenta con un área de 54.973,84 ha según lo definido en la Resolución 2801 del 22 de noviembre del 2000; el consejo comunitario Turriquitadó cuenta con un área de 9.406,86 ha de acuerdo con la Resolución 2799 del 22 de noviembre del 2000. En total, los tres consejos comunitarios abarcan un área titulada de 77,836.22 ha.

Las áreas de los consejos comunitarios que comprende el proyecto empleadas para el análisis fueron descargadas del Portal de Datos Abiertos de la Agencia Nacional de Tierras. Sin embargo, el área calculada para cada uno de los consejos presenta discrepancias en comparación con el área titulada relacionada en los actos administrativos anteriormente mencionados. A partir del cálculo de las áreas que componen el proyecto se obtiene una extensión de 74.088,67 ha, de las cuales 68.349,26 ha corresponden a bosque elegible para el proyecto REDD+.

1.3. Table 4 has been updated. of the Diagnosis of Conservation Actions document related to persistent forest harvesting permits in the community council of the Jiguamiandó River, in accordance with the provisions of the PDD.

Documentation submitted by the project developer

Diagnosis of Conservation Actions V. 2.0 and Operational Manual of the REDD+ JIGRANTU V2 Project

Evaluation of the audit team

Date: 27-12-2023



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Consejo	Resolución de titulación	Área Total Titulada (ha)	Área Total ANT (ha)	Área efectiva en bosque (ha)	% AB* que aporta	
Consejo Comunitario Río Jiguamiandó	2801 del 22 nov 2000	54.973,84	51.580,73	48.376,65	70,8	
Consejo Comunitario La Grande	2806 de 22 nov 2000	13.455,53	13.252,14	11.343,12	16,6	
Consejo Comunitario Turriquitadó	2799 del 22 nov 2000	9.406,86	9.255,80	8.629,49	12,6	
Total		77.836,23	74.088,67	68.349,26	100,0	
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1.3. The information is revie	ewed and tr	ne numera	I IS finaliz	zed.		
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Project Developer's Respo	onse				Dat	e: 23-01-2024
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Documentation submitted		oject devel	loper			
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Evaluation of the audit team   Date: 29.01.2024						
<b>1.2.</b> It was satisfactorily evic the forest areas of each Cor						
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CAR No.	07	Requirement No.	9. Methodology BCR0002 V3.1	Date: 04.12.2023
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- 1. As mentioned in section 9 of the Methodological Document BCR0002 V3.1, the start date must be defined within 5 years prior to the start of the project validation. Therefore, it is requested:
- 1.1. Modify the proposed start date (10.01.2017), as it exceeds the 5 years considered in the benchmark.
- 1.2. Adjust the information derived from the change in the start date, such as: the historical period of deforestation and degradation, the projection of emissions from deforestation and degradation, ex-post estimates, the dates of implementation of REDD+ activities, the duration of the project, contractual issues, etc.

## Project Developer's Response

Date: 19-12-2023

- 1. Taking into account section 9 of the methodological document BCR0002 V3.1 and taking into account the actions carried out within the community councils, the start date of the project was modified and with this the accounting period or duration of the project was modified.
- 1.1. Due to the fact that validation began in November 2023, the start date was changed from January 10, 2017 to December 5, 2018.
- 1.2. Adjusted the information derived from the change in the start date

Fecha de inicio	(05/12/2018)
Período de cuantificación de las reducciones de emisiones de GEI	(01/01/2019 a 31/12/2048); 30 años
Cantidad estimada total y media anual de reducción de emisiones de GEI	Incertidumbre:

Section 3.2.3 regarding the deadlines and periods of analysis was adjusted, thus adjusting the first monitoring period from January 1, 2019, to December 31, 2022 since the accounting of a single month for 2018 is of little relevance to the accounting process.

Deforestation maps were adjusted to the historical baseline period from 2007 to 2018. This arrangement results in a change in sections 3.7.3 and 3.7.4 of the PDD regarding GHG emission reductions and section 16 of the MR, which are detailed in the calculations presented in folder 5. Carbon Calculations\Carbon Calculator.

Documentation submitted by the project developer



Evaluation	of the audit teamDate: 27-12-2023	
1. It is not u	inderstood how to comply with the requirements of the standard, it is necessary to comp	oly wit
	<b>10.4 Inicio Fecha</b> La fecha de inicio de los Proyectos de GEI es cuando comienzan las actividades que resultan en reducciones/remociones reales de emisiones de GEI. Es decir, cuando comienza la implementación, construcción o acción real de un Proyecto GEI.	
	Para las actividades forestales de remoción de GEI, el cultivo de palma aceitera y otros cultivos, esta fecha de inicio corresponde al momento en que comienza la preparación del sitio, el establecimiento del cultivo, el inicio de las actividades de restauración u otras acciones relacionadas con las actividades del proyecto.	
	Para los proyectos REDD+, la fecha de inicio es cuando las actividades del proyecto reducen las emisiones derivadas de la deforestación y la degradación forestal. Por ejemplo, puede tratarse del inicio de estrategias de gestión forestal y, en su caso, de planes de conservación de los recursos forestales, incluidos acuerdos o contratos. En otras palabras, acciones concretas para reducir la deforestación/degradación.	
	Los propietarios de proyectos sólo pueden certificar y registrar, con el ESTÁNDAR BCR, proyectos cuya fecha de inicio esté definida dentro de los cinco (5) <sup>9</sup> años anteriores al inicio de la validación <sup>10</sup> .	
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CAR open

Project Developer's Response

Date: 23-01-2024



- 1. The start date of the REDD+ JIGRANTU Project was established in accordance with the retroactive period in the reduction of GHG emissions, dated from January 1, 2019 to December 31, 2022. The support of the relationship of this date with the beginning of a forest management strategy is presented in technical annex 1 of the Diagnosis of Conservation Actions of the Community Councils of the project, where it can be evidenced how the period coincides with the exercise of joint formulation, Institutions and community, of the Environmental Plan for the recovery of the Atrato River Basin. established for compliance with judgment T-622 of 2016.
- 2. It was identified that, due to an involuntary typing error, the date of start and signing of alliance contracts No. 10 and 11, presented an erroneous data, this taking into account that the dates of the Assembly of approval of the formulation of the project in the communities of La Grande and Turriquitadó, was advanced between October 28 and 29, 2022. For this reason, clarification was provided through the minutes of others. In addition, the opportunity is given to specify the quantification period of GHG emission reductions, considering the start date of the project on January 1, 2019:

**CLAUSE ONE. CLARIFICATION OF START DATE**, considering that clarity prevails so that the start date and subscription of the ALLIANCE CONTRACT is understood, it is clarified that due to an involuntary typing error the start date was wrong, for which it is specified: **the start date and subscription of the ALLIANCE CONTRACT No. 10**, corresponds to **October 29**, **2022**.

**CLAUSE SIX.** MODIFY, in order to give clarity to the date of the assemblies of the **COMMUNITY COUNCIL OF LA GRANDE** in which the Benefit Distribution System (SDB) was built, modification is made to the **EIGHTH CLAUSE**, being as follows: **EIGHTH CLAUSE. BENEFIT SHARING SYSTEM**: The Community Council, through assemblies on October 28 and 29, 2022, built 4 pillars or lines of investment (sustainable development, strengthening governance, capacity building and ecosystem conservation and monitoring), as a guideline for the execution and administration of the project, this guideline is an integral part of the PROJECT.

**CLAUSE SEVEN. MODIFY**, in order to provide clarity and consistency between the end date of the duration of the ALLIANCE CONTRACT, the period of quantification of GHG emission reductions and the last monitoring period, modification is made to the **ELEVENTH CLAUSE. TERM OF THE TERM OF THE CONTRACT**, including a paragraph, as follows:

FIRST PARAGRAPH. EMISSION REDUCTIONS (GHG) QUANTIFICATION PERIOD. Taking into account that the owners of the GHG projects can verify and certify years prior to the start of the validation, the period of quantification of the GHG emission reductions of the REDD+ JIGRANTU Project is established between January 1, 2019, for 30 years, that is, December 31, 2048. On the other hand, it is estimated that in 2049 the Monitoring Report will be carried out to verify the reduction of GHG emissions for the years 2047 and 2048 and that in the period 2049 - 2052 the execution of the carbon credits of the last issue will be carried out.

## Documentation submitted by the project developer

- Annex 1. Supporting Project Start Date
- Otheryes to Alliance Contract 009.
- Also to Alliance Contract 010.
- Otheryes to Alliance Contract 011.



## Evaluation of the audit team

Date: 29.01.2024

1. During the review of the methodological guidelines and the BCR Standard in relation to the start date, it is evident that the follow-up to the T-622 judgment of 2016, an act in which the Atrato River is ruled as a subject of rights, corresponds to a robust basis to support the start of the activities. This support is considered binding to the temporality and spatiality of the project, since the Association of Community Councils of Bajo Atrato (ASCOBA) represents the communities of La Grande and Turriquitadó and was part of the tutela action:

### SENTENCIA

Dentro del proceso de revisión de los fallos proferidos por el Consejo de Estado -Sección Segunda, Subsección A-, y el Tribunal Administrativo de Cundinamarca -Sección Cuarta, Subsección B-, en la acción de tutela instaurada por el Centro de Estudios para la Justicia Social "Tierra Digna" en representación del Consejo Comunitario Mayor de la Organización Popular Campesina del Alto Atrato (Cocomopoca), el Consejo Comunitario Mayor de la Asociación Campesina Integral del Atrato (Cocomacia), la Asociación de Consejos Comunitarios del Bajo Atrato (Asocoba), el Foro Inter-étnico Solidaridad Chocó (FISCH) y otros, contra la Presidencia de la República, el Ministerio de Ambiente y Desarrollo Sostenible y otros.

It is worth mentioning that the ruling determines 13 orders framed in the fundamental rights to life, health, water, food security and **the environment** of the ethnic communities settled in the Atrato river basin. Specifically, the fifth order states:

"QUINTO.- ORDENAR al Ministerio de Ambiente, al Ministerio de Hacienda, al Ministerio de Defensa, a Codechocó y Corpourabá, a las Gobernaciones de Chocó y Antioquia, y a los municipios demandados, con el apoyo del Instituto Humboldt, las Universidades de Antioquia y Cartagena, el Instituto de Investigaciones Ambientales del Pacífico, WWF Colombia y las demás organizaciones nacionales e internacionales que determine la Procuraduría General de la Nación- y en conjunto con las comunidades étnicas accionantes, que dentro del año siguiente a la notificación de la sentencia, se diseñe y ponga en marcha un plan para descontaminar la cuenca del río Atrato y sus afluentes, los territorios ribereños, recuperar sus ecosistemas y evitar daños adicionales al ambiente en la región. Este plan incluirá medidas como: (i) el restablecimiento del cauce del río Atrato, (ii) la eliminación de los bancos de área formados por las actividades mineras y (iii) la reforestación de zonas afectadas por minería legal e ilegal. Adicionalmente, este plan incluirá una serie de indicadores claros que permitan medir su eficacia y deberá diseñarse y ejecutarse de manera concertada con los pobladores de la zona, así como garantizar la participación de las comunidades étnicas que allí se asientan en el marco del Convenio 169 de la OIT."

It is then considered that "Annex 1. Supporting Project Start Date REDD.pdf" gives sufficient clarity and compliance. **Closed numeral** 

2. According to the feedback made on January 11 with the BIOTRADE team and the audit team, it is recognized that although it is a project common to three Community Councils, the participatory processes were not uniform in the exhaustion of all their stages and therefore the difference in the start date observed in the Alliance contract 009 of 2022 compared to contracts 010 and 011 is justified of 2022, the foregoing is based on the autonomy of decision-making that corresponds to these representative entities of an ethnic nature (dates supported in the minutes of the General Assembly). In this sense, the OTROSÍ adjust the typographical errors evidenced in some Partnership Contracts and provide sufficient clarity on the duration and period of quantification of the project's GHG emission reductions. Closed numeral

CAR closed



	08	Requirement No.	9. Methodology	Date: 04.12.2023
			BCR0002 V3.1	
Description of the				
			me steps related to the benchmark, therefore, it	identification of the baseline is requested:
	in sub-step 1a, e been characte		l use alternatives must l	be defined. Currently, only 2
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The identification of and guidelines of t	of the baseline a the BCR Baselin sented by GHG e	ne and Additionality	nario was adjusted to co /1.2 guideline. To comp a transparent way in terr	omply with the requirements bly with this, a description of ns of supposed data sources



To comply with the assumptions, information was searched from various national, local and regional sources, which are characterized in the project's information repository with a direct link and which are also attached at the bottom of the page for due follow-up within the DoP <u>RepositorioJIGRANTU.xlsx</u> Deforestation analysis sheet, the documents were also downloaded and are in folder 9. TECHNICAL DOCUMENTATION, subfolder BASELINE- DEFORESTATION

There are also surveys and interviews conducted with community members: <u>JIGRANTU Surveys</u> and <u>JIGRANTU Interviews</u>. The summary of the surveys for socioeconomic characterization can be found in:

JIGRANTU Surveys 2022.xlsx

A sustainable production model with a focus on biocultural rights for the Biogeographic Chocó proposes the IIAP

Minutes of the assemblies of the community councils: <u>03. 22\_23\_102022 Minutes of the</u> <u>Jiguamiando\_ok.pdf Assembly</u>

05. 28 29102022 Minutes of the Assembly of the Grande\_ok.pdf

06. 28-29\_102022 Minutes of the Turriquitado\_ok.pdf Meeting

b. Critical Review of REDD+: Limitations and Potentialities of its Application in Colombia

<u>REDD+ in Latin America. Current Status of Strategies to Reduce Emissions from Deforestation and Forest</u> <u>Degradation</u>

Climate change and implementation of REDD+ projects in Colombia

## Evaluation of the audit team

Date: 27-12-2023

## 1. Closed numeral

2. Why barriers related to land tenure or property are not taken into account, as this barrier limits access to credit and financial incentives from the outset.

## CAR open

Project Developer's Response	Date: 23-01-2024
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2. Section 3.4.1.1 of the DoP was adjusted to include barriers related to land tenure.

Documentation submitted by the project developer

Land tenure and REDD+. Risks to property rights and opportunities for economic growth.

Private Property and Indigenist Territory: The Individualism-Collectivism Dichotomy

Legal Characterization and Sanitation of the Collective Territories of Curvaradó and Jiguamiandó.

## Evaluation of the audit team

Date: 30.01.2024

 Section 3.4 of DDP V3.0 was successfully adjusted, complementing the analysis of barriers that could impede the implementation of the project in a more robust manner. This analysis is supported by relevant documents that provide context and credibility.

## CAR closed



CAR No.	09	Requirement	Methodology E	BCR000	2 V3.1	Date:
		No.	8. Spatial Boundaries	and	Temporal	05.12.2023
Description of	of the CAR					
are layers	s such as: leakage a	ed, it is not possible area, project area an ibility of the project.				
When exe	ecuting the area ca	l a review of this topic alculation function, of ced, since the values	f the coverages	that co	uld fall withi	
of the laye	ers in the Qgis prog	cartographic information of the second secon	of the project s	since it	was identifie	ed that within th



1. For the identification of the eligible area of the project, a Dataset within the GDB JIGRANTU Project (AreaDeBosque) and the geographic files within the GPKG (GPKG JIGRANTU Project – C.Tematica) are attached , specifying these areas corresponding to the forest layers from the year 2007 to 2022, in this case and considering the start date of the project, the eligible area corresponds to the forest area of the year 2019 of 68,349.26 hectares. The forest area is derived from the Global Forest Watch layer of the GFW\_AP project area, in this the year-by-year losses are considered, the gridcode 0 corresponds to the forest area to 2022, for the rest of the years it is necessary to take the loss of the year analyzed plus the sum of the loss of the years after it.

When we carried out a review of the geographical archives on the subject of land cover (geographic archive: CoberturasDeLaTierra\_AP) we showed that it was in a geographic coordinate system, therefore, when executing the calculation of areas, these were given in degrees. The projection is carried out in the CTM12 system and the sum results corresponding to the project area are obtained, in this case: 74,088.67 ha, as shown below:



Similarly, for example, by applying a nivel\_1:3 filter. Forests and semi-natural areas, it is observed that the areas show consistent values:





- 2. A GDB format is delivered for the ArcGIS software and two GPKGs for the QGIS software, one corresponds to the base cartography (GPKG JIGRANTU Project) and the thematic cartography (GPKG JIGRANTU Project C.Tematica). In these, for each of the geographical files, a field of 'area\_QGIS' or 'Long QGIS' (as appropriate) is added to verify the correspondence of the areas and longitudes.
- **3.** The discounts for bodies of water and, in this case, rivers were made based on the 1:100,000 National Basic Cartography, where double drains were taken into account as main rivers to make the discount. Once we refer to this source, we notice that the bodies of water associated with the gallery and riparian forests indicated correspond to simple drainages, given that according to the national scale and that applicable to the project's cartography, these bodies of water according to the guide provided by IGAC for the interpretation of images<sup>1</sup>. Additionally, according to the catalog of objects where it is established as Double Drainage: "If the distance between the two banks is greater than 0.5 mm at the scale of the map, it is captured as a polygon" which is not true in these cases.



Colombia where natural forest is proposed as: "The land occupied mainly by trees that may contain shrubs, palms, bamboo, grasses and lianas, in which tree cover predominates with a minimum canopy density of 30%, a minimum in situ canopy height of 5 meters at the time of identification and a minimum area of one hectare. Tree cover from commercial forest plantations, palm plantations and trees planted for agricultural production is excluded.' (SMByC), which indicates as in this case a large width of the canopies and it is not considered pertinent to make a discount, because normally the canopies occupy the bed of small bodies of



water such as streams, streams, among others, complying with the definitions of forest cover and being the water sheet lower than that established for double drains.

Documentation submitted by the project developer

The link to the GDB JIGRANTU Project for ArcGIS software is attached

GBD Prycto Gigrantu

The link to the GPKG JIGRANTU Project for the QGIS software is attached

GPKG Prycto Gigrantu

Link to the National Basic Cartography data source

https://www.colombiaenmapas.gov.co/?e=-76.76408742189079,7.002171363472472,-76.41527150392251,7.186486915183691,4686&b=igac&l=205&u=0&t=23&servicio=205

ELABORATION OF THE LAND COVER MAP SCALE 1:10,000. Bogotá D.C. Available at: <u>IN-GAG-PC07-03 Elaboration of the land cover map scale 110.000.pdf</u>

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<u>Chapter I – Geographical Particularities of the Colombian Pacific Basin</u>. In Oceanographic Compilation of the Colombian Pacific Basin II. (pp. 34-64). Directorate-General for Maritime Affairs. Bogotá, D. C. Editorial Dimar.

Evaluation of the audit team

Date: 27-12-2023







1. The forest areas for the reference area, leak area, and by Community Council were arranged in <u>GeoPackage</u> and <u>Geodatabase</u> in folder 7. Mapping: subfolder V.3 where the cartographic layers are located year by year from 2007 to 2022. The <u>Geodatabase with the areas of each community council</u> was also included so that the total area ANT (ha) presented in table 2 of the Operational Manual (image shown in the audit team's evaluation) can be verified. The total titled area is the one that is within each of the titling resolutions.

It is important to clarify at this point, that the year-by-year forest area for the project area is located in folder 7. Cartography <u>subfolder V.2</u> since it was not modified and was the only one that was presented year after year for the second review by the audit team, in addition there are the complete areas of the AF, AR and AP.

Forest areas are also presented in folder 5. carbon calculations/deforestation analysis/V.3 as they are the main input for the calculations. In this folder there are two Excel files, the first titled areas <u>of</u> <u>deforestation</u>, which presents the year-by-year summary from 2001 to 2022 of the forest and non-forest area for each of the areas (AP, AF, AR and by Community Council); the second titled <u>DataLayers</u> which presents the data from the Global Forest Watch GFW forest loss mapping layers for each area. Within this folder, there is also the non-forest <u>map</u> that includes the project, leakage, and reference area.

Documentation submitted by the project developer

GeoPackage Woodland Area

Geodatabase Forest Area

Geodatabase with the areas of each community council

Cartography V.2

Areas of deforestation

**DataLayers** 

Evaluation of the audit team

Date: 30.01.2024



1. The forest area layers for the reference area, leakage area, and project area (by Community Council) were successfully appended in the V3.0 map. This folder shows the year-by-year forest area layers (2007 to 2022) and the GFW layers that support forest loss during 2001 to 2022. With these inputs it was possible to corroborate the information contained in the project documentation (carbon calculations, PDD, RM, etc.).

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CAR No.	10	Requirement No.	10 Methodology BCR0002 V3.1	Date: 04.12.2023
Description of the	CAR			
degradation. Howe Specifically, indired	ver, in the follow	ing sections, the cha	racterization of these ide and energy sector" or "	eforestation and ecosystem entified agents is incomplete; absentee investors" are not
It is requested to a	nalyze and char	acterize all the agen	ts causing deforestation	and degradation mentioned



#### **Project Developer's Response** Date: 19-12-2023 All the agents causing deforestation and degradation within the territory were characterized, farmers and ranchers were included within the community agent since these actions are evidenced as subsistence within the community councils, for this reason an adjustment was made in figure 23 as follows: Factores culturales CAUSAS SUBYACENTES Factores macro y micro Factores políticos e Factores de tecnología Factores económicos institucionales demográficos Perdida de técnicas Bajo desarrollo y trasferencia culturales de producción Comercio local y cadenas tecnológica para el desarrollo Crecimiento Baja gobernanza agropecuaria de valor de productos Políticas mal diseñadas agropecuario sostenible poblacional. Perdida de los valores sostenibles inexistentes. Bajo desarrollo de Migraciones o Proceso de paz culturales y espirituales Estructura de mercadeo de Instituciones de inmigraciones de transformación. acerca de los ecosistemas. monocultivos lícitos e Nula investigación local de la comando v control comunidades ilícitos (plátano, yuca y Adopción de prácticas ambiental débiles oferta ambiental del territorio productivas no sostenibles coca) CAUSAS DIRECTAS Expansión de la frontera FACTORES Extracción de agropecuaria PREDETERMINANTES Infraestructura madera Minería Ganadería Cultivos de Uso de madera para Degradación Proximidad de vías carreteables Cultivos para la Minería ilegal uso ilícito y fluviales construcción de viviendas de bosaues subsistencia de oro y platino por extracción Proximidad a centros poblados e infraestructura social Monocultivos como el de especies. Factores biofísicos del territorio. plátano y yuca altura, fertilidad de suelos, minerales preciosos. AGENTES Empresas del Comunidades Inversionistas Grupos al margen Instituciones Mineros sector minero Cocaleros en acciones de Madereros de la ley ausentista gubernamentales eneraético subsistencia Agentes indirectos Agentes directos DEGRADACION Y DEFORESTACION DE LOS ECOSISTEMAS Section 3.3.3.1 of the PDD was updated by adding indirect drivers of deforestation in section 3.3.3.1.2. Documentation submitted by the project developer RepositorioJIGRANTU.xlsx Deforestation Analysis Sheet **BASELINE- DEFORESTATION** Evaluation of the audit team Date: 27-12-2023 The developer has made the necessary modifications within the document. **CAR Closed**

CAR No.	11	Requirement No.	13.1	Date: 04.12.2023
		NU.	Methodology BCR0002 V3.1	



## **Description of the CAR**

1. Section 3.5 of the PDD does not show the inclusion of the uncertainty of the emission factor associated with the groundwater biomass reservoir, only aboveground biomass and soil organic carbon are being included. It is requested that the aforementioned uncertainty value be adjusted in the relevant documents, so that all the reservoirs of the project are included in this estimate.

i) Incertidumbre del factor de emisión:
 Biomasa aérea región pacifico = 241 t CO<sub>2</sub>/ha

 $=\frac{\sqrt{(241 t CO2/ha * 8.8\%)^2 + (17 t CO2/ha * 8.1\%)^2}}{258 t CO2/ha} = 0,0824$ 

Carbono orgánico del suelo Pacifico = 17 t CO<sub>2</sub>/ha

Incertidumbre total del factor de emisión = 8.24%

2. It is requested to clarify how the estimation of the uncertainty of the project activity data was carried out, both for deforestation and degradation, since it is not clear within the documents delivered how the guidelines of the GOFC-GOLD methodology (2016), proposed by BCR, were addressed for the two project activities.

<sup>21</sup> El titular del proyecto debe describir cómo abordó los lineamientos de GOFC-GOLD (2016) en la estimación de la incertidumbre.

**Project Developer's Response** 

Date: 19-12-2023



1. The adjustment was made in section 3.5 of the PDD to include the uncertainty of the emission factor associated with the groundwater biomass reservoir. The adjustment was made in the carbon calculator in the sheet called Emission Factors where the calculations made are detailed. A) Ecuación de referencia para combinar incertidumbres de varias fuentes de emisión:  $t = \frac{\sqrt{(A * a)^2 + (B * b)^2 + (C * c)^2}}{T}$ Donde: t: Incertidumbre total; T: Total de emisiones de gases de efecto asociadas; A: Emisiones de la categoría A; a: incertidumbre de las emisiones de la categoría A. B: Emisiones de la categoría B; b: incertidumbre de las emisiones de la categoría B, ... N= emisiones de la categoría N; n= incertidumbre de las emisiones de la categoría N. Incertidumbre del factor de emisión: i) Biomasa aérea Pacifico = 241 tCO<sub>2</sub>/ha Biomasa subterránea Pacifico = 55 tCO<sub>2</sub>/ha Carbono orgánico del suelo Pacifico = 17 t CO<sub>2</sub>/ha  $t = \frac{\sqrt{(241 \text{ t } CO2/ha * 8.8\%)^2 + (55 \text{ t } CO2/ha * 8.1\%)^2 + (17 \text{ t } CO2/ha * 8.1\%)^2}}{0.0694} = 0.0694$ 313 t CO2/ha Incertidumbre total del factor de emisión = 6.94%

2. For the estimation of the uncertainty of the project activity data for deforestation, the global accuracy values of the loss error matrix reported by <u>Hansen et al. (2013)</u> were used, with a value for the tropics of 99.5 % and a standard error of 4.7 %, the latter value is taken as the degree of uncertainty in the measure of the activity data. For the estimation of uncertainty, the methodology proposed <u>by GOFC-GOLD (2016)</u> described in section 2.7 is considered, which details the methodology used to obtain the world maps. For quantification it is necessary to identify potential sources of uncertainty such as in area estimates or activity data, i.e. the area of a change in soil category. When evaluating the accuracy of the maps, adjustments can be made to the area estimates. The uncertainties of individual parameters can be combined using error propagation, in this case the level 1 method was used which is based on addition, subtraction and multiplication, in this it is considered that there are no correlations between the categories and none of the estimates of the parameters have an uncertainty greater than 60%.

The uncertainty of the emission factor was calculated using the formula recommended by the IPCC (2006). The Level 1 method considers error propagation and is based on two equations shown below, the first combining the uncertainty of various emission sources and the second assessing the potential uncertainty in the product of the parameters (GOFC-GOLD, 2016).

Emission reductions due to degradation in the project area were not estimated, because the methodology developed by IDEAM (<u>Estimation of forest degradation in Colombia through a fragmentation analysis v8</u> <u>IDEAM, 2018</u>) for this process is not regulated or scientifically validated. For this reason, the data would not be robust and reliable, so the project has chosen to be as conservative as possible and since it is not mandatory in the methodology, this parameter is not considered.



A) Ecuación de referencia para combinar incertidumbres de varias fuentes de emisión:

$$t = \frac{\sqrt{(A * a)^2 + (B * b)^2 + (C * c)^2}}{T}$$

Donde:

t: Incertidumbre total; T: Total de emisiones de gases de efecto asociadas; A: Emisiones de la categoría A; a: incertidumbre de las emisiones de la categoría A, B: Emisiones de la categoría B; b: incertidumbre de las emisiones de la categoría B, ... N= emisiones de la categoría N; n= incertidumbre de las emisiones de la categoría N.

B) Incertidumbre porcentual en el producto de los parámetros:

$$U_{total} = \sqrt{U1^2 + U2^2 + \dots + Un^2}$$

Donde:

U <sub>total</sub>: Incertidumbre porcentual en el producto de los parámetros; Un: Incertidumbre porcentual asociada a cada uno de los parámetros.

# Documentation submitted by the project developer

1. Calculation of the uncertainty of emission factors: <u>JIGRANTU calculator V2 14122023.xlsx</u> sheet emission factors.

2. Uncertainty of deforestation activity data: <u>High-Resolution Global Maps of 21st-Century Forest Cover</u> <u>Change. Science 342: 850-53</u>

Metodología propuesta por GOFC-GOLD, 2016 sección 2.7 para el calculo de la incertidumbre: <u>A</u> sourcebook of methods and procedures for monitoring and reporting anthropogenic greenhouse gas emissions and removals associated with deforestation, gains and losses of carbon stocks in forests remaining forests, and forestation

Evaluation of the audit team

Date: 27-12-2023

The developer has made the appropriate modifications.

# CAR Closed

CAR No.	12	Requirement No.	10.7 BCR V3.2 Standard	Date: 04.12.2023
Description of the CA	AR			



In line with what is mentioned in section 10.7 of the BCR Standard V3.2, the project owner must demonstrate that it complies with legislation related to activities in the field of GHG mitigation, regulations related to human rights and other relevant legal guidelines; In addition, it is necessary to have a management procedure that allows for the constant evaluation of the regulations in place.

Given that the documentary information provided is not considered sufficiently robust, it is requested:

- 1. Complement the legal compliance matrix and determine how these requirements or guidelines apply to the project. This characterization is not currently available.
- 2. Clarify and reference in the project documents what is the documented or document management procedure that allows the relevance of the applicable legislation to be evaluated and periodically updated.

## **Project Developer's Response**

Date: 19-12-2023

In order to comply with the BCR Standard V3.2 in section 10.7, the REDD+ JIGRANTU project is aligned with the legislation related to activities in the field of GHG mitigation, regulations related to human rights and other pertinent legal guidelines, for which it has:

- 1. The document in Excel format "legal\_REDD+ JIGRANTU Compliance Matrix" which establishes the current regulatory framework applicable to the project. The matrix details the level of the standard, a general description, the type of legislation or requirement, the date of issuance of the legal requirement, compliance by the project in direct execution, the person or persons responsible for ensuring compliance, the related documents and their location. Finally, a follow-up column is included in which the revisions of the legal provisions will be recorded, as established in the REDD project information management procedure document.
- 2. The document management document that allows the relevance of the applicable legislation to be evaluated and regularly updated is the <u>BIOTRADE Information Management in REDD+ Projects</u> <u>Procedure. Version 1.0</u>, which describes the steps and the periodicity of the review, which in this case was estimated to be every 6 months.

## Referencias (reglamentación interna – externa)

- Norma Técnica Colombiana NTC-ISO 9001:2015.
- ISO 14001:2015 Sistemas de Gestión Ambiental
- Manual Sistema de Gestión de la Calidad Biotrade SAS.
- Norma Técnica Colombiana NTC 6208:2016
- Garantía de la calidad y control de calidad. IPCC 2001
- Guidelines for National Greenhouse Gas Inventories. IPCC 2006
- Informe de Inventario Nacional de GEI de Colombia. IDEAM 2019

### Legislación Nacional en internacional vigente

- 1 Identificar la normativa vigente que aplica a proyectos REDD, crear una lista y verificar el cumplimiento del proyecto frente a esta. Esta información es guardada en la carpeta del proyecto.
- 2 De manera trimestral durante el desarrollo del proyecto se realizan consultas a portales de fuentes nacionales e internacionales para identificar actualizaciones en la norma, y realizar los cambios pertinentes al proyecto en el caso que aplique.



Documentation submitted by the project develo	per
JIGRANTU legal_REDD+ Compliance Matrix	
Procedure for Information Management in REDD+	BIOTRADE Projects. Version 1.0
DoP version 2.0	
Evaluation of the audit team	Date: 27-12-2023
The developer has made the appropriate modificati	ons: however, it is found that:

1. Alliance Contracts 009, 010 and 011 of 2022 address the issue of the Legal Framework by which they are governed, referring to the Political Constitution of Colombia of 1991, Law 70 of 1993 "By which transitory article 55 of the Political Constitution is developed", Law 1753 of 2015 "By which the National Development Plan 2014-2018 "All for a new country is issued", Decree 410 of 1971 "By which the Commercial Code is issued", Decree 1745 of 1995 "By which Chapter III of Law 70 of 1993 is regulated, the procedure for the recognition of the right to collective ownership of the "Lands of the Black Communities" is adopted and other provisions are issued", Decree 296 of 2017 "Extending the term established in article 2.2.1.6.14.1. of Chapter 6 of Title 1, of Part 2 of Book 2 of Decree 1079 of 2015" and Decree 1447 of 2018 "Which regulates the system of monitoring, reporting and verification of mitigation actions at the national level referred to in Article 175 of Law 1753 of 2015, and other provisions are issued", as well as "other concordant norms on the matter".

It is important to note that in addition to being a scarce and insufficient mention, it makes the mistake of including a rule outside the required unit of subject matter when citing Decree 296 of 2017 that deals with issues related to the Public Service of Special Automotive Land Transport. In the case of contracts that deal with issues as important as the exercise of collective territorial rights, it is important to at least include in detail the mention not only of the applicable national regulations but also of the essential technical standards for the development and fulfillment of the contractual object and that delineate the standards on which the monitoring of the obligations between the parties is verified in a short time horizon. medium and long term.

2. Closed numeral

## CAR open

**Project Developer's Response** 

Date: 23-01-2024



1. It is not considered appropriate to adjust the legal framework described in the alliance contracts, since the regulations for the fulfillment of collective territorial rights and GHG projects are announced in the clause, in addition to the expansion and detail of the entire compendium of regulations applied and essential for compliance with the formulation and implementation of the REDD project. it is referenced in the legal compliance matrix in Chapter 4. of the PDD.

On the other hand, with respect to the typing error of Decree 926 of 2017, the respective clarity is advanced in each of the minutes of the Alliance Contracts 009, 010 and 011, as shown below:

**CLAUSE THREE. MODIFICATION**, in the legal framework due to an involuntary typing error, the number of DECREE 926 of 2017 was translocated when cited in the first paragraph, however, in the second paragraph information of said regulation is expanded and is correctly referenced. To give clarity to the legal framework, the number of the decree is adjusted in the first paragraph and a note is added about compliance with the legislation applicable to the project, which expands the **SECOND CLAUSE. LEGAL FRAMEWORK**, as follows:

**CLAUSE TWO LEGAL FRAMEWORK.** This alliance agreement is governed by the Political Constitution of Colombia of 1991, Law 70 of 1993, Law 1753 of 2015, the Commercial Code, Regulatory Decree 1745 of 1995, **Decree 926 of 2017**, Resolution 1447 of 2018, and other concordant regulations on the subject (...)

**Note:** In order to comply with the applicable legislation, the Project has a Documentary System that allows an exhaustive periodic review and monitoring of the regulations established in the Legal Compliance Matrix, which guarantees that throughout the life of the project the regulatory compliance applicable to the actions of the REDD+ JIGRANTU Project will be ensured.

## Documentation submitted by the project developer

- Otheryes to Alliance Contract 009.

- Also to Alliance Contract 010.
- Otheryes to Alliance Contract 011.

## Evaluation of the audit team

Date: 30.01.2024

1. The project's Legal Compliance Matrix was provided, which refers to the basic regulations that govern it in its different stages. In addition to the above, the requested correction was made in the Otrosí of Alliance Contracts 009, 010 and 011 of 2022 in relation to the appropriate citation of Decree 926 of 2017 "by which the heading of Part 5 is modified and Title 5 is added to Part 5 of Book 1 of Decree 1625 of 2016 Sole Regulatory Decree on Tax Matters and Title 11 of the Part 2 of Book 2 to Decree 1076 of 2015 Sole Regulatory of the Environment and Sustainable Development Sector, to regulate paragraph 3 of article 221 and paragraph 2 of article 222 of Law 1819 of 2016", which in this aspect provides unity and thematic coherence to the contractual instruments. Closed numeral

## CAR closed



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Project, it is red Council and/or the BCR's REI & Los gob	each commur DD+ Safeguard Proyectos d	ex and reference in the hity that is part of the ds Tool V1.1 are com leben respetar y re stal y territorial de	ne documents the org mitigation initiative, plied with. conocer las estru	structure of the JIGRANTU REDD+ ganizational chart of each Community so that the benchmarks mentioned in cturas y mecanismos de habitantes, pueblos etc.
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The organizational structure of the Community Councils is set out, in general terms, in Clause Twelfth called "Of the Steering Committee", which indicates that the consensus between the parties on the participatory design, registration and process of validation, verification, certification and execution will oversee each Community Council and the Steering Committee of the Project. The members of the Steering Committee, as well as their powers and functions, are set out below.

It is important to note that the Jigrantú project, by integrating three Community Councils, must clearly and in detail define the instances of governance and participation for the adequate development of the initiative, articulating with organic and functional clarity the General Assemblies, the Boards of the Community Councils and the Legal Representatives in what corresponds to their competencies vis-à-vis the project. The foregoing is fundamental to the extent that Jigrantú is a conservation and development project that requires, for its full development, an organizational design robust enough to assume the commitments set out in the contractual framework and at the same time versatile and flexible to face future challenges, as is the case of the regulatory evolution of Law 70 of 1993 proposed by regulations such as Decree 1384 of 2023 "By which regulates Chapter IV and the other environmental provisions contained in Law 70 of 1993. in relation to renewable natural resources and the environment, in the collective territories awarded, in process or occupied ancestorially and/or traditionally by the black, Afro-Colombian, Raizal and Palenguera communities, and is added to Title 12 of Part 2 of Book 2 of Decree 1076 of 2015 - Single Regulatory Decree of the Administrative Sector of the Environment and Sustainable Development Sector and other provisions are issued" and Decree 1396 of 2023 "which regulates Chapter V of Law 70 of 1993, adopts special mechanisms for the promotion and development of mining activities in the collective territories of the Black, Afro-Colombian, Raizal and Palenquera communities, other provisions are issued, and Chapter 11 is added to Title V of Part 2 of Book 2 of Decree 1073 of 2015, Single Regulatory Decree of the Administrative Sector of Mines and Energy". All the above is essential to ensure the proper processing of conflicts that may arise not only between the parties, but also within the community itself and that may affect its cultural fabric, on the occasion of the development of the project.

## CAR closed.

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Projec	t Develop	er's Response		Date:	19-12-2023



- 1. Resolutions associated with the titling of collective lands of the Community Councils were attached in the corresponding folder: Folder 13. LAND TENURE.
  - <u>Resolution 02801/2000</u> Collective Title of the Community Council of the Jiguamiando River.
  - <u>Resolution 02806/2000</u> Collective Title of the Community Council of La Grande.
  - Resolution 02799/2000 Collective Title of the Community Council of Turriquitadó.
- 2. Registration certificates for each Community Council were attached in folder 13. LAND TENURE.
  - <u>Certificate of registration of the Community Council of the Jiguamiando River</u>, before the Mayor's Office of Carmen del Darién, updated November 20, 2023.
  - <u>Certificate of registration of the Community Council Collective of La Grande</u>, before the Mayor's Office of Carmen del Darién, updated June 28, 2023.
  - <u>Certificate of registration of the Community Council of Turriquitadó</u> before the Mayor's Office of Carmen del Darién, updated 20 November 2023.

In order to give complete resolution to the requests in point 2, regarding the support (assembly minutes) of the consolidation of new communities, the <u>minutes of the assembly of December 14-16, 2022</u> are attached, where the inclusion of Centro Jigua and Las Menas, in the Community Council of Río Jiguamiandó, is approved, increasing from eleven (11) communities described in the collective title resolution, thirteen (13) with the approval of the minutes of the Assembly.

In this minutes of the Assembly, in the final part of "Conclusions and observations", page referenced as **21** of **22**, the inclusion of the aforementioned communities is evident.

## Conclusiones y observaciones generales

7. Se aprobó la ampliación del número de comunidades pertenecientes al consejo comunitario con la comunidad de las centro jigua y las menas con el de que en adelante puedan tener participación directa en las próximas asambleas eleccionarias.

La junta saliente deberá dar informe de rendición de cuenta lo más pronto posible en compañía de la junta entrante tanto a la población en situación de desplazamiento como a los que están en territorio.

On the other hand, it is clarified that the Community Councils of La Grande and Turriquitadó only have one community in each of them.

- **3.** The Community Council of the Jiguamiandó River is the only one that has Local Organizing Boards, as it is made up of thirteen (13) communities, however, this figure does not have formal conformation acts, they are constituted de facto, to facilitate internal organization processes in administrative and communication matters. The <u>explanatory letter</u>, sent by the legal representative and president, is presented as support.
- **4.** Legal documentation of BIOTRADE SAS is included in the folder: REDD+ PROJECT JIGRANTU/6. LEGAL COMPLIANCE/BIOTRADE:
  - <u>Certificate of existence and legal representation</u>, dated September 18, 2023.
  - <u>RUT</u> from BIOTRADE SAS.

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Photocopy of the legal representative's ID card



## Documentation submitted by the project developer

**Degree Resolutions** 

- <u>Resolution 02801/2000</u> Collective Title of the Community Council of the Jiguamiando River.
- <u>Resolution 02806/2000</u> Collective Title of the Community Council of La Grande.
- <u>Resolution 02799/2000</u> Collective Title of the Community Council of Turriquitadó.

Registration certificates and minutes of the meeting:

- <u>Certificate of registration of the Community Council of the Jiguamiando River</u>, before the Mayor's Office of Carmen del Darién, updated November 20, 2023.
- <u>Certificate of registration of the Community Council Collective of La Grande</u>, before the Mayor's Office of Carmen del Darién, updated June 28, 2023.
- <u>Certificate of registration of the Community Council of Turriquitadó</u> before the Mayor's Office of Carmen del Darién, updated 20 November 2023.
- Ameeting of 14-16 December 2022.

Communiqué on the Local Organizing Boards in the Community Council of the Jiguamiandó River. <u>Letter of clarification</u>.

BIOTRADE SAS Legal Documents.

Evaluation of the audit team

Date: 27-12-2023



**1.** The following is the information reviewed for the preparation of the studies dated December 15 and 25, 2023, against which the argument of the project manager can be corroborated:

• Resolution 02801/2000 Collective Title of the Community Council of the Jiguamiando River: In fact, it was provided for the first review of information and is duly cited and referenced in the corresponding Alliance Contract 009 of 2022.

• Resolution 02806/2000 Collective Title Community Council of La Grande: It was provided in the first review of information, however, the Resolution is not duly cited and referenced in Alliance Contract 010 of 2022. Typing error when stating the file and date of the Resolution granting the Collective Title. In the Contract it appears 02801 of November 22, 2022 and in the Resolution it has file 02806 of November 22, 2000.

• Resolution 02799/2000 Collective Title of the Community Council of Turriquitadó: Not provided in the first review of information. the Resolution is not duly cited and referenced in Alliance Contract 011 of 2022. Typing error when stating the file and date of the Resolution granting the Collective Title. In the Contract, 02801 of November 22, 2022 appears and in the header it is indicated that the Resolution has file 02799 of November 22, 2000.

2. The following is available in relation to the Certificates of Registration of Community Councils with the Mayor's Office of Carmen del Darién:

Community Council of the Jiguamiando River: Although a new Certificate of Registration of Community Councils is provided before the Municipal Mayor's Office of Carmen del Darién dated November 20, 2023 where it is indicated that the election of Mr. MELKIN ROMAÑA CUESTA as Legal Representative was on December 15, 2022. There is still a lack of documentary support that proves that Mr. ROMAÑA CUESTA was the Legal Representative to sign the Alliance Contract 009 of 2022 on November 1, 2022, as stated in the notarial certificate of recognition of content and signature that was carried out at the Notary Office of the Círculo de Apartadó - Antioquia.

Community Council of La Grande: There are Certificates of Registration of Community Councils before the Mayor's Office of Carmen del Darién dated May 31, June 14 and 28, 2022, in which it is established that Mr. FAWER PAZ CÓRDOBA was appointed on May 30, 2022 as Legal Representative and this could be considered as evidentiary support to show that he would be authorized to sign the Alliance Contract 010 of 2022 on October 23, as stated in the acknowledgment of content and signature certified by the Single Notary of the Círculo de Apartadó Antioquia dated November 1, 2022.

Community Council of Turriquitadó: Although a Certificate of Registration of Community Councils is provided before the Mayor's Office of Carmen del Darién dated November 20, 2023, in which it is established that Mr. ALCIDES PANESSO PALACIO was appointed on December 7, 2022 as Legal Representative, this does not prove that he had such quality and therefore the powers to sign in the name and representation of the Community Council the Contract of Alliance 011 of 2022 which was signed by the parties on October 23, 2022, as stated in the acknowledgment of content and signature certified by the Single Notary of the Círculo de Apartadó Antioquia dated November 1, 2022.

Provide the information requested to support the documents.

- 3. Closed numeral
- 4. Closed numeral

CAR open

Project Developer's Response

Date: 23-01-2024



<ol> <li>Adjustment to typing errors in collective title resolutions         <ul> <li>Another yes was made to Alliance Contract 010 of 2022, where th awarding the collective title of the Community Council of La Grande is</li> <li>Another agreement was made to Alliance Contract 011 of 2022, where awarding the collective title of the Community Council of Turriquitadó i</li> </ul> </li> </ol>	specified. the number of the resolution
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CAR closed

CAR No.	15	Requirement No.	10.6 Methodology BCR0002 V3.1	Date: 04.12.2023			
Description of the CAR							



During the on-site visit, the existence of different organizations and/or associations constituted throughout the Community Councils was evidenced, as well as the operation or presence of various institutional actors within the project areas (section 10.3 of the DPP)

However, it is requested to characterize each of them (organizations, associations, institutional actors) in the project documents, so that it is clearly outlined what their binding role is or has been in the territory and with the Community Councils, since various activities carried out during the monitoring period are framed in institutional processes, for example.

This characterization will make it possible to consolidate information related to activities carried out in the territory, potential spaces for socialization, synergies, etc.

Project Developer's Response

Date: 19-12-2023

In the PDD, item 10.1 "Community consultation" was complemented by item 10.1.1 "Community organizations and associations" which describes and outlines the community organizations identified in the Community Councils in terms of their corporate purpose, date of creation, interest of the organization and relevance to the project. Characterization supported by the certificates of existence and legal representation of the associations.

On the other hand, item 10.3 of the PDD "Consultation with institutions and organizations" includes a "table of characterization of institutions", in which each actor is identified by its typology, associated rights, interest of the entity and relevance to the project.

Documentation submitted by the project developer

DDP version 2.0

Folder 17. AUDIT, VALIDATION AND VERIFICATION/2. First round of findings/3. Appendices First Round of Findings/1. Corrective Actions/ A. Corrective 15. <u>Certificates of Existence and Legal Representation</u>, which supports the characterization of community organizations.

Evaluation of the audit team

Date: 27-12-2023

The developer has made the necessary modifications to the PDD.

CAR closed.

CAR No.	16	Requirement No.	12. Methodology BCR0002 V3.1	Date: 04.12.2023			
Description of the CAR							
As mentioned in section 12 of Methodology BCR0002 V3.1, in cases where the project owner is a legal entity other than local ethnic groups or traditional communities, the project owner must request a certification from the appropriate person (Ministry of the Interior, for example) to determine whether there are communities in the project area over which the Fundamental Right to Consultation should be guaranteed Prior.							
Therefore, it is requested to advance this procedure to know whether this consultation mechanism applies to the REDD+ JIGRANTU project.							



Project Developer's Response	Date: 19-12-2023				
The ownership of the project in the PDD was adjusted in the initial description tables of the cover page and in item 5.1 "Ownership of the project". Likewise, the adjustment in the BioCarbon Registry platform was advanced, as shown in the screenshot of the project registry:					
Exercise of the state of th	e consejo Comunitario de La Grande, Consejo Comunitario de Turriquitado, Biotrade 545 • to Consejo Comunitario de La Grande, Consejo Comunitario de Turriquitado, Biotrade 545 •				
The owners of the project correspond to the Community Councils of the Jiguamiandó, La Grande and Turriquitadó; as legal entities that exercise the highest ethnic authority in the territory. Likewise, the company BIOTRADE SAS has a smaller participation in this ownership as it is the technical developer selected by the legal representatives and the boards of directors of the Community Councils, and subsequently ratified in the General Assembly of each Council. The process of selection and approval of the company Biotrade SAS as the technical developer of the project is described in detail in the PDD, numeral 5.3 "Agreements related to carbon rights". In this way, it is demonstrated that the ownership lies with the legal figure of the black communities as territorial authorities, therefore, the Prior Consultation is not appropriate.					
consent in meetings and socializations with the communities linked to the Community Councils, as presented in item 10.1 of the PDD "Consultation with stakeholders – Community".					
Documentation submitted by the project developer					
DDP version 2.0					
Link to the registration of the JIGRANTU REDD+ Project on the Biocarbon Registry platform					
https://biocarbonregistry.com/es_es/proyecto/?id=66 Folder 6. Legal compliance/ <u>Certificates of registration</u> of the boards of directors of each Council, where each Legal Representative is legally recognized.					
Evaluation of the audit team	Date: 27-12-2023				
Although documentary support is provided showing that the participatory process was carried out with the communities related to the project, there is no Certification of Presence of Ethnic Groups issued by the Directorate of Prior Consultation of the Ministry of the Interior, nor a concept issued by the Ministry of Environment and Development that defines whether or not the exhaustion of the Prior Consultation procedure is required or failing that A concept where the participatory process carried out is endorsed as a requirement that the requirement is fulfilled.

It is necessary to carry out the procedure for the Ministry to issue a response in this regard specifically related to this project.

#### CAR open

#### Project Developer's Response

The legal representatives of the Community Councils and Biotrade S.A.S. that make up the REDD+ JIGRANTU project submitted a request referenced as "Official concept, if the prior consultation process applies for the formulation and execution of a REDD project owned by Community Councils". through a Right of Petition, filed through the website of the Ministry of the Interior on January 12, 2024. In the attached documents you will find the document number and file number in which this request can be followed up through the website of the Ministry of the Interior.

#### Documentation submitted by the project developer

- Right to petition, prior consultation
- Attachment 1. Application: Official concept, whether or not the Prior Consultation process for the formulation and execution of a REDD project owned by Community Councils of collective territory applies

#### Evaluation of the audit team

In Folders 8. "COMMUNICATIONS" and 10. "STAKEHOLDER CONSULTATION" contains sufficient information to demonstrate the participatory process of the project. However, the request dated 24-12-2023 remains in force in the sense that no Certification of Presence of Ethnic Groups issued by the Directorate of Prior Consultation of the Ministry of the Interior is provided, or document that defines whether or not the exhaustion of the Prior Consultation process is required or, failing that, a concept where the participatory process carried out is endorsed as a requirement that considers the requirement fulfilled.

Given that to date (30.01.2024) the stage of resolution of findings will comprise a new round, this request will be left open; This provides a little more time to receive the response to the right of petition sent to the Ministry of the Interior. At the same time, it is recommended to submit a query to the certifier to provide greater clarity to what is described in the BCR Standard document (see image below), since there is no specificity for the case in which ownership is shared.

Si el titular del proyecto es la comunidad étnica, la documentación deberá ser presentada por la autoridad que representa legítimamente a la comunidad.

#### CAR open

Project Developer's Response

Date: 15-02-2024

Date: 30.01.2024

Date: 23-01-2024





Regarding the <u>request submitted on January 12, 2024</u> on "Official concept, if the Prior Consultation process applies for the formulation and execution of a REDD project owned by Community Councils" before the Ministry of the Interior, a <u>response was obtained</u> to File 2024-2-002410-003904 Id: 277575 by the technical subdirectorate of the National Authority for Prior Consultation of the Ministry of the Interior where it is mentioned that it is necessary Fill out the Request Form for Determination of Provenance and Opportunity of the Prior Consultation for the Execution of Projects, Works or Activities, which is available at: <a href="https://www.mininterior.gov.co/procedimientos-consulta-previa/">https://www.mininterior.gov.co/procedimientos-consulta-previa/</a>

For this reason, on <u>February 5, 2024</u>, the <u>completed form was sent</u> along with the <u>required information</u>, the legal representation documents and information on the project's area of influence, shapes and coordinates of the areas. According to the <u>Ministry of Interior's response</u>, "... the Technical Sub-Directorate of Prior Consultation must respond to this request within 30 days...". The <u>request has an IdControl: 275899</u> and File: 2024-1-004044-007612.

On <u>February 7, 2024, a</u> BioCarbon Registry concept request on shared ownership <u>was sent</u> to provide greater clarity on this issue. However, we have not yet received a response to this communication.

#### Documentation submitted by the project developer

Response of the Ministry of the Interior to the request 120124

Mail Determination Request Form Prior Consultation MinInterior

annex-1-application-determination-admissibility-opportunity-prior-consultation-v8 JIGRANTU

Annexes Request for Determination Form Prior Consultation Ministry of the Interior

Filing Information Determination Request Form Prior Consultation MinInterior

Email: BCR concept request on shared ownership

BioCarbon Information Request - Ownership

#### Evaluation of the audit team

Date: 08.06.2024

In accordance with the adjustments made by the developer in the PDD (section 5.1 and section 16), it is considered that the prior consultation procedure is not applicable for the JIGRANTU project until there is a national regulatory framework that regulates it.

#### CAR closed.

CAR No.	17	Requirement No.	11. Methodology BCR0002 V3.1	Date: 04.12.2023			
Description of the CAR							



During the documentary review, the following was evidenced in relation to conservation actions or activities:

- In various documents, such as the "SAMA Conservation Actions CERTIFICATE", it is observed that
  most of the conservation actions that support the verification period include a very wide range of dates
  and the annual execution of said activity in the recorded time range is not specified or adequately
  supported. Therefore, it is requested to adjust this information and structure it in an organized way in
  order to demonstrate the temporality of each support in each activity.
- 2. Conservation actions must be presented following the monitoring plan provided for the project and the monitoring plan described in the DoP, i.e. it is requested that the reported actions must be framed in a strategic line, a program and a project. In addition, it should be taken into account that all reported activities must include, at least, what is referenced in the methodology:
  - a) ID de la actividad;
  - b) Relación actividad con causa directa o subyacente;
  - c) Cumplimiento con planes de vida, planes de etnodesarrollo o de los intereses de las comunidades rurales;
  - d) Mecanismo de consulta para la identificación de objetivos y la definición de las actividades REDD+;
  - Responsabilidad y rol de los actores que participan en la implementación de cada actividad;
  - f) Cronograma de implementación;
  - g) Indicadores para reportar los avances de la actividad:
    - Nombre
    - Tipo<sup>17</sup>
    - Meta<sup>18</sup>
    - Unidad de medida
    - Responsable de la medición

#### **Project Developer's Response**

#### Date: 19-12-2023

- Version 2.0 of the document "Diagnosis of Conservation Actions" was carried out, in which the range of the monitoring baseline is specified as December 5, 2018 to December 31, 2022. In this way, chapter 6 "Identified conservation actions" was adjusted, specifically "Table 5. Conservation Actions: A Baseline for Monitoring", where the timing of the actions that applied adjustments is expanded and specified.
- In the PDD item 2.3 "Project activities", the description of the implementation stage included the files
  of each of the REDD activities, framed in the items of the methodology referenced in the request for
  finding.

#### Documentation submitted by the project developer

Diagnosis Conservation Actions V. 2.0

DoP version 2.0

Evaluation of the audit team

Date: 27-12-2023



1. The information is reviewed, and the finding is complied with

2. There are 41 activities that meet the requested information, however, as indicated in CAR 18 below, some modifications must be made.

CAR closed

CAR No.	18	Requirement No.	11. Methodology BCR0002 V3.1	Date: 24-12-2023				
Description of the 0	Description of the CAR							



For the review of the indicators presented within the activities to be executed, it is found that within the project document:

Indicator ID A1.1: If the indicator is given in terms of the number of meetings, and the unit of measurement in percentage, how many meetings would be 100% for the indicator to be fulfilled or not, and this must be taken to annual terms in order to categorize it appropriately.

Indicator ID A2.1: The indicator is Territorial planning scheme, and the unit of measurement is a percentage, which will be the parameters that must be met for the execution of this indicator, which would be 100% and which would be 0%. Could it be said that the progress in establishing an EOT could be a % and that executing it would be 100%, or how many EOTs are going to be established during the life of the project? It is recommended to change the indicator so that it can be complied with by means of percentages.

Indicator ID A3.1: The description of the activity is not related to the indicator, modify, since it is written to comply with projects that show the participation of women and youth, but the indicator refers to the number of programs.

Indicator ID A4.1: The description of the activity is not related to the indicator, modify, as it is written to comply with the creation of a plan and not the development of a strategy as described in the indicator.

Indicator ID A5.1: As with the description of the activity, the indicator can be complied with if it is framed in the number of cultural events, as within these events it is possible to contribute or will support the recovery of documentation of them ancestral knowledge and this will be taken to a number to comply with it.

Indicator ID A6.1: The activity does not correspond to the indicator being proposed

Indicator ID A7.1: It is not found how this activity contributes to the reduction of emissions due to degradation and deforestation, within the indicator is related an equipment that leaves out the main objectives of the activity, as this is related to the underlying cause of the loss of cultural and spiritual values of ecosystems.

Indicator ID B8.1: It cannot be the legal representatives who have the responsibility and role of the actors involved in the implementation

Indicator ID B9.1: The indicator is measured in people who will take these trainings, however, the number of trainings they will have been not stated, so for this indicator to achieve its goal it should be aimed not only at the people who receive the training, but also at the training they receive. It cannot be the legal representatives who have the responsibility and role of the actors involved in the implementation

Review all the indicators of the project and give the respective traceability to the information. If necessary to amend the relevant documents

Project Developer's Response

Date: 23-01-2024

All the project's indicators were reviewed, modified and adjusted to give traceability to the information, a better measurement basis was made to monitor compliance in the short, medium and long term, giving it a finer detail in a schedule per verification period (Section 2.3 of the PDD).

These adjustments led to the clarification of the Benefit Sharing System to improve the coherence and identification of activities, and the relevant documents were modified accordingly.



Documentation submitted by the project developer	
<ul> <li>DDP V3</li> <li>REDD V2 activity sheets</li> <li>SDB Implementation Timeline</li> <li>SDB V3</li> <li>Operating Manual V3</li> </ul>	
Evaluation of the audit team	Date: 30.01.2024
Project indicators are adjusted within the project documentation. Each acti indicators that will allow reporting and monitoring the progress of its imple established schedule.	
For example, if the goal of an indicator is the generation of 5 documents in the corresponding unit of measurement will be to support the number of documestablished schedule.	
The evaluation of the supports associated with the activities of the current addressed in CAR 19.	t monitoring period will be

CAR closed

CAR No.	19	Requirement No.	11.	Date: 24-12-2023				
			Methodology BCR0002 V3.1					
Description of the CAR								



For the review of the indicators presented within the activities to be executed, it is found that within the monitoring report:

- 1. The reporting indicators do not adequately report to the SDGs that each indicator reported within the verification period complies with
- 2. In some cases, those responsible for these indicators have not yet been chosen, how the compliance review is carried out and who is responsible for the execution of that activity
- 3. The necessary indicators should be corrected with respect to how they are being reported, considering the results of the CAR 18 finding of this document, since there are indicators that are not being met
- 4. The monitoring methodology for each indicator should be identified from the DDP and not in the monitoring report, as here only the review of compliance with the activity is carried out.
- 5. The frequency of monitoring should be related in the PDD
- 6. Some referenced folders are not found within the monitoring report (monitoring 2021 folder is not within the files downloaded by the audit team)
- 7. It is not possible to identify the dates of several documents and that they are within the monitoring periods, such as:



#### INFORME DE CARACTERIZACIÓN SOCIOECONÓMICA DEL TERRITORIO COLECTIVO DE JIGUAMIANDÓ

8. The evidence that is reported is mostly images and it is not possible to locate them on the dates that are included in the report, it is necessary that the evidence be together with documents that support the location of these images in areas that are part of the project and on dates related to the period that is being recorded in the monitoring report.

Project Developer's Response

Date: 23-01-2024



The report of the indicators of the activities carried out during the first verification period (2019-2022) was updated in section 15 of the Monitoring Report considering the comments made and the changes made since the development of CAR 18.

1. The SDGs to be complied with are not presented in the monitoring sheets of the implementation of REDD+ activities, considering the evaluation of the audit team in CAR 20, we believe that it is better to report by SDG and not by activity as had been reported in principle.

2. During the first verification period, those in charge and responsible for reporting on the progress of activities were the legal representatives of each community council together with Biotrade S.A.S., after this verification period it is expected that those responsible for the measurement will be the Monitoring, Reporting and Verification Coordinator; Project Director of Jiguamiandó, Project Director of La Grande, Project Director of Turriquitadó and the development team of Biotrade S.A.S., then the election of the people who will be in charge. This clarification is made in the RM in each of the files presented and in the PDD.

3. The indicators were corrected considering the observations made in SAC 18 to provide greater clarity on the progress and compliance of these within the project documents

4. and 5. The methodology and frequency of monitoring for each indicator are identified from the PDD in section 17. Follow-up plan, 17.1.1 monitoring of REDD+ actions following the template for monitoring the implementation of REDD+ activities present in the methodological document of the AFOLU sector BCR0002 Version 3.1 section 14.2.

6. A greater order was given to the activities reported in this verification period, so subfolders were created by activity, ensuring that the documents that support the information are found, in each file of the monitoring of the indicators (Section 15 RM) the supporting documents are presented with a direct link to the evidence folder. which can be checked in folder <u>12. MONITORING EVIDENCE</u>

7. and 8. All the evidence presented was reviewed and it was verified that it was dated so that it could be identified that it is within the monitoring period.

Documentation submitted by the project developer

Section 15 Monitoring Report V3

12. MONITORING EVIDENCE

Evaluation of the audit team

Date: 31.01.2024



Contributions to the SDGs were presented in a schematic and organized manner in section 4 of RM V3.0, so that their identification and documentary support are efficient and traceable (the relevance of the supports will be addressed in CAR 20). However, it is evident that some activities are contributing to SDGs different from those proposed in PDD V3.0.

For example: Activity Bf12 aims to meet or contribute to SDGs 4, 8, 13 and 15 (section 2.3 of PDD V3.0). However, within RM V3.0 (Table 1), this activity contributes to SDG 12.

ID actividad	Bf12
Actividad REDD	Fortalecimiento de capacidades en acciones productivas sostenibles con énfasis en el aumento de la resiliencia socio-ecosistémica.
Descripción de la actividad REDD	Esta actividad tiene la finalidad de mejora las habilidades y conocimientos necesarios para promover iniciativas económicas y actividades comerciales que permita la generación de ingresos a largo plazo, al mismo tiempo que minimizan los impactos negativos en el medio ambiente y la sociedad. Estas acciones involucran prácticas social y ambientalmente responsables, como la agricultura orgánica, la gestión sostenible de recursos naturales, la promoción de energías limpias y la implementación de prácticas de negocio éticas. Por su parte el érfasis en el aumento de la resiliencia socio-ecosistémica, se basa en el fomento de conocimiento para hacer frente a los efectos del cambio climático, teniendo en cuenta que la resiliencia se basa en el bienestar del ecosistema y el ser humano.
ODS a cumplir	ODS 4: Educación de calidad ODS 8: Trabajo decente y crecimiento económico ODS 13: Acción por el clima ODS 15: Vida y ecosistemas terrestres

ODS	Actividades que contribuyen	Contribución	Consolidado de soportes (Periodo actual de verificación)	
	AC6. Fortalecimiento de eventos culturales con la participación de las diferentes generaciones	Fomenta la cohesión social y la identidad comunitaria, promoviendo un entorno inclusivo y sostenible.	Sucesos relacionados con eventos culturales, de rescate y multiplicación de saberes ancestrales	
12. Producción y consumo responsables	en acciones productivas sostenibles	En esta actividad se promueven prácticas de producción ambientalmente sostenibles lo que implica la diversificación económica, eficiencia en el uso de recursos y la generación de empleo sostenible.	al fortalecimiento de PPS:	

It is requested to adjust the information of this activity and any other that presents the same characteristics, so that there is evidence of correlation between documents. **Open numeral.** 

- 2. The descriptive sheets of each activity are adjusted, containing information related to the responsibilities and roles of the actors involved in its implementation, and it is made clear that these roles or positions will be configured according to the working groups that are consolidated. **Closed numeral.**
- 3. Indicators for project activities are adjusted. Each activity presents one or more indicators that allow reporting and monitoring the progress of its implementation according to an established schedule. However, it is evident that some tokens described in PDD V3.0 do not match the information described in "1. REDD V2.0 Actions Monitoring Plan", "2. Indicator sheets V2.0" and RM V3.0. Therefore, it is requested to review the description and follow-up of each file throughout the project documents, ensuring correspondence and coherence in the information. This is in order not to cause confusion or inconsistencies in the monitoring of activities and their indicators throughout the verification periods. Open Numeral

For example:

- For activity Ac6 (indicator 13Bc6) different goals are evidenced throughout the aforementioned documents.



	Nombre	ID indicador	Тіро	Meta	Unidad de medida	Responsa	ble de la medición	
	No. de eventos culturales, de rescate multiplicación de saberes ancestrales	/ 13 <mark>Ac6</mark>	Impacto	4 acciones en cada periodo de monitoreo V2-V14	Número de acciones	Report Directo Ji Director Grande, D Ti Equipo	dor de Monitoreo, e y Verificación; r de Proyecto de juamiando de Proyecto de la irector Proyecto de urriquitado. desarrollador de brade SAS	
		Ι	llustra	ation 3. PDD	V3.0			
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to por Consejo 13		iturales, de rescate y saberes ancestrales	Impacto	2 acciones en cada período de mor	itoreo V1-V14	Número de acciones	Para la medición y reporte de este indi culturales en el marco de la estrategia saberes ancestrales.	
							Plan	







Illustration 5. Indicator Sheets V2.0

 Activity Bf12 is tracked in the current monitoring period, according to the information described in the schedule in section 2.3 of PDD V3.0, "1. REDD Actions Monitoring Plan V2.0" and section 14.1.1.4 of RM V3.0. However, in section 17.1.1 of PDD V3.0, this activity is not tracked in the current period.

**4.** and **5.** The methodology and frequency of monitoring for each indicator are described in section 17.1.1 of PDD V3.0, following the template for monitoring the implementation of REDD+ activities present in the methodological document sector of AFOLU BCR0002 V3.1. **Closed numerals.** 

6. All information referenced as support was found in the shared project folder. Closed numeral.

**7.** and **8.** With respect to the reporting of the activities implemented in the current monitoring period, it is requested to adjust the following:

#### *i)* Activity Bc6

- The date incorporated in the document "Cultural Strengthening- narrativo\_con fecha.pdf Report" is not considered as a satisfactory adjustment to evidence the occurrence of socialization in the year 2019, since it comes from an edition to the scanned document. It is necessary to attach documents that effectively demonstrate its realization in the year 2019; e.g. the attendance records mentioned in the first paragraph of the document, etc. In addition, it is requested to attach evidence to support that Mr. Manuel Denis Blandón, who signed the document, was the legal representative of the CC during that period.
- Section 14.1.1.2 of RM V3.0 mentions that "... The patron saint festivities of 2019, 2021 and 2022 are reported." However, the information appended in the "6. Cultural Events/Patron Saint Festivities" only refers to the year 2019. It is requested to adjust the respective document or attach evidence from the other years.

#### *ii)* Be8 Activity



- It is evident that only 5 of the 6 events reported for the Be8 activity are framed in the current monitoring period; The event supported with the file "06. 28-29\_102022 Minutes of the Turriquitado\_ok.pdf Meeting" was held on October 17, 2023. It is requested to adjust the respective documents.

#### *iii)* Activity Bf12

- Although it is evident that the ASOPESVIGRAN association contemplates the fishermen who are part of the CC La Grande, the relevance of the support "Fishing Agreements responsable.pdf" is not clear since: 1) This support indicates agreements framed in the project "Development of the capacity for social organization and the economy of responsible fishing, associated with the implementation of the **REDD+ project in the community councils of Vigía de Curvaradó and Villanueva Montaño**; 2) The mention of date in said document is not considered as a satisfactory adjustment to evidence the occurrence of the agreement in the year 2021, since it comes from an edit to the scanned document. It is requested that this matter be clarified and that the relevant documents be adjusted.
- It is considered that the supports associated with the activities of Forest Management in the Jiguamiandó River CC (Resolutions of persistent use, felling plan, etc.) are not framed in the fulfillment of indicator 21Bf12 "No. Training events for the strengthening of PPS with emphasis on the increase of socio-ecosystem resilience". Review and adjustment are requested.

#### *iv)* Ci33 Activity

It is requested to clarify how the attached certificates of existence and legal representation represent an input to evidence the strengthening of productive associations of women and men. To provide greater coherence and correspondence, it is requested that indicator 56Ci33 be framed within the description of the activity "Strengthening productive associations of women and men", since it does not make sense that "benefiting" or "strengthening" an association should only consider identifying it. For example: If the name of the indicator is "No. of Benefited Partnerships", consistent monitoring should include the number of Partnerships benefited by strengthening processes.

#### v) Activity Dj34

- It is requested to adjust the document "Diagnosis of Conservation Actions V. 2.0.pdf" since in several sections it mentions the "... monitoring period from 05 December 2018 to 31 December 2022" associated with the REDD+ JIGRANTU project. Additionally, the document must present the annotations referring to the history of versions, so that the dates of creation, edition and others can be corroborated.
- Table 17 of RM V3.0 (section 14.1.1.7) needs to be adjusted, as the supports for some conservation actions are outside the monitoring period or are undated. It is requested to modify this table, attach dated supports and/or adjust any document that derives from these modifications (Table 5 of "Diagnosis of Conservation Actions V. 2.0.pdf", etc.).

For example:

Comisión Colombiana de Juristas y Comisió Cátedra Unesco. Derechos humanos y violen 171-202.						
Participación en la estrategia guardianes del Atrato, por parte de personas de Grande y Turriguitado a través de ASCOBA en el Seguimiento a la sentencia T - 622	<mark>2018</mark> -2022 Anual	Palabras puntuales <u>entrevista Fawer Paz</u> (minuto 00:10:35) palabras sobre el daño de la minería <u>entrevista</u> <u>Alcides Panesso</u> (minuto 00:65:00) <u>Entrevista Wbeimar</u> <u>Palacios</u> (minuto 00:02:56: 00:05:28)	Ambiental	Sustitución de embarcaciones de madera por botes en fibra de vidrio, para evitar el uso de árboles de gran porte. Acción que se empieza a implementar desde la constitución de ASOPESVIGRAN (24 abril 2018)	24 abril <mark>2018</mark>	Certificado Cámara o Comercio – ASOPESVIGRAN Palabras puntuales o Fawer Paz (0:02:30) Silson Romaña (0:12:27)



Numeral 7. and 8. open

CAR open

**Project Developer's Response** 

Date: 15-02-2024



- 1. All activities were reviewed with respect to their contribution to the SDGs in order to show correlation between the different documents, with this it was necessary to modify some REDD activity sheets in DoP V4.0 section 2.3 and table 1 of the Monitoring Report V4.0 section 4.
- **3.** Detailed review and harmonization of the information described in the REDD activity sheets and indicators was carried out to avoid confusion and inconsistencies between the "DoP" and "RM" documents. Likewise, the matrix "REDD Action Monitoring Plan" was defined as the only consolidated Excel-type tool, in such a way, the Excel files containing the individual files were suppressed to avoid duplication of information.

Regarding the specific comments, it is clarified that:

- In **activity Ac6 (indicator 13Ac6)**, the indicator was specified in harmony with the global indicator of "SDG 11 Sustainable Cities and Communities" associated with Cultural and Natural Heritage; "11.4.1 Total per capita expenditure for the preservation, protection and conservation of all cultural and natural heritage, broken down by source of funding (public and private), type of heritage (cultural and natural) and level of government (national, regional and/or municipal)". In this sense, the name of the indicator, type, goal, unit of measurement and monitoring methodology were adjusted; as shown below:

	NOMBRE DEL INDICADOR	- TIPO -	META	UNIDAD DE MEDIDA	METODOLOGIA DE MONITOREO
13Ac6	No. informes de eventos culturales, de rescate y multiplicación de saberes ancestrales con información de gasto percapita	Producto	1 documento en cada periodo de monitoreo V1-V14	Número de documentos	Para la medición y reporte de este indicador se considera el reporte de los eventos culturales en el marco de la estrategia de rescate y multiplicación de los saberes ancestrales, estadística del gasto percapita.

Illustration 6 Screenshot 13Ac6 REDD Action Monitoring Plan V3.0

- Activity Bf12 has two indicators, 20Bf12 and 21Bf12 (as shown in Figure 7), with the second (21Bf12) reporting in the current period.

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20Bf12 prod aume	accocinento de capacidades en acciones iductivas sostenibles con énfasis en el mento de la resiliencia io-ecosistémica.	Producto	Número de documentos	Para la medición y reporte de este indicador se considera construcción y definición del documento Plan de fortalecimiento de capacidades en acciones productivas sostenibles con énfasis en el aumento de la resiliencia socio-ecosistémica.
21Bf12 fortal aumo	. Eventos de capacitación para el talecimiento de PPS con énfasis en el mento de la resiliencia io-ecosistémica.	Impacto	Numero de	Para la medición y reporte de este indicador se considera la cantidad de eventos de capacidades en acciones productivas sostenibles con énfasis en el aumento de la resiliencia socio-ecosistémica.

Illustration 7 Screenshot indicator 20Bf12 and 21Bf12 Monitoring Plan V3.0

7. and 8. Adjustments to the First Period (V1) Report Supports:

#### *i.* Activity Bc6

The evidence reported for the first monitoring period corresponding to the "Report on socialization activities within the framework of the Cultural Recovery Plan of the Community Council of the Jiguamiando River Basin" corresponds to a document prepared within the framework of the government of Mr. Manuel Denis Blandón as legal representative of the Community Council of Jiguamiando. in 2019. Support considered relevant for the fulfillment of activity Ac6, especially for



indicator **13Ac6** "No. reports of cultural events, rescue and multiplication of ancestral knowledge with information on per capita expenditure"; however, in the original document they did not indicate the date of preparation of the report, nor the dates of the meetings reported; therefore, the community was asked to generate a record that would allow them to support the information, as well as the reporting of data on the per capita expenditure of the budget invested in cultural recovery activities.

- Also attached is resolution 1271 of 2018 of the Ministry of the Interior, which shows that Mr. Manuel Denis Blandón was the legal representative (June 1, 2017 to May 30, 2019) in the period of presentation of the report.
- Section 14.1.1.2 of the Monitoring Report is adjusted with respect to indicator **13Ac6**, consistent with what was mentioned above and indicating only the patron saint festivities of 2019.

#### *ii.* Be8 Activity

Correction was made to the file "06. 28-29\_102022 Minutes of the Turriquitado\_ok.pdf Assembly", since due to an involuntary error it had been truncated with the support of the socializations carried out in 2023.

#### *iii.* Activity Bf12

Considering that there are other reported supports for the advancement of this activity, specifically for indicator **21Bf12**, associated with capacity building events for artisanal fisheries, the support associated with "responsible fishing agreements" is suppressed. Likewise, the "Sustainable Forest Management" folder is deleted, as it is considered non-compliant for this indicator.

#### iv. Ci33 Activity

The existence of community organizations was considered as a baseline for the reporting of indicator **56Ci33**, however, to comply with the result of benefiting, specific actions must be carried out that can be reported in subsequent monitoring periods. Therefore, the schedule, goal and frequency of monitoring are adjusted.

#### v. Activity Dj34

The document "Diagnosis of Conservation Actions" was adjusted to generate version 4.0, in which the date 05 December 2018 is corrected; Table 5 is modified, in coherence with the dates of the monitoring report (January 1, 2019, to December 31, 2022) and the control of changes of the document is included.

Fecha	Observaciones
01 agosto 2023	Documento inicial
19 diciembre 2023	Se menciona 05 de diciembre de 2018 como potencial fecha de inicio del proyecto, haciendo alusión al tercer informe de seguimiento de la Sentencia T-622.
22 enero 2024	Se precisa la fecha de inicio del periodo de cuantificación de la reducción de GEI acorde al 01 de enero 2019.
15 febrero 2024	Se adelanta la corrección general al documento acorde al periodo de cuantificación de la reducción de GEI, entre 01 de enero 2019 – 31 diciembre 2022.
	19 diciembre 2023 22 enero 2024



# Documentation submitted by the project developer **DDP V4.0** -RM V4.0 REDD V3.0 Actions Monitoring Plan SDB V2.0 Deployment Timeline Certification of details to the "Report on socialization activities within the framework of the Cultural Recovery Plan of the Community Council of the Jiguamiando River Basin". Resolution 1271 of 2018, evidenced by the legal representation of Manuel Denis Blandón. 06. 28-29 102022 Minutes of the Turriguitado ok.pdf Meeting Evaluation of the audit team Date: 19.02.2024 1. Correlation is evident throughout the documents, the pertinent adjustments were made. Closed numeral 3. Indicators for project activities were adjusted and duplicative information that could cause confusion was debugged. Closed numeral 7. and 8. i) Support was attached that evidences the performance of the activity in 2019. This information is endorsed by the signature of Manuel Denis Blandón, who was legal representative during that period (support attached). ii) The date of the training was adjusted, so that the support is within the monitoring period. (iii) The evidence supporting indicator 21Bf12 has been modified. iv) The timeline, goal, and frequency of monitoring of the Ci33 activity were adjusted, so that it was not included in this monitoring report. (v) The document "Diagnosis of Conservation Actions...", to which the respective history of editions was attached, was adjusted. In addition, section 14.1 of RM v4.0 was adjusted in accordance with the changes made to the diagnostic document. **Closed numerals** Since all the items in this request were satisfactorily addressed, we proceed to close the finding.

#### CAR closed.

CAR No.	20	Requirement No.	SDG Tool	Date: 24-12-2023
Description of the	CAR			



The reporting of the following indicators is not clear within the monitoring report:

#### SDG 1:

Indicator 1.4.1 = the activity of the project as it responds to the proportion of the population living in households with access to basic services, what data are available at the beginning of the project VS what data are compared to ensure that a proportion of these are guaranteed in improving conditions. Provide the necessary evidence. Relate in all documents IDs or activity numbers, but do not mix, are different in the documents and generate confusion.

Indicator 1.5.2 = the activity of the project as a response to the economic losses directly caused by disasters in relation to GDP, present evidence that relationships that activity 3.2 contributes to this indicator.

#### SDG 2:

Indicator 2.1.2= how much of the population is identified as moderately or severely insecure according to the scale of experience of food insecurity, and how much does the project contribute to reducing these values?

#### SDG 3

Indicator 3c.1= How does the indicator significantly increase health financing and recruitment in the country for health personnel?

#### SDG 4

Indicator 4.3.1= What is the evidence that supports the gender of the young people who participate, what is the number of men and women who are part of this indicator, how many young people are there in the project to represent this participation rate? What would be 100% participation?

- 1. Conduct a comprehensive review of the SDGs and the respective justification.
- 2. Correct the documents that are necessary for the reporting of the SDGs.
- **3.** It is recommended that the SDG table be related by SDGs and not by activity for this specific chapter.

	Date: 23-01-2024	
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#### 1. Changed the way the SDGs are reported within the monitoring report for greater clarity

The SDGs were reviewed and some modifications were made to bring them into line with the SDB, and the Activity Justification Sheet (SDGs) was included in <u>the ODS\_REDD+JIGRANTU-V2 Tool</u> to make the contribution of activities to the global SDG indicators clearer.

- 2. Due to the modifications that were presented, it was necessary to amend section 11 of the PDD, which presents the justification of the contribution of the activities of the REDD+ JIGRANTU Project to the different indicators of the SDGs, and section 4 of the MR, which presents a summary of the contribution of the activities reported for the current period. In addition, a new version of the SDG reporting tool was created, which also includes a V1 Summary sheet for the reporting of activities in this verification period (present in section 4 of the RM).
- **3.** 20.3 The SDG table is related by SDG and not by activity as previously presented, the correction is found in chapter 4 of the RM and in the SDG tool in the summary sheet.

#### Documentation submitted by the project developer



Section 11 of DDP V3

Section 4 of RM V3

Tool ODS\_REDD+JIGRANTU-V2

Evaluation of the audit team

Date: 01.02.2024



The development of compliance with the SDGs presented adjustments in the related documents, so that it was tended to provide greater clarity and organization with respect to the activities that are projected to contribute or that are contributed to this monitoring period. However, there are still several inconsistencies or imbalances that will need to be modified. The review should consider that:

En la columna "Actividad del proyecto" el titular del proyecto deberá indicar las actividades del proyecto que <mark>impulsan al logro de la meta correspondiente.</mark> Será libre de elegir uno o varios objetivos según el contexto del proyecto.

En la columna "Contribución", el titular del proyecto deberá describir cómo la actividad descrita anteriormente proporciona beneficios específicos vinculados a su contexto, considerando el indicador global de ODS como apoyo.

En la columna 'Unidad de medida de la actividad', defina una unidad de medida que tenga sentido y que permita evaluar la implementación de estas actividades y su contribución a los objetivos.

#### *i*) Information described in Section 11 of PDD V3.0

The information in the "Project Activity" column sometimes does not match the information in the "Herramienta-ODS\_REDD+JIGRANTU-V2.xlsx". In other words, some activities described in the document associated with an indicator are not characterized in Excel for that same indicator.

For example: Activity Ch23 for indicator 1.4.1; activity Bf14 for indicator 3.8.1; activity Bg18 for indicator 4.3.1; activities Be and Bf for indicator 4.7.1; etc. Additionally, some Excel activities have a different "Activity Type" in the "SDG x" tab than the one in the "Summary V1" tab.

- Some project activities are not consistent with the description of the indicator or on several occasions the proposed unit of measurement for the activity does not match the indicator.

#### Example 1:

Indicator 11b2. "**Proportion** of local governments adopting and implementing..." The chosen unit of measurement is "Risk Management Plan according to Nature-based Solutions (NBS)", which does not match the description of the indicator. The proportion of local governments adopting strategies to reduce disaster risk could be framed in the proportion of Community Councils (1 in 3, 2 in 3, 3 in 3) that advance in the construction of a Risk Management Plan during a specific monitoring period.

#### Example 2:

Indicator 4.1.2. The Ch20. Educational Infrastructure Improvement activity aims to use as a unit of measurement a percentage (%) of the improvement of the educational structure; However, it should be considered that this type of measure corresponds to a relative measure, i.e. the total number of improvements to be made would have to be projected to obtain a % of progress in each period. For this and other similar cases, it is recommended to use discrete units of measurement (counting, for example). In addition, it is also unclear how infrastructure improvements will result in a "Completion Completion Rate (primary, lower secondary, and upper secondary).

#### *ii)* Information described in section 4 of RM V3.0 (SDG Monitoring)

Clarify how the support of indicator 1.5.2 (number of associations) corresponds to the proposed unit of measurement "Number of families with productive projects promoted by the project". Additionally, it is evidenced within the Certificates of Existence and Legal Representation that the ASOMOJIGUA



association presents registration outside the dates of the monitoring period, that is, that its existence does not obey or derive from project implementation activities.

- Modify the unit of measurement of indicator 5.a.1 so that it corresponds to the description of the indicator (proportion) and evaluate its contribution in those terms.
- Clarify how the support of indicator 8.5.1 (average hourly earnings) corresponds to the proposed unit of measurement "No. training events...". As mentioned above, efforts should be made to respond to the contribution in terms of the chosen indicator and according to a coherent unit of measurement.
- Clarify how the support of indicator 9.5.2 (researchers per million inhabitants) corresponds to the proposed unit of measurement "Document No. Diagnosis...". Although the support evidences the development of research and scientific works in which the people of the CC actively participated, it is necessary to describe the contribution in terms of the objective and goal in question.
- Ditto for indicator 11.2.1, 11.4.1, 11.b.2, 12.1.1, 13.2.2 and 16.7.2

#### CAR open

Project Developer's Response

Date: 15-02-2024



A comprehensive review of the inconsistencies with respect to the SDGs was undertaken. For this reason, it was necessary to make modifications to the SDG Tool, the PDD sections 2.3, 11 and 17.1.1, the REDD action monitoring plan and the Monitoring Report section 4.

#### i) Information described in section 11 of PDD V3.0

- The information in the "Project Activity" column has been adjusted to match the information in the <u>"Herramienta-ODS\_REDD+JIGRANTU-V3.xlsx"</u>. In such a way that all the activities described in the document to an indicator are in the Excel of the same indicator. At this point it is important to clarify that the tool does not allow you to make editing adjustments, include columns or rows so that the information is more detailed, it also allows a maximum number of characters per box so sometimes it is not possible to see the complete information, for this reason the "SDG-Activities Justification" sheet was included so that greater detail is given and verification is facilitated.

On some occasions, as there are several activities related to the same global indicator of the SDG, the type of activity if any of these is permanent is left permanent, even if the rest is temporary, however, in the "Justification of SDG-Activities" sheet the type of activity for each of these is presented in detail.

It was verified that all the activities of the project were consistent with the description of the indicator with the guidelines suggested by the audit team, in case they did not comply, the indicators were adjusted and if it was not possible to comply with it, the activity was eliminated, ensuring that all activities contributed to at least one SDG. These adjustments will be reflected in DoP V4.0 and the REDD action monitoring plan.

#### (ii) Information described in section 4 of RM V3.0

- When verifying project activities against the SDGs, it was not considered that any activity could demonstrate contribution to indicator 1.5.2. The certificates of existence of the associations are not considered as evidence for this verification period, since they do not fit into the indicators established for the Ci33 activity. Strengthening productive associations of women and men.
- When verifying project activities against the SDGs, no activity was able to demonstrate contribution to indicator 5.a.1.
- It was not considered that any activity with the established indicators could demonstrate a contribution to indicator 8.5.1.
- Activity Dj34 with the established indicators is considered that it is not possible that it could demonstrate contribution in indicator 9.5.2, in addition its measurement could present difficulties at the time of its report if the indicators of the activity are modified.
- In reviewing the above-mentioned indicators, it was not considered that any of the activities could demonstrate contribution to indicators 11.2.1, 12.1.1 and 16.7.2.

Regarding indicator 11.4.1, the indicators of activities Ac5, Ac6 and Ad7 were adjusted to report information related to the per capita expenditure of the associated events.

For indicator 11.b.2, the activity indicator Dn41 was adjusted to report the number of community councils implementing a Risk Management Plan in accordance with Nature-based Solutions. In this case, 100% would be the implementation in the 3 councils that are part of the Project.

In indicator 13.2.2, only the Dk38 activity was considered, since by monitoring the implementation of REDD actions, it seeks to reduce greenhouse gas emissions by avoiding deforestation and promoting forest conservation, oversight and control reports would be the basic input for the monitoring report and the quantification of emissions in each period.

#### Documentation submitted by the project developer

- <u>DDP V4.0</u>
- <u>RM V4.0</u>
- REDD V3.0 Actions Monitoring Plan
- Herramienta-ODS REDD+JIGRANTU-V3.xlsx



Evaluation of the audit team	Date: 20.02.2024		
<ul> <li>i)</li> <li>The information in PDD v4.0 has been adjusted to be consistent with Too and other related documents.</li> <li>The activities and units of measurement proposed to comply with the SD coherent with the description of the SDGs.</li> <li>Literal closed</li> </ul>	_		
<ul> <li>(ii)</li> <li>Information related to indicator 1.5.2 has been cleaned up</li> <li>Information related to indicator 5.a.1 has been refined</li> <li>Information related to indicator 8.5.1 has been purged</li> <li>Information related to indicator 9.5.2 has been cleaned up</li> <li>Information related to indicator 11.2.1, 12.1.1 and 16.7.2 has been refine 13.2.2 were appropriately adjusted</li> </ul>	d. Indicators 11.4.1, 11.b.2 and		
Literal Closed			
CAR closed			

CAR No.	21	Requirement No.	REDD+ Tool	Safeguards	Date: 24-12-2023
Description of the CAR					



For the presentation of the results of compliance with REDD+ safeguards, the BCR tool that is made for this purpose should be considered, so it is necessary for the project to contemplate that:

# 3. Desarrollo del Documento de Cumplimiento de las Salvaguardas

La elaboración de este Documento de Cumplimiento de las Salvaguardas parte de la necesidad de desarrollar una interpretación de las Salvaguardas que esté acorde con lo establecido en el Estándar BCR y con las realidades de los territorios en donde se implementan los Proyectos y que responda a las necesidades de las comunidades partícipes y de los titulares de éstos.

Además, a diferencia de otros manuales de interpretación, este Documento de Cumplimiento de las Salvaguardas incorpora en cada Salvaguarda la forma en que el titular del Proyecto puede demostrar su cumplimiento.

# 4. Interpretación de las Salvaguardas

Como se mencionó anteriormente, el análisis realizado en el presente Documento de Cumplimiento de las Salvaguardas debe ser el único tenido en cuenta para quien pretenda desarrollar, validar y/o verificar un Proyecto implementado bajo los parámetros del Estándar BCR.

Al aplicar las medidas mencionadas en el párrafo 70<sup>2</sup> del Informe de la Conferencia de las Partes sobre su 16° periodo de sesiones, celebrado en Cancún del 29 de noviembre al 10 de diciembre de 2010, los Proyectos deberán promover y respetar las siguientes Salvaguardas:

In this way, the document must be demonstrated according to the guidelines of said document. Make the necessary changes to comply with the requirement.

### Project Developer's Response

Date: 23-01-2024

In the presentation of the results of compliance with REDD+ safeguards, the tool proposed by BioCarbon Registry was used, according to Version 1.1. (Brigard & Urrutia, BCR, 2023), both for the analysis of PDD and its development in MRI. The documents are available in folder 2. TECHNICAL ANNEXES/MONITORING OF SAFEGUARDS/ <u>PDD monitoring plan for safeguards</u> and <u>RM in Safeguards</u> <u>Monitoring Plan</u> With this tool developed, it was summarized in the PoD in chapter 12 REDD+ safeguards and in the RM the resulting monitoring sheets are presented according to the tool

Documentation submitted by the project developer



#### PDD Capitulo 12

RM Capitulo11

PDD Safeguards Monitoring Plan

RM in Safeguards Follow-Up Plan

Evaluation of the audit team

Date: 01.02.2024

It is again requested to develop compliance with the Safeguards according to the interpretation contained in the Tool. It is clarified that this document provided by BCR prevails over any other national or international document that analyzes and interprets the Safeguards (For example: The official manual for the interpretation of the REDD+ Safeguards for Colombia, etc.).

In this sense, it can be seen in the tool that describes how to comply with and support the 7 interpretations of the Safeguards provided by the BCR Standard. It is requested to adjust the corresponding documents, so that the information is in line with the requirements and evidence of compliance provided in the tool.

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La elaboración de este Documento de Cumplimiento de las Salvaguardas parte de la necesidad de desarrollar una interpretación de las Salvaguardas que esté acorde con lo establecido en el Estándar BCR y con las realidades de los territorios en donde se implementan los Proyectos y que responda a las necesidades de las comunidades partícipes y de los titulares de éstos.

Además, a diferencia de otros manuales de interpretación, este Documento de Cumplimiento de las Salvaguardas incorpora en cada Salvaguarda la forma en que el titular del Proyecto puede demostrar su cumplimiento.

#### CAR open

#### **Project Developer's Response**

Date: 15-02-2024

The adjustment was made to the monitoring of the Safeguards considering the interpretation of the Biocarbon Registry present in the Tool to demonstrate compliance with the REDD+ Safeguards. Version 1.1. (Brigard & Urrutia, BCR, 2023).

To demonstrate compliance and support for the 7 interpretations of the safeguards provided by the BCR standard, <u>version 2 of the Safeguards Monitoring</u> was created, in which new indicators are established considering the BCR tool in terms of compliance with each one. For this reason, changes were made to sections 12 and 17.1.2 of the Project Document and section 11 of the Monitoring Report.

#### Documentation submitted by the project developer

- Tracking Safeguards Version 2.0
- <u>DDP V4.0</u>
- <u>RM V4.0</u>

Evaluation of the audit team

Date: 21.02.2024



The information related to the Safeguards was adjusted in accordance with the guidelines of the tool provided by BCR. The developer implemented a monitoring matrix that addresses the project's compliance with the 7 interpretations of safeguards provided in the tool, as well as the associated documentary evidence.

CAR closed.

CAR No.	22	Requirement No.	BCR Validation and Verification Manual	Date: 24-12-2023
Description of the CAR				



For chapter 14.1, everything related to the latest version of the validation and verification manual BCR, must be considered, where it is mandatory to report the following information:

- 1. The starting date of operation of the project and, the operation of the project activities during this monitoring period. The description shall include any information on events that may impact the GHG emission reductions or removals and monitoring;
- 2. For project activities that consist of more than one site, the report shall clearly describe the status of implementation and starting date of operation for each site;
- 3. The information regarding the actual operation of the project during this monitoring period, including information on special events, for example overhaul times, downtimes of equipment, exchange of equipment, etc.;
- 4. A brief description of: (i) events or situations that occurred during the monitoring period, which may impact the applicability of the methodology, and (ii) how the issues resulting from these events or situations are being addressed.

For AFOLU projects, also provide a description of the following:

- 1. Describe how leakage and non-permanence risk factors are being monitored and managed;
- Where applicable, provide descriptions about the uncertainty management, applying the criteria and guidelines to comply with the uncertainty management associated with models to estimate emission reductions / removals in GHG Projects;
- 3. Any other changes (e.g., to project proponent or other entities).

In the same way, information related to:



## 14.2 Revision of monitoring plan

Indicate whether the monitoring plan has been revised. Include the date of approval, if revised./

## 14.3 Request for deviation applied to this monitoring period

Indicate any project deviations applied to this monitoring period. Explain and justify the reason for the described deviation. Provide descriptions were the deviation effects the applicability of the methodology, additionality or the suitability of the baseline scenario and provide the results of these effects.

Describe and report on any project description deviations applied in previous monitoring reports. Include the reference number, if any deviation applied.

## 14.4 Notification or request of approval of changes

Indicate any notification or request of approval of changes from the project, as described in the registered Project Document. Include the date of approval, if applicable.

Make any changes as needed.		
Project Developer's Response	Date: 23-01-2024	
Section 14 of the Monitoring Report was adjusted.		
Documentation submitted by the project developer		
Section 14 RM V3		
Evaluation of the audit teamDate: 01.02.2024		
The requested information was satisfactorily annexed in section 14 of RM V3.0.		

### CAR closed

CL	L No.	01	Requirement No.	7. BCR V3.2 Standard	Date: 04.12.2023
De	Description of the CL				



The head of the project attached the resolutions authorizing persistent forest harvesting within the Jiguamiandó Community Council during the years 2019-2022. These documents list the species and the respective authorized volume (m3).

However, the documents "Information on Resolution 2297 of 2022" and "Information on Resolution 2296 of 2022" mention that the respective resolutions were extended.

It is requested to clarify whether there are extension resolutions for the harvests that are within the verification period. If this is the case, it is requested to attach this resolution and include such information within the Monitoring Report, so that there is a complete traceability of legal compliance.

#### Project Developer's Response

Date: 19-12-2023

There are no other extension resolutions, the owners of the specific project, the Community Council of the Jiguamiandó River, have not processed any other extension for the persistent forest harvesting present in their territory. However, reviewing the information of the Single National Online Safe Conduct (SUNL) 2019 to 2022 CODECHOCO there is evidence of wood mobilized in 2022 of resolutions that were not in force to date (1310 and 1311 of 2020). For this reason, a Request for clarification of wood mobility was filed on behalf of the Jiguamiandó River Community Council in 2022, before CODECHOCO. As support, the "Letter of request for clarification" signed by the legal representative of the Community Council of the Jiguamiando River, filed on December 14, 2023 through email of the central PQRSD system of COCECHOCO (tracking number of CODECHOCO 20231214111813202).

#### Documentation submitted by the project developer

Documents related to the Forest Management of the Jiguamiandó River

<u>SUNL.xlsx</u>

<u>Request for clarification</u> to CODECHOCO wood mobility in the name of the Community Council of the Jiguamiandó River in 2022 and <u>filed with CODECHOCO</u> by email.

#### Evaluation of the audit team

Date: 27-12-2023

Persistent Forest Harvesting is regulated in Decree 1791 of 1996 "By means of which the Forest Use Regime is established" (Compiled in Decree 1076 of 2015, Book 2, Regulatory Regime of the environmental sector. Part 2 Regulations, Title 2 Biodiversity, Chapter 1 Wild Flora (Articles 2,2.1,1,1,1 - 2,2,1,1,16,1). Article 5 of the law, paragraph b) indicates that this type of exploitation is carried out "(...) with sustainability criteria and with the obligation to conserve the normal yield of the forest with silvicultural techniques, which allow its renewal. Normal forest yield means sustainable forest development or production, in such a way as to ensure the permanence of the forest."

Although Articles 6(a), 19, 21 and especially 24 of Law 70 of 1993 allow the development of persistent forest harvesting for commercial purposes in forests located on the collective properties of the Black Communities, this type of use is incompatible with the purpose of the project; Only domestic harvesting could be admitted, which, as indicated in paragraph C), is carried out with sustainability criteria and with the obligation to preserve the normal yield of the forest with silvicultural techniques, which allow its renewal. Normal forest yield means sustainable forest development or production, in such a way as to ensure the permanence of the forest. In accordance with the above, a certificate must be provided from Codechocó specifying that in the polygons provided for the project there are indeed no permits or authorizations for this type of activity.

#### CL open



Project Developer's Response

Date: 23-01-2024



The concept of REDD+ in Colombia has been transformed over the years, however, all definitions share the same general goal of reducing greenhouse gas emissions from deforestation and environmental degradation. With a comprehensive approach that includes conservation, sustainable management of forests and the increase of carbon stocks. Conservation is always included as a key component of REDD+, recognizing the importance of forest ecosystems.

REDD+: "Reducing Emissions from Deforestation and Forest Degradation; and the role of conservation, sustainable management of forests and enhancement of carbon stocks in developing countries" (MADS, 2018).

REDD+ Reducing Emissions from Deforestation and Degradation and Conservation, Sustainable Forest Management and Enhancing Carbon Contents in Developing Countries (<u>IDEAM et al., 2018</u>)

REDD+ (Reducing emissions from deforestation and forest degradation) refers to the reduction of greenhouse gas emissions due to deforestation and forest degradation, the conservation and enhancement of carbon stocks, and sustainable forest management (<u>MADS, 2023</u>).

Although within the evaluation of the audit team, numeral C is cited on domestic uses regulated in Decree 1791 of 1996 "By means of which the Forest Use Regime is established" (Compiled in Decree 1076 of 2015, Book 2 Regulatory Regime of the environmental sector. Part 2 Regulations, Title 2 Biodiversity, Chapter 1 Wild Flora, Articles 2,2.1,1,1,1 - 2,2,1,1,16,1) the definition of numeral B is used, referring to persistent harvesting, which would be those that could be "admitted" as shown in section 3 of Decree 1076 of 2015:

#### CLASES APROVECHAMIENTO FORESTAL

ARTÍCULO 2.2.1.1.3.1. Clases aprovechamiento forestal. Las clases de

aprovechamiento forestal son:

a) Únicos. Los que se realizan por una sola vez, en áreas donde con base en estudios técnicos se demuestre mejor aptitud de uso del suelo diferente al forestal o cuando existan razones de utilidad pública e interés social. Los aprovechamientos forestales únicos pueden contener la obligación de dejar limpio el terreno, al término del aprovechamiento, pero no la de renovar o conservar el bosque;

 b) Persistentes. Los que se efectúan con criterios de sostenibilidad y con la obligación de conservar el rendimiento normal del bosque con técnicas silvícolas, que permitan su renovación. Por rendimiento normal del bosque se entiende su desarrollo o producción sostenible, de manera tal que se garantice la permanencia del bosque;

c) Domésticos. Los que se efectúan exclusivamente para satisfacer necesidades vitales domesticas sin que se puedan comercializar sus productos.

(Decreto 1791 de 1996, Art.5)



Thus, persistent harvesting is "that which is carried out with sustainability criteria and with the obligation to conserve the normal yield of the forest with silvicultural techniques, which allow its renewal. Normal forest yield means sustainable development or production, in such a way as to ensure the permanence of the forest" and domestic harvesting is "that which is carried out exclusively to satisfy vital domestic needs without the possibility of marketing its products" (Section 3. ARTICLE 2.2.1.1.3.1. Decree 1076 of 2015 (Environment and Sustainable Development Sector)

"The sustainable use of wild flora and forests is a strategy for <u>the conservation and management of the resource</u>. Therefore, the State must create an environment conducive to investments in environmental matters and to the development of the forestry sector" (Decree 1791 of 1996, Article 3 C)

Sustainable use is understood as, "It is the use of the timber and non-timber resources of the forest that is carried out while maintaining the normal yield of the forest through the application of silvicultural techniques that allow the renewal and persistence of the resource" (Decree 1791 of 1996, Article 1).

One of the requirements for carrying out persistent forest harvesting is the Forest Management Plan (Decree 1791 of 1996, Article 6 C), without which this type of harvesting cannot be carried out, which is acquired through concession, association or permit (Decree 1791 of 1996, Article 7), where the presence of remaining individuals in the different diametric classes of the forest to be harvested must be guaranteed, after the inventory carried out. with the purpose of contributing to the sustainability of the resource (Decree 1791 of 1996, Articles 10 and 11).

The Forest Management Plan "is the formulation and description of the silvicultural systems and tasks to be applied in the forest subject to harvesting, in order to ensure its sustainability, presented by the interested party in carrying out persistent forest harvesting" (Decree 1791 of 1996, Article 1). Harvesting is understood as "the use, by man, of timber and non-timber resources from wild flora and forest plantations" (Decree 1791 of 1996, Article 1).

Thus, persistent forest harvesting is a strategy for the conservation and management of the resource, so it could not be considered incompatible with the development of a REDD+ project, where according to its definition conservation is a key component, thus recognizing the importance of forest ecosystems.

Considering the relevance of forests in national development, the Government of Colombia has been leading the management aimed at the <u>conservation</u>, <u>use and sustainable management of these ecosystems</u>, while simultaneously promoting measures to control deforestation and forest degradation. Since 2009, in line with the provisions of the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC), the development of the <u>National Strategy for the Reduction of Emissions from Deforestation and Degradation (REDD+) has been initiated</u>, with the support of various international cooperation entities and programs, such as the Gordon & Betty Moore Foundation, GIZ, FCPF and the United Nations UN-REDD Programme, among others (MADS, 2018).

As a result of this participatory preparation process, <u>the Comprehensive Strategy for Deforestation Control and Forest</u> <u>Management called "Forests Territories of Life" (EICDGB)</u> has been developed. This strategy, in line with UNFCCC guidelines, has been established as the country's National REDD+ Strategy. Through this public policy framework, the necessary actions to reduce deforestation, forest degradation and associated greenhouse gas emissions have been outlined, adopting a comprehensive perspective of the forest and its contribution to national development (<u>MADS, 2018</u>).

The objective of the Strategy (EICDGB) is "to reduce deforestation and forest degradation by promoting and establishing <u>forest management in the Colombian territory</u>, under a comprehensive rural development approach, which contributes to the good living of local communities, contributes to local development and increases ecosystem resilience, promoting adaptation and mitigation of climate change".



The EICDGB has five specific objectives which are aligned with the activities of the REDD+ JIGRANTU Project as shown in the following table and encompasses activities related to Sustainable Forest Management with the implementation of Sustainable Productive Projects (SPPs), promoting a forest economy based on forest goods and services for integral rural development and the closure of the agricultural frontier (Objective 2).

Specific objective of the EICDGB	Activities of the REDD+ JIGRANTU Project
1. Consolidate the territorial governance of ethnic groups, peasant and rural communities, and strengthen citizen awareness, through the management of information and knowledge to consolidate a culture of co-responsibility for the care and sustainable use of forests	<ul> <li>strategic line A, B and C specifically in the following actions:</li> <li>Aa1. Formulation of the Ethno-Development Plan</li> <li>Bb3. Articulation in the execution of REDD actions with the</li> <li>Ethnodevelopment Plan and the Environmental Management Plan</li> <li>of the Community Councils</li> <li>Bb4. Design and implementation of a participation, empowerment</li> <li>and governance strategy for women, youth, the elderly, the</li> <li>disabled and other minority groups</li> <li>Bc5. Formulation and implementation of a strategy for the rescue</li> <li>and multiplication of ancestral knowledge</li> <li>Bc6. Strengthening cultural events with the participation of different</li> <li>generations</li> <li>Bd7. Facilities for recreation and sports, health, education and</li> <li>culture</li> <li>Be8. Strengthening of REDD technical capacities with emphasis on</li> <li>increasing socio-ecosystem resilience for adaptation to climate</li> <li>change.</li> <li>Be9. Capacity building for REDD project management</li> <li>Be10. Capacity-building for project formulation and implementation</li> <li>Bf15. Capacity Building in Governance and Culture Actions</li> <li>Ci29. Diagnosis of the environmental and social offer for the</li> <li>implementation of Sustainable Productive Projects PPS</li> </ul>
2. Promote a forest economy based on forest goods and services for comprehensive rural development and closing the agricultural frontier	Strategic line C Ch24. Infrastructure for sustainable production alternatives Ci29. Diagnosis of the environmental and social offer for the implementation of Sustainable Productive Projects PPS Ci30. Technical and accounting formulation of the PPS to be executed Ci31. Implementation of PPS with an emphasis on adaptation to climate change Ci32. Strengthening the commercialization of PPS products, and development of an own brand Ci33. Strengthening productive associations of women and men
3. Reduce degradation and deforestation through cross-sectoral management of policy and regulations for environmental and territorial planning	Strategic line A, B and C specifically in the following actions: Aa1. Formulation of the Ethno-Development Plan Ba2. Construction of the Environmental Management Plan of the community councils Bf11. Capacity Building in Sustainable Productive Actions Led by Women Bf12. Capacity Building in Sustainable Productive Actions with Emphasis on Increasing Socio-Ecosystem Resilience Bf13. Capacity Building in Ecosystem Restoration and Conservation Action Bf14. Capacity Building in Social Infrastructure Ch19. Housing Improvement



	Ch20. Improvement of educational infrastructure
	Ch21. Infrastructure for basic sanitation
	Ch22. Health Infrastructure
	Ch23. Infrastructure for Communications
	Ch25. Adequacy of waterways
	Ch26. Construction and maintenance of bridges and roads
	Ch27. Construction of recreational settings (such as parks, etc.)
	Strategic line B, C and D specifically in the following actions:
	Be8. Strengthening of REDD technical capacities with emphasis on
	increasing socio-ecosystem resilience for adaptation to climate
	change.
	Be9. Capacity building for REDD project management
	Be10. Capacity-building for project formulation and implementation
	Bf16. Capacity Building in Community Monitoring
	Bg17. Formulation and Implementation of the Scheme of
	Undergraduate and Postgraduate Scholarships, Courses or
4. Generate reliable, consistent, timely	Training Programs for Women
and quality information on the supply,	Bg18. Formulation and Implementation of the Undergraduate,
status, pressure and dynamics of forest	Graduate, Course, or Training Programs Scholarship Plan
resources, as support for decision-making	Ch29. Diagnosis of the environmental and social supply for the
processes at the national, regional and	implementation of Sustainable Productive Projects (PPS)
local levels, allowing the implementation	DJ34. Diagnosis of the state of ecosystems, ecosystem services
of control and monitoring actions by	and vulnerability to the effects of climate change.
environmental authorities for an efficient	Dj35. Design and implementation of the strategy for the protection
management of the country's forest	and restoration of ecosystems
resources, and monitoring the application	Dj36. Strengthening the conservation and monitoring of the
of social and environmental safeguards	manatee (Trichechus manatus) and the hicotea turtle (Trachemys
or social and environmental saleguards	callirostris)
	Dj37. Design and Implementation of a Community Monitoring
	Program for Conservation and Increased Ecosystem Resilience
	D38. Oversight and control of the implementation of REDD actions
	Mon 39. PQRDS System
	Dm40. Definition of strategies for the monitoring and evaluation of
	environmental and social safeguards
	DN41. Risk management plan according to Nature-based
	Solutions NBS
	strategic line A, B and D specifically in the following actions:
	Aa1. Formulation of the Ethno-Development Plan
	Ba2. Construction of the Environmental Management Plan of the
	community councils
	Bf12. Capacity Building in Sustainable Productive Actions
5. Make the regulatory, institutional, and	Br12. Capacity Building in Ecosystem Restoration and
financial adjustments that provide the	Conservation Action
State with the necessary instruments for	
forest management and the effective	Bf15. Capacity Building in Governance and Culture Actions Bf16. Capacity Building in Community Monitoring
reduction and control of deforestation	DJ34. Diagnosis of the state of ecosystems, ecosystem services
	and vulnerability to the effects of climate change.
	Dj37. Design and implementation of a community monitoring
	program for the conservation and increase of ecosystem resilience.
	Dk38. Monitoring and control of the implementation of REDD
	actions



	Dn41. Risk management plan according to Nature-based Solutions NBS
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The framework of the strategy (EICDGB), recognizing the importance and ecosystem services associated with forests, includes measures and activities related to Sustainable Forest Management and Community Forest Management of the territory, in which Colombia proposes to strengthen the governance and management of natural forests, to improve the quality of life of the populations that inhabit and depend on these ecosystems. expanding the area of natural forests under sustainable community management (Santos et al., 2018).

With the above context, it is understood that persistent forest harvesting in areas with REDD+ projects present a unique opportunity to harmonize forest conservation with sustainable development. First, the implementation of sustainable harvesting practices allows the generation of income for local communities, thus encouraging participation in the conservation of forest ecosystems. This approach not only strengthens the local economy, but also creates a closer bond between communities and their natural environments, fostering a greater commitment to long-term protection (Castellanos et al., 2022).

In addition, persistent forest harvesting can contribute to deforestation mitigation by providing a viable economic alternative to indiscriminate logging (<u>MADS, 2018</u>). By establishing sustainable management practices (set out in the Management Plans), the natural regeneration of forests is ensured, and biodiversity is promoted, which aligns with the objectives of REDD+ projects in reducing carbon emissions and conserving biodiversity.

Persistent forest harvesting in areas with REDD+ projects represent a comprehensive strategy that harmonizes conservation objectives with economic development. By providing a framework that balances local income generation, deforestation mitigation, and biodiversity conservation, this strategy becomes a valuable tool to move towards a sustainable and resilient future for communities and forests.

On the other hand, it is important to highlight that collective territories are governed under Law 70 of 1993, which includes the development of its chapter IV developed in Decree 1384 of 2023, which regulates this chapter and the other environmental provisions contained in Law 70 of 1993, in relation to renewable natural resources and the environment. in the collective territories awarded, in process or occupied ancestically and/or traditionally by the black, Afro-Colombian, Raizal and Palenquera communities, and it is added to Title 12 of Part 2 of Book 2 of Decree 1076 of 2015 - Single Regulatory Decree of the Administrative Sector of the Environment and Sustainable Development Sector and other provisions are issued

Among the main objectives that we were able to identify from Decree 1384 of 2023 are the following, which are also aligned with the activities of the JIGRANTU REDD+ Project as shown below:

Decree 1384 of 2023	Activities of the REDD+ JIGRANTU Project
Establish planning and governance instruments for	Aa1. Formulation of the Ethno-Development Plan
the management of renewable natural resources	Ba2. Social and environmental planning of the territory
and ecosystem services in collective territories,	Bf15. Capacity Building in Governance and Culture Actions
such as ethno-development plans and	Dj35. Design and implementation of the strategy for the
environmental management plans for collective	protection and restoration of ecosystems
territories (Chapter Two).	Dn41. Risk management plan according to NBS
Recognize and guarantee the right of communities	Bc5. Formulation and implementation of a strategy for the
to exercise their traditional practices of production,	rescue and multiplication of ancestral knowledge
use and exploitation of renewable natural	Bc6. Strengthening cultural events with the participation of
resources, if they are compatible with conservation	different generations
and sustainable development (Chapter Three,	Bd7. Facilities for Recreation and Sports, Health, Education
Fourth, Fifth, Sixth and Seven).	and Culture



	Bf12. Capacity building in sustainable productive actions with emphasis on increasing socio-ecosystem resilience. Bf13. Capacity Building in Ecosystem Restoration and Conservation Action Bf14. Capacity Building in Social Infrastructure Ch19. Housing Improvement Ch20. Improvement of educational infrastructure Ch21. Infrastructure for basic sanitation Ch22. Health Infrastructure Ch23. Infrastructure for Communications Ch24. Infrastructure for Sustainable Productive Alternatives Ch25. Adequacy of waterways Ch26. Construction and maintenance of bridges and roads Ch27. Construction of recreational settings (such as parks,
	etc.) Ch28. Alternative Energy Infrastructure Dn41. Risk management plan according to NBS
Define the procedures and requirements for requesting, granting, modifying, suspending, and revoking environmental permits and authorizations for the use, exploitation, and management of renewable natural resources in collective territories, as well as for the control and monitoring of authorized activities (Chapter Three, Fourth, Fifth, Sixth, and Seven).	Aa1. Formulation of the Ethno-Development Plan Ba2. Social and environmental planning of the territory Bf16. Capacity Building in Community Monitoring Dj35. Design and implementation of the strategy for the protection and restoration of ecosystems
Establish mechanisms for coordination, participation, consultation and free, prior and informed consent of communities in the environmental management processes of collective territories, as well as the incentives, benefits and compensations that correspond to them (Chapters Eight and Nine)	Bb3. Articulation in the execution of REDD actions with the Ethnodevelopment Plan and the Environmental Management Plan of the Community Councils Bb4. Design and implementation of a participation, empowerment and governance strategy for women, youth, the elderly, the disabled and other minority groups Dj36. Strengthening the conservation and monitoring of the manatee (Trichechus manatus) and the hicotea turtle (Trachemys callirostris) Dj37. Design and Implementation of a Community Monitoring Program for Conservation and Increased Ecosystem Resilience Dk38. Monitoring and control of the implementation of REDD actions Mon 39. PQRDS System Dm40. Definition of strategies for the monitoring and evaluation of environmental and social safeguards
Create the Environmental Information System of Collective Territories, as a tool for monitoring, follow-up and evaluation of the environmental management of collective territories, and for the generation of information for decision-making (Chapters two and nine)	<ul> <li>Be8. Strengthening REDD technical capacities with emphasis on increasing socio-ecosystem resilience for adaptation to climate change</li> <li>Be9. Capacity building for REDD project management</li> <li>Be10. Capacity-building for project formulation and implementation</li> <li>Bg17. Formulation and Implementation of the Scheme of Undergraduate and Postgraduate Scholarships, Courses or Training Programs for Women</li> </ul>



Bg18. Formulation and Implementation of the
Undergraduate, Graduate, Course, or Training Programs
Scholarship Plan
Ci29. Diagnosis of the environmental and social offer for the implementation of Sustainable Productive Projects PPS
Ci30. Technical and accounting formulation of the PPS to be
executed
Ci31. Implementation of PPS with an emphasis on
adaptation to climate change
Ci32. Strengthening the commercialization of PPS products,
and development of an own brand
Ci33. Strengthening productive associations of women and
men
Dj34. Diagnosis of the state of ecosystems, ecosystem
services and vulnerability to the effects of climate change

According to <u>Santos et al. (2018)</u>, although Colombia has had a regulatory structure to promote forestry in natural forests since 1993, its application is still limited and the policy instruments have not been adequate to meet the demands of rural communities seeking to manage their own forests. With the development of the REDD+ JIGRANTU Project, it is expected from the execution of its activities to support Sustainable Forest Management through community forestry in the territories that are part of the project, in this way counteract illegal activities, ranging from the illegal extraction of forest products to the establishment of illicit crops. illegal mining or the change of coverage to uses related to the expansion of the agricultural frontier, actions that have occurred within the project area. The activities of the REDD+ JIGRANTU Project consider the design and implementation of Sustainable Productive Projects with technical, economic and legal instruments, as well as capacity building, technical assistance and the productive chain that allow the communities that are part of the project to consolidate local development models based on the goods and services of the forest.

Among the community forestry initiatives in Colombia presented by <u>Castellanos et al. (2022)</u>, 6 REDD+ initiatives stand out with activities for the use of forest products, which, according to the authors, leads to more significant economic advantages for the communities involved, which contributes to their sustainability over time. These initiatives emerge as allies in the fight against deforestation by promoting good practices in the use and exploitation of forest ecosystems by the participating local communities, which not only ensures the profitability of forestry activity, but also supports the ecological succession of species in the forest. This reaffirms that persistent forest harvesting is not incompatible with the purpose of REDD+ projects.

To respond to this finding and to clarify everything related to Forest Management present in the territory of the community council of the Jiguamiandó River, it was necessary to modify section 9.4.2 of the DoP to include the section on forest exploitation (section 9.4.2.1).

Documentation submitted by the project developer

Comprehensive strategy to control deforestation and manage forests in Colombia.pdf

Colombia's Second Biennial Update Report to the CMNUCC.pdf

Sustainable Forest Management through comunitaria.pdf Forestry

Community Forestry Initiatives in Colombia.pdf

Documents related to the Forest Management of the Jiguamiandó River


#### Evaluation of the audit team

Date: 01.02.2024

The response to the request is considered sufficiently robust, clear and documentarily well supported to show that, in effect, the persistent forest harvesting in the Community Councils is configured as a community forestry strategy that brings benefits to the communities; This is understood and considering that they are framed in a rigorous environmental regulation that provides the guidelines for their execution and monitoring.

However, for the purposes of the audit, specifically with regard to quantification, it is necessary to clarify whether the mobilization of timber actually occurred in 2022 under Resolutions 1310 and 1311 of 2020 of the CC of Jiguamiandó, since the current monitoring period does not contemplate the discount for forest harvesting for the year 2022.

Considerando los descuentos para el actual periodo de monitoreo, de incertidumbre, calculo que se detalla en la sección 16.1 y por aprovechamiento forestal (Ver sección 14.1) teniendo en cuenta el volumen concedido por resolución en cada año, se obtienen los siguientes datos (Tabla 19).

Tabla 19 Resumen de la reducción de emisiones para cada año de monitoreo considerando descuentos

Año	Reducción total de GEI (tCO <sub>2</sub> e)	Cantidad reducida por Incertidumbre 8,4% (tCO <sub>2</sub> e)	Descuentos por aprovechamientos forestales (tCO <sub>2</sub> e)	Reducción neta total (tCO2e)
2019	543.662	45.565	10.426	487.671
2020	326.707	27.382	21.359	277.965
2021	296.545	24.854	27.498	244.194
2022	304.277	25.502	0	278.775
Total	1.471.190	97.800	59.283	1.288.605

Fuente. Biotrade S.A.S (2023)

#### CL open

#### **Project Developer's Response**

To date, February 15, 2024, CODECHOCO has not responded to the <u>Request for clarification</u> made by the Community Council of the Jiguamiandó River on December 14, 2023, regarding the mobility of wood outside the period of validity of resolutions 1310 and 1311 of 2020, taking into account that they, as holders of the exploitation permits, did not advance an extension to said resolutions.

This situation does not technically affect the quantification of carbon for the year 2022, the term conferred to carry out forest harvesting in these resolutions was 1 year counted from November 17, 2020, so the discounts were made for the year 2021. The discounts were brought forward for the total volume granted in the harvesting permits, considering the term conferred and not for the mobility of the wood marketed.

#### Documentation submitted by the project developer

Relevant Information MFS CC Río Jiguamiandó

Jiguamiandó River Forest Management

#### Evaluation of the audit team

Date: 30.05.2024

Date: 15-02-2024



Through the information provided by the developer, the total volume granted in Resolutions 1310 and 1311 of 2020 was included in the quantification of the project. Any situation related to the mobility of this wood (framed in the resolutions) does not compromise the carbon quantification of the project, since it is already included in the quantification of GHG emissions for the monitoring period.

CL closed

CL No.	02	Requirement No.	13. and 15. BCR V3.2 Standard	Date: 04.12.2023

Description of the CL

It is requested to clarify what is the information or documentary reference and the spaces for participation/agreement between the parties that support both risk management and the identification, evaluation and mitigation of environmental and socioeconomic aspects requested by the standard through the No Net Harm tool and the Risk and Permanence tool.

#### Project Developer's Response

Date: 19-12-2023

In terms of risk management, different sources were used, initially based on the participation of the communities in the assemblies of each community council. During these working days, 3 workshops were held, 1. Analysis of the drivers and agents of deforestation, 2. Construction of the institutional and environmental timeline and 3. Problems within the territory. In the latter, the most important environmental, social and financial problems that have the greatest relevance for the inhabitants of the territory are presented. To complement this analysis, secondary information was used, such as the Special Characterization Plans of each Community Council, base cartography for the identification of environmental risks, and the elaboration of the fund flow as a basis for the financial risks of the project. The Permanence and Risk Management tool was followed. BCR project holder take actions to ensure the project benefits are maintained over time. Version 1.0 (BCR, 2023), according to this, the GHG project holder must use appropriate methodologies to carry out the assessment of the expected risks and consider adaptation measures, within the framework of adaptive management.

Documentation submitted by the project developer



Risk analysis JIGRANTU.xlsx

Assemblies of each community council:

03. 22\_23\_102022 Minutes of the Jiguamiando\_ok.pdf Meeting

05. 28\_29102022 Minutes of the Assembly of the Grande\_ok.pdf

06. 28-29\_102022 Minutes of the Turriquitado\_ok.pdf Meeting

Spaces for participation for the analysis of risks, benefits, barriers and safeguards framed in the various actions for each of the strategic lines:

14 16102023 Grande\_proyecto Jigrantu\_OK.pdf

15. 17102023 Turriquitadó\_proyecto Jigrantu\_OK.pdf

16. 18102023 Curvaradó\_proyecto Jigrantu\_ok.pdf

18. 20102023 New Hope Jigrantu\_ok.pdf

22. 24102024 Pueblo Nuevo Jigrantu\_ok.pdf

SPECIAL CHARACTERIZATION PLANS

Caracterizacion CarmenDarien 2011.pdf

MAPPING-ENVIRONMENTAL RISKS

Project Background Flow JIGRANTU.xlsx

Evaluation of the audit team

Date: 27-12-2023

Modifications are made to the relevant documents in compliance with the tools.

#### CL closed

CL	<b>No.</b> 03	Requirement No.	26. BCR Standard V3.2	Date: 05.12.2023
Description of the CL	-			



During the cartographic review, it was evident that part of the areas of the REDD+ JIGRANTU Project overlap with a project registered in CERCARBONO with ID 99. The project documents with ID 99, published in Ecoregistry, contemplate the inclusion of the titled areas to the Jiguamiandó River Community Council.

It is requested to clarify this information and give it the corresponding treatment, through direct communication with the developer of the overlapping project and/or the certifier.



Project Developer's Response

Date: 19-12-2023



Since October 23, 2022, the legal representatives of the community councils: RÍO JIGUAMIANDO, LA GRANDE and TURRIQUITADO, entered an alliance contract with the company Biotrade S.A.S for the development of a REDD project in the collective territories, after a phase of more than two years in review of technical and financial proposals from five companies. Part of the final decision-making process included the participation of the communities through a General Assembly, where the proposal generated by Biotrade S.A.S. was studied and the signing of the contract was approved, complying with the provisions of the Board of Directors of the three councils. Prior to the signing of this contract, no other contracts were signed that included the same objective of developing a REDD project.

For the Community Councils, it is a surprise that the territory of the JIGUAMIANDÓ RIVER is deliberately being included within instance 2 of the <u>PEDEGUITA JIGUAMIANDÓ REDD+ project with ID:99</u>.

For this reason, CARBO Sostenible S.A.S., the developer of the project, was asked to exclude the territory, and we also asked the OVV, which carried out the validation and verification process, as shown in Annex 2, to take into account that the area of the COMMUNITY COUNCIL OF THE JIGUAMIANDÓ RIVER is already included in the REDD+JIGRANTU PROJECT with ID: BCR-CO-296-14-001, which is in the validation and verification phase (Annex 3).

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#### ANEXO 2: Organización validadora y verificadora







A <u>right of petition was made on December 29, 2023</u> to EcoRegistry (Platform where the project is registered) and CarboSostenible SAS (Project Developer) for the exclusion of the polygon from the community council of the Jiguamiandó River, which is in instance 2 of the ID 99 PEDEGUITA JIGUAMIANDÓ REDD+ project.

On January 2, 2024, we received <u>a response from EcoRegistry</u> to the request for clarification and exclusion of the Jiguamiandó River polygon sent on December 11, 2023, highlighting that "it is not the organization in charge of judging the actions of the projects, or determining the inclusion or not of a territory in a certain project. They act as a service platform for various certification standards, among which is CERCARBONO, responsible for certifying the project in question." In this response, it was also reported on the option of <u>making comments on the project</u> in order to establish a connection with CERCARBONO, a process that took place on January 3, 2024, in which the <u>right of petition is also sent to the certifier</u>.

On January 11, 2024, we received <u>a response from CERCARBONO</u> in which they clarify the particularities of a grouped Project, which "... are structured to allow the addition of one or more instances of the mitigation activity or its expansion after the initial validation...", they also clarify that "the PDDs of grouped projects may mention all the areas to be included in their scope, but these must be submitted to a validation process in order to be eligible for credit generation, which hasn't happened." As the territory of the Community Council of the Jiguamiandó River has not been verified, it cannot be considered as included in the PEDEGUITA JIGUAMIANDÓ REDD+ID:99 project. In this response, they require the formal submission of documentation that supports the legal representation of the territories of the Community Councils that are part of the JIGRANTU REDD+ Project with these CERCARBONO supports "... request modifications to the project documentation from the owner, especially in the PDD and cartography...".

For this reason, on January 12, 2024, we sent <u>an email with the documents and certificates that accredit the legal representation of the community councils</u>, documents present in folder 6 Legal compliance subfolder of <u>Legal representation documents</u>.

On January 18, 2024, we received <u>a response from CERCARBONO</u> to the email sent on January 12, where it is reported that the owners/responsible for the ID99 project have removed the areas corresponding to the Jiguamiandó River Community Council from the scope of the project, the cartographic information and the name of the project was updated in EcoRegistry, in which a response was given to the comment published on January <u>3</u> informing the change of name and cartographic information, clarifying that in the new verification event the changes made around it in the PDD and complementary documentation will be reviewed.

The ID99 project changed its name to Pedeguita and Mancilla REDD+

Documentation submitted by the project developer



Mail Right of Petition EcoRegistry and CarboSostenible.pdf					
Right to petition Ecoregistry - CarboSostenible SAS.pdf					
Response to Letter Request Project ID 99 EcoRegistry .pdf					
Comments to PEDEGUITA JIGUAMIANDO REDD Available in: <u>https://www.ecoregistry.io/project-comment-list/99</u>					
Mail Right of Petition CERCARBONO.pdf					
Right to petition CERCARBONO.pdf					
Response to the Right to Petition ID 99 CERCARBONO					
Mail with legal representation supports to CERCARBONO					
Legal Representation Documents					
CERCARBONO's response to the email sent on January 12, 2024					
Response to comment posted on EcoRegistry on January 3, 2024					
Evidence of ID99 project name change: https://www.ecoregistry.io/projects/99					
Evaluation of the audit teamDate: 01.02.2024					



The management developed and supported to validate the response to the request are considered satisfactory. It is clear from the different communications sent that the areas of the Jiguamiandó CC have not been validated or verified by the project with Cercarbono ID 99: In other words, these areas have not been included in the quantification periods of the PEDEGUITA and MANCILLA REDD+ project. To give greater traceability to what was expressed in the communications with Cercarbono, the following record is left: Por otra parte, en el Informe de Validación y Verificación (IV&V) emitido por el OVV que llevó a cabo el proceso inicial de validación verificación del proyecto ID99, se reiteró se trata de un proyecto agrupado, en donde participan los territorios del Consejo Comunitario Pedeguita y Mancilla y establece que: "En la segunda instancia se incluye el territorio del Consejo Comunitario de Jiguamiandó, localizado en los mismos municipios, el cual comprende una extensión de 54.973 hectáreas, instancia que será validada en una posterior validación y verificación, cuando cumpla con todos los requisitos metodológicos del programa...". Reiteramos la importancia del envío formal de documentación que soporte la tenencia y representación legal de los territorios señalados por parte de ustedes, porque con esos soportes, Cercarbono podrá solicitar al titular modificaciones en la documentación del proyecto, en especial en el PDD y cartografía. Por medio de la presente queremos informarles que los titulares/responsables del proyecto ID99 han retirado las áreas correspondiente al CONSEJO COMUNITARIO DEL RÍO JIGUAMIANDO del alcance del proyecto. Por tanto, será actualizado en Ecoregistry la información cartográfica y el nombre del proyecto. Las modificaciones a nivel del documento de PDD u otros complementarios, serán revisadas en el próximo evento de verificación. Es importante mencionarles que el PDD actual no genera implicaciones de algún tipo ya que está respaldado por el informe de verificación emitido por el OVV, en el que se establece que las áreas de Jiguamiandó no fueron validadas ni verificadas. Por favor podrían extender esta información a los titulares del proyecto que representan. Con lo anterior consideramos podemos dar por concluida la solicitud que inicialmente nos realizaron. Quedamos atentos a cualquier comentario. Reciban un cordial saludo, Alex Saer ^ ∨ 1/2 | ⊕ 𝔍 Q CEO Cercarbono It should be clarified that the geometry of the updated cartography does not correspond to a polygon type but to a point. However, the table of attributes may show that only the Pedeguita and Mancilla CC are included in the official cartography of the REDD+ PEDEGUITA Y MANCILLA project. Navegador Caja de herramientas de Pro GCTTO 🍖 🤚 🗐 🖹 🦻 🔧 Favorice Marcade ores espaciales • 🕓 Usado reci Marcadores esp marcadores esp C() GeoPackage SpatiaLite PostgreSQL SAP HANA MS SQL Server Oracle Cortar
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#### **Description of the CL**

A few privately owned individual properties have been established under Law 200 within the Jiguamiandó Community Council, it is necessary to clarify and evaluate the risk that these areas may represent and how they are included or excluded from the project areas.

In addition to the above, it was evidenced on site that some Civil Society Reserve Zones have been established in the project areas within the framework of the execution of activities with institutional actors. How would these areas be handled within the project?

**Project Developer's Response** 

Date: 19-12-2023



To avoid disputes over territory in the medium and long term and considering issues related to ownership and carbon rights, the individual properties with private property present within the Community Council of the Jiguamiandó River were excluded, with this change it was necessary to adjust the cartography of both the project area and the leakage and reference area. for this reason, V.2 is presented in Folder 7. CARTOGRAPHY.

To answer the question: How would these areas be handled within the project? It is specified that the Boards of Directors of the three (3) Community Councils are not carrying out the process of declaring Civil Society Reserve Zones, these initiatives are being developed by the private properties that the project excluded, therefore, it is not appropriate to manage the Civil Society Reserve Zones in the REDD+ JIGRANTU Project.

#### Documentation submitted by the project developer

Cartography version 2.

Clarification letter on the establishment of Civil Society Reserve Zones: ZRSC clarification Consejos.pdf

#### Evaluation of the audit team

It is essential that the ownership of the properties within the polygon provided for the development of the project is clearly determined. On the other hand, it is important that the Project Owners indicate in detail what will be the relationship model with owners of lots within the polygon who do not join the project, since incompatible uses derived from activities, projects or works that are carried out in these can be tensors that affect the object of the project, which is based on a strict use of protection and conservation. The list of these properties must be clearly defined, their georeferencing, their owners, the real rights that exist over them and possible conflicts of use, as well as guarantee the continuous monitoring of the activities that take place in them and mechanisms for the peaceful resolution of conflicts with the support of the territorial entity and the environmental authority for the adequate monitoring of the activities that may affect the project polygon and its integrity, structure and ecological functionality for the fulfillment of the purposes of the project.

#### CL open

**Project Developer's Response** 

Date: 23-01-2024

Date: 27-12-2023



In order to give clarity to the ownership of the properties within the polygon provided for the development of the project, present within the Community Council of the Jiguamiandó River, the Information Table of <u>Private</u> <u>Properties CC of the Jiguamiandó River</u> was made , which shows the summary of <u>Resolution 2159 of August</u> <u>24, 2007</u> "by which the territories awarded to the Community Council of the Jiguamiandó River in the Department of Chocó are demarcated from the legitimately owned properties awarded to private individuals" and the <u>legal</u> <u>characterization and sanitation of the collective territories of Curvaradó and Jiguamiandó carried out by</u> <u>INCODER in 2012</u>. This table details the property number, name, real estate registration folio, adjudication resolution, milestones, area of occupation (ha), original awardee, current owner (as of 2012), occupation and economic exploitation, as well as some observations.

According to the information presented in <u>Resolution 2159 of August 24, 2007</u> and the <u>legal characterization and</u> <u>sanitation of the collective territories of Curvaradó and Jiguamiandó carried out by INCODER in 2012</u>, the titled area of the 62 privately owned properties of private individuals is three thousand one hundred and two hectares (3,102 ha) and the area of the community council of the Jiguamiandó River exceeds fifty-four thousand nine hundred and seventy-three hectares (54,973 ha) as initially awarded in <u>Resolution 029801 of November 22, 2000</u> to fifty-one thousand eight hundred and seventy hectares (51,870 ha) in accordance with the provisions of Resolution 2159 of August 24, 2007. The polygon of the CC that is found in the <u>open data portal of the ANT</u> has an area of 51,581 ha, that is, it is below the area awarded, so this is taken as the official information of the area of the Council and where the private properties have been demarcated from the collective territory.

To corroborate this information, several entities were asked for the cartographic data referred to in Resolution 2159 of August 24, 2007, but so far no entity has responded satisfactorily, only that such records are not available.

On December 29, 2023, the cartography corresponding to the Territorial Planning Scheme of the Municipality of <u>Carmen del Darién</u> and <u>Riosucio</u> in the department of Chocó was requested by two means, <u>via email</u> and through the website of said mayors' offices, with tracking numbers 80908576502 and 93439267602 respectively. However, so far they have not responded by any means. The request was also made <u>to the National Land Agency</u> (<u>ANT</u>) in the name of the legal representative of the community council with file number 202362013467762 and in the name of Biotrade with file number 202362013467962 but they are still in process, without any response. The request for resolution 2159 of 2007 was also made, since within it is the plan containing the properties to the <u>Ministry of Agriculture</u> with file number 2023-313-030857-2, but in the <u>response reported on January 16</u>, 2024, they mention that there is no information related to said resolution, <u>transferring the communication to the National Land</u> Agency and respond to the requesting sender where the file number 2024-10-000369-1 is given, so far we have not had any response.

In view of the fact that we did not receive a response from the plans, we sent the <u>request to the Office of the</u> <u>Registry of Public Instruments of Quibdó</u> where the folios of each property are registered, <u>on January 12, 2024</u>, <u>the request was filed</u> but so far we have not received a response. As is evident, we exhausted all instances for the request for cartographic information of the properties, but we have not received an affirmative response for the georeferencing of these. We take the data from the ANT as official information, considering that it is the "highest authority of the lands of the nation" (Decree 2363 of 2015) and it is to this entity that corresponds the delimitation of the Community Council of the Jiguamiandó River and the privately owned properties that are within it. Although the territory of the Jiguamiandó River is presented, it is a single polygon, it does not present a differentiation or delimitation property by property.

Regarding the relationship model, it is important to clarify that we as a project cannot generate such information, and although it is an activity that is contemplated within the diagnosis of Aa1. Formulation of the Ethno-Development Plan and Aa2. Construction of the Environmental Management Plan of the community councils should be done in coordination with the corresponding entities in order to identify individual polygons, current use and redesign, if necessary, to monitor the use, in such a way that it does not affect the project area. The



realignment is proposed in cases where the private properties have exceeded the maximum allottable, in the legal characterization and sanitation of the collective territories of Curvaradó and Jiguamiandó carried out by INCODER in 2012, some bad faith occupants who have exceeded the allocated area, occupying more than 1,000 ha of the collective territory are described (Information on private properties CC del Río Jiguamiandó).

After the diagnosis made for Aa1. Formulation of the Ethno-Development Plan and Aa2. Construction of the Environmental Management Plan of the community councils and after establishing the strategy for the protection and restoration of ecosystems, which is proposed from the Dj35 activity. Design and execution of the strategy for the protection and restoration of ecosystems, it is intended to recover about 1,500 ha for the sanitation of the territory by effect of private titles, so the goal is to establish 31 agreements with private properties for the sanitation and restoration of the collective territory during the useful life of the JIGRANTU REDD+ Project. During the work that was done in the field with the legal representatives, it was defined that all people, including the owners of private land, would be beneficiaries of the actions, since many of these are reflected at the ecosystem level.

Although the uses that have been carried out on private properties are not aligned with the objectives of the Project, they do respond to the dynamics of deforestation present in the territory. Plantain, cassava, maize and rice crops, livestock and timber exploitation. Many of these areas will have a special management considering the zoning of productive nuclei, considering the behavior of deforestation and the present coverage, successional agroforestry systems, forest plantations or within the connectivity nucleus, forest enrichment, agroforestry systems, agrosilvopastoral systems and ecosystem restoration will be established, these productive systems cover about 1,009 ha, some of these are adjacent to private land area (this strategy is described in detail in section 6 of the RM, Adaptation to Climate Change).

These systems are discussed in the Ci31 activity. Implementation of Sustainable Productive Projects with indicator No. of hectares transformed into sustainable productive projects. In the same way and following the strategic line D. Conservation and monitoring and the program Dj. Conservation of biodiversity and ecosystem services, we commit to establish a system of continuous monitoring of the activities on the properties, with the collaboration of the territorial entities (municipal mayors' offices) and the environmental authority (CODECHOCÓ) that includes a procedure for the peaceful resolution of conflicts (which is described in activity Dj35. Design and execution of the Ecosystem Protection and Restoration Strategy).

Documentation submitted by the project developer



Information on private properties CC del Río Jiguamiandó					
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As indicated in the developer's response, the evidence supports the timely management and request of cartographic information before various institutional instances, which have not issued a response. However, given the characteristics of the information contained in the ANT form, where the demarcation of CC Jiguamiandó from privately owned properties can already be seen, and the information contained in Resolution 2159 of 2007 (details of private properties), the audit team considers that the legal and cartographic documentation is sufficient to support the legitimacy of private properties surrounding the project area and the delimitation of the Jiguamiandó CC, respectively.



Official cartography (ANT) of the CC Jiguamiandó

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2. It was also verified with the National Land Agency that the area corresponds to the aforementioned Community Council, which is the highest authority for the lands of the Nation and whose objective is to implement the policy of social organization of rural property. Therefore, it is resolved to cut the areas that do not correspond to the aforementioned jurisdiction.							
Documentation submitted by the project developer							
The link to the geoviewer of the National Land Agency is att https://data-agenciadetierras.opendata.arcgis.com/datasets The above-mentioned resolution							
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Relevant modifications are made to the documents.

CL closed

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#### Description of the CL

Considering the map presented within the project document in section 2.5.1.6.3 "Protected Areas and Subtraction Zones", clarification is requested:

- 1. How will this area of the Pacific National Forest Reserve, which corresponds to 71% of the project area, be managed?
- 2. How do you ensure that this Reserve will not have any inconvenience with respect to the management contemplated by law for such areas of sustainable use, preservation, restoration, knowledge and enjoyment?
- **3.** In accordance with Article 43 of Resolution 1447, what are the considerations for complying with this article in the Reserve subtraction zones that make up 28% of the project area?

No se consideran adicionales las reducciones de emisiones o remociones de GEI producto de actividades de compensación del componente biótico derivadas de los impactos ocasionados por proyectos, obras o actividades en el marco de las licencias ambientales, concesiones, solicitudes de permisos de aprovechamiento único del recurso forestal por cambio de uso del suelo, y la solicitud de sustracciones definitivas de reservas forestales nacionales y regionales.

Project Developer's Response

Date: 19-12-2023



The adjustment of the map of protected areas and subtractions was made considering the <u>zoning of Law 2</u> carried out by the MADS in 2019, in the reserve zone of Law 2 of 1959 the area of the project is within the category of area with prior planning decision.



1. Resolution 1926 of December 30, 2013, which adopts the zoning and management of the Pacific Forest Reserve, established in Law 2 of 1959 and takes other determinants, considers in its chapter 3 that the Zoning and Ordinance object of this resolution does not apply to the territories of collective titling present within the areas of the Pacific Forest Reserve. In accordance with what has been stated in the preamble, at the same time the zoning of the Forest Reserve does not modify the functions and powers assigned to the environmental authorities located in the collective territories.



ARTÍCULO 3°.- De las áreas del Sistema Nacional de Áreas Protegidas -SINAP- y los Territorios Colectivos. La zonificación y el ordenamiento objeto de la presente resolución no aplica para las áreas pertenecientes al Sistema Nacional de Áreas Protegidas -SINAP de que trata el Decreto 2372 de 2010, ni las de los territorios colectivos presentes al interior de las áreas de la Reserva Forestal del Pacífico, de acuerdo con lo expuesto en la parte considerativa del presente acto administrativo.

Así mismo, la zonificación no genera cambios en el uso del suelo ni modificaciones en la naturaleza misma de la Reserva Forestal del Pacífico, y tampoco modifica las funciones y competencias asignadas a las autoridades ambientales localizadas en dichas áreas.

2. The environmental administration function of the collective territory is governed by Law 70, specifically by Decree 1384 of 2023 (August 25), which regulates Chapter IV and the other environmental provisions contained in Law 70 of 1993, in relation to renewable natural resources and the environment, in the collective territories awarded, in process or occupied ancestorially and/or traditionally by the black, Afro-Colombian, Raizal and Palenquera communities, and is added to Title 12 of Part 2 of Book 2 of Decree 1076 of 2015 - Single Regulatory Decree of the Administrative Sector of the Environment and Sustainable Development Sector and other provisions are issued

Article 2.2.12.2.5. Articulation of the environmental management of the Community Councils with the environmental authorities: The management of the environment and natural resources in the collective territories of the Black, Afro-Colombian, Raizal and Palenquera communities, by the Community Councils, will be articulated with the environmental authorities of the jurisdiction.

Consequently, in no case shall the community councils exercise the functions of environmental authority in the collective territories, since Article 5 of Law 70 of 1993 only assigns them the function of ensuring the conservation and use of natural resources, and Article 6, paragraph 4 of the same provision, orders them to apply to the authorities they require to carry out forest harvesting for commercial purposes.

**3.** Both in reserve areas of Law 2 and in case of subtraction from the reserve, the right of collective title prevails, in this way the owners of the territory have the right to seek financial mechanisms to guarantee the preservation of forests and natural resources, for this reason the SDB seeks in the first instance the construction of the Ethnodevelopment Plan and subsequent zoning for the conservation and sustainable use of the territory, In this way, the JIGRANTU REDD+ Project is in accordance with the provisions of Decree 1384 of August 2023 and Resolution 1926 of December 30, 2013.

None of the actions reported are the result of compensation for activities such as: infrastructure works or activities within the framework of the development of environmental licenses, concessions, requests for single forest use due to change of land use and request for definitive subtractions of national and regional forest reserves, since the subtraction within the Project area was carried out with the allocation of vacant land (Agreement 36 of 1982 of INDERENA).

Documentation submitted by the project developer

Resolution 1926 of December 30, 2013 is attached

Evaluation of the audit team

Date: 27-12-2023



1. Although it is true that there would be no incompatibility between the zoning proposed by Resolution 1926 of 2013, and that it does not apply, as indicated in Article 3, to collective territorialities, it is important to consider that the uses that this zoning admits outside the polygon of the project may result in the generation of tensors that may affect the object of the project, so it is important to verify whether in the periphery In practice, this area has a buffering effect on the transition of uses. On the other hand, it is important to consider that the Bill has a limiting effect on the exercise of the powers granted by Law 70 of 1993 in Decrees 1384 of 2023 and Decree 1396 of 2023 in what corresponds to the autonomy and self-determination of communities for the environmental planning of their territories.

2. Law 99 of 1993 does not contemplate that Community Councils are environmental authorities (although an extensive interpretation of Law 1333 of 2009 could grant such power to prevention). In accordance with the foregoing and based on the principles of regional harmony, normative gradation and subsidiary rigor brought by Article 63 of Law 99 of 1993, Law 70 of 1993 in its Articles 19 to 21 indicates that the uses in collective territorialities must be exercised in such a way as to guarantee the persistence of resources. both in quantity and quality, and consequently, the owners must comply with the obligations to protect the environment and renewable natural resources and contribute to the authorities in the defense of this heritage; Accordingly, the members of black communities, holders of the right to collective property, must conserve, maintain or promote the regeneration of water-protective vegetation and guarantee through appropriate use the persistence of especially fragile ecosystems, such as mangroves and wetlands, and protect and conserve threatened or endangered species of wild fauna and flora.

3. Article 43 of Decree 1447 of 2018 states in paragraph 3 that "(...) Reductions in GHG emissions or removals resulting from activities to compensate for the biotic component derived from the impacts caused by projects, works or activities within the framework of environmental licenses, concessions, applications for permits for the sole use of forest resources due to land use change, and the request for definitive subtractions from national and regional forest reserves are not considered additional." As long as the compensation actions are not carried out in the area affected by the Jigrantú project polygon, the incompatibility derived from double accounting in the GHG mitigation results accounted for would not occur.

CL closed.

CL No.	07	Requirement No.	8.3.1 Avoid Double Counting Tool V1.0	Date: 01.02.2024
Description of the C	L			



It is requested to clarify how the project has dealt with section 8.3.1 of the Tool to avoid double counting V1.0, since the documentary support is not available.

#### 8.3.1 País de acogida Attestation

El titular del proyecto deberá presentar el certificado de país anfitrión expedido por la autoridad nacional designada o el punto focal designado del país anfitrión de la actividad de proyecto. El modelo de esta carta figura en el Anexo A del presente documento.

Esta carta debe facilitarse/cargarse durante el proceso de registro del proyecto en la plataforma BCR. En el caso de las unidades elegibles para CORSIA, antes de autorizar las retiradas de VCC para CORSIA, el equipo de BCR comprobará que el titular del proyecto carga la carta de certificación.

**Project Developer's Response** 

Found: 15.02.2024

Date: 08.06.2024

On February 7, 2024, an email was sent to <u>manage the host country certificate</u>. Considering that the platform for the National Registry for the Reduction of GHG Emissions - RENARE has not been operational for more than a year, <u>registration was requested</u> with the Ministry of Environment and Sustainable Development, Directorate of Climate Change and Risk Management of the REDD+ JIGRANTU Project. The information related to the Project was sent within the <u>BioCarbon Registry</u> platform and with this, the <u>host country certificate was requested</u>. This application has <u>file number: 2024E1005569 and code: e48ab</u>.

Documentation submitted by the project developer

Mail JIGRANTU REDD+ Project Registration Application and Host Country Certificate

JIGRANTU REDD+ Project Registration Application and Host Country Certificate

Host Country Certificate

MADS File Information

#### Evaluation of the audit team

The developer modified section 16 of the PDD, so that it was verified that the project submitted registration to RENARE (ID 4181) after its reactivation.

#### CL closed

CL No.	08	Requirement No.	7. BCR Standard V3.2	Date: 01.02.2024
Description of the Cl	L			



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				Body (CAB)		Period	Reductions or Removals				_
			Consejo Comunitario del Rio Jiguamiando,								
	BCR-CO-296-14- 001	Proyecto REDD+ JIGRANTU	Consejo Comunitario de La Grande.			2017-01-10 to 2047-01-10		Agriculture, forestry and other land uses		Colombia	
			Consejo Comunitario de Turriquitado,					(AFOLU)			
			Biotrade SAS								
Project Develop	er's Res	sponse				Four	<b>nd:</b> 15.0	02.2024			
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were modified, a											
Documentation submitted by the project developer											
Project information	Project information in the BioCarbon Registry										
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Evaluation of th	e audit	team				Date	: 20.02.	2024			



The developer successfully updated the project information on the BioCarbon Registry registration platform. However, it was evident that, sometimes, the platform has some technical drawbacks that do not allow the documents that the developer has uploaded to be viewed. The traceability of the date of creation (upload) of the documents on the platform is left.

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	🖪 Informació		B Documen	itos
	Documento de proyecto		Archivo de Coordenadas	
	Fecha de creación	Acciones	Fecha de creación	Acciones
	2023-11-09T21:28:43.000000Z	Ver Archivo	2023-11-09T21:28:45.000000Z	Ver Archivo
	2024-02-06T15:42:38.000000Z	Ver Archivo	2024-02-02T14:43:54.000000Z	Ver Archivo
	2024-02-21714:23:40.000000Z	Ver Archivo	2024-02-06T15:42:38.000000Z	Ver Archivo
			2024-02-06T15:48:00.000000Z	Ver Archivo
			2024-02-06T15:53:22.000000Z	Ver Archivo
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CL closed			

FAR No.	01	Requirement No.	BCR Standard 18. REDD- Safeguards 21. Monitorig Plan	<b>Date:</b> 09.06.2024					
Description of the FAR									
Within the framework	Within the framework of information management of REDD+ projects, it is requested that:								
<ol> <li>The developer adjusts the formats provided to collect evidence of attendance, socialization and so on; so that the participation of people who are part of minority groups, associations, women, children and/or institutional groups can be evidenced in a clearer and more disaggregated manner. In this sense, the attendance sheets or respective templates may include information on age, gender, position (association or institutions).</li> <li>The developer adjusts the formats available to collect evidence of the implementation activities of the Monitoring Plan, so that the templates or formats for reporting REDD+ actions present more systematic and organized information (coordinates, photographs of the implementation, etc.)</li> <li>These adjustments will improve the management system and quality of project information.</li> </ol>									
Project Developer's	Response			Date:					
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Evaluation of the audit team Date:									





### 11.6 Annex 6. Abbreviations

Abbreviations	Full texts
CO2e	Carbon Dioxide Equivalent
REDD+	Reducing Emissions from Degradation and Deforestation
GHG	Greenhouse Gases
tCO2e	Tons of Carbon Dioxide Equivalent
OVV	Validation and Verification Body
PDD/PD	Project Document



### 11.7 Annex 7. ONAC Acreditation

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#### ANEXO DEL CERTIFICADO

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ACTIVIDAD	SECTOR	Documento Normativo o Programa				
		<ul> <li>Programa VCS (Verified Carbon Standard).</li> </ul>				
	Forestación y reforestación	<ul> <li>Programa CERCARBONO (Certificadora de Carbono).</li> </ul>				
		<ul> <li>Estándar para el Mercado Voluntario de Carbono BCR Estándar</li> </ul>				
	Industrias Energéticas (fuentes	<ul> <li>Programa VCS (Verified Carbon Standard).</li> </ul>				
	renovables / no renovables)	<ul> <li>Estándar para el Mercado Voluntario de Carbono BCR Estándar</li> </ul>				
ISO 14065:2020		<ul> <li>Programa CERCARBONO (Certificadora de Carbono).</li> </ul>				
VALIDACIÓN / VERIFICACIÓN DE		<ul> <li>Programa VCS (Verified Carbon Standard).</li> </ul>				
PROYECTOS GEI	Demanda energética	<ul> <li>Estándar para el Mercado Voluntario de Carbono BCR Estándar</li> </ul>				
ISO 14064-2: 2019		<ul> <li>Programa CERCARBONO (Certificadora de Carbono).</li> </ul>				
ISO 14064-3: 2019		<ul> <li>Programa VCS (Verified Carbon Standard).</li> </ul>				
	Transporte	<ul> <li>Estándar para el Mercado Voluntario de Carbono BCR Estándar</li> </ul>				
		<ul> <li>Programa CERCARBONO (Certificadora de Carbono).</li> </ul>				
		<ul> <li>Programa VCS (Verified Carbon Standard).</li> </ul>				
	Manejo y eliminación de residuos	<ul> <li>Estándar para el Mercado Voluntario de Carbono BCR Estándar</li> </ul>				
		<ul> <li>Programa CERCARBONO (Certificadora de Carbono).</li> </ul>				

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