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| BCR Project ID                                | BCR-CO-635-14-005   |  |  |
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| Version number of the Project                 |   |  |  |
| Document applicable to this monitoring report | Version 2.3   |  |  |

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| Applied methodology(ies)                          | AFOLU Sector Methodological Document / BCR0004 Quantification of GHG Emission Reduction and Removal - Activities that Avoid Land Use Change in Continental Wetlands. Version 2.0 June 23, 2022.  AFOLU Sector Methodological Document BCR0002 Quantification of GHG Emission Reductions from |  |  |
|   | REDD+ Projects. Version 3.1. September 15, 2022.   |  |  |
|   | Colombia, región Orinoquía:  |  |  |
| Project location (Country,                        | Departamento Arauca: Arauca, Cravo Norte, Puerto Rondón y Tame.  |  |  |
| Region, City)                                     | Departamento Casanare: Hato Corozal, Paz de<br>Ariporo, Orocué, Pore, San Luis de Palenque,<br>Trinidad y Yopal.   |  |  |
| Project starting date                             | 15/01/2018   |  |  |
| Quantification period of GHG reductions/removals  | 15/01/2018 to 14/01/2038   |  |  |
| Monitoring period number                          | Second   |  |  |
| Monitoring period                                 | 01/01/2022 - 31/12/2024. 167.839   |  |  |
| Amount of emission reductions or removals         | Total reductions: 503.516,0 tCO2e  |  |  |
| achieved by the project in this monitoring period | Annual average: <b>167.839 tCO2e/year</b>  |  |  |

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| Contribution to Sustainable Development Goals | SDG 6: Water and Sanitation<br>SDG 13: Climate Action<br>SDG 15: Life of Terrestrial Ecosystems |  |
| Special category, related to co-benefits      | Orchid  |  |

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## 1 General description of project

The Project reduces CO2 emissions by developing activities that reduce deforestation of forests, as well as the transformation of natural Wetlands in 120 private properties located in the departments of Arauca and Casanare. To achieve this objective, the project supports actions that comprehensively address the landscape, considering land use change and the implementation of more sustainable practices in forest and wetland ecosystems. The socio-environmental impact resulting from the development of project activities allow the ecosystem managers to receive economic benefits to strengthen local governance, promote sustainable rural development and improve their quality of life in a region marked by an agricultural frontier with industrial crops.

The project's activity start date corresponds to 2018, and its environmental, social and economic impact is aimed at 102,863 total hectares, whose accounting areas are distributed in 10,532.3 hectares of forest and 50,352.8 hectares of wetlands. The project area comprises private rural properties, in a predominantly floodplain landscape.

The Project focuses on demonstrating how project activities contribute to the Sustainable Development Goals, specifically SDG 6 (Clean Water and Sanitation), SDG 13 (Climate Action) and SDG 15 (Life of Terrestrial Ecosystems). In addition to demonstrating that actions related to climate change mitigation lead to benefits in addition to the reduction of GHG emissions - Co-benefits in the Orchid category, as a comprehensive and long-term approach to the social and environmental benefits that project activities will bring in biodiversity conservation, community benefits and gender equity.

During the monitoring period 2022-2024 a reduction of 503.537,7 tCo2 eq was achieved.

#### 1.1 Sectoral scope and project type

The project falls under the scope of the BRC Standard by meeting one or more of the conditions set out in Table 1.

Table 1 Scope of the standard.

| The scope of the BCR Standard is limited to:  |   |
|---|---|
| The following greenhouse gases, included in the Kyoto Protocol: Carbon Dioxide (CO2), Methane (CH4), and Nitrous Oxide (N2O). | х |

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| Emission reductions or removals of GHG that exceed any GHG reduction or removal required by law, regulation, or legally binding mandate.                        |   |
|---|---|
| GHG projects that use a methodology developed or approved by the BioCarbon Registry, applicable to GHG removal activities and REDD+ activities (AFOLU Sector).  | х |
| Quantifiable emission reductions and/or removals of GHG, generated by the implementation of GHG removal activities and/or REDD+ activities (AFOLU Sector)       | х |
| GHG projects that use a methodology developed or approved by the BioCarbon Registry, applicable to activities in the energy, transportation, and waste sectors. |   |
| Quantifiable GHG emission reductions generated by the implementation of activities in the energy, transportation, and waste sectors.                            |   |

Source: BioCarbon Standard, 2024.

The project belongs to the AFOLU sector and focuses on the reduction of greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions through REDD+ strategies and actions focused on the conservation and sustainable management of wetlands.

Table 2 Project Type.

| CO2Bio P2-2 Project Characteristics                 |   |  |
|---|---|--|
| Activities in the AFOLU sector, other than REDD+    | X |  |
| REDD+ activities                                    | X |  |
| Activities in the energy sector                     |   |  |
| Activities in the transport sector                  |   |  |
| Activities related to waste management and disposal |   |  |

Source: BioCarbon Registry, 2023.

## 1.2 Project start date

The project's start date is established as of January 15, 2018.

## 1.3 Project quantification period

From January 15, 2018 to January 14, 2038. 20 years in total

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## 1.4 Project location and project boundaries.

The project is located in the Orinoco River basin, in the eastern region of Colombia, within the Orinoquía biome. This river system, the third largest in the world, contains 41.0% of the underground water reserves and 48.0% of the continental wetlands of Colombia.<sup>1</sup>.

68% of the private properties are in the Casanare department, while the remaining 32% are located in the Arauca department (Figure 1). These neighboring departments share similar environmental characteristics, with a landscape predominantly composed of gallery forests and tropical savannas, characterized by well-defined dry and rainy seasons.

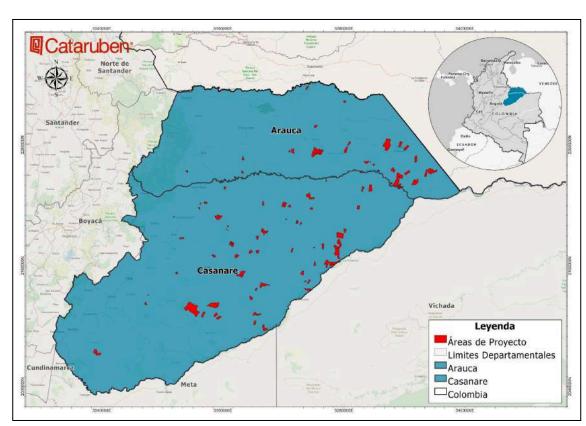


Figure 1 Project location.

Source: Cartográfica (IGAC); preparation: Fundación Cataruben, 2025.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Vásquez Cerón, Adriana Bustamante Zamudio, Clarita Buitrago, Andrea Baptiste, Brigitte Echeverri, Juliana. 2020. El gran libro de la Orinoquia colombiana. Ministerio de Ambiente y Desarrollo Sostenible, Bogotá, Colombia.





Table 3 shows a list of the 120 private properties that are part of the Project. The properties are classified by department, municipality, village and name of the property. Also included is a KML/shapefile with the boundaries of the project areas (2.Anexo / 8.Geoespacial / 8.4.Area de Proyecto / 8.4.1. Área de Proyecto CO2BIO P2 - 2.kml and 8.4.2. Area\_Proyecto\_CO2BIOP2\_2.zip contains the shapefile vector file). This information is also found within the geodatabase of each component (2.Anexo / 8.Geoespacial / 8.1. REDD / 8.1.3. Geodatabase REDD / Área Proyecto / Área Proyecto CO2BIO P2-2).

Of the 120 properties included in the project, 25 properties implement only BCR0002 activities, 21 properties only BCR0004 activities, and 74 properties implement both BCR0002 and BCR0004 activities.

- BCR0002. 2.Anexos / 8.Geoespacial / 8.1.REDD / 8.1.3.Geodatabase REDD / Área Proyecto / Área de Proyecto REDD.shp
- BCR0004. 2.Anexos / 8.Geoespacial / 8.2.Humedales / <u>8.2.3.Geodatabase</u> <u>Humedales</u> / Área Proyecto / Área de Proyecto Humedales.shp

In addition, a glossary of geographic data is attached for each component: 8.1.2. REDD Geographic Data Dictionary and 8.2.2. Wetlands Geographic Data Dictionary.

Table 3 Location of the properties linked to the project

| ID | DEPARTAMENT | MUNICIPALITY            | PROPERTY                     | LATITUDE         | LONGITUDE         |
|----|-------------|-------------------------|------------------------------|------------------|-------------------|
| 1  | CASANARE    | HATO COROZAL            | MIRAMAR                      | 05° 57' 54.54" N | 071° 45' 56.21" W |
| 2  | CASANARE    | YOPAL                   | LA MAPOROZA                  | 05° 11' 7.2" N   | 072° 13' 28.24" W |
| 3  | CASANARE    | OROCUE                  | BUENOS AIRES                 | 05° 00' 26.65" N | 071° 13' 57.36" W |
| 4  | CASANARE    | TRINIDAD                | EL CAIRO                     | 05° 14' 3.21" N  | 070° 48' 55.66" W |
| 5  | CASANARE    | TRINIDAD                | LA MACOLLA                   | 05° 13' 35.69" N | 070° 47' 56.57" W |
| 6  | ARAUCA      | PUERTO RONDON           | LAS PAMPAS                   | 06° 28' 9.43" N  | 070° 40' 14.82" W |
| 7  | CASANARE    | TRINIDAD                | FINCA LAS PAMPAS             | 05° 32' 6.63" N  | 071° 38' 6.74" W  |
| 8  | CASANARE    | SAN LUIS DE<br>PALENQUE | MATA DE SAMURO               | 05° 09' 22.54" N | 071° 18' 14.56" W |
| 9  | CASANARE    | OROCUE                  | LOTE DOS (SAN<br>FELIPE 2)   | 05° 03' 36.13" N | 071° 49' 48.38" W |
| 10 | CASANARE    | PAZ DE ARIPORO          | BABILONIA                    | 05° 53' 9.49" N  | 071° 59' 36.35" W |
| 11 | CASANARE    | TRINIDAD                | LA ESPERANZA                 | 05° 13' 43.81" N | 070° 47' 4.22" W  |
| 12 | CASANARE    | TRINIDAD                | VILLA BLANCA                 | 05° 14' 5.38" N  | 070° 46' 41.33" W |
| 13 | CASANARE    | PAZ DE ARIPORO          | EL MORICHAL DE<br>LOS DESEOS | 05° 35' 0.32" N  | 070° 56' 7.01" W  |
| 14 | CASANARE    | HATO COROZAL            | EL PORVENIR                  | 06° 08' 47.2" N  | 071° 32' 5.24" W  |

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| 15 | ARAUCA   | PUERTO RONDÓN  | FINCA SANTA<br>BARBARA     | 06° 28' 25.02" N | 070° 57' 14.47" W |
|----|----------|----------------|----------------------------|------------------|-------------------|
| 16 | CASANARE | PAZ DE ARIPORO | BANCO FRESCO               | 05° 57' 29.06" N | 070° 45' 35.66" W |
| 17 | CASANARE | PAZ DE ARIPORO | EL CANAL LOTE<br>UNO       | 06° 00' 20.06" N | 071° 11' 34.48" W |
| 18 | ARAUCA   | ARAUCA         | VILLA MARTHA               | 07° 02' 39.56" N | 070° 47' 38.31" W |
| 19 | CASANARE | PAZ DE ARIPORO | EL CONTROL                 | 05° 34' 16.11" N | 071° 18' 25.01" W |
| 20 | ARAUCA   | PUERTO RONDON  | FINCA ALTAGRACIA           | 06° 26' 29.49" N | 070° 44' 25.78" W |
| 21 | CASANARE | OROCUÉ         | BUENAVISTA I               | 04° 56' 2.3" N   | 071° 16' 12.87" W |
| 22 | CASANARE | PAZ DE ARIPORO | EL ALGARROBO               | 05° 44' 48.79" N | 071° 11' 0.63" W  |
| 23 | ARAUCA   | ARAUCA         | FINCA LA COSTEÑA           | 06° 41' 47.9" N  | 070° 43' 10.07" W |
| 24 | ARAUCA   | CRAVO NORTE    | LAS ESCUDILLAS             | 06° 32' 27.63" N | 070° 25' 13.07" W |
| 25 | CASANARE | PAZ DE ARIPORO | LA CUCARACHA               | 05° 49' 42.46" N | 070° 53' 18.14" W |
| 26 | CASANARE | HATO COROZAL   | SANTO DOMINGO<br>FLORIDEÑO | 05° 52' 47.05" N | 071° 34' 48.55" W |
| 27 | CASANARE | OROCUÉ         | CANDELARIA UNO             | 05° 06' 5.73" N  | 071° 36' 16.89" W |
| 28 | ARAUCA   | CRAVO NORTE    | LA MAGOLA                  | 06° 28' 58.41" N | 070° 26' 58.12" W |
| 29 | ARAUCA   | CRAVO NORTE    | FINCA LA BONANZA           | 06° 15' 27.99" N | 069° 58' 45.7" W  |
| 30 | ARAUCA   | CRAVO NORTE    | FINCA LA<br>PONDEROSA      | 06° 13' 58.33" N | 069° 59' 6.81" W  |
| 31 | CASANARE | PAZ DE ARIPORO | LAGUNITAS                  | 06° 00' 14.71" N | 070° 59' 59.59" W |
| 32 | CASANARE | PAZ DE ARIPORO | LA CASCABEL                | 05° 58' 53.41" N | 070° 57' 19.39" W |
| 33 | CASANARE | PAZ DE ARIPORO | FINCA LA<br>ESPERANZA      | 05° 45' 32.85" N | 070° 27' 38.39" W |
| 34 | CASANARE | TRINIDAD       | LA GLORIA                  | 05° 18' 14.48" N | 070° 49' 3.96" W  |
| 35 | CASANARE | HATO COROZAL   | PUERTO LINDO               | 06° 12' 27.57" N | 070° 37' 41.69" W |
| 36 | CASANARE | OROCUE         | BUENOS AIRES               | 05° 00' 20.24" N | 071° 37' 12.84" W |
| 37 | CASANARE | OROCUE         | LAS BRISAS                 | 05° 00' 44.61" N | 071° 16' 1.7" W   |
| 38 | ARAUCA   | CRAVO NORTE    | FINCA SANTA ANA            | 06° 16' 8.02" N  | 069° 43' 57.36" W |
| 39 | ARAUCA   | CRAVO NORTE    | FINCA LOS<br>PARAGUITOS    | 06° 09' 20.41" N | 069° 58' 4.57" W  |
| 40 | ARAUCA   | CRAVO NORTE    | FINCA VENDAVAL             | 06° 08' 54.2" N  | 069° 57' 22.7" W  |
| 41 | CASANARE | PAZ DE ARIPORO | LA LIBERTAD                | 05° 36' 41.58" N | 070° 30' 37.61" W |
| 42 | CASANARE | TRINIDAD       | MIRALINDO                  | 05° 18' 9.42" N  | 070° 47' 11.63" W |
| 43 | CASANARE | PAZ DE ARIPORO | EL DELIRIO                 | 05° 36' 25.47" N | 070° 44' 11.58" W |
| 44 | ARAUCA   | ARAUCA         | MOSCU                      | 06° 55' 0.82" N  | 070° 27' 30.04" W |
| 45 | CASANARE | TRINIDAD       | CAMPO LINDO                | 05° 22' 46.44" N | 070° 50' 35.19" W |
| 46 | ARAUCA   | CRAVO NORTE    | EL COROZO                  | 06° 17' 31.18" N | 069° 40' 51.68" W |
| 47 | CASANARE | OROCUE         | LOTE 6                     | 04° 53' 5.48" N  | 071° 11' 7.66" W  |
| 48 | ARAUCA   | CRAVO NORTE    | LA CALANDRIA               | 06° 17' 5.5" N   | 069° 41' 58.25" W |
| 49 | ARAUCA   | PUERTO RONDON  | FINCA SANTA<br>BARBARA     | 06° 28' 36.05" N | 070° 55' 28.68" W |
| 50 | ARAUCA   | CRAVO NORTE    | FINCA LOS PIONIOS          | 06° 23' 48.4" N  | 069° 49' 25.94" W |
| 51 | ARAUCA   | CRAVO NORTE    | FINCA LA<br>PONDEROSA      | 06° 17' 21.94" N | 070° 18' 43.88" W |
| 52 | CASANARE | PAZ DE ARIPORO | EL PALMAR                  | 05° 38' 9.15" N  | 071° 27' 53.09" W |
| 53 | ARAUCA   | CRAVO NORTE    | FINCA SURO VERDE           | 06° 17' 12.84" N | 069° 39' 6.43" W  |
| 54 | CASANARE | HATO COROZAL   | EL BAUL DE LOS             | 06° 00' 23.43" N | 071° 45' 18.51" W |

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| 56 | CASANARE   | PAZ DE ARIPORO          | EL TIRRIGAL               | 05° 33' 23.41" N | 070° 31' 52.22" W |
| 57 | CASANARE   | PAZ DE ARIPORO          | VILLA FERNANDA            | 05° 38' 11.68" N | 071° 28' 30.42" W |
| 58 | CASANARE   | PAZ DE ARIPORO          | LA BENDICION              | 05° 27' 44.4" N  | 070° 43' 55.12" W |
| 50 | OAOAIVAILE | TAZBEARITORO            | FINCA SANTA               |                  |                   |
| 59 | ARAUCA     | CRAVO NORTE             | MARTHA                    | 06° 20' 56.72" N | 070° 12' 1.41" W  |
| 60 | CASANARE   | HATO COROZAL            | FINCA EL TORREÑO<br>DOS   | 06° 08' 9.58" N  | 070° 17' 58.42" W |
| 61 | ARAUCA     | CRAVO NORTE             | FINCA EL PONQUE 2         | 06° 12' 1.13" N  | 069° 49' 19.21" W |
| 62 | ARAUCA     | CRAVO NORTE             | FINCA EL PONQUE 3         | 06° 10' 45.36" N | 069° 50' 14.55" W |
| 63 | ARAUCA     | CRAVO NORTE             | FINCA EL CONUCO           | 06° 14' 22.53" N | 069° 57' 16.82" W |
| 64 | ARAUCA     | PUERTO RONDON           | FINCA LOS<br>CORAZONES    | 06° 28' 2.27" N  | 070° 41' 42.27" W |
| 65 | ARAUCA     | PUERTO RONDON           | FINCA PALMAR              | 06° 28' 21.74" N | 070° 42' 49.93" W |
| 66 | ARAUCA     | PUERTO RONDON           | ALTAGRACIA                | 06° 28' 34.76" N | 070° 43' 55.77" W |
| 67 | CASANARE   | PAZ DE ARIPORO          | LOTE 2 ANA MARIA          | 05° 45' 59.18" N | 071° 11' 50.39" W |
| 68 | CASANARE   | PAZ DE ARIPORO          | SAN JOSÉ                  | 05° 45' 28.43" N | 071° 12' 25.73" W |
| 69 | CASANARE   | PAZ DE ARIPORO          | SAN BENITO                | 05° 38' 38.04" N | 071° 29' 29.75" W |
| 70 | CASANARE   | OROCUE                  | LOTE LA MOSCA             | 05° 00' 35.39" N | 071° 43' 56.5" W  |
| 71 | ARAUCA     | TAME                    | FINCA LAS<br>DELICIAS     | 06° 17' 12.74" N | 071° 22' 38.69" W |
| 72 | ARAUCA     | CRAVO NORTE             | EL MORROCOY               | 06° 09' 35.76" N | 069° 58' 33.66" W |
| 73 | CASANARE   | PAZ DE ARIPORO          | EL GARCERO                | 05° 44' 58.98" N | 071° 09' 38.71" W |
| 74 | CASANARE   | PAZ DE ARIPORO          | LA PALMITA                | 05° 39' 14.57" N | 071° 28' 50.73" W |
| 75 | CASANARE   | SAN LUIS DE<br>PALENQUE | BUENAVISTA                | 05° 14' 1.05" N  | 071° 15' 29.91" W |
| 76 | CASANARE   | PAZ DE ARIPORO          | LOS ARRECIFES             | 05° 34' 19.26" N | 071° 14' 42.33" W |
| 77 | CASANARE   | PAZ DE ARIPORO          | EL MILAGRO                | 05° 32' 3.26" N  | 071° 25' 55.03" W |
| 78 | CASANARE   | PAZ DE ARIPORO          | EL ESPEJO                 | 05° 59' 2.26" N  | 071° 00' 32.34" W |
| 79 | ARAUCA     | CRAVO NORTE             | FINCA LA FUENTE<br>DE ORO | 06° 22' 20.0" N  | 070° 15' 51.59" W |
| 80 | CASANARE   | PAZ DE ARIPORO          | LA ESPERANZA              | 05° 36' 44.76" N | 070° 32' 32.04" W |
| 81 | ARAUCA     | CRAVO NORTE             | LOS SIETE<br>DIAMANTES    | 06° 22' 20.98" N | 070° 13' 48.66" W |
| 82 | CASANARE   | PAZ DE ARIPORO          | SAN JUAN 2                | 05° 50' 22.29" N | 070° 53' 34.09" W |
| 83 | CASANARE   | PAZ DE ARIPORO          | FINCA SAN JUAN<br>LOTE    | 05° 50' 18.64" N | 070° 53' 9.78" W  |
| 84 | CASANARE   | HATO COROZAL            | LA FLORIDA                | 05° 52' 56.19" N | 071° 36' 19.91" W |
| 85 | CASANARE   | HATO COROZAL            | EL GUAMO                  | 05° 53' 46.43" N | 071° 35' 35.88" W |
| 86 | CASANARE   | OROCUE                  | LA CANDELARIA             | 05° 05' 27.76" N | 071° 38' 36.54" W |
| 87 | CASANARE   | PAZ DE ARIPORO          | LAS GARZAS                | 05° 51' 41.47" N | 070° 59' 11.04" W |
| 88 | CASANARE   | TRINIDAD                | EL REMACHE 1              | 05° 16' 21.35" N | 071° 11' 32.93" W |
| 89 | ARAUCA     | CRAVO NORTE             | LAS BRISAS                | 06° 11' 8.29" N  | 069° 59' 59.77" W |
| 90 | ARAUCA     | CRAVO NORTE             | LA REVANCHA               | 06° 29' 54.96" N | 069° 54' 32.5" W  |
| 91 | ARAUCA     | CRAVO NORTE             | EL CIELO                  | 06° 31' 52.75" N | 069° 57' 39.28" W |
| 92 | ARAUCA     | CRAVO NORTE             | PANAMA                    | 06° 32' 9.18" N  | 070° 04' 41.25" W |
| 93 | CASANARE   | PAZ DE ARIPORO          | EL BRILLANTE              | 05° 37' 9.29" N  | 070° 39' 31.35" W |

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| 94  | CASANARE | HATO COROZAL            | NO SE SABE                      | 06° 00' 48.5" N  | 071° 42' 34.01" W |
|-----|----------|-------------------------|---------------------------------|------------------|-------------------|
| 95  | ARAUCA   | CRAVO NORTE             | FINCA<br>CUERNAVACA             | 06° 18' 3.35" N  | 070° 01' 39.22" W |
| 96  | CASANARE | PAZ DE ARIPORO          | EL RINCON                       | 05° 57' 59.89" N | 070° 20' 24.29" W |
| 97  | CASANARE | PAZ DE ARIPORO          | CAMPO HERMOSO                   | 05° 39' 20.81" N | 070° 31' 20.93" W |
| 98  | CASANARE | PAZ DE ARIPORO          | NARANJAL                        | 05° 39' 14.58" N | 070° 30' 31.46" W |
| 99  | CASANARE | PAZ DE ARIPORO          | LA YUBEREÑA                     | 06° 03' 58.92" N | 070° 46' 33.53" W |
| 100 | CASANARE | TAURAMENA               | EL TRANQUERO                    | 04° 39' 18.82" N | 072° 40' 22.18" W |
| 101 | CASANARE | PAZ DE ARIPORO          | LOTE NUMERO UNO<br>LA ESPERANZA | 05° 41' 51.18" N | 071° 14' 42.49" W |
| 102 | ARAUCA   | CRAVO NORTE             | FINCA VILLA TANIA               | 06° 16' 34.53" N | 069° 54' 2.77" W  |
| 103 | CASANARE | PAZ DE ARIPORO          | LOS ESFUERZOS                   | 05° 42' 56.88" N | 070° 30' 20.63" W |
| 104 | CASANARE | PAZ DE ARIPORO          | LOTE NUMERO<br>TRES EL PARAISO  | 05° 42' 35.24" N | 071° 14' 46.54" W |
| 105 | CASANARE | TAURAMENA               | HACIENDA EL<br>ROSAL            | 04° 40' 40.57" N | 072° 41' 49.96" W |
| 106 | CASANARE | PAZ DE ARIPORO          | LA HONDA I                      | 05° 48' 4.28" N  | 071° 30' 37.31" W |
| 107 | CASANARE | PAZ DE ARIPORO          | GUARATAL 2                      | 05° 46' 19.94" N | 071° 31' 1.38" W  |
| 108 | CASANARE | SAN LUIS DE<br>PALENQUE | EL GARCERO                      | 05° 22' 54.98" N | 071° 58' 6.49" W  |
| 109 | ARAUCA   | TAME                    | EL SINAI                        | 06° 17' 45.91" N | 071° 52' 28.07" W |
| 110 | CASANARE | PORE                    | LOTE 1                          | 05° 42' 0.08" N  | 071° 55' 2.99" W  |
| 111 | CASANARE | PORE                    | LOTE 2                          | 05° 41' 38.61" N | 071° 54' 36.92" W |
| 112 | CASANARE | PORE                    | EL CEBU                         | 05° 41' 38.85" N | 071° 56' 2.51" W  |
| 113 | ARAUCA   | CRAVO NORTE             | FINCA VIDA<br>TRANQUILA         | 06° 29' 16.58" N | 070° 05' 10.13" W |
| 114 | CASANARE | YOPAL                   | LAS BRISAS                      | 05° 06' 27.22" N | 072° 14' 43.93" W |
| 115 | CASANARE | PAZ DE ARIPORO          | CARTAGENA                       | 05° 27' 38.66" N | 070° 34' 35.2" W  |
| 116 | CASANARE | HATO COROZAL            | FINCA LA ARENOSA<br>3           | 06° 08' 4.83" N  | 070° 14' 12.97" W |
| 117 | CASANARE | TRINIDAD                | EL AMPARO                       | 05° 21' 40.66" N | 071° 25' 7.14" W  |
| 118 | ARAUCA   | TAME                    | ALTAMIRA                        | 06° 24' 9.04" N  | 071° 22' 8.96" W  |
| 119 | Casanare | Paz De Ariporo          | FINCA LA ARENOSA<br>DOS         | 06° 08' 23.21" N | 070° 13' 28.96" W |
| 120 | Arauca   | Tame                    | FRANFOL                         | 06° 25' 0.33" N  | 071° 22' 27.4" W  |

Source: Fundación Cataruben, 2025.

#### 1.4.1 Projects in the region

The spatial information of nine (9) projects in the area of influence of CO2BIO P2-2 was obtained from the official websites of the carbon standards (BCR, COLCX, CERCARBONO, VERRA, GOLD STANDARD). The data from the registration pages were consolidated into a vector file called "Standard Carbon Projects" and stored in the "Carbon Projects - Double Accounting" Feature Dataset of the REDD and Wetlands Geodatabase (2.Anexo / 8.Geoespacial / 8.1.REDD / 8.1.3. Geodatabase REDD / Proyectos Carbono Doble Contabilidad). Subsequently, a spatial intersection was

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made between this vector file and the areas of the CO2BIO P2-2 project and it is identified that there are no overlaps with other carbon projects (Figure 2).

Norte de Santander

Santander

Casanare

Vichada Leyenda

Áreas Proyecto CO2BIO P2 - 2

Estandar

BOCR

CCERCARBONO

COLCX

VERRA

SONDOSE

Figure 2. Carbon Projects in the region of the CO2BIO P2-2 project.

Preparation: Fundación Cataruben, 2025.

## 1.5 Summary Description of the Implementation Status of the Project

The table below provides a general summary of the implementation level of each activity during the 2022-2024 monitoring period.

Table 4. Summary description of the state of implementation of the project activities.

| ID | Activity Description | Implementation Dates | Overall<br>Progress of<br>the Activity |
|----|----------------------|----------------------|--|
|----|----------------------|----------------------|--|

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| G.1 | Training and skills development for men and women linked to the project in the technical-environmental, social and administrative-financial areas, with the purpose of strengthening their capacities and improving decision-making aligned with the project's objectives. | The activity is ongoing. The operation of this activity began on January 31, 2018, with the construction of the capacity building plan.   | G.1.1: <b>41%</b><br>G.1.2: <b>57%</b> |
|-----|--|---|--|
| G.2 | Deployment of the governance strategy in the territory, promoting participatory decision-making for the sustainable management of strategic ecosystems.  | The progress status of the activity is ongoing. It begins with the strengthening of governance structures in the territory as of January 31, 2018.  | G.2.1: <b>45</b> %                     |
| G.3 | Continuous monitoring of changes in forest area as a proportion of the total area in the project areas.  | The activity is ongoing. The start date of the activity is January 31, 2018.  | G.3.1: <b>22,2</b> %                   |
| G.4 | Active monitoring of environmental threats, such as fires, in the project area, as well as the identification of possible alerts for timely management   | The activity is ongoing. The start date of the activity is January 31, 2018.  | G.4.1: <b>22,2</b> %                   |
| G.5 | Promote the adoption of sustainable productive actions and practices at the farm and local levels, with the aim of preserving carbon stocks and protecting biodiversity in strategic ecosystems.   | The activity is ongoing. The implementation of the activity begins as of January 31, 2018. Sustainable management practices implemented on the farms are reported for each monitoring period. | G.5.1: <b>51,26</b> %                  |
| B.1 | Implementation of participatory biodiversity monitoring, involving local communities in the observation and evaluation of fauna and flora to strengthen ecosystem conservation.  | The activity is ongoing.<br>Participatory monitoring began<br>in 2018.  | B.1.1: <b>37,07%</b>                   |

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| B.2 | Continuous monitoring of High Conservation Value Areas (HCVAs) to strengthen their preservation and sustainable management in the project territory.                  | The activity is ongoing. As of 2018, the analysis of the HCVs associated with the biodiversity component is initiated. | B.1.1: <b>53,0</b> % |
|-----|---|--|----------------------|
| A.1 | Design and implementation of a Water Management Program focused on the conservation, efficient use and sustainable management of water resources in the project area. | The activity is ongoing. As of 2021, it begins with the diagnosis of water management.                                 | A.1.1: <b>20,0</b> % |

**Source:** Fundación Cataruben, 2025.

The period between 01/01/2022 - 31/12/2024 registered **380.989,0** tCO2e reduced by avoiding deforestation and **122.548,0** tCO2e by avoiding land-use change in wetlands. For a total of **503.537,0** tCO2e reduced.

# 2 Title, reference and version of the baseline and monitoring methodology(ies) applied to the project

The project was designed with version 3.2 of the BCR standard and the methodologies described below were applied:

- AFOLU Sector Methodological Document BCR0002 Quantification of GHG Emission Reductions from REDD+ Projects. Version 3.1. September 15, 2022.
- AFOLU Sector Methodological Document / BCR0004 Quantification of GHG Emission Reduction and Removal - Activities that Avoid Land Use Change in Continental Wetlands. Version 2.0 June 23, 2022.

The additional tools used in the preparation of this monitoring report are:

- Biodiversity Toolbox for Continental Wetlands. Version 1.0 October 27, 2021.
- Tool for Demonstrating Compliance with REDD+ Safeguards. Version 1.1 January 26, 2023.
- BCR Tool Monitoring, Reporting and Verification (MRV). Version 2.0 June, 2025.

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- Sustainable Development Goals (SDG) Tool Version 1.0, June 27, 2023.
- BCR Tool Avoiding Double Counting (ADC). Version 2.0, February 07, 2024.
- BCR Tool Permanence Risk Management. Version 2.0 Jun 03, 2025.
- SDSs Sustainable Development Safeguards Tool. Version 1.1 July 4, 2024.

#### 3 Double Counting and Participation under Other GHG Programs.

The project has not been registered or included in any other Greenhouse Gas (GHG) program. A review of projects registered under different standards, which are being developed in the same region as the project, was carried out. See section 1.4.1.

## 4 Contribution to Sustainable Development Goals (SGD)

During the 2022-2024 monitoring period, the project carried out a series of strategic actions that contributed to the optimization of the use of water resources and the strengthening of sustainability in production systems through resilient agricultural practices. As a result, it was determined that the activities carried out contribute significantly to the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), in particular to **SDG 6**: Clean Water and Sanitation, **SDG 13**: Climate Action and **SDG 15**: Life of Terrestrial Ecosystems.

The impact of these actions was defined based on the use of the BioCarbon Standard "SDG Tool", which allowed the identification of the alignment between the SDG targets and the project activities, as well as documenting their contribution (2. Anexos / 4. ODS / 4.5. Plan y Reporte Monitoreo ODS (CO2Bio P2-2))

Below, it is detailed how each activity carried out during the 2022-2024 monitoring period has contributed to the global SDG targets.

## 4.1 Progress of SDG 6 Indicator

The implemented activities for the sustainable management of water resources in the properties linked to the Project contribute to the Sustainable Development Goal 6 (SDG 6), which is aimed at guaranteeing the availability and sustainable management of water for all.

A Water Management Program has been developed and executed that articulates strategic actions in support of this global objective (2. Annexes / 2. Project Activities /

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A.1 / <u>2.1.1 Water management program</u>). The program is structured in four stages: diagnosis, design, implementation and monitoring, and is aligned with indicator 6.4.1, related to the efficiency in the use of water resources.

As part of these actions, the characterization of properties and the implementation of Efficient Use and Water Saving Plans (PUEAA) have been carried out, promoting sustainable practices among rural landowners. These initiatives include training in techniques to reduce consumption, optimize resource management and ensure its long-term conservation.

During the 2022-2024 period, these actions have contributed 20% to the progress of the established goals, as documented in the Progress Report of the Water Management Program (2. Annexes / 2. Project Activities / A.1 / 2.1.3. Progress report of the water management program). This comprehensive approach strengthens water management at the local level and contributes significantly to the fulfillment of the SDG 6 objectives, especially in relation to equitable access and efficient use of water resources.

To ensure the traceability and technical reliability of the process, it was defined as a criterion that only those PUEAA whose information was verified through the Property Implementation Plans (PIP) would be considered valid. Based on this criterion, the first formal verification exercise was carried out on a total of 90 characterized properties, of which 65 have validated and sufficient information to formulate technically sound PUEAA.

This exercise allowed the establishment of a robust baseline for the monitoring and periodic updating of the plans, integrating technical, social and environmental criteria, which strengthen the adaptive management of water resources within the framework of the project.

#### 4.1.1 Diagnosis of Indicator 6.4.1

Between 2022 - 2024, 90 properties were diagnosed, consolidating verified information in 65 of them (2. Annexes / 4. SDG / SDG 6 / Goal 6.4 / <u>Diagnosis - indicator 6.4.1</u>).

67 Efficient Water Use and Savings Plans (PUEAA) were formulated, with technical support through the Property Implementation Plans (PIP). Of these, 56 correspond to properties with homes and 9 to agricultural properties. The actions include training, workshops and follow-up, and are aimed at improving water management in the 120 linked properties (2. Annexes / 2. Project Activities / 2.1.2. / 2.1.2.1. Water Use and Savings Plans).

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The implementation strategy includes two components adapted to the rural context:

- Estimation of water use, based on storage capacity and recharge frequency.
- Family surveys, to calculate daily consumption per household using traditional containers.

These methodologies allow efficient monitoring of resource use, contributing to compliance with indicator 6.4.1.

Once the design phase is completed, implementation and monitoring will be carried out, including a knowledge transfer process to promote sustainable practices and conserve strategic ecosystems. The contribution to SDG 6 is documented in the SDG Tool (2. Annexes / 4. SDG / Herramienta-ODS).

Table 5 Summary of impact on target 6.4, indicator 6.4.1.

| SDG target  | SDG indicator   | Project Activity  | Period 2022-2024   |
|---|---|---|--|
| 6.4  By 2030, substantially increase water-use efficiency across all sectors and ensure sustainable withdrawals and supply of freshwater to address water scarcity and substantially reduce the number of people suffering from water scarcity. | 6.4.1<br>Change in water<br>use efficiency over<br>time | A1. Water<br>management<br>program<br>(Diagnosis,<br>Design,<br>Implementation<br>and Monitoring) | 20%  The 20% overall progress was calculated using a weighted average of the progress in each stage of the activity:  • Diagnosis: 7.73% completed (target of 12%)  • Design: 9,42% completed (target of 15%)  • Implementation: 1.9% completed (target of 5,3%)  • Monitoring: 1% completed (target of 20%) |

Source: Fundación Cataruben, 2025.

#### 4.2 Progress of SDG Indicator 13

SDG 13 seeks to promote strategies to combat climate change in national policies. The project contributes to this goal by reducing greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions through forest conservation and the mitigation of forest degradation. By monitoring GHG emissions and indicator 13.2.2, which evaluates annual GHG emissions, the project

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supports target 13.2, which seeks to integrate climate measures into national strategies.

#### 4.2.1 Contribution to indicator 13.2.2 against the global target.

Between January 1, 2022, and December 31, 2024, GHG emissions were monitored in the project area and its leakage area. The results were compared to the baseline scenario reference values. During this period, a 10.58% reduction was observed compared to the projected annual average in the baseline, which is equivalent to 503,537.0 tCO<sub>2</sub>e mitigated. This result represents a 30.34% progress toward the global emission reduction target established for the implementation of the project (2. Anexos / 7. Monitoreo de emisiones / 7.1. Monitoreo de Emisiones).

Table 6. Summary of impact on target 13.2, indicator 13.2.2

| SDG target  | SDG indicator   | Project Activity   | Period<br>2022-2024 |
|---|---|--|---------------------|
| 13.2 Incorporate climate change measures into national policies, strategies and plans | 13.2.2 Emisiones totales de gases de efecto invernadero por año | The monitoring of GHG emissions was carried out for the 2022-2024 period, with which the fulfillment of the objective was evaluated in terms of GHG emission reduction in relation to the baseline scenario. | 30.34%              |

Source: Fundación Cataruben, 2025.

#### 4.3 Progress of SDG Indicator 15

#### 4.3.1 Contribution to indicator 15.1.1 against the global target.

The results of monitoring SDG 15.1.1 show that the forest area, as a proportion of the total area, increased by 0.02% compared to 2021. The values of the variables used for the calculation of the indicator are detailed in Table 7. For 2024, 11.62% of the project area is covered by natural forest. (2. Anexos / 4. ODS / 4.3. ODS 15 - Vida de ecosistemas terrestres / 4.3.1.1. ODS 15.1.1. y 2.6.1. G.3.)

The progress of the indicator is calculated based on the guidelines defined in the environmental indicators of the Ministry of the Environment and Sustainable Development and IDEAM corresponding to the indicator. (2. Anexos / 8. Geoespacial / 8.1. REDD / 8.1.7. IDEAM / 8.1.7.1. Galindo G. et al (2023). IDEAM. Hoja metodológica del indicador Proporción de la superficie cubierta por bosque natural Versión 1.3).

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The details of the Continuous Monitoring of changes in Forest Area as a proportion of the total area in the project areas are specified in annex (2.6.G3.). The vector information is related in (2. Annex/ 8.Geospatial/ 8.1.REDD/ 8.1.3. Geodatabase REDD/ Activity G3/Forest Areas 2018; Forest Areas 2021; Forest Areas 2024).

Table 7. SDG 15.1.1 Variables.

| Variable    | 2021      | 2024      |
|-------------|-----------|-----------|
| Auer* (ha)  | 83.825,72 | 83.825,72 |
| Scbn** (ha) | 10.989,20 | 11.002,03 |
| PSBN***     | 13,11     | 13,12     |

<sup>\*</sup>AUER: Surface area in hectares of the spatial reference unit - Properties with BRC0002 activities. (99 Private Properties)
\*\*SCBN: Surface area in hectares covered by natural forest in the reference unit, Properties with BCR0002 activities

Source: Fundación Cataruben, 2025.

#### 4.3.2 Contribution to indicator 15.1.2 against the global target.

Monitoring reveals that 22.53% of the areas of BCR0002 and BCR0004 activities are located within important zones for biological diversity. This data constitutes evidence for SDG 15.1.2, which measures the proportion of terrestrial and freshwater areas relevant to biodiversity that are covered by protected areas (by type of ecosystem)..

To determine the contribution to the indicator, the Areas of Importance for Biological Diversity (AIDB) and the Key Biodiversity Areas (KBA) were identified. The proportion of the territory within these categories was calculated. The vector information is available in (2. Anexos / 4. ODS / 4.3. ODS 15). Additionally, shapefiles of AICAS, KBA, WPDA and Runap are attached as supporting information.

During the period 2018-2021, the methodological bases for the identification of important areas for biological diversity were defined. In the period 2022-2024, the properties recognized as KBA and other areas of importance are indicated. (Table 8.)

Table 8. SDG 15.2.1. Important Places for Biological Diversity.

| Property            | Area (ha) | AIDB Name            | Status |
|---------------------|-----------|----------------------|--------|
| El Delirio          | 112,7     | Chaviripa-El Rubí    | KBA*   |
| Finca Los Corazones | 1014,5    | Cravo Norte-Ele-Lipa | KBA    |

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<sup>\*\*\*</sup>PSBN: Proportion of the surface area covered by natural forest in the reference unit.





| Finca Palmar               | 1012,3  | Cravo Norte-Ele-Lipa             | KBA    |
|----------------------------|---------|----------------------------------|--------|
| La Gloria                  | 119,8   | Reservas de la vereda Altagracia | КВА    |
| Las Pampas                 | 1.011,7 | Cravo Norte-Ele-Lipa             | KBA    |
| Buenavista I               | 694,20  | Buenasvista                      | RNSC   |
| El Cielo                   | 1048,90 | Cinaruco                         | DRMI** |
| El Corozo                  | 1070,78 | Cinaruco                         | DRMI** |
| El Guamo                   | 338,72  | La Florida                       | RNSC** |
| El Milagro                 | 843,65  | El Milagro                       | RNSC** |
| Finca Los Paraguitos       | 316,30  | Los Paraguitos                   | RNSC** |
| Finca Los Pionios          | 1041,05 | Cinaruco                         | DRMI** |
| Finca Santa Ana            | 1072,06 | Cinaruco                         | DRMI** |
| Finca Suro Verde           | 534,92  | Cinaruco                         | DRMI** |
| Finca Vida Tranquila       | 671,51  | Cinaruco                         | DRMI** |
| Finca Villa Tania          | 1040,37 | Cinaruco                         | DRMI** |
| La Calandria               | 1058,29 | Cinaruco                         | DRMI** |
| La Florida                 | 912,90  | La Florida                       | RNSC** |
| La Revancha                | 1071,82 | Cinaruco                         | DRMI** |
| Las Brisas                 | 842,84  | Las Brisas                       | RNSC** |
| Miramar                    | 166,03  | Miramar                          | RNSC** |
| Panama                     | 4677,33 | Cinaruco                         | DRMI** |
| Santo Domingo<br>Florideño | 674,48  | La Florida                       | RNSC** |

<sup>\*</sup>AICAS: Important Areas for the Conservation of birds.

 $\textbf{Source:} \underline{\text{https://www.keybiodiversityareas.org/; }} \underline{\text{https://www.protectedplanet.net}}^2$ 

Support was provided for managing the declaration of Natural Civil Society Reserves (RNSC) in SINAP, through the National Natural Parks of Colombia (PNN). Attached is the owner's authorization empowering Cataruben to carry out this process. (4.3.2.1. Autorizacion RNSC) (2. Anexo/ 8.Geoespacial/ 8.1.REDD/ 8.1.3. Geodatabase REDD) Table 9.

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<sup>\*\*</sup>WPDA: World Database on Protected Areas.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>UNEP-WCMC and IUCN (2025), Protected Planet: The World Database on Protected Areas (WDPA) and World Database on Other Effective Area-based Conservation Measures (WD-OECM) [Online], March 2025, Cambridge, UK: UNEP-WCMC and IUCN. Available at: <a href="https://www.protectedplanet.net">www.protectedplanet.net</a>.





Table 9. Property with accompanying process for RNSC declaration.

| Property              | Area (ha)  | Process Status                                 |
|-----------------------|--|--|
| Maporalosis           | 64,70  | Generation of Resolution to start the process. |
| The Trunk of Memories | 119,99   | Generation of Resolution to start the process. |
| Moscow                | 279,76 Generation of Resolution to start the proce |  |
| Total                 |  | 464,45   |

Source: Fundación Cataruben, 2025.

Table 10, shows the proportion of places important for terrestrial biological diversity that are part of protected areas, for their calculation the equation for the proportion of the covered area was adapted <u>Galindo et al.</u>, (2023).

Table 10. SDG variables 15.1.2. proportion of places important for biological diversity

| Variable       | Period<br>(2021 - 2024) |
|----------------|-------------------------|
| Except* (ha)   | 94.718,7                |
| Scbn_zp** (ha) | 21.347,15               |
| PSBN_zp***     | 22,53                   |

<sup>\*</sup>CLOCK: Surface area in hectares of the reference spatial unit - 120 Private Property

Fountain: Own elaboration.

In summary, Table 11 presents an advance for indicators 15.1.1 and 15.2.1 of 30.0% and 35.0% respectively for the current monitoring period. It is important to clarify that the proportion of forest increased by 0.01%, corresponding to approximately 10.53 ha, while the proportion of places important for biological diversity with respect to the project areas was determined at 22.53% (21,347.15 ha).

Table 11. Summary of impact on target 15.1, indicator 15.1.1. and 15.2.1.

| SDG target          | SDG indicator | Project Activity  | Period 2022-2024                   |
|---------------------|---------------|-------------------|------------------------------------|
| 15.1:               |               | B2. Monitoring of | 21,0 %                             |
| By 2020, ensure the | 15.1.1        | HCVs              | Monitoring of project forest area. |

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<sup>\*\*</sup>SCBN\_ZP: Area in hectares that are part of protected areas

<sup>\*\*\*</sup>PSBN\_ZP: Proportion of the surface that is part of protected areas in the reference unit.





| conservation, restoration and sustainable use of terrestrial and inland freshwater ecosystems and their services, in particular forests, wetlands, mountains and arid lands, in line with obligations under international agreements. | Forest area as a proportion of the total area  |                               | Project HCV monitoring; 57.0 % of the project areas are in high HCV categories.)  28,0 % B2 Monitoreo de los AVC'S Anexos/ 2. Actividades de Proyectos/ 2.3. B2/ 2.3.1. Informe sobre el Monitoreo de Altos Valores de Conservación  |
|---|--|-------------------------------|--|
|   | Proportion of important places for terrestrial and freshwater biodiversity that are part of protected areas, broken down by ecosystem type | B1. Bioacoustic<br>Monitoring | Monitoring of project areas that belong to a conservation category.  Anexos/ 4ODS/ 4.3.  ODS15 Vida ecosistemas terrestres/ 4.3.2. Indicador 15.1.2.  Proporción de lugares importantes para la biodiversidad terrestre y de agua dulce que están cubiertos por las áreas protegidas, por tipo de ecosistema-1 |

Source: Fundación Cataruben, 2025.

The monitoring of High Conservation Values (HCVs) is a project activity. HCVs are a crucial tool for the planning and management of natural areas, as they allow the identification and protection of key elements for the conservation of biodiversity and ecosystem services.

Through geospatial analysis that integrates ecological, environmental, social and economic factors, monitoring of the HCVs in the project area was carried out. This report focused on monitoring HCV1 (Biological Diversity) and the analysis of HCV2 (Ecosystems in good conservation status) and also integrated HCV3 (Rare and/or Threatened Ecosystems), HCV4 (Ecosystem services), HCV5 (Basic needs of the communities) and HCV6 (Traditional and cultural identity of the communities).

HCV1 used species richness, protected areas, AICA and continental ecosystems to assess areas of high biological diversity, and determined that most of the project area falls into the medium and high categories, which represents 74768,55 ha and 12755,95

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ha respectively (2. Anexos / 2. Actividades de proyecto / 2.3. B.2 / <u>2.3.2.1.</u> <u>Geodatabase AVC 1</u> 2.3.2.1. AVC1\_CO2BIOP2\_2.gdb/AVC1).

HCV2 verified the state and connectivity of natural land covers through the land cover information from MapBiomas Colombia, finding that most areas of the project (57872.91 ha) have a medium conservation status at the landscape level, while the high conservation areas are concentrated in 13785.0 ha (2. Anexos / 2. Actividades de proyecto / 2.3. B.2 / 2.3.2.1. Geodatabase AVC 1 2.3.2.1. AVC1 CO2BIOP2 2.gdb/AVC2).

HCV3 identified areas with rare and/or threatened ecosystems, taking into account the information from the IUCN red list ecosystem evaluation and the rare ecosystem evaluation by Sulu (2020) and most areas within the study area were classified as vulnerable or transformed (medium and low, respectively) (2. Anexos / 2. Actividades de proyecto / 2.3. B.2 / 2.3.2.1. Geodatabase AVC 1 2.3.2.1. AVC1\_CO2BIOP2\_2.gdb/AVC3).

HCV4, which shows areas that provide ecosystem services based on Forest non-Forest system developed by IDEAM, vegetation cover based on the information from MapBiomas Colombia and hydrological factors by Sulu (2020), resulted in a mostly high categorization for the project area (12099.68 ha) (2. Anexos / 2. Actividades de proyecto / 2.3. B.2 / 2.3.2.1. Geodatabase AVC 1 2.3.2.1. AVC1\_CO2BIOP2\_2.gdb/AVC4).

Finally, both HCV5, which identifies areas important for the basic needs of local communities, and HCV6, which identifies areas important for the traditional and cultural identity of local communities, categorized all identified areas as high. All the areas represent 25337.27 ha and 68 zones of high conservation within the project areas. The complete results of these analyses can be found in (2. Anexos / 2. Actividades de proyecto / 2.3. B.2 / 2.3.2.1. Geodatabase AVC 1 2.3.2.1. AVC1 CO2BIOP2 2.gdb/AVC5; AVC6).

## 5 Compliance with Applicable Legislation

To demonstrate compliance with applicable legislation in GHG mitigation activities, the Cataruben Foundation has implemented a documented procedure based on the identification, updating and continuous verification of legal requirements. This process is managed through the Procedure for Managing Legal and Other Requirements (2. Anexos / GJP-14. Procedimiento de Gestión de Requisitos Legales y Otros / Matriz de Compatibilidad Legal), which allows recording and evaluating the current regulations applicable to each project activity.

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Compliance with legal requirements is guaranteed through the quarterly updating of the legal matrix, the verification of the applicability of the requirements with the legal team, the internal communication of the legal requirements to the interested parties and the execution of internal evaluative follow-ups to monitor legal compliance, identify findings and generate corrective action plans to address any non-compliance.

During the 2022-2024 period, the Foundation has applied this procedure rigorously and systematically, ensuring legal compliance in all its GHG mitigation activities and strengthening its commitment to responsible environmental management, operational transparency and legality in the development of sustainable projects.

In addition, this procedure incorporates the analysis of sectoral and cross-cutting regulations, including environmental, social, labor, ethnic-territorial and fiscal legislation, which allows for a comprehensive view of the regulatory framework and ensures the legal compatibility of projects with the different levels of regulation (local, regional, national and international).

The correct application of this procedure contributes not only to legal compliance, but also to the prevention of legal, social and reputational risks, and to the strengthening of trust among stakeholders, including allies, communities, environmental authorities and carbon standard verification entities.

#### 6 Climate change adaptation

Table 12 describes compliance and includes the supporting documentation that verifies how the project's activities lead to climate change adaptation actions.

Table 12. Climate change adaptation.

| Criteria | Compliance | Project activity in which the adaptation action is derived | Activity<br>progress in the<br>monitoring<br>period (2022 -<br>2024) |
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| activities in explicit an connection objectives strategies instrument componer National Componer National Composed in Colombia's National Climate Change Policy.  Colombia's National Climate Change Policy.  Colombia's strategic ecosystem managem sustainab production resilience participated monitoring which are fundament of the policy.  Colombia's commitment commitment of the policy. | The project activities have an explicit and direct connection with the objectives, strategies, and instrumental components of the National Climate Change Policy. These actions | <b>G3:</b> Continuous monitoring of changes in forest area as a proportion of the total area in the project areas.   | G3: 11,10%  Support link:  ■ 2.6. G.3              |
|--|---|--|--|
|  |   | G5: Promote the adoption of sustainable productive actions and practices at the farm and local levels, with the aim of preserving carbon stocks and protecting biodiversity in strategic ecosystems.   | <b>G5</b> : 26,49% <b>Support link:</b> ■ 2.8. G.5 |
|  | strengthening of local capacities, the conservation of strategic ecosystems, risk management, sustainable production, water resilience, and participatory monitoring, all of    | G1: Training and skills development for men and women linked to the project in the technical-environmental, social and administrative-financial areas, with the purpose of strengthening their capacities and improving decision-making aligned with the project's objectives. | G1.1: 74 G1.2: 10 Support link:  2.4. G.1          |
|  | which are fundamental pillars of the policy and of Colombia's national commitments to addressing climate  | A1: Design and implementation of a Water Management Program focused on the conservation, efficient use and sustainable management of water resources in the project area.  | A1: 5%<br>Support link:<br>■ 2.1 A.1               |

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|  |  | <b>G3:</b> Continuous monitoring of changes in forest area as a  | <b>G3</b> : 11,10%                        |
|--|--|--|---|
|  | The project promotes actions aimed at conserving forest and wetland ecosystems, as well as biodiversity and associated ecosystem services. These efforts include community-based biodiversity monitoring, awareness-raising on the prevention of environmental threats, and the promotion of sustainable production practices. In addition, High Conservation Values (HCVs) are identified and monitored within the project's geographic boundaries, and measures are implemented to | proportion of the total area in the project areas.   | Support link: 2.6. G.3                    |
| Improve the conservation conditions of biodiversity and its ecosystem services in the areas of influence, outside the project boundaries (e.g. natural coverage in areas of special environmental interest, biological corridors, water management in watersheds, among others). |  | <b>G4:</b> Active monitoring of environmental threats, such as fires, in the project area, as well as the identification of possible alerts for timely management                                    | G4: 11,10%<br>Support link:<br>■ 2.7. G.4 |
|  |  | G5: Promote the adoption of sustainable productive actions and practices at the farm and local levels, with the aim of preserving carbon stocks and protecting biodiversity in strategic ecosystems. | G5: 26,49%  Support link:  ■ 2.8. G.5     |
|  |  | <b>B1:</b> Implementation of participatory biodiversity monitoring, involving local communities in the observation and evaluation of fauna and flora to strengthen ecosystem conservation.           | B1: 21,0 %<br>Support link:<br>■ 2.2. B.1 |
|  |  | B2: Continuous monitoring of High Conservation Value Areas (HCVAs) to strengthen their preservation and sustainable management in the project territory.   | <b>B2</b> : 28,0 % <b>Support link:</b>   |
|  | improve water resource management on participating properties.   | A1: Design and implementation of a Water Management Program focused on the conservation, efficient use and sustainable management of water resources in the project area.                            | A1: 5%<br>Support link:                   |

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| Implements activities that contribute to sustainable low-carbon productive landscapes. | The project's activities promote the implementation of conservation and sustainable production practices, supported by a capacity-building strategy aimed at participants. This strategy seeks to empower communities in the governance of their territories and the sustainable management of natural resources. | G1: Training and skills development for men and women linked to the project in the technical-environmental, social and administrative-financial areas, with the purpose of strengthening their capacities and improving decision-making aligned with the project's objectives. | G1.1: 74 G1.2: 10 Support link:  ■ 2.4. G.1 |
|--|---|--|---|
|  |   | G2: Deployment of the governance strategy in the territory, promoting participatory decision-making for the sustainable management of strategic ecosystems.  | G2:<br>Support link:<br>■ 2.5. G.2          |
|  |   | <b>G5:</b> Promote the adoption of sustainable productive actions and practices at the farm and local levels, with the aim of preserving carbon stocks and protecting biodiversity in strategic ecosystems.  | G5: 26,49%<br>Support link:<br>■ 2.8. G.5   |
|  |   | B1: Implementation of participatory biodiversity monitoring, involving local communities in the observation and evaluation of fauna and flora to strengthen ecosystem conservation.  | B1: 21,0 % Support link:  ■ 2.2. B.1        |
|  |   | A1: Design and implementation of a Water Management Program focused on the conservation, efficient use and sustainable management of water resources in the project area.  | A1: 5% Support link:  2.1 A.1               |

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| Design and implement  | The project integrates actions that strengthen the resilience of ecosystems and local communities to climate change through strategies focused on conservation and sustainable production. These actions contribute to nature-based adaptation, recognizing the interdependence between ecosystem health and human well-being. | G1: Training and skills development for men and women linked to the project in the technical-environmental, social and administrative-financial areas, with the purpose of strengthening their capacities and improving decision-making aligned with the project's objectives. | G1.1: 74 G1.2: 10 Support link:  ■ 2.4. G.1          |
|---|--|--|--|
| adaptation<br>strategies<br>based on an<br>ecosystem<br>approach. |  | G5: Promote the adoption of sustainable productive actions and practices at the farm and local levels, with the aim of preserving carbon stocks and protecting biodiversity in strategic ecosystems.   | <b>G5</b> : 26,49% <b>Support link</b> :  ■ 2.8. G.5 |
|   |  | A1: Design and implementation of a Water Management Program focused on the conservation, efficient use and sustainable management of water resources in the project area.  | A1: 5%<br>Support link:<br>■ 2.1 A.1                 |

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| Strengthens the local capacities of institutions  | The project includes the development of a training plan aimed at transferring knowledge to the local community across environmental, social, and economic components. This  | G1: Training and skills development for men and women linked to the project in the technical-environmental, social and administrative-financial areas, with the purpose of strengthening their capacities and improving decision-making aligned with the project's objectives. | G1.1: 74 G1.2: 10 Support link:  ■ 2.4. G.1 |
|---|---|--|---|
| and/or communities to make informed decisions to anticipate negative effects derived from climate change (recognition of vulnerability conditions). | initiative, along with the implementation of the governance strategy, provides key tools for informed decision-making regarding environmental and productive governance at the farm and local levels. It enables communities to anticipate the negative effects of climate change by recognizing conditions of vulnerability. | <b>G2:</b> Deployment of the governance strategy in the territory, promoting participatory decision-making for the sustainable management of strategic ecosystems.   | <b>G2:</b> Support link:  ■ 2.5. G.2        |

Source: Fundación Cataruben, 2025.

## 7 Carbon ownership and rights

During the current monitoring period, the project has monitored land tenure to ensure respect for the property rights of the linked properties.

The project is implemented exclusively on private properties, whose tenure was previously verified through legal review of updated documentation. Given the legal vacuum that exists in Colombian law regarding carbon ownership, an analysis of the regulatory framework applicable to private property has been carried out, in order to

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support real rights over the benefits derived from the project. In this context, carbon rights continue to be directly linked to land use and enjoyment rights, in accordance with the contracts previously signed between the project holder and the owners. Since the project falls under the AFOLU sector, carbon rights are intrinsically linked to land tenure rights. Each conservation contract was signed exclusively with legally recognized owners. During the 2022-2024 monitoring period, no tenure conflicts or claims by third parties have been identified on the properties linked to the project.

It should be noted that the project does not link territories belonging to indigenous peoples or ethnic communities, therefore, no agreements have been signed with traditional authorities. All current agreements have been signed by natural or legal persons legally accredited as owners of the lands intervened.

Currently, the project continues with 120 linked properties, of which 108 are owned, 10 are possessed and 3 are held (tenedores de tierras). As part of the monitoring for the 2022-2024 period, the documents accrediting the tenure of each property were updated and reviewed. (2. Anexos / 1. Propiedad del Carbono / 1.1. Certificados de Tradición y Libertad).

Table 13. Linked Properties Land tenure Status

| NO. | Property      | Landowner  | Status of<br>Tenure |
|-----|---------------|--|---------------------|
| 1   | Cartagena     | Jairo Fernandez Berroteran / Omaira Maria Fernandez Berroteran     | Posesión            |
| 2   | Campo Hermoso | Merci Lopez Acevedo  | Posesión            |
| 3   | El Cielo      | Gloria Ines Cedeño Garcia  | Posesión            |
| 4   | La Esperanza  | Pedro Antonio Acosta   | Posesión            |
| 5   | La Revancha   | Wilson Javier Dinas Vivas  | Posesión            |
| 6   | Los Esfuerzos | Rafael Antonio Riveros Cardozo                                     | Posesión            |
| 7   | Lote 6        | Fabio Andrés Pulido Rivera / María Camila Pulido Rivera            | Posesión            |
| 8   | Naranjal      | Luis Alberto Lopez Pregonero                                       | Posesión            |
| 9   | San Esteban   | Jairo Fernandez Berroteran / Omaira Maria Fernandez Berroteran     | Posesión            |
| 10  | Villa Blanca  | Yolman Alfredo Acosta Gaitan                                       | Posesión            |
| 11  | Altagracia    | Masmela Tirso Gustavo  | Propiedad           |
| 12  | Altamira      | Am Constructores S.A.  | Propiedad           |
| 13  | Babilonia     | Didimo Emilio Cristancho Tarache/ Ofelia Del Pilar Latriglia Avila | Propiedad           |
| 14  | Banco Fresco  | Jose Dario Hernandez Hurtado / Mabel Cristiano Rincon              | Propiedad           |

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| 15 | Buenavista                   | Andrea Hernández Betancourt                                      | Propiedad |
|----|------------------------------|--|-----------|
| 16 | Buenavista I                 | Carlos Arturo Zambrano Fuentes                                   | Propiedad |
| 17 | Buenos Aires                 | Gilmar Ignacio Madrid Angel                                      | Propiedad |
| 18 | Buenos Aires                 | Edilberto Cruz Rodriguez   | Propiedad |
| 19 | Campo Lindo                  | Cirilo Hernandez / Damaris Conde                                 | Propiedad |
| 20 | Candelaria Uno               | Andres Reyes Diaz  | Propiedad |
| 21 | El Amparo                    | Martha Dignory Rojas Holguin                                     | Propiedad |
| 22 | El Algarrobo                 | Vicente Cortes Guarin Y Mireya Nuñez De Cortes                   | Propiedad |
| 23 | El Baul De Los<br>Recuerdos  | Edilia Cristina Camargo Gil                                      | Propiedad |
| 24 | El Brillante                 | Jairo Manuel Parales Miller                                      | Propiedad |
| 25 | El Cairo                     | James García / Yoryi García / Herlendis García / Lisnelia García | Propiedad |
| 26 | El Canal Lote Uno            | Vilma Vargas   | Propiedad |
| 27 | El Cebú                      | Wilson Orlando Valderrama Aguilar                                | Propiedad |
| 28 | El Control                   | Yenny Marlene Gutierrez Oropeza                                  | Propiedad |
| 29 | El Corozo                    | Manuel Guzmán Puerta Guerra                                      | Propiedad |
| 30 | El Delirio                   | Javier Orlando Parales /Julian Edaurdo Baron                     | Propiedad |
| 31 | El Espejo                    | Oscar Zambrano Silva / Ana Abril Tunarosa                        | Propiedad |
| 32 | El Garcero                   | Vicente Cortes Guarin  | Propiedad |
| 33 | El Garcero                   | Rafael Antonio Riveros Cardozo                                   | Tenencia  |
| 34 | El Guamo                     | Luis Angel Madrid Berroteran                                     | Propiedad |
| 35 | El Milagro                   | Homero Antonio Garcia Agudelo                                    | Propiedad |
| 36 | El Morichal De Los<br>Deseos | Jose Ramon Gonzalez Lizcano / Argerima Varon Montealegre         | Propiedad |
| 37 | El Morrocoy                  | Nicolas Antonio Ojeda Y Rosa Florez                              | Propiedad |
| 38 | El Palmar                    | Paco Benavides Ruíz Y Carmen Cecilia Benítez García              | Propiedad |
| 39 | El Porvenir                  | Ronis Lisandro Delgado Fernandez                                 | Propiedad |
| 40 | El Remache 1                 | Dora Maria Pan De Betancourt                                     | Tenencia  |
| 41 | El Rincón                    | Las Colineras Inversiones Sa                                     | Propiedad |
| 42 | El Sinaí                     | Alejo Alfredo Aponte Arias                                       | Propiedad |
| 43 | El Tirrigal                  | Eduardo Fernandez Delgado  | Propiedad |
| 44 | El Tranquero                 | Julian Ricardo Ramirez Hernandez                                 | Propiedad |
| 45 | Finca Altagracia             | Edgar Mendoza Sierra   | Propiedad |
| 46 | Finca Cuernavaca             | Oscar Eduardo Santana Santana                                    | Propiedad |
| 47 | Finca El Conuco              | José Nicolas Maurno Cisneros                                     | Propiedad |

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|    | Finca El Ponque 2         | Cesar Facundo Torres Serrano  | Propiedad |
|----|---------------------------|---|-----------|
| 49 | Finca El Ponque 3         | Diego Alejandro Torres Garavito   | Propiedad |
| +5 | Tilloa El Tiolique o      | Robert Julio Torres Godoy / Rosa Victoria Cisneros De                         | ·         |
| 50 | Finca El Torreño Dos      | Fernandez   | Propiedad |
| 51 | Finca La Arenosa 3        | Licet Yadira Torres Ospina  | Propiedad |
| 52 | Finca La Arenosa Dos      | Maria Consuelo Ospina De Torres / Licet Yadira Torres<br>Ospina               | Propiedad |
| 53 | Finca La Bonanza          | Oscar Sadid Santana Maurno  | Propiedad |
| 54 | Finca La Costeña          | Luis Ernesto Rodriguez Quenza   | Propiedad |
| 55 | Finca La Esperanza        | Gloria Eugenia Cardenas / Luis Efren Cardenas / Aldemar<br>Parra / Judy Perez | Propiedad |
| 56 | Finca La Fuente De<br>Oro | Alvaro Sigifredo Vega   | Propiedad |
| 57 | Finca La Ponderosa        | Richards Jose Santana Magurno   | Propiedad |
| 58 | Finca La Ponderosa        | Jose Luis Garrido Sanchez / Ana Francisca Tineo Infante                       | Propiedad |
| 59 | Finca Las Delicias        | Yudys Janeth Reuto Reuto  | Propiedad |
| 60 | Finca Las Pampas          | Pedro Vidal Arenas Angel  | Propiedad |
| 61 | Finca Los Corazones       | Yolima Sierra Parra   | Propiedad |
| 62 | Finca Los Paraguitos      | Elguer Ernesto Ojeda / Carmen Yasmina Vasquez                                 | Propiedad |
| 63 | Finca Los Pionios         | Fenibal Andres Zuluaga Quintero   | Propiedad |
| 64 | Finca Palmar              | Mendoza Bohorquez Bolivar   | Propiedad |
| 65 | Finca San Juan Lote       | Vianey Pastrana Chaparro  | Propiedad |
| 66 | Finca Santa Ana           | Nelsa Romero  | Propiedad |
| 67 | Finca Santa Barbara       | Cilia Graciela Osorio   | Propiedad |
| 68 | Finca Santa Barbara       | Olga Cecilia Puerta Osorio  | Propiedad |
| 69 | Finca Santa Martha        | Carmen Beatriz Bolivar Villazana  | Propiedad |
| 70 | Finca Suro Verde          | Rosa Ediomilina Alvarado De Ibica   | Propiedad |
| 71 | Finca Vendaval            | Oscar Julian Murcia Hidalgo   | Propiedad |
| 72 | Finca Vida Tranquila      | Ciro Antonio Sanchez Vega   | Propiedad |
| 73 | Finca Villa Tania         | Tania Leidy Garces Gaitan   | Propiedad |
| 74 | Franfol                   | Tania Leidy Garces Gaitan   | Propiedad |
| 75 | Guaratal 2                | Rafael Antonio Riveros Cardozo  | Propiedad |
| 76 | Hacienda El Rosal         | Yamile Hernandez Vargas   | Propiedad |
| 77 | La Bendición              | Carlos Hernan Barragan  | Propiedad |
| 78 | La Calandria              | Ana Alfonsa Guerra Viuda De Puerta  | Propiedad |
| 79 | La Candelaria             | Andres Reyes Diaz   | Propiedad |
| 80 | La Cascabel               | Diana Alexandra Braydi Eslava   | Propiedad |
| 81 | La Cucaracha              | Vianey Pastrana Chaparro  | Propiedad |
| 82 | La Esperanza              | Pedro Vidal Arenas Angel  | Propiedad |

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| 83  | La Florida                      | Gilma Del Carmen Madrid Berroteran Y Luis Angel Madrid Berroteran      | Propiedad |
|-----|---------------------------------|--|-----------|
| 84  | La Gloria                       | Gloria Esther Parada   | Propiedad |
| 85  | La Honda I                      | Rafael Antonio Riveros Cardozo   | Propiedad |
| 86  | La Libertad                     | Blanca Xiomara Bustamante  | Propiedad |
| 87  | La Macolla                      | Mary Sol Parada Vargas, José Uber Garcia Farfan                        | Propiedad |
| 88  | La Magola                       | Efidelia Madrid- Sergio Antonio Hidalgo                                | Propiedad |
| 89  | La Maporoza                     | Claudia Tatiana Rincon Perez / Maria Del Pilar Rincón Perez            | Propiedad |
| 90  | La Palmita                      | Willinton Benavides Ruiz Y Magda Johana Romero Aguirre                 | Propiedad |
| 91  | La Yubereña                     | Rosalba Cristancho Tarache   | Propiedad |
| 92  | Lagunitas                       | Raquel Zambrano Silva  | Propiedad |
| 93  | Las Brisas                      | Ana Brigida Angel Arenas   | Propiedad |
| 94  | Las Brisas                      | Libia Margarita Maurno Cisnero   | Propiedad |
| 95  | Las Brisas                      | Jorge Eduardo Garcia Torres  | Propiedad |
| 96  | Las Escudillas                  | Miguel Angel Diaz Sanchez  | Propiedad |
| 97  | Las Garzas                      | Lyda Maria Ochoa Tumay   | Propiedad |
| 98  | Las Pampas                      | Shirley Johanna Mendoza  | Propiedad |
| 99  | Los Arrecifes                   | Bethsy Miladis Gutierrez Oropeza / Ciro Alfonso Silva                  | Propiedad |
| 100 | Los Siete Diamantes             | Diego Alejandro Torres Garavito  | Propiedad |
| 101 | Lote 1                          | Wilson Orlando Valderrama Aguilar                                      | Propiedad |
| 102 | Lote 2                          | Wilson Orlando Valderrama Aguilar                                      | Propiedad |
| 103 | Lote 2 Ana Maria                | Dagoberto Bravo Uribe  | Propiedad |
| 104 | Lote Dos (San Felipe<br>2)      | Maria Lucila Reyes   | Tenencia  |
| 105 | Lote La Mosca                   | Luz Marina Granados  | Propiedad |
| 106 | Lote Número Tres El<br>Paraíso  | Eduardo Antonio Martinez Parales                                       | Propiedad |
| 107 | Lote Número Uno La<br>Esperanza | Eduardo Martinez Sarmiento   | Propiedad |
| 108 | Mata De Samuro                  | Carlos Alberto Farfan  | Propiedad |
| 109 | Miralindo                       | Salazar Garcia Devier / Perez Cibo Carmen Elisa                        | Propiedad |
| 110 | Miramar                         | Wilmer Javier Mujica Colmenares  | Propiedad |
| 111 | Moscu                           | Trino Isnardo Torres Muñoz   | Propiedad |
| 112 | No Se Sabe                      | Benito Barrera Wilches / Armira Rincon Mujica                          | Propiedad |
| 113 | Panamá                          | Eucaris Quintero Lopez, Jose Zuluaga, Fenibal Zuluaga, Zuleina Zuluaga | Propiedad |
| 114 | Puerto Lindo                    | Luisa Maria Herrera Vivas  | Propiedad |
| 115 | San Benito                      | Marcio Salomon Benavides Ruiz  | Propiedad |

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| 116 | San José                   | Dagoberto Bravo Uribe  | Propiedad |
|-----|----------------------------|--|-----------|
| 117 | San Juan 2                 | Vianey Pastrana Chaparro   | Propiedad |
| 118 | Santo Domingo<br>Florideño | Luis Angel Madrid Berroteran   | Propiedad |
| 119 | Villa Fernanda             | Elkin Benavides Ruiz   | Propiedad |
| 120 | Villa Martha               | German Anzola / Jorge Anzola / Luis Fernando Anzola /<br>Angel Lizcano / Juan Lizcano / Martha Anzola / Oscar Anzola | Propiedad |

Fuente: Fundación Cataruben, 2025.

A change of ownership was identified in one property. The new owners were contacted and, after being informed about the project, expressed their interest in remaining involved. Therefore, a contract assignment document was signed, ensuring the continuity of activities on the property. (2. Anexos / 1. Propiedad del Carbono /\_1.2. Cesiones de Contrato).

Table 14. Properties that changed ownership.

| NO. | NOMBRE     | TITULAR DE DOMINIO     | TITULAR DE DOMINIO           | FECHA DE CAMBIO |
|-----|------------|------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------|
|     | DEL PREDIO | ANTERIOR               | ACTUAL                       | DE TITULAR      |
| 1   | Las Garzas | Lyda Maria Ochoa Tumay | Sandy Yulieth Prada<br>Ochoa | 13/06/2024      |

Source: Fundación Cataruben, 2025.

Within the due diligence process of the ecosystem managers, three high-risk cases were identified for the project. Additionally, in one case, communication with the manager was not achieved, despite attempts. Therefore, the contracts linking these properties to the project are in the formal process of termination. Consequently, this monitoring period does not present mitigation results for these areas.

Table 15. Properties in the process of being withdrawn from the project.

| NO. | NOMBRE DEL PREDIO | GESTOR DEL ECOSISTEMA    |
|-----|-------------------|--------------------------|
| 1   | El Cairo          | Jesus Mejia Ruiz         |
| 2   | El Zaman          | Jesus Mejia Ruiz         |
| 3   | La Libertad       | Jesus Mejia Ruiz         |
| 4   | El Renacer        | Edilberto Cruz Rodriguez |

Source: Fundación Cataruben, 2025.

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It was verified that there have been no further modifications in the ownership of the land that could affect property rights, carbon rights, or project benefits.

# 8 Environmental Aspects

According to the guidelines established in Annex A (Questionnaire) of the *Sustainable Development Safeguards* tool, version 1.1 of July 4, 2024, a comprehensive evaluation of the environmental impacts associated with the implementation of activities during the period 2022-2024 was carried out.

This evaluation considered not only aspects related to the efficiency of land and water resource use, but also the protection of biodiversity, the conservation of ecosystems, and the project's contribution to climate change mitigation. Based on the aforementioned questionnaire, an analysis matrix was designed in which the identified environmental impacts are recorded and documented.

The results indicate that no negative impacts on natural resources, biodiversity, or climate change were identified (2. Anexo / 6. Aspectos ambientales y Socieconómicos / Anexo A: Cuestionario de evaluación de la herramienta Salvaguardas de Desarrollo Sostenible - CO2BioP2-2). This absence of negative impacts is attributed to the project's design, which prioritizes ecosystem and biodiversity conservation. The activities are based on sustainable practices and are complemented by training aimed at managers to strengthen environmental awareness. In addition, all actions are oriented towards environmental protection and the reduction of greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions, reflecting an environmentally responsible approach..

## 9 Socioeconomic Aspects

High-category negative impacts were not identified. The project has mitigated social risks through a design based on sustainability, community participation, training with a gender focus, and policies that guarantee individual and collective rights. Furthermore, a continuous evaluation is projected for the next monitoring period (2. Anexo / 6. Aspectos ambientales y Socieconómicos<u>Anexo A: Cuestionario de evaluación de la herramienta Salvaguardas de Desarrollo Sostenible - CO2BioP2-2</u>)

## 10 Stakeholders' Consultations

During the implementation of the CO2Bio P2-2 project, ensuring continuous and effective communication with local stakeholders has been crucial, involving the establishment of a comprehensive engagement mechanism. This process has

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combined periodic meetings, newsletters, events, workshops, the use of digital platforms, active participation in conservation spaces, and the execution of a solid governance strategy. These actions have allowed for the establishment of an open and ongoing dialogue with ecosystem managers, local communities, NGOs, and government entities, promoting their active participation in the decisions and activities of the project.

Regarding the documentation of received comments, a formal mechanism has been established to properly record and respond to all observations and suggestions from stakeholders. This mechanism relies on digital platforms and a system for tracking inquiries and complaints (PQRS), ensuring that each comment received is documented and that a clear and timely response is provided. Comments have been reviewed by the project team, and if necessary adjustments have been identified, they have been incorporated into the project's actions. In this way, it has been ensured that the responses are transparent and accessible to all stakeholders.

This collaborative approach has strengthened strategic alliances, enhanced environmental education, and facilitated continuous feedback, significantly contributing to the achievement of our conservation and climate change mitigation goals. Below, we highlight some of the main collaborations:

- Biodiversity, Carbon, and Water Forum: Since 2020, the Cataruben Foundation has organized this event annually in commemoration of Earth Day. It has become a key space to share progress, present new proposals, and report back to the community. The forum brings together experts in biodiversity, climate change, and water resources, promoting the exchange of experiences and the strengthening of an active collaboration network (2. Anexos / 3. Cumplimiento de Salvaguardas / 3.2. Salvaguarda B / 3.2.4. B5 Fortalecimiento de capacidades / G1. Fortalecimiento de capacidades / 2.8 Fortalecimiento de capacidades / 2.4. G.1 / 2.4.1. Informes capacitaciones / 3.11. III & 3.12 IV Foro de biodiversidad + Carbono & Agua 2023).
- Participation in the SIRAPO: During the 2022–2023 period, the project holder participated as a member of the steering committee of the Regional System of Protected Areas of the Orinoquia (SIRAP-Orinoquia), actively contributing to the planning and management processes of protected areas in the region. This participation allowed for the coordination of actions with local stakeholders to strengthen conservation and the sustainable use of the territory. In this context, it was confirmed that the project was shared in these spaces, and to date, no formal observations or requests for feedback have been recorded from the stakeholders. (2. Anexos / 3. Cumplimiento de Salvaguardas / 3.4. Salvaguarda

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- D / 3.4.1. D10. Participación / <u>3.4.1.2 Mecanismos de participación / Acta comité directivo SIRAPO</u>).
- Effective communication strategy: We have kept ecosystem managers and other stakeholders informed through digital platforms and communication tools, continuously sharing achievements, progress, and participation opportunities (2. Anexos / 3. Cumplimiento de Salvaguardas / 3.2. Salvaguarda B / 3.2.1. B2 Transparencia y acceso a la información).
- PQRS mechanism: Document the PQRS mechanism and include those received up to 2024, as well as the responses provided to close these PQRS (2. Anexos / 3. Cumplimiento de Salvaguardas / 3.2. Salvaguarda B / 3.2.1. B2
   Transparencia y acceso a la información / 2.2 Sistema de PQRS).
- CO2Bio Governance Table: A participatory governance strategy was consolidated through the establishment of a Governance Table that integrates ecosystem managers (carbon owners), LATAM Airlines as a strategic partner, and the Cataruben Foundation as the project holder. This body guides and drives the project's actions, strengthening capacities, promoting access to information, and coordinating efforts to maximize social, environmental, and climate benefits (2. Anexos / 3. Cumplimiento de Salvaguardas / 3.2. Salvaguarda B / 3.2.3. B4 Reconocimiento de las estructuras de gobernanza forestal / 2.7 Estrategia de Gobernanza).

# 11 REDD+ Safeguards

For the periodic and adequate monitoring of safeguards, a tool was designed to evaluate and track their compliance. This tool, adapted to the specific characteristics of the project, incorporates predefined indicators and goals. It also considers the necessary requirements to demonstrate compliance with the BCR standard, as well as the elements established in the national interpretation of safeguards (2. Annexes / 3. Safeguard Compliance / 3.8. Plan y Reporte Monitoreo SALVAGUARDAS (CO2Bio P2-2)).

Compliance with the safeguards is closely linked to various components of the project, such as compliance with national regulations, project activities, co-benefits generated, permanence, leakage management, carbon ownership and rights, stakeholder consultation, among others. Consequently, the evidence supporting compliance with these aspects also contributes to demonstrating compliance with the safeguards.

The following details the mechanisms through which compliance with each REDD+ safeguard is guaranteed during the 2022-2024 period.

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# 11.1 Safeguard A

"The complementarity or compatibility of the measures with the objectives of national forest programs and international conventions and agreements on the matter."

### 11.1.1 A1 Correspondence with National Legislation

An exhaustive analysis was carried out to ensure that the project activities comply with international agreements and national legislation on forest conservation, biodiversity, and climate change. This analysis was documented in the Legal Compatibility Matrix (see Annexes / Safeguard Compliance / Safeguard A / A1 - Correspondence with National Legislation / Legal Compatibility Reports / Matriz de Compatibilidad Legal).

The attached matrix demonstrates the alignment of the activities implemented between 2022 - 2024 with current regulations. Its conformity with international agreements such as the Convention on Biological Diversity, the Paris Agreement, the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change, and the Ramsar Convention is highlighted. Likewise, its coherence with national policies such as the National Policy for the Integral Management of Biodiversity and its Ecosystem Services and the National Climate Change Policy, among other strategic frameworks of the country, is evident.

For the second verification, the matrix was updated and adjusted according to the analysis of the 2022–2024 period, including the recent progress of the project and relevant regulatory or programmatic changes. The attached report details this update, providing traceability and evidence of the progressive fulfillment of the environmental, climate, and social sustainability commitments of the CO2Bio P2-2 project.

The analysis confirms that the project's actions comply with the objectives and goals of these regulatory frameworks, ensuring their coherence with Colombia's environmental commitments. Consequently, the effective contribution of the project to the conservation and sustainable management of natural resources is evident.

Table 16. Approach and compliance with safeguard A.

| SAFEGUARD THEMATIC NATIONAL INTERPRETATION: INSTITUTIONAL                       |   |                        |  |
|---|---|------------------------|--|
| Requirement "BCR<br>tool to demonstrate<br>compliance with<br>REDD+ Safeguards" | Element of National Interpretation<br>Requirement | Evidence of Compliance |  |

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On compatibility:
Demonstrate that the project activities are in accordance with these policies and that they are not contrary to them.

A1 Correspondence with national legislation: REDD+ policies, actions and measures must be fully aligned with the international agreements signed by Colombia, as well as with national legislation and public policies on forest conservation, biodiversity and climate change. It is essential to consider the current regulatory framework, since ignorance of it does not exempt from compliance with its provisions.

A Legal Compatibility Matrix was prepared, in which each of the activities implemented within the framework of the CO2Bio P2-2 project were related and aligned with current regulations, both nationally and internationally.(2. Annexes / 3. Compliance with Safeguards / 3.1 Safeguard A / 3.1.1. A1 - Correspondence with national legislation)

Source: Fundación Cataruben, 2025.

Table 17. Percentage of progress in compliance with Safeguard A, with respect to the Monitoring Plan.

| SAFEGUARD                                    |      |                             |                             |                               |
|--|------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------------------|
| National Element                             | Item | Indicator Name(s)           | (%)<br>Advance<br>2022-2024 | (%) Global Goal<br>Compliance |
| A1. Correspondence with national legislation | 1.1  | Legal Compatibility Reports | 7.5%                        | 68%                           |

Source: Fundación Cataruben, 2025.

# 11.2 Safeguard B

"The transparency and effectiveness of national forest governance structures, taking into account national legislation and sovereignty. Provide transparent and consistent information that is accessible to all stakeholders and updated regularly. Be transparent and flexible to allow for improvements over time. Build on existing systems, if any."

#### 11.2.1 Transparency and access to information

#### • Communication Channels

2022 - 2024, the CO2Bio P2-2 project's Communication Plan matrix was finalized. This strategic tool organizes the various means and channels of dissemination used for effective, transparent, and timely communication. The matrix covers elements such as radio spots, emails, socialization days, community events, and the distribution of digital

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documents. This has ensured that ecosystem managers and other project stakeholders have constant access to information.

Within the framework of this strategy, the Regional Beneficiary Service Center (CARBO) was strengthened, a fundamental instrument for the application of the project's territorial approach in the Orinoquia region. This center has a multidisciplinary team of professionals who actively manage communication and relationship-building with beneficiaries, both in person and remotely. Their work consists of answering queries, providing technical support, and ensuring a constant flow of information throughout the project cycle (2. Anexos / 3. Cumplimiento de Salvaguardas / 3.2. Salvaguarda B / 3.2.1. B2 - Transparencia y acceso a la información / 2.1 Canales de Comunicación).

To this end, several communication channels adapted to the regional context were implemented to maintain continuous contact and facilitate the dissemination of information and the resolution of beneficiaries' concerns. These channels included WhatsApp, telephone line, and email, allowing information to be provided on activities, technical and administrative requirements, as well as receiving, following up on, and resolving requests, doubts, and concerns.

### PQRS System

As part of strengthening the communication process with beneficiaries and other project stakeholders, the use of the Petitions, Complaints, Claims, and Suggestions (PQRS) System was actively promoted. This mechanism has made it possible to manage and respond efficiently to concerns, requests, and observations received.

During the 2022-2024 period, the following PQRS were registered and addressed:

- In 2023: 3 petitions and 4 complaints were managed.
- In 2024: 3 petitions, 1 complaint, and 1 claim were managed.

All PQRS were addressed in a timely manner and are currently closed, demonstrating the effectiveness of the response and follow-up process (2. Anexos / 3. Cumplimiento de Salvaguardas / 3.2. Salvaguarda B / 3.2.1. B2 - Transparencia y acceso a la información / 2.2 Sistema de PQRS).

#### • RENARE Registry

To guarantee transparency, traceability, and regulatory compliance in the development

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of the CO2Bio P2-2 Project, it has been registered in the National Registry of Greenhouse Gas Emission Reductions (RENARE), the official platform of the Ministry of Environment and Sustainable Development responsible for accounting for and verifying GHG emission reductions in Colombia (2. Annexes / 3. Safeguard Compliance / 3.2. Safeguard B / 3.2.1. B2 - Transparency and access to information / 2.3 RENARE Registry).

This registration represents a fundamental step for the project's national legitimacy and validation, and reinforces its alignment with the country's climate commitments. Currently, the transition from the formulation phase to the implementation phase is being managed, which implies the formalization of commitments and the strengthening of the project's operational monitoring. However, the platform is not yet fully operational, which has hindered progress in the process.

## 11.2.2 Accountability

Within the framework of the CO2Bio P2-2 project implementation, newsletters were prepared and disseminated to clearly and promptly communicate the project's progress, activities, results, and achievements to the Ecosystem Managers. These newsletters were sent by email and through the project's WhatsApp group, which facilitated quick and direct access to information. During 2022, two newsletters were projected and delivered; in 2023, six were issued, and in 2024, a general newsletter was prepared (2. Annexes / 3. Safeguards Compliance / 3.2. Safeguard B / 3.2.2. B3 - Accountability / 2.4 Informes de Gestión).

Additionally, spaces for knowledge transfer and participatory forums were enabled during in-person and virtual meetings, where the project's main progress was socialized and the exchange of experiences among participants was promoted.

To further strengthen transparency and ownership of the results by the ecosystem managers, Carbon Certificate Issuance Reports were prepared and delivered. These documents detail the number of certificates generated by each property linked to the project during the last verification. This allowed each manager to clearly know the number of certificates attributable to their property (2. Annexes / 3. Safeguards Compliance / 3.2. Safeguard B / 3.2.2. B3 - Accountability / 2.4.1 <u>Estados de Cuenta</u>).

Likewise, Account Statements were delivered, which present in detail the economic benefits obtained from the commercialization of carbon certificates, as well as the movements and inventories of verified certificates for each property (2. Annexes / 3. Safeguards Compliance / 3.2. Safeguard B / 3.2.2. B3 - Accountability / 2.4.2\_2.4.2 Reportes de Emisión de Certificados de Carbono).

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These information mechanisms were reinforced through capacity-building spaces and various community activities, where the results achieved were socialized and the operation of the CO2Bio P2-2 project was explained in detail. These actions contributed to strengthening collective knowledge, promoting more informed, active, and committed participation by the actors involved, as well as a progressive appropriation of the project in the territories.

## 11.2.3 Recognition of forest governance structures

Forest governance is based on the capacity of local communities to make decisions about the management and sustainable use of their natural capital. Strengthening these local governance structures is fundamental to guarantee the long-term sustainability of the territories and the implemented projects. In this context, and as part of the execution of activity "G2" of the CO2Bio P2-2 project, a Governance Strategy was designed that establishes a legal and institutional framework, aligning the project's operation with the Foundation's internal policies and the current regulatory framework.

This strategy seeks to promote efficiency, equity, and transparency through the implementation of participatory mechanisms, accountability, and access to information. Its central objective is to consolidate a governance model that provides tools, capacities, and conditions so that the actors involved —particularly local communities and property owners— can make informed, responsible decisions aligned with the principles of sustainable development (2. Annexes / 3. Safeguard Compliance / 3.2. Safeguard B / 3.2.3. B4 - Recognition of forest governance structures / 2.5 Estrategia de Gobernanza).

During the years 2022 - 2024, the Cataruben Foundation actively participated in the Regional System of Protected Areas of the Orinoquia (SIRAP Orinoquia – SIRAPO) as a member of the steering committee. Its role within this body was key to strengthening inter-institutional articulation and contributing to the planning, management, and monitoring of protected areas in the region. Through this participation, Cataruben contributed its technical and territorial experience in environmental planning processes, conservation of strategic ecosystems, and promotion of the sustainable use of natural resources. This collaboration also allowed coordinating actions with environmental authorities, civil society organizations, and local communities, consolidating a shared governance approach and strengthening the institutional fabric around the protection of the Orinoquia's natural heritage (2. Annexes / 3. Safeguard Compliance / 3.2. Safeguard B / 3.2.3. B4 - Recognition of forest governance structures / 2.5.3. SIRAP).

On the other hand, the Cataruben Foundation joined the Board of Directors of the Colombian Association of Carbon Actors (ASOCARBONO), from where it played a strategic role in the consolidation and strengthening of the carbon market in Colombia.

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In this space, it established key alliances with actors from the public, private, and international cooperation sectors, aimed at promoting good practices, quality standards, and regulatory frameworks that strengthen the transparency, traceability, and environmental integrity of carbon projects.

This collaboration has been fundamental to advance in the implementation of public policies, technical guidelines, and innovative projects that contribute significantly to the reduction of greenhouse gas emissions, while promoting ecosystem conservation, rural development, and climate change mitigation in the country (2. Annexes / 3. Safeguard Compliance / 3.2. Safeguard B / 3.2.3. B4 - Recognition of forest governance structures / 2.5.4 ASOCARBONO ).

## 11.2.4 Capacity building

Within the framework of the execution of the project's "G1" activity, aimed at strengthening the capacities and skills of men and women linked to the initiative, various training actions were implemented targeting key actors in the territory. As part of this strategy, 10 training sessions were developed, with the participation of a total of 74 ecosystem managers.

The contents covered essential topics such as the measurement and monitoring of carbon in forests and wetlands, sustainable forest management, strategies to prevent forest fires, and the role of wetlands in biodiversity conservation. Social and financial dimensions were also addressed, including safeguards and tax commitments associated with carbon projects. Additionally, the Ecolíderes program was launched, whose objective is to strengthen community leadership in the management of conservation mechanisms.

In a complementary way, articulation spaces were promoted with allied organizations such as LATAM Airlines, USAID, Casa Luker and Ecopetrol, within the framework of the III and IV Biodiversity, Carbon and Water Forum, events that brought together a total of 628 people, including ecosystem managers, environmental and social organizations, and members of civil society (2. Annexes / 3. Compliance with Safeguards / 3.2. Safeguard B / 3.2.4. B5 - Capacity building /2.6 Fortalecimiento de capacidades).

These scenarios have been key to fostering the exchange of knowledge, consolidating collective learning, and recognizing the role of local governance. Thanks to active participation, it has been possible to integrate the technical expertise of the Cataruben Foundation with the territorial knowledge of the Ecosystem Managers and the community in general, facilitating more relevant and sustainable decision-making

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processes. This approach has contributed to the strengthening of local capacities and the promotion of conservation led from the territories.

Table 18. Approach and compliance with safeguard B

| Table 18. Approach and compliance with safeguard B   |   |   |  |  |  |  |
|--|---|---|--|--|--|--|
| т  | SAFEGUARD B THEMATIC NATIONAL INTERPRETATION: INSTITUTIONAL   |   |  |  |  |  |
| Requirement "BCR tool to demonstrate compliance with REDD+ Safeguards"   | Element of National<br>Interpretation Requirement   | Evidence of Compliance  |  |  |  |  |
| Implement tools that   | B2. Transparency and Access to Information: Ttransparent, accessible and clear. Disseminate through workshops, documents and the internet, adapting to needs.     | Within the framework of the implementation of the project activities (ID G1 and G2), communication and information dissemination channels were strengthened, including the use of the Requests, Complaints, Claims and Suggestions (PQRS) system, as well as holding meetings with allied organizations. Additionally, the project was registered in the National Emissions Reduction Registry (RENARE), complying with the established regulatory requirements (2. Annexes / 3. Compliance with Safeguards / 3.2. Safeguard B / 3.2.1. B2 - Transparencia y access a la information) |  |  |  |  |
| guarantee the effective, transparent and efficient dissemination of information associated with Project activities. To do this, you must keep a record of the means used for disclosure. | B3. Accountability: Be accountable for management and results.  | Within the framework of the implementation of the project activities (ID G1 and G2), management reports, carbon certificate emissions reports and the respective account statements were issued, in order to guarantee traceability, transparency and monitoring of the progress of the project. (2. Annexes / 3. Compliance with Safeguards / 3.2. Safeguard B / 3.2.2. B3 - Rendición de cuentas)   |  |  |  |  |
|  | B4. Recognition of Forest<br>Governance Structures:<br>Recognize and strengthen<br>those who decide on forests<br>so that they participate in<br>decision-making. | Within the framework of the implementation of the project activities (ID G2), a territorial governance strategy was designed aimed at strengthening the processes of participation, decision-making and sustainable management of natural resources in the area of influence of the project. (2. Annexes / 3. Compliance with Safeguards / 3.2. Safeguard B / 3.2.3. B4 - Reconocimiento de las estructuras de Gobernanza Forestal)   |  |  |  |  |

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B5. Capacity Building: Strengthen the capacities of actors in technical, legal and administrative areas to improve decision making. Within the framework of the implementation of the project activities (ID G1), 10 spaces for knowledge exchange, 2 forums and a program to strengthen environmental leadership were created (2. Annexes / 3. Compliance with Safeguards / 3.2. Safeguard B / 3.2.4. B5 - Fortalecimiento de capacidades)

Source: Fundación Cataruben, 2025.

Based on the previous table, the progress of compliance with Safeguard B and its indicators in relation to the average of the global goal is presented below.

Table 19. Percentage of progress in compliance with Safeguard B, with respect to the Monitoring Plan.

|  | SAFEGUARD B |   |                             |                                  |  |
|--|-------------|---|-----------------------------|----------------------------------|--|
| National<br>Element  | Item        | Indicator Name(s)   | (%)<br>Advance<br>2022-2024 | (%) Global<br>Goal<br>Compliance |  |
| B2.  | 2.1         | Implementation of the ideal communication channels to deliver and share project information.  | 20%                         |                                  |  |
| Transparency and Access to information                                       | 2.2         | PQRS system for addressing and responding to comments, questions, suggestions or complaints   | 10%                         |                                  |  |
|  | 2.3         | Project records in RENARE   | 5%                          |                                  |  |
| B3.<br>Accountability  | 2.4         | Project management reports  | 10%                         | 41%                              |  |
| B4. Recognition of Governance 2.5 Territorial governance strategy Structures |             | 5%  |                             |                                  |  |
| B5. Training<br>Strengthening  | 2.6         | Socializations, workshops, knowledge exchange, capacity building and other scenarios that contribute to building a participatory dynamic. | 15%                         |                                  |  |

Source: Fundación Cataruben, 2025.

## 11.3 Safeguard C

"Respect for the knowledge and rights of indigenous peoples and members of local communities, taking into account relevant international obligations and national circumstances and legislation, and taking into account the United Nations General Assembly on the rights of indigenous peoples."

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## 11.3.1 C6 Free prior and informed consent (FPIC)

The consent of the communities linked to CO2Bio P2-2 was managed through various spaces dedicated to strengthening capacities, such as training, exchanges and forums. These meetings were previously communicated, detailing the scope of each activity. The participation of the Ecosystem Managers was free and voluntary in all cases (2. Annexes / 3. Safeguard Compliance / 3.3. Safeguard C / 3.3.1. C6 Mesas de trabajo realizadas con las comunidades).

A key step in this process was the updating of the Property Implementation Plans, through which the Ecosystem Managers formally reaffirmed their consent to continue with the conservation activities of natural ecosystems. These plans not only consolidated their commitment to conservation planning, but also clearly defined how these activities will be carried out on their properties throughout the entire project.

### 11.3.2 C7 Respect for traditional knowledge

In compliance with this requirement, detailed information on the ethnic communities legally recognized or in the process of legalization in the departments of Arauca, Casanare, Meta and Vichada was requested from the National Land Agency (ANT). Based on this information, a precise inventory was prepared that made it possible to identify and avoid possible overlaps between the properties linked to CO2Bio P2-2 and the ethnic territories. This inventory incorporates maps that facilitate a clear and exact visualization of the location of these communities. (2. Annexes / 3. Compliance with Safeguards / 3.3. Safeguard C / 3.3.2. C7 - Respect for traditional knowledge / Comunidades).

Cataruben strictly complies with national regulations on private property, guaranteeing that the project activities do not generate negative effects on the social fabric, traditional knowledge or local forms of use and relationship with the territory. This responsibility is reflected in the implementation of legal and social verification mechanisms that ensure the legitimacy of the property relationship and respect for the rights of third parties.

Additionally, in order to avoid overlaps with collective territories, the corresponding management of the Request for Origin and Opportunity for Prior Consultation was carried out before the Ministry of the Interior. As a result, in 2022 the Directorate of the National Prior Consultation Authority issued Resolution No. ST-0003, through which it was determined the non-originand prior consultation with Indigenous, Black, Afro-Colombian, Raizales, Palenqueras and Roma communities, for the area and scope defined in CO2Bio P2-2.

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During the period 2022–2024, there were no territorial expansions of the project or modifications in the intervention area that imply the impact of legally recognized ethnic communities or those in the process of constitution. This geographical stability, added to the previous verification procedures, guarantees that the project fully respects collective rights and applicable national legislation (2. Annexes / 3. Safeguard Compliance / 3.3. Safeguard C/ 3.3.2. C7 Respect for traditional knowledge / Resolución No. ST-0003).

#### 11.3.3 C8 Profit distribution

During the 2022–2024 monitoring period, the commercialization of the carbon certificates issued and released in the previous CO2Bio P2-2 verification has generated concrete economic benefits, which have been distributed equitably among the Ecosystem Managers. The distribution strategy was based on the inventory management approach ABC, applied to carbon projects, which prioritizes the allocation of benefits starting with the properties that generated the smallest number of certificates. This approach seeks to avoid excessive fragmentation of amounts, ensuring that all managers receive significant payments for their participation, while optimizing the administrative efficiency of the benefits transfer process.

In coherence with this management model, it was prepared and presented the Management Report, which documents in detail:

- The number of carbon certificates issued and marketed during the period 2022–2024.
- The economic benefits derived from these transactions.
- The criteria, mechanisms and results of the distribution of benefits between the linked properties.

This report seeks to provide transparency, traceability and verifiable evidence of compliance with the principles of equity and efficiency defined by the project, and is available for review by third parties, verification organizations and strategic allies (2. Annexes / 3. Compliance with Safeguards / 3.3. Safeguard C/ 3.3.3. C8. Distribution of Benefits / 3.3.2.1 Distribution of Economic Benefits / Informe de gestión).

Likewise, as part of the commitment to transparency and traceability of the project, it includes the Inventory of Delivery of Economic Benefits corresponding to the first verification of CO2Bio P2-2. This document details in a structured manner the payments made to each of the ecosystem managers, specifying the amounts for each

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of the properties (2. Annexes / 3. Compliance with Safeguards / 3.3. Safeguard C/ 3.3.3. C8. Distribution of Benefits / 3.3.2.1 Distribution of Economic Benefits / Informe entrega de beneficios económicos CO2BIO P2-2).

## 11.3.4 C9 Territorial rights

During the verification period, full respect for collective property rights over land has been guaranteed. In support of this commitment, Resolution No. ST-0003 of 2022 is presented, issued by the Directorate of the National Prior Consultation Authority of the Ministry of the Interior, which concluded that prior consultation is not appropriate for Indigenous, Black, Afro-Colombian, Raizales, Palenqueras and Rom communities in the project execution areas, located in the departments of Arauca and Casanare.

This resolution confirms that, within the project intervention area, there are no collective territories or ethnic communities legally constituted or in the process of recognition that require prior consultation processes, in accordance with the provisions of Colombian regulations. This provides legal certainty about the compatibility of the project with collective rights and avoids possible territorial conflicts, thus guaranteeing its responsible implementation and in accordance with the current legal framework (2. Annexes / 3. Compliance with Safeguards / 3.3. Safeguard C/ 3.3.3. C8. Distribution of Benefits / 3.3.4. C9. Territorial Rights / 3.3.3.3 Legal analysis of land tenure / 1.1 Certificados de Tradición y Libertad).

Regarding individual property, it was verified that the linked Ecosystem Managers maintain legitimate ownership of their lands, according to the exhaustive review of the updated legal documentation (deeds, certificates of freedom and tradition, and other legal supports). This property verification process guarantees that the rights of third parties—including neighboring communities or communities with territorial expectations—are not violated. Furthermore, this validation ensures that the economic benefits derived from the commercialization of carbon certificates are distributed equitably and in accordance with carbon ownership, respecting the direct relationship between property ownership and the right to receive benefits.

A detailed analysis of this component is found in section 7 of this document, entitled "Carbon Ownership", which sets out the technical, legal and administrative criteria used to confirm the legality of land tenure and carbon ownership by project participants.

Table 20. Approach and compliance with safeguard C.

SAFEGUARD C
THEMATIC NATIONAL INTERPRETATION: SOCIAL AND CULTURAL

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| Requirement "BCR tool to demonstrate compliance with REDD+ Safeguards"   | Element of National<br>Interpretation Requirement   | Evidence of Compliance  |
|--|---|---|
| Recognize and respect the rights of the communities present in the territory, establishing working groups and other mechanisms that link them to the project from its pre-feasibility and structuring phase. Furthermore, it must integrate traditional ancestral knowledge and propose new forms of sustainable use of the territory. | C6. Free, Prior and Informed Consent (FPIC): Apply national provisions on prior consultation and free, prior and informed consent (FPIC), in accordance with current legislation, applicable jurisprudence and Ministry of the Interior guidelines. | Within the framework of the implementation of the project activities (ID G1 and G5), 10 training spaces and 2 forums. In addition, the Property Implementation Plan documents were updated. (2. Annexes / 3. Safeguard Compliance / 3.3. Safeguard C / 3.3.1. C6).  |
|  | C7. Respect for Traditional Knowledge: Respect and promote traditional knowledge, as well as the worldviews and forms of relationship with the territory of ethnic peoples and communities.   | Within the framework of the implementation of the project, an inventory of the communities present was prepared and the resolution that determined the non-applicability of prior consultation for ethnic communities was managed.(2. Annexes / 3. Compliance with Safeguards / 3.3. Safeguard C / 3.3.2. C7).  |
|  | C8. Benefit Distribution: Guarantee the effective participation and equitable distribution of the benefits generated by the project.  | Within the framework of the implementation of the project activities, they have been distributed \$3.919.855.535,92 COP of economic benefits (2. Annexes / 3. Safeguard Compliance / 3.3. Safeguard C/ 3.3.3. C8).  |
|  | C9. Territorial Rights: Respect and safeguard the territorial rights, both collective and individual, of ethnic communities and local populations.  | Within the framework of the implementation of the project activities, the resolution was managed that establishes the non-applicability of prior consultation for ethnic communities. In addition, a legal analysis was carried out on the ownership of the 120 linked properties (2. Annexes / 3. Compliance with Safeguards / 3.3. Safeguard C/ 3.3.3. C8. Distribution of Benefits / 3.3.4. C9). |

Based on the previous table, the progress of compliance with Safeguard C and its indicators in relation to the average of each global goal is presented below.

Table 21. Percentage of progress in compliance with Safeguard C, with respect to the Monitoring Plan.

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| SAFEGUARD C  |      |   |                             |                                  |
|--|------|---|-----------------------------|----------------------------------|
| National Element                                   | Item | Indicator Name(s)   | (%)<br>Advance<br>2021-2024 | (%) Global<br>Goal<br>Compliance |
| C6. Free, Prior and<br>Informed Consent<br>(CLIPI) | 3.1  | Work tables held with the communities.                          | 10%                         |                                  |
| C7. Respect for<br>Traditional<br>Knowledge        | 3.1  | Analysis of developed community mappings                        | 10%                         | 22%                              |
| C8. Profit<br>Distribution                         | 3.2  | Monitor and ensure the proper distribution of economic benefits | 10%                         |                                  |
| C9. Territorial Rights                             | 3.3  | Legal analysis on land ownership                                | 10%                         |                                  |

## 11.4 Salvaguarda D

"The full and effective participation of stakeholders, in particular indigenous peoples and local communities."

#### 11.4.1 D10 Participation

During the monitoring period, multiple mechanisms were implemented to ensure the active, informed, and meaningful participation of ecosystem managers and other stakeholders in the project's development. These included in-person and virtual meetings, such as the III and IV Biodiversity, Carbon, and Water Forum, as well as technical training and knowledge exchange sessions. These scenarios not only fostered open dialogue and feedback among key actors but also strengthened the technical capacities of ecosystem managers by providing them with tools for a deeper understanding of the project and for their effective participation in decision-making related to conservation and territorial management (2. Annexes / 3. Safeguard Compliance / 3.4. Safeguard D / 3.4.1. D10. Participation / 3.4.1.2 Mecanismos de participación).

During the 2022–2024 monitoring period, access to information and interaction with project content were actively promoted through multiple communication channels, both digital and direct. The outreach strategy was strengthened through continuous dissemination on public social media platforms such as Facebook, Instagram, and YouTube, which broadened the project's communicative reach, facilitated free and open access to relevant information, and encouraged spontaneous participation from interested actors, local communities, and the general public. This digital strategy is

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complemented by direct service channels such as telephone lines, WhatsApp, and email, ensuring fluid and accessible communication. Additionally, a Petitions, Complaints, Claims, and Suggestions (PQRS) system was enabled, through which ecosystem managers and other stakeholders could express their concerns, receive timely responses, and exercise their right to participate in project management. Together, these mechanisms strengthen transparency, accountability, and effective engagement with diverse audiences (2. Annexes / 3. Safeguard Compliance / 3.4. Safeguard D / 3.4.1. D10. Participation / 3.4.1.1 Medios de comunicación).

In summary, these mechanisms ensured the full and effective inclusion of all actors involved in the project, guaranteeing equitable and active participation. This participation was key to the project's success during the 2022–2024 monitoring period by facilitating informed, legitimate, and coherent decision-making processes aligned with the realities of the territory.

Table 22. Approach and compliance with safeguard D.

| SAFEGUARD D THEMATIC NATIONAL INTERPRETATION: SOCIAL AND CULTURAL  |  |  |  |
|--|--|--|--|
| Requirement "BCR tool<br>to demonstrate<br>compliance with<br>REDD+ Safeguards"  | Element of National<br>Interpretation Requirement  | Evidence of Compliance   |  |
| .Demonstrate that information has been shared clearly and effectively with the communities and that they had the opportunity to participate. | D10. Participation: Guarantee respect for the right to full, informed and effective participation of all actors involved, as a fundamental condition to strengthen project governance and ensure legitimate, inclusive and coherent decision-making processes within the framework of REDD+ initiatives. | Within the framework of the implementation of project activities associated with items G1, G2, G5, B1 and A1, a comprehensive communication and participation strategy was deployed, using multiple channels for disseminating information to ensure transparency and timely access to project content. This strategy included holding two regional forums, three technical training sessions, five knowledge exchange events with communities, and activating the Petitions, Complaints, Claims and Suggestions (PQRS) system as a tool for dialogue and feedback with interested parties. These actions helped to strengthen the social appropriation of the project, guarantee effective participation, and consolidate inclusive governance processes during the 2022–2024 monitoring period (2. |  |

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|  | Annexes / 3. Safeguard Compliance / 3.4. Safeguard D / 3.4.1. D10). |
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|  |   |

Based on the previous table, the progress in compliance with Safeguard D and its indicators in relation to the average of the global goal is presented below.

Table 23. Percentage of progress in compliance with Safeguard D, with respect to the Monitoring Plan.

| SAFEGUARD D                        |     |  |                                  |      |
|------------------------------------|-----|--|----------------------------------|------|
| National Element Indicator Name(s) |     | (%)<br>Advance<br>2022-2024  | (%) Global<br>Goal<br>Compliance |      |
| D10. Stake                         | 4.1 | Media for the transparent, clear, complete, inclusive and effective dissemination of information.      | 37%                              | 31%  |
| D 10. Stake                        | 4.2 | Real and effective participation mechanisms from the feasibility and structuring phase of the project. | 25%                              | 3170 |

Source: Fundación Cataruben, 2025.

# 11.5 Safeguard E

"The compatibility of the measures with the conservation of natural forests and biological diversity, [...] that serve, instead, to encourage the protection and conservation of these forests and the services derived from their ecosystems and to enhance other social and environmental benefits."

The articulated work between various actors is configured as the most efficient mechanism to implement conservation and restoration activities of strategic ecosystems within the framework of the CO2Bio P2-2 project. This comprehensive approach protects native biodiversity, aligning with national and local conservation objectives, and considering the particularities of each territory.

The strategy includes a comprehensive methodology to identify vulnerable species, addressing factors such as hunting and deforestation. The lines of action include socio-environmental impact assessments, habitat protection, and promotion of the sustainable use of natural resources. The project proposes a collaborative work model that involves the local community and strategic allies, seeking to generate ecosystem well-being that simultaneously benefits the environment and the communities. Training

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spaces are essential to expand conservation perspectives and promote responsible administration of natural resources.

The main commitment is to guarantee compliance with environmental regulations, maintaining a local reading with direct participation of ecosystem managers in monitoring processes, ensuring transparent and consistent implementation with regulatory requirements.

## Conservación de bosques y su biodiversidad

All actions contemplated in the project are aimed at preventing degradation and deforestation in REDD+ areas, as well as preventing the conversion of wetlands into exotic pasture crops, extensive livestock farming, or other practices incompatible with the conservation of ecosystems and their biodiversity. Such interventions would not only compromise the regeneration and sustainable use of ecosystem services, but would also affect the social and environmental benefits they provide.

Within the framework of safeguard E activities, a comprehensive report on conservation values for the study area was developed, encompassing a multidimensional analysis that includes ecological, environmental, social, and economic variables, providing a comprehensive view of the territory..

Between 2022 - 2024, 740 heat points were recorded, mainly between December and April (dry season). Through satellite tools such as Google Earth Engine and the NBR index, early detection and efficient spatial analysis of these thermal anomalies were achieved. Properties with recurring heat were identified, prioritizing them for fire management. None of the monitored anomalies constituted a fire with the potential to affect the eligible areas of the project. (2. Annexes / 3. Safeguard Compliance / 3.5. Safeguard E / 3.5.1. E11. Conservation of Forests and their Biodiversity / 3.5.1.1. Alertas de puntos de calor identificados en el área del proyecto).

The environmental diagnosis of invasive species monitoring reported the presence of 36 introduced plant species, among which Elaeis guineensis and Gynerium sagittatum stand out. Additionally, 20 introduced animal species were identified, mainly fish and birds, including Caquetaia kraussii and Oreochromis niloticus (2. Anexos / 3. Cumplimiento de Salvaguardas / 3.5. Salvaguarda E / 3.5.1. E11. Conservación de Bosques y su Biodiversidad / 3.5.1.2. Monitoreo de especies vulnerables e invasoras.)

The project conducted effective monitoring of the 6 High Conservation Values (HCVs) in Arauca and Casanare, which include biodiversity, ecosystems, ecosystem services, cultural values, and livelihoods (2. Anexos / 3. Cumplimiento de Salvaguardas / 3.5. Salvaguarda E / 3.5.1.3. Reporte de Altos Valores para la Conservación (AVC´s)).

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# Provision of environmental goods and services

Cataruben, together with the local community and strategic partners, promotes conservation through daily, coordinated, and collaborative actions. This method seeks the common well-being and encourages the continuous optimization of productive practices and resource management. It is important to note that Cataruben complies with national environmental regulations. Corporinoquia's certifications confirm that Cataruben has not committed environmental infractions, nor has it been investigated for such reasons, either directly or indirectly. (2. Annexes / 3. Safeguard Compliance / 3.5. Safeguard E / 3.5.2. E12. Provision of Environmental Goods and Services / 3.5.2.2. Consultas realizadas a Autoridades Nacionales)

Cataruben implemented a participatory strategy that involved key actors in the conservation of forests and biodiversity in the project areas. This strategy was carried out through training cycles that addressed topics such as the importance of biodiversity, effective actions for its conservation, participatory bioacoustic monitoring, and relevant areas for biological diversity. The objective of these trainings was to raise awareness among participants for informed decision-making when implementing activities on their properties. The evidence and photographic records of these activities are available in the folder (2. Annexes / 3. Safeguard Compliance / 3.5. Safeguard E / 3.5.2. E12. Provision of Environmental Goods and Services / 3.5.2.1. Capacitaciones a la comunidad).

Table 24. Abordaje de la salvaguarda E en el marco del proyecto.

| TEMÁTI   | SALVAGUARDA E<br>TEMÁTICA INTERPRETACIÓN NACIONAL: AMBIENTALES Y TERRITORIALES |   |  |  |
|--|--|---|--|--|
| Requirement "BCR tool to demonstrate compliance with REDD+ Safeguards"   | Element of National Interpretation<br>Requirement                              | Evidence of Compliance  |  |  |
| Conserve, protect, restore and sustainably use ecosystems. In addition, they must comply with environmental regulations and demonstrate that no activities have been | their Biodiversity   | Report of 3.5.1.3.1. Informe sobre el  Monitoreo de Altos Valores de Conservación and 3.5.1.2.1. Especies vulnerable e invasoras de Co2Bio P2-2 |  |  |

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| carried out that involve the conversion of natural forests. |   | Evidence from spatial analysis to avoid forest conversion in the project areas. Developed in Annex 2.6.1. G.3. Monitoreo continuo de cambios en la superficie forestal como proporción de la superficie total en las áreas de proyecto   |
|---|---|--|
|   |   | Monitoring of heat points identified in the<br>Annex ar 3.5.1.1.Alertas de puntos de calor<br>identificados en el área del proyecto  |
|   | E12. Provision of Goods and<br>Environmental Services | During the period 2022 - 2024, the training and technical assistance component of the CO2BIO P2-2 project managed to strengthen environmental management capabilities through 10 training sessions. Directly impacting 74 people, where 42.0% were women and 58.0% men. 2 Annex/ 2. Project activities/ 2.4. G1/ 2.4.1. Informe  Capacitaciones. |
|   |   | Consultation made to Corporinoquia, which has jurisdiction in the project area, the certificate indicates that Cataruben does not have environmental sanctions or investigations.3.5.2.2.1. Certificación Corporinoquia  |

Below is the percentage of compliance with Safeguard E and its indicators, with respect to the global goal.

Table 25. Progress in compliance with Safeguard E with respect to the global goal of the Safeguards Monitoring Plan.

|                                   |      | SAFEGUARD AND   |                          |                               |  |
|-----------------------------------|------|---|--------------------------|-------------------------------|--|
| National<br>Element               | Item | Indicator Name(s)   | (%) Advance<br>2022-2024 | (%) Global Goal<br>Compliance |  |
| E11. Stake                        | 5.1  | High Conservation Values Report<br>(AVC's)  | 18,0 %                   |                               |  |
|                                   | 5.2  | Forest non-conversion   | 18,0 %                   | 39 %                          |  |
| E12.<br>Provision of<br>Goods and | 5.3  | Application of training to the community to support improving biodiversity conservation conditions. | 10,0 %                   |                               |  |

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| Environmenta<br>I Services | Consultations made to the competent National Authority that demonstrate that the project has not incurred any environmental violation and that it is not the subject of environmental investigations. | 18,0 % |  |
|----------------------------|---|--------|--|
|----------------------------|---|--------|--|

# 11.6 Safeguard F

"The adoption of measures to address reversal risks."

### 11.6.1 F13 Environmental and territorial planning

To guarantee the sustainability of the CO2Bio P2-2 project, Cataruben reviewed the Territorial Planning Plans and socialized the project with local authorities, ensuring its alignment with regional planning and development. Public and private entities participated in the project forums, with the aim of socializing the conservation strategy and strengthening its alignment with environmental regulations (2. Annexes / 3. Compliance with Safeguards / 3.6. Safeguard F / 3.6.1. F13. Environmental and Territorial Planning / 2.4.1. Informes capacitaciones).

A matrix was developed to evaluate the reversal risks of the CO2Bio P2-2 project in Arauca and Casanare, including monitoring indicators and mitigation actions, in compliance with the BioCarbon Standard standards and the REDD+ BCR0002 methodology, version 3.1. (2. Annexes / 3. Compliance with Safeguards / 3.6. Safeguard F / 3.6.1. F13. Environmental and Territorial Planning / 3.6.1.1. Analysis of reversal risks carried out within the framework of the project / Análisis y Gestión de Riesgos).

Within the framework of the CO2Bio P2-2 project, commitments are formalized through linkage contracts that include a "Risk of Reversal" clause, aligned with the criteria of the "Empowering Sustainability, Redefining Standards" standard of BioCarbon Standard, in order to ensure the permanence and continuous surveillance of the conserved areas (2. Annexes / 3. Compliance with Safeguards / 3.6. Safeguard F / 3.6.1. F13. Environmental and Territorial Planning Contrato de Vinculación a Co2bio P2-2).

## 11.6.2 F14 Sector planning

To advance the implementation of CO2Bio Project 2, Cataruben developed a characterization of the social, cultural and environmental context of the territory, allowing conservation activities to be adapted based on local knowledge. Additionally,

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departmental and municipal territorial planning was analyzed to ensure coherence with the planning instruments. As a result, a legal compatibility matrix was consolidated that demonstrates compliance with the regulatory criteria regarding conservation and biodiversity at the local, regional, national and international level (2. Annexes / 3. Compliance with Safeguards / 3.6. Safeguard F / 3.6.2. F14. Sectoral Planning / 6.2 Actions so that the project is maintained over time / Matriz de Compatibilidad Legal).

Table 26. Approach and compliance with safeguard F.

| THEMATIC   | SAFEGUARD F THEMATIC NATIONAL INTERPRETATION: ENVIRONMENTAL AND TERRITORIAL   |   |  |  |  |  |  |
|--|---|---|--|--|--|--|--|
| Requirement "BCR tool to demonstrate compliance with REDD+ Safeguards" | Element of National<br>Interpretation Requirement   | Compliance  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Take measures to reduce reversal risks.                                | F13. Environmental and Territorial Planning: Promote the consolidation of territorial and environmental planning instruments established in current legislation, incorporating a focus on conservation and sustainable management of forests. | In the development of the G1 activity of the project, the III and IV Biodiversity, Carbon and Water Forum were held, the Risk Analysis and Management Matrix was presented, and contractual clauses were defined aimed at guaranteeing the permanence and sustainability of the project (2. Annexes / 3. Compliance with Safeguards / 3.6. Safeguard F / 3.6.1. F13). |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | F14. Sectoral Planning: Design and implement REDD+ actions based on environmental and territorial planning instruments, as well as the current regulatory framework related to the conservation of forests and their biodiversity.            | Within the framework of the implementation of the project, the legal compatibility matrix was prepared. (2. Annexes / 3. Compliance with Safeguards / 3.6. Safeguard F / 3.6.2. F12).   |  |  |  |  |  |

Source: Fundación Cataruben, 2025.

Based on the previous table, the progress in compliance with Safeguard F and its indicators in relation to the average of the global goal is presented below.

Table 27. Percentage of progress in compliance with Safeguard F, with respect to the Monitoring Plan.

|   | SAFEGUARD F |
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| National Element                            | Item | Indicator Name(s)  | (%)<br>Advance<br>2022-2024 | (%) Global<br>Goal<br>Compliance |
|---|------|--|-----------------------------|----------------------------------|
| F13. Environmental and Territorial Planning | 6.1  | Analysis of reversal risks carried out within the framework of the project | 10%                         | 49%                              |
| F14. Sector Planning                        | 6.2  | Actions so that the project is maintained over time                        | 7.5%                        | 49 %                             |

# 11.7 Safeguard G

"The adoption of measures to reduce the displacement of emissions."

## • Forest control and surveillance to avoid the displacement of emissions

To he period 2022 - 2024 constant monitoring of the leak belt was carried out, besides community efforts were made to declaration of strategic sites for projection of biodiversity (2. Annexes / 3. Compliance with Safeguards / 3.7. Safeguard G / 3.7.1. G15. Forest Control and Surveillance to avoid the Displacement of emissions / 3.7.1.1 Analisis de identificacion de fugas y sus causas).

Table 28. Approach and compliance with safeguard G.

| SAFEGUARD G THEMATIC NATIONAL INTERPRETATION: ENVIRONMENTAL AND TERRITORIAL                  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| Requirement "BCR tool to demonstrate compliance with REDD+ Safeguards"                       | Element of National<br>Interpretation Requirement  | Compliance   |  |  |  |  |
| Identify and control<br>leaks, minimize their<br>impact and implement<br>response protocols. | G15. Forest Control and Surveillance to Avoid the Displacement of Emissions: Incorporate measures to reduce the displacement of emissions in its design and guarantee timely monitoring and control when the displacement of emissions occurs. | Within the framework of the implementation of the project activity, an evaluation of possible socioeconomic activities that could trigger a risk of flight was carried out (2. Annexes / 3. Compliance with Safeguards / 3.7. Safeguard G / 3.7.1. G15). |  |  |  |  |

Source: Fundación Cataruben, 2025.

Based on the previous table, the progress in compliance with Safeguard G and its indicators in relation to the average of the global goal is presented below.

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Table 29. Percentage of progress in compliance with SafeguardG, with respect to the Monitoring Plan.

|  |      | SAFEGUARD G                                 |                             |                                  |
|--|------|---|-----------------------------|----------------------------------|
| National Element   | Item | Indicator Name(s)                           | (%)<br>Advance<br>2021-2024 | (%) Global<br>Goal<br>Compliance |
| G15. Forest Control and Surveillance to Avoid the Displacement of Emissions: | 7.1  | Analysis to identify leaks and their causes | 13%                         | 33%                              |

# 12 Special categories, related to co-benefits

Within the framework of the CO2Bio P2-2 project, additional benefits are recognized beyond the reduction and removal of GHG emissions, which are managed under the Orchid category of the BioCarbon standard. This category allows the project's contributions to be made visible and valued in three key dimensions: biodiversity conservation, benefits for local communities and promotion of gender equality. To ensure adequate monitoring of these co-benefits, a specific Monitoring Plan was designed and updated, which was restructured during the current verification period to align with the criteria of version 3.4 of the BioCarbon Standard "Empowering Sustainability, Redefining Standards" (June 28, 2024). This tool allows you to systematically evaluate compliance with the defined indicators, ensuring the traceability, effectiveness and coherence of the actions implemented in the territory. (2. Attachments / 5. Co-benefits/ 5.1. Plan de Monitoreo de Cobeneficios CO2Bio Project 2 -2(2022-2024)).

## 12.1 Conservation of the biodiversity

"Understand the co-benefit to develop "effective actions and measures to stop the loss of biological diversity, helping ecosystems continue to provide essential services."

During the period 2022-2024, forest monitoring was carried out on the properties linked to the CO2Bio P2-2 project, under the BCR0002 methodology. The results show a positive variation in forest cover, with an increase of 0.01%, equivalent to 10.53 hectares, compared to the reference period. This result reflects the effectiveness of the conservation measures implemented, contributing to the permanence of carbon and the resilience of the ecosystem. In operational terms, the logistical deployment required for this activity involved sending autonomous recording devices (AudioMoth) to 38 properties previously selected through a representative sample design, managing to

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establish 34 active acoustic monitoring stations. Table 3 summarizes this effort and shows the territorial coverage of the monitoring. Additionally, in the Table 30 The approach to the co-benefits associated with the conservation of biodiversity, social contributions and gender equity is presented, in line with the Orchid category of the BioCarbon standard, demonstrating compliance with the established sustainability criteria.

Table 30. Progress in compliance with indicators of the "Biodiversity Conservation" component with respect to the global goal of the biodiversity monitoring plan. co-benefits.

| Co-profit   | Item | Indicator  | Progress (%) Period 2022-2024 |
|---|------|--|-------------------------------|
|   | G.3  | Proportion of forest in the project  | 11,10%                        |
| Develop effective actions and measures to stop the  | B1.  | Percentage of Co2Bio initiative properties with progress in the implemented monitoring stages.   | 21,00%                        |
| loss of biological diversity,<br>helping ecosystems<br>continue to provide<br>essential services. | B2.  | Report on indicators of Areas of<br>Conservation Value (AVC), for the<br>different components AVC1 Species<br>Richness, AVC2 Landscape, AVC3<br>Important Ecosystems and AVC4<br>Ecosystem Services. | 28,00 %                       |

Source: Fundación Cataruben, 2025.

#### 12.2 Benefits about communities

"Identifies and strengthens mechanisms of social and community participation, at the local and regional level."

During the period 2022–2024, within the framework of the CO2Bio P2-2 project, a capacity-building plan was implemented aimed at ecosystem managers, with the aim of promoting the conservation of wetlands and continental forests, as well as the adoption of sustainable practices in their territories. These actions contributed significantly to the process of appropriation of the project by the linked communities, strengthening local governance and ensuring the sustainability of the implemented measures.

The training and technical assistance component of the project made it possible to consolidate capacities in environmental and productive management through a structured training plan. Although it was initially estimated to hold three training sessions every two years, this goal was exceeded by executing 10 virtual sessions, complemented by two forums and the Ecolíderes program. These spaces addressed

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key technical, social, productive and financial issues, which comprehensively strengthened the project participants.

"The activities framed in the GHG project produce an average net increase in the income of local producers."

Additionally, within the framework of the first verification of the project, 496,421 Verified Catch Certificates (CCV) were issued for commercialization, of which 445,793 were sold, generating income for a total value of \$7,417,559,174.66 COP. Of these resources, \$3,919,855,535.92 COP have been distributed to the beneficiaries, while \$3,497,703,638.74 COP are pending delivery. To date, 50,628 CCVs are available, which represents an additional opportunity to mobilize resources and continue strengthening the financial sustainability of the project. This financial traceability makes it possible to demonstrate a transparent process in the distribution of the economic benefits generated by the implementation of CO2Bio P2-2.

Table 31. Progress in compliance with indicators of the "Community Benefits" component with respect to the global goal of the co-benefits monitoring plan.

| Co-profit  | ltem | Indicator   | Advance Period<br>2022-2024  |
|--|------|---|--|
| Identifies and strengthens mechanisms of social and community participation, at the local and regional level | G.1  | Training, workshops, forums, socializations and meetings that encourage the participation of Ecosystem Managers | 10 virtual trainings<br>2 forums held<br>1 program -<br>Ecoleaders |
| The activities framed in the GHG project produce an average net increase in the income of local producers    | G.3  | Increase in the economic income of Ecosystem Managers   | \$3.919.855.535,92<br>COP  |

Source: Fundación Cataruben. 2025.

## 12.3 Equity of gender

"Ensures the full and effective participation of women and equal leadership opportunities at all levels of decision-making within the project."

Within the framework of the CO2Bio P2-2 project, gender equity has been actively promoted as a transversal axis in community strengthening and environmental governance actions. A total of 59 women owners have assumed leadership roles in the process, highlighting their participation in the 10 virtual trainings organized by the

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Cataruben Foundation, which directly impacted 74 people, with a balanced gender representation: 31 women and 39 men. To facilitate female participation, especially rural women, the session schedules were adjusted to their daily dynamics, ensuring accessible spaces free of conflicts with other responsibilities. In the project's governance strategy, women represent 60% of the representatives, including Yarisma Emeris Tocaría Sierra, who serves as president of the Governance Board. As a symbol of the commitment to gender equality, the official reports of the Cataruben Foundation have highlighted the image of "Pachamama" on their covers, recognizing the fundamental role of women in the generation, protection and care of life.

Table 32. Progress in compliance with indicators of the "Community Benefits" component with respect to the global goal of the co-benefits monitoring plan.

| Co-profit   | ltem | Indicator  | Advance Period<br>2022-2024         |
|---|------|--|-------------------------------------|
| Ensures the full and effective participation of women and equal leadership opportunities at all levels of decision-making in the project area | G.1  | Women in leadership positions within CO2Bio P2-2, who exercise sustainable management of their properties and resources, allowing them to assume important roles and increase their participation in decision-making | 59 Women owners in leadership roles |

Source: Fundación Cataruben, 2025.

# 13 Implementation of the project.

## 13.1 Implementation status of the project

The **CO2Bio P2-2** project, initiated in 2018, focuses on the conservation of carbon stocks in the wetlands of the Colombian Orinoquia by preventing deforestation and land-use change. To achieve this purpose, key activities integrating technical, social, and environmental aspects have been developed. Since its inception, the project has fostered the capacity building of participants, both men and women, through training programs in technical-environmental, social, and administrative-financial areas. These training processes seek to improve informed decision-making to contribute to the project's results, thereby promoting greater local ownership and the sustainability of the implemented actions.

In the field of governance, an inclusive territorial strategy has been established that promotes collaboration among local agents, communities, and allied entities in the planning and implementation of conservation initiatives. This governance structure has

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been fundamental in ensuring joint and effective management of ecosystems.

The project's environmental monitoring includes constant monitoring of forest cover and threats such as forest fires, through early warnings for timely response. In addition, participatory monitoring of biodiversity and High Conservation Value Areas (HCVAs) has been strengthened as a tool for the protection of key species and habitats.

The implementation of conservation actions and sustainable production practices at the farm and territorial levels has been promoted. This is proposed as a strategy to preserve carbon stocks, maintain biodiversity, and expand income sources for communities. These initiatives are complemented by integrated water management, which favors the conservation of water sources and the balance of ecosystems.

The implementation status of these activities and their respective indicators are presented below.

## 13.1.1 Progress of project activities

Table 33. Activity implementation status G.1

| Activity ID                | G.1: Training and development of skills for men and women linked to the project in the technical-environmental, social and administrative-financial fields, with the purpose of strengthening their capacities and improving decision-making aligned with the project objectives. |            |                |                 |                      |                            |
|----------------------------|---|------------|----------------|-----------------|----------------------|----------------------------|
| Applied<br>methodolog<br>y | BCR0002<br>BCR0004  |            |                |                 |                      |                            |
|                            | Indicators  | s to repor | t the progre   | ss of the act   | tivity               |                            |
| Indicator ID               | Indicator Name  | Туре       | Meta<br>global | Unit of measure | Monitoring frequency | Responsible for monitoring |
| G-1.1                      | People impacted with strengthening in the three components (technical-environ   | Result     | 600            | No. of people   | Biannual             | Cataruben<br>Foundation    |

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| G-1.2        | Training carried out in the three components (technical-environ mental, social and administrative-fina ncial) | Result | 30               | No. of training  | Biannual   | Cataruben<br>Foundation   |
|--------------|---|--------|------------------|--|--|---|
|              |   | Act    | ivity progres    | ss   |  |   |
| Indicator ID | Indicator result<br>(2022-2023)   |        | neral<br>pliance | Documen<br>ts to<br>support<br>informati<br>on             | Obse   | ervations   |
| G-1.1        | 74  | 4      | 11%              | G.1 - Informe y soportes de fortalecimiento de capacidades | achieve monitoring context, interventi (combining v and asynch would allo coverage ar impact of co | ce of 82% was d during the period. In this diversifying on modalities virtual, in-person ronous spaces) ow expanding d optimizing the apacity-building ategies. |
| G-1.2        | 10  | 5      | 57%              |  | Successfu  | l breakthrough  |

Table 34. Activity implementation status G.2

| Activity ID                                       | G.2: Deployment decision-making for | J          |                | 0,               |                      |                            |
|---|-------------------------------------|------------|----------------|------------------|----------------------|----------------------------|
| Applied<br>methodolog<br>y                        | BCR0002<br>BCR0004                  |            |                |                  |                      |                            |
| Indicators to report the progress of the activity |                                     |            |                |                  |                      |                            |
|   | Indicato                            | rs to repo | ort the progre | ess of the activ | vity                 |                            |
| Indicator ID                                      | Indicato                            | Type       | Meta<br>global | Unit of measure  | Monitoring frequency | Responsible for monitoring |

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|              | Activity progress               |                       |  |                         |  |  |  |  |
|--------------|---------------------------------|-----------------------|--|-------------------------|--|--|--|--|
| Indicator ID | Indicator result<br>(2022-2023) | General<br>Compliance | Document<br>s to<br>support<br>informatio<br>n   | Observations            |  |  |  |  |
| G-2.1        | 20%                             | 45%                   | G.2 - Informe de Avance Estrategia de Gobernanza | Successful breakthrough |  |  |  |  |

Table 35. Activity implementation status G.3

| Activity ID                | G.3: Continuous monitoring of changes in forest area as a proportion of the total area in the project areas. |  |           |  |           |                         |  |  |
|----------------------------|--|--|-----------|--|-----------|-------------------------|--|--|
| Applied<br>methodolog<br>y | BCR0002<br>BCR0004   |  |           |  |           |                         |  |  |
|                            | Indicato   | rs to report   | the prog  | ess of the acti  | vity      |                         |  |  |
| Indicator ID               | Indicator Name   | Indicator Name Type Meta Unit of Monitoring Responsible frequency for monitoring |           |  |           |                         |  |  |
| G-3.1                      | Proportion of forest in the project  | Result   | 9         | Report   | Biannual  | Cataruben<br>Foundation |  |  |
|                            |  | Activ  | ity progi | ess  |           |                         |  |  |
| Indicator ID               | Indicator result (2022-2023)  General to support information  Observations                                   |  |           |  |           |                         |  |  |
| G-3.1                      | 11,10%   | 22,2   | 0%        | G.3 - Superficie<br>forestal como<br>proporción de la<br>superficie total -<br>CO2BIO P2-2 | Successfu | l breakthrough          |  |  |

Source: Fundación Cataruben, 2025.

Table 36. Activity implementation status G.4

| Activity ID | G.4: Active monitoring of environmental threats, such as fires, in the project area, as well as the identification of possible alerts for timely management.   |
|-------------|--|
|             | The state of the s |

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| Applied methodolog | BCR0002<br>BCR0004   |   |           |  |           |                         |  |  |
|--------------------|--|---|-----------|--|-----------|-------------------------|--|--|
|                    | Indicato   | rs to report  | the prog  | ress of the act  | ivity     |                         |  |  |
| Indicator ID       | Indicator Name   | Indicator Name Type Meta Unit of Monitoring Responsible global measure frequency for monitoring |           |  |           |                         |  |  |
| G-4.1              | Monitoring<br>thermal<br>anomalies/plant<br>cover fires  | Impact  | 9         | Report   | Biannual  | Cataruben<br>Foundation |  |  |
|                    |  | Activ   | vity prog | ress   |           |                         |  |  |
| Indicator ID       | Indicator ID Indicator result (2022-2023) General Compliance Documents to support information Observations |   |           |  |           |                         |  |  |
| G-4.1              | 11,10%   | 22,2  | 0%        | G.4 - Monitoreo<br>Puntos de calor<br>REDD+<br>CO2BIO P2-2 | Successfu | l breakthrough          |  |  |

Table 37. Activity implementation status G.5

| Activity ID                | G.5: Promote the adoption of sustainable productive actions and practices at the property and local level, with the aim of preserving carbon reserves and protecting biodiversity in strategic ecosystems. |              |                |                    |                      |                            |
|----------------------------|--|--------------|----------------|--------------------|----------------------|----------------------------|
| Applied<br>methodolog<br>y | BCR0002<br>BCR0004   |              |                |                    |                      |                            |
|                            | Indicato   | rs to report | t the prog     | ress of the act    | ivity                |                            |
| Indicator ID               | Indicator Name   | Туре         | Meta<br>global | Unit of<br>measure | Monitoring frequency | Responsible for monitoring |

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| G-5.1        | Properties that implement sustainable productive practices (PPS), ecosystem conservation actions and strategies | Impact         | 100       | Percentage   | Annual    | Cataruben<br>Foundation |
|--------------|---|----------------|-----------|--|-----------|-------------------------|
|              |   | Activ          | vity prog | ress   |           |                         |
| Indicator ID | Indicator result<br>(2022-2023)   | Gene<br>Compli |           | Documents<br>to support<br>information                             | Obse      | ervations               |
| G-5.1        | 26,49%  | 51,26%         |           | G.5 -<br>Implementación<br>actividades de<br>conservación y<br>PPS | Successfu | l breakthrough          |

Table 38. Activity implementation status B.1

| Activity ID                | B.1: Participatory | B.1: Participatory biodiversity monitoring |                |                 |                      |                            |
|----------------------------|--------------------|--|----------------|-----------------|----------------------|----------------------------|
| Applied<br>methodolog<br>y | BCR0004            |  |                |                 |                      |                            |
|                            | Indicate           | ors to repor                               | t the progre   | ess of the acti | vity                 |                            |
| Indicator ID               | Indicator<br>Name  | Туре                                       | Meta<br>global | Unit of measure | Monitoring frequency | Responsible for monitoring |

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| B.1          | Percentage of properties of the Co2Bio initiative with progress in the implemented monitoring stages (1.  Baseline, ii. biodiversity monitoring and iii. closing socialization of the results). | Result    | 100 %       | Percentag<br>e   | Biannual   | Cataruben<br>Foundation |
|--------------|---|-----------|-------------|--|------------|-------------------------|
|              |   | Acti      | vity progre | ess  |            |                         |
| Indicator ID | Indicator<br>result<br>(2022-2023)  | General C | ompliance   | Document<br>s to<br>support<br>informatio<br>n                                 | Obse       | rvations                |
| B.1          | 21,0 %  | 37,6      | 57 %        | B.1 - Informe<br>Monitoreo<br>participativo<br>acústico de la<br>biodiversidad | Successful | breakthrough            |

Table 39. Activity implementation status B.2

| Activity ID                | B.2: AVC monitor  | B.2: AVC monitoring |                |                 |                      |                            |
|----------------------------|-------------------|---------------------|----------------|-----------------|----------------------|----------------------------|
| Applied<br>methodolog<br>y | BCR0004           |                     |                |                 |                      |                            |
|                            | Indicate          | ors to repor        | t the progr    | ess of the acti | vity                 |                            |
| Indicator ID               | Indicator<br>Name | Туре                | Meta<br>global | Unit of measure | Monitoring frequency | Responsible for monitoring |

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| B.2          | Report on indicators of Areas of Conservation Value (AVC), for the different components AVC1 Species Richness, AVC2 Landscape, AVC3 Important Ecosystems and AVC 4 Ecosystem Services. | Result        | 100 %      | Percentage  | Biannual  | Cataruben<br>Foundation |
|--------------|--|---------------|------------|---|-----------|-------------------------|
|              |  | Acti          | vity progr | ess   |           |                         |
| Indicator ID | Indicator<br>result<br>(2022-2023)   | Gend<br>Compl |            | Documents<br>to support<br>information  | Obse      | ervations               |
| B.2          | 28,0 %   | 53,0          | %          | B.2 - Informe<br>sobre el<br>Monitoreo de<br>Altos Valores de<br>Conservación | Successfu | l breakthrough          |

Table 40. Activity A.1 Implementation Status

| Activity ID                | Water Managemo     | Water Management Program |                |                     |                      |  |  |
|----------------------------|--------------------|--------------------------|----------------|---------------------|----------------------|--|--|
| Applied<br>methodolog<br>y | BCR0002<br>BCR0004 |                          |                |                     |                      |  |  |
|                            | Indicato           | ors to repor             | t the progr    | ess of the activity |                      |  |  |
| Indicator ID               | Indicator<br>Name  | Туре                     | Meta<br>global | Unit of<br>measure  | Monitoring frequency | Responsib<br>le for<br>measurem<br>ent |  |

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| A.1          | Percentage of properties of the CO2BIO initiative with diagnosis, design, implementation and monitoring of water management | Result      | 100        | Percentage                                 | Annual       | Cataruben<br>Foundation |
|--------------|---|-------------|------------|--|--------------|-------------------------|
|              |   | Activ       | vity progr | ess  |              |                         |
| Indicator ID | Indicator<br>result<br>(2022-2023)  | Gen<br>Comp |            | Documents to support information           | Observ       | vations                 |
| A.1          | 5%  | 20          | %          | <u>A1 - Programa de</u><br>gestión hídrica | Successful b | preakthrough            |

#### 13.1.2 Leakage and Non Permanence Risk

Possible leakages arising from the implementation of project activities are managed through monitoring of the leakage belt and calculation of the increase in emissions in this area. Additionally, management is carried out with the landowners within the framework of forest control and surveillance. In this sense, the project's leakage monitoring identified a progressive loss of 334 hectares of forest cover in the area of influence (250 meters) between 2010 and 2024, probably due to agricultural expansion and hydrological dynamics, not to project activities. 174 thermal anomalies were recorded (2022-2024) unrelated to forest loss. Participatory monitoring (surveys) revealed that 37% noticed changes in vegetation outside their properties, with fire control and conservation agreements being the most mentioned strategies. It is concluded that the risk of GHG leakage is managed effectively with a comprehensive system and local participation. (section 11.6 Safeguard F, section 16.3 Leakages.)

On the other hand, the implementation of the project activities continues. Three properties were removed from the project, so their mitigation results are not included to avoid overestimations.

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Regarding risk management and permanence, the project has evaluated and managed risks, and has quantified the percentage of buffer contribution based on the Quantitative Methodology for Reversal Risk Rating, described in Annex 1 of the Permanence and Risk Management tool (2. Annexes / 3. Compliance with Safeguards / 3.6. Safeguard F / 3.6.1. F13. Environmental and Territorial Planning / 3.6.1.1. Analysis of reversal risks carried out within the framework of the project / CO2Bio P2-2 Aneex 1. BCR risk-and-permanence (3))

Given that the result is less than 2.5, a contribution percentage of 10% has been determined.

In addition, and in compliance with Section 4.1 of the Permanence and Risk Management tool, the project distinguishes between avoidable and unavoidable reversals:

- Avoidable reversals are those that may occur due to inadequate management, negligence, or lack of implementation of feasible risk prevention measures (e.g., uncontrolled anthropogenic fires, absence of surveillance against land-use change, or failure to implement agreed conservation practices).
- Unavoidable reversals are those that may occur despite the implementation of reasonable and context-appropriate risk mitigation measures (e.g., extreme floods, hurricanes, earthquakes, or uncontrollable pest outbreaks).

This classification ensures that all mitigation activities explicitly apply the correct compensation mechanism: avoidable reversals are subject to full compensation and may entail additional consequences such as increased buffer contributions, while unavoidable reversals are compensated through the project or general buffer account without penalization to the project proponent.

Table 41. Buffer contribution percentage

| Risk Category                  | Score (1-5) | Weight (%) | Weighted Score |
|--------------------------------|-------------|------------|----------------|
| Legal/Tenure Risk              | 1           | 35         | 0.35           |
| Natural/Environment<br>al Risk | 1.67        | 15         | 0.2505         |
| Financial/Operation al Risk    | 1.83        | 15         | 0.2745         |

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| Governance/Politi<br>cal Risk | 1.66 | 10  | 0.1660 |
|-------------------------------|------|-----|--------|
| Community/Stakehold er Risk   | 1    | 25  | 0.25   |
| Total                         | -    | 100 | 1.29   |

The outcome reflects effective risk management within the project, demonstrating clear legal structures, low exposure to natural disturbances, operational and financial stability, and a strong relationship with communities and stakeholders. Therefore, the project shows a low risk of reversal, justifying a minimum contribution to the buffer pool.

#### 13.1.3 Uncertainty management

Under the BCR STANDARD, the handling of uncertainty is determined by the accuracy of the maps, which must exceed 90.0%. This must be carried out using field observations or high-resolution imagery analysis (10 m, Sentinel).

For the areas where BCR0002 activities are implemented, uncertainty management corresponds to an accuracy of 96.0% in the generation of the natural forest cover map, indicating a high degree of reliability in the model or classification to distinguish forest and non-forest at the pixel scale. References: 8.1.4.2. AcATaMa CO2BIO P2-2 Results (PDF format), 8.2.1.7. AcATaMa Instruction Manual.pdf, and complemented by the case study (8.1.4.3. Validation of the BNB Model 2024 using field data – AcATaMa).

The natural forest cover map (2024) was created for monitoring eligible and leakage areas using a supervised classification in Google Earth Engine, following the Galindo et al. (2014) protocol. LANDSAT 8 OLI images from June 1 to December 31, 2024, were used, filtered by:

- Cloud cover < 20% (prioritizing clear skies over project sites),</li>
- Geometric error < 10 m.
- OLI Image Quality = 9.

After radiometric normalization, a cloud-free median temporal composite was generated. The classification used 2,829 samples (70% training, 30% validation) distributed among the classes Forest, Water, Savanna, and Crops. Predictor variables

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included the blue, green, red, nir, swir1, swir2 bands, and indices NDVI, MSAVI, EVI, NDWI, SVVI, brightness, greenest, and wetness. The Random Forest algorithm (seed 0, 50 trees) achieved an overall accuracy with a Kappa coefficient ≈ 0.96, qualifying the classification as highly reliable for the reference year.

The forest–non-forest raster was validated and refined in ArcGIS Pro 3.4.1 using a Sentinel-2 composite (Nov.–Dec. 2024). Only the Forest category was adjusted to minimize commission errors:

- Non-forest: absence of tree cover.
- Forest: pixels with > 50% tree cover.

The resulting product, "Refined Supervised Classification Forest 2024," is the final layer used for monitoring eligible forest and leakage areas in 2024.

Uncertainty for the 2024 forest–non-forest map was estimated in QGIS 3.36.1 using the AcATaMa v24.12c plugin, recommended by the Monitoring and Carbon System. An independent set of 225 validation points (53% forest and 47% non-forest) was used, digitized over higher-resolution Sentinel-2 imagery than Landsat 8 and stored in the REDD P2-2 geodatabase. The analysis yielded an overall accuracy close to 96%, confirming the high thematic reliability of the product to distinguish forest and non-forest at the pixel level.

Meanwhile, the accuracy of the 2024 land cover map was determined (Anexos / 8.Geoespacial / 8.2.Humedales / 8.2.3.Geodatabase Humedales / Interpretación CLC / Corine Land Cover 2024.shp), where BCR0004 activities are carried out, the Corine Land Cover methodology at a 1:25,000 scale was used. (Anexos / 8.Geoespacial / 8.2.Humedales / 8.2.1.3. FC-GOG-23. Instructivo Interpretación de CLC - Escala 1-25.000), Developed using computer-assisted visual interpretation (PIAO Method), based on Sentinel-2 satellite imagery (8.2.3.Geodatabase Humedales / Interpretación CLC / Corine Land Cover 2024.shp, en el atributo "insumos" se detalla la nomenclatura de la imagen sentinel utilizada), The selection of images, composites, and spectral indices used for the interpretation is described in the (Anexos / 8.Geoespacial / 8.2.Humedales / 8.2.6.3. Caracterización de Insumos Cartográficos para generación de Corine Land Cover -CO2BIO P2-I2 V2).

The result of the uncertainty measured through the accuracy of the 2024 land cover map was determined to be 94.0%, indicating a high level of reliability in the classification information. It was defined using the confusion/validation matrix method.

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(Anexo 8.2.1.4. Anaya, J.A., Rodríguez-Buriticá, S., Londoño, M.C. 2023.). La clasificación de la matriz empleó 164 puntos de muestreo aleatorio (Anexos / 8.2.Humedales 8.2.3. Geodatabase Humedales 8.Geoespacial / Validación MatrizConfusion / Puntos validación) 20.0% (34) correspond to land cover types verified through field observation (Anexos / 8.Geoespacial / 8.2.Humedales / 8.2.5.1. Observaciones In Situ Humedales; 8.2.5.2. Registro fotografico Humedales / Set Validacion Coberturas); The remaining 80.0% was verified using inputs from the Sentinel-2 satellite (10 m/pixel spatial resolution) and the Al-assisted spatial refinement (Anexos 8.Geoespacial 8.2. Humedales 8.2.5.3. tool S2DR3T infer 20240430.ipynb).

The evaluation of the thematic accuracy of the validation point dataset was performed by comparing it against a higher-quality reference source (Anexos / 8.Geoespacial / 8.2.Humedales / 8.2.4.1 Información Geográfica) raster format. In this procedure, it was verified whether the validation points actually correspond to the coverages classified through photointerpretation. The result is represented through (Anexos / 8.Geoespacial / 8.2.Humedales / 8.2.4.4. Matriz de validacion CLC 2024). The analysis is described in 8.2.4.2. Validation of the Classification Model using field data in wetlands, and the procedure applied in general is outlined in the (Anexos / 8.Geoespacial / 8.2.Humedales / 8.2.1.2. FC-GOG-24. Matriz de Confusion).

In the case of emission factors, the same values initially validated and applied in previous verifications were used, in which an uncertainty of less than 10% was estimated (PDD Version 2.3).

# 13.2 Changes after the GHG project registration

#### 13.2.1 Temporary deviations

No temporary changes were made to the registered monitoring plan, applied methodologies, or other BCR regulatory documents during this monitoring period.

#### 13.2.2 Permanent Changes

#### 13.2.2.1 Corrections

There have been no corrections to the project information or parameters that were set in the project validation.

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13.2.2.2 Permanent changes to the monitoring plan, BCR program methodologies in use, or other regulatory documents related to BCR program methodologies.

There have been no permanent changes to the registered monitoring plan or permanent deviations from the applied methodologies or other BCR regulatory documents..

# 13.2.2.3 Changes to GHG project design

 Project Area Update: This adjustment corresponds to the removal or incorporation of one or more sites within the multi-site GHG project, in accordance with subsection (f) of section 14.5.2.3 of the Standard Operating Procedures (SOP), version 1.3. This modification is due to the withdrawal of properties, which required an update of the project areas.

Below are the details of each deviation.

<u>Table 42</u>. Summary of Changes Applied in 2022- 2024 Monitoring Period.

| Component                                    | Description of deviations  |
|--|--|
| Carbon Ownership                             | During this monitoring period 2022-2024, the withdrawal of 4 properties was formalized, resulting in a modification of the project's total area. As a result, these properties have been excluded from conservation activities and will no longer contribute to the emission reduction benefits contemplated in the project.  In section 7. Carbon ownership and rights, a table is included defining the properties withdrawn as of 01/01/2022. |
| Quantification of GHG<br>Emission Reductions | The reduction of areas impacts the quantification of emissions from 01/01/2022. Therefore, the baseline emissions projection was updated (2. Anexos / 7. Monitoreo de emisiones / 7.1. Monitoreo de Emisiones).  Within the emissions calculation annex of the monitoring report, The withdrawn areas were subtracted from the projection to avoid any overestimation, which resulted in a slight variation in the emissions projection.         |

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| During the current monitoring period, only the mitigation results of the farms still participating in the project were |
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| considered.  |

# 14 Grouped Projects

Not applicable, the project is not grouped, meaning it does not include areas subsequent to validation.

# 15 Monitoring System

# 15.1 Description of the monitoring plan

In sections 15.2 and 16 of this Monitoring Report, a systematic documentation of the technical procedures and data employed to establish the baseline or reference scenario is presented, following the methodological guidelines approved by the relevant standard. Additionally, the methods used to quantify greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions attributable to both the project and the potential leakages identified during the monitoring period are detailed. The execution of these procedures was carried out under criteria of transparency, consistency, and traceability, ensuring the integrity of the reported results..

### 15.2 Data and parameters to quantify the reduction of emissions

The quantification of emissions corresponding to the baseline scenario, the project, and potential leakage requires, as a fundamental step, the precise identification and definition of the relevant activity data and emission factors. This section presents in detail the parameters used for the estimation of net greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions, in accordance with the criteria established in the methodology approved by the applied standard.

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

Table 43. Total biomass in forests.

| Data/Parameter | Total biomass in forests   |
|----------------|--|
| data unit      | t/ha   |
| Description    | Plant biomass contained in forest ecosystems (Orinoco Biome). It is estimated from the sum of aboveground biomass (BA) and belowground biomass (BS). |

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| Source of data   | Ministry of Environment and Sustainable Development - IDEAM (2019)   |
|--|--|
| Values   | 327,22   |
| Indicate what the<br>data is used for<br>(Baseline/Project/Le<br>akage Emission<br>Calculations)       | <ul> <li>Carbon emission factor in total biomass.</li> <li>Calculation of baseline deforestation emissions.</li> <li>Calculation of emissions from deforestation in the scenario with the project.</li> <li>Calculation of emissions from deforestation in leakage areas.</li> </ul> |
| Justification for the choice of data or description of the measurement methods and procedures applied. | The value is taken from the evaluated proposal of the national reference emission level (NREF), so it represents a conservative value, according to the national context for the estimation of GHG emissions.  |
| Additional comments  | N/A  |

Table 44. Soil organic carbon in forests

| Data/Parameter   | Soil organic carbon in forests  |  |
|--|---|--|
| data unit  | tC/ha   |  |
| Description  | Cumulative soil carbon content in forest ecosystems   |  |
| Source of data   | Ministry of Environment and Sustainable Development - IDEAM (2019)  |  |
| Values   | 64.51   |  |
| Indicate what the data is used for (Baseline/Project/Le akage Emission Calculations)                   | <ul> <li>Soil carbon emission factor (COS)</li> <li>Calculation of baseline deforestation emissions.</li> <li>Calculation of emissions from deforestation in the scenario with the project.</li> <li>Calculation of emissions from deforestation in leakage areas.</li> </ul> |  |
| Justification for the choice of data or description of the measurement methods and procedures applied. | reference emission level (NREF), so it represents a conservative value, according to the national context for the estimation of GHG   |  |
| Additional comments  | N/A   |  |

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<u>Table 45</u>. Total biomass in wetlands

| Data/Parameter   | Total biomass in wetlands  |  |
|--|--|--|
| data unit  | t/ha   |  |
| Description  | Plant biomass contained in wetland ecosystems. It is estimated from the sum of aboveground biomass (BA) and belowground biomass (BS).  |  |
| Source of data   | Own data   |  |
| Values   | Herbaceous stratum = 0,56  Dispersed stratum = 75,803  |  |
| Indicate what the data is used for (Baseline/Project/Le akage Emission Calculations)                   | <ul> <li>Definition of the carbon emission factor in total biomass for herbaceous and sparse strata in wetlands.</li> <li>Calculation of emissions in baseline forest ecosystems.</li> <li>Calculation of emissions in forest ecosystems in project areas.</li> <li>Calculation of emissions in forest ecosystems in leakage areas.</li> </ul> |  |
| Justification for the choice of data or description of the measurement methods and procedures applied. | Sampling was conducted according to nationally validated methodologies and was carried out in eligible project areas.  |  |
| Additional comments  |  |  |

Table 46. Soil organic carbon in wetlands

| Data/Parameter   | Soil organic carbon in wetlands   |  |
|--|---|--|
| data unit  | t/ha  |  |
| Description  | Carbon content of soils in wetland coverages  |  |
| Source of data   | Own data  |  |
| Values   | Estrato Herbáceo = 110,854<br>Estrato Disperso = 114,508  |  |
| Indicate what the data is used for (Baseline/Project/Le akage Emission Calculations) | <ul> <li>Definition of the soil carbon emission factor for herbaceous and sparse strata in wetlands.</li> <li>Calculation of emissions in baseline forest ecosystems.</li> <li>Calculation of emissions in forest ecosystems in project areas.</li> <li>Calculation of emissions in forest ecosystems in leakage</li> </ul> |  |

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|  | areas.  |
|--|---|
| Justification for the choice of data or description of the measurement methods and procedures applied. | Sampling was conducted according to nationally validated methodologies and was carried out in eligible project areas. |
| Additional comments  |   |

# 15.2.2 Data and parameters monitored

<u>Table 47</u>. Forest and non-forest cover maps - Monitoring forest with changes after registration. BCR0002

| BCR0002        |   |
|----------------|---|
| Data/Parameter | Monitoring of project areas Verification 1, with changes after registration: (Ruta archivo vectorial: 8. Geoespacial / 8.1. REDD / 8.1.3. Geodatabase REDD / Area Proyecto Verificacion 2 CPR / Bosque_Monitoreo_AP_2018_2021_Verif1_CPR.shp ). It is also described in the vector pathway. (Anexos/ 9. Cambios Posteriores a Registro / 9.1. Geodatabase / 9.1.1. REDD / Area_de_Proyecto_Verificacion1_CPR / Bosque_Monitoreo_AP_2018_2021_Verif1_CPR)  Areas within the geographic boundaries of the project that fall under the forest category.  Note: CPR — Changes Post Registration.        |
| data unit      | ha  |
| Description    | The parameter represents the amount of eligible forest for monitoring from 2018 to 2021, i.e., forest available as of December 31, 2021.  The result is located in Annex / 7. Emissions Monitoring / 7.1. Emissions Monitoring / Tab 3. Monitoring / Cell H44 "AREED+proy1 (ha)".  The input used to determine the forest area in 2021 corresponds to the map of natural forest cover (reliable, nationally sourced data), generated by the Forest and Carbon Monitoring System (SMByC) of IDEAM—Colombia's official scientific tool for the continuous and frequent monitoring of forest cover and |

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|   | F  |
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|   | deforestation.   |
|   | These maps are developed based on satellite image interpretation, assigning each pixel or observation unit the category of Forest, Non-Forest, or No Information. Primarily, LANDSAT images (TM, ETM+, and OLI sensors) captured between January 1 and December 31 of the period are used. The methodology used by IDEAM to build the forest cover map is described in section 8.2.1.5. Galindo et al., IDEAM 2014. PDI Protocol for Quantifying Deforestation in Colombia v2_1. |
| Measured / Calculated / Pre-determined  | Calculated   |
| Data source   | Forest and Carbon Monitoring System – SMBYC – IDEAM  |
| Monitored parameter value(s)  | AREED+proy1 (ha): <b>10.301,2 ha</b> Bosque_Monitoreo_AP_2018_2021_Verif1_CPR.shp Leak K8: 5163,0 ha Bosque_Monitoreo_AF_2018_2021_Verif1_CPR.shp  |
| Indicate what the data are used for (Baseline/Project/Lea kage emissions calculations)                                | <ul> <li>Calculation of emissions in forest ecosystems within project areas.</li> <li>Calculation of emissions in forest ecosystems within leakage areas.</li> </ul>   |
| Monitoring equipment (type, accuracy class, serial number, calibration frequency, date of last calibration, validity) | ArcGISV3.1 y QGIS V3.28<br>2021: <b>0,96 (96,0 %)</b> Thematic Accuracy<br>The thematic accuracy is achieved through AcATaMa.  |
| Measurement/Readin<br>g/Recording<br>Frequency  | Annual   |
| Calculation method (if applicable)  | 8.1.1.1. GOG-01 Guía para verificación de áreas viables 8.2.1.5.<br>Galindo et al. IDEAM 2014. Protocolo de PDI para la<br>cuantificacion de la deforestacion en colombia v2_1   |

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Procedures for Quality Control Applied

8.1.1.4. GOG-01 Guía para verificación de áreas viables 8.1.1.3. GOG-26. Instructivo AcATaMa

Table 48. Forest and Non-Forest Coverage Maps for the year 2024

| able 48. Forest and Non-Forest Coverage Maps for the year 2024 |   |  |  |  |
|--|---|--|--|--|
| Data/Parameter   | Monitoring of Project Areas Verification 2, Changes Subsequent to Registration: (Ruta archivo vectorial: 8. Geoespacial / 8.1. REDD / 8.1.3. Geodatabase REDD / Area Proyecto Verficacion 2 CPR / Bosque_Monitoreo_AP_2022_2024_Verif2. shp ).  Areas within the project's geographical boundaries corresponding to the forest category.  Note: CPR: Changes subsequent to registration.  |  |  |  |
| data unit  | ha  |  |  |  |
| Description  | Monitoring of the parameter requires the generation of the map for the surface covered by natural forest for the year 2024 (Applies to monitoring of eligible areas and leakage areas verified in the CPR 2018-2021 (verification 1). (8. Geospatial / 8.1. REDD / 8.1.3. REDD Geodatabase / Area Project Verification 2 CPR / Modelo_Bosque_2024_AP_Verif2.shp) and leakage 8.1.3. REDD Geodatabase / Area Project Verification 2 CPR / Modelo_Bosque_2024_AF_Verif2.shp).  After validating the coverage maps of leakage and project areas, an intersection was performed to identify the forested zones from verification 1 that persisted as forest in verification 2. These areas are recorded in: 7.1. Emissions Monitoring / 3. Monitoring / Cell I 44 "AREED+proy2 (ha)" and correspond to the shapefile file Bosque_Monitoreo_AP_2022_2024_Verif2.  The map for the surface covered by natural forest for the year 2024 (Applied to monitoring of eligible areas and leakage areas) was created through supervised classification and interpretation of satellite images, identifying and assigning to each pixel or observation unit the class of Forest, Water, Savannah, or Crops. This procedure was carried out using the Google Earth Engine |  |  |  |
|  | geospatial processing platform, following the procedure established by Galindo et al. 2014. LANDSAT 8 images (OLI Sensor) taken between June 1 and December 31, 2024, were used. This timing was employed because the forest had to be  |  |  |  |

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identified in the last semester of the reference year, and to generate cloud-free composites. The classification used a set of 2829 coverage samples (70% Training, 30% Validation) (REDD p2-2.gdb / Supervised classification training set / Training Set; Validation Set). Predictor variables were used, including ([bands: 'blue', 'green', 'red', 'nir', 'swir1', 'swir2', Spectral indices: 'NDVI', 'MSAVI', 'EVI', 'NDWI', 'SVVI', 'brightness', 'greenest', 'wetness']); through the Random Forest algorithm (Seed=0, Number of trees: 50). The Kappa index was above 96.0%.

The result is the raster called "Supervised Classification 2024" (REDD p2-2.gdb / Supervised classification GEE 2024 /). This raster underwent image interpretation analysis for verification of the project areas using ArcGIS v3.4.1 software. A composite of Sentinel 2 images for the period of November - December 2024 was used. The change rules were applied only to the forest category to refine the product and avoid Commission/omission errors as follows:

- Absence of forest: No forest.
- Forest Pixel: Pixels with over 50.0% coverage were considered as forest.

Finally, the result of the procedure is a file that monitors the eligible forest and leakage areas for the year 2024, called Refinement Supervised Classification Forest 2024 (Annexes / 8. Geospatial / 8.1. REDD / 8.1.3. REDD Geodatabase / REDD p2-2.gdb / Refinement Supervised Classification Forest 2024).

Uncertainty evaluation is carried out through thematic accuracy, and this process used Qgis v3.36.1 software with the AcATaMa v24.12c plugin (recommended by the monitoring and carbon system to perform the procedure). A set of 225 validation points (53.0% forest and 47.0% non-forest) was used as input to the plugin. The accuracy result is 96.0%, indicating a high degree of reliability of the model or classification to differentiate forest and non-forest at the pixel scale. The results in .csv format are available in: 8.1.4.2. AcATaMa Results CO2BIO P2-2; 8.1.4.2. AcATaMa Results CO2BIO P2-2 PDF format.

The document describing the details of the creation of the surface covered by natural forest map for 2024 is detailed in 8.1.6.2. Supervised classification report natural forest cover 2024.

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| Measured/Calculated/<br>Predetermined:  | Calculated   |  |  |  |
|---|--|--|--|--|
| Data Source   | Forest and Carbon Monitoring System, LANDSAT 8 images (OLI Sensor) taken between June 1st and December 31st, 2024. Supervised classification.  |  |  |  |
| Monitored parameter value(s)  | AREED+proy2 (ha): 10.197.3  Bosque_Monitoreo_AP_2022_2024_Verif2.shp  Leak L8: 5157,0 ha  Bosque_Monitoreo_AF_2022_2024_Verif2_CPR.shp   |  |  |  |
| Indicate the purpose of the data (Baseline/Project/Lea kage emission calculations)                                  | <ul> <li>Forest Monitoring 2024</li> <li>Calculation of emissions in forest ecosystems in project areas.</li> <li>Calculation of emissions in forest ecosystems in leakage areas.</li> </ul> |  |  |  |
| Monitoring Equipment (Type, Precision Class, Serial Number, Calibration Frequency, Last Calibration Date, Validity) | ArcGISV3.4.3. y QGIS V3.34.5  Plataforma Google Earth Engine 2024: 0,96 (96,0 %) Thematic Accuracy  The thematic accuracy is achieved through AcATaMa.                                       |  |  |  |
| Frequency of Measurement/Readin g/Recording   | Annual   |  |  |  |
| Calculation Method (if applicable)  | 8.1.6.2. Informe clasificación supervisada cubierta de bosque natural 2024.  |  |  |  |
| Quality Control Procedures Applied  | 8.1.1.4. GOG-01 Guía para verificación de áreas viables<br>8.1.1.3. GOG-26. Instructivo AcATaMa  |  |  |  |

<u>Table 49</u>. Project area and leakage monitoring, BCR0004 component.

|                | Monitoring of project areas verification 1, with changes after        |  |  |  |
|----------------|---|--|--|--|
|                | registration: Humedal. (Ruta archivo vectorial: 8. Geoespacial / 8.2. |  |  |  |
| Data/Parameter | Humedales / 8.2.3. Geodatabase Humedales / Area Proyecto              |  |  |  |
|                | Verficacion 2 CPR /   |  |  |  |
|                | Humedales_Monitoreo_AP_2018_2021_Verif1_CPR )- It is also             |  |  |  |

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|  | described in the vector pathway. (Anexos/ 9. Cambios Posteriores a Registro / 9.1. Geodatabase / 9.1.2. Humedal/Area_de_Proyecto_Verificacion1_CPR / Humedales_Monitoreo_AP_2018_2021_Verif1_CPR).  Regarding leakage, it corresponds to (Ruta archivo vectorial: 8. Geoespacial / 8.2. Humedales / 8.2.3. Geodatabase Humedales / Area fugas Verficacion 1 CPR / Humedales_Monitoreo_AF_2018_2021_Verif1.shp)  Note. CPR: Changes after registration   |  |  |
|--|---|--|--|
| data unit                              | ha  |  |  |
| Description                            | Areas within the geographic boundaries of the project that correspond to the wetland category according to national definitions.  The parameter represents the number of wetlands for verification 1, period 2018 - 2021, including changes after registration. The result is recorded in Anexo/ 7. Monitoreo de emisiones/ 7.1. Monitor de emisiones / Pestaña "3. Monitoreo"/ Cell A1 (ha) H57:58. and for Cell leaks A1 (ha): M57:M58.  The input used for monitoring wetland cover for the year 2021 corresponds to the land cover map using the Corine Land Cover methodology. It uses images from the Landsat 8 satellite, OLI sensor, collected between June 1 and December 31, 2021. The resulting uncertainty measured through the accuracy of the 2021 land cover map was determined to be 98.0%, which indicates high reliability in the classification information. |  |  |
| Measured / Calculated / Pre-determined | Calculated  |  |  |
| Data source                            | Remote sensors such as Sentinel, and high-resolution sensors such as Planet Images and Worldview-2, along with 1:100,000 scale Corine Land Cover layers, will be used.  |  |  |

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| Monitored parameter value(s)  | Land cover 2021. Project Area (Cell H57:H58): Herbaceous: 47425.5 ha Sparse: 411.9 ha  Leakage Area (Cell H57:M58): Herbaceous: 36115.0 ha Sparse: 610.0 ha                     |  |  |  |
|---|---|--|--|--|
| Indicate what the data are used for (Baseline/Project/Lea kage emissions calculations)                                | Estimate of land-use change in eligible wetland and leakage areas.  |  |  |  |
| Monitoring equipment (type, accuracy class, serial number, calibration frequency, date of last calibration, validity) | ArcGISV3.1 and QGIS V3.28* 2021 Map: 0.98 (98.0%) Thematic Accuracy* The thematic accuracy is achieved through a confusion matrix.  |  |  |  |
| Measurement/Readin<br>g/Recording<br>Frequency  | Annual  |  |  |  |
| Calculation method<br>(if applicable)   | 8.2.1.1. FC-GOG-29. Instructivo interpretacion de Corine Land Cover<br>Escala 1:100.000<br>8.2.1.5. Procedimiento General Carbono - Procedimientos monitored<br>áreas humedales |  |  |  |
| Procedures for<br>Quality Control<br>Applied  | campo en humedales  |  |  |  |

Table 50. Monitoring project areas verification 2 period 2022 - 2024 BCR0004

|                | Monitoring of project areas Verification 2, changes after    |
|----------------|--|
|                | registration: (Ruta archivo vectorial: 8. Geoespacial / 8.2. |
| Data/Parameter | Humedales / 8.2.3. Geodatabase Humedales / Area Proyecto     |
|                | Verficacion 2 CPR /  |
|                | Humedales_Monitoreo_AP_2022_2024_Verif2_CPR )- It is also    |

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|             | described in the vector pathway. (Anexos/ 9. Cambios Posteriore a Registro / 9.1. Geodatabase / 9.1.2. Humeda Area_de_Proyecto_Verificacion1_CPR Humedales_Monitoreo_AP_2022_2024_Verif2_CPR)   |  |  |  |
|-------------|---|--|--|--|
|             | After validating the leakage and project area coverage maps, an intersection was performed to identify the wetland areas from verification 1 that persisted as wetlands in verification 2. These areas are recorded in: 7.1. Monitoreo de Emisiones / 3. Monitoreo / Celda I 56" y corresponden al archivo Humedales_Monitoreo_AP_2022_2024_Verif2_CPR.   |  |  |  |
|             | While for leakages, the corresponding file is (Ruta archivo vectorial: 8. Geoespacial / 8.2. Humedales / 8.2.3. Geodatabase Humedales / Area Fugas Verficacion 2 CPR / Humedales_Monitoreo_AF_2022_2024_Verif2).  |  |  |  |
|             | Note. CPR: Changes after registration   |  |  |  |
| data unit   | ha  |  |  |  |
| Description | Areas en los límites geográficos del proyecto que correspondan a la categoría de humedales de acuerdo con las definiciones nacionales.  Areas within the project's geographical limits that correspond to the wetland category according to national definitions. For the interpretation of land cover under the Corine Land Cover methodology, images from the Sentinel sensor were used, collected from June 1 to December 31, 2024. The method used was computer-assisted interpretation or PIAO method. The vector file containing the classification is called Corine Land Cover 2024. (Ruta archivo vectorial: 8. Geoespacial / 8.2. Humedales / 8.2.3. Geodatabase Humedales / Interpretacion CLC / Corine Land Cover 2024 ). Consequently, the type of Sentinel 2A image used is contained in the input attribute. ), the choice of images, compositions and spectral indices used for the interpretation are described in the annex.8.2.6.3. Caracterización de Insumos Cartográficos para generación de Corine Land Cover -CO2BIO P2-I2 V2.  The outcome of the uncertainty measured through the precision of the 2024 land cover map was determined to be 94.0%, indicating high |  |  |  |
|             | 2024 land cover map was determined to be 94.0%, indicating high reliability in the classification information. It was defined using the confusion/validation matrix method (Annex 8.2.1.4. Anaya, J.A., Rodríguez-Buriticá, S., Londoño, M.C. 2023.). The matrix classification employed 164 random sampling points. (Anexos / 8. Geoespacial / 8.2. Humedales / 8.2.3. Geodatabase Humedales /   |  |  |  |

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|   | Validación_MatrizConfusion / Puntos_validación) 20.0% (34) correspond to coverages verified in the field through field observation (8.2.5.1. Observaciones In Situ Humedales; 8.2.5.2. Registro fotografico Humedales, informacion geografica 8. Geoespacial / 8.2. Humedales / 8.2.3. Geodatabase Humedales / Validación_MatrizConfusion / Set Validacion Coberturas). the remaining 80.0% was verified through inputs from the Sentinel 2 satellite (10 m/pixel spatial resolution) and the artificial intelligence-assisted spatial refinement tool. 8.2.5.3. S2DR3T_infer_20240430.ipynb. |  |  |  |
|---|---|--|--|--|
| Measured / Calculated / Pre-determined  | Calculated  |  |  |  |
| Data source   | Sentinel 2 (10 m/pixel spatial resolution) and the artificial intelligence-assisted spatial refinement tool 8.2.5.3.  S2DR3T_infer_20240430.ipynb.  |  |  |  |
| Monitored parameter value(s)  | Land cover 2024. Project Area (Cell I57:I58): Herbaceous: 47409.9 ha Scattered: 411.9 ha  Leakage Area (Cell N57:N58): Herbaceous: 35979.0 ha Scattered: 610.0 ha   |  |  |  |
| Indicate what the data are used for (Baseline/Project/Lea kage emissions calculations)                                | Estimate of land use change in eligible wetland areas   |  |  |  |
| Monitoring equipment (type, accuracy class, serial number, calibration frequency, date of last calibration, validity) | ArcGISV3.4.3 and QGIS V3.34.5<br>2024 Map: 0.94 (94.0%) Thematic Accuracy<br>The thematic accuracy is achieved through a confusion matrix.  |  |  |  |

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| Measurement/Readin<br>g/Recording<br>Frequency | Annual  |
|--|---|
| Calculation method<br>(if applicable)          | 8.2.1.3. FC-GOG-23. Instructivo Interpretación de Corine Land Cover-Escala 1-25.000 8.2.6.3. Caracterización de Insumos Cartográficos para generación de Corine Land Cover -CO2BIO P2-I2 V2 8.2.1.5. Procedimiento General Carbono - Procedimientos monitoreo áreas humedales |
| Procedures for<br>Quality Control<br>Applied   | <ul><li>8.2.4.2. Validación del Modelo de Clasificación a partir de datos de campo en humedales</li><li>8.2.1.2. FC-GOG-24. Matriz de Confusion</li><li>8.2.4.4. Matriz de validacion CLC 2024</li></ul>  |

# 16 Quantification of GHG emission reduction / removals

#### 16.1 Baseline emissions

The quantification of reference emissions was performed according to the guidelines of the BCR0002 (Version 3.1. September 15, 2022) and BCR004 (Version 2.0 23 June 2022) methodology. In this sense, a general description of the formulas and values used are described below.

#### 16.1.1 Baseline emissions from forest deforestation

The calculation of the activity data was based on the historical change in forest area recorded in the reference region, applying the following equation:

$$CSB_{year} = (\frac{1}{t_2 - t_1}) x (A_1 - A_2)$$

Where:

 $\mathit{CSB}_{\mathit{year}}$  Annual change in the area covered by forest in the reference region; ha

 $t_{_{1}}$  Year of beginning of reference period; year

 $t_{_{2}}$  Year end of reporting period; year

 $A_1$  Area of forest in the reference region, at the initial time; ha

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 ${\it A}_{2}$  Area of forest in the reference region at the final point in time; ha

According to the historical trend of deforestation in the reference region, the change in forest area in the eligible area of the project was projected. For the period of analysis, there was an adjustment in the eligible area, so the projection of  $\textit{CSB}_{proyecto, a\~no}$  was adjusted according to the new conditions.

With respect to the emission factors, the BCR0002 methodology establishes that the validated values can be applied in the estimation of monitored emissions. Therefore, the same values were used for this monitoring period.

In this sense, the following equation was applied to quantify emissions from deforestation in the reference scenario:

$$EA_{lb} = DA_{lb} \times CT_{eq}$$

Where:

 $\mathit{EA}_{\mathit{lh}}$  Annual emission in the baseline scenario; tCO /ha<sub>2</sub>

 $DA_{lb}$  Annual historical deforestation in the baseline scenario; ha

 $CT_{eq}$  Total carbon dioxide equivalent; tCO /ha<sub>2e</sub>

On the other hand, for the estimation of the annual change in forest areas in the reference scenario, a deforestation rate of **2.03**% was estimated based on the historical average recorded for the area. Likewise, an adjustment for national conditions was made to the BSC, according to the values estimated in the most recent version of the NREF. <sup>3</sup>

<u>Table 51</u> shows the projected changes in the without-project scenario and the calculation of baseline GHG emissions due to forest deforestation.

Table 51. Reference emissions from forest deforestation during the monitoring period.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> For the year 2022, the values reported in the NREF 2028 - 2022 were used and for the year 2023, the new proposed NREF 2023 - 2027 was used.





| Year | Adjustment for national circumstances (%CN) | CSCNIb + %CNN<br>(ha) | CTeq<br>(tCO2e/ha) | GHG emissions in the baseline scenario (tCO2e/year) |
|------|---|-----------------------|--------------------|---|
| 2022 | 53,55%                                      | 317,57                |                    | 182.732   |
| 2023 | 25,90%                                      | 259,58                | 575,74             | 182.839   |
| 2024 | 29,90%                                      | 266,99                |                    | 149.449   |

Source: Fundación Cataruben, 2025.

The step-by-step calculations can be reviewed in (2. Anexos / 7. Monitoreo de emisiones / 7.1. Monitoreo de Emisiones).

#### 16.1.2 Baseline emissions from changes in land use in wetlands

The calculation of emissions due to changes in the natural cover of the wetland and emissions in the project area during the monitoring period was performed using the equation:

$$CSCN_{P} = \left(\frac{1}{t_{2} - t_{1}}\right) x \left(A_{1} - A_{2}\right)$$

Where:

 $CSCN_P$  Change in the area with natural vegetation cover in the project area; ha/yr.

- $t_1$  Year of beginning of monitoring period
- $t_2$  Year final of monitoring period
- Area in natural vegetation cover in the project area at the beginning of the monitoring period; ha
- Area in natural vegetation cover in the project area at the end of the monitoring period; ha.

у,

$$EA_p = CSCN_p x \left(CBF_{eq} + cos_{eq}\right)$$

Where:

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EA Annual emission in project area; tCO /ha/year<sub>2e</sub>

CSCN<sub>P</sub> Change in the area with natural vegetation cover in the area of the project; ha/year

 $\mathit{CBF}_{_{\mathit{on}}}$  Carbon dioxide equivalent contained in total biomass; tCO /ha $_{\mathrm{2e}}$ 

 $COS_{eq}$  Carbon dioxide equivalent contained in soils; tCO /ha<sub>2e</sub>

For the monitoring period (2022-2024), changes in land use registered **4869,1** ha for the Herbaceous stratum and **127,1** ha for the Dispersed stratum. This corresponds to a total of **122.878,77 tCO2e/year** emitted by wetland transformation <u>Table 52</u>.

Table 52. Baseline emissions from land use change in Wetlands, in the period 2022-2024.

| Stratum    | Year | CSCNp (ha) | CTeq (tCO2e/ha) | Baseline annual emission (tCO2e/año) |
|------------|------|------------|-----------------|--------------------------------------|
| Herbaceous | 2022 | 1630,4     | 21,28           | 34.693,67                            |
| Dispersed  | 2022 | 42,7       | 151,63          | 6.481,52                             |
| Herbaceous | 2023 | 1623,0     | 21,28           | 34.537,44                            |
| Dispersed  | 2023 | 42,4       | 151,63          | 6.421,73                             |
| Herbaceous | 2024 | 1615,7     | 21,28           | 34.381,91                            |
| Dispersed  | 2024 | 42,0       | 151,63          | 6.362,49                             |

Source: Fundación Cataruben, 2025.

The step-by-step calculations can be reviewed in (2. Anexos / 7. Monitoreo de emisiones / 7.1. Monitoreo de Emisiones).

# 16.2 Project emissions/removals

The estimation of project emissions during the monitoring period was carried out in accordance with the guidelines for emissions monitoring established in BCR 0002 (section 14.5) and BCR 0004 (section 16.5) methodologies.

Thus, only activity data was monitored. The emission factors applied correspond to those initially validated and used for the baseline calculations.

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#### 16.2.1 Emissions from forest deforestation

The estimation of deforestation in the project area involved the analysis of the change from forest to non-forest area during the monitoring period. Subsequently, the change value was related to the emission factor to calculate the GHG emissions in the project area. The following equations were applied to perform the analyses:

$$CSB_{proj,year} = \left(\frac{1}{t_2 - t_1}\right) x \left(A_{REDD + proj,1} - A_{REDD + proj,2}\right)$$

Where:

 $\mathit{CSB}_{\mathit{nroi.vear}}$  Annual change in the area covered by forest in the project area; ha

 ${\bf Y} {\rm ear} \ {\rm end} \ {\rm of} \ {\rm monitoring} \ {\rm period}; \ {\rm year}$ 

Year of beginning of monitoring period; year  $t_1$ 

Area of forest in the project area at the beginning of the monitoring  $A_{REDD+proj,1}$  period; ha

Area under forest, in the project area at the end of the monitoring  $A_{REDD+proj,2}$  period; ha

у,

$$EA_{REDD+proj,year} = DEF_{REDD+proj,year} xTCO_{2eq}$$

 $EA_{REDD+proj,year}$  Annual emission in the project area; tCO2/ha

 $DEF_{REDD+proj,year}$  Annual deforestation in the project area; ha

 $TCO_{2eq}$  Total carbon dioxide equivalent; tCO2e/ha

For the 2022 - 2024 period, an average annual forest cover loss of **34,63** ha/year was recorded in the project areas. This corresponds to **19.939,66** tCO2e per year. This behavior is mainly due to natural causes that compromise forest cover, such as flood return periods during monitoring <u>Table 53</u>.

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<u>Table 53</u>. Project emissions from deforestation, for the period 2022 - 2023.

| Year | CSBproy,year<br>(ha/year) | CTeq<br>(tCO2e/ha) | Project GHG Emissions (tCO2e) |
|------|---------------------------|--------------------|-------------------------------|
| 2022 | 34,63                     |                    | 19.939,66                     |
| 2023 | 34.63                     | 575,74             | 19.939,66                     |
| 2024 | 34.63                     |                    | 19.939,66                     |

Source: Fundación Cataruben, 2025.

The step-by-step calculations can be reviewed in (2. Anexos / 7. Monitoreo de emisiones / 7.1. Monitoreo de Emisiones).

# 16.2.2 Emissions from land use change in wetlands

The calculation of emissions due to changes in the natural cover of the wetland and emissions in the project area during the monitoring period was performed using the equation:

$$CSCN_{P} = \left(\frac{1}{t_{2} - t_{1}}\right) x \left(A_{1} - A_{2}\right)$$

Where:

 $CSCN_p$  Change in the area with natural vegetation cover in the project area; ha/yr.

- $t_1$  Year of beginning of monitoring period
- $t_2$  Year final of monitoring period
- Area in natural vegetation cover in the project area at the beginning of the monitoring period; ha
- Area in natural vegetation cover in the project area at the end of the monitoring period; ha.

у,

$$EA_p = CSCN_p x (CBF_{eq} + cos_{eq})$$

Where:

 $\mathit{EA}_{p}$  Annual emission in project area; tCO /ha/year<sub>2e</sub>

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Change in the area with natural vegetation cover in the area of the  $CSCN_{p}$ 

project; ha/year

Carbon dioxide equivalent contained in total biomass; tCO /ha<sub>2e</sub>  $CBF_{ea}$ 

 $COS_{eq}$ Carbon dioxide equivalent contained in soils; tCO /ha<sub>2e</sub>

For the monitoring period (2022-2023), changes in land use registered 5.5 ha for the herbaceous stratum. This corresponds to 117,75 tCO2e/year emitted in the herbaceous stratum (Table 54).

Table 54. Emission monitoring of the project in wetland areas, in the period

| Stratum    | Year | CSCNp (ha) | CTeq (tCO2e/ha) | Project GHG emissions<br>(tCO2e/year) |
|------------|------|------------|-----------------|---------------------------------------|
| Herbaceous | 0000 | 5,5        | 21,28           | 117,75                                |
| Dispersed  | 2022 | 0,0        | 151,63          | 0,00                                  |
| Herbaceous |      | 5,5        | 21,28           | 117,75                                |
| Dispersed  | 2023 | 0,0        | 151,63          | 0,00                                  |
| Herbaceous |      | 5,5        | 21,28           | 117,75                                |
| Dispersed  | 2024 | 0,0        | 151,63          | 0,00                                  |

Source: Fundación Cataruben, 2025.

The step-by-step calculations can be reviewed in (2. Anexos / 7. Monitoreo de emisiones / 7.1. Monitoreo de Emisiones).

#### 16.3 Leakages

For BCR0002 a leakage belt is defined with a buffer of 250 meters from the edge of the property; this belt has an area of 27.005 hectares, within which all forest areas are quantified for the temporal limits of the baseline and the monitoring period.

While for BCR0004, a leakage belt is delimited with a buffer of 600 meters from the edge of the property, this belt has an area of 63.916 hectares, within which are quantified all natural vegetation covers that according to the methodology item 10.3 meet the eligibility criteria, for the temporal limits of the baseline and the monitoring period.

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#### 16.3.1 Emissions from deforestation of forests in the leak area

The calculation of emissions from forest deforestation in the leakage area was made taking into account the following equations:

$$CSB_{f,year} = (\frac{1}{t_2 - t_1}) x (A_{f,1} - A_{f,2})$$

Where:

 $CSB_{f,year}$  Annual change in area covered by forest in the leakage area; ha/year

 $t_1$  Year of beginning of monitoring period; year

t<sub>2</sub> Year end of monitoring period; year

Area in forest , in the leakage area at the beginning of the monitoring period; ha

 $A_{f,2}$  Area in forest , in the leakage area at the end of the monitoring period; ha

and.

$$EA_{f,year} = (DEF_{f,year} \times TCO_{2eq}) - EA_{lb,f,year}$$

Where:

 $EA_{f,vear}$  Annual emissions in the leakage area; tCO /ha<sub>2</sub>

 $DEF_{f,year}$  Annual deforestation in the leakage area; ha

 $\mathit{TCO}_{_{\mathit{2ea}}}$  Total carbon dioxide equivalent; tCO /ha $_{\mathrm{2e}}$ 

 $EA_{lb,f,year}$  Annual emission from deforestation in the leakage area in baseline scenario;  $tCO_{2e}$ 

Thus, for the period 2022 - 2024 in the leakage area, an average annual forest deforestation of **51,67** ha was recorded, representing 29.746,35 tCO2e emitted annually. However, when comparing this record with the baseline emissions scenario, it does not represent a significant increase in GHG emissions as a result of the implementation of the project's REDD+ activities (<u>Table 55</u>).

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<u>Table 55</u>. Monitoring of emissions from forest deforestation in the leakage area for the period 2022-2024.

| Year | CSB f,year<br>(ha/year) | <b>CTeq</b><br>(tCO2e/ha) | GHG<br>emissions in<br>the leakage<br>area (tCO2e) | GHG<br>emissions in<br>the leakage<br>area in<br>baseline<br>(tCO2e) | GHG emissions<br>attributable to<br>leakage due to<br>project activities<br>(tCO2e) |
|------|-------------------------|---------------------------|--|--|---|
| 2022 | 51,67                   |                           | 29.746,35  | 14.681,27  | 15.065  |
| 2023 | 51,67                   | 575,74                    | 29.746,35  | 14.681,27  | 15.065  |
| 2024 | 51,67                   |                           | 29.746,35  | 14.681,27  | 15.065  |

Source: Fundación Cataruben, 2025.

The step-by-step calculations can be reviewed in (2. Anexos / 7. Monitoreo de emisiones / 7.1. Monitoreo de Emisiones).

#### 16.3.2 Emissions from wetland transformation in the leakage area

The quantification of GHG emissions that occurred in the wetland leakage area, due to the implementation of project activities during the monitoring period, were calculated by applying the following equations:

$$CSCN_f = \left(\frac{1}{t_2 - t_1}\right) x \left(A_{f,1} - A_{f,2}\right)$$

Where:

 $CSCN_f$  Change in the area with natural vegetation cover in the leakage area; ha/yr.

 $t_1$  Year of beginning of monitoring period

 $t_2$  Year final of monitoring period

Superficiency in natural vegetative cover in the leakage area at the beginning of the monitoring period; ha

Surface area in natural vegetation cover in the leakage area at the end of the monitoring period; ha

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$$EA_{f} = \left[CSCN_{f} x \left(CBF_{eq} + cos_{eq}\right)\right] - EA_{f,lb}$$

Where:

 $EA_f$  Annual emission in leakage area; tCO /ha/year<sub>2e</sub>

CSCN Change in the area with natural vegetation cover in the leakage area; ha/yr.

 $\mathit{CBF}_{_{\mathit{on}}}$  Carbon dioxide equivalent contained in total biomass; tCO /ha $_{\mathrm{2e}}$ 

 $\mathit{COS}_{_{\mathit{on}}}$  Carbon dioxide equivalent contained in soils; tCO /ha $_{2e}$ 

 $EA_{f,lb}$  Annual emission in leakage area in the baseline scenario;  $tCO_{2e}$ 

As a result, for the monitoring period, changes in wetland land use were recorded, only in the herbaceous stratum (Table 56) with 45 ha transformed annually; however, when compared to the baseline values, they do not represent an increase in GHG emissions in the leakage area, at the time of applying the equation, the values recorded as negative were taken as zero (0) in the final calculations, therefore, the annual emissions for the period 2022-2024 are considered zero (0).

<u>Table 56</u>. Monitoring of emissions from wetland transformation in the leakage area for the period 2022-2024.

| Stratum    | Year | CSCNf<br>(ha/year) | GHG<br>emissions in<br>the leakage<br>area (tCO2e) | GHG emissions<br>in the leakage<br>area in baseline<br>(tCO2e) | GHG emissions<br>attributable to leakage<br>due to project activities<br>(tCO2e) |
|------------|------|--------------------|--|--|--|
| Herbaceous | 2022 | 45                 | 21,28  | 22.808,19  | -21.843,51   |
| Dispersed  | 2022 | 0                  | 151,63   | 3.024,23   | -3.024,23  |
| Herbaceous | 2023 | 45                 | 21,28  | 21.939,11  | -20.974,44   |
| Dispersed  | 2023 | 0                  | 151,63   | 2.788,18   | -2.788,18  |
| Herbaceous | 2024 | 45                 | 21,28  | 21.103,16  | -20.138,48   |
| Dispersed  | 2024 | 0                  | 151,63   | 2.570,55   | -2.570,55  |

Source: Fundación Cataruben, 2025.

The step-by-step calculations can be reviewed in (2. Anexos / 7. Monitoreo de emisiones / 7.1. Monitoreo de Emisiones).

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#### 16.4 Net GHG emission reductions/removals

The quantification of emissions reduced by avoided deforestation and degradation during the monitoring period is the result of the relationship between emissions in the baseline scenario, emissions during the project and emissions due to leakage, applying the following equation:

$$RE = (t_2 - t_1)x(EA_{lb,year} - EA_{proj,year} - EA_{f,year})$$

Where:

RE Net reduction of GHG emissions; tCO2e

Year end of monitoring period; year  $t_2$ 

Year of beginning of monitoring period; year  $t_1$ 

 $EA_{lhvear}$  Annual emission in the baseline scenario; tCO2e

 $EA_{proj,year}$  Annual emission in the project area for the period monitored; tCO2e

 $EA_{f,year}$  Annual emission in the leakage area for the monitored period; tCO2e

During the monitoring period, greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions associated with deforestation were identified in the leakage area, with an annual emission of **15,065 tCO**<sub>2</sub>**e** recorded.

Thus, during the third monitoring period of the project, a reduction of **503.537,0** tCO2e was recorded (<u>Table 57</u>), of which 75.66% is attributed to avoided deforestation and the remaining 24.33% to avoid transformation in wetlands.

<u>Table 57</u>. GHG emissions reduction report for the period 2022 - 2024.

|              |      | GHG          | Project          | GHG          |           |
|--------------|------|--------------|------------------|--------------|-----------|
|              |      | emissions in | GHG              | emissions    | Net GHG   |
|              |      | the baseline | <b>Emissions</b> | attributable | reduction |
| Verification | Year | scenario     | (tCO2e)          | to leakage   | (tCO2e)   |

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|        |              | (tCO2e) |        | (tCO2e) |         |
|--------|--------------|---------|--------|---------|---------|
|        | 01/01/2022 - |         |        |         |         |
|        | 31/12/2022   | 224.013 | 20.056 | 15.065  | 188.892 |
|        | 01/01/2023 - |         |        |         |         |
|        | 31/12/2023   | 190.407 | 20.056 | 15.065  | 155.286 |
|        | 01/01/2024 - |         |        |         |         |
|        | 31/12/2024   | 194.459 | 20.056 | 15.065  | 159.338 |
|        | Total        | 608.879 | 60.168 | 45.195  | 503.516 |
|        | Annual       |         |        |         |         |
| Second | average      | 202.960 | 20.056 | 15.065  | 167.839 |

Source: Fundación Cataruben, 2025.

# 16.5 Comparison of actual emission reductions with estimates in the project document

The actual net emission reductions recorded during the 2022–2024 monitoring period showed differences compared to the ex-ante estimate, with a variation of approximately 10.58%, which is higher than initially projected. (Table 58).

These differences are mainly due to a decrease in degradation and land-use conversion events in both the leakage area and the project area, which were lower than those projected in the baseline scenario. As a result, GHG emissions in the project scenario were reduced, directly impacting the total emission reductions achieved by the project.

<u>Table 58</u>. Comparison of Estimated and Reported GHG Emission Reductions During the Monitoring Period (2022–2023).

| Year  | Estimated net GHG reduction (tCO2e) | Observed net GHG reduction (tCO2e) | Difference |
|-------|-------------------------------------|------------------------------------|------------|
| 2022  | 181.644                             | 188.892                            | 3,99%      |
| 2023  | 118.354                             | 155.286                            | 31,21%     |
| 2024  | 155.357                             | 159.338                            | 2,57%      |
| Total | 455.355                             | 503.516                            | 10,58%     |

Fuente: Fundación Cataruben, 2024

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# 16.6 Remarks on difference from estimated value in the registered project document

During the 2022–2024 monitoring period, the CO2Bio P2-2 project reported a net reduction of 503,516 tCO<sub>2</sub>e, with an annual average of 167,839 tCO<sub>2</sub>e. Project and leakage emissions remained constant (20,050.31 and 15,065 tCO<sub>2</sub>e respectively), reflecting stability in the implemented activities and methodological consistency.

No evidence of deforestation displacement was found, which supports the environmental integrity of the project. It is concluded that the project meets the technical criteria for carbon accounting and maintains the required traceability and verifiability. Improved documentation of natural forest loss drivers is recommended for future verifications.

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