



Information requirements for applications: Improved Forest Management in Multiple-use Public Native Forests 2026 method

This document is a summary of the requirements stated in the method and the consequential requirements relating to definitions in and drafting of the method. We consider this the minimum necessary information for the proponent to provide for us to consider when deciding on an application.

Registration

- Evidence demonstrating that all proposed project area consists only of land that meets the following criteria (as per s9(1) of the method):
 - » contains native forest, as per the definition in the method;
 - » is on Crown land;
 - » is designated for commercial forestry use;
 - » was designated for forestry use for at least 10 years prior to making the project registration application
- Evidence demonstrating that, for all land included in the Carbon Protection Areas (CPAs), the proponent has exhaustively established that no decisions or laws as described have been made (as per s10(1) of the method)
 - » Where a decision or law was made under s10(1), evidence to demonstrate it is exempted per the method (as per s10(2)-(4) of the method)
- Evidence demonstrating that the proposed project area constitutes all public native forests in at least one whole forestry region (as per s11(1) of the method)
- Evidence, for each of the areas excluded from the project area (as per s11(2) of the method), demonstrating:
 - » the nature of eligible interest(s) (provision under the CFI Act / CFI Rule)
 - » the identity of the eligible interest holder(s)
 - » that each eligible interest is current and was created prior to 30 June 2024
- Evidence showing the area excluded from the project area under ss11(2) of the method is not greater than 5% of the public native forests designated for commercial forestry use in the project area (as per s11(3) of the method)
- Evidence demonstrating the project is likely to meet the hurdle requirement for each 12 months of the crediting period (as per s12 of the method)
- Evidence that the public native forests in the project area have a sustainable yield (that provides an estimate for each financial year in the period of 15 years from the declaration of the project) that was



published by a relevant State government agency during the period from 1 July 2014 to 30 June 2024 (as per s13(1)-(2) of the method)

- Evidence demonstrating that the sustainable yield data provided (that was published between 1 July 2014 and 30 June 2024) is the most recent estimate (as per s13(3) of the method)
- A geospatial map of the project area in a digital format (the project map) (as per s14 of the method)
- If the project map has been revised, the latest version of the project map (as per s14(6)-(7) of the method)
- Evidence demonstrating that the project map was prepared in accordance with the [CFI Mapping Guidelines](#) (as per s14(8) of the method)
- Evidence demonstrating that, where the proponent is not the state or government of the state where the public native forests that constitute the project area for the project are located, the proponent has obtained the approval of that government to those forests being included in the project (as per s15(1)-(2) of the method)
- Evidence demonstrating that the relevant state has the mandatory requirements for collecting and reporting information relating to log production in private native forests (as per s17 of the method)
- Copy of the management plan for the project area (as per s19 of the method), containing:
 - » information about how the carbon protection areas will be managed and the extent of the reduction in the volume of wood extracted from the project area as a result of the creation of those carbon protection areas (as per par19(2)(d))
 - » for each 12 months of the project's crediting period:
 - › an estimate of the harvest level in the baseline scenario for the project area (as per par19(2)(a))
 - › estimates of the direct leakage baseline harvest level and the private native forests leakage baseline harvest level (as per par19(2)(b))
 - › an estimate of the volume of wood to be extracted from the project area (par19(2)(c))
- Evidence as to how the estimates required at par19(2)(a)-(c) were calculated by reference to the relevant sections in Part 5
- Copies of all revised versions of the management plan if applicable (as per s20(2)-(4) of the method)
- Evidence demonstrating that any revised version of the management plan does not increase the volume of wood proposed to be extracted from the project area during each 12 months of the project's crediting period (as per s20(5) of the method)
- Declaration that the initial version of the management plan (and the project map) given to the Regulator will be published on the project proponent's website within 30 days after the declaration of the project as an eligible offsets project (as per s20(6) of the method)
- Evidence to demonstrate how the proponent will manage the project in alignment with the project management plan (as per s21 of the method)