

Additional Information for Natural Forest Management Requirements

Camp Shelby Forest Carbon Project

Part VI. B.1: The Camp Shelby Forest Carbon Project will meet the U.S. Forest Compliance Offset Protocol's requirement for native species. The Project will consist of at least 95% native species in the standing live carbon pool by not allowing the planting of non-native species within the Project Area. The fulfillment of this requirement can be exemplified through the forest inventory which approximates the sum of carbon of native species in the standing live carbon pool at 99%.

Part VI. B.2: The Project will meet the U.S. Forest Compliance Offset Protocol's requirement for composition of native species such that the Project consists of a mixed species distribution where no single species' prevalence exceeds the percentage under the 'Species Diversity Index.' The Project will fulfill this requirement through practicing silvicultural methods, namely uneven age management, where no single species is favored greater than the lowest Species Diversity Index. The sum of basal area for the most common species (Loblolly pine) is 16% of the total basal area, less than the 65% designated for the Gulf Coastal Plain Mixed Hardwoods assessment area, which is the lowest of all the Species Diversity Index the Project's three assessment areas.

Part VI. B.3a: The Camp Shelby Forest Carbon Project will meet the U.S. Forest Compliance Offset Protocol's requirement for the distribution of age classes/sustainable management. This requirement will be fulfilled through the practice of uneven-aged silvicultural techniques and maintenance of canopy retention such that at least an average of 40% of canopy cover is maintained across the forest. Uneven-aged methods may include thinning from below and grouped or selective harvests. Uneven-aged management practices and maintenance of canopy will be measured across 20 acres of the forest land owned by the Forest owner (including land within and outside the Project Area) and documentation of canopy cover percentage (which will demonstrate that such management practices and maintenance actions are being implemented) will be provided upon request.

Part VI. B.3.b: The Project meets the U.S. Forest Compliance Offset Protocol's requirement for the distribution of age classes/sustainable management through restricting harvests to less than 40% of the project's forest lands on a watershed scale up to 10,000 acres. Past harvest maps have been kept and stands which are less than 20 years old are either mapped or the area is estimated from the inventory ensuring that it will not make more than 40% of the project's forests lands. If this requirement is not fulfilled in the first reporting period, stands will be allowed to grow so that they may meet this goal within 25 years of the project start.