

GUIDELINES ON ACCOUNTING OF SPECIFIED TYPES OF CHANGES IN
ZERO2NATURE PROJECT ACTIVITIES FROM THE DESCRIPTION IN
REGISTERED PROJECT DESIGN DOCUMENTS

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“Developed from the UNFCCC CDM conception”.



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I. Introduction

A. Background

1. Preservation project activities and natural circumstances may necessitate that the actual implementation of this kind of project activity differs from the description contained in the registered project design document (PDD).

B. Objectives

2. In implementation and/or monitoring of ZERO2NATURE preservation project activities, this document provides project participants with guidelines on addressing specified types of changes from the description contained in the registered PDD that do not require prior approval by the ZERO2NATURE Executive Committee (hereinafter referred to as EC).

II. Scope and applicability

3. This document is applicable to project participants for registered ZERO2NATURE preservation project activities.

III. Guidelines

4. Based on the applicable provisions for post-registration changes in the ZERO2NATURE standard, the following types of changes in registered ZERO2NATURE preservation project activities do not require prior approval by the EC:

- (a) Changes in year-wise areas preserved, possibly resulting in a part of the project area not being preserved;
- (b) Changes in species composition, if the changes are demonstrated at verification to be consistent with the baseline identification and additionality demonstration made at the validation stage;
- (c) Changes in stocking density, if the changes are demonstrated at verification to be consistent with the baseline identification and additionality demonstration made at the validation stage;
- (d) Changes in timing and choice of economic operations properly defined in the

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registered PDD;

(e) Changes in timing of economic operations properly defined in the registered PDD, occurring before the third verification;

(f) Changes related to the exploratory activity of products other than those object of the activity contained in the registered PDD, in the project area;

(g) Changes in the propagation method defined in the registered PDD;

(h) Changes in regeneration methods defined in the registered PDD;

(i) Changes in technology employed;

(j) Changes in inputs;

(k) Changes in stratification for sampling;

(l) Changes in type of sample plots (e.g. temporary, permanent, point-sampling);

(m) Changes in number of sample plots and their allocation to strata;

(n) Changes in the project boundary (limited to reduction in project area), if the changes are demonstrated at verification to be consistent with the baseline identification and additionality demonstration made at the validation stage;

(o) Changes in quality assurance/quality control (QA/QC) procedures, where it can be demonstrated that the changed QA/QC procedures are recognized by the applicable body, maximum government representative in the country relevant to the activity;

(p) Changes in parameters, equations, or methods used in reservoirs estimation, if the applicability of the changed parameters, equations, or methods are recognized by the applicable body, maximum government representative in the country relevant to the activity, when available, or if the changed parameters, equations, or methods do not result in a decrease in precision of the estimate of the reservoirs.

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