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Integrity

First, projects must cross the hurdle of actually reducing or removing the carbon they claim to. To evaluate a provider's integrity, Commons considers verifiability, enforceability, additionality, permanence, and transparency.

Verifiability

What third party verifiers or other evaluators have evaluated this offset project? What verification standard or evaluation process did they use?

If none, what plans do you have in place to get verified or evaluated?

Enforceability

Do you provide proof of retirement upon purchase of a carbon credit?

Additionality

Did the project require financial capital from offsets to make the project a reality? How will the project result in carbon reduction or removal that would not have otherwise happened without our purchase?

Permanence

What is the duration in years over which the carbon storage or reduction represented by this project's offsets can be reasonably assured? What supporting research would you point to?

Transparency

How clear and comprehensive is the provider in sharing information about carbon reduced or removed?

Is the project well-documented and are regular, detailed updates provided? Are they responsive to questions?

Transformative Potential

Creating a just and sustainable future will require fundamentally transforming our society. We prioritize carbon removal projects that contribute to a world for all life to thrive, considering efficiency, scalability, catalytic potential, ecosystem benefits, and community benefits.

Efficiency

What is the cost per carbon credit (tCO2e) for this project? Tell us more about your fee structure.

Specifically, what percentage of an offset purchase goes towards your company, the project owner, and any other parties involved in the offset project?

Scalability

Does this offset project represent a solution from Project Drawdown? If so, which one(s)?

Risks: What are the primary risks to the success of this offset project?

Catalytic Potential

Does this project use a novel approach or a well-tested solution?

Does this project help demonstrate replicability and inspire similar future projects?

How does your project lead to greater innovation in the broader carbon removal field?

Ecosystem Benefits

Does this offset project address any <u>Sustainable Development Goals</u> beyond Climate Action? If so, which three is your solution most closely aligned with?

Are these co-benefits tracked and/or measured? If so, how?

Community Benefits

What non-carbon benefits from this project accrue to local communities?

How are local communities involved or consulted in this project?

What potential risks do these communities face directly or indirectly related to your work?

What are the land use implications on local communities as a result of your projects?

Images

Additional photos, shared by the provider