# **CDP to GRI Summary Linkage Table (A1)**

# **How is the CDP water security questionnaire (2018) aligned with** *GRI 303: Water and Effluents 2018***?**

The following summary table shows at a glance how the CDP water security questionnaire (2018) is aligned with *GRI 303: Water and Effluents 2018*. The comprehensive table can be found on pages 12-34.

CDP	GRI
W0 Introduction module	GRI 103: Management Approach (used together with GRI 303: Water and Effluents)
-	Disclosure 103-1 Explanation of the material topic and its Boundary: 103-1-b,103-1-c
W1 Current state	GRI 103: Management Approach (used together with GRI 303: Water and Effluents)
	Disclosure 103-2 The management approach and its components: 103-2
	GRI 303: Water and Effluents
	Disclosure 303-1 Interactions with water as a shared resource: 303-1-a, 303-1-c, clause 1.2.1
	Disclosure 303-3 Water withdrawal: 303-3-a, 303-3-b, 303-3-c, 303-3-d, clause 2.1
	Disclosure 303-4 Water discharge: 303-4-a, 303-4-e
	Disclosure 303-5 Water consumption: 303-5-a, 303-5-d
W2 Business impacts	GRI 103: Management Approach (used together with GRI 303: Water and Effluents)
	Disclosure 103-1 Explanation of the material topic and its Boundary: 103-1-a
	Disclosure 103-2 The management approach and its components: 103-2
	Disclosure 103-3 Evaluation of the management approach: 103-3
	GRI 303: Water and Effluents
	Disclosure 303-1 Interactions with water as a shared resource: 303-1-c, clause 1.2.2
	Disclosure 303-4 Water discharge: 303-4-d-iii, clause 2.4.1
W3 Procedures	GRI 103: Management Approach (used together with GRI 303: Water and Effluents)
	Disclosure 103-1 Explanation of the material topic and its Boundary: 103-1-a
	GRI 303: Water and Effluents
	Disclosure 303-1 Interactions with water as a shared resource: 303-1-b
W4 Risks and opportunities	GRI 103: Management Approach (used together with GRI 303: Water and Effluents)
	Disclosure 103-1 Explanation of the material topic and its Boundary: 103-1-a
	Disclosure 103-2 The management approach and its components: 103-2
	Disclosure 103-3 Evaluation of the management approach: 103-3
	GRI 303: Water and Effluents
	Disclosure 303-1 Interactions with water as a shared resource: 303-1-c

CDP	GRI
W5 Facility-level water accounting	GRI 303: Water and Effluents
	Disclosure 303-3 Water withdrawal: 303-3-d, clause 2.2.1
	Disclosure 303-5 Water consumption: 303-5-d, clause 2.5.1
W6 Governance	GRI 103: Management Approach (used together with GRI 303: Water and Effluents)
	Disclosure 103-2 The management approach and its components: 103-2-c-i, 103-2-c-ii, 103-2-c-iii, 103-2-c-iv
W7 Business strategy	GRI 103: Management Approach (used together with GRI 303: Water and Effluents)
	Disclosure 103-1 Explanation of the material topic and its Boundary: 103-1-a
	Disclosure 103-2 The management approach and its components: 103-2
W8 Targets	GRI 103: Management Approach (used together with GRI 303: Water and Effluents)
	Disclosure 103-2 The management approach and its components: 103-2-c-iii
	GRI 303: Water and Effluents
	Disclosure 303-1 Interactions with water as a shared resource: 303-1-d

# **GRI to CDP Summary Linkage Table (B1)**

# How is GRI 303: Water and Effluents 2018 aligned with the CDP water security questionnaire (2018)?

The following summary table shows at a glance how *GRI 303: Water and Effluents 2018* is aligned with the CDP water security questionnaire (2018). The comprehensive table can be found on pages 35-57.

GRI	CDP
GRI 103: Management Approach (used together with GRI 303:	Water and Effluents)
Disclosure 103-1	W0 Introduction module
Explanation of the material topic and its Boundary	Introduction: W0.5, W0.6, W0.6a
	W2 Business impacts
	Recent impacts on your business: W2.1, W2.1a
	W3 Procedures
	Risk identification and assessment procedures: W3.3, W3.3a, W3.3b, W3.3c, W3.3d
	W4 Risks and opportunities
	Risk exposure: W4.1a
	Water-related risks and response: W4.2, W4.2a
	W7 Business strategy
	Scenario analysis: W7.3, W7.3a, W7.3b
Disclosure 103-2	W1 Current state
The management approach and its components	Company-wide water accounting: W1.2
	W2 Business impacts
	Recent impacts on your business: W2.1a
	W4 Risks and opportunities
	Water-related risks and response: W4.2, W4.2a
	W6 Governance
	Water policy: W6.1, W6.1a
	Board oversight: W6.2, W6.2a, W6.2b
	Management responsibility: W6.3
	W7 Business strategy
	Strategic plan: W7.1
	Scenario analysis: W7.3b
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GRI	CDP
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	W8 Targets
	Targets and goals: W8.1, W8.1a, W8.1b
Disclosure 103-3	W2 Business impacts
Evaluation of the management approach	Recent impacts on your business: W2.1a
	W4 Risks and opportunities
	Water-related risks and response: W4.2, W4.2a
GRI 303: Water and Effluents	
Disclosure 303-1	W1 Current state
Interactions with water as a shared resource	Dependence: W1.1
	Value-chain engagement: W1.4, W1.4a, W1.4b, W1.4c, W1.4d
	W2 Business impacts
	Recent impacts on your business: W2.1a
	W3 Procedures
	Risk identification and assessment procedures: W3.3, W3.3a, W3.3b, W3.3c, W3.3d
	W4 Risks and opportunities
	Water-related risks and response: W4.2, W4.2a
	W8 Targets
	Targets and goals: W8.1, W8.1a, W8.1b
Disclosure 303-3	W1 Current state
Water withdrawal	Company-wide water accounting: W1.2b, W1.2d, W1.2h
	W5 Facility-level water accounting
	Facility-level water accounting: W5.1, W5.1a
Disclosure 303-4	W1 Current state
Water discharge	Company-wide water accounting: W1.2b, W1.2i
	W2 Business impacts
	Compliance impacts: W2.2, W2.2a, W2.2b
Disclosure 303-5	W1 Current state
Water consumption	Company-wide water accounting: W1.2b
	W5 Facility-level water accounting
	Facility-level water accounting: W5.1

# **CDP to GRI Comprehensive Linkage Table (A2)**

# **How is the CDP water security questionnaire (2018) aligned with** *GRI 303: Water and Effluents 2018***?**

The table below details the linkages between the CDP water security questionnaire (2018) and *GRI 303: Water and Effluents 2018*. The table is useful for organizations that have responded to the CDP questionnaire and would like to use this information for reporting on the topic of water and effluents in accordance with *GRI 303: Water and Effluents 2018*. The comments in the table support and expand on the linkages between the two reporting frameworks.

The table only includes the CDP water security questions (2018) that can be used to report on at least one of the disclosures in *GRI 303: Water and Effluents 2018*.

CDP Water Security Questions	GRI Disclosures	Comments
W0 Introduction module		
Introduction		
W0.5 Select the option that best describes the reporting boundary for companies, entities, or groups for which water impacts on your business are being reported.	GRI 103: MANAGEMENT APPROACH (used together with GRI 303: Water and Effluents)  Disclosure 103-1-b Explanation of the material topic and its Boundary  b The Boundary for the material topic, which includes a description of:     i. where the impacts occur;     ii. the organization's involvement with the impacts. For example, whether the organization has caused or contributed to the impacts, or is directly linked to the impacts through its business relationships.  See also 'Guidance for Disclosure 103-1-b'	The information requested under W0.5 can be reported under GRI Disclosure 103-1-b on where the impacts occur, provided that the organizational entities included in the responses to the CDP questions are the same as the entities where the impacts occur, i.e., the organizational entities reported on are identical.  For more information on the term 'boundary', see the section 'How to use this document' on pages 5-7.
W0.6 Within this boundary, are there any geographies, facilities, water aspects, or other exclusions from your disclosure? W0.6a Please report the exclusions.	GRI 103: MANAGEMENT APPROACH (used together with GRI 303: Water and Effluents)  Disclosure 103-1-c Explanation of the material topic and its Boundary  c. Any specific limitation regarding the topic Boundary.  See also 'Guidance for Disclosure 103-1-c'	The information requested under W0.6 and W06.a can be reported under GRI Disclosure 103-1-c.  For more information on the term 'boundary', see the section 'How to use this document' on pages 5-7.  In addition, when reporting on the topic of water and effluents in accordance with <i>GRI 303: Water and Effluents</i> , the organization can use specified 'reasons
		for omission' for Disclosures 303-1, 303-2, 303-3, 303-4, and 303-5 to explain why certain disclosures have not been reported.  See Section 3 of GRI 101: Foundation for more information on reasons for omission.

CDP Water Security Questions	GRI Disclosures	Comments
W1 Current state		
Dependence		
W1.1 Rate the importance (current and future) of water quality and water quantity to the success of your business.  See also 'Requested content' for W1.1 in the CDP Water Security Reporting Guidance 2018	Disclosure 303-1-a Interactions with water as a shared resource  a. A description of how the organization interacts with water, including how and where water is withdrawn, consumed, and discharged, and the water-related impacts caused or contributed to, or directly linked to the organization's activities, products or services by a business relationship (e.g., impacts caused by runoff).  See also 'Guidance for Disclosure 303-1'  Extract: The description of how the organization interacts with water can include [] information on what the water is used for in direct operations and elsewhere in the value chain (e.g., for cooling, storage, incorporating in products, growing crops).  Clause 1.2.1 in Disclosure 303-1 Interactions with water as a shared resource  1.2.1 An overview of water use across the organization's value chain.  See also 'Guidance for clause 1.2.1'	The information requested under W1.1 on what the water is primarily used for can be reported under GRI Disclosure 303-1-a. The description of how the organization interacts with water as required by Disclosure 303-1-a can include information on what the water is used for in direct operations and elsewhere in the value chain.  W1.1 requests organizations to state the primary use of water for both the direct and indirect parts of their value chain, for both good quality freshwater and lower quality water.  The information requested under W1.1 on how water use is distributed across the value chain can be reported under GRI clause 1.2.1.
Company-wide water accounting	·	
W1.2 Across all your operations, what proportion of the following water aspects are regularly measured and monitored?	GRI 103: MANAGEMENT APPROACH (used together with GRI 303: Water and Effluents)  Disclosure 103-2 The management approach and its components  a. An explanation of how the organization manages the topic.  b. A statement of the purpose of the management approach.  Continues on next page »	The information requested under W1.2 can be reported under GRI Disclosure 103-2. However, Disclosure 103-2 has a broader scope than W1.2, as it refers to the management approach for water and effluents more generally.

Continues from previous page   c. A description of the following, if the management approach includes that component:  l. Policies  i. Commitments ii. Goals and targets iv. Responsibilities v. Responsibilit	CDP Water Security Questions	GRI Disclosures	Comments
management approach includes that component:    Policies     Commitments		Continues from previous page »	
What are the total volumes of water withdrawn, discharged, and consumed across all your operations, and how do these volumes compare to the previous reporting year?  See also 'Requested content' for W1.2b in the CDP Water Security Reporting Guidance 2018  Total water withdrawal from all areas in megaliters, and a breakdown of this total by the following sources; if applicable:  i. Surface water; ii. Groundwater; iii. Seawater; iv. Produced water; iv. Produced water includes collected or harvested rainwater.  See also 'Guidance for Disclosure 303-3'  Extract: Surface water includes collected or harvested rainwater.  Disclosure 303-3-d Water withdrawal domestic sewage  Organizations may choose to exclude collected and water withdrawal domestic sewage from their water withdrawal/ discharge volumes requested under W1.2b, only if the resulting error in their water balance would be less than 5%. Disclosures 303-3-a and 303-4-a require the inclusion of rainwater and domestic sewage from their water withdrawal/ discharge volumes required under GNI Disclosures 303-3-a (Total water withdrawal) and 303-4 (Water withdrawal) and 303-4 (Water withdrawal) and 303-4 (Water withdrawal/discharge volumes. Further, the water withdrawal/discharge volumes reported under GNI Disclosures 303-3 (Water withdrawal) and 303-4 (		management approach includes that component: i. Policies ii. Commitments iii. Goals and targets iv. Responsibilities v. Resources vi. Grievance mechanisms vii. Specific actions, such as processes, projects, programs	
withdrawn, discharged, and consumed across all your operations, and how do these volumes compare to the previous reporting year?  See also 'Requested content' for W1.2b in the CDP Water Security Reporting Guidance 2018  The volumestric information on water withdrawal from all areas in megaliters, and a breakdown of this total by the following sources, if applicable: i. Surface water; ii. Groundwater; iii. Seawater; iv. Produced water; v. Third-party water.  See also 'Guidance for Disclosure 303-3'  Extract: Surface water includes collected or harvested rainwater.  Disclosure 303-3-d Water withdrawal  d. Any contextual information necessary to understand how the data have been compiled, such as any standards, methodologies, and assumptions used.  Disclosure 303-4-a Water discharge a. Total water discharge to all areas in megaliters, and a breakdown of this total by the following types of destination, if applicable: i. Surface water; ii. Groundwater, iii. Groundwater, iii		GRI 303: WATER AND EFFLUENTS	
Disclosure 303-3-d Water withdrawal  d. Any contextual information necessary to understand how the data have been compiled, such as any standards, methodologies, and assumptions used.  Disclosure 303-4-a Water discharge  a. Total water discharge to all areas in megaliters, and a breakdown of this total by the following types of destination, if applicable: i. Surface water; iii. Groundwater; iii. Seawater; iv. Third-party water, and the volume of this total sent for use to other organizations, if	withdrawn, discharged, and consumed across all your operations, and how do these volumes compare to the previous reporting year?  See also 'Requested content' for W1.2b in the CDP Water Security Reporting	Water withdrawal  a. Total water withdrawal from all areas in megaliters, and a breakdown of this total by the following sources, if applicable:  i. Surface water;  ii. Groundwater;  iii. Seawater;  iv. Produced water;  v. Third-party water.	The volumetric information on water withdrawn, discharged, and consumed requested under W1.2b can be reported under GRI Disclosures 303-3-a (Total water withdrawal from all areas), 303-4-a (Total water discharge to all areas), and 303-5-a (Total water consumption from all areas) respectively. However, take the following into consideration:
collected rainwater and domestic sewage from their water withdrawal/ discharge volumes requested under W1.2b, only if the resulting error in their water balance would be less than 5%. Disclosures 303-3-a and 303-4-a require the inclusion of rainwater and domestic sewage when reporting the withdrawal/discharge volumes. Further, the water withdrawal/discharge volumes. Further, the water withdrawal/discharge volumes. Further, the water withdrawal/discharge volumes reported under Disclosures 303-3 (Water withdrawal/discharge volumes. Further, the water withdrawal/discharge volumes. Further, the water withdrawal/discharge volumes. Further, the water withdrawal/discharge volumes reported under Disclosures 303-3 (Water withdrawal/discharge volumes. Further, the water withdrawal/discharge volumes. Further,		ŕ	Organizations may choose to exclude
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	Disclosure 303-4-e Water discharge  e. Any contextual information necessary to understand how the data have been compiled, such as any standards, methodologies, and assumptions used.  Disclosure 303-5-a Water consumption  a. Total water consumption from all areas in megaliters.  See also 'Guidance for Disclosure 303-5'  Extract: If the reporting organization cannot directly measure water consumption, it may calculate this using the following formula:	W1.2b requests organizations to include any contextual information necessary to understand how the volumetric data have been compiled, such as any standards, methodologies, and assumptions used.  W1.2b further requests organizations to indicate if the 'water consumption' figure is based on an aggregation of local measurements, an aggregation of local calculations, or is a company-wide calculation (for example, using withdrawals minus discharges).
	Water consumption  = Total water withdrawal  - Total water discharge  Disclosure 303-5-d Water consumption  d. Any contextual information necessary to understand how the data have been compiled, such as any standards, methodologies, and assumptions used, including whether the information is calculated,	
	estimated, modeled, or sourced from direct measurements, and the approach taken for this, such as the use of any sector-specific factors.  See also 'Guidance for Disclosure 303-5'  Extract: If the reporting organization cannot directly measure water consumption, it may calculate this using the following formula:  Water consumption  = Total water withdrawal  - Total water discharge	

#### **CDP Water Security Questions GRI Disclosures** Comments W1.2d **GRI 303: WATER AND EFFLUENTS** Water withdrawal from areas with Provide the proportion of your total water stress withdrawals sourced from water Disclosure 303-3-b stressed areas. Water withdrawal The information requested under W1.2d can be reported under GRI b. Total water withdrawal from all See also 'Requested content' for W1.2d Disclosure 303-3-b (Total water areas with water stress in megaliters, in the CDP Water Security Reporting withdrawal from all areas with water and a breakdown of this total by the Guidance 2018 stress). However, take the following into following sources, if applicable: consideration: Surface water: Groundwater: Proportion vs. volumetric data iii. Seawater: iv. Produced water; Disclosure 303-3-b requires an absolute v. Third-party water, and a figure in megaliters, while W1.2d breakdown of this total by the requests a proportion instead of withdrawal sources listed in i-iv. volumetric data. See also 'Guidance for Disclosure 303-3-b' The volume of water withdrawn in stressed areas that is used to calculate Disclosure 303-3-d the proportion of withdrawals from Water withdrawal stressed areas requested under W1.2d d. Any contextual information can be reported under Disclosure 303-3-b. necessary to understand how the data have been compiled, such as any standards, methodologies, and Disclosure 303-3-b further requires a assumptions used. breakdown of total water withdrawal from all areas with water stress by source. This information is not Clause 2.1 in Disclosure 303-3 requested under W1.2d. Water withdrawal Assessing water stress in an area 2.1 When compiling the information specified in Disclosure 303-3, the The information requested under reporting organization shall use W1.2d can be reported under publicly available and credible tools and Disclosure 303-3-b if the identification methodologies for assessing water stress tool used to assess water stressed areas in an area. when responding to W1.2d is the same as the publicly available and credible tool or methodology used for assessing areas with water stress when reporting on Disclosure 303-3-b.

Identification tool

The information on the identification tool requested under W1.2d can be reported under GRI Disclosure 303-3-d.

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		W1.2d requests organizations to report the tool used to identify whether their withdrawals are located in geographic areas of water stress, and to report how the tool was used.
		Disclosure 303-3-d requires reporting any contextual information necessary to understand how the data have been compiled, in addition to the tools or methodologies used for assessing water stress in an area. This information is not requested under W1.2d.
		Publicly available and credible tools and methodologies
		The information requested under W1.2d can be used to meet GRI clause 2.1, if the tool used to identify whether withdrawals are located in geographic areas of water stress is a publicly available and credible tool.
		W1.2d requests organizations to report the tool used to identify whether their withdrawals are located in geographic areas of water stress. Organizations can select from four publicly available and credible methodologies for assessing levels of water stress. If they have used a different tool, methodology or data set, they are requested to provide a label for the tool/approach used and give details.
W1.2h	GRI 303: WATER AND EFFLUENTS	Water withdrawal by source
Provide total water withdrawal data by source.  Source: Fresh surface water, including rainwater, water from wetlands, rivers, and lakes Brackish surface water/seawater	Disclosure 303-3-a Water withdrawal  a. Total water withdrawal from all areas in megaliters, and a breakdown of this total by the following sources, if applicable:	The information requested under W1.2h can be reported under GRI Disclosure 303-3-a (Breakdown of total water withdrawal from all areas by source). However, take the following into consideration:
Groundwater - renewable	i. Surface water; ii. Groundwater;	Withdrawal sources
<ul><li>Groundwater - non-renewable</li><li>Produced water</li><li>Third party sources</li></ul>	<ul><li>iii. Seawater;</li><li>iv. Produced water;</li><li>v. Third-party water.</li></ul>	Disclosure 303-3-a does not distinguish between fresh surface water and brackish surface water. The source 'Surface water' includes
See also 'Requested content' for W1.2h in the CDP Water Security Reporting Guidance 2018	See also 'Guidance for Disclosure 303-3'  Extract: Surface water includes collected	all water that occurs naturally on the Earth's surface whether it is fresh or brackish surface water. The following

or harvested rainwater.

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two figures requested under W1.2h

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	Disclosure 303-3-c Water withdrawal	can be combined and reported as one figure under Disclosure 303-3-a (Surface water):
	c. A breakdown of total water withdrawal from each of the sources listed in Disclosures 303-3-a and 303-3-b in megaliters by the following categories:  i. Freshwater (≤1,000 mg/L Total	The figure for 'Fresh surface water' requested under W1.2h can be reported under Disclosure 303-3-a-i (Surface water).
	Dissolved Solids);  ii. Other water (>1,000 mg/L Total Dissolved Solids).	<ul> <li>The figure for 'Brackish surface water/seawater' requested under W1.2h needs to be broken down</li> </ul>
	See also 'Guidance for Disclosure 303-3-c'	into brackish surface water and seawater. The figure for brackish surface water can be reported
	Extract: Other water constitutes any water that has a concentration of total dissolved solids higher than 1,000 mg/L.	under Disclosure 303-3-a-i (Surface water).
	Other water is therefore all water that does not fall into the freshwater category.	Disclosure 303-3-a requires a separate figure for seawater, whereas W1.2h requests a combined figure for seawater and
	Disclosure 303-3-d Water withdrawal	brackish surface water. The figure for 'Brackish surface water/seawater' requested under W1.2h needs to be
	d. Any contextual information necessary to understand how the data have been compiled, such as any standards, methodologies, and assumptions used.	broken down into brackish surface water and seawater. The figure for seawater can be reported under Disclosure 303-3-a-iii (Seawater).
		Disclosure 303-3-a does not distinguish between renewable and non-renewable groundwater. The figures for renewable and non-renewable groundwater requested under W1.2h can be combined and reported as one figure under Disclosure 303-3-a-ii (Groundwater).
		The figure for 'Produced water' requested under W1.2h can be reported under Disclosure 303-3-a-iv (Produced water).
		The figure for 'Third party sources' requested under W1.2h can be reported under Disclosure 303-3-a-v (Third-party water).
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		Rainwater
		Organizations may choose to exclude collected rainwater from their water withdrawal volumes requested under W1.2h, only if the resulting error in their water balance would be less than 5%. Disclosure 303-3-a requires the inclusion of rainwater when reporting the withdrawal volumes.
		Freshwater vs. other water
		The information requested under W1.2h can be reported under GRI Disclosure 303-3-c (Breakdown of total water withdrawal from each of the sources by freshwater and other water). However, take the following into consideration:
		Concentration of total dissolved solids
		Disclosure 303-3-c requires a breakdown of the water withdrawn from each of the sources (surface water, groundwater, seawater, produced water, third-party water) by the categories freshwater and other water. GRI's definition of freshwater is water with a concentration of total dissolved solids equal to or below 1,000 mg/L. Other water constitutes any water that has a concentration of total dissolved solids higher than 1,000 mg/L.
		W1.2h distinguishes between fresh surface water and brackish surface water/seawater based on the concentration of total dissolved solids.
		Fresh surface water is defined by CDP as having a low concentration of total dissolved solids - at least below 10,000 mg/L. ('High quality' fresh water sources are typically characterized as having concentrations of total dissolved solids less than 1,000 mg/L). Brackish surface water has a high concentration of total dissolved solids - at least higher than 10,000 mg/L. Finally, seawater has a
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		typical concentration of total dissolved solids above 35,000 mg/L.
		Only withdrawals with a concentration of total dissolved solids equal to or below 1,000 mg/L included under W1.2h (Fresh surface water) can be reported under Disclosure 303-3-c-i (Freshwater) for the withdrawal source 'Surface water'.
		The figure for 'Fresh surface water' with a concentration of total dissolved solids higher than 1,000 mg/L and the figure for 'Brackish surface water' requested under W1.2h can be combined and reported as one figure under Disclosure 303-3-c-ii (Other water) for the withdrawal source 'Surface water'.
		Only the figure for 'Seawater' requested under W1.2h can be reported under Disclosure 303-c-ii (Other water) for the withdrawal source 'Seawater'.
		Disclosure 303-3-c further requires a breakdown of the water withdrawn from the sources 'Produced water' and 'Third-party water' by the categories freshwater and other water. This information is not requested under W1.2h.
		Contextual information
		The information requested under W1.2h can be reported under GRI Disclosure 303-3-d.
		W1.2h requests organizations to report whether their withdrawal volumes for each source are estimated, modelled, or sourced from direct measurements, and, if so, to report the estimation or modelling methods used.

#### W1.2i

Provide total water discharge data by destination.

#### Destination:

- Fresh surface water
- · Brackish surface water/seawater
- Groundwater
- Third-party destinations

See also 'Requested content' for W1.2i in the CDP Water Security Reporting Guidance 2018

#### **GRI Disclosures**

### **GRI 303: WATER AND EFFLUENTS**

# Disclosure 303-4-a Water discharge

- a. Total water discharge to all areas in megaliters, and a breakdown of this total by the following types of destination, if applicable:
  - i. Surface water;
  - ii. Groundwater:
  - iii. Seawater:
  - iv. Third-party water, and the volume of this total sent for use to other organizations, if applicable.

See also 'Guidance for Disclosure 303-4-a-iv'

Extract: An example of third-party water discharge is when an organization sends water and effluents to other organizations for use. In these instances, the organization is required to report the volume of this water discharge separately.

# Disclosure 303-4-e Water discharge

 e. Any contextual information necessary to understand how the data have been compiled, such as any standards, methodologies, and assumptions used.

### Comments

### Water discharge by destination

The information requested under W1.2i can be reported under GRI Disclosure 303-4-a (Breakdown of total water discharge to all areas by destination). However, take the following into consideration:

### Discharge destinations

- Disclosure 303-4-a does not distinguish between fresh surface water and brackish surface water. The destination 'Surface water' includes all water that occurs naturally on the Earth's surface whether it is fresh or brackish surface water. The following two figures requested under W1.2i can be combined and reported as one figure under Disclosure 303-4-a-i (Surface water):
  - The figure for 'Fresh surface water' requested under W1.2i can be reported under Disclosure 303-4-a-i (Surface water).
  - The figure for 'Brackish surface water/seawater' requested under W1.2i needs to be broken down into brackish surface water and seawater. The figure for brackish surface water can be reported under Disclosure 303-4-a-i (Surface water).
- Disclosure 303-4-a requires a separate figure for seawater, whereas W1.2i requests a combined figure for seawater and brackish surface water. The figure for 'Brackish surface water/seawater' requested under W1.2i needs to be broken down into brackish surface water and seawater. The figure for seawater can be reported under Disclosure 303-4-a-iii (Seawater).
- The figure for 'Groundwater' requested under W1.2i can be reported under Disclosure 303-4-a-ii (Groundwater).

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		The figure for 'Third-party destinations' requested under W1.2i can be reported under Disclosure 303-4-a-iv (Third-party water).
		Third party
		For discharges to a third party, W1.2i mentions that it is important to state if this includes water discharged to other organizations for further use. If the information reported to CDP shows the volume of water sent to other organizations, this can be reported under Disclosure 303-4-a-iv (Volume of total third-party water sent for use to other organizations).
		Rainwater and domestic sewage
		Organizations may choose to exclude collected rainwater and domestic sewage from their water discharge volumes requested under W1.2i, unless this would result in an error in their water balance of more than 5%. Further, domestic sewage is not regarded as water discharge. However, if wastewater comes from domestic sources but is predominantly generated from sector business activities, e.g., healthcare residential properties, this should be reported if it would result in an error in their balance of more than 5%. Disclosure 303-4-a requires the inclusion of rainwater and domestic sewage when reporting the discharge volumes.
		Contextual information
		The information requested under W1.2i can be reported under GRI Disclosure 303-4-e.
		W1.2i requests organizations to report whether the volumes discharged to each destination are estimated, modelled, or sourced from direct measurements, and, if so, to report the estimation or modelling methods used.

### **GRI Disclosures**

#### Comments

# Value-chain engagement

#### W1.4

Do you engage with your value chain on water-related issues?

#### W1.4a

What proportion of suppliers do you request to report on their water use, risks and/or management information and what proportion of your procurement spend does this represent?

#### W1.4b

Provide details of any other waterrelated supplier engagement activity.

#### W1.4c

What is your organization's rationale and strategy for prioritizing engagements with customers or other partners in its value chain?

#### W1.4d

Why do you not engage with any stages of your value chain on water-related issues and what are your plans?

#### **GRI 303: WATER AND EFFLUENTS**

## Disclosure 303-1-c Interactions with water as a shared resource

c. A description of how water-related impacts are addressed, including how the organization works with stakeholders to steward water as a shared resource, and how it engages with suppliers or customers with significant water-related impacts.

See also 'Guidance for Disclosure 303-1-c'

The information requested under W1.4, W1.4a, W1.4b, W1.4c, and W1.4d can be reported under GRI Disclosure 303-1-c on how the organization engages with suppliers or customers with significant water-related impacts. However, these CDP questions have a broader scope, as they refer to water-related engagement with all suppliers, customers, or other partners in the value chain, whereas Disclosure 303-1-c only focuses on engagement with suppliers or customers with significant water-related impacts.

Disclosure 303-1-c further requires a description of how water-related impacts are addressed, including how the organization works with stakeholders to steward water as a shared resource. This information is not requested under W1.4, W1.4a, W1.4b, W1.4c, and W1.4d.

### **Definition of impact**

For more information on the term 'impact', see the section 'How to use this document' on pages 5-7.

# **W2 Business impacts**

### Recent impacts on your business

## W2.1

Has your organization experienced any detrimental water-related impacts?

#### W2.1a

Describe the water-related detrimental impacts experienced by your organization, your response, and the total financial impact.

See also 'Requested content' for W2.1a in the CDP Water Security Reporting Guidance 2018

# **GRI 103: MANAGEMENT APPROACH** (used together with *GRI 303: Water and Effluents*)

# Disclosure 103-1-a Explanation of the material topic and its Boundary

a. An explanation of why the topic is material.

See also 'Guidance for Disclosure 103-1-a'

Extract: The explanation of why the topic is material can include:

- a description of the significant impacts identified and the reasonable expectations and interests of stakeholders regarding the topic;
- a description of the process, such as due diligence, that the organization used to identify the impacts related to the topic.

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#### Water-related impacts

The description of the water-related detrimental impacts experienced by the organization requested under W2.1 and W2.1a can be reported under GRI Disclosure 103-1-a.

The explanation of why the topic is material as required by Disclosure 103-1-a can include a description of the significant impacts identified regarding water and effluents.

#### Response to water-related impacts

The description of the response to the water-related detrimental impacts experienced by the organization requested under W2.1a can be reported under GRI Disclosures 103-2, 103-3, and 303-1-c.

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	Disclosure 103-2 The management approach and its components  a. An explanation of how the organization manages the topic.  b. A statement of the purpose of the management approach.	W2.1a requests organizations to select the primary response strategy that most closely describes how the organization has responded to past impacts, to provide additional details of its response strategy, and to describe the difference the response has made/is likely to make.
	c. A description of the following, if the management approach includes that component:  i. Policies ii. Commitments iii. Goals and targets iv. Responsibilities v. Resources vi. Grievance mechanisms vii. Specific actions, such as processes, projects, programs and initiatives  Disclosure 103-3  Evaluation of the management	Catchments/river basins  The information requested under W2.1a can be reported under GRI clause 1.2.2.  W2.1a requests organizations to select the river basin for each water-related detrimental impact experienced by the organization.  Definition of impact  For more information on the term 'impact', see the section 'How to use this document' on pages 5-7.
	approach  a. An explanation of how the organization evaluates the management approach, including:  i. the mechanisms for evaluating the effectiveness of the management approach;  ii. the results of the evaluation of the management approach;  iii. any related adjustments to the management approach.  GRI 303: WATER AND EFFLUENTS  Disclosure 303-1-c	
	Interactions with water as a shared resource  c. A description of how water-related impacts are addressed, including how the organization works with stakeholders to steward water as a shared resource, and how it engages with suppliers or customers with significant water-related impacts.  See also 'Guidance for Disclosure 303-1-c'  Continues on next page »	

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	Clause 1.2.2 in Disclosure 303-1 Interactions with water as a shared resource	
	1.2.2 A list of specific catchments where the organization causes significant water-related impacts.	
	See also 'Guidance for clause 1.2.2'	
Compliance impacts		
W2.2 In the reporting year, was your organization subject to any fines, enforcement orders, and/or other penalties for water-related regulatory violations?	GRI 303: WATER AND EFFLUENTS  Disclosure 303-4-d-iii Water discharge d. Priority substances of concern	The information requested under W2.2, W2.2a, and W2.2b can be reported under GRI Disclosure 303-4-d-iii. However, these CDP questions have a broader scope than Disclosure 303-4-d-iii, as they refer to water-
W2.2a Provide the total number and financial value of all water-related fines.	for which discharges are treated, including: iii. number of incidents of non-compliance with discharge limits.	related regulatory violations more generally.  The information requested under W2.2,

## Clause 2.4.1 in Disclosure 303-4 Water discharge

2.4.1 The number of occasions on which discharge limits were exceeded.

The information requested under W2.2 W2.2a, and W2.2b can be reported under GRI clause 2.4.1. However, clause 2.4.1 has a broader scope than these CDP questions, as it refers to all occasions on which discharge limits were exceeded whether these led to a penalty or not.

W2.2b requests organizations to select the type of incident that is most applicable to the penalty. Only the penalties that relate to 'effluent limit exceedances' for those substances that have been identified as priority substances of concern for GRI can be reported under Disclosure 303-4-d-iii and clause 2.4.1.

## **W3 Procedures**

Guidance 2018

### Risk identification and assessment procedures

## W3.3

W2.2b

Does your organization undertake a water-related risk assessment?

Provide details for all significant fines,

penalties for water-related regulatory

See also 'Requested content' for W2.2b

in the CDP Water Security Reporting

violations in the reporting year, and your

enforcement orders and/or other

plans for resolving them.

#### W3.3a

Select the options that best describe your procedures for identifying and assessing water-related risks.

#### W3.3b

Which of the following contextual issues are considered in your organization's water-related risk assessments?

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**GRI 103: MANAGEMENT APPROACH** (used together with *GRI 303: Water and Effluents*)

# Disclosure 103-1-a Explanation of the material topic and its Boundary

a. An explanation of why the topic is material.

See also 'Guidance for Disclosure 103-1-a'

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The information requested under W3.3, W3.3a, W3.3b, W3.3c, and W3.3d can be reported under GRI Disclosures 103-1-a and 303-1-b.

The explanation of why the topic is material as required by Disclosure 103-1-a can include a description of the process that the organization used to identify the impacts related to water and effluents.

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#### W3.3c

Which of the following stakeholders are considered in your organization's water-related risk assessments?

#### W3.3d

Describe your organization's process for identifying, assessing, and responding to water-related risks within your direct operations and other stages of your value chain.

See also 'Requested content' for W3.3, W3.3a, W3.3b, W3.3c, and W3.3d in the CDP Water Security Reporting Guidance 2018

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Extract: The explanation of why the topic is material can include:

 a description of the process, such as due diligence, that the organization used to identify the impacts related to the topic.

#### **GRI 303: WATER AND EFFLUENTS**

# Disclosure 303-1-b Interactions with water as a shared resource

 A description of the approach used to identify water-related impacts, including the scope of assessments, their timeframe, and any tools or methodologies used.

See also 'Guidance for Disclosure 303-1-b'

Extract: When assessing impacts, it is important that the organization consider its future impacts on water quality and availability, as these factors can change over time.

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W3.3, W3.3a, W3.3b, W3.3c, and W3.3d request organizations to provide information about the procedures and tools used for risk identification, information collection and assessment. Organizations are further requested to provide a rationale for the approach to risk assessment and to explain the choice of procedures and tools.

W3.3a requests organizations to indicate how far into the future risks are considered. When assessing impacts related to water and effluents using *GRI* 303: Water and Effluents, it is important that the organization consider its future impacts.

# **Definition of impact**

For more information on the term 'impact', see the section 'How to use this document' on pages 5-7.

## W4 Risks and opportunities

#### Risk exposure

#### W4.1a

How does your organization define substantive financial or strategic impact on your business?

# **GRI 103: MANAGEMENT APPROACH** (used together with *GRI 303: Water and Effluents*)

Disclosure 103-1-a

# Explanation of the material topic and its Boundary a. An explanation of why the topic is

material.

See also 'Guidance for Disclosure 103-1-a'

Extract: The explanation of why the topic is material can include:

 a description of the significant impacts identified and the reasonable expectations and interests of stakeholders regarding the topic. The information on water-related risk exposure requested under W4.1a can be reported under GRI Disclosure 103-1-a, if the description of what constitutes a "substantive impact" explains why the topic of water and effluents is material.

## **Definition of impact**

For more information on the term 'impact', see the section 'How to use this document' on pages 5-7.

#### **CDP Water Security Questions GRI Disclosures** Comments Water-related risks and response W4.2 **GRI 103: MANAGEMENT** The information on water-related risks Provide details of identified risks in your **APPROACH** (used together with and responses requested under W4.2 and W4.2a can be reported under GRI direct operations with the potential to GRI 303: Water and Effluents) Disclosures 103-1-a, 103-2, 103-3, and have a substantive financial or strategic impact on your business, and your Disclosure 103-1-a 303-1-c. However, Disclosures 103-1-a, response to those risks. Explanation of the material topic 103-2, and 103-3 have a broader scope and its Boundary than these CDP questions, as they refer W4.2a to the management approach for water a. An explanation of why the topic is Provide details of risks identified and effluents more generally. material. within your value chain (beyond direct operations) with the potential to have a W4.2 and W4.2a request organizations See also 'Guidance for Disclosure 103-1-a' substantive financial or strategic impact to select the option that best describes the primary potential impact to the on your business, and Extract: The explanation of why the organization due to the risk driver, your response to those risks. topic is material can include: and to include a description of how See also 'Requested content' for W4.2 a description of the significant the risk driver could or will impact the impacts identified and the reasonable organization, including the nature of any and W4.2a in the CDP Water Security Reporting Guidance 2018 expectations and interests of secondary impacts. stakeholders regarding the topic. W4.2 and W4.2a further request Disclosure 103-2 organizations to select the response The management approach and its strategy that most closely describes how components the organization expects to respond to the reported risk, to provide additional a. An explanation of how the details of its response to mitigate, organization manages the topic. control, transfer or accept the risks, and b. A statement of the purpose of the to describe the difference the response management approach. has made/is likely to make. c. A description of the following, if the **Definition of impact** management approach includes that component: For more information on the term **Policies** 'impact', see the section 'How to use ii. Commitments this document' on pages 5-7. iii. Goals and targets iv. Responsibilities v. Resources vi. Grievance mechanisms vii. Specific actions, such as processes, projects, programs and initiatives Disclosure 103-3 **Evaluation of the management** approach a. An explanation of how the organization evaluates the management approach, including: the mechanisms for evaluating the effectiveness of the management approach; the results of the evaluation of the management approach; any related adjustments to the management approach.

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	Disclosure 303-1-c Interactions with water as a shared resource	
	c. A description of how water-related impacts are addressed, including how the organization works with stakeholders to steward water as a shared resource, and how it engages with suppliers or customers with significant water-related impacts.	
	See also 'Guidance for Disclosure 303-1-c'	
W5 Facility-level water accounting		
Facility-level water accounting		
W5.1 For each facility referenced in W4.1c,	GRI 303: WATER AND EFFLUENTS	Total water consumption

For each facility referenced in W4.1c, provide coordinates, total water accounting data and comparisons with the previous reporting year.

#### W5.1a

For each facility referenced in W5.1, provide withdrawal data by water source

## Source:

- Fresh surface water, including rainwater, water from wetlands, rivers, and lakes
- Brackish surface water/seawater
- Groundwater renewable
- Groundwater non-renewable
- Produced water
- · Third party sources

See also 'Requested content' for W5.1 and W5.1a in the CDP Water Security Reporting Guidance 2018

# Clause 2.2.1 in Disclosure 303-3 Water withdrawal

2.2.1 A breakdown of total water withdrawal in megaliters by withdrawal source categories listed in Disclosure 303-3, at each facility in areas with water stress.

# Disclosure 303-3-d Water withdrawal

 d. Any contextual information necessary to understand how the data have been compiled, such as any standards, methodologies, and assumptions used.

# Clause 2.5.1 in Disclosure 303-5 Water consumption

2.5.1 Total water consumption in megaliters at each facility in areas with water stress.

# Disclosure 303-5-d Water consumption

d. Any contextual information necessary to understand how the data have been compiled, such as any standards, methodologies, and assumptions used, including whether the information is calculated, estimated, modeled, or sourced from direct measurements, and the approach taken for this, such as the use of any sector-specific factors.

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The information on water consumption requested under W5.1 can be reported under GRI clause 2.5.1. However, take the following into consideration:

Facilities to be reported

W5.1 requests information for each facility exposed to any type of water risks that could have a substantive impact on the business, whereas clause 2.5.1 only requests information for each facility in areas with water stress. If these facilities are the same, the information requested under W5.1 can be reported under clause 2.5.1.

## Water withdrawal by source

The information on water withdrawal by water source requested under W5.1a can be reported under GRI clause 2.2.1. However, take the following into consideration:

Facilities to be reported

W5.1a requests information for each facility exposed to any type of water risks that could have a substantive impact on the business, whereas clause 2.2.1 only requests information for each facility in areas with water stress. If these facilities are the same, the information requested under W5.1a can be reported under clause 2.2.1.

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	See also 'Guidance for Disclosure 303-5'	Withdrawal sources
	Extract: If the reporting organization cannot directly measure water consumption, it may calculate this using the following formula:	Clause 2.2.1 does not distinguish between fresh surface water and brackish surface water. The source 'Surface water' includes all water that occurs naturally on the Earth's surface whether it is fresh or
	Water consumption = Total water withdrawal -	brackish surface water. The following two figures requested under W5.1a can be combined and reported as one figure under clause 2.2.1
	Total water discharge	<ul> <li>(Surface water):</li> <li>The figure for 'Fresh surface water' requested under W5.1a can be reported under clause 2.2.1 (Surface water).</li> </ul>
		The figure for 'Brackish surface water/seawater' requested under W5.1a needs to be broken down into brackish surface water and seawater. The figure for brackish surface water can be reported under clause 2.2.1 (Surface water).
		Clause 2.2.1 requests a separate figure for seawater, whereas W5.1a requests a combined figure for seawater and brackish surface water. The figure for 'Brackish surface water/seawater' requested under W5.1a needs to be broken down into brackish surface water and seawater. The figure for seawater can be reported under clause 2.2.1 (Seawater).
		Clause 2.2.1 does not distinguish between renewable and non-renewable groundwater. The figures for renewable and non-renewable groundwater requested under W5.1a can be combined and reported as one figure under clause 2.2.1 (Groundwater).
		The figure for 'Produced water' requested under W5.1a can be reported under clause 2.2.1 (Produced water).
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		The figure for 'Third party sources' requested under W5.1a can be reported under clause 2.2.1 (Third-party water).  The figure for 'Third party sources' requested under water sources.
		Rainwater
		Organizations may choose to exclude collected rainwater from their water withdrawal volumes requested under W5.1a, only if the resulting error in their water balance would be less than 5%. Clause 2.2.1 requests the inclusion of rainwater when reporting the withdrawal volumes.
		Contextual information
		The information requested under W5.1 and W5.1a can be reported under GRI Disclosures 303-3-d and 303-5-d.
		W5.1 and W5.1a request organizations to report whether the volumes for total water consumption and water withdrawal by water source for each facility are estimated, modelled, or sourced from direct measurements, and, if so, to report the estimation or modelling methods used.
		W5.1 further requests organizations to include any contextual information necessary to understand how the volumetric data have been compiled, such as any standards, methodologies, and assumptions used, and to indicate if the 'water consumption' figure is based on local measurements or is a calculation (for example, using withdrawals minus discharges).

CDP Water Security Questions	GRI Disclosures	Comments
W6 Governance		
Water policy		
W6.1 Does your organization have a water policy? W6.1a Select the options that best describe the scope and content of your water policy. See also 'Requested content' for W6.1a in the CDP Water Security Reporting Guidance 2018	GRI 103: MANAGEMENT APPROACH (used together with GRI 303: Water and Effluents)  Disclosure 103-2-c-i, 103-2-c-ii, 103-2-c-iii The management approach and its components  c. A description of the following, if the management approach includes that component:  i. Policies (and the related reporting recommendations under clause 1.3)  ii. Commitments (and the related reporting recommendations under clause 1.4)  iii. Goals and targets (and the related reporting recommendations under clause 1.5)	Policies  The information requested under W6.1 and W6.1a can be reported under GRI Disclosure 103-2-c-i (and the related reporting recommendations under clause 1.3).  Commitments  The information requested under W6.1a can be reported under Disclosure 103-2-c-ii (and the related reporting recommendations under clause 1.4), if the content of the water policy includes commitments, for example commitments beyond regulatory compliance or commitments to align with public policy initiatives, such as the SDGs.  Goals and targets  The information requested under W6.1a can be reported under Disclosure 103-2-c-iii (and the related reporting recommendations under clause 1.5), if the content of the water policy includes
Board eversight		company water targets and goals.
W6.2 Is there board level oversight of water-related issues within your organization?  W6.2a Identify the position(s) of the individual(s) on the board with responsibility for water-related issues.  W6.2b Provide further details on the board's oversight of water-related issues	GRI 103: MANAGEMENT APPROACH (used together with GRI 303: Water and Effluents)  Disclosure 103-2-c-iv The management approach and its components  c. A description of the following, if the management approach includes that component: iv. Responsibilities (and the related reporting recommendation under clause 1.6.1)	The information requested under W6.2, W6.2a, and W6.2b can be reported under GRI Disclosure 103-2-c-iv (and the related reporting recommendation under clause 1.6.1).

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Management responsibility		
W6.3 Below board level, provide the highest-level management position(s) or committee(s) with responsibility for water-related issues.	GRI 103: MANAGEMENT APPROACH (used together with GRI 303: Water and Effluents)  Disclosure 103-2-c-iv The management approach and its components	The information requested under W6.3 can be reported under GRI Disclosure 103-2-c-iv (and the related reporting recommendation under clause 1.6.1).
	c. A description of the following, if the management approach includes that component:  iv. Responsibilities (and the related reporting recommendation under clause 1.6.1)	
W7 Business strategy		
Strategic plan		
W7.1 Are water-related issues integrated into any aspects of your long-term strategic business plan, and if so how?	GRI 103: MANAGEMENT APPROACH (used together with GRI 303: Water and Effluents)	The information requested under W7.1 can be reported under GRI Disclosure 103-2.
See also 'Requested content' for W7.1 in the CDP Water Security Reporting Guidance 2018	Disclosure 103-2 The management approach and its components  a. An explanation of how the organization manages the topic.  b. A statement of the purpose of the management approach.  c. A description of the following, if the management approach includes that component:  i. Policies  ii. Commitments  iii. Goals and targets  iv. Responsibilities  v. Resources  vi. Grievance mechanisms  vii. Specific actions, such as processes, projects, programs and initiatives	W7.1 requests organizations to consider if, what and how water-related issues have affected the following aspects of their business planning: long-term business objectives, strategy for achieving long-term objectives, and financial planning.
Scenario analysis	CDI 402, MANACEMENT	Has of accurate analysis
W7.3  Does your organization use climate-related scenario analysis to inform its business strategy?  W7.3a  Has your organization identified any water-related outcomes from your climate-related scenario analysis?	GRI 103: MANAGEMENT APPROACH (used together with GRI 303: Water and Effluents)  Disclosure 103-1-a Explanation of the material topic and its Boundary  a. An explanation of why the topic is material.  See also 'Guidance for Disclosure 103-1-a'	Use of scenario analysis  The information requested under W7.3, W7.3a and W7.3b can be reported under GRI Disclosure 103-1-a to describe the process used to identify the impacts related to the topic of water and effluents and the significant impacts identified through the use of scenario analysis, if water-related outcomes have been identified.

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## W7.3b

What water-related outcomes were identified from the use of climaterelated scenario analysis, and what was your organization's response?

See also 'Requested content' for W7.3b in the CDP Water Security Reporting Guidance 2018

Extract: The explanation of why the topic is material can include:

- a description of the significant impacts identified and the reasonable expectations and interests of stakeholders regarding the topic;
- a description of the process, such as due diligence, that the organization used to identify the impacts related to the topic.

# Disclosure 103-2 The management approach and its components

- a. An explanation of how the organization manages the topic.
- b. A statement of the purpose of the management approach.
- c. A description of the following, if the management approach includes that component:
  - i. Policies
  - ii. Commitments
  - iii. Goals and targets
  - iv. Responsibilities
  - v. Resources
  - vi. Grievance mechanisms
  - vii. Specific actions, such as processes, projects, programs and initiatives

### Response to water-related outcomes

The information requested under W7.3b can be reported under GRI Disclosure 103-2.

W7.3b requests organizations to describe their response to any waterrelated outcomes identified through the use of scenario analysis.

# **W8 Targets**

### **Targets and goals**

#### W8.1

Describe your approach to setting and monitoring water-related targets and/or goals.

#### W8.1a

Provide details of your water targets that are monitored at the corporate level, and the progress made.

### W8.1b

Provide details of your corporate water goal(s) that are monitored at the corporate level and the progress made.

See also 'Requested content' for W8.1, W8.1a, and W8.1b in the CDP Water Security Reporting Guidance 2018

# **GRI 103: MANAGEMENT APPROACH** (used together with GRI 303: Water and Effluents)

# Disclosure 103-2-c-iii The management approach and its components

- c. A description of the following, if the management approach includes that component:
  - iii. Goals and targets (and the related reporting recommendations under clause 1.5)

The information requested under W8.1, W8.1a, and W8.1b can be reported under GRI Disclosure 103-2-c-iii (and the related reporting recommendations under clause 1.5), and Disclosure 303-1-d.

W8.1 requests a company-specific description of the general approach to setting water-related targets and goals. This may include:

how the organization ensures that targets and goals reflect geographic, regulatory, and other contextual factors, such as the use of sciencebased hydrological models or the needs of other users in a basin;

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	GRI 303: WATER AND EFFLUENTS  Disclosure 303-1-d Interactions with water as a shared resource  d. An explanation of the process for setting any water-related	any formal motivations (company-wide or other) that drive the setting of targets and goals - such as adherence to water-related public policy agendas, such as the Sustainable Development Goals, or local environmental initiatives.
	goals and targets that are part of the organization's management approach, and how they relate to public policy and the local context of each area with water stress.	W8.1a and W8.1b request a description of targets or goals monitored at the corporate level. This description may include:
	See also 'Guidance for Disclosure 303-1-d'	if the target or goal is the same for all basins/facilities/products, or if it is aligned with local risk levels;
	Extract: Meaningful targets for managing water-related impacts:	if a company-wide target is driven by local challenges.
	account for the local context where water is withdrawn and discharged;	311
	are scientifically informed by sustainable thresholds and the social context of a given catchment;	
	align with public sector efforts, such as the water-related targets of the UN Sustainable Development Goals, in particular Goal 6, or targets set by national and local government institutions;	
	are informed by the advocacy of other stakeholders, such as civil society organizations, trade associations, and action groups.	

# **GRI to CDP Comprehensive Linkage Table (B2)**

# How is GRI 303: Water and Effluents 2018 aligned with the CDP water security questionnaire (2018)?

The table below details the linkages between *GRI 303*: *Water and Effluents 2018* and the CDP water security questionnaire (2018). The table is useful for organizations that have reported on the topic of water and effluents in accordance with *GRI 303*: *Water and Effluents 2018* and would like to use this information as input for responding to the CDP questionnaire. The comments in the table support and expand on the linkages between the two reporting frameworks.

The table only includes disclosures from *GRI 303*: *Water and Effluents 2018* that can be used to report on at least one of the CDP water security questions (2018).

#### **GRI Disclosures**

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#### Comments

GRI 103: Management Approach (used together with GRI 303: Water and Effluents)

Disclosure 103-1 Explanation of the material topic and its Boundary

a. An explanation of why the topic is material.

See also 'Guidance for Disclosure 103-1-a'

Extract: The explanation of why the topic is material can include:

- a description of the significant impacts identified and the reasonable expectations and interests of stakeholders regarding the topic;
- a description of the process, such as due diligence, that the organization used to identify the impacts related to the topic.

### **W2 BUSINESS IMPACTS**

#### Recent impacts on your business

#### W2.1

Has your organization experienced any detrimental water-related impacts?

#### W2.1a

Describe the water-related detrimental impacts experienced by your organization, your response, and the total financial impact.

See also 'Requested content' for W2.1a in the CDP Water Security Reporting Guidance 2018

#### **W3 PROCEDURES**

# Risk identification and assessment procedures

#### W3.3

Does your organization undertake a water-related risk assessment?

#### W3.3a

Select the options that best describe your procedures for identifying and assessing water-related risks.

#### W3.3b

Which of the following contextual issues are considered in your organization's water-related risk assessments?

### W3.3c

Which of the following stakeholders are considered in your organization's water-related risk assessments?

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# Water-related impacts

The explanation of why the topic is material as required by GRI Disclosure 103-1-a can include a description of the significant impacts identified regarding water and effluents. If this description of the significant impacts includes information on the effects of those impacts on the organization, it can be reported under W2.1 and W2.1a.

### Water-related risks

The information required by Disclosure 103-1-a can be reported under W4.1a on water-related risk exposure, if the explanation of why the topic of water and effluents is material describes what constitutes a "substantive impact".

The information required by Disclosure 103-1-a can be reported under W4.2 and W4.2a on water-related risks. However, Disclosure 103-1-a has a broader scope than these CDP questions, as it refers to the management approach for water and effluents more generally.

W4.2 and W4.2a request organizations to select the option that best describes the primary potential impact to the organization due to the risk driver, and to include a description of how the risk driver could or will impact the organization, including the nature of any secondary impacts.

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	W3.3d  Describe your organization's process for identifying, assessing, and responding to water-related risks within your direct operations and other stages of your value chain.	Water risk assessment  The information required by GRI Disclosure 103-1-a can be reported under W3.3, W3.3a, W3.3b, W3.3c, and W3.3d.
	See also 'Requested content' for W3.3, W3.3a, W3.3b, W3.3c, and W3.3d in the CDP Water Security Reporting Guidance 2018  W4 RISKS AND OPPORTUNITIES	The explanation of why the topic is material as required by Disclosure 103-1-a can include a description of the process that the organization used to identify the impacts related to water and effluents.
	Risk exposure	Use of scenario analysis
	W4.1a How does your organization define substantive financial or strategic impact on your business?	The information required by GRI Disclosure 103-1-a can be reported under W7.3, W7.3a, and W7.3b, if the organization used scenario analysis to identify the impacts related to the topic
	Water-related risks and response	of water and effluents.
	W4.2 Provide details of identified risks in your direct operations with the potential to have a substantive financial or strategic impact on your business, and your response to those risks.  W4.2a	The explanation of why the topic of water and effluents is material as required by Disclosure 103-1-a can include a description of the significant impacts identified through the use of scenario analysis. This can be used to describe the water-related outcomes as requested by W7.3b.
	Provide details of risks identified within your value chain (beyond direct	Definition of impact
	operations) with the potential to have a substantive financial or strategic impact on your business, and your response to those risks.	For more information on the term 'impact', see the section 'How to use this document' on pages 5-7.
	See also 'Requested content' for W4.2 and W4.2a in the CDP Water Security Reporting Guidance 2018	
	W7 BUSINESS STRATEGY	
	Scenario analysis	
	W7.3  Does your organization use climate- related scenario analysis to inform its business strategy?	
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	W7.3a  Has your organization identified any water-related outcomes from your climate-related scenario analysis?	
	W7.3b What water-related outcomes were identified from the use of climaterelated scenario analysis, and what was your organization's response?	
	See also 'Requested content' for W7.3b in the CDP Water Security Reporting Guidance 2018	
b. The Boundary for the material topic, which includes a description of: i. where the impacts occur; ii. the organization's involvement with the impacts. For example, whether the organization has caused or contributed to the impacts, or is directly linked to the impacts through its business relationships.	W0 INTRODUCTION MODULE Introduction W0.5 Select the option that best describes the reporting boundary for companies, entities, or groups for which water impacts on your business are being reported.	The information on where the impacts occur as required by GRI Disclosure 103-1-b can be reported under W0.5, provided that the organizational entities included in the responses to the CDP questions are the same as the entities where the impacts occur, i.e., the organizational entities reported on are identical.
See also 'Guidance for Disclosure 103-1-b'		For more information on the term 'boundary', see the section 'How to use this document' on pages 5-7.
c. Any specific limitation regarding the topic Boundary.	W0 INTRODUCTION MODULE Introduction	The information required by GRI Disclosure 103-1-c can be reported under W0.6 and W06.a.
See also 'Guidance for Disclosure 103-1-c'	W0.6 Within this boundary, are there any geographies, facilities, water aspects, or other exclusions from your disclosure? W0.6a	For more information on the term 'boundary', see the section 'How to use this document' on pages 5-7.
	Please report the exclusions.	

#### **GRI Disclosures**

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### Disclosure 103-2 The management approach and its components

- a. An explanation of how the organization manages the topic.
- b. A statement of the purpose of the management approach.
- c. A description of the following, if the management approach includes that component:
  - i. Policies
  - ii. Commitments
  - iii. Goals and targets
  - iv. Responsibilities
  - v. Resources
  - vi. Grievance mechanisms
  - vii. Specific actions, such as processes, projects, programs and initiatives

#### **W1 CURRENT STATE**

#### Company-wide water accounting

#### W1.2

Across all your operations, what proportion of the following water aspects are regularly measured and monitored?

#### **W2 BUSINESS IMPACTS**

#### Recent impacts on your business

#### W2.1a

Describe the water-related detrimental impacts experienced by your organization, your response, and the total financial impact.

See also 'Requested content' for W2.1a in the CDP Water Security Reporting Guidance 2018

#### W4 RISKS AND OPPORTUNITIES

#### Water-related risks and response

#### W4.2

Provide details of identified risks in your direct operations with the potential to have a substantive financial or strategic impact on your business, and your response to those risks.

#### W4.2a

Provide details of risks identified within your value chain (beyond direct operations) with the potential to have a substantive financial or strategic impact on your business, and your response to those risks.

See also 'Requested content' for W4.2 and W4.2a in the CDP Water Security Reporting Guidance 2018

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### Monitoring aspects of water use

The information required by GRI Disclosure 103-2 can be reported under W1.2, if the organization's approach to managing water and effluents includes monitoring different aspects of its water use.

# Response to water-related impacts and risks

The information required by GRI Disclosure 103-2 can be reported under W2.1a where it refers to existing impacts, and W4.2 and W4.2a where it refers to potential impacts. However, Disclosure 103-2 has a broader scope than these CDP questions, as it refers to the management approach for water and effluents more generally.

W2.1a, W4.2, and W4.2a request organizations to select the primary response strategy that most closely describes how the organization has responded to past impacts and potential impacts (risks), to provide additional details of its response strategy, and to describe the difference the response has made/is likely to make.

#### **Business strategy**

The information required by GRI Disclosure 103-2 can be reported under W7.1, if the organization's approach to managing water and effluents includes the integration of water-related issues into business planning at the corporate level for a time horizon beyond 5 years.

W7.1 requests organizations to consider if, what and how water-related issues have affected the following aspects of their business planning: long-term business objectives, strategy for achieving long-term objectives, and financial planning.

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	W7 BUSINESS STRATEGY	Use of scenario analysis
	W7.1 Are water-related issues integrated into any aspects of your long-term strategic business plan, and if so how?  See also 'Requested content' for W7.1 in the CDP Water Security Reporting Guidance 2018  Sceario analysis  W7.3b What water-related outcomes were identified from the use of climaterelated scenario analysis, and what was your organization's response?  See also 'Requested content' for W7.3b in the CDP Water Security Reporting	The information required by GRI Disclosure 103-2 can be reported under W7.3b, if the organization's approach to managing water and effluents includes the use of scenario analysis.  W7.3b requests organizations to describe their response to any water- related outcomes identified through the use of scenario analysis.  Definition of impact  For more information on the term 'impact', see the section 'How to use this document' on pages 5-7.
	Guidance 2018	
c. A description of the following, if the management approach includes that component:  i. Policies (and the related reporting recommendations under clause 1.3)  ii. Commitments (and the related reporting recommendations under clause 1.4)  iii. Goals and targets (and the related reporting recommendations under clause 1.5)  iv. Responsibilities (and the related reporting recommendation under clause 1.6.1)	Water policy  W6.1 Does your organization have a water policy?  W6.1a Select the options that best describe the scope and content of your water policy.  See also 'Requested content' for W6.1a in the CDP Water Security Reporting Guidance 2018  Board oversight	Policies  The information required by GRI Disclosure103-2-c-i (and the related reporting recommendations under clause 1.3) can be reported under W6.1 and W6.1a.  Commitments  The information required by GRI Disclosure 103-2-c-ii (and the related reporting recommendations under clause 1.4) can be reported under W6.1a.  W6.1a requests organizations to
	W6.2 Is there board level oversight of water-related issues within your organization?  W6.2a Identify the position(s) of the individual(s) on the board with responsibility for water-related issues.	describe the content of their water policy, which can include commitments, for example commitments beyond regulatory compliance or commitments to align with public policy initiatives, such as the SDGs.
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	W6.2b Provide further details on the board's oversight of water-related issues	Responsibilities  The information required by GRI
	Management responsibility	Disclosure 103-2-c-iv (and the related reporting recommendation under clause 1.6.1) can be reported under W6.2,
	W6.3 Below board level, provide the highest-level management position(s) or committee(s) with responsibility for	W6.2a, W6.2b, and W6.3.  Goals and targets
	water-related issues.  W8 TARGETS	The information required by GRI Disclosure 103-2-c-iii (and the related reporting recommendations under
	Targets and goals	clause 1.5) can be reported under W6.1a, W8.1, W8.1a, and W8.1b.
	W8.1 Describe your approach to setting and monitoring water-related targets and/or goals.	W6.1a requests organizations to describe the content of their water policy, which can include company water targets and goals.
	W8.1a Provide details of your water targets that are monitored at the corporate level, and the progress made.	W8.1a and W8.1b request a description of targets or goals monitored at the corporate level.
	W8.1b Provide details of your corporate water goal(s) that are monitored at the corporate level and the progress made.	
	See also 'Requested content' for W8.1, W8.1a, and W8.1b in the CDP Water Security Reporting Guidance 2018	
Disclosure 103-3 Evaluation of the ma	inagement approach	
a. An explanation of how the organization evaluates the management approach, including:  i. the mechanisms for evaluating the effectiveness of the management approach:	W2 BUSINESS IMPACTS  Recent impacts on your business  W2.1a  Describe the water-related detrimental	The information required by GRI Disclosure 103-3 can be reported under W2.1a where it refers to existing impacts, and W4.2 and W4.2a where it refers to potential impacts.
management approach; ii. the results of the evaluation of the management approach; iii. any related adjustments to the management approach.	impacts experienced by your organization, your response, and the total financial impact.  See also 'Requested content' for W2.1a in the CDP Water Security Reporting Guidance 2018	W2.1a, W4.2, and W4.2a request organizations to select the primary response strategy that most closely describes how the organization has responded to past impacts and potential impacts (risks), to provide additional details of its response strategy, and to describe the difference the response has made/is likely to make.

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## GRI 303: Water and Effluents

# Disclosure 303-1 Interactions with water as a shared resource

a. A description of how the organization interacts with water, including how and where water is withdrawn, consumed, and discharged, and the water-related impacts caused or contributed to, or directly linked to the organization's activities, products or services by a business relationship (e.g., impacts caused by runoff).

See also 'Guidance for Disclosure 303-1'

Extract: The description of how the organization interacts with water can include [...] information on what the water is used for in direct operations and elsewhere in the value chain (e.g., for cooling, storage, incorporating in products, growing crops).

#### **W1 CURRENT STATE**

#### Dependence

#### W1.1

Rate the importance (current and future) of water quality and water quantity to the success of your business.

See also 'Requested content' for W1.1 in the CDP Water Security Reporting Guidance 2018 The description of how the organization interacts with water as required by GRI Disclosure 303-1-a can include information on what the water is used for in direct operations and elsewhere in the value chain. The information on what the water is used for can be reported under W1.1.

W1.1 requests organizations to state the primary use of water for both the direct and indirect parts of their value chain, for both good quality freshwater and lower quality water.

### **GRI Disclosures**

 A description of the approach used to identify water-related impacts, including the scope of assessments, their timeframe, and any tools or methodologies used.

See also 'Guidance for Disclosure 303-1-b'

Extract: When assessing impacts, it is important that the organization consider its future impacts on water quality and availability, as these factors can change over time.

### **CDP Water Security Questions**

#### **W3 PROCEDURES**

Risk identification and assessment procedures

#### W3.3

Does your organization undertake a water-related risk assessment?

#### W3.3a

Select the options that best describe your procedures for identifying and assessing water-related risks.

#### W3.3b

Which of the following contextual issues are considered in your organization's water-related risk assessments?

#### W3.3c

Which of the following stakeholders are considered in your organization's water-related risk assessments?

#### W3.3d

Describe your organization's process for identifying, assessing, and responding to water-related risks within your direct operations and other stages of your value chain.

See also 'Requested content' for W3.3, W3.3a, W3.3b, W3.3c, and W3.3d in the CDP Water Security Reporting Guidance 2018

### Comments

The information required by GRI Disclosure 303-1-b can be reported under W3.3, W3.3a, W3.3b, W3.3c, and W3.3d.

W3.3, W3.3a, W3.3b, W3.3c, and W3.3d request organizations to provide information about the procedures and tools used for risk identification, information collection and assessment. Organizations are further requested to provide a rationale for the approach to risk assessment and to explain the choice of procedures and tools.

W3.3a requests organizations to indicate how far into the future risks are considered. When assessing impacts related to water and effluents using *GRI* 303: Water and Effluents, it is important that the organization consider its future impacts.

### **Definition of impact**

For more information on the term 'impact', see the section 'How to use this document' on pages 5-7.

c. A description of how water-related impacts are addressed, including how the organization works with stakeholders to steward water as a shared resource, and how it engages with suppliers or customers with significant water-related impacts.

See also 'Guidance for Disclosure 303-1-c'

#### **W1 CURRENT STATE**

# Value-chain engagement

# W1.4

Do you engage with your value chain on water-related issues?

#### W1.4a

What proportion of suppliers do you request to report on their water use, risks and/or management information and what proportion of your procurement spend does this represent?

#### W1.4b

Provide details of any other waterrelated supplier engagement activity.

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#### Value-chain engagement

The information on how the organization engages with suppliers or customers with significant water-related impacts as required by GRI Disclosure 303-1-c can be reported under W1.4, W1.4a, W1.4b, W1.4c, and W1.4d. However, these CDP questions have a broader scope, as they refer to water-related engagement with all suppliers, customers or other partners in the value chain, whereas Disclosure 303-1-c only focuses on engagement with suppliers or customers with significant water-related impacts.

#### Comments **GRI Disclosures CDP Water Security Questions** Continues from previous page » Continues from previous page » W1.4c Disclosure 303-1-c further requires What is your organization's rationale a description of how water-related and strategy for prioritizing engagements impacts are addressed, including with customers or other partners in its how the organization works with value chain? stakeholders to steward water as a shared resource. This information is not W1.4d requested under W1.4, W1.4a, W1.4b, Why do you not engage with any stages W1.4c, and W1.4d. of your value chain on water-related issues and what are your plans? Response to water-related impacts and risks **W2 BUSINESS IMPACTS** The information on how water-related Recent impacts on your business impacts are addressed as required by GRI Disclosure 303-1-c can be reported W2.1a under W2.1a where it refers to existing impacts, and W4.2 and W4.2a where it Describe the water-related detrimental impacts experienced by your refers to potential impacts. organization, your response, and the W2.1a, W4.2, and W4.2a request total financial impact. organizations to select the primary See also 'Requested content' for W2.1a response strategy that most closely in the CDP Water Security Reporting describes how the organization has Guidance 2018 responded to past impacts and potential impacts (risks), to provide additional W4 RISKS AND OPPORTUNITIES details of its response strategy, and to describe the difference the response has Water-related risks and response made/is likely to make. W4.2 **Definition of impact** Provide details of identified risks in your For more information on the term direct operations with the potential to have a substantive financial or strategic 'impact', see the section 'How to use this document' on pages 5-7. impact on your business, and your response to those risks. W4.2a Provide details of risks identified within your value chain (beyond direct operations) with the potential to have a substantive financial or strategic impact on your business, and your response to those risks. See also 'Requested content' for W4.2 and W4.2a in the CDP Water Security

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d. An explanation of the process for setting any water-related goals and targets that are part of the organization's management	W8 TARGETS  Targets and goals	The information required by GRI Disclosure 303-1-d can be reported under W8.1, W8.1a, and W8.1b.
approach, and how they relate to public policy and the local context of each area with water stress.	W8.1 Describe your approach to setting and monitoring water-related targets and/or goals.	W8.1 requests a company-specific description of the general approach to setting water-related targets and goals. This may include:
<ul> <li>See also 'Guidance for Disclosure 303-1-d'</li> <li>Extract: Meaningful targets for managing water-related impacts:</li> <li>account for the local context where water is withdrawn and discharged;</li> <li>are scientifically informed by sustainable thresholds and the social context of a given catchment;</li> <li>align with public sector efforts, such as the water-related targets of the UN Sustainable Development Goals, in particular Goal 6, or targets set by national and local government institutions;</li> <li>are informed by the advocacy of other stakeholders, such as civil society organizations, trade associations, and action groups.</li> </ul>	W8.1a Provide details of your water targets that are monitored at the corporate level, and the progress made.  W8.1b Provide details of your corporate water goal(s) that are monitored at the corporate level and the progress made.  See also 'Requested content' for W8.1, W8.1a, and W8.1b in the CDP Water Security Reporting Guidance 2018	<ul> <li>how the organization ensures that targets and goals reflect geographic, regulatory, and other contextual factors, such as the use of science-based hydrological models or the needs of other users in a basin;</li> <li>any formal motivations (company-wide or other) that drive the setting of targets and goals - such as adherence to water-related public policy agendas, such as the Sustainable Development Goals, or local environmental initiatives.</li> <li>W8.1a and W8.1b request a description of targets or goals monitored at the corporate level. This description may include:</li> <li>if the target or goal is the same for all basins/facilities/products, or if it is aligned with local risk levels;</li> <li>if a company-wide target is driven by local challenges.</li> </ul>
1.2.1 An overview of water use across the organization's value chain.  See also 'Guidance for clause 1.2.1'	W1 CURRENT STATE Dependence	The information requested under GRI clause 1.2.1 can be reported under W1.1.
See also Guidance for clause 1.2.1	W1.1 Rate the importance (current and future) of water quality and water quantity to the success of your business.  See also 'Requested content' for W1.1 in the CDP Water Security Reporting Guidance 2018	W1.1 requests organizations to describe how water use is distributed across the value chain.
1.2.2 A list of specific catchments where the organization causes significant water-related impacts.	W2 BUSINESS IMPACTS  Recent impacts on your business	The information requested under GRI clause 1.2.2 can be reported under W2.1a.
See also 'Guidance for clause 1.2.2'	W2.1a  Describe the water-related detrimental impacts experienced by your organization, your response, and the total financial impact.	W2.1a requests organizations to select the river basin for each water-related detrimental impact experienced by the organization.  Definition of impact
	See also 'Requested content' for W2.1a in the CDP Water Security Reporting Guidance 2018	For more information on the term 'impact', see the section 'How to use this document' on pages 5-7.

# GRI Disclosures CDP Water Security Questions Comments

# Disclosure 303-3 Water withdrawal

- a. Total water withdrawal from all areas in megaliters, and a breakdown of this total by the following sources, if applicable:
  - i. Surface water;
  - ii. Groundwater;
  - iii. Seawater;
  - iv. Produced water;
  - v. Third-party water.

See also 'Guidance for Disclosure 303-3'

Extract: Surface water includes collected or harvested rainwater.

#### **W1 CURRENT STATE**

# Company-wide water accounting

#### W1.2b

What are the total volumes of water withdrawn, discharged, and consumed across all your operations, and how do these volumes compare to the previous reporting year?

See also 'Requested content' for W1.2b in the CDP Water Security Reporting Guidance 2018

#### W1.2h

Provide total water withdrawal data by source

#### Source:

- Fresh surface water, including rainwater, water from wetlands, rivers, and lakes
- Brackish surface water/seawater
- Groundwater renewable
- Groundwater non-renewable
- Produced water
- · Third party sources

See also 'Requested content' for W1.2h in the CDP Water Security Reporting Guidance 2018

#### Total water withdrawal

The information on total water withdrawal from all areas as required by GRI Disclosure 303-3-a can be reported under W1.2b. However, take the following into consideration:

#### Rainwater

Organizations may choose to exclude collected rainwater from their water withdrawal volumes requested under W1.2b, only if the resulting error in their water balance would be less than 5%. Disclosure 303-3-a requires the inclusion of rainwater when reporting the withdrawal volumes.

#### Water withdrawal by source

The information on total water withdrawal from all areas by source as required by GRI Disclosure 303-3-a can be reported under W1.2h. However, take the following into consideration:

# Withdrawal sources

- Disclosure 303-3-a does not distinguish between fresh surface water and brackish surface water. The source 'Surface water' includes all water that occurs naturally on the Earth's surface whether it is fresh or brackish surface water. For W1.2h, the figure reported under Disclosure 303-3-a-i (Surface water) must be separated into 'Fresh surface water' and 'Brackish surface water' based on the concentration of total dissolved solids.
- Disclosure 303-3-a requires a separate figure for seawater, whereas W1.2h requests a combined figure for seawater and brackish surface water. For W1.2h, the figure reported under Disclosure 303-3-a-iii (Seawater) must be added to the figure for brackish surface water and reported together under the category 'Brackish surface water' seawater'.

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		Disclosure 303-3-a does not distinguish between renewable and non-renewable groundwater. For W1.2h, the figure reported under Disclosure 303-3-a-ii (Groundwater) must be separated into renewable and non-renewable groundwater.
		The figure reported under Disclosure 303-3-a-iv (Produced water) can be used to report 'Produced water' as requested under W1.2h.
		The figure reported under Disclosure 303-3-a-v (Third-party water) can be used to report 'Third party sources' as requested under W1.2h.
		Rainwater
		Organizations may choose to exclude collected rainwater from their water withdrawal volumes requested under W1.2h, only if the resulting error in their water balance would be less than 5%. Disclosure 303-3-a requires the inclusion of rainwater when reporting the withdrawal volumes.
b. Total water withdrawal from all areas with water stress in megaliters, and a breakdown of this total by the	W1 CURRENT STATE  Company-wide water accounting	Water withdrawal from areas with water stress
following sources, if applicable:  i. Surface water;  ii. Groundwater;  iii. Seawater;  iv. Produced water;  v. Third-party water, and a  breakdown of this total by the	W1.2d Provide the proportion of your total withdrawals sourced from water stressed areas.  See also 'Requested content' for W1.2d	The information on total water withdrawal from all areas with water stress as required by GRI Disclosure 303-3-b can be reported under W1.2d. However, take the following into consideration:
withdrawal sources listed in i-iv.	in the CDP Water Security Reporting  Guidance 2018	Proportion vs. volumetric data
See also 'Guidance for Disclosure 303-3-b'	Guidance 2016	Disclosure 303-3-b requires an absolute figure in megaliters, while W1.2d
Related reporting recommendation in clause 2.1:		requests a proportion instead of volumetric data.
2.1 When compiling the information specified in Disclosure 303-3, the reporting organization shall use publicly available and credible tools and methodologies for assessing water stress in an area.		The total volume of water withdrawn from all areas with water stress reported under Disclosure 303-3-b can be used to calculate the proportion of withdrawals from stressed areas requested under W1.2d.
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		Disclosure 303-3-b further requires a breakdown of total water withdrawal from all areas with water stress by source. This information is not requested under W1.2d.
		Assessing water stress in an area
		The information required by Disclosure 303-3-b can be reported under W1.2d if the publicly available and credible tool or methodology used for assessing areas with water stress when reporting on Disclosure 303-3-b is the same as the identification tool used to assess water stressed areas when responding to W1.2d.
		Publicly available and credible tools and methodologies
		The publicly available and credible tools or methodologies used for assessing areas with water stress when reporting on Disclosure 303-3-b can be reported under W1.2d.
		W1.2d requests organizations to report the tool used to identify whether their withdrawals are located in geographic areas of water stress. Organizations can select from four publicly available and credible methodologies for assessing levels of water stress. If they have used a different tool, methodology or data set, they are requested to provide a label for the tool/approach used and give details.

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- c. A breakdown of total water withdrawal from each of the sources listed in Disclosures 303-3-a and 303-3-b in megaliters by the following categories:
  - i. Freshwater (≤1,000 mg/L Total Dissolved Solids);
  - Other water (>1,000 mg/L Total Dissolved Solids).

See also 'Guidance for Disclosure 303-3-c'

Extract: Other water constitutes any water that has a concentration of total dissolved solids higher than 1,000 mg/L. Other water is therefore all water that does not fall into the freshwater category.

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#### **W1 CURRENT STATE**

# Company-wide water accounting

#### W1.2h

Provide total water withdrawal data by source.

#### Source:

- Fresh surface water, including rainwater, water from wetlands, rivers, and lakes
- · Brackish surface water/seawater
- · Groundwater renewable
- Groundwater non-renewable
- Produced water
- · Third party sources

See also 'Requested content' for W1.2h in the CDP Water Security Reporting Guidance 2018

# Comments

The information on total water withdrawal from each of the sources by freshwater and other water as required by GRI Disclosure 303-3-c can be reported under W1.2h. However, take the following into consideration:

Concentration of total dissolved solids

Disclosure 303-3-c requires a breakdown of the water withdrawn from each of the sources (surface water, groundwater, seawater, produced water, third-party water) by the categories freshwater and other water. GRI's definition of freshwater is water with a concentration of total dissolved solids equal to or below 1,000 mg/L. Other water constitutes any water that has a concentration of total dissolved solids higher than 1,000 mg/L.

W1.2h distinguishes between fresh surface water and brackish surface water/seawater based on the concentration of total dissolved solids.

Fresh surface water is defined by CDP as having a low concentration of total dissolved solids - at least below 10,000 mg/L. ('High quality' fresh water sources are typically characterized as having concentrations of total dissolved solids less than 1,000 mg/L). Brackish surface water has a high concentration of total dissolved solids - at least higher than 10,000 mg/L. Finally, seawater has a typical concentration of total dissolved solids above 35,000 mg/L.

- The figures reported under the following GRI disclosures can be used to report 'Fresh surface water' requested under W1.2h:
  - Disclosure 303-3-c-i (Freshwater) for the withdrawal source 'Surface water'
  - Disclosure 303-3-c-ii (Other water, with a concentration of total dissolved solids between 1,000 and 10,000 mg/L) for the withdrawal source 'Surface water'.

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		The figures reported under the following GRI disclosures can be used to report 'Brackish surface water/seawater' requested under W1.2h:
		Disclosure 303-3-c-ii (Other water, with a concentration of total dissolved solids higher than 10,000 mg/L) for the withdrawal source 'Surface water'
		<ul> <li>Disclosure 303-c-ii (Other water, with a concentration of total dissolved solids higher than 35,000 mg/L) for the withdrawal source 'Seawater'.</li> </ul>
		Disclosure 303-3-c further requires a breakdown of the water withdrawn from the sources 'Produced water' and 'Third-party water' by the categories freshwater and other water. This information is not requested under W1.2h.
d. Any contextual information	W1 CURRENT STATE	Contextual information
necessary to understand how the data have been compiled, such as any standards, methodologies, and assumptions used.	Company-wide water accounting W1.2b What are the total volumes of water withdrawn, discharged, and consumed	The information required by GRI Disclosure 303-3-d can be reported under W1.2b, W1.2d, W1.2h, W5.1, and W5.1a.
	across all your operations, and how do these volumes compare to the previous reporting year?	W1.2b and W5.1 request organizations to include any contextual information necessary to understand how the volumetric data have been compiled,
	See also 'Requested content' for W1.2b in the CDP Water Security Reporting Guidance 2018	such as any standards, methodologies, and assumptions used.
	W1.2d Provide the proportion of your total withdrawals sourced from water stressed areas.	W1.2h, W5.1, and W5.1a further request organizations to report whether their withdrawal volumes for each source are estimated, modelled, or sourced from direct measurements, and, if so, to report the estimation or
	See also 'Requested content' for W1.2d in the CDP Water Security Reporting Guidance 2018	modelling methods used.
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	W1.2h Provide total water withdrawal data by source.  Source: Fresh surface water, including rainwater, water from wetlands, rivers, and lakes	Identification tool  The information required by GRI Disclosure 303-3-d can be reported under W1.2d, if it includes information about the tool used to identify whether withdrawals are located in geographic areas of water stress and about how
	<ul> <li>Brackish surface water/seawater</li> <li>Groundwater - renewable</li> <li>Groundwater - non-renewable</li> <li>Produced water</li> <li>Third party sources</li> </ul> See also 'Requested content' for W1.2h in the CDP Water Security Reporting Guidance 2018 W5 FACILITY-LEVEL WATER ACCOUNTING	the tool was used, as requested under W1.2d.  Disclosure 303-3-d requires reporting any contextual information necessary to understand how the data have been compiled, in addition to the tools or methodologies used for assessing water stress in an area. This information is not requested under W1.2d.
	Facility-level water accounting W5.1	
	For each facility referenced in W4.1c, provide coordinates, total water accounting data and comparisons with the previous reporting year.	
	W5.1a For each facility referenced in W5.1, provide withdrawal data by water source.	
	Source:  • Fresh surface water, including rainwater, water from wetlands, rivers, and lakes  • Brackish surface water/seawater  • Groundwater - renewable  • Groundwater - non-renewable  • Produced water  • Third party sources	
	See also 'Requested content' for W5.1 and W5.1a in the CDP Water Security Reporting Guidance 2018	

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# 2.2.1 A breakdown of total water withdrawal in megaliters by withdrawal source categories listed in Disclosure 303-3, at each facility in areas with water stress.

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# W5 FACILITY-LEVEL WATER ACCOUNTING

#### Facility-level water accounting

#### W5.1a

For each facility referenced in W5.1, provide withdrawal data by water source.

#### Source:

- Fresh surface water, including rainwater, water from wetlands, rivers, and lakes
- Brackish surface water/seawater
- Groundwater renewable
- Groundwater non-renewable
- Produced water
- Third party sources

See also 'Requested content' for W5.1a in the CDP Water Security Reporting Guidance 2018

# Comments

The information requested under GRI clause 2.2.1 can be reported under W5.1a. However, take the following into consideration:

Facilities to be reported

W5.1a requests information for each facility exposed to any type of water risks that could have a substantive impact on the business, whereas clause 2.2.1 only requests information for each facility in areas with water stress. If these facilities are the same, the information requested under clause 2.2.1 can be reported under W5.1a.

#### Withdrawal sources

- Clause 2.2.1 does not distinguish between fresh surface water and brackish surface water. The source 'Surface water' includes all water that occurs naturally on the Earth's surface whether it is fresh or brackish surface water. For W5.1a, the figure reported under clause 2.2.1 (Surface water) must be separated into 'Fresh surface water' and 'Brackish surface water' based on the concentration of total dissolved solids.
- Clause 2.2.1 requests a separate figure for seawater, whereas W5.1a requests a combined figure for seawater and brackish surface water. For W5.1a, the figure reported under clause 2.2.1 (Seawater) must be added to the figure for brackish surface water and reported together under the category 'Brackish surface water/seawater'.
- Clause 2.2.1 does not distinguish between renewable and nonrenewable groundwater. For W5.1a, the figure reported under clause 2.2.1 (Groundwater) must be separated into renewable and nonrenewable groundwater.

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		<ul> <li>The figure reported under clause 2.2.1 (Produced water) can be used to report 'Produced water' as requested under W5.1a.</li> <li>The figure reported under clause 2.2.1 (Third-party water) can be used to report 'Third party sources' as requested under W5.1a.</li> </ul>
		Rainwater
		Organizations may choose to exclude collected rainwater from their water withdrawal volumes requested under W5.1a, only if the resulting error in their water balance would be less than 5%. Clause 2.2.1 requires the inclusion of rainwater when reporting the withdrawal volumes.
Disclosure 303-4 Water discharge		
a. Total water discharge to all areas	W1 CURRENT STATE	Total water discharge
in megaliters, and a breakdown of this total by the following types of destination, if applicable:  i. Surface water;  ii. Groundwater;  iii. Seawater;	Company-wide water accounting W1.2b What are the total volumes of water withdrawn, discharged, and consumed across all your operations, and how do	The information on total water discharge to all areas as required by GRI Disclosure 303-4-a can be reported under W1.2b. However, take the following into consideration:
iv. Third-party water, and the volume of this total sent for use to other organizations, if	these volumes compare to the previous reporting year?	Rainwater and domestic sewage
applicable.  See also 'Guidance for Disclosure 303-4-a-iv'  Extract: An example of third-party water discharge is when an organization sends water and effluents to other organizations for use. In these instances, the organization is required to report the volume of this water discharge separately.	W1.2i Provide total water discharge data by destination.  Destination:  Fresh surface water  Brackish surface water/seawater  Groundwater  Third-party destinations  See also 'Requested content' for W1.2i in the CDP Water Security Reporting	Organizations may choose to exclude collected rainwater and domestic sewage from their water discharge volumes requested under W1.2b, only if the resulting error in their water balance would be less than 5%. Disclosure 303-4-a requires the inclusion of rainwater and domestic sewage when reporting the discharge volumes.  Water discharge by destination  The information on total water discharge to all areas by destination as required by GRI Disclosure 303-4-a can be reported under W1.2i. However,
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		Discharge destinations
		Disclosure 303-4-a does not distinguish between fresh surface water and brackish surface water. The destination 'Surface water' includes all water that occurs naturally on the Earth's surface whether it is fresh or brackish surface water. For W1.2i, the figure reported under Disclosure 303-4-a-i (Surface water) must be separated into 'Fresh surface water' and 'Brackish surface water' based on the concentration of total dissolved solids.
		Disclosure 303-4-a requires a separate figure for seawater, whereas W1.2i requests a combined figure for seawater and brackish surface water. For W1.2i, the figure reported under Disclosure 303-4-a-iii (Seawater) must be added to the figure for brackish surface water and reported together under the category 'Brackish surface water' seawater'.
		The figure reported under Disclosure 303-4-a-ii (Groundwater) can be used to report 'Groundwater' as requested under W1.2i.
		The figure reported under Disclosure 303-4-a-iv (Third-party water) can be used to report 'Third-party destinations' as requested under W1.2i.
		Third party
		If an organization sends water and effluents to other organizations for use, it is required to report the volume of this water discharge separately under Disclosure 303-4-a-iv. This information can be reported under W1.2i.
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		For discharges to a third party, W1.2i mentions that it is important to state if this includes water discharged to other organizations for further use.
		Rainwater and domestic sewage
		Organizations may choose to exclude collected rainwater and domestic sewage from their water discharge volumes requested under W1.2i, unless this would result in an error in their water balance of more than 5%. Further, domestic sewage is not regarded as water discharge. However, if wastewater comes from domestic sources but is predominantly generated from sector business activities, e.g., healthcare residential properties, this should be reported if it would result in an error in their balance of more than 5%. Disclosure 303-4-a requires the inclusion of rainwater and domestic sewage when reporting the discharge volumes.
d. Priority substances of concern for which discharges are treated, including: iii. number of incidents of noncompliance with discharge limits.	W2 BUSINESS IMPACTS  Compliance impacts  W2.2 In the reporting year, was your organization subject to any fines, enforcement orders, and/or other penalties for water-related regulatory violations?  W2.2a Provide the total number and financial value of all water-related fines.  W2.2b Provide details for all significant fines, enforcement orders and/or other penalties for water-related regulatory violations in the reporting year, and your plans for resolving them.  See also 'Requested content' for W2.2b in the CDD Water Security Penarting	The information required by GRI Disclosure 303-4-d-iii can be reported under W2.2, W2.2a, and W2.2b. However, these CDP questions have a broader scope than Disclosure 303-4-d-iii, as they refer to waterrelated regulatory violations more generally.  W2.2b requests organizations to select the type of incident that is most applicable to the penalty. The number of incidents of non-compliance with discharge limits as required by Disclosure 303-4-d-iii can be reported under the penalties that relate to 'effluent limit exceedances'.
	violations in the reporting year, and your plans for resolving them.	

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penalties for water-related regulatory violations in the reporting year, and your

See also 'Requested content' for W2.2b in the CDP Water Security Reporting

plans for resolving them.

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# **Disclosure 303-5 Water consumption**

a. Total water consumption from all areas in megaliters.

See also 'Guidance for Disclosure 303-5'

Extract: If the reporting organization cannot directly measure water consumption, it may calculate this using the following formula:

> Water consumption Total water withdrawal Total water discharge

d. Any contextual information necessary to understand how the data have been compiled, such as any standards, methodologies, and assumptions used, including whether the information is calculated. estimated, modeled, or sourced from direct measurements, and the approach taken for this, such as the use of any sector-specific factors.

See also 'Guidance for Disclosure 303-5'

Extract: If the reporting organization cannot directly measure water consumption, it may calculate this using the following formula:

> Total water withdrawal Total water discharge

Water consumption

#### **W1 CURRENT STATE**

# Company-wide water accounting

#### W1.2b

What are the total volumes of water withdrawn, discharged, and consumed across all your operations, and how do these volumes compare to the previous reporting year?

See also 'Requested content' for W1.2b in the CDP Water Security Reporting Guidance 2018

The information on total water consumption from all areas as required by GRI Disclosure 303-5-a can be reported under W1.2b. However, take the following into consideration:

Rainwater and domestic sewage

Organizations may choose to exclude collected rainwater and domestic sewage from their water withdrawal/discharge volumes requested under W1.2b, only if the resulting error in their water balance would be less than 5%. The water withdrawal/discharge volumes reported under Disclosures 303-3 (Water withdrawal) and 303-4 (Water discharge) may be used to calculate water consumption, which consequently also requires the inclusion of rainwater and domestic sewage.

**W1 CURRENT STATE** 

# Company-wide water accounting

#### W1.2b

What are the total volumes of water withdrawn, discharged, and consumed across all your operations, and how do these volumes compare to the previous reporting year?

See also 'Requested content' for W1.2b in the CDP Water Security Reporting Guidance 2018

# W5 FACILITY-LEVEL WATER **ACCOUNTING**

Facility-level water accounting

#### W5.1

For each facility referenced in W4.1c, provide coordinates, total water accounting data and comparisons with the previous reporting year.

See also 'Requested content' for W5.1 in the CDP Water Security Reporting Guidance 2018

The information required by GRI Disclosure 303-5-d can be reported under W1.2b and W5.1.

W1.2b and W5.1 request organizations to include any contextual information necessary to understand how the volumetric data have been compiled, such as any standards, methodologies, and assumptions used.

W1.2b and W5.1 further request organizations to indicate if the 'water consumption' figure is based on an aggregation of local measurements, an aggregation of local calculations, or is a company-wide calculation (for example, using withdrawals minus discharges).

W5.1 requests organizations to report whether the volumes for total water consumption for each facility are estimated, modelled, or sourced from direct measurements, and, if so, to report the estimation or modelling methods used.

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2.5.1 Total water consumption in megaliters at each facility in areas with water stress.	W5 FACILITY-LEVEL WATER ACCOUNTING	The information requested under GRI clause 2.5.1 can be reported under W5.1. However, take the following into
	Facility-level water accounting	consideration:
	W5.1 For each facility referenced in W4.1c,	Facilities to be reported
	provide coordinates, total water accounting data and comparisons with	W5.1 requests information for each facility exposed to any type of water
	the previous reporting year.	risks that could have a substantive impact on the business, whereas clause
	See also 'Requested content' for W5.1 in the CDP Water Security Reporting	2.5.1 only requests information for each facility in areas with water stress.
	Guidance 2018	If these facilities are the same, the
		information requested under clause 2.5.1 can be reported under W5.1.