



## **Reforestation Forecast Methodology Changes from Version 1.0 to Version 1.1**

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The Reforestation Forecast Methodology version 1.1 incorporates the following significant changes from version 1.0, as well minor editorial changes.

### **3 Eligibility Rules**

- Clarified that the project area may comprise non-contiguous areas. (Section 3.1)
- Added requirement that project acreage be calculated using GIS analysis for reforestation areas. (Section 3.1)
- Modified the project submission deadline to be relative to the project start date rather than the completion of planting or site preparation activities and clarified that project activities do not need to be completed before the project is submitted. (Section 3.2)
- Added clarification indicating exception to project submission deadline for projects with start date occurring prior to the release of version 1.0 of the methodology. (Section 3.2)
- Removed language referencing batch planting. (Section 3.2)

### **7 Reporting and Record Keeping**

- Updated language to ensure consistency around description of requirement to wait at least one year after the completion of reforestation activities to begin confirmation activities. (Section 7.3)

### **8 Confirmation Guidance**

- Added clarification that confirmation must include oversight by a Professional Forester as defined under the methodology. (Section 8)
- Updated Table 8.1 (Eligibility Confirmation Items) for consistency with relevant changes listed above. (Section 8.4.1)

### **9 Glossary of Terms**

- Added clarifications to definitions for Professional Ecologist and Professional Forester and updated to include ecologists/foresters that meet specified educational and experience requirements.

### **Appendix A Confirmation of Seedling Stocking**

- Updated introductory guidance to indicate confirmation bodies are to divide the project area into “sampling divisions” and sample one 40-acre area for every 1,000 acres comprising the project, per guidance in Appendix A.