**Reforestation Project**

**Conservation Easement Screening Form**

*For use with Reforestation Forecast Methodology v2.0*

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| **Project Proponent:** |  |
| **Project Name:** |  |
| **Project ID:** |  |
| **Date:** |  |

Instructions: Please fill out the “Easement Location” column to indicate where each requirement can be found in the conservation easement. In the “Justification” column, please provide a description of how the referenced easement terms satisfy the specified requirement. This information will be used to confirm eligibility for the application of tonne-year accounting or the crediting period extension under tonne-year accounting. The project’s easement provisions referenced in this form should be updated as needed for final registration to reference provisions as they appear in the final recorded easement.

| **Methodology Requirement** | **Easement Location** | **Justification** |
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| 1. Statement indicating that the easement is granted pursuant to the state enabling statute for conservation easements for the state in which the project is located (e.g., California Civil Code Section 815).   If the easement is granted to a non-governmental agency, the easement holder must be accredited by the Land Trust Alliance (or a similar entity if in a jurisdiction where the Land Trust Alliance does not operate). |  |  |
| 1. The easement must dedicate the project area to forest cover:    1. At least until the end of the crediting period, for a tonne-year accounting crediting period extension.    2. For at least 200 years, for the use of tonne-tonne accounting with either default projections or project specific modeling. |  |  |
| 1. Terms shall include a requirement to reforest in the event of a loss of >50% live and dead tree canopy on >10% of the total project area because of a natural disturbance, whether through active planting, site preparation to promote natural regeneration, or passive management that allows the site to return to forest cover over time.   At a minimum, reforestation would be required after each of two such natural disturbances occurring on the project area, with a requirement duration of:   * 1. At least until the end of the crediting period, for a tonne-year accounting crediting period extension.   2. At least 200 years, for the use of tonne-tonne accounting with either default projections or project specific modeling. |  |  |
| ***Terms below only applicable to projects employing conservation easement with timber harvest restrictions specified in the methodology.*** | | |
| 1. Terms used to encumber timber harvest must limit harvest activities to management for forest resiliency (thinnings), human safety, or salvage (in the event of an ecological perturbation, such as wildfire, insect infestation, or disease), for a duration of:    1. At least until the end of the crediting period, for a tonne-year accounting crediting period extension.    2. At least 200 years, for the use of tonne-tonne accounting with either default projections or project specific modeling. |  |  |
| 1. Other than salvage harvesting, harvest activities conducted prior to the end of the crediting period for the project shall increase Quadratic Mean Diameter (QMD) in all trees greater than 12 inches and shall not reduce canopy cover, on a continuous analysis area of every 10 acres, below 60 percent, for a duration of:    1. At least until the end of the crediting period, for a tonne-year accounting crediting period extension.    2. At least 200 years, for the use of tonne-tonne accounting with either default projections or project specific modeling.   For projects applying TTA, harvesting occurring after the crediting period but prior to when at least 200 years have passed since the establishment of trees on the site shall be limited so that harvest volumes do not exceed growth. |  |  |