Greenhouse Gas Protocol
Land Sector and Removals Guidance

Review Group Process Memo

This memo serves as a guide for reviewers of the GHG Protocol *Land Sector and Removals Guidance*. It includes:

- a link to the Review Group Feedback Form to submit comments,
- the overall process and timeline for the guidance development,
- the process for the review, and
- a list of the questions in the feedback form.

1   Guidance development process and timeline

The Greenhouse Gas Protocol *Land Sector and Removals Guidance* builds upon existing GHG Protocol corporate-level standards and guidance including the *Corporate Standard* and *Scope 3 Standard*. The Guidance will fill a key gap in creating more consistency and transparency in the way companies quantify and report GHG emissions and removals from land use, land use change, biogenic products, carbon dioxide removal technologies, and related activities in their GHG inventories. The Guidance will play a critical part in informing corporate land sector and removal mitigation strategies and will serve as the basis for the Science-Based Target Initiative and other initiatives.

The Guidance is being developed through a global, inclusive, multi-stakeholder development process. In 2020, WRI and WBCSD launched a three-year process to develop the GHG Protocol *Land Sector and Removals Guidance*. The first draft of this Guidance was developed through the Technical Working Group and Advisory Committee, together comprised of over 100 participants from businesses across industry sectors, NGOs, governments, and academic institutions.

Beginning September 2022, the draft Guidance is available for pilot testing by the Pilot Testing Group and review by the Review Group. The review phase will last 2 months, from September 28 to November 30, 2022.

Following the pilot testing and review phase, the Guidance will be finalized in consultation with the Advisory Committee and Technical Working Group and published in 2023.

Activities	2020				2021				2022				2023	
	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	Q1	Q2
Convene Advisory Committee and Technical Working Group	▓													
Technical Working Group (TWG) and Advisory Committee (AC) discussions		▓	▓	▓										
Development of first draft					▓	▓	▓							
TWG and AC review of first draft								▓						
TWG and AC meetings to discuss key issues									▓	▓				
Development of second draft											▓	▓		
Review by Review Group (two months: 28 September to 30 November 2022)											▓	▓		
Pilot testing by Pilot Testing Group (four months)											▓	▓	▓	
Revise guidance, incorporating feedback from pilot testing and review													▓	
Finalise and publish standard/guidance														▓

For more information on the development of the *Land Sector and Removals Guidance* please click here.

2   Review process

The Review process begins on September 28, 2022. Reviewers have until November 30, 2022 to submit their comments.

The draft Guidance is available through the GHG Protocol website, along with supporting resources.

The draft Guidance is divided into two separate documents:
- Part 1: Accounting and Reporting Requirements and Guidance
- Part 2: Calculation Guidance

The supporting resources include a sample reporting template (in two parts) and a list of external land sector calculation resources.

All comments must be submitted through the online form. Please click here to access the Review Group Feedback Form and submit comments. Feedback submitted through other means (such as email) will not be considered.

Chapter-specific comments should be provided with the following information for each comment:
- Chapter number
- Page number (using the page number at the bottom of the page)
- Section number, line number, and table, figure, or box number if applicable

In addition to the chapter-specific comments, the form also allows reviewers to submit comments on three open questions and comments on the supporting resources, if desired, as well as to provide general feedback.

Comments suggesting changes as well as comments expressing support for the current approach on a particular issue are both welcome. If relevant, reviewer comments should be specific about proposed changes or recommendations (e.g., proposed edits to text), in addition to justification for proposed changes.

Each comment can be up to 4000 characters long (approximately one page of text). Reviewers can submit as many or as few comments as desired. Please note that there is a limit of 45 comments per form submission. For reviewers with more than 45 comments – or for those that wish to review and provide feedback incrementally – they may do so by submitting multiple forms.

We recommend that reviewers compile their comments offline (noting the chapter number, section number, page number, and line number for each comment), then use this survey form to enter comments at the end of their review.

A list of the questions within the feedback form is presented below.

Please note that any information submitted (except for your email address) may be shared with members of the Technical Working Group and Advisory Committee.

3 Feedback form questions

Review Group Feedback Form

Please use this form to provide reviewer comments on the GHG Protocol *Land Sector and Removals Guidance – Draft for Pilot Testing and Review.*

Please note that any information submitted (except for your email address) may be shared with members of the Technical Working Group and Advisory Committee. Further, please note that any feedback provided outside of this form will not be considered.

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Reviewer info

Please provide information below on yourself and any organization you are commenting on behalf of.

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Chapter-specific feedback

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9. Would you like to provide another comment?
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General feedback

This section provides space for any additional feedback.

10. Do you have any comments on open question #1? (For more information, see chapter 5, box 5.2.)

> Enter your answer

11. Do you have any comments on open question #2? (For more information, see chapter 6, box 6.3 [and repeated in chapter 9, box 9.2])

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12. Do you have any comments on open question #3? (For more information, see chapter 8, box 8.3.)

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13. Do you have any comments on the List of Land Sector Calculation Resources? (available at https://ghgprotocol.org/land-sector-and-removals-guidance)

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14. Do you have any comments on the Sample Reporting Template (Part 1)?
(available at https://ghgprotocol.org/land-sector-and-removals-guidance)

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15. Do you have any comments on the Sample Reporting Template (Part 2)?
(available at https://ghgprotocol.org/land-sector-and-removals-guidance)

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16. Do you have any other comments on the Land Sector and Removals Guidance?

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