

QUALITY REPORT

Watering the West

CE-watering-the-west · ACR · California

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5.2Overall Score
out of 10

■ Integrity (35%)	5.6
■ Transparency (25%)	4.4
■ Claim Safety (25%)	4.8
■ Documentation (15%)	6.2

Weights: Integrity 35% · Transparency 25% · Claim Safety 25% · Documentation 15%

Assessment Summary

The project has some integrity-supporting elements (a stated buffer pool contribution of 19.24% and quantified leakage with a 20% deduction), and the verification report reports no material findings or corrective actions. However, key determinants of credit quality—especially the baseline approach and how additionality was demonstrated—were not found in the extracted record, limiting confidence in over-crediting risk and claim robustness.

Project Details

Registry	American Carbon Registry (ACR)
Registry ID	CE-watering-the-west
Sector	other
Country	California
Vintage	State
Crediting Period	2014 — 2039
VVB	S&A; Carbon, LLC
Monitoring Period	2017 — 2018
Confidence	Medium
Documents Reviewed	3 documents reviewed
Scored	2026-04-02

Red Flags

- Baseline approach and any baseline reassessment timing were not found in the extracted record, making over-crediting risk hard to judge.
- Additionality test type and whether the VVB confirmed additionality were not found in the extracted record.
- Safeguards indicators are weak in the extracted record (no FPIC, no grievance mechanism, and safeguards not mentioned).
- No verified or claimed total emissions reductions/removals were found in the extracted record, limiting transparency on quantified outcomes.

Score Breakdown

Integrity — 5.6 / 10

- + The verification report (2019) indicates a buffer pool contribution of 19.24% and quantified leakage with a 20% deduction.
- The baseline method and additionality demonstration were not found in the extracted record, weakening confidence in additionality and baseline validity.

The verification report (2019) shows some risk management via a buffer pool contribution of 19.24% and a quantified leakage deduction of 20%, which supports conservative accounting. However, the baseline approach and when (or whether) it was last reassessed were not found in the extracted record, limiting confidence that credited removals are not overstated. Additionality is also unclear because neither the test type nor confirmation by the VVB was found in the extracted record. Reversal events were not found in the extracted record, so permanence performance cannot be confirmed from the available extraction.

Transparency — 4.4 / 10

- + The VVB is identified as S&A; Carbon, LLC and the monitoring period is specified (2017-12-16 to 2018-12-15) in the verification report (2019).
- The verification report extract does not include claimed vs verified total removals, nor monitoring/usage measurement details, limiting MRV transparency.

The verification report (2019) identifies the VVB (S&A; Carbon, LLC) and specifies the monitoring period (2017-12-16 to 2018-12-15), which is a basic transparency positive. But the extracted record does not include claimed or verified total removals, preventing a check of quantified outcomes and any discrepancies. The monitoring/measurement approach (including any usage monitoring method) was not found in the extracted record, limiting MRV assessability. With only two documents (one unknown), the public record as extracted appears incomplete.

Claim Safety — 4.8 / 10

- + Leakage is treated quantitatively with a 20% deduction (verification report, 2019), which reduces some over-crediting risk.
- CORSIA eligibility and CCP status were not found in the extracted record, and baseline/additionality details are missing—raising greenwashing and over-crediting uncertainty.

Quantified leakage treatment with a 20% deduction (verification report, 2019) reduces the risk of inflated net crediting relative to projects that assume zero leakage. Still, baseline and additionality details were not found in the extracted record, which increases uncertainty about over-crediting and makes marketing claims harder to substantiate. CORSIA eligibility and CCP status were not found in the extracted record, so buyers cannot easily assess cross-program claim risks from the available extraction. Safeguards signals are weak (no FPIC and no grievance mechanism indicated), which can increase reputational risk for claims.

Documentation — 6.2 / 10

- + The extracted record includes a dated verification report (2019-12-20) with no material findings or corrective actions reported.
- Only two documents were used (one listed as unknown), and several core fields (methodology, baseline, additionality) were not found in the extracted record.

A dated verification report is present (2019-12-20) and it reports no material findings and no corrective actions required, which supports document quality. The minimum extraction confidence is high, suggesting the available document(s) were readable. However, only two documents were used and one is listed as unknown, and several core items (methodology, baseline method, additionality test) were not found in the extracted record. This incompleteness limits how confidently the project can be evaluated from documentation alone.

Risk Indicators

● Additionality	Additionality not evidenced in extracted record
● Permanence	Buffer pool present; reversals not evidenced
● Leakage	Quantified leakage with 20% deduction
● Baseline	Baseline approach not evidenced in extracted record
● Safeguards	No FPIC or grievance mechanism indicated
● Double-claim	CORSIA/CCP status not evidenced in extracted record

What Would Improve This Score

→ Provide the ACR methodology and baseline documentation (including baseline scenario, parameters, and any reassessment schedule) and ensure it is publicly accessible alongside the verification report.

→ Disclose the additionality demonstration (test type and VVB conclusion) and publish claimed vs verified net removals for the monitoring period, including key measurement/QA-QC procedures.

Documents Reviewed

- Klamath East - Listing Doc
- Klamath East - OPDR
- Klamath East Verification Report

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