

QUALITY REPORT

Afforestation Project in Tongliao, Inner Mongolia

GS-1205 · GS · China

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5.6

Overall Score
out of 10

■ Integrity (35%)	6.4
■ Transparency (25%)	5.2
■ Claim Safety (25%)	5.8
■ Documentation (15%)	4.1

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

Assessment Summary

This is an afforestation project with a VVB-confirmed additionality test, a 20% buffer pool, and no reported reversal events, which supports moderate integrity. However, the record has low extraction confidence, several closed CARs/CLs, and contradictions on benefit sharing, leakage treatment, reversal handling, and the crediting period, which reduce confidence in the documentation and claims.

Project Details

Registry	Gold Standard
Registry ID	GS-1205
Sector	arr
Country	China
Vintage	Aging
Project Methodology	Gold Standard Afforestation/Reforestation (A/R) GHG Emissions Reduction & Sequestration Methodology Version 2.1
Crediting Period	2014 — 2044
VVB	Carbon Check (India) Private Limited
Monitoring Period	2021 — 2023
Confidence	Medium
Documents Reviewed	22 documents reviewed
Scored	2026-04-19

Red Flags

- Low extraction confidence and only one evidence document listed, despite many extracted facts.
- Contradictions in the record on benefit sharing, leakage justification, reversal treatment, and the crediting period.

Score Breakdown

Integrity — 6.4 / 10

+ Additionality was confirmed by the VVB, and the project uses a combined additionality test under the Gold Standard afforestation/reforestation methodology.

- The verification report notes multiple CARs and CLs, and the record contains contradictions on leakage treatment and reversal handling.

The project has a stronger-than-average integrity profile because the VVB confirmed additionality and the project uses a combined additionality test under the Gold Standard afforestation/reforestation methodology. A 20% buffer pool is in place and no reversal or loss events are reported, which supports permanence. That said, the verification report records seven clarification requests, four corrective action requests, and one prior FAR that were closed, which indicates some implementation or documentation issues.

Transparency — 5.2 / 10

+ The monitoring period is stated for 2021-01-01 to 2023-12-31, and the VVB is named as Carbon Check (India) Private Limited.

- Claimed versus verified ER figures are not found in the extracted record, and usage monitoring details are not stated.

Transparency is moderate because the monitoring period is clearly stated and the VVB is identified as Carbon Check (India) Private Limited. However, the extracted record does not state claimed or verified ER totals, and usage monitoring is not described. The low extraction confidence also suggests at least one key document was difficult to read, which weakens confidence in the completeness of the public record.

Claim Safety — 5.8 / 10

+ The project is an A/R activity with a project baseline and a 0% leakage deduction, which is directionally supportive of lower over-crediting risk.

- CORSIA eligibility is true while CCP status is not mentioned, and the contradiction on leakage justification weakens confidence in the claim.

Claim safety is moderate but not strong. The project is an afforestation activity with a project baseline and a stated leakage deduction of 0%, and leakage is described as negligible, which helps reduce over-crediting concerns. On the other hand, CORSIA eligibility is true while CCP status is not mentioned, so dual-market claim risk is not fully resolved from the available record.

Documentation — 4.1 / 10

+ The record includes many extracted fields, a named VVB, and a recent validation report dated 2025-03-24.

- Extraction confidence is low, only one evidence document is listed, and the record shows multiple closed CARs and CLs plus several contradictions.

Documentation quality is limited by low extraction confidence and the fact that only one evidence document is listed in the extracted record. The validation report is recent, but the record still contains multiple closed CARs and CLs, suggesting the documentation required substantial follow-up. The contradictions on benefit sharing, leakage treatment, reversal handling, and the crediting period further reduce reliability.

Risk Indicators

● Additionality	VVB-confirmed test present
● Permanence	buffer pool present, no reversals reported
● Leakage	0% deduction with mixed documentation
● Baseline	project baseline, reassessment timing missing
● Safeguards	FPIC and grievance mechanism documented
● Double-claim	CORSIA-eligible, CCP status not mentioned

What Would Improve This Score

→ Publish the verified emission reduction totals, monitoring methodology, and a clearer leakage justification in the public record.

→ Resolve the documented contradictions by issuing a reconciled version of the validation/verification evidence and clarifying the crediting period and benefit-sharing status.

Documents Reviewed

- 5.7 - Tongliao_CO2-Fixation Calculation-MR-clean.xlsx
- 07-Tongliao_AR_GS3031_Final Performance Certification Report_CC.pdf
- GS3031_Project-Annual-Report_01-01-2022 to 31-12-2022.pdf
- GS3031-Project-Annual-Report-2024.pdf
- 3.4 - Tongliao_Sustainability-Monitoring-Plan-clean.pdf
- 05-Tongliao_AR_GS_CO2-Fixation calculation of 2nd MP-20240806.xlsx
- 04-Tongliao_AR_GS3031-Monitoring-Report-20250321-clean.pdf
- 7.2 - Template - Annual Report-clean(1).pdf
- 06-Tongliao_AR_GS3031_FINAL Design Certification Renewal Report_CC.pdf
- Tongliao_Terms and conditions_2021(1).pdf
- 3.2 - Tongliao_Local Stakeholder Consultation.pdf
- 01-Tongliao_AR_GS3031_Project-Design-Document-20240925-clean.pdf
- 3.5 - Tongliao_Cover Letter.pdf
- 2.1 - Tongliao_Key Project Information(1).pdf
- Transition-Annex-tongliao-20210625-clean.pdf
- Tongliao_Cover letter_2021(1).pdf
- 3.5 - Tongliao_Terms and conditions.pdf
- 02-Tongliao_AR_GS3031_CO2-Fixation Calculation-PD-clean-20240806.xlsx
- Gold Standard Registry — GS-1205
- Gold Standard Assurance Platform — GS-1205
- Tongliao - Validation Report(1).pdf
- Tongliao_FVerR_Performance Certification_New Area_20210625.pdf

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