

QUALITY REPORT

# Yunnan Kunming Liangqu Improved Forest Management Project

VCS-1542 · VCS · China

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

## Assessment Summary

The project has some positive integrity signals, including VVB-confirmed additionality, a buffer pool, and a quantified leakage deduction of 0%. However, reliability is weakened by a corrective action on stratum consistency, an unresolved reversal treatment, and contradictions across documents on buffer pool size, leakage treatment, safeguards, and credited volume. The registry status is on hold, which further reduces confidence in the claim.

## Project Details

Registry	Verra (VCS)
Registry ID	VCS-1542
Sector	redd
Country	China
Vintage	Stale
Project Methodology	VM0010 1.2
Crediting Period	2011 — 2031
VVB	China Environmental United Certification Center Co., Ltd. (CEC)
Verified ERs	273,112 tCO <sub>2</sub> e
Monitoring Period	2019 — 2021
Confidence	Medium
Documents Reviewed	23 documents reviewed
Scored	2026-04-19

## Red Flags

- The registry status is on hold, and the issuance record includes a corrective action about inconsistent stratum evidence.
- Multiple contradictions exist across documents, including buffer pool percentage, leakage justification, safeguards, and verified ER volume.

## Score Breakdown

### Integrity — 5.8 / 10

+ Additionality was confirmed by the VVB using an investment test, and the project has an 18% buffer pool in the issuance record.

- A corrective action was required because the stratum was not consistent with the forest inventory evidence, and reversal treatment is not clearly addressed.

The issuance record shows additionality was verified by the VVB through an investment test, which is a meaningful positive. The project also reports an 18% buffer pool and a leakage deduction of 0%, but reversal events are not clearly addressed and the record includes a corrective action because the stratum was not consistent with forest second-class investigation data. The contradiction on buffer pool size, with earlier documents indicating 25% and the later issuance record showing 18%, suggests some uncertainty, so I privileged the more recent issuance record because it is the latest official document.

### Transparency — 4.6 / 10

+ The monitoring period and verified emission reductions are stated in the issuance record, and the VVB is identified as China Environmental United Certification Center Co., Ltd.

- The extracted record does not state the usage monitoring method, and the registry status is on hold, which weakens public confidence.

The issuance record provides the monitoring period, the VVB name, and the verified ER volume, which supports basic transparency. However, the usage monitoring method is not stated in the extracted record, and the registry status is on hold, which limits confidence in public-facing completeness. The contradiction on verified ER volume, with earlier documents showing a lower figure and the issuance record showing 273,112, also weakens transparency because the final number depends on which document is treated as authoritative.

### Claim Safety — 4.2 / 10

+ The project is marked as not CORSIA-eligible, which reduces dual-market claim risk.

- The baseline is project-specific rather than jurisdictional, and contradictions exist on leakage justification and verified ER volume.

Claim safety is weakened by the project-specific baseline and the lack of a clearly documented usage monitoring method. The project is marked as not CORSIA-eligible, which helps reduce dual-claim risk, but the contradiction on leakage justification is important: earlier material said leakage was not addressed, while the later issuance record says it was deemed negligible, so I privileged the later issuance record as more specific and more recent. The differing verified ER figures also raise over-crediting concerns, even though the issuance record is the best available source.

### Documentation — 4.8 / 10

+ The record draws on many documents, with 21 documents used and a medium extraction confidence level.

- One key corrective action remains open, and the evidence set includes contradictions that reduce documentation reliability.

Documentation is moderate because 21 documents were used and the extraction confidence is medium rather than low. The record includes safeguards, benefit sharing, and grievance mechanism information, but the presence of a corrective action and several contradictions shows that the documentation set is not fully clean. The crediting period is long and the monitoring period is much later, which is acceptable, but the overall file still has gaps in key operational details such as usage monitoring.

## Risk Indicators

● <b>Additionality</b>	VVB-confirmed investment test
● <b>Permanence</b>	buffer pool present, reversal treatment unclear
● <b>Leakage</b>	0% deduction with conflicting justification
● <b>Baseline</b>	project baseline, reassessment timing missing
● <b>Safeguards</b>	FPIC, grievance, and benefit sharing documented
● <b>Double-claim</b>	not CORSIA-eligible and no CCP approval stated

## What Would Improve This Score

→ Publish a clear reconciliation of all contradictory figures, especially buffer pool percentage, leakage treatment, and verified ER totals, with a document hierarchy explaining the final values.

→ Provide a complete, auditable explanation of reversal risk, stratum selection, and usage monitoring, and update the registry status once the hold is resolved.

## Documents Reviewed

- PP\_ISS\_REP\_1542\_01APR2016\_31MAR2021-v4.0.pdf
- PP\_ISS\_REP\_1542\_01APR2011\_31MAR2016.pdf
- MONIT\_REP\_1542\_01APR2016\_31MAR2021\_V3-updated.pdf
- MONIT\_REP\_1542\_01APR2011\_31MAR2016.pdf
- KML.kml
- Project 1542, New Review Notification Letter, 12DEC2025 .pdf
- R\_PRR\_1542\_02AUG2016.pdf
- AFOLU\_PROJ\_ELEM\_1542\_01APR2016\_31MAR2021.pdf
- COMMS\_AGR\_1542\_09MAR2016.pdf
- PP\_REG\_REP\_1542\_09MAR2016.pdf
- V2\_PRR\_1542\_21Jan2022.pdf
- AFOLU\_ELEM\_1542\_15MAR2016.pdf
- PP\_LIST\_REP\_1542\_09MAR2016.pdf
- Kunming project1542.kml
- PP\_REG\_REP\_1542\_09MAR2016 (1).pdf
- PROJ\_DESC\_1542\_15MAR2016.pdf
- VALID\_STA\_1542\_22MAR2016.pdf
- VALID\_REP\_1542\_22MAR2016.pdf
- VERIF\_STA\_1542\_01APR2016\_31MAR2021.pdf
- VCS-Verification-Report-Yunnan Kunming Liangqu Improved Forest Management Project-.pdf
- VERIF\_REP\_1542\_01APR2011\_31MAR2016.pdf
- VERIF\_STA\_1542\_01APR2011\_31MAR2016.pdf

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