

QUALITY REPORT

Forest Conservation in Boumba-et-Ngoko

VCS-2897 · VCS · Cameroon

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5.5 Overall Score out of 10	■ Integrity (35%)	6.4
	■ Transparency (25%)	4.8
	■ Claim Safety (25%)	5.2
	■ Documentation (15%)	5.1

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

Assessment Summary

This is a registered VCS forest conservation project with a VVB-confirmed investment test, a sizeable buffer pool, and no reported reversals, which supports moderate integrity. However, the record has important evidence gaps around monitoring detail, credit issuance figures, and baseline reassessment, and there are contradictions on buffer pool size, leakage treatment, and reversal reporting that reduce confidence.

Project Details

Registry	Verra (VCS)
Registry ID	VCS-2897
Sector	soil_carbon
Country	Cameroon
Vintage	Aging
Project Methodology	VM0010 1.3
Crediting Period	2018 — 2037
VVB	Earthood Services Private Limited
Monitoring Period	2022 — 2023
Confidence	High
Documents Reviewed	18 documents reviewed
Scored	2026-04-19

Red Flags

- The buffer pool is inconsistent across documents, with 24% in the 2024 verification report versus 10% in an earlier document.
- Leakage treatment is inconsistent: the latest report says leakage is deemed negligible, while an earlier document says it was quantified.
- Reversal handling is not fully consistent, with the latest report saying no reversals reported and an earlier document saying reversals were not addressed.

Score Breakdown

Integrity — 6.4 / 10

- + Additionality was confirmed by the VVB through an investment test in the 2024 verification report.
- Baseline reassessment timing is not stated, and the project-specific baseline approach is less robust than a recent standardized reassessment.

The 2024 verification report by Earthood Services Private Limited confirms additionality through an investment test, which is a meaningful positive for integrity. The report also shows a 24% buffer pool and states that no reversal events were reported, while leakage is deducted at 20%, which supports permanence and leakage management. That said, the baseline is project-specific and the record does not state when it was last reassessed, so baseline robustness is only moderate.

Transparency — 4.8 / 10

- + The project has a named verifier, Earthood Services Private Limited, and a defined monitoring period from 2022-01-01 to 2023-12-31.
- Key MRV fields are missing from the extracted record, including verified versus claimed emissions reductions and the usage monitoring method.

Transparency is limited by missing MRV detail in the extracted record. The monitoring period is clearly stated and the verifier is named, but verified versus claimed ERR totals are not found, and the usage monitoring method is also not stated. The absence of these core reporting elements reduces the ability to independently assess performance.

Claim Safety — 5.2 / 10

- + The latest verification report states a 20% leakage deduction and no reported reversals, which helps reduce over-crediting risk.
- The project uses a project-specific baseline and the contradiction on leakage justification weakens confidence in the claimed climate benefit.

Claim safety is moderate rather than strong because the project has some safeguards against over-crediting, including a 20% leakage deduction in the latest report and no reported reversals. However, the baseline remains project-specific, and the contradiction over leakage treatment between documents weakens confidence in the final accounting. CORSIA eligibility and CCP status are not stated, so dual-market claim risk cannot be ruled out from the extracted record.

Documentation — 5.1 / 10

- + Seventeen documents were used and the latest verification report is dated 2024-12-19, which is reasonably recent.
- Extraction confidence is only medium, and several important fields are not stated in the available documents, including issuance totals and usage-rate evidence.

Documentation quality is middling. Seventeen documents were used and the latest verification report is recent, but extraction confidence is only medium, indicating at least one key source was not fully readable. Several important items are missing from the available record, including verified emissions reduction totals, usage-rate evidence, and baseline reassessment timing.

Risk Indicators

● Additionality	VVB-confirmed investment test
● Permanence	Buffer pool present; no reversals reported
● Leakage	20% leakage deduction stated
● Baseline	Project baseline; reassessment timing missing
● Safeguards	FPIC, grievance mechanism, and benefit sharing documented
● Double-claim	CORSIA/CCP status not stated

What Would Improve This Score

→ Publish the verified versus claimed emissions reduction totals, along with the underlying monitoring calculations and usage monitoring method.

→ Resolve the document inconsistencies on buffer pool size, leakage treatment, and reversal handling, and state when the baseline was last reassessed.

Documents Reviewed

- VCS_RV_PRR_2897_01012018_31122021.pdf
- VCS2897-2MP-Issuance-Representation-Single-PP-v4.3_signed_modified.pdf
- VCS_ISS_DEED_2897_01012018_31122021.pdf
- VCS MR 2897 01012022-31122023-v9-clean.pdf
- VCS_MON_REP_2897_01012018_31122021.pdf
- VCS_NPR_REP_2897_1_1_2022_12_31_2023-2.pdf
- VCS_PRR_2897_8JAN2025.pdf
- VCS-Listing-Representation-Single-Representor-v4.1_signed.pdf
- VCS_REG_DEED_2897_21122022.pdf
- VCS_AFOLU_OTHER_ELEM_ASSE_2897_01072022.pdf
- ExPost_BoumbaAndNgoko-VCS2897_VM10_Ver2-22-23-v5_highlighted.xlsx
- Project_area_10-064_KML.kml
- VCS_PROJ_DESC_2897_17072023.pdf
- Forest Conservation in Boumba-et-Ngoko - Joint PDD - MR_v4.0.pdf
- VCS_VERIF_REP_2897_01012018_31122021.pdf
- Verification-Representation-v4.2_VCS2897.pdf
- VCS VerR 2897 01012022-31122023_PRR R2_CL.pdf
- VCS_VALID_DEED_2897_21122022.pdf

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