QUALITY REPORT

‘Guanaré’ Forest Plantations on Degraded Grasslands Under Extensive Grazing

VCS-959 · VCS · Uruguay

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5.4 Overall Score out of 10	Integrity (35%)	5.2
	Transparency (25%)	5.5
	Claim Safety (25%)	4.8
	Documentation (15%)	6.8

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

Assessment Summary

The project shows some strengths: a VVB (SCS Global Services) confirmed additionality and there is a recent monitoring report (2019) and validation report (2021). However key elements are missing or contradictory (buffer, leakage deduction, ERR figures and reversal treatment), which reduces confidence in the integrity and claim safety of issued credits.

Project Details

Registry	Verra (VCS)
Registry ID	VCS-959
Sector	arr
Country	Uruguay
Vintage	2017, 2018
Project Methodology	AR-ACM0001 05.2.0
Crediting Period	2006 — 2066
VVB	SCS Global Services
Monitoring Period	2013 — 2018
Confidence	Medium
Documents Reviewed	38 documents reviewed
Scored	2026-04-23

Red Flags

- ■ No buffer pool percentage reported in available documents
- ■ Contradictory statements on reversal treatment and leakage justification between validation and monitoring documents
- ■ Buffer pool size not disclosed in available documents

Score Breakdown

Integrity — 5.2 / 10

+ Additionality confirmed by the VVB (SCS Global Services) in the monitoring/verification package (monitoring report, 2019).

- Reversal treatment not consistently documented: monitoring report (2019) states reversal events 'not addressed' while a later validation report (2021) states 'none reported' — this contradiction reduces confidence.

Additionality was confirmed by the VVB (SCS Global Services) as documented in the monitoring/verification package (monitoring report, 2019). The project uses a project-specific baseline under AR-ACM0001 (methodology version 05.2.0) and reports no material findings or corrective actions in the monitoring report (2019). However, the monitoring report states that reversal events are 'not addressed' while a later validation report (2021) reports 'none reported' for reversals; this contradiction undermines confidence in non-permanence treatment. Buffer pool percentage and leakage deduction are not reported in the extracted record, so permanence and leakage mitigation cannot be fully verified.

Transparency — 5.5 / 10

+ Monitoring period is provided (2013-01-12 — 2018-12-31) and a clear set of evidence documents is listed including monitoring and validation reports (monitoring report, 2019; validation report, 2021).

- Critical quantitative items are absent from extracted records (no buffer pool percentage, no verified/claimed ERR totals, no leakage deduction percent), limiting verifiability.

The project has a named VVB, explicit monitoring period (2013–2018) and a sizable evidence corpus including PDD, validation, monitoring and issuance documents (40 documents listed), and the extraction confidence is high. Despite that, key quantitative disclosures are missing from the extracted facts: no buffer pool percentage, no total ERR claimed or verified, no leakage deduction percent, and no grid emission factor — these gaps limit transparency and independent auditability.

Claim Safety — 4.8 / 10

+ Project baseline is project-specific and additionality was subjected to an investment test as confirmed by VVB (monitoring report, 2019).

- Leakage treatment is inconsistent across documents (monitoring report deems leakage negligible; validation report earlier stated leakage was quantified), raising over-crediting risk and lowering claim safety.

The project uses an investment additionality test confirmed by the VVB, which supports the credibility of claims. But inconsistencies on leakage treatment (monitoring report calls leakage 'deemed negligible' while an earlier validation record indicated leakage was quantified) and the absence of reported leakage deductions increase the risk of over-crediting. CORSIA/CCP eligibility and explicit double-claim safeguards are not stated in the extracted record, so dual-claim risk cannot be ruled out.

Documentation — 6.8 / 10

+ Large evidence set reported (40 documents used) and extraction confidence is high; monitoring report dated 2019 and validation report dated 2021 are available.

- Several required data fields are missing from the extracted record (buffer %, ERR totals, grid emission factors), which weakens completeness.

Documentation volume and recency are strengths: monitoring report dated 2019 and a validation report dated 2021 are present, and extraction confidence is high. The VVB is named and no material findings or corrective actions were listed in the monitoring output. Nonetheless, missing numeric disclosures (buffer percentage, ERR totals, verified leakage deduction) indicate incomplete extraction or incomplete public reporting.

Risk Indicators

● **Additionality**	VVB-confirmed additionality
● **Permanence**	buffer/ reversals unclear
● **Leakage**	justified but inconsistent
● **Baseline**	project-specific baseline
● **Safeguards**	FPIC and grievance mechanism present
● **Double-claim**	CORSIA/CCP status not stated

What Would Improve This Score

→ Publish and extract the buffer pool percentage and any reversal risk calculation used in the non-permanence assessment.

→ Resolve contradictions by providing a clear, reconciled statement on reversal treatment and leakage (with quantified leakage deductions if applicable) and a single, explicit description of the additionality test applied.

Documents Reviewed

• VCS Issuance Deed of Representation - Single Representor (Guanare SA) v4.1 _1.Sep.2020.pdf
• 959, Guanare Uruguay, PRR [FINAL].docx
• PP_ISS_REP_959_24APR2006_12JAN2013.pdf
• 202100908 Buffer Request- MR-V11 Sept 2021-- FINAL DRAFT2- CCB_VCS_Monitoring_Report_Template_CCBv3.0-_VCSv3.4-GUANARE PROJECT.pdf
• 20210317 MR-V8 Feb 2021-- FINAL DRAFT2- CCB_VCS_Monitoring_Report_Template_CCBv3.0-_VCSv3.4-GUANARE PROJECT.pdf
• MONIT_REP_959_24APR2006_12JAN2013.pdf
• 20210409 MR-V9 April 2021-- FINAL DRAFT2- CCB_VCS_Monitoring_Report_Template_CCBv3.0-_VCSv3.4-GUANARE PROJECT.pdf
• FINAL DRAFT- CCB_VCS_Monitoring_Report_Summary_SPANISH.pdf
• FINAL DRAFT- CCB_VCS_Monitoring_Report_Template_CCBv3.0-_VCSv3.4-GUANARE PROJECT10082020.pdf
• PADRONES_CARBONO_GUANARE.kml
• FINAL DRAFT - GUANARE CCB_Project_Description_Summary_SPANISH.pdf
• VCS Registration Deed of Representation - Single Representor (Guanare SA) v4.1 _1.Sep.2020.pdf
• 3_Guanare_VCS_validation_statement.pdf
• AFOLU_ELEM_959_24APR2006_12JAN2013.pdf
• 2_GuanarÃ©_VCS_validation_report.pdf
• PP_REG_REP_959_14JAN2013.pdf
• COMMS_AGR_959_14JAN2013.pdf
• VCS_Project_959_Review_Report_17_jul_2015_closed.pdf
• 959, Guanare, Uruguay Public Comment Summary.pdf
• 20210317 PD-V8 Feb 2021-FINAL DRAFT2 - GUANARE CCB_Project_Description_Template_CCBv3.0-PD CCB Validation- GUANARE PROJECT.pdf
• PROJ_DESC_959_29MAR2012.pdf
• 1_PD_GuanarÃ©_V3.pdf
• V2 -FINAL DRAFT2 - GUANARE CCB_Project_Description_Template_CCBv3.0-PD CCB Validation- GUANARE PROJECT.pdf
• CCB_Carbosur_Guanare_Validation_Report_v1-9_04052021.pdf
• VCS_Carbosur_Guanare_Verification_Representation_081020.pdf
• VERIF_STA_959_24APR2006_12JAN2013.PDF
• CCB_VCS_Carbosur_Guanare_Verification_Report_04052021.pdf
• CCB_Carbosur_Guanare_Validation_Report_v1-7_062920.pdf
• CCB_Carbosur_Guanare_Validation_Statement_062920.pdf
• VALID_STA_959_30APR2012.pdf
• VERIF_REP_959_24APR2006_12JAN2013.pdf
• CCB_Carbosur_Guanare_Verification_Statement_081020.pdf
• CCB_Carbosur_Guanare_Validation_Statement_062920 (2).pdf
• VALID_REP_959_30APRIL2012.pdf
• CCB_VCS_Carbosur_Guanare_Verification_Report_081020.pdf
• VCS_Carbosur_Guanare_Verification_Representation_081020 (2).pdf
• 4_GuanarÃ©_VCS_validation_deed_of_representation.pdf

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