Carbon Benefits Project: Modelling, Measurement and Monitoring

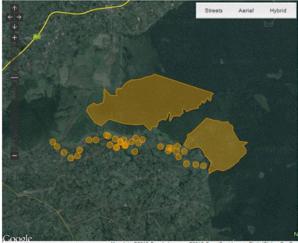
The Carbon Benefits Project Quick Guide



a. What methodology does the tool follow?

The Simple Assessment and the Detailed Assessment both use the IPCC method to give a net GHG assessment.

As the tools starts with a map, they can accommodate projects with multiple different activity areas, involving a wide variety of land use and management combinations and changes.



Input data

1. Locations of your '**project activity areas'** (the areas where land use or management changes are being made). Users can enter multiple points or polygons or project boundary areas as their 'project activity areas'.

2. For each project activity area the amount of land under different land use categories (forestland, grassland, cropland etc.) plus numbers of livestock.

3. Information for how the land is managed for each land use category in each project activity area.

4. The CBP tools compare net emissions under a project and a baseline scenario. Therefore info for 2 & 3 are needed for initial conditions, a baseline and a project scenario.

Output data

The CBP produces two types of reports:

1. A PDF summary report which gives net GHG balance for a project compared to a baseline scenario. It also presents results by GHG source/sink category with an associated measure of uncertainty. It presents results in the IPCC and UNFCCC format.

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	Grassland/Savanna	0	0	0		-608642.1	60864.21	0	-608642.1	-60864.21	0	
	Annual Cropland	0	0	0		0 0)	0	0	0	0	
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	B. Manure Management		116.34	2046			290.85	5115		32435.1	1.351462	0.135146
	C. Rice Cultivation		0				0			0	0	0
	D. Agricultural Soils	0	0	2480.93		0	0	6201.86		37209.3	1.550388	0.155038
	E. Prescribed Burning of Savannas		0	0			0	0		0	0	0
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	Land Use Change and Forestry											
	A. Forest and other Woody Biomass Stocks	0				-63869	63			-638696.3	-26.61235	-2.661235
	B. Forest and Grassland Conversion	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		0	0
	C. Abandonment of Managed Lands	0				0				0	0	0
	D. CO2 Emissions and Removals from Soil	0				-41800				-418000	-17.41667	-1.741667
	E. Other	0		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
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Table 3.2 Expanded Report showing Carbon Emissions by IPCC AFOLU Source Categories. Continued.

Output data ctd.

2. Detailed Reports

These are Excel workbooks with separate sheets for each source and sink category. Results are then further broken down by climate type, soil type, land use category, land management etc. with associated uncertainty. The sheets provide the equations used in the calculations plus explanations of all of the factors.

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	Climate	Climate		Stratum		
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Detailed reports can be produced for the Initial situation, the baseline scenario or the project scenario.

c. A brief step-by-step guide

1. Setting up an account:

To start using the CBP tools go to

<u>www.unep.org/cbp_pim</u> and set up an account by clicking on 'Not yet registered'. Create a user name and password and then click on the link sent to you by email.



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Provide Feedback Help

 Please Login
 Not Yet Registered?

 Email
 Welcome to the Carbon Benefits Project (CBP) greenhouse gas inventory toolkit. We request you sign in so that you can store project information for future use. Your login information is for record-keeping purposes only, and will not be released to any other party.

 Password
 Please note that this is a 'soft release' of the CBP toolkit, while the tools are still under development. The inventory results reported by the tools at this time may change in future releases. Thank you for your interest, and we look forward to your feedback, which you can provide by clicking on the "provide feedback" button in the upper right corner of each page.

 Login >>

2. Add a new project and enter some basic information about it

E.g. the name of your project, how long it will last, the country or countries where you are working etc. Choosing the country/ies is very important as this will take you to a map in the next step.

Please enter basic project in	formation	
Project Name GEF LUSIP		Project Activities Introduction of conservation agriculture
Project ID Code 3390 Project Status		Introduction of permaculture/organic gardens Protection of degraded range lands
Active V		
Project Start Date Month: 01 Year: 2013 Project Duration 4 Years		Brief Summary of Project Goal Improve livelihoods in the LUSIP project area in a sustainable way
Project Country (Countries) Hold CTRL, then click to select multiple of	countries	
Sudan Suriname Svalbard and Jan Mayen Islands Swaziland		Summary of any Carbon and Greenhouse Gas Benefit Goals (Optional)
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3. Choose a tool

Click on 'Tool Kit Advisor' and choose either the Simple Assessment or the Detailed Assessment



Select Modelling or Measurement Tools

Simple Assessment of the impact of a project on carbon stock and greenhouse gas emissions. Requires information on land use changes and/or livestock production in the project area. Suitable for a quick assessment at any stage including proposals. Uses standard information on greenhouse gas emission rates.

Detailed Assessment of the impact projects have on carbon stocks and greenhouse gas emissions. Requires information on land use changes and/or livestock production in the project area plus can utilize local and project specific field measurements and other local datasets. Suitable for detailed reporting in projects with a reasonable focus on climate change mitigation.

Dynamic Modelling utilizes the Century Model to assess soil and biomass carbon stock changes. For users with a scientific background who wish to model carbon stock changes in projects with a carbon focus. Direct Measurement provides a general protocol and specific methodologies for field, laboratory and remote sensing measurements of carbon stocks and greenhouse gases. Requires extensive field measurements and remote sensing analysis to measure carbon stocks in soil and biomass and monitor their changes over time in the project area. Displays project spatial information in an online information system to manage measurement data in carbon and greenhouse gas projects. Project indicators display a results framework of social, biodiversity and environmental indicators of carbon and greenhouse gas benefits in the project area. The data derived from measurements can be used directly for reporting changes in the carbon and greenhouse gas balance or the measurements.

Provide Feedback Help

<u>Project Planning Tools</u> provide supporting information for project managers during the development phase of landscape carbon and other sustainable land management projects. The information provided is useful for making decisions on which trees to plant based on a large database of agroforestry trees, to estimate the economic benefits that can be expected from participating in the carbon markets by planting trees and support in setting up project boundaries using available maps.

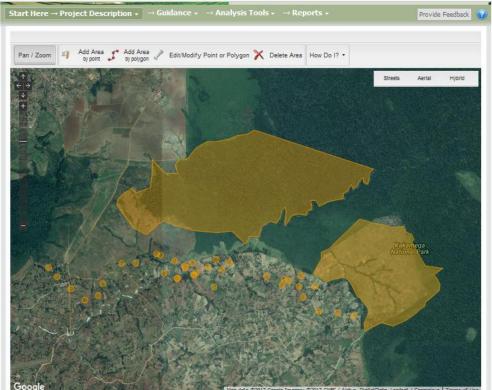
4. Define your project boundaries

Go to 'Start here' 'Project Description' to define your project activity areas. You can define multiple areas by drawing points or polygons on a map or uploading point or GIS files.

Points are good if you want to represent multiple smallholdings. These can be linked if land use and management is the same for all of them.

Polygons are useful if you want to represent larger areas, for example areas of avoided deforestation.

Projects can involve multiple points and polygons and combinations of both.



5. Go to 'Project Description' 'Step 3 – Describe Project Land Use'



In box 1, enter the number of years you want to create a report for. This can be equal to, shorter or longer than the length of your project.



6. For each polygon, point or group of polygons and points tell the system how much land area is in different land use categories (Project Description Step 3):

This needs to be done for the Initial situation before your project started (Initial land **use**) for the situation at the end of the report period under your **Project Scenario** and what the situation would have been at the end of the report period under a **Baseline** Scenario.

Remember to click 'Save' after every entry!

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7. Go to 'Analysis Tools' and choose either the 'Simple Assessment' or the 'Detailed Assessment'

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8. You will be taken to the tools home page. Click on 'Initial Land Use' to get started.



- 9. You then go through and complete land
 - management information for each 'Project activity area' (points, polygons or groups of these) for the Initial Land Use, the Baseline Scenario and the Project Scenario. Land use categories that require data entry have a red cross ('X') by the side. Land use categories with completed data entry have a green check (' $\sqrt{}$ ')mark by the side:



Here is an example of the first page of Forestland in the Simple Assessment

In Box 1 choose your project activity area from a drop down list.

In Box 2 choose the forest types that are present in the area.

In Box 3 choose the age of the forest and the area associated with this forest type.

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Here is an example of the second page in Forestland in the Simple Assessment

In these pages the user describes the amount of wood being removed by natural losses (fire, pests etc.) and by people (for fuel and timber)

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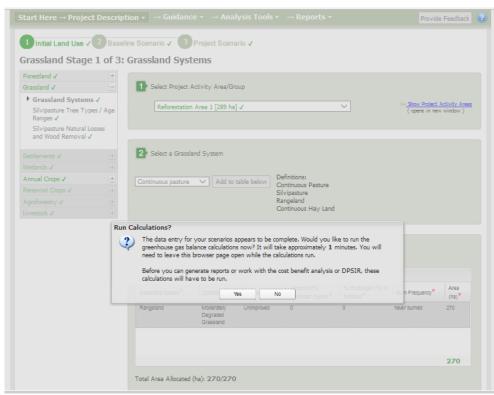
10. If using the Detailed Assessment users can also add their own stock change and emission factors to improve the estimate.

In the Simple Assessment default Tier 1 factors are used, supplied by the IPCC. These area quite generalised, representing large areas or regions.

In the Detailed Assessment users can enter their own factors which can be taken from local scientific studies or field measurements.

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11. Once you have described land management for all land use categories in all project activity areas under all scenarios, all options will have a green tick by the side. You will also get a message saying data entry is complete. Users may then run the calculations.



12. Once you have run the calculations you can go to 'Reports' and create either a Summary or a Detailed Report.

Biomass Burning non

Total Biomass Burning non-CO2

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Create Detailed Report

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	Annual Cropland	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Perennial Cropland	0	0	0	-3005.42	-300.542	0	-3005.42	-300.542	0
	Agroforestry	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Settlements	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Deforestation	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Shifting Cultivation	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
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Without Project (Baseline

scenario)

Incremental difference (Project scenario minus baseline

scenario)

With Project (Project scenario)

Table 3.2 Expanded Report showing Carbon Emissions by IPCC AFOLU Source Categories. Continued

Table 3.1 Simple Summary Report following UNFCCC Common Reporting Guidelines

Cropland Residue Grassland/Savanna Forest Land Agroforestry Perennial Crops Deforestation Shifting Cultivation

Greenhouse Gas Source and Sink Categories	Bi	aseline Em	issions (20	10)	Р	roject Emi	ssions (202	20)	Ca	Carbon Benefits			
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E. Other	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		
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d. Advantages of the CBP tools

The CBP tools have a spatial component allowing simultaneous analysis of multiple areas involving a variety of land use and management activities. This makes them ideal for analysing landscape scale projects with a variety of land use types and land management activities.

The CBP includes socio economic tools which allow users to consider land management strategies in terms of economic and social constraints in addition to GHG benefits.

The tools are online and free!

h. A Case study

The CBP Simple and Detailed Assessments were used to estimate the 'Climate Change Mitigation Potential of Ethiopia's Productive Safety-Net Program (PSNP)'

PSNP introduced various sustainable land management practices (livestock exclosures, grass bunds etc.) at sites throughout Ethiopia in the 1990s and earlier with the aim of improving food security. The CBP tools were used to estimate the climate change mitigation potential of 28 of these sites over a 20 year period. Results found the mean carbon benefit of all PSNP sites was 5.7 tonnes CO2e /ha /yr. On average, these carbon benefits were primarily due to increases in biomass (40% of total), in soil organic carbon (38%) and reduced livestock greenhouse gas emissions (22%). Extrapolating these results to the whole of PSNP's 600,000 ha of already-established area enclosures would imply that a total carbon benefit in the order of 3.4 million t CO2e /ha /yr has already been achieved by PSNP. (Woolf et al 2015). Read the full report here:

https://ecommons.cornell.edu/handle/1813/41296