

August 13, 2020

Dear Executive Secretary,

Wild Heritage (USA), Griffith University (Australia) and the Woods Hole Research Center (USA) (to be renamed Woodwell Climate Research Center as of August 17, 2020) are writing in response to notification No. 2020-053 of June 25, 2020, **Peer review of draft documents for the twenty-fourth meeting of the Subsidiary Body on Scientific, Technical and Technological Advice (SBSTTA 24)**. This submission is regarding the document on indicators for the draft goals and targets of the post-2020 global biodiversity framework. We are requesting the addition of an indicator on primary forest degradation, with Griffith University and the Woodwell Climate Research Center as the responsible institutions for the indicator.

With many thanks and best regards,

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**Review Comment Template for the document on indicators for the draft goals and targets of the post-2020 global biodiversity framework**

**Table 1. Indicators for monitoring elements of the draft goals (with example entries)**

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Components of the draft Goals <small>(copy/paste text from <a href="#">CBD/SBSTTA-24/post-2020-monitoring.en.pdf</a>)</small>	Goal Monitoring Elements <small>(copy/paste text from <a href="#">CBD/SBSTTA-24/post-2020-monitoring.en.pdf</a>)</small>	Indicator name	Responsible Institution for the indicator	Available today (X) or under active development (Y)	Date of availability for indicator in development (Year)	Year of last update (e.g. 2019)	Time series and frequency of updates (e.g. 1985-2019, annually)	Methodology available for national use (Y/N)	Global indicator can be disaggregated for national use (Y/N)	National data aggregated to form global indicator (Y/N)	Used in GBO-4 (Y/N)	SDG indicator (Y/N)	Indicator used to measure other MEAs or processes (e.g. Ramsar Convention, IPBES, CMS)	Comments
GA1. Increased extent of natural ecosystems (terrestrial, freshwater and marine ecosystems)	Trends in area of forest ecosystems	Primary Forest degradation	Griffith University (Australia) and Woods Hole Research Center (USA) to be renamed Woodwell Climate Research Center as of 8-17-20	Y	2021	NA	1986-annually	Y	Y	N	N	Y 15.1, 15.2, 15.5	N	When implemented can be used for GBO, MEAs including UNFCCC, and other processes eg FAO FRA.
GA2. Ecosystem integrity and connectivity (terrestrial,	Trends in fragmentation and quality of forest ecosystems	Primary Forest degradation	Griffith University (Australia) and Woods Hole Research	Y	2021	NA	1986-annually	Y	Y	N	N	Y 15.1, 15.2, 15.5	N	When implemented can be used for GBO, MEAs including UNFCCC, and other

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**Table 2. Indicators for monitoring elements of the draft targets (with example entries)**

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Components of the draft Targets  (copy/paste text from <a href="#">CBD/SBSTTA-24/post-2020-monitoring.en.pdf</a> )	Target Monitoring Elements  (copy/paste text from <a href="#">CBD/SBSTTA-24/post-2020-monitoring.en.pdf</a> )	Indicator name	Responsible Institution for the indicator	Available today (X) or under active development (Y)	Date of availability for indicator in development (Year)	Year of last update (e.g. 2019)	Time series and frequency of updates (e.g. 1985-2019, annually)	Methodology available for national use (Y/N)	Global indicator can be disaggregated for national use (Y/N)	National data aggregated to form global indicator (Y/N)	Used in GBO-4 (Y/N)	SDG indicator (Y/N)	Indicator used to measure other MEAs or processes (e.g. Ramsar Convention, IPBES, CMS)	Comments
T1.2. Prevention of reduction and fragmentation of natural habitats due to land/sea use change	Trends in extent and rate of change of forest ecosystems	Primary forest degradation.	Griffith University (Australia) and Woods Hole Research Institute (USA) to be renamed Woodwell Climate Research Center as of 8-17-20	Y	2021	NA	1986-annually	Y	Y	N	N	Y SDG indicator 15.1, 15.2, 15.5	N	When implemented can be used for GBO, MEAs including UNFCCC, and other processes eg FAO FRA.
T7.1. Increased biodiversity contribution to climate change mitigation, adaptation and disaster risk reduction	Trends in carbon stocks in different ecosystems  Trends in contribution to climate change adaptation	Primary forest degradation	Griffith University (Australia) and Woods Hole Research Institute (USA) to be renamed Woodwell Climate Research Center as of 8-17-20	Y	2021	NA	1986-annually	Y	Y	N	N	Y SDG indicator 13.1, 13.2	N	When implemented can be used for GBO, MEAs including UNFCCC, and other processes eg FAO FRA.