



Summary of Changes to City Forest Credits Tree Preservation Protocol Version 11.40 to 12.40 and Version 11.100 to 12.100

The following table summarizes the revisions made to the 40-year and 100-year City Forest Credits Tree Preservation Protocol.

- The revisions reflect updates to the 40-year Tree Preservation Protocol from Version 11.40 published February 7, 2022, to Version 12.40, published for public comment February 22, 2023 through March 22, 2023.
- The revisions reflect updates to the 100-year Tree Preservation Protocol from Version 11.100 published February 7, 2022, to Version 12.100, published for public comment February 22, 2023 through March 22, 2023.

Subject	Section	Revision
Project Impacts	Introduction	Addition of language describing the unique aspects of urban forest carbon and the multiple climate, social, and environmental positive impacts generated by preservation projects
Eligibility	2.1	Removed the specification that projects whose Preservation Commitment Date is prior to November 2017 are not eligible, since the two-year eligibility window already excludes these projects.
Project Duration	2.2	Revision of Project Duration such that it begins on the Credit Commencement Date, rather than the date of the first Verification Report issuance.
Credit Commencement Date	2.4	Revision of Credit Commencement Date, such that the date is now based on the recordation date of the Preservation Commitment, rather than the signing date
Monitoring Reports	2.5	Clarification that monitoring reports shall be submitted every three years for the Project Duration.
Project Timeline and Key Dates	2.7	Addition of a table clarifying the due dates and timeline of key project components
Project Documentation	3	Updated the list of Project documents required by the Registry to include the Forest Composition Report and Social Impacts Report.
No Double Counting	5.2	Addition of language describing required geospatial maps and documentation from Project Operators to demonstrate no double counting of credits.
Credit Issuance Schedule	7.2	Addition of language defining the Initial Crediting Period as the period when credits are issued per the schedule in the first Verification Report. Addition of language clarifying the requirements and timing for receiving credits for additional growth.

Quantification of Credits	11.1.A	Addition of language describing requirements for usage of the US Forest Service General Technical Report carbon stock tables, including submission of a Forest Composition Report. Clarification of forest age determination based on historical aerial imagery. Addition that if a Project conducts quantification under Section 11.1.B or 11.1.C, it cannot use the quantification method of results of 11.1.A.
Quantification of Credits	11.1.B	Clarification of requirements for stand inventories and sampling, including that stand condition, stand health, and presence of disease must be documented.
Quantification of Additional Growth	11.6	Clarification of requirements for requesting credits for additional growth.
Validation	13.1	Clarification on Validation Report documentation.
Verification	13.2	Clarification of the process for the retention of third-party verifiers by the Registry.
Additional Information	Appendices	Removed Appendices from Protocol and moved into a stand-alone document
Forest Composition Report	Appendix A	Addition of the Forest Composition Report Template as Appendix A
Verification Elements	Appendix D	Consolidation of Verification Elements and Verification Reports into Appendix D.