



AGRICULTURE, FORESTRY AND OTHER LAND USE (AFOLU) CARBON CALCULATOR

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PRESENTATION OVERVIEW

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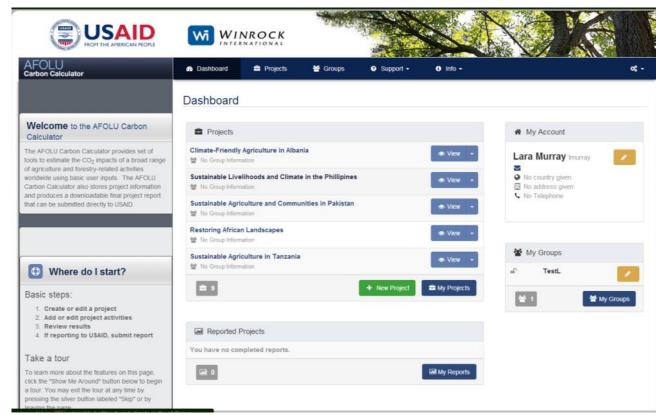
HOW TO ESTIMATE HOW USAID AGRICULTURE AND FORESTRY PROJECTS IMPACT THE CLIMATE?



THE AFOLU C CALCULATOR ALLOWS ESTIMATION OF THE CLIMATE IMPACTS

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- Free!
- Publicly available
- Online, easy-to-use platform
- Inputs can be saved and stored
- Transparent, scientifically sound methods and data sources







THE AFOLU CARBON CALCULATOR

- Designed to assist USAID in estimating the impacts of its worldwide land use based portfolio of project activities worldwide – allows accountability of funds.
- Used for reporting against the standard Sustainable Landscapes indicator – 4.8-7
- Standardizes reporting on 4.8-7 by using same data sources, and methods – IPCC principles of consistency and comparability.
- Saves and stores data on the website, allowing consistent and traceable reporting of project GHG impacts over time – IPCC principle of consistency and transparency.



THE AFOLU CARBON CALCULATOR

- Estimates emissions reduced, sequestered, and/or avoided, for the reporting year and project impacts 30 years into the future to assist with planning – IPCC principle of completeness.
- Estimates impacts of greenhouse gasses (GHGs) including carbon dioxide (CO₂), methane (CH₄), and nitrous oxide (N₂O), but converts and reports impacts in tons of carbon dioxide equivalent (t CO₂ e) on an annual basis
- Sources of default data and estimation methods for emission factors and sequestration rates are transparently documented and scientifically sound.
- Does NOT generate estimates of marketable carbon offsets





AFOLU CALCULATOR'S TOOLS



Forest Protection

- -Deforestation
- -Illegal logging
- -Fire



Forest Management

- -Reduced Impact Logging
- -Extended rotation
- -Stop logging



Afforestation / Reforestation

- -Heterogeneous stands/native species
- -Homogeneous stands/plantations



Agroforestry

- -Tree intercropping
- -Woodlots
- -Protective agroforestry
- -Silvopastoral
- -Multistrata



Cropland Management

- -Tillage



- -Fertilizer management
- -Rice flooding regimes



-Grassland management

Grazing

Management

- -Livestock management
- -Rewet organic soils



Forest Degradation by Fuelwood

-Direct and indirect benefits from improved cookstoves





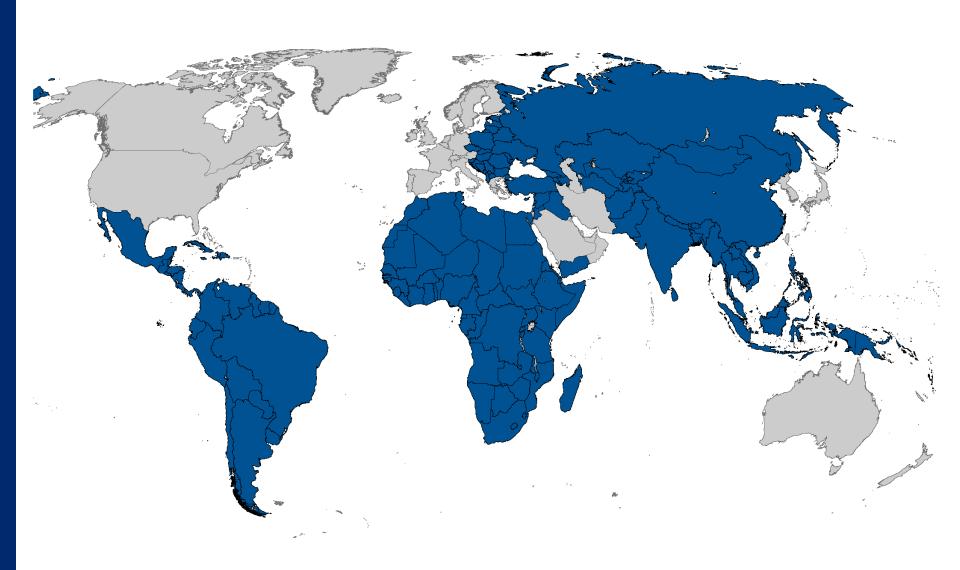
DESIGN OF THE AFOLU CARBON CALCULATOR

- Users don't need a technical background in emissions accounting to generate sound estimates of carbon benefits – encompass wide array of users!
- Requires minimal user inputs:
 - Geographic location
 - Type of Activity
 - Area activity is taking place on (in hectares)
 - Answer basic multiple choice questions about management practices
- Calculator estimates benefits using built-in default database of geographically specific variables needed to estimate reliable carbon benefits





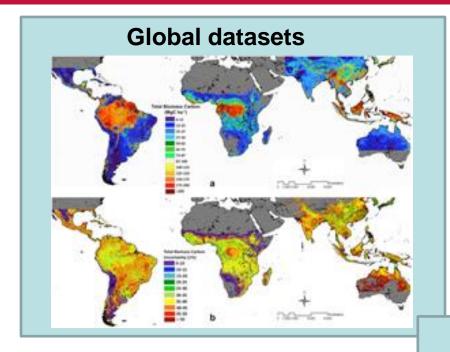
AFOLU CARBON CALCULATOR COVERAGE







DEFAULT DATABASE



- Deforestation rates: Hansen et al. 2013. High-Resolution Global Maps of 21st Century Forest Cover Change. Science.
- Biomass: Saatchi, S.S. In preparation. Unpublished dataset.

 Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change Tier 1 default data

IPCC Defaults & FAO data

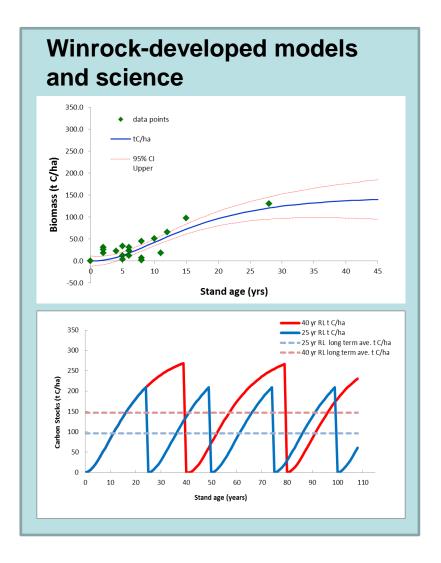








DEFAULT DATABASE



- Extensive review of scientific literature
- Field research and data collection
- Development of growth curves
- Application of Winrockdeveloped, peer-reviewed methodologies for measuring emissions





SUBNATIONAL UNITS

Default values for variables (e.g. aboveground biomass, growth rates, soil carbon, deforestation rates) are assigned to 'subnational units' in the default database. This allows results to reflect local geophysical characteristics.



Navigate the man and click to select Subnational unit relevant to your interests





CALCULATOR USER INPUTS

Calculator applies a tiered approach - if users have access to activity-specific data for default parameters, they may use it.

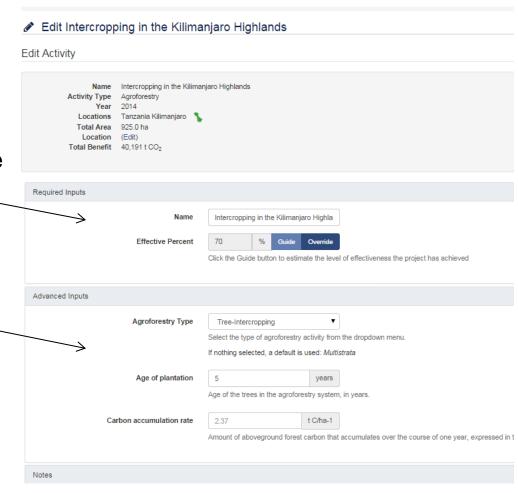
Required Inputs

- Simplest level
- Minimal data input required
- Default databases
 developed for each tool in the calculator

Advanced Inputs

- User can override default values
- Final result tailored to specific project location

If users choose to override default data, the activity-specific data they use should be generated using *scientifically sound methods* or come from reliable, *peer-reviewed sources*.



AFOLU C CALCULATOR RESULTS

VIEW RESULTS

Tabular

Name Orangutan Protection Initiative

Activity Type Forest Protection Year 2014

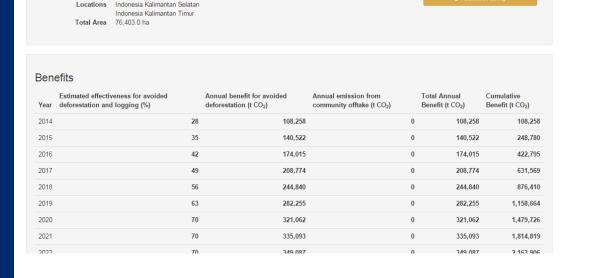
- Reporting year
- Projects annual and cumulative benefits up to 30 years into the future

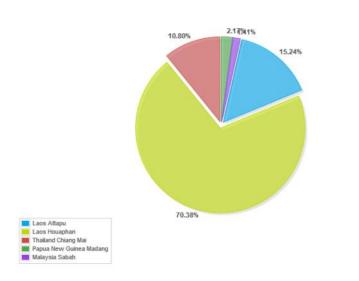
 All estimated impacts from activities are added up to produce overall project impact

- Results shown as tabular data and graphically
 - Per location
 - Per activity

♠ Project Overview

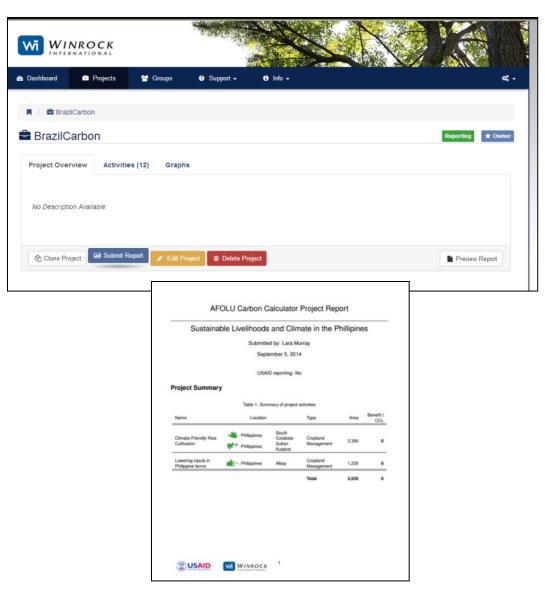
Per unit area
 Benefits per location Benefits per activity Benefit per unit area





AFOLU C CALCULATOR RESULTS - REPORTING

- Downloadable, printable project reports can be generated as a PDF
- Can submit project results directly to USAID
- Data saved in calculator, making for reporting over many years easier and more consistent







THANK YOU!

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