

Motions for the 2014 FSC General Assembly

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Title: Changes to the Principles and Criteria (P&C)		Statutory Motion Number: 7	
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Statutory Motion (change to the P&C):			
<u>Proposed Change to P&C (v5), C6.5, Regarding Representative Sample Areas:</u>			
<p>The Organization shall identify and protect representative sample areas of native ecosystems and/or restore them to more natural conditions. Where representative sample areas do not exist <u>or are insufficient</u>, the Organization shall restore a proportion of the Management Unit to more natural conditions. The size of the areas and the measures taken for their protection or restoration, <u>including within plantations</u>, shall be proportionate to the conservation status and value of the ecosystems at the landscape level, and the scale, intensity and risk of management activities.</p>			
<u>Proposed Change to P&C (v5), C6.9, Regarding Conversion From Plantations to Other Uses:</u>			
<p>The Organization shall not convert natural forest to plantations, nor natural forests or plantations <u>on sites directly converted from natural forest to non-forest</u> any other land use, except when the conversion:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) affects a very limited portion of the area of the Management Unit, and b) will produce clear, substantial, additional, secure long-term conservation benefits in the Management Unit, and c) does not damage or threaten High Conservation Values, nor any sites or resources necessary to maintain or enhance those High Conservation Values. 			
<p><i>Explanation (not to be included in P&C): "Directly converted from natural forest" is intended to convey that if the immediately prior use of a plantation site was natural forest, then the plantation may not be converted to non-forest uses, whereas if the plantation site was previously in non-forest uses, then it may be converted back to non-forest uses.</i></p>			

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Proposed Change to P&C (v5), C9.1, Regarding HCV Definitions and Intact Forest Landscapes:

HCV 2 -- Landscape-level ecosystems and mosaics. Intact forest landscapes and large landscape-level ecosystems and ecosystem mosaics that are significant at global, regional or national levels, and that contain viable populations of the great majority of the naturally occurring species in natural patterns of distribution and abundance.

Note (not to be included in P&C): FSC will define intact forest landscapes (IFLs) in the FSC Glossary. Currently, Global Forest Watch defines IFLs as: a territory within today's global extent of forest cover which contains forest and non-forest ecosystems minimally influenced by human economic activity, with an area of at least 500 km² (50,000 ha) and a minimal width of 10 km (measured as the diameter of a circle that is entirely inscribed within the boundaries of the territory).

Proposed Change to P&C (v5), C10.6, Regarding Fertilizers:

The Organization shall minimize or avoid, or aim at eliminating, the use of fertilizers. When fertilizers are used, The Organization shall demonstrate that use is equally or more ecologically and economically beneficial than use of silvicultural systems that do not require fertilizers, and prevent, mitigate, and/or repair damage to environmental values, including soils.