

Kruger Products Inc.

2024 CDP Corporate Questionnaire 2024

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C8. Environmental performance - Forests

(8.1) Are there any exclusions from your disclosure of forests-related data?

	Exclusion from disclosure
Timber products	Select from: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No

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(8.2) Provide a breakdown of your disclosure volume per commodity.

	Disclosure volume (metric tons)	Volume type	Sourced volume (metric tons)
Timber products	339669	Select all that apply <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sourced	339669

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(8.5) Provide details on the origins of your sourced volumes.

Timber products

(8.5.1) Country/area of origin

Select from:

Canada

(8.5.2) First level administrative division

Select from:

States/equivalent jurisdictions

(8.5.3) Specify the states or equivalent jurisdictions

Ontario, Quebec, Alberta, British Columbia

(8.5.4) Volume sourced from country/area of origin (metric tons)

214647

(8.5.5) Source

Select all that apply

- Multiple contracted producers
- Trader/broker/commodity market
- Contracted suppliers (processors)

(8.5.7) Please explain

We source 63% of our virgin pulp from Canada. All pulp sources are FSC or SFI/PEFC certified and as such, contain a country of origin. We track all incoming pulp shipments on a monthly and yearly basis to understand where our materials are coming from. FSC and SFI/PEFC audits are completed yearly to ensure we are following the guidelines of the standards. Using this information we are able to determine where all of our pulp is sourced.

Timber products

(8.5.1) Country/area of origin

Select from:

Brazil

(8.5.2) First level administrative division

Select from:

States/equivalent jurisdictions

(8.5.3) Specify the states or equivalent jurisdictions

(8.5.4) Volume sourced from country/area of origin (metric tons)

125022

(8.5.5) Source

Select all that apply

- Contracted suppliers (processors)
- Contracted suppliers (manufacturers)

(8.5.7) Please explain

We source 37% of our virgin pulp from Brazil. All pulp sources are FSC certified and as such, contains a country of origin. We track all incoming pulp shipments on a monthly and yearly basis to understand where our materials are coming from. FSC audits are completed yearly, and mills validate BOL and invoices to ensure that the products we are receiving are the certified products that were ordered. Using this information we are able to determine where all of our pulp is sourced

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(8.7) Did your organization have a no-deforestation or no-conversion target, or any other targets for sustainable production/ sourcing of your disclosed commodities, active in the reporting year?

Timber products

(8.7.1) Active no-deforestation or no-conversion target

Select from:

- No, but we plan to have a no-deforestation or no-conversion target in the next two years

(8.7.3) Primary reason for not having an active no-deforestation or no-conversion target in the reporting year

Select from:

- No standardized procedure

(8.7.4) Explain why you did not have an active no-deforestation or no-conversion target in the reporting year

We are working to determine the appropriate route and backup information required to make this claim and engaging our suppliers to assess our current status

(8.7.5) Other active targets related to this commodity, including any which contribute to your no-deforestation or no-conversion target

Select from:

- Yes, we have other targets related to this commodity

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(8.7.2) Provide details of other targets related to your commodities, including any which contribute to your no-deforestation or no-conversion target, and progress made against them.

Timber products

(8.7.2.1) Target reference number

Select from:

- Target 1

(8.7.2.3) Target coverage

Select from:

- Organization-wide (direct operations only)

(8.7.2.4) Commodity volume covered by target (metric tons)

Select from:

- Total commodity volume

(8.7.2.5) Category of target & Quantitative metric

Third-party certification

- % of volume third-party certified

(8.7.2.7) Third-party certification scheme

Chain-of-custody certification

FSC Chain-of-Custody certification (any type)

(8.7.2.8) Date target was set

07/25/2021

(8.7.2.9) End date of base year

12/31/2020

(8.7.2.10) Base year figure

58

(8.7.2.11) End date of target

12/31/2030

(8.7.2.12) Target year figure

100

(8.7.2.13) Reporting year figure

100

(8.7.2.14) Target status in reporting year

Select from:

Underway

(8.7.2.15) % of target achieved relative to base year

100.00

(8.7.2.16) Global environmental treaties/ initiatives/ frameworks aligned with or supported by this target

Select all that apply

Sustainable Development Goals

(8.7.2.17) Explain target coverage and identify any exclusions

The target covers all purchase fibre used as raw material in our manufacturing process across our entire business

(8.7.2.18) Plan for achieving target, and progress made to the end of the reporting year

Through our sourcing contracts and agreements, we have a strong preference for FSC material and favour suppliers who can provide pulp certified under the FSC scheme

(8.7.2.20) Further details of target

Our target is to reach 100% certified fibre by 2030, and included all sourced pulp, virgin and recycled. We also include SFI and PEFC fibre as part of this target and have achieved 100% certified sourced material for the reporting year, but our preference is for FSC and we are working to maximize the purchase of FSC Mix and recycled fibre

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(8.8) Indicate if your organization has a traceability system to determine the origins of your sourced volumes and provide details of the methods and tools used.

Timber products

(8.8.1) Traceability system

Select from:

Yes

(8.8.2) Methods/tools used in traceability system

Select all that apply

Chain-of-custody certification

Value chain mapping

Supplier engagement/communication

Internal traceability system

(8.8.3) Description of methods/tools used in traceability system

FSC, SFI/PEFC Chain of Custody. Supply contracts ensure suppliers are 3rd party certified, which is confirmed during annual audits. For day to day operations, every out going PO identifies the type of certified fibre we are expecting to receive. Once we receive the fibres, all staff are required to confirm that invoices and BOL's have the proper certification documentation and must contact the suppliers if there is missing data. Data is then added to credit tables via SAP, and are updated instantly, to ensure we have enough input certified fibre for our production output at each manufacturing facility. We have also engaged directly with our suppliers to better understand where they are sourcing their fibre, the species used and any risk assessments they have done or plan to do.

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(8.8.1) Provide details of the point to which your organization can trace its sourced volumes.

Timber products

(8.8.1.1) % of sourced volume traceable to production unit

37

(8.8.1.2) % of sourced volume traceable to sourcing area and not to production unit

63

(8.8.1.3) % sourced volume traceable to country/area of origin and not to sourcing area or production unit

0

(8.8.1.4) % of sourced volume traceable to other point (i.e., processing facility/first importer) not in the country/area of origin

0

(8.8.1.5) % of sourced volume from unknown origin

0

(8.8.1.6) % of sourced volume reported

100.00

[Fixed row]

(8.9) Provide details of your organization's assessment of the deforestation-free (DF) or deforestation- and conversion-free (DCF) status of its disclosed commodities.

Timber products

(8.9.1) DF/DCF status assessed for this commodity

Select from:

Yes, deforestation- and conversion-free (DCF) status assessed

(8.9.2) % of disclosure volume determined as DF/DCF in the reporting year

100

(8.9.3) % of disclosure volume determined as DF/DCF through a third-party certification scheme providing full DF/DCF assurance

100

(8.9.4) % of disclosure volume determined as DF/DCF through monitoring of production unit

0

(8.9.5) % of disclosure volume determined as DF/DCF through monitoring of sourcing area

0

(8.9.6) Is a proportion of your disclosure volume certified through a scheme not providing full DF/DCF assurance?

Select from:

No

[Fixed row]

(8.9.1) Provide details of third-party certification schemes used to determine the deforestation-free (DF) or deforestation- and conversion-free (DCF) status of the disclosure volume, since specified cutoff date.

Timber products

(8.9.1.1) Third-party certification scheme providing full DF/DCF assurance

Chain-of-custody certification

FSC Chain-of-Custody certification (any type)

(8.9.1.2) % of disclosure volume determined as DF/DCF through certification scheme providing full DF/DCF assurance

100

(8.9.1.3) Comment

100% of our incoming pulp fibre is certified to the FSC standard, FSC Mix at 89% the remaining is FSC CW.

(8.9.1.4) Certification documentation

2024 Kruger Products Inc. FSC COC Certificate 23.1.2024 EN.pdf
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(8.10) Indicate whether you have monitored or estimated the deforestation and conversion of other natural ecosystems footprint for your disclosed commodities.

	Monitoring or estimating your deforestation and conversion footprint	Primary reason for not monitoring or estimating deforestation and conversion footprint	Explain why you do not monitor or estimate your deforestation and conversion footprint
Timber products	Select from: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No, but we plan to monitor or estimate our deforestation and conversion footprint in the next two years	Select from: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Lack of internal resources, capabilities, or expertise (e.g., due to organization size)	We are working towards the capacity and supplier engagement required to better monitor supply regions

[Fixed row]

(8.12) Indicate if certification details are available for the commodity volumes sold to requesting CDP Supply Chain members.

	Third-party certification scheme adopted	Certification details are available for the volumes sold to any requesting CDP Supply Chain members
Timber products	Select from: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	Select from: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes

[Fixed row]

(8.12.1) Provide details of the certified volumes sold to each requesting CDP Supply Chain member.

Row 1

(8.12.1.1) Requesting member

Select from:

(8.12.1.2) Commodity

Select from:

Timber products

(8.12.1.3) Form of commodity

Select all that apply

Paper

(8.12.1.4) Total volume of commodity sold to requesting member

79647

(8.12.1.5) Metric

Select from:

Metric tons

(8.12.1.6) Third-party certification scheme

Chain-of-custody certification

FSC Chain-of-Custody certification (any type)

(8.12.1.7) % of the total volume of commodity sold to requesting member that is certified

100

(8.12.1.8) Comment (optional)

This covers our FSC certified products as well as SFI certified products that are also made with certified FSC CW

Row 2

(8.12.1.1) Requesting member

Select from:

(8.12.1.2) Commodity

Select from:

Timber products

(8.12.1.3) Form of commodity

Select all that apply

Paper

(8.12.1.4) Total volume of commodity sold to requesting member

89069

(8.12.1.5) Metric

Select from:

Metric tons

(8.12.1.6) Third-party certification scheme

Chain-of-custody certification

FSC Chain-of-Custody certification (any type)

(8.12.1.7) % of the total volume of commodity sold to requesting member that is certified

100

(8.12.1.8) Comment (optional)

All of the products sold to Walmart was FSC Mix certified and made with FSC certified pulp
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(8.13) Does your organization calculate the GHG emission reductions and/or removals from land use management and land use change that have occurred in your direct operations and/or upstream value chain?

Timber products

(8.13.1) GHG emissions reductions and removals from land use management and land use change calculated

Select from:

No, but plan to do so in the next two years

(8.13.2) Primary reason your organization does not calculate GHG emissions reductions and removals from land use management and land use change

Select from:

Lack of internal resources, capabilities, or expertise (e.g., due to organization size)

(8.13.3) Explain why your organization does not calculate GHG emissions reductions and removals from land use management and land use change

It has been a low priority as we assume that there is no deforestation or conversion occurring in our supply chain, so the net GHG emissions should be relatively neutral
[Fixed row]

(8.14) Indicate if you assess your own compliance and/or the compliance of your suppliers with forest regulations and/or mandatory standards, and provide details.

(8.14.1) Assess legal compliance with forest regulations

Select from:

- Yes, from suppliers

(8.14.2) Aspects of legislation considered

Select all that apply

- Labor rights
- Third parties' rights
- Environmental protection
- Human rights protected under international law
- Forest-related rules, including forest management and biodiversity conservation, where directly related to wood harvesting
- The principle of free, prior and informed consent (FPIC), including as set out in the UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples

(8.14.3) Procedure to ensure legal compliance

Select all that apply

- Certification
- Supplier self-declaration
- Third party databases
- Third party audits

(8.14.5) Please explain

All of our suppliers are certified to FSC and or SFI and PEFC. We regularly check the validity of their certifications' and only work with suppliers who are in good standing with these certification bodies
[Fixed row]

(8.15) Do you engage in landscape (including jurisdictional) initiatives to progress shared sustainable land use goals?

(8.15.1) Engagement in landscape/jurisdictional initiatives

Select from:

- No, we do not engage in landscape/jurisdictional initiatives, but we plan to in the next two years

(8.15.2) Primary reason for not engaging in landscape/jurisdictional initiatives

Select from:

- Lack of internal resources, capabilities, or expertise (e.g., due to organization size)

(8.15.3) Explain why your organization does not engage in landscape/jurisdictional initiatives

We are working on developing better ways to engage with our suppliers to find opportunities to improve biodiversity outcomes within our supply chain
[Fixed row]

(8.16) Do you participate in any other external activities to support the implementation of policies and commitments related to deforestation, ecosystem conversion, or human rights issues in commodity value chains?

Select from:

- Yes

(8.16.1) Provide details of the external activities to support the implementation of your policies and commitments related to deforestation, ecosystem conversion, or human rights issues in commodity value chains

Row 1

(8.16.1.1) Commodity

Select all that apply

- Timber products

(8.16.1.2) Activities

Select all that apply

- Engaging with non-governmental organizations

(8.16.1.3) Country/area

Select from:

Canada

(8.16.1.4) Subnational area

Select from:

Not applicable

(8.16.1.5) Provide further details of the activity

We are part of a non-governmental organization called CBSR that share best practices and learning around deforestation ecosystems, human rights as well as numerous other sustainability related issues and emerging trends

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(8.17) Is your organization supporting or implementing project(s) focused on ecosystem restoration and long-term protection?

Select from:

Yes

(8.17.1) Provide details on your project(s), including the extent, duration, and monitoring frequency. Please specify any measured outcome(s).

Row 2

(8.17.1.1) Project reference

Select from:

Project 2

(8.17.1.2) Project type

Select from:

Forest ecosystem restoration

(8.17.1.3) Expected benefits of project

Select all that apply

Net gain in biodiversity and ecosystem integrity

Restoration of natural ecosystem(s)

(8.17.1.4) Is this project originating any carbon credits?

Select from:

No

(8.17.1.5) Description of project

We've partnered with One tree Planted to plant 100,000 trees over 3 years as part of a reforestation and conservation initiative

(8.17.1.6) Where is the project taking place in relation to your value chain?

Select all that apply

Project based elsewhere

(8.17.1.7) Start year

2022.0

(8.17.1.8) Target year

Select from:

2024

(8.17.1.9) Project area to date (Hectares)

0

(8.17.1.10) Project area in the target year (Hectares)

0

(8.17.1.11) Country/Area

Select from:

Canada

(8.17.1.12) Latitude

44.75372

(8.17.1.13) Longitude

-122.39781

(8.17.1.14) Monitoring frequency

Select from:

Annually

(8.17.1.15) Total investment over the project period (currency)

42000

(8.17.1.16) For which of your expected benefits are you monitoring progress?

Select all that apply

Net gain in biodiversity and ecosystem integrity

Restoration of natural ecosystem(s)

(8.17.1.17) Please explain

This is based on trees planted - in 2023 our contribution resulted in 31,891 trees planted in Oregon. We do not get details on the project area size, only number of trees planted.

Row 3

(8.17.1.1) Project reference

Select from:

Project 1

(8.17.1.2) Project type

Select from:

Other ecosystem restoration

(8.17.1.3) Expected benefits of project

Select all that apply

Improvement of standard of living, especially for vulnerable and/or marginalized groups

Net gain in biodiversity and ecosystem integrity

(8.17.1.4) Is this project originating any carbon credits?

Select from:

No

(8.17.1.5) Description of project

We are converting a parking lot at one of our manufacturing sites in Gatineau, QC into a park, naturalizing the area to improve the local biodiversity and forest cover near the Ottawa River

(8.17.1.6) Where is the project taking place in relation to your value chain?

Select all that apply

Project based in area with direct operations

(8.17.1.7) Start year

2019.0

(8.17.1.8) Target year

Select from:

2025

(8.17.1.9) Project area to date (Hectares)

0.5

(8.17.1.10) Project area in the target year (Hectares)

0.5

(8.17.1.12) Latitude

45.42535

(8.17.1.13) Longitude

-75.71091

(8.17.1.14) Monitoring frequency

Select from:

Never

(8.17.1.16) For which of your expected benefits are you monitoring progress?

Select all that apply

Other, please specify :Not monitored

(8.17.1.17) Please explain

It will be a public park with increased green space and not used for carbon credits or biodiversity metrics at this time
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