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AHCCFP501 Advise on carbon farming project planning and implementation

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Modification History

Release	Comments
Release 1	This version released with Agriculture Horticulture and Conservation and Land Management Training Package 4.0.

Application

This unit of competency describes the skills and knowledge required to provide advice on the processes involved in planning, implementing and monitoring carbon farming projects that utilise approved methods.

The unit applies to individuals who provide advice to land owners, eligible interest holder groups and land managers about implementing projects to earn carbon credits. This unit applies in the context of at least one approved carbon farming method to increase carbon storage or reduce emissions.

Note the term 'advice' referred to in this unit does not relate to financial advice which requires an Australian Financial Services License (AFSL). This unit does not address the skills or the generic knowledge requirements in 'ASIC Regulatory Guide 146 Licensing: Training of financial product advisors'.

Refer to FMSFMK512 Apply knowledge of emissions markets for skills and knowledge to engage with carbon funds.

No licensing, legislative or certification requirements apply to this unit at the time of publication.

Pre-requisite Unit

Nil

Unit Sector

Carbon Farming (CFP)

Elements and Performance Criteria

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<i>Elements describe the essential outcomes.</i>	<i>Performance criteria describe the performance needed to demonstrate achievement of the element.</i>
1. Define requisites for planning a carbon farming project	1.1 Explain to client advice provided does not cover financial advice that requires an ASFL 1.2 Describe phases for planning an approved carbon farming project 1.3 Define equipment, specialist services and service providers required to plan and implement a project 1.4 Specify the means of determining the project area for carbon storage and emissions avoidance methods 1.5 Determine the need for and use of relevant measuring and modelling tools 1.6 Assess the impact of differing crediting and reporting periods on project planning and implementation 1.7 Determine the steps required to calculate the baseline and project emissions 1.8 Outline the responsibilities of owning and managing an approved project
2. Determine requisites for implementing a project	2.1 Detail the requirements and process for owning or managing a carbon project 2.2 Define the requirements and process for applying for registration 2.3 Outline methods of data collection for emissions avoidance and carbon storage projects 2.4 Determine systems and procedures for accurately measuring and recording project emissions 2.5 Specify procedures for maintaining records of procedures undertaken, and mitigation achieved 2.6 Establish equipment maintenance and calibration requirements 2.7 Detail project audit requirements and the providers of audit services
3. Provide information on applying for carbon credits	3.1 Outline requirements for completing a carbon mitigation or offsets report 3.2 Define steps involved in commissioning an audit report 3.3 Specify the process for applying for carbon credits 3.4 Provide information on the circumstances under which the fund regulator will issue carbon credits and their maintenance on the register
4. Provide information	4.1 Explain project processes and administrative and compliance

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on project administration and implementation	requirements 4.2 Ensure responses to stakeholder enquiries are comprehensive, clear and delivered in the most appropriate form and within the agreed timeframe 4.3 Ensure enquiries outside area of responsibility and knowledge are identified and assistance is sought, or the enquiry is referred onto a relevant expert 4.4 Facilitate sourcing of AFSL approved advice

Foundation Skills

This section describes those language, literacy, numeracy and employment skills that are essential for performance in this unit of competency but are not explicit in the performance criteria.

Skill	Description
Learning	Research and manage complex information
Reading	- Interpret documentation from a variety of sources - Analyse information to ensure currency, accuracy and appropriateness to client needs
Oral communication	- Establish rapport and interact respectfully with client - Determine and confirm client requirements - Negotiate financial transactions with clients
Get the work done	Apply ethical principles when providing advice for decision making

Unit Mapping Information

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ACMCFP501 Advise on carbon farming project planning and	Not applicable	New unit	No equivalent unit

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Links

Companion Volumes, including Implementation Guides, are available at VETNet: -

<https://vetnet.gov.au/Pages/TrainingDocs.aspx?q=c6399549-9c62-4a5e-bf1a-524b2322cf72>