# Public Report Sustainable Forest Management System

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## PUBLIC AUDIT REPORT - SFM TO BE SUBMITTED TO THE ORGANIZATION, IFCC AND TO AJA EUROPE



ORGANIZATION NAME: PT RIAU ANDALAN PULP AND PAPER

TOTAL HECTARES:

262,473 ha

SCOPE OF Sustainable Forest Management of 262,473 hectares of Plantation Forest in Riau

**REGISTRATION:** Province

STANDARD/CRITERIA:

IFCC SFM & ORGANIZATION DOCUMENTED MANAGEMENT SYSTEM

TYPE OF AUDIT:

Transition IFCC ST 1001:2021 + Surveillance 2

AUDIT START DATE: October 11, 2023

In signing this document, the Audit team confirms that they have had no involvement with the company under audit in terms of consultancy,

training, direct employment etc. within the last 2 years and have no other involvement (financial, shareholding or commercial) that would

AUDIT END DATE: October 18, 2023

constitute a Conflict of Interest

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SIGNATURE:

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SIGNATURE:

MAJOR CARS: 0

MINOR CARS: 0

	MAJOR CARS: 0	
SITE NAME (Legal Name):	ADDRESSES OF ORGANIZATION SITES VISITED including countries	DATE OF EACH SITE VISIT:
Head Office	Jl. Lintas Timur, Pangkalan Kerinci, Kabupaten Pelalawan, Riau - Indonesia	October 11 and 18, 2023
Teso Estate	Teso – Desa Gunung Sari, Kecamatan Gunung Sahilan, Kabupaten Kampar, Propinsi Riau	October 12 to 13, 2023
Langgam Estate	Langgam – Desa Segati, Kecamatan Langgam, Kabupaten Pelalawan,  Propinsi Riau	October 14 to 15, 2023
Pelalawan Estate	Pelalawan – Desa Pelalawan, Kecamatan Pelalawan, Kabupaten Pelalawan, Propinsi Riau	October 16 to 17, 2023
SITE NAME (Legal Name):	ADDRESSES OF ADDITIONAL SITES NOT VISITED BUT STILL COVERED BY THE REGISTRATION INCLUDING COUNTRY- TO BE COMPLETED IF CLIENT IS UNDER A SITE SAMPLING AUDIT PLAN	
Ukui Estate	Desa Lubuk Kembang Bungo, Kecamatan Ukui, Kabupaten Pelalawan,  Propinsi Riau	
Baserah Estate	Desa Gunung Melintang, Kecamatan Kuantan Hilir, Kabupaten Kuantan Singingi, Propinsi Riau	
Meranti Barat Estate	Desa Teluk Binjai, Kecamatan Teluk Meranti, Kabupaten Pelalawan,  Propinsi Riau	
Cerenti Estate	Desa Munsalo, Kecamatan Kuantan Tengah, Kabupaten Kuantan Singingi, Propinsi Riau	
Logas Estate	Desa Petai, Kecamatan Singingi Hilir, Kabupaten Kuantan Singingi, Propinsi Riau	

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Logas	Desa Petai, Kecamatan Singingi Hilir, Kabupaten Kuantan Singingi, Propinsi Riau
Estate	
Mandau	Desa Lubuk Jering, Kecamatan Sungai Mandau, Kabupaten Siak, Propinsi Riau
Estate	

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#### Brief Description of the concession

PT Riau Andalan Pulp and Paper has received a forest management permit, namely Forest Utilization Business Permit (PBPH) since 1993 and has undergone several changes, as below:

- Minister of Forestry Decree No. 130/Kpts-II/1993 dated 27 February 1993.
- 1st Addendum: Decree of the Minister of Forestry No. 137/Kpts-II/1997 dated 10 March 1997.
- 2nd Addendum: Decree of the Minister of Forestry No: SK. 356/Menhut-II/2004, dated 1 October 2004.
- 3rd Addendum: Minister of Forestry Decree No: SK. 327/Menhut-II/2009, dated 12 June 2009.
- 4th Addendum: Minister of Forestry Decree No: SK. 180/Menhut-II/2013, dated 21 March 2013 area 338,536 Ha.
- PBPH Decree SK.827/MenLHK/MenLHK/Setjen/HPH.0/9/2021 dated 21 September 2021.

The organization has a long-term management plan document for a 10-year period, namely the Amendment of RKUPH 2023 which was ratified by Decree of the Minister of Environment and Forestry No SK.7977/MenLHK-PHL/PUPH/HPL.1/8/2023 dated 4 August 2023. There is a one-year management plan as well, namely the Amendment of RKTPH 2023, ratified through the Decree of SK.110/RAPP/IX/2023 dated 13 September 2023. Approval of changes to the 2023 annual work plan for forest utilization and carry over of the 2022 annual forest utilization work plan in the name of PT Riau Andalan Pulp and Paper.

The certification at PT Riau Andalan Pulp and Paper is a multi-site certification, where the registered work areas consist of nine (9) registered estates. While the total area of the concession is 338,634 ha, the area to be IFCC certified is 262,473 ha, and the wood products produced have a claim of 100% PEFC Certified. The sampling for this Transition IFCC ST 1001:2021 + Surveillance 2 Audit is Teso Estate, Langgam Estate, and Pelalawan Estate. There are some changes to the spatial layout regarding to the Amendment of RKUPH, which become some types of spatial, as follows:

- 1. Protected area of 60.118 ha (17.75%),
  - Protected Forest Buffer Zone of 7,834 ha (2.31%),
  - River Border of 46,677 ha (13.78%),
  - KPPN of 2,136 ha (0.63%),
  - KPSL of 345 ha (0.10%),
  - Utilization of environmental services of 3,126 ha (0.92%) in the form of peat dome peak.
- 2. Cultivation area of 278,516 ha (82.25%).
  - Utilization area for plantation of timber forest product of 266,924 ha (78.82%)
  - Non-Timber Forest Product (NTFP) rubber forestry partnership pattern of 1,548 ha (0.46%),
  - Infrastructure of 10,044 ha (2.97%).

The peak area of the peat dome covers an area of 9,332 ha which spread over River Border of 2,329 Ha, KPPN of 315 Ha, KPSL of 345 Ha, Buffer Zone of 3,217 Ha, and peat protection area of 3,126 Ha.

Changes in spatial planning during this surveillance audit include an increase in the area allocation for Protected Areas from 60,048 Ha to 60,118 Ha, reduction of the cultivation area allocation from 278,586 Ha to 278,516 Ha, and an additional allocation for the use of rubber NTFPs covering an area of 1,548 Ha. The changes to the business type in RKUPH 2023 are multi-business with wood products, NTFPs and environmental services.

As for the sampling estates' spatial layout are:

- Langgam Estate is divided into 5,320 ha of cultivation area and 1,419 ha of protected area. The total is 6,739 ha.
- Pelalawan Estate is divided into 74,406 ha of cultivation area and 11,229 ha of protected area. The total is 85,635 ha.
- Teso is divided into two areas namely Teso Timur which consists of 13,364 ha of cultivation area and 3,935 ha of protected area with a total area of 17,299 ha; another is Teso Barat, consisting of 17,086 ha of cultivation area and 2,540 ha of protected area. The total is 19,626 ha.

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#### **PUBLIC AUDIT REPORT – SFM**





PT Riau Andalan Pulp And Paper registered its work area (9 Estates) for IFCC SFM (Sustainable Forest Management) certification with an area of 262,473 Ha. The areas to be certified, geographical coordinates and species developed are:

- Baserah Estate with an area of 24,854 ha, located at coordinates E 101°29'32" to E 101°52'55" and S 00°00'33" to S 00°24'50" with the type being developed is Acacia mangium and Eucalyptus sp.
- 2. Cerenti Estate with an area of 30,040 ha, located at coordinates E 101°34'38" to E 101°50'45" and S 00°34'32" to S 00°43'26" with the type being developed is *Eucalyptus* sp.
- 3. Langgam Estate with an area of 6,710, located at coordinates E 100°29'35" to E 101°39'33" and S 00°06'36" to S 00°11'07'' S, with a developed type are Acacia crassicarpa, Acacia mangium, Melaleuca sp and Eucalyptus sp.
- 4. Logas Estate covers an area of 24,090 ha, located at coordinates E 100°10'08" to E 101°19'21" and S 00°04'27" to S 00°24'28" with the type being developed being Acacia mangium and Eucalyptus sp.
- 5. Mandau Estate with an area of 23,444 ha, located at coordinates E 101°38'38" to E 101°50'05" and N 00°47'51" to N 00°58'05", with the type of development being Acacia crassicarpa and Eucalyptus sp.
- 6. Pelalawan Estate with an area of 85,855 ha, located at coordinates E 101°56'56'' to E 102°26'25'' and N 00°12'31'' to N 00°39'24", with the type developed into Acacia crassicarpa and Eucalyptus sp.
- Teso Estate covers an area of 37,205 ha, located at coordinates E 100°14'00" to E 101°33'00" and S 00°10'00" to S 00°42'58" with the species developed being Acacia mangium and Eucalyptus sp.
- Ukui Estate with an area of 16,312 ha, located at coordinates E 101°51'37" to E 102°03'03" and S 00°03'06" to S 00°12'06'', with the type of development being Acacia crassicarpa, Acacia mangium and Eucalyptus sp.
- West Meranti Estate with an area of 13,962 ha, located at coordinates E 102°25'14" to E 102°47'54" and N 00°11'34" to N 00°24'00'', with species that developed is Acacia crassicarpa, Hevea brasiliensis (rubber), Melaleuca sp.

The climate type in the work area is A (Schimidt and Ferguson 1955) and the topographic conditions are mostly flat. The site conditions of the work area are peat and mineral soil. The types of plants developed based on PT Riau Andalan Pulp And Paper's plant distribution documents based on age classes as of September 2022 are Acacia mangium, Acacia crassicarpa, Eucalyptus sp, Melaleuca sp, Hevea brasiliensis (rubber). Rubber plants were developed in the West Meranti Estate covering an area of 1,037 Ha, while Melaleuca plants were developed in the Langgam Estate of 507 Ha, and West Meranti Estate of 65 Ha.

#### Description of the socio-economic conditions of the concession and the concession's social programs

There are 57 (fifty-seven) villages located around the concession area including all IFCC registered estates. Based on Riau Province Data in Figures for 2023, the largest number of livelihoods of the residents is in the agricultural sector, followed by the trade sector, in third place is educational services, in fourth place is the construction sector, and fifth is the government administration sector. PT Riau Andalan Pulp and Paper has made efforts to develop the local economy and has provided opportunities for local communities to obtain training and employment, both as MSMEs and as companyassisted contractor partners.

PT Riau Andalan Pulp and Paper has a mechanism for submitting complaints from the public and its workers. There is a Grievance Register Report from the Community. There were some reports of complaints from the community, including damage to residents' rubber plants (which have been compensated), the presence of company buses parked on the shoulder of the road in Pangkalan Kerinci District (bus parking has been put in order), damage to oil palm plantations (which has been resolved by water management), dusty roads on the company's corridor roads (has been completed by the road sprinkler water truck contractor). During field verification in the three estates, in all the villages visited there were announcements of telephone numbers and email pages that the community can use to report any existing complaints. Based on interviews with chainsaw operators, if workers have complaints, the workers will convey these complaints to the person in charge of the contractor company. Complaints include differences in the calculation of food costs, logistics costs between workers and the receipts received. If this happens, a recalculation will be carried out.

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The company has a Report on the Realization of the 2023 Community Development Program for the sample estates, until August 2023. Most of the realization of the Community Development plan on every sector, such as scholarships, school improvement, agribusiness, community business, community health, social cultural, and infrastructure, has reached between 72% to 124%.

#### Description of the Ecological conditions of the concession

PT Riau Andalan Pulp and Paper in managing environmental aspects emphasizes the conservation management and monitoring; management to ensure that conservation areas are protected from illegal logging and encroachment, illegal mining, illegal hunting, and fishing with poison, electricity, and explosives.

PT Riau Andalan Pulp and Paper follows the following policy for peatlands: (a) No new development in peatland forests, (b) ensure that HCV and HCS in peatland forests are protected, (c) apply international best management practices to reduce carbon footprint in peatland landscapes and, (d) No new development will be implemented within undeveloped concession areas on non-forested peatlands until input from independent peat experts is received.

The Management Unit controls forest and land fires in work areas includes prevention activities, fire management and efforts to improve land after a fire occurs. Activities carried out related to forest fire management refer to regulation of P.32/Menlhk/Setjen/ Kum.1/3/2016. The Management Unit has B3 and its waste management which is carried out with reference to PP No. 74 of 2001. Its management is by preparing facilities and infrastructure in the form of warehouses or storage facilities specifically designed for B3 storage and meeting work safety and security standards. The organization still uses chemicals (herbicides) but in accordance with the Minister of Agriculture Regulation No. 949 of 2008 concerning limited pesticides.

The management and monitoring of environmental components is focused on the physical-chemical and biological components with the aim of ensuring that the environment continues to have supporting capacity for business activities/sustainable development. Environmental management includes management in nursery areas, seed gardens/seed stands and local superior crop areas.

The company and its suppliers will take a holistic approach to natural forest conservation, environmental and social policy values as follows: (a) Effective immediately, PT Riau Andalan Pulp and Paper and its suppliers will conduct a High Carbon Stock (HCS) assessment in each new area targeted for development. HCS areas that have been identified from the assessment will be protected. PT Riau Andalan Pulp and Paper and its suppliers will ensure that the fiber supply will not contribute to forest degradation or loss of HCS. (b) Only non-HCS areas will be developed into HTI. (c) PT Riau Andalan Pulp and Paper and its suppliers will use an HCV Resource Network licensed assessor for HCV assessment and if the assessor is not willing, they will refer to recommendations from the Independent Team, (d) PT Riau Andalan Pulp and Paper and its suppliers will be guided by the HCS Approach Steering Group.

#### Results of the Public Consultation

Prior to carrying out the Transition IFCC ST 1001:2021 + Surveillance 2 Audit, PT ACube TIC International conducted a public consultation commencing August 24, 2023, asking stakeholders to provide feedback and information about PT Riau Andalan Pulp and Paper. The public consultation was uploaded to the PT ACube TIC International website, sent to parties by email or postal mail, and published in local newspapers. During the public consultation, PT ACube TIC International did not receive any input.

The audit team also collected information from the mass media about PT Riau Andalan Pulp and Paper. The reported cases are considered as part of the PT ACube TIC International audit process.

The Management Unit has identified all the requirements needed for this certification process, which consists of legal aspects which include compliance with international regulations and rules and conventions. A management system has

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been established to cover all activities in the area of certification, registered for certification covering an area of 262,473 hectares.

## Organization progress record related to corrective action on findings of nonconformities in previous audit

The result of Transition IFCC ST 1001:2021 + Surveillance 2 Audit is no non-conformity either in minor or major category.

## Findings on the certified client conformity with the certification requirements and description of critical issues in relation to the conformity.

The result of Transition IFCC ST 1001:2021 + Surveillance 2 Audit is no non-conformity either in minor or major category. The Management Unit operates effectively.

#### Conditions under which the certificate is issued

Certificate is valid until December 09, 2024, provided that PT Riau Andalan Pulp and Paper maintains its Recertification schedule and does not have potential major non-conformity at the next Recertification.

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