

Responsible Wood® Forest Management System Summary Report

HQPlantations Pty Ltd
Certificate # SCS-RW-007

Surveillance audit

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SECTION A – PUBLIC SUMMARY REPORT

1. General Information

1.1 Name and Contact Information

Organization name	HQPlantations		
Contact person	Tom Clapson (+61 428 101 746)		
Address	Lake Vista Office Park 3A/2 Flinders Parade NORTH LAKES Queensland Australia 4509	Telephone	+61 7 5489 6792
		Fax	
		e-mail	tom.clapson@hqplantations.com.au
		Website	www.hqplantations.com.au

1.2 AFS/ PEFC Sales Information

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> AFS/ PEFC Sales contact information same as above.			
AFS/ PEFC salesperson			
Address		Telephone	
		Fax	
		e-mail	
		Website	

1.3 Scope of Certificate

Any changes in the scope of the certification since the previous audit are highlighted in **yellow** in the tables below.

Certificate Code	SCS-RW-007		
Certification Statement	The scope of the certificate includes all activities associated with the Organization's sustainable forest management system with the Defined Forest Area(s) (DFA), including the harvest, transport, and sale or trade of forest products. The Organization has sufficient control over any contracting or outsourcing of forest management planning and activities to ensure conformance to applicable certification requirements.		
Certificate Type	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Single Site/DFA	<input type="checkbox"/> Multiple Sites	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Group		
# Sites and/or Group Members (if applicable)	Multi-site Entity – Multiple sites – Single forest owner and single forest manager		
Total DFA hectares in certificate	309 657 ha		
Description of DFA(s) as Advised to AFS Limited	Area (ha):	309657 ha	
	Area (ha):		
	Add rows as needed		

	<p>Refer to publicly available maps and information about the DFA(s) provided by the Organization on its website or upon request via the contact person cited at the beginning of this report</p> <p>Changes for FY24 reduced DFA by 1542 ha due to sales of hardwood plantation lands, termination of land rentals and State resumed plantation licence area</p>			
Applicable Standards/ Guidance	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> AS4708-2013 (Australian Standard® for Sustainable Forest Management) / NZS4708-2014 (New Zealand Standard® for Sustainable Forest Management)			
	<input type="checkbox"/> AS4708 GN02-2013 (Guidance for the certification of group forest management)			
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> If combined, joint, or integrated with another forest certification scheme, list scheme and describe use here: FSC-STD-AUS-01-2018 EN			
Type of Audit	<input type="checkbox"/> Evaluation/ re-evaluation	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1 st annual surveillance audit	<input type="checkbox"/> 2 nd annual surveillance audit	<input type="checkbox"/> 3 rd annual surveillance audit
	<input type="checkbox"/> Special audit (<i>explain</i>):			
Forest Management Type	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Plantation		<input type="checkbox"/> Natural/ semi-natural	
Forest Product Type(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Roundwood		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Chips	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Non-timber Forest Products		<input type="checkbox"/> Other (<i>describe</i>):	
Species (Common and Scientific Name(s))	<p><i>Pinus elliotii</i> – Slash Pine <i>Pinus caribaea</i> – Honduran Caribbean Pine <i>Pinus elliotii</i> x <i>Pinus caribaea</i> – Hybrid Pine <i>Pinus patula</i> – Patula pine <i>Pinus taeda</i> - Loblolly Pine <i>Pinus radiata</i> - Radiata Pine Other miscellaneous <i>Pinus</i> hybrids <i>Araucaria cunninghamii</i> - Hoop Pine <i>Araucaria angustifolia</i> - Parana Pine <i>Araucaria bidwillii</i> – Bunya Pine <i>Flindersia brayleyana</i> – Queensland maple <i>Toona cillata</i> – Red cedar <i>Agathis robusta</i> – Kauri pine <i>Cedrela odorata</i> – Onion cedar <i>Corymbia citriodora</i> sub. spp. <i>variegata</i>(CCV) - Spotted gum <i>Corymbia citriodora</i> sub. spp. <i>citriodora</i> (CCC)– Lemon-scented gum <i>Corymbia torelliana</i> x CCV or CCC - Spotted gum hybrids <i>Eucalyptus argophloia</i> - Western white gum <i>Eucalyptus cloeziana</i> - Gympie messmate <i>Eucalyptus dunnii</i> – Dunn’s white gum <i>Eucalyptus pilularis</i> – Blackbutt <i>Eucalyptus longirostrata</i> – Grey gum</p>			

<i>Eucalyptus grandis</i> and related hybrids - Flooded gum			
Statement on the conformity and effectiveness of the management system together with a summary of the evidence	<p>HQP maintains a comprehensive and effective forest management system to ensure conformance to Responsible Wood certification requirements.</p> <p>HQP manages a widely distributed estate of softwood and some hardwood plantations located throughout Queensland, which have been both Responsible Wood and FSC certified for many years.</p> <p>HQP uses an internal monitoring, audit and review standard, procedures, checklists and a management review reporting to maintain the effectiveness and currency of the system, which includes the ability to issue nonconformances and observations.</p>		
RW Logos/labels	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Logo checked and conformant (no non-conformities issued) <input type="checkbox"/> Logo checked, and Nonconformities issued		
Certification Recommendation by Audit Team to SCS	<table border="0" style="width: 100%;"> <tr> <td style="width: 50%; vertical-align: top;"> <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Continued certification is recommended, subject to the Organization meeting deadlines to response any findings issued. </td> <td style="width: 50%; vertical-align: top;"> <input type="checkbox"/> Continued certification is not recommended (<i>explain</i>): </td> </tr> </table>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Continued certification is recommended, subject to the Organization meeting deadlines to response any findings issued.	<input type="checkbox"/> Continued certification is not recommended (<i>explain</i>):
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2. Audit Dates and Activities

2.1 Audit Itinerary and Activities Summary

Date of Audit	11-15 March 2024
Auditor(s)	Kimberly Robertson
Criteria	Criteria 11
Detailed Site Notes	Detailed itinerary and site notes are in Appendix 2, <i>Detailed Audit Itinerary and Site Notes</i> .

Any deviations from the audit plan and their reasons, if applicable:	<input type="checkbox"/> If this is a remote audit due to Covid-19, check here and describe ICT below.
Summary of most important observations, positive as well as negative, regarding implementation and effectiveness of the Forest Management System:	HQP maintains a comprehensive and effective forest management system to ensure conformance to Responsible Wood certification requirements. HQP manages a widely distributed estate of softwood and some hardwood plantations located throughout Queensland, which have been both Responsible Wood and FSC certified for many years.
Significant changes, if any, that affect the management system of the client since the last audit took place:	NA
Effectiveness of taken corrective actions regarding previously identified nonconformities, if applicable:	All previous NC closed
Unresolved issues (if identified):	NA

2.2 Confirmation of Meeting Audit Objectives

The objectives for this audit included:

- a. Determination of the conformity of the client’s management system, or parts of it, with audit criteria (Selected Objectives, Performance Measures, and/or Indicators).
- b. Determination of the ability of the management system to ensure the client meets applicable statutory, regulatory and contractual requirements.
- c. Determination of the effectiveness of the management system to ensure the client can reasonably expect to achieve specified objectives.
- d. As applicable, identification of areas for potential improvement of the management system.

Audit Objectives were met	Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> If no, provide an explanation:
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