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| **Project Title** | Enter text here |
| **Gold Standard ID** | Enter ID here e.g. GS-0123 |
| **Type of Certification** | [ ]  Pre-Feasibility Assessment  | [ ]  Initial Certification [ ]  Performance Certification [ ]  New Area Certification  |
| **Type of Project** | [ ]  Agriculture[ ]  Afforestation/Reforestation (A/R)[ ]  Improved Forest Management (IFM)  | [ ]  Smallholder[ ]  Microscale  |
| **Methodology applied** | Enter text here |
| **Requirements** | Enter text here e.g. Gold Standard Agriculture Requirements v0.9 |

Please outline how your project meets each of the following requirements, referring to any supporting documentation where necessary. The formatting requirements provided in Technical Procedure & Formatting on page 11 of the ‘Gold Standard Agriculture Requirements’ must be followed. *(Please delete this text before submitting the template).*

**Secured Rights**

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Depending on the structure of the project, the project owner shall fulfil requirement 1 or 2.

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| 1. The project owner fulfils requirement:
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1. **The project owner acts on behalf of project participants.**

In this case the project owner shall submit as part of the *supporting documents* a copy of all signed agreements, which confirm that:

1. Each project participant holds the *CO2 user rights[[1]](#footnote-1)* that are associated with the project activities and that he passed these on to the project owner, AND
2. Each project participant holds all necessary rights to implement the project activities (e.g., rights to harvest), AND
3. The legal land titles or *similar entitlements[[2]](#footnote-2)* for the land on which the project activities are implemented are uncontested.

These *agreements* shall include the:

1. Contact details of the project participants, AND
2. The legal registration number and documentation by the governing jurisdiction that proves that the *entity* is in good standing (in case of an organisation), AND
3. Contact details of the land owner (if differing), AND
4. Length of lease contract (if applicable), AND
5. The liabilities and benefits for the *person or entity* to implement the project activities (e.g., switch to another crop and get access to the seeds).

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| ID of *supporting document(s)*: Enter text here |

1. **The project owner acts on its own.**

The project owner shall submit, as part of the *supporting documents,* evidence that:

1. It holds the *CO2 user rights[[3]](#footnote-3)* that are associated with the project activities, AND
2. It holds all necessary rights to implement the project activities (e.g., rights to harvest), AND
3. The legal land title or *similar entitlement2* for the land on which the project activities are implemented is uncontested.

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| ID of *supporting document*: Enter text here |

1. CO2 user rights *CO2 user rights* are rights that grant the titleholder any benefit that could be generated from the certification of the carbon sequestration or greenhouse gas reduction by the project.

For land use projects, the holder of the *CO2 user rights* is usually the owner of the land, where the project activity takes place - except when such rights have been expressly transmitted to another *person* or *entity* by the land owner, or when an authority act / decision / order / regulation assigns such rights to a different person than the land owner. [↑](#footnote-ref-1)
2. Similar entitlement It is considered that *similar entitlement* exists, when
1) A *person* or *entity* has been using the land of the project as its owner, for the period of time that the applicable law requires for *persons* or *entity* to acquire property by its use, AND
2) Neighbours or neighbouring community agrees that the land has been used for such time by the *person* or *entity* claiming it. [↑](#footnote-ref-2)
3. CO2 user rights See footnote of the previous page. [↑](#footnote-ref-3)