



Sustainability Journey

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MONTHLY UPDATE - PROGRESS MADE UP TO AUGUST 15th 2017

Over the past month Goodhope has made evident progress in demonstrating our commitments to meet the requests from RSPO and NGOs. Achievements include:

- Marked progress in the settlement of grievances with the local community of Yerisiam Gua in Nabire, Papua.
- Headway in meeting the requirements for completing environmental assessments in seven subsidiary companies of Goodhope: PT Nabire Baru (NB) and PT Sariwana Adi Perkasa (SAP) in Nabire, Papua; PT Agrajaya Baktitama (AJB), PT Batu Mas Sejahtera (BMS) and Sawit Makmur Sejahtera (SMS) in Ketapang, West Kalimantan; PT Sumber Hasil Prima (SHP) and PT Sinar Sawit Andalan (SSA) in Sintang, West Kalimantan.
- Timely submission of Landuse Change Analysis (LUCA) reports on PT Nabire Baru and PT Sariwana Adi Perkasa in Nabire and PT Agrajaya Baktitama in Ketapang to RSPO Secretariat.
- Socialization of Sustainability policies (NDPE policies) to suppliers and local communities in Nabire, Papua.

1. Implementation of the Sustainability Policy

Goodhope is committed to ensure the full and proper implementation of No Deforestation, No Peat and No Human Exploitation (NDPE) policies and has developed a socialization strategy to present regulations/expectations and initiatives to all relevant stakeholders (including suppliers and contractors, employees, and local communities at plantation sites). Our most recent socialization activities have focused on communicating NDPE policies to suppliers and local communities at Nabire, Papua.

On August 10th 2017 Goodhope presented NDPE policies to suppliers and contractors in Nabire. A number of local government authorities (Environmental Agency - BLH, Regional Planning Board - BAPPEDA, Regional Revenue Agency - DISPENDA, Industrial Department and Security Unit - SAMSAT) were invited to this event.

On the same day, Goodhope also engaged with local communities to present NDPE policies. The presentation in Desa Sima, Nabire was attended by 40 people including people from Cooperatives and Yeresiam Gua community. Communities showed their support to the implementation of the policies.



Familiarization of NDPE to local communities (left) and contractors/suppliers (right) in Nabire.

2. Environmental Assessments

Goodhope is working with credible parties to work on completing independent assessments including High Carbon Stock (HCS) Assessment, HCV Assessment and Land Use Change Analysis (LUCA) at its sites in Papua and West Kalimantan:

- At Nabire, Papua (PT Nabire Baru and PT Sariwana Adi Prakasa) LUCA, HCS and HCV Assessments are being conducted by a team of assessors from the consultancy firms Ata-Marie, Ekologika and HCV assessments are led by Mr. Iwan Setiawan (a full licensed HCV assessor);
- At Ketapang, West Kalimantan (PT Agra Jaya Bakti, PT Batu Mas Sejahtera and PT Sawit Makmur Sejahtera) LUCA, HCS and HCV Assessments are being conducted by the consultancy firms Aksenta and Ata Marie;
- At Sintang, West Kalimantan (PT Sumbar Hasil Prima and PT Sinar Sawit Andalan) Aksenta began LUCA, HCS and HCV assessments.

2.1 Assessments at Ketapang (PT Agrajaya Baktitama, PT Batu Mas Sejahtera and PT Sawit Makmur Sejahtera)

HCV assessments were conducted at the sites of PT Batu Mas Sejahtera (BMS) and PT Sawit Makmur Sejahtera (SMS) over the period July 10th-20th 2017. The assessments were carried by a team from Aksenta subsequent to HCV assessment of PT Agrajaya Baktitama (AJB) that took place from June 11th-22th 2017.



HCV field assessment in PT MBS and PT SMS.

Focus Group Discussions were held in villages near to PT BMS and SMS area in order to identify areas of high cultural / social value. Customary elders from 18 villages were invited to discuss HCV 5 and 6 locations.



Focus Group Discussions with villagers at PT BMS and PT SMS.

Two public consultations on the results of HCV Assessments of the three companies in Ketapang (PT AJB, PT BMS and PT SMS) were held on August 9th 2017 in Ketapang and on August 11th 2017 in Pontianak. These presentations were made to communicate the location of HCV areas and to highlight the importance of community involvement in HCV conservation.





Public consultations on the HCV assessments of PT AJB, PT MBS and PT SMS in Ketapang (left) and Pontianak (right).

While LUCA report is prepared for individual company, the HCV Assessment for Ketapang will be reported in an integrated report to include the three companies, i.e., PT AJB, PT BMS and PT SMS.

2.2 Assessments at Sintang (PT Sumber Harapan Prima and PT Sinar Sawit Andalan)

A team from Aksenta conducted LUCA and scoping studies of High Carbon Stock (HCS) assessments and HCV assessments at Sintang, West Kalimantan (PT Sumbar Harapan Prima (SHP) and Sinar Sawit Andalan (SSA) from August 5th-16th 2017. The team held a opening meeting on August 5th 2017 in Serawai, Sintang, at which the agenda and workplan for the studies were agreed.



Induction meeting on scoping study on LUCA, HCS and HCV assessment in PT SHP and PT SSA, Sintang.

A series of meetings were held in local villages, including:

- Discussion with customary leaders/elders in Tumenggung (Serawai Village) to discuss the existence of HCV areas of cultural / social importance (HCV 5 and 6)
- Meeting with leader of Dayak Melayu Tribe in Serawai sub-district on August 6th 2017
- Meeting with Head of Tanjung Raya Village on August 7th 2017



Series of meetings with key stakeholders in Sintang.



2.3 Assessments at Nabire (PT Nabire Baru and PT Sariwana Adi Perkasa)

The Landuse Change Analysis (LUCA) reports for the sites of PT Nabire Baru (NB) and PT Sariwana Adi Perkasa (SAP) were completed at the end of July and submitted to the RSPO Secretariat in line with the due date set by the RSPO Complaints Panel.

A presentation on the outcome of High Carbon Stock (HCS) assessment, HCV re-assessment, LUCA and legal review at the site of NB and SAP was held on 8th August 2017 at Grand Kemang Jakarta. This event was attended by representatives from: LINKS, Aidenvironment, Yayasan Pusaka, Apical, Ekologika, Ata Marie, Aksenta, Eko Nusantara and the Yerisiam Gua community. Mr. Alex Thorpe, from Ata Marie, led the presentation of the results of environmental assessments. This was continued by Mr Tri Setyadi of Ekologika. A presentation of legal review findings was delivered by Aidenvironment (see section 3).



Public consultation on various assessments and compliance review of PT Nabire Baru and PT Sariwana Adi Prakasa.

3. Review of the Legal Compliance of PT Nabire Baru

Aidenvironment has been conducting a legal review investigating issues relating to the environmental permits issued to PT Nabire Baru. Results of the review were delivered at the meeting on 8th August 2017 at Grand Kemang Jakarta. The presentation focused on the compliance gap in PT. Nabire Baru AMDAL (Environmental Impact Assessment) and the issuing of the Environmental License. Pending issues were discussed and Goodhope has agreed to follow up these issues with the relevant authorities in Aidenvironment presence.

From August 10th to August 15th, 2017, Mr. Ivan Ageung from Aidenvironment attended series of meetings with relevant officers to discuss non-compliance in the permit procedure. Meetings were held with the Nabire Environmental Agency (BLH) on 11th August 2017 and then with the Environmental Agency (BLH Propinsi Papua) in Jayapura on 14th August 2017. The authorities verified the processes that had been undertaken regarding the AMDAL/EIA process of PT. Nabire Baru and agreed to cooperate in providing answers accounting for the decisions made.

4. Yerisiam Gua Community Grievance Settlement Procedures

On July 18th 2017, Yayasan Pusaka facilitated a community meeting to discuss relevant subjects pertaining to the settlement of grievances for the Yerisiam Gua Community in Nabire. The meeting was attended by representatives from the Yerisiam Gua community, PT Nabire Baru and the Conflict Resolution Unit (CRU) of ICSBD. Two subjects were raised and discussed:

1. Community support of the construction on a mill at PT Nabire Baru;
2. The process of grievance settlement via the RSPO Dispute Settlement Facility (DSF).



Discussion on mill construction at PT Nabire Baru during a Yerisiam community meeting in the Sima Village.

During the meeting, representatives of the Yerisiam Gua community expressed their support for the development of a mill under specific terms that were later defined and agreed upon by the community. At a later meeting held on July 30th 2017, members of the community affirmed their understanding and agreement of the terms by signing a Statement of Support for the construction of a mill. The terms of agreement are as follows:

1. The endorsement of mill construction will not abort the ongoing Dispute Settlement Facility (DSF) process: The conflict resolution process between PT. Nabire Baru and Yerisiam Gua community must continue.
2. During the ongoing DSF process and throughout proposed mill construction, PT Nabire Baru is prohibited to commence any land expansion and land clearing related activities on Yerisiam Gua community customary land.
3. PT Nabire Baru shall deliver and maintain Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) activities and actively consult openly with the Yerisiam Gua community in Sima Village to implement the CSR programs.
4. Any future developments of a mill that exceeds the size of that currently agreed will need to be discussed and approved by the Yerisiam Gua community.
5. An appropriate waste management system must be put in place such that harmful waste does not enter the river or other important environments.
6. These terms will be fully obligated by PT Nabire Baru when this statement is issued and authorized by the parties.
7. This endorsement will be void if the above-mentioned terms are not complied with.

The process of dispute settlement was discussed further on July 19th 2017 at a community meeting facilitated by Yayasan Pusaka and the RSPO-endorsed Conflict Resolution Unit (CRU) of ICSBD. Procedures for mediating the settlement of grievances under the RSPO Dispute Settlement Facility (DSF) were discussed.



Meeting on mediation procedures with the local community of Yerisiam Gua in Kampung Sima.

At the meeting, a schedule relating to mediation procedures was agreed as follows:

- July 24th-August 24th 2017: Announcement of applications for assessor



- August 25th-September 7th 2017: Review of applicants; shortlist 3 candidates
- September 8th 2017: Submission of shortlisted candidates to concerned parties
- September 11th-15th 2017: Meeting with leaders to discuss about the candidates
- September 15th 2017: Decision on the selected assessor
- September 18th-30th 2017: Stakeholder meeting to agree upon the workplans

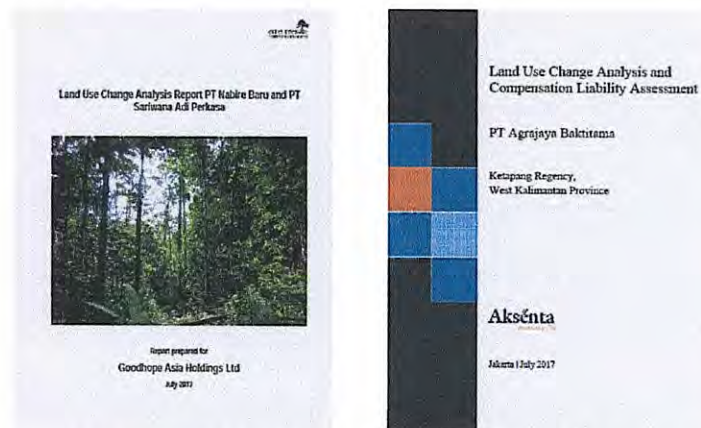
A community awareness workshop was held by the CRU on August 11th 2017. This workshop was attended by more than 30 participants from the local community of Yerisiam and company representatives. The key facilitator was Prof Larry Fisher, Senior Advisor CRU of the IBCSD who presented on the topic of dispute settlement through equal, transparent and participatory processes.



Community workshop on dispute settlement facilitated by CRU in Kampung Sima, Nabire.

5. Submission of Landuse Change Analysis Reports

Goodhope submitted Landuse Change Analysis (LUCA) reports of PT Nabire Baru (NB) and PT Sariwana Adi Perkasa (SAP) - Papua; and PT Agrajaya Baktitama (AJB) -Ketapang Regency. The reports were submitted to the RSPO Secretariat at the end of July 2017 in line with the due date set by the RSPO Complaints Panel.



LUCA report of PT NB and PT SAP (left), and PT AJB (right).

6. Upcoming Activities

In collaboration with reputable independent parties (including Ata-Marie, Aksenta and Ekologika) Goodhope will:

- Facilitate a Second Public Consultation on HCS and HCV assessment results at the sites of PT Nabire Baru and PT Sariwana Adi Perkasa;
- Conduct HCS and HCV field assessments at the sites of PT Sumber Hasil Prima and PT Sinar Sawit Andalan in Sintang, including public consultation in Serawai and Sintang;



- Submit of LUCA reports of PT Batu Mas Sejahtera and PT Sawit Makmur Sejahtera, Ketapang;
- Finalize an integrated HCV report of Ketapang covering PT Agrajaya Baktitama, PT Batu Mas Sejahtera and PT Sawit Makmur Sejahtera;
- Conduct HCS assessment of PT Agrajaya Baktitama, PT Batu Mas Sejahtera and PT Sawit Makmur Sejahtera in Ketapang;
- Select the assessor to mediate dispute settlement agreements involving PT Nabire Baru and the Yerisiam Gua community.

Thank you,
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