

ART Board Meeting Minutes

June 15, 2026

ART Board members: L. Ruiz, J. Verdieck, F. Seymour, P. Umunay, R. Fosuah Adjei, C. Voigt

ART Secretariat: C. Magerkurth, M. Weisse, L. Madrid

Absent: B. Bumpers, C. Nobre, P. Dolma Sherpa

ART Board members held a virtual meeting on June 15, 2026. Topics discussed included: the link between emission reductions and removals, safeguards, and any final comments on TREES 3.0 and associated documents.

1. Introductions

INFORMATION

The Chair welcomed the Board and the Secretariat and previewed the meeting's agenda. The Secretariat provided an overview of the topics for the upcoming Board meetings.

2. Link Between Emission Reductions and Removals

INFORMATION

The Secretariat recounted the discussion the Board had during its June 12 meeting and provided additional quantitative examples and new proposed text as requested in the previous meeting.

DISCUSSION

- The Board discussed whether the proposed text sufficiently addressed concerns about Participants deforesting in order to immediately reforest and claim removals and about Participants crediting even with a net increase in emissions.

DECISIONS AND ACTION ITEMS

Decision: The Board voted unanimously to approve the proposed text for inclusion in TREES 3.0.

Action Item: The Secretariat will draft a paragraph for the Statement of Reasons on this topic.

3. Safeguards

INFORMATION

The Secretariat summarized the comments received on the safeguards, the proposed changes related to rights to emission reductions and removals, benefits sharing, and FPIC, and the involvement of the IPLC Advisory Group.

DISCUSSION

- The Board discussed whether proposed changes would be too restrictive for Participants.
- The Board asked the extent to which Local Community groups had been consulted as part of the process
- The Board asked about the implications of the proposed changes to benefits sharing on current Participants.
- The Board asked clarifying questions around the requirements on FPIC. The Board suggested minor changes to more clearly explain the requirements.

DECISIONS AND ACTION ITEMS

Action Item: The Secretariat will make a minor change to the FPIC text and circulate it to the Board.

4. Questions/ Comments on TREES 3.0 Redline

INFORMATION

The Secretariat asked for any pending comments on the TREES 3.0 documents.

DISCUSSION

- The Board suggested changes to the Statement of Reasons document

DECISIONS AND ACTION ITEMS

Action Item: The Secretariat will make the proposed changes to the Statement of Reasons and circulate the most recent versions of all TREES 3.0 documents later in the day.

5. Closing and Next Steps

INFORMATION

The Chair thanked the Secretariat and the meeting was adjourned.