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The BWS0002 methodology is part of the BioCarbon Water Standard and establishes the technical framework for the quantification of volumetric water benefits generated through rainwater harvesting systems, including water collection, storage, and use for domestic and productive purposes.

A draft version of the methodology was released for public consultation with the objective of gathering feedback from stakeholders, improving the clarity and technical robustness of the document, and ensuring its applicability across diverse territorial contexts.

Comments were received from Fundación Pronorte, In addition, the methodology was reviewed internally to ensure consistency, transparency, and alignment with the principles of the BioCarbon Water Standard.

No substantive methodological changes were introduced as a result of the consultation process. The methodology remains as originally proposed in the consultation version.

This document presents a summary of the comments received during the consultation process, along with the corresponding responses.

BioCarbon Cert appreciates the time and contributions of all stakeholders who participated in this process.

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## ANNEX A. Methodological Document Public Consultation

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1	Objectives, p. 7	<p>Fundación ProNorte is a non-profit organization based in the province of Salta, Argentina, working to strengthen sustainable territorial development in the northern region of the country, with a particular focus on rural and Indigenous communities.</p> <p>We understand that the methodological development of Verified Water Credits (VWCs) is intended, among other potential uses, to facilitate the participation of private actors interested in supporting</p>	<p>BioCarbon thanks Fundación ProNorte for this valuable comment and for highlighting the relevance of establishing a technical framework for Verified Water Credits (VWCs).</p> <p>The observation is fully aligned with the objective of this methodology. BWS0002 is designed to provide a robust, transparent, and verifiable framework for quantifying volumetric water benefits,</p>

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		<p>interventions that contribute to water security and to the reduction of water-related risks in the territories where they operate or on which they depend. In this regard, we consider this proposal of developing a methodology as a first step toward the structuring of water credits. We believe that the existence of a technical framework to quantify, monitor, and verify volumetric water benefits can help establish the basis for voluntary financing mechanisms aimed both at water risk management and at channeling resources toward solutions with verifiable territorial impact.</p>	<p>which can support the development of voluntary mechanisms aimed at:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ improving water security,</li> <li>▪ managing water-related risks, and</li> <li>▪ channeling resources toward interventions with measurable territorial impact.</li> </ul> <p>While this methodology does not define the market structure or financial mechanisms for water credits, it establishes the technical foundation necessary for their credible development, ensuring that any resulting claims are based on measurable, auditable, and comparable outcomes.</p> <p>BioCarbon appreciates the recognition of this approach as a first step toward enabling water crediting frameworks and</p>

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			strengthening water stewardship efforts across different regions and contexts.  No change to the methodology is required.