



Land Use, Land-Use Change and Forestry:

Canada's views and experience

In-session workshop

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Canada's key LULUCF goals

- Enhance the effectiveness of means within the LULUCF sector to achieve mitigation objectives by:
 1. Improving the incentive structure for sustainable land management.
 2. More accurately reflecting what happens to LULUCF carbon.
 3. Ensuring that rules focus on anthropogenic emissions and removals.



Improve incentive structure

- TO DO: Improve the incentive structure for sustainable land management created by the current rules.
- WHY: A more holistic treatment of agriculture and forestry improves our ability to implement integrated domestic policies that enhance sinks and reduce emissions.
- HOW: Base accounting on the 2006 IPCC Guidelines (AFOLU) and reassess the rules for forest management.



Improve tracking of LULUCF carbon

- TO DO: Improve the effectiveness of rules by more accurately reflecting what happens to LULUCF carbon.
- WHY: The current approach for harvested wood products is not accurate. There is no incentive to explore policies that affect the production, storage and disposal of carbon in harvested wood products.
- HOW: The 2006 IPCC Guidelines provide methodological guidance for harvested wood products under alternative approaches.



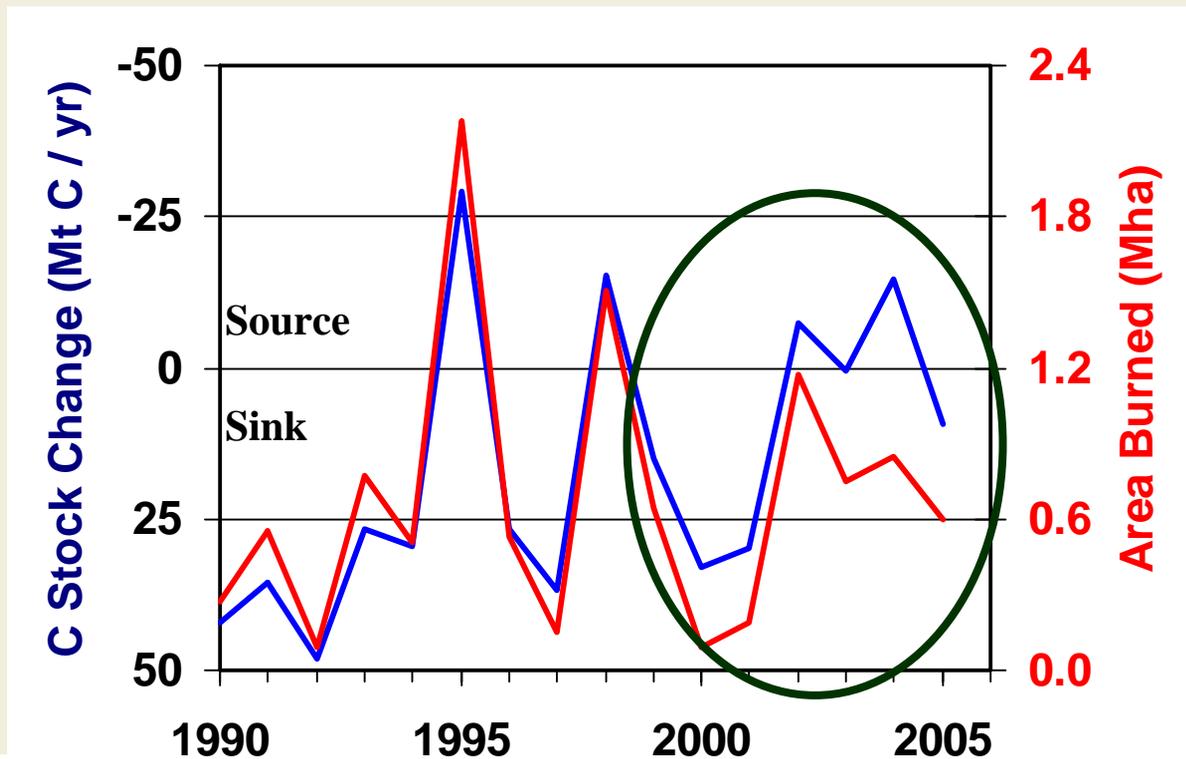
Focus on anthropogenic E/Rs

- TO DO: Ensure that the rules focus on anthropogenic emissions and removals.
- WHY: The impact of natural disturbances can outweigh the impact of anthropogenic activities. Article 3.4 does not focus only on anthropogenic emissions and removals, thereby restricting incentives for enhancing mitigation through forest management.
- HOW: Examine methodological solutions based on experience with the Kyoto Protocol structure.



Canada's experience

- Natural disturbances (fire and insect) have a major influence on the managed forest.





Process forward

- At KP-AWG 5.2 (June 2008, Bonn):
 - Begin in-depth methodological discussion by a LULUCF sub-group
 - In-session workshop/roundtable presentations on methodological aspects and potential options to continue to address the issues identified here.
 - Rules need to be understood by all Parties in the new agreement - further consideration likely needed by AWG-LCA and/or COP SBSTA



Canada's key LULUCF goals

1. Improve the incentive structure for sustainable land management that will reinforce development of appropriate domestic incentives to enhance mitigation through LULUCF.
2. More accurately reflect what happens to LULUCF carbon in order to create incentives for mitigation, e.g. through management of harvested wood products.
3. Ensure that rules focus on anthropogenic emissions and removals in order to realize the mitigation potential of LULUCF.