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Requirement (s)	FSC-STD-AUS-01-2018. Indicators 10.1.1 and 10.1.2
Publication date	To be filled in by P&P
Emergency Request	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
ASI Finding	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
<i>If yes, then please provide ASI position or statement on the interpretation.</i>	
Background information	A question has arisen over the applicability of indicator 10.1.1. and 10.1.2 in the case where an existing plantation composed of native species may be replaced with a non-native species.
<p>Do Indicators 10.1.1 and 10.1.2 of the FSC National Forest Stewardship Standard of Australia allow a harvested plantation area composed of a native species to be re-established with an exotic species following harvest?</p> <p>No, Indicators 10.1.1 and 10.1.2 of FSC-STD-AUS-01-2018 do not allow the use of an exotic species when re-establishing a harvested plantation area composed of a native species, except where:</p> <p>1) The Organisation can demonstrate that the pre-harvest condition (i.e., diversity, composition, and structure) of the harvested plantation area can be reasonably expected to re-establish in a similar manner over the course of the new rotation.</p> <p>Verifiers:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) Documentation of the pre-harvest condition (i.e., diversity, composition, and structure) of the plantation area. b) Best available information, for example publications and professional advice, supporting the reasonable expectation that the pre-harvest condition will be achieved. <p>AND/OR</p> <p>2) The Organisation can demonstrate that the harvested native species is not ecologically well adapted to the site, or to the conditions expected at the site over the next rotation period.</p> <p>Verifiers:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) Evidence demonstrating that the native species being replaced: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> I. Is growing outside of its natural range and dispersal potential; II. Is unacceptably susceptible to drought conditions at the localised site; III. Is unacceptably vulnerable to water logging; IV. Is unlikely to adapt to climate change; AND/OR V. Is unlikely to grow well on the localised site due to soil type, pest and diseases, or elevation. b) Evidence demonstrating that the native species being replaced: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> I. Meets one of the circumstances under 2) a) above, AND II. Is unlikely to achieve growth rates that meet management objectives; AND/OR III. Is unlikely to achieve acceptable yields. 	