

## The Carbon Footprint of a Large Forest Owner: A Case Study for Rayonier Inc.

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## **COMPANY SNAPSHOT**









### FOCUS ON PLANTED CONIFER MANAGEMENT



US South Southern Pine





#### IN ALL THREE REGIONS WHERE WE OPERATE, APPROXIMATELY 1/3 OF OUR LANDBASE IS NON-PLANTATION





## FORESTRY

### REAL ESTATE

## LAND RESOURCES



## **COMMITTED TO SUSTAINABLE FORESTRY**

Meet the needs of the current generation for forest products and ecosystem services from the forest without impairing the ability of future generations to meet their needs.



#### SUSTAINABLE FORESTRY

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**Financial** 

Environmental, Social & Governance (ESG)

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### CLIMATE CHANGE CAUSED BY RISING GREENHOUSE GAS CONCENTRATIONS



Rising greenhouse gas concentrations caused by fossil fuel combustion lead to increased atmosphere temperatures.

Source: Global Monitoring Laboratory (<u>https://gml.noaa.gov/ccgg/trends/</u>) IPCC Sixth Assessment Report 2021 (<u>https://www.ipcc.ch/report/ar6/wg1/downloads/report/IPCC\_AR6\_WGI\_SPM.pdf</u>)



## WELL MANAGED WORKING FORESTS PROVIDE A NATURAL CLIMATE SOLUTION

## LONG-TERM CARBON SEQUESTRATION & CARBON OFFSETS



## **Rayonier Carbon Footprint**



## **RAYONIER CARBON REPORTS (2019 ONWARD)**

- Carbon stored, sequestered, removed during harvest, stored in products in use and emissions in U.S. and N.Z.
  - Life Cycle Analysis including carbon in forests and carbon stored in wood products in use
  - Estimate of carbon as CO<sub>2</sub> equivalents (metric tons) in U.S. and N.Z. forests were determined
  - Carbon stored in trees, understory, coarse woody debris, forest floor, and mineral soil
  - Carbon sequestered in trees, understory, coarse woody debris, forest floor and mineral soil
  - Scope 1, 2 and 3 emissions
  - Carbon removed in harvested timber
  - Carbon stored in wood products in use in domestic and export markets from our harvested timber



## **RAYONIER CARBON REPORT**

#### Open and transparent process

- Used Rayonier data for 12/31/2020 reported in 10K that is publicly available
- Clearly described methods and calculations
- Used data and methods developed and published by governmental agencies or in peer reviewed journals
  - N.Z. Ministry for Primary Industries (Carbon Yield Tables for NZ ETS),
  - U.S. Forest Service (GTR 343),
  - U.S. EPA (Inventory of U.S. Greenhouse Gas Emissions and Sinks)
  - Manley and Evison, 2017. Quantifying the carbon in harvested wood products from longs exported from New Zealand.
- Welcome dialog and discussion on the role of working forests as natural climate solutions



## **RAYONIER CARBON REPORT**

- Carbon is a Financial Disclosure
  - Information released to the public to provide investors and analysts information that could influence an investors decision to buy a companies stock or bonds
- Growing sentiment to create a uniform and consistent set of globally accepted ESG and sustainability standards that are similar to financial standards for disclosures
  - SEC has announced plans to mandate ESG disclosures, including climate change and carbon related disclosures with mandatory disclosure rules



## **RAYONIER CARBON REPORT**

- Currently Reviewing and Pilot Testing GHG Accounting Guidance for the Land Sector Developed by WRI and WBCSD.
  - Can we develop a standardized system of GHG accounting that is similar to GAAP Financial Accounting that produces a standardized approach to GHG that is fair, clear, and workable for all organizations?



Land Sector and Removals Guidance Part 1: Accounting and Reporting Requirements and Guidance

Supplement to the GHG Protocol Corporate Standard and Scope 3 Standard

DRAFT FOR PILOT TESTING AND REVIEW (SEPTEMBER 2022)





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### **RAYONIER CARBON REPORT PUBLISHED ANNUALLY**

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#### **Carbon reports available at www.rayonier.com/sustainability**





## **757 MILLION TONS OF CARBON STORED**

In Rayonier forests at year-end 2020

#### Carbon stored in Rayonier forests is equal to the annual emissions of 158 million people. Forest 406 MILLION 352 MM (U.S.) | 54 MM (N.Z.) metric tons CO<sub>2</sub> equivalents Soil 158 MILLION 351 MILLION 299 MM (U.S.) | 52 MM (N.Z.) metric tons CO<sub>2</sub> equivalents

Source: The World Bank reports that the global annual per capita carbon emissions are 4.8 metric tonnes.



## **14.5 MILLION TONS OF CARBON SEQUESTERED**

#### by Rayonier forests during 2020



Carbon sequestered by Rayonier forests during 2020 was equal to removing 3.1 million cars from the road.





## **EMISSIONS ASSOCIATED WITH OUR BUSINESS**

During our operations in 2020



Scope 1 emissions are direct emissions from owned or controlled sources.

Scope 2 emissions are indirect emissions from the generation of purchased energy.

Scope 3 emissions are all indirect emissions (not included in scope 2) that occur in the value chain, including both upstream and downstream emissions.





## **9.2 MILLION TONS TRANSFERRED THROUGH HARVEST** During our operations in 2020

Harvest transfer

9.2 MILLION

7.6 MM (U.S.) | 1.6 MM (N.Z.) metric tons  $CO_2$  equivalents



#### **RAYONIER CARBON DATA SUMMARY**

	2019	2020	2021
Landbase Included (acres)	2,495,000	2,617,000	2,719,000
Total Ecosystem C (metric tonnes)	731,720,931	756,758,556	766,786,879
Net C Sequestration after Harvest Removals (metric tonnes/year)	14,905,916	14,528,018	14,675,169
Corp and Mgt Emissions (metric tonnes/year)	343,837	380,234	347,809
Harvest Removals of C (metric tonnes)	8,821,676	9,204,070	8,932,697



## **CARBON STORED IN WOOD PRODUCTS IN USE**

#### Million metric tons CO<sub>2</sub> equivalents





### CARBON STORED IN PRODUCTS IN MULTIPLE ROTATIONS

Million metric tons CO<sub>2</sub> equivalents



Using 25-year rotations for pine in US south and NZ, 50-year rotations for southern hardwoods and western conifers





#### Carbon in Stored in Rayonier Southern Forests and Harvested Wood Products over 100 Years Following Harvests and Replanting in 2021

(Comparing Intensive Management with Multiple Future Harvests vs Non-Intensive Management with No Future Harvests)



Years in the Future Following Harvest in 2021

Assumes 25 year rotations for Loblolly and Slash Pine in the South



## **SUMMARY AND CONCLUSIONS (1/2)**

- Rayonier forests stored more than 750 million metric tons of CO<sub>2</sub> equivalents in 2020. This is the net results of 100 years of sustainable forest management.
- Rayonier forests sequestered 14.5 million metric tons of  $CO_2$  equivalents in 2020. This offsets the annual emissions of approximately 910,000 people in the U.S. or is equivalent to taking 3.1 million vehicles off the road.
- Rayonier emissions from all business sectors totaled 380,000 metric tons of CO<sub>2</sub> equivalents in 2020. This is substantially less than the carbon sequestered in our forests demonstrating that Rayonier has net-negative emissions.
- Rayonier removed 9.2 million metric tons of  $CO_2$  equivalents in harvested timber in 2020.



## SUMMARY AND CONCLUSIONS (2/2)

- Carbon continues to be stored in forest products made from our trees for many decades and this carbon continues to accumulate through multiple rotations. After 100 years, over 12 million metric tons of CO<sub>2</sub> equivalents will remain in wood products in use from the trees harvested from our forests in 2020.
- More carbon is stored in forests and the wood products in use over multiple cycles of harvest, replanting, and regrowth than in forests without future harvest.

Rayonier Carbon report available @ www.rayonier.com/sustainability





## TAKE HOME POINTS ON CARBON REPORTING

- Credibility is key....USFS/FIA
- Transparency....Users must be able to understand and duplicate what we present
- Open.... Rely on published data (GTR 343). Avoid use of proprietary data including our internal G&Y models and our individual shape files
- Consistency....Large year-to year variations are problematic
- Comprehensive....Total ecosystem carbon including soil
- Annual Sequestration... Critical in a world focused on Net Zero by 2050
- Multiple Rotations....Long term management over decades to centuries
- HWP....Important part of the life cycle analysis that is critical to the role of managed forests as natural climate solutions



## Questions?

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