

<b>PROTERRA STANDARD: SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY AND ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY</b>	<b>Follow up contact:</b> <a href="mailto:Augusto.freire@proterrafoundation.org">Augusto.freire@proterrafoundation.org</a> <b>*** Other valuable native vegetation'</b> : for the purposes of this piece of work we have looked for evidence that the standard extends landscape protection beyond forests to other native vegetation such as grasslands that may be found in the Cerrado. This is in line with the goal of the UK Roundtable on Sustainable Soya; it remains our intention to work with RT partners globally towards an aligned definition of protected 'native vegetation'.	
<b>Questions</b>	<b>Yes No Partial</b>	<b>Detail</b>
Does the standard require legal compliance?	Yes	ProTerra Standard Social Responsibility and Environmental Sustainability December 28 <sup>th</sup> , 2014 Version 3.0 Principle 1: 1.1 "Comply with all applicable national and local laws, regulations, and applicable international conventions"
Does the standard prohibit legal deforestation?	Yes	ProTerra Standard Social Responsibility and Environmental Sustainability December 28 <sup>th</sup> , 2014 Version 3.0 Principle 4 – Environmental services, effective environmental management plan, 4.1 Land conversion 4.1.1 CORE – "For certification under this Standard, areas of native vegetation and other high conservation value areas cannot have been cleared or converted into agricultural areas, or used for industrial or other commercial purposes, after 2004, in particular the following: a) Primary Forests (for instance, rainforests) b) Riparian Vegetation c) Wetlands d) Swamps e) Floodplains f) Steep slopes g) Other high conservation value areas as defined by the HCVA Network"
Does the standard prohibit legal conversion of other valuable native vegetation? **	Yes	ProTerra Standard Social Responsibility and Environmental Sustainability December 28 <sup>th</sup> , 2014 Version 3.0 Principle 4 – Environmental services, effective environmental management plan, 4.1 Land conversion  4.1.1 CORE – "For certification under this Standard, areas of native vegetation and other high conservation value areas cannot have been cleared or converted into agricultural areas, or used for industrial or other commercial purposes, after 2004, in particular the following: a) Primary Forests (for instance, rainforests) b) Riparian Vegetation c) Wetlands d) Swamps e) Floodplains f) Steep slopes g) Other high conservation value areas as defined by the HCVA Network.  Guidance: An example of a prohibited industrial use of resources would be cutting timber for commercial use or use as fuel for drying grain. This indicator states the requirement regarding land conversion of native vegetation and HCVAs. The cut-off date can be adjusted for specific regions and can be modified to include compensatory measures for certain limited periods. However, the fundamental principle of the ProTerra Standard is that conversion of native vegetation and HCVAs is not allowed".
Does the standard have a cut-off date after which conversion of forest and natural habitat will not be allowed?	2004	'For certification under this Standard, areas of native vegetation and other high conservation value areas cannot have been cleared or converted into agricultural areas, or used for industrial or other commercial purposes, after 2004'  (Reference: ProTerra Standard Social Responsibility and Environmental Sustainability December 28 <sup>th</sup> , 2014 Version 3.0 Principle 4 – Environmental services, effective environmental management plan, 4.1 Land conversion)
Is compliance to the standard independently verified?	Yes	FoodChain ID Certification (Cert ID) serve as the exclusive certification body for the ProTerra Standard.
When was the Standard last updated?	2018	<a href="http://www.proterrafoundation.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/02/ProTerra_Standard_V3.0_EN.pdf">http://www.proterrafoundation.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/02/ProTerra_Standard_V3.0_EN.pdf</a>  Note: Version 4 planned for publication in October 2018 to be effective in 2019
Is the full up to date standard available in the public domain?	Yes	<a href="http://www.proterrafoundation.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/02/ProTerra_Standard_V3.0_EN.pdf">http://www.proterrafoundation.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/02/ProTerra_Standard_V3.0_EN.pdf</a>
Does the Standard meet the Guideline criteria of the FEFAC Soy Sourcing Guidelines?	Yes	<a href="http://www.standardsmap.org/fefac/">http://www.standardsmap.org/fefac/</a>