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### Box C.4. Annual decrease in Carbon stocks due to Wood removals in land remaining in the same land-use category.

Sheet Land Gain-Loss method in the MRV tool; column  $\Delta C$  Living Biomass.

#### Sheet Supporting calculations

This example uses BEF and Wood density (D), instead of BCEF used in Box C.3.

Harvest volume – whole tree ( $\text{m}^3 \text{yr}^{-1}$ ) =  $500 \text{ m}^3 \text{yr}^{-1}$  harvest. There is not fuelwood exploitation of tree parts, i.e.  $\text{FG}_{\text{part}} = 0$ .

$$\text{BEF}_R = 3.1 \text{ m}^3 \text{t}^{-1}$$

Bark fraction = 0.13 (default)

Wood density =  $0.354 \text{ t m}^{-3}$  (*Pinus patula* Du Toit B. et al. (2016))

R = 0.28 (Du Toit B. et al. 2016)

CF = 0.47 (IPCC 2006)

Then,  $L_{\text{wood-removed}} = 500 \text{ m}^3 \times 3.1 \times (1 + 0.13) \times 0.354 \text{ t m}^{-3} \times (1 + 0.28) \times 0.47 = 373.01 \text{ t C}$

In the MRV tool, the Factor for conversion to C biomass loss  $3.1 \times (1 + 0.13) \times 0.354 \text{ t m}^{-3} \times (1 + 0.28) \times 0.47 = 0.75$  (can be calculated in **Sheet Supporting calculations**); and the total Living Biomass LOSS (ABG+BGB, t C) is calculated in **Sheet Land Gain-Loss Method** as:

Living Biomass LOSS (ABG+BGB, t C) =  $500 \text{ m}^3 \text{yr}^{-1} \times 0.75 = 373.01 \text{ t C}$

Continuing with the example forest from previous boxes: Therefore, the annual change in carbon stocks in biomass in the 10 ha is:

$$\Delta C_B = \Delta G_G - \Delta G_L = 141.14 - 373.01 = -231.9 \text{ t C}$$