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2025 CDP Corporate Questionnaire 2025

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C1. Introduction

(1.1) In which language are you submitting your response?

Select from:

☑ English

(1.2) Select the currency used for all financial information disclosed throughout your response.

Select from:

☑ CAD

(1.3) Provide an overview and introduction to your organization.

(1.3.2) Organization type

Select from:

☑ Publicly traded organization

(1.3.3) Description of organization

Founded in 1964, Cascades offers sustainable, innovative and value-added packaging, hygiene and recovery solutions. The company employs approximately 9,600 women and men across a network of 66 operating facilities, including 17 Recovery and Recycling facilities which are part of Corporate Activities and joint ventures managed by the Corporation, in North America. Driven by its participative management, half a century of experience in recycling, and continuous research and development efforts, Cascades continues to provide innovative products that customers have come to rely on, while contributing to the well-being of people, communities and the entire planet. Cascades' shares trade on the Toronto Stock Exchange under the ticker symbol CAS. The present CDP disclosure only pertains to Cascades Inc.'s consolidated activities in North America, under the Cascades Canada ULC corporation, and excludes the joint ventures. Cascades is an integrated company, both upstream and downstream, and offers its customers a full range of converted products, as well as on-site pick-up of recyclable materials. It is therefore an active participant in creating a circular economy for various types of materials. Production plants are the major energy-consuming entities at Cascades and are also the main producers of greenhouse gases (both scope 1 and 2). Processing plants, offices and transportation activities produce a minimal amount of GHGs in comparison. Within the production plants, the biggest energy consumers are the paper machines (more than 90% of the total energy consumed). The types of energy consumed by Cascades' North American plants are natural gas, electricity, steam, oil, and biomass (wood residues). Cascades' GHG emissions in the supply chain are also an important contributor to the company's total GHG emissions (scope 3). Its purchases of goods and services (category 1) is the largest contributor in this scope, with purchases of virgin materials (wood pulp, fiber, and paper) being the category with the most emissions. Cascades has chosen to contribute to global

efforts to fight climate change by aligning its targets for reducing scopes 1, 2 and 3 GHG emissions based on a global warming scenario well below 2°C (ETP B2DS scenario). We therefore developed 3 targets on GHG emissions reduction using the Science Based Target initiative (SBTi) approach. Those targets have been reviewed and approved by the SBTi.
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(1.4) State the end date of the year for which you are reporting data. For emissions data, indicate whether you will be providing emissions data for past reporting years.

	End date of reporting year	Alignment of this reporting period with your financial reporting period	Indicate if you are providing emissions data for past reporting years
	12/31/2024	*Select from:* ☑ Yes	*Select from:* ☑ No

[Fixed row]

(1.4.1) What is your organization's annual revenue for the reporting period?

4701000000

(1.5) Provide details on your reporting boundary.

	Is your reporting boundary for your CDP disclosure the same as that used in your financial statements?
	Select from: ☑ Yes

[Fixed row]

(1.6) Does your organization have an ISIN code or another unique identifier (e.g., Ticker, CUSIP, etc.)?

ISIN code - bond

(1.6.1) Does your organization use this unique identifier?

Select from:

☑ No

ISIN code - equity

(1.6.1) Does your organization use this unique identifier?

Select from:

☑ No

CUSIP number

(1.6.1) Does your organization use this unique identifier?

Select from:

☑ No

Ticker symbol

(1.6.1) Does your organization use this unique identifier?

Select from:

☑ Yes

(1.6.2) Provide your unique identifier

TSX: CAS

SEDOL code

(1.6.1) Does your organization use this unique identifier?

Select from:
☑ No

LEI number

(1.6.1) Does your organization use this unique identifier?

Select from:
☑ No

D-U-N-S number

(1.6.1) Does your organization use this unique identifier?

Select from:
☑ No

Other unique identifier

(1.6.1) Does your organization use this unique identifier?

Select from:
☑ No
[Add row]

(1.7) Select the countries/areas in which you operate.

Select all that apply
☑ Canada

☑ United States of America

(1.8) Are you able to provide geolocation data for your facilities?

	Are you able to provide geolocation data for your facilities?	Comment
	Select from: ☑ Yes, for all facilities	*All facilities are mentionned on our website with their location: https://www.cascades.com/en/about-us/our-company/cascades-worldwide*

[Fixed row]

(1.8.1) Please provide all available geolocation data for your facilities.

Row 1

(1.8.1.1) Identifier

Cascades ULC (Head office)

(1.8.1.2) Latitude

45.858634

(1.8.1.3) Longitude

-72.074231

(1.8.1.4) Comment

Kingsey Falls, Qc. Canada

Row 2

(1.8.1.1) Identifier

Containerboard Packaging (Head office)

(1.8.1.2) Latitude

45.529727

(1.8.1.3) Longitude

-73.36987

(1.8.1.4) Comment

Saint-Bruno-de-Montarville, Qc. Canada

Row 3

(1.8.1.1) Identifier

Tissue sector (administrative office)

(1.8.1.2) Latitude

45.399792

(1.8.1.3) Longitude

-73.524096

(1.8.1.4) Comment

Candiac, QC, Canada

Row 4

(1.8.1.1) Identifier

Recovery+ Brandford

(1.8.1.2) Latitude

43.15909

(1.8.1.3) Longitude

-80.214254

(1.8.1.4) Comment

Brandford, On, Canada

Row 5

(1.8.1.1) Identifier

Recovery+ Kelowna

(1.8.1.2) Latitude

49.916783

(1.8.1.3) Longitude

-119.398154

(1.8.1.4) Comment

Kelowna, BC, Canada

Row 6

(1.8.1.1) Identifier

Recovery+ Prince George

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53.862573

(1.8.1.3) Longitude

-122.745645

(1.8.1.4) Comment

Prince George, BC, Canada

Row 7

(1.8.1.1) Identifier

Recovery+ Vancouver

(1.8.1.2) Latitude

49.207791

(1.8.1.3) Longitude

-123.10285

(1.8.1.4) Comment

Vancouver, BC, Canada

Row 8

(1.8.1.1) Identifier

Recovery+ Calgary

(1.8.1.2) Latitude

50.962277

(1.8.1.3) Longitude

-113.968907

(1.8.1.4) Comment

Calgary, AB, Canada

Row 9

(1.8.1.1) Identifier

Recovery+ Nanaimo

(1.8.1.2) Latitude

49.143771

(1.8.1.3) Longitude

-123.881074

(1.8.1.4) Comment

Nanaimo, BC, Canada

Row 10

(1.8.1.1) Identifier

Recovery+ Putnam

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42.980745

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-80.971603

(1.8.1.4) Comment

Putnam, ON, Canada

Row 11

(1.8.1.1) Identifier

Recovery+ Victoria

(1.8.1.2) Latitude

48.438419

(1.8.1.3) Longitude

-123.373543

(1.8.1.4) Comment

Victoria, BC, Canada

Row 12

(1.8.1.1) Identifier

Recovery+ Edmonton

(1.8.1.2) Latitude

53.521169

(1.8.1.3) Longitude

-113.374819

(1.8.1.4) Comment

Edmonton, AB, Canada

Row 13

(1.8.1.1) Identifier

Recovery+ Ottawa (plant 1)

(1.8.1.2) Latitude

45.397698

(1.8.1.3) Longitude

-75.600626

(1.8.1.4) Comment

Ottawa, ON, Canada

Row 14

(1.8.1.1) Identifier

Recovery+ Scarborough

(1.8.1.2) Latitude

43.807968

(1.8.1.3) Longitude

-79.194908

(1.8.1.4) Comment

Scarborough, ON, Canada

Row 15

(1.8.1.1) Identifier

Recovery+ Winnipeg

(1.8.1.2) Latitude

49.928606

(1.8.1.3) Longitude

-97.222148

(1.8.1.4) Comment

Winnipeg, MB, Canada

Row 16

(1.8.1.1) Identifier

Recovery+ Etobicoke

(1.8.1.2) Latitude

43.627514

(1.8.1.3) Longitude

-79.542809

(1.8.1.4) Comment

Etobicoke, ON, Canada

Row 17

(1.8.1.1) Identifier

Recovery+ Ottawa (plant 2)

(1.8.1.2) Latitude

45.409213

(1.8.1.3) Longitude

-75.607716

(1.8.1.4) Comment

Ottawa, ON, Canada

Row 18

(1.8.1.1) Identifier

Recovery+ Surrey

(1.8.1.2) Latitude

49.19299

(1.8.1.3) Longitude

-122.882148

(1.8.1.4) Comment

Surrey, BC, Canada

Row 19

(1.8.1.1) Identifier

Recovery+ Buffalo

(1.8.1.2) Latitude

42.910894

(1.8.1.3) Longitude

-78.70004

(1.8.1.4) Comment

Buffalo, NY, US

Row 20

(1.8.1.1) Identifier

Recovery+ Rochester

(1.8.1.2) Latitude

43.173505

(1.8.1.3) Longitude

-77.680258

(1.8.1.4) Comment

Rochester, NY, US

Row 21

(1.8.1.1) Identifier

Sonoco - Berthierville

(1.8.1.2) Latitude

46.088679

(1.8.1.3) Longitude

-73.180776

(1.8.1.4) Comment

Berthierville, QC, Canada

Row 22

(1.8.1.1) Identifier

Container packaging - Drummondville

(1.8.1.2) Latitude

45.886445

(1.8.1.3) Longitude

-72.51622

(1.8.1.4) Comment

Drummondville, QC, Canada

Row 23

(1.8.1.1) Identifier

Container packaging - Kingsey Falls

(1.8.1.2) Latitude

45.85865

(1.8.1.3) Longitude

-72.075966

(1.8.1.4) Comment

Kingsey Falls, QC, Canada

Row 24

(1.8.1.1) Identifier

Plastique Cascades

(1.8.1.2) Latitude

45.862257

(1.8.1.3) Longitude

-72.069426

(1.8.1.4) Comment

Kingsey Falls, QC, Canada

Row 25

(1.8.1.1) Identifier

Containerboard Packaging - Art and Die

(1.8.1.2) Latitude

43.703066

(1.8.1.3) Longitude

-79.457773

(1.8.1.4) Comment

North York, ON, Canada

Row 26

(1.8.1.1) Identifier

Containerboard Packaging - Scarborough

(1.8.1.2) Latitude

43.813236

(1.8.1.3) Longitude

-79.242688

(1.8.1.4) Comment

Toronto, ON, Canada

Row 27

(1.8.1.1) Identifier

Containerboard Packaging - Vaughan

(1.8.1.2) Latitude

43.80606

(1.8.1.3) Longitude

-79.519537

(1.8.1.4) Comment

Vaughan, ON Canada

Row 28

(1.8.1.1) Identifier

Enviropac - Berthierville

(1.8.1.2) Latitude

46.086916

(1.8.1.3) Longitude

-73.177524

(1.8.1.4) Comment

Berthierville, QC, Canada

Row 29

(1.8.1.1) Identifier

Inopak

(1.8.1.2) Latitude

45.845925

(1.8.1.3) Longitude

-72.45006

(1.8.1.4) Comment

Drummondville, QC, Canada

Row 30

(1.8.1.1) Identifier

Socono - Kingsey Falls

(1.8.1.2) Latitude

45.862777

(1.8.1.3) Longitude

-72.068823

(1.8.1.4) Comment

Kingsey Falls, QC, Canada

Row 31

(1.8.1.1) Identifier

Flexible Packaging

(1.8.1.2) Latitude

43.609039

(1.8.1.3) Longitude

-79.759422

(1.8.1.4) Comment

Mississauga, ON, Canada

Row 32

(1.8.1.1) Identifier

Containerboard Packaging - Rexdale

(1.8.1.2) Latitude

43.739736

(1.8.1.3) Longitude

-79.619983

(1.8.1.4) Comment

Etobicoke, ON, Canada

Row 33

(1.8.1.1) Identifier

Containerboard Packaging - Lithotech

(1.8.1.2) Latitude

43.817097

(1.8.1.3) Longitude

-79.224438

(1.8.1.4) Comment

Scarborough, ON, Canada

Row 34

(1.8.1.1) Identifier

Containerboard Packaging - Victoriaville

(1.8.1.2) Latitude

46.079599

(1.8.1.3) Longitude

-71.95141

(1.8.1.4) Comment

Victoriaville, QC, Canada

Row 35

(1.8.1.1) Identifier

Containerboard Packaging - Cabano

(1.8.1.2) Latitude

47.682742

(1.8.1.3) Longitude

-68.882333

(1.8.1.4) Comment

Témiscouata-sur-le-Lac, QC, Canada

Row 36

(1.8.1.1) Identifier

Multi-Pro

(1.8.1.2) Latitude

45.886065

(1.8.1.3) Longitude

-72.513687

(1.8.1.4) Comment

Drummondville, QC, Canada

Row 37

(1.8.1.1) Identifier

Forma-Pak

(1.8.1.2) Latitude

45.858703

(1.8.1.3) Longitude

-72.074151

(1.8.1.4) Comment

Kingsey Falls, QC, Canada

Row 38

(1.8.1.1) Identifier

Containerboard Packaging - Mississauga

(1.8.1.2) Latitude

43.694939

(1.8.1.3) Longitude

-79.676824

(1.8.1.4) Comment

MIssissauga, ON, Canada

Row 39

(1.8.1.1) Identifier

Containerboard Packaging - Richmond

(1.8.1.2) Latitude

49.188656

(1.8.1.3) Longitude

-123.072803

(1.8.1.4) Comment

Richmond, BC, Canada

Row 40

(1.8.1.1) Identifier

Containerboard Packaging - St. Marys

(1.8.1.2) Latitude

43.251821

(1.8.1.3) Longitude

-81.135515

(1.8.1.4) Comment

St. Marys, ON, Canada

Row 41

(1.8.1.1) Identifier

Containerboard Packaging - Winnipeg

(1.8.1.2) Latitude

49.887839

(1.8.1.3) Longitude

-97.183165

(1.8.1.4) Comment

Winnipeg, MB, Canada

Row 42

(1.8.1.1) Identifier

Containerboard Packaging - Calgary

(1.8.1.2) Latitude

51.018338

(1.8.1.3) Longitude

-113.871893

(1.8.1.4) Comment

Calgary, AB, Canada

Row 43

(1.8.1.1) Identifier

Containerboard Packaging - Guelph

(1.8.1.2) Latitude

43.494021

(1.8.1.3) Longitude

-80.209856

(1.8.1.4) Comment

Guelph, ON, Canada

Row 44

(1.8.1.1) Identifier

Papier Kingsey Falls

(1.8.1.2) Latitude

45.859664

(1.8.1.3) Longitude

-72.073005

(1.8.1.4) Comment

Kingsey Falls, QC, Canada

Row 45

(1.8.1.1) Identifier

Containerboard Packaging - Viau

(1.8.1.2) Latitude

45.563604

(1.8.1.3) Longitude

-73.547862

(1.8.1.4) Comment

Montreal, QC, Canada

Row 46

(1.8.1.1) Identifier

Enviropac - Saint-Césaire

(1.8.1.2) Latitude

45.412045

(1.8.1.3) Longitude

-73.012248

(1.8.1.4) Comment

Saint-Césaire, QC, Canada

Row 47

(1.8.1.1) Identifier

Containerboard Packaging - Vaudreuil

(1.8.1.2) Latitude

45.397267

(1.8.1.3) Longitude

-74.043688

(1.8.1.4) Comment

Vaudreuil-Dorion, QC, Canada

Row 48

(1.8.1.1) Identifier

Containerboard Packaging - Bear Island

(1.8.1.2) Latitude

37.813107

(1.8.1.3) Longitude

-77.438897

(1.8.1.4) Comment

Ashland, VA, US

Row 49

(1.8.1.1) Identifier

Containerboard Packaging - Niagara Falls

(1.8.1.2) Latitude

43.091471

(1.8.1.3) Longitude

-79.013541

(1.8.1.4) Comment

NIagara Falls, NY, US

Row 50

(1.8.1.1) Identifier

COntainerboard Packaging - Schenectady

(1.8.1.2) Latitude

42.875135

(1.8.1.3) Longitude

-73.939159

(1.8.1.4) Comment

Schenectady, NY, US

Row 51

(1.8.1.1) Identifier

Sonoco - Birmingham

(1.8.1.2) Latitude

33.625158

(1.8.1.3) Longitude

-86.740987

(1.8.1.4) Comment

Birmingham, AL, US

Row 52

(1.8.1.1) Identifier

Greenpac Mill, LLC

(1.8.1.2) Latitude

43.087026

(1.8.1.3) Longitude

-79.01422

(1.8.1.4) Comment

Niagara Falls, NY, US

Row 53

(1.8.1.1) Identifier

Socono - Tacoma

(1.8.1.2) Latitude

47.171097

(1.8.1.3) Longitude

-122.494942

(1.8.1.4) Comment

Tacoma, WA, US

Row 54

(1.8.1.1) Identifier

Moulded Pulp - Iowa

(1.8.1.2) Latitude

42.472902

(1.8.1.3) Longitude

-93.850436

(1.8.1.4) Comment

Webster City, IA, US

Row 55

(1.8.1.1) Identifier

Containerboard Packaging - Piscataway

(1.8.1.2) Latitude

40.559724

(1.8.1.3) Longitude

-74.450341

(1.8.1.4) Comment

Piscataway, NJ, US

Row 56

(1.8.1.1) Identifier

Cascades Plastics

(1.8.1.2) Latitude

38.808774

(1.8.1.3) Longitude

-91.118618

(1.8.1.4) Comment

Truesdale, MO, US

Row 57

(1.8.1.1) Identifier

Containerboard Packaging - Lancaster

(1.8.1.2) Latitude

42.929006

(1.8.1.3) Longitude

-78.601948

(1.8.1.4) Comment

Lancaster, NY, US

Row 58

(1.8.1.1) Identifier

Moulded Pulp - Rockingham

(1.8.1.2) Latitude

34.9336

(1.8.1.3) Longitude

-79.7666

(1.8.1.4) Comment

Richmond, Caroline du Nord, US

Row 59

(1.8.1.1) Identifier

Enviropac - York

(1.8.1.2) Latitude

39.965377

(1.8.1.3) Longitude

-76.536632

(1.8.1.4) Comment

York, Pennsylvania, US

Row 60

(1.8.1.1) Identifier

Tissue Group - Candiac

(1.8.1.2) Latitude

45.400117

(1.8.1.3) Longitude

-73.523508

(1.8.1.4) Comment

Candiac, QC, Canada

Row 61

(1.8.1.1) Identifier

Tissue Group - Granby

(1.8.1.2) Latitude

45.381297

(1.8.1.3) Longitude

-72.764962

(1.8.1.4) Comment

Granby, QC, Canada

Row 62

(1.8.1.1) Identifier

Tissue Group - Kingsey Falls

(1.8.1.2) Latitude

45.865404

(1.8.1.3) Longitude

-72.065828

(1.8.1.4) Comment

Kinsey Falls, QC, Canada

Row 63

(1.8.1.1) Identifier

Tissue Group - Lachute

(1.8.1.2) Latitude

45.651587

(1.8.1.3) Longitude

-74.34765

(1.8.1.4) Comment

Lachute, QC, Canada

Row 64

(1.8.1.1) Identifier

Tissue Group - IFC Disposables

(1.8.1.2) Latitude

35.60239

(1.8.1.3) Longitude

-89.259875

(1.8.1.4) Comment

Bronsville, TN, US

Row 65

(1.8.1.1) Identifier

Tissue Group - Rockingham

(1.8.1.2) Latitude

35.150516

(1.8.1.3) Longitude

-79.406422

(1.8.1.4) Comment

Aberdeen, Caroline du Nord, US

Row 66

(1.8.1.1) Identifier

Tissue Group - Wisconsin

(1.8.1.2) Latitude

44.829023

(1.8.1.3) Longitude

-91.508831

(1.8.1.4) Comment

Eau Claire, WI, US

Row 67

(1.8.1.1) Identifier

Tissue Group - Wagram

(1.8.1.2) Latitude

34.873989

(1.8.1.3) Longitude

-79.383178

(1.8.1.4) Comment

Spring Hill, Caroline du Nord, US

Row 68

(1.8.1.1) Identifier

Tissue Group - Mechanicville

(1.8.1.2) Latitude

42.88694

(1.8.1.3) Longitude

-73.686454

(1.8.1.4) Comment

City of Mechanicville, NY, US

Row 69

(1.8.1.1) Identifier

Tissue Group – Oklahoma (Pryor)

(1.8.1.2) Latitude

35.608455

(1.8.1.3) Longitude

-97.614759

(1.8.1.4) Comment

Oklahoma City, OK, US
[Add row]

(1.11) Are greenhouse gas emissions and/or water-related impacts from the production, processing/manufacturing, distribution activities or the consumption of your products relevant to your current CDP disclosure?

Production

(1.11.1) Relevance of emissions and/or water-related impacts

Select from:
☑ Value chain (including own land)

Processing/ Manufacturing

(1.11.1) Relevance of emissions and/or water-related impacts

Select from:
☑ Both direct operations and upstream/downstream value chain

Distribution

(1.11.1) Relevance of emissions and/or water-related impacts

Select from:
☑ Both direct operations and upstream/downstream value chain

Consumption

(1.11.1) Relevance of emissions and/or water-related impacts

Select from:
☑ Yes
[Fixed row]

(1.22) Provide details on the commodities that you produce and/or source.

Timber products

(1.22.1) Produced and/or sourced

Select from:

☑ Produced and sourced

(1.22.2) Commodity value chain stage

Select all that apply

☑ Manufacturing

(1.22.4) Indicate if you are providing the total commodity volume that is produced and/or sourced

Select from:

☑ No, other reason, please specify :Exclude the supply of sheets for our specialty plants in the packaging sector

(1.22.11) Form of commodity

Select all that apply

☑ Paper

☑ Pulp

☑ Sawn timber, veneer, chips

☑ Unprocessed wood fiber

(1.22.12) % of procurement spend

Select from:

☑ 41-50%

(1.22.13) % of revenue dependent on commodity

Select from:

☑ 91-99%

(1.22.14) In the questionnaire setup did you indicate that you are disclosing on this commodity?

Select from:

☑ Yes, disclosing

(1.22.15) Is this commodity considered significant to your business in terms of revenue?

Select from:

☑ Yes

(1.22.19) Please explain

Cascades offers sustainable, innovative and value-added solutions for packaging, hygiene and recovery needs made from recycled or virgin fibres, so this commodity is considered significant for our business. Cascades is committed to collecting quality data that provides a complete picture of its fibre and paper supply. This data does not include the supply of sheets for our specialty plants in the packaging sector, as we do not have sufficiently specific data to integrate them. However, these volumes are marginal compared to the total fibre and paper supplies at all of our facilities. We are actively continuing our efforts to improve the collection of this information and to be able to provide, in our future reports, an even more complete and accurate picture of our procurement.
[Fixed row]

(1.23) Which of the following agricultural commodities that your organization produces and/or sources are the most significant to your business by revenue?

Cotton

(1.23.1) Produced and/or sourced

Select from:

☑ No

Dairy & egg products

(1.23.1) Produced and/or sourced

Select from:

☑ No

Fish and seafood from aquaculture

(1.23.1) Produced and/or sourced

Select from:
☑ No

Fruit

(1.23.1) Produced and/or sourced

Select from:
☑ No

Maize/corn

(1.23.1) Produced and/or sourced

Select from:
☑ No

Nuts

(1.23.1) Produced and/or sourced

Select from:
☑ No

Other grain (e.g., barley, oats)

(1.23.1) Produced and/or sourced

Select from:
☑ No

Other oilseeds (e.g. rapeseed oil)

(1.23.1) Produced and/or sourced

Select from:
☑ No

Poultry & hog

(1.23.1) Produced and/or sourced

Select from:
☑ No

Rice

(1.23.1) Produced and/or sourced

Select from:
☑ No

Sugar

(1.23.1) Produced and/or sourced

Select from:
☑ No

Tea

(1.23.1) Produced and/or sourced

Select from:
☑ No

Tobacco

(1.23.1) Produced and/or sourced

Select from:
☑ No

Vegetable

(1.23.1) Produced and/or sourced

Select from:
☑ No

Wheat

(1.23.1) Produced and/or sourced

Select from:
☑ No

Other commodity

(1.23.1) Produced and/or sourced

Select from:
☑ No
[Fixed row]

(1.24) Has your organization mapped its value chain?

(1.24.1) Value chain mapped

Select from:

☑ Yes, we have mapped or are currently in the process of mapping our value chain

(1.24.2) Value chain stages covered in mapping

Select all that apply

☑ Upstream value chain

☑ Downstream value chain

(1.24.3) Highest supplier tier mapped

Select from:

☑ Tier 1 suppliers

(1.24.4) Highest supplier tier known but not mapped

Select from:

☑ Tier 2 suppliers

(1.24.6) Smallholder inclusion in mapping

Select from:

☑ Smallholders relevant and included

(1.24.7) Description of mapping process and coverage

Through Scope 3 measurement and FSC Chain of Custody certification, Cascades has a portrait of a significant portion of its supply chain. Cascades is able to identify the biggest contributors to Scope 3 emissions on a spend-based categorization level.
[Fixed row]

(1.24.1) Have you mapped where in your direct operations or elsewhere in your value chain plastics are produced, commercialized, used, and/or disposed of?

(1.24.1.1) Plastics mapping

Select from:

☑ Yes, we have mapped or are currently in the process of mapping plastics in our value chain

(1.24.1.2) Value chain stages covered in mapping

Select all that apply

☑ Direct operations

☑ Upstream value chain

☑ End-of-life management

(1.24.1.4) End-of-life management pathways mapped

Select all that apply

☑ Recycling

☑ Landfill

[Fixed row]

(1.24.2) Which commodities has your organization mapped in your upstream value chain (i.e., supply chain)?

Timber products

(1.24.2.1) Value chain mapped for this sourced commodity

Select from:

☑ Yes

(1.24.2.2) Highest supplier tier mapped for this sourced commodity

Select from:

☑ Tier 1 suppliers

(1.24.2.3) % of tier 1 suppliers mapped

Select from:

☑ 100%

(1.24.2.7) Highest supplier tier known but not mapped for this sourced commodity

Select from:

☑ Tier 2 suppliers

[Fixed row]

C2. Identification, assessment, and management of dependencies, impacts, risks, and opportunities

(2.1) How does your organization define short-, medium-, and long-term time horizons in relation to the identification, assessment, and management of your environmental dependencies, impacts, risks, and opportunities?

Short-term

(2.1.1) From (years)

0

(2.1.3) To (years)

2

(2.1.4) How this time horizon is linked to strategic and/or financial planning

Our time horizons are not linked to strategic and/or financial planning.

Medium-term

(2.1.1) From (years)

3

(2.1.3) To (years)

5

(2.1.4) How this time horizon is linked to strategic and/or financial planning

Our time horizons are not linked to strategic and/or financial planning.

Long-term

(2.1.1) From (years)

6

(2.1.2) Is your long-term time horizon open ended?

Select from:
☑ No

(2.1.3) To (years)

10

(2.1.4) How this time horizon is linked to strategic and/or financial planning

Our time horizons are not linked to strategic and/or financial planning.
[Fixed row]

(2.2) Does your organization have a process for identifying, assessing, and managing environmental dependencies and/or impacts?

(2.2.1) Process in place

Select from:
☑ Yes

(2.2.2) Dependencies and/or impacts evaluated in this process

Select from:
☑ Impacts only

(2.2.4) Primary reason for not evaluating dependencies and/or impacts

Select from:
☑ No standardized procedure

(2.2.5) Explain why you do not evaluate dependencies and/or impacts and describe any plans to do so in the future

Cascades has not yet implemented a clear procedure for identifying, assessing, and managing environmental dependencies, but plans to work on this in the coming years, through TNFD and TCFD framework. However, Cascades has identified and qualitatively assessed the level of significance of the environmental impacts of its activities through consultation with stakeholders and strategic thinking. Cascades will work to quantitatively assess its impacts in order to develop its next sustainability plan and manage the resulting externalities.
[Fixed row]

(2.2.1) Does your organization have a process for identifying, assessing, and managing environmental risks and/or opportunities?

	Process in place	Risks and/or opportunities evaluated in this process	Is this process informed by the dependencies and/or impacts process?
	Select from: ☑ Yes	*Select from:* ☑ Both risks and opportunities	*Select from:* ☑ Yes

[Fixed row]

(2.2.2) Provide details of your organization's process for identifying, assessing, and managing environmental dependencies, impacts, risks, and/or opportunities.

Row 1

(2.2.2.1) Environmental issue

Select all that apply
☑ Climate change

☑ Water

(2.2.2.2) Indicate which of dependencies, impacts, risks, and opportunities are covered by the process for this environmental issue

Select all that apply

☑ Impacts

☑ Risks

☑ Opportunities

(2.2.2.3) Value chain stages covered

Select all that apply

☑ Direct operations

☑ Upstream value chain

☑ Downstream value chain

☑ End of life management

(2.2.2.4) Coverage

Select from:

☑ Full

(2.2.2.5) Supplier tiers covered

Select all that apply

☑ Tier 1 suppliers

(2.2.2.7) Type of assessment

Select from:

☑ Qualitative and quantitative

(2.2.2.8) Frequency of assessment

Select from:

☑ Annually

(2.2.2.9) Time horizons covered

Select all that apply

☑ Short-term

☑ Medium-term

☑ Long-term

(2.2.2.10) Integration of risk management process

Select from:

☑ Integrated into multi-disciplinary organization-wide risk management process

(2.2.2.11) Location-specificity used

Select all that apply

☑ Site-specific

☑ National

(2.2.2.12) Tools and methods used

Commercially/publicly available tools

☑ EcoVadis

☑ WRI Aqueduct

Enterprise Risk Management

☑ COSO Enterprise Risk Management Framework

☑ Enterprise Risk Management

International methodologies and standards

☑ Life Cycle Assessment

Other

☑ Materiality assessment

☑ Partner and stakeholder consultation/analysis

☑ Scenario analysis

(2.2.2.13) Risk types and criteria considered

Acute physical

☑ Drought

☑ Tornado

☑ Wildfires

☑ Heat waves

☑ Cold wave/frost

☑ Cyclones, hurricanes, typhoons

☑ Heavy precipitation (rain, hail, snow/ice)

☑ Flood (coastal, fluvial, pluvial, ground water)

☑ Storm (including blizzards, dust, and sandstorms)

Chronic physical

☑ Changing precipitation patterns and types (rain, hail, snow/ice)

☑ Changing temperature (air, freshwater, marine water)

☑ Increased severity of extreme weather events

☑ Sea level rise

☑ Water stress

Policy

☑ Carbon pricing mechanisms

☑ Changes to national legislation

☑ Increased pricing of water

Market

☑ Availability and/or increased cost of certified sustainable material

☑ Availability and/or increased cost of raw materials

☑ Changing customer behavior

Reputation
☑ Impact on human health
☑ Increased partner and stakeholder concern and partner and stakeholder negative feedback
☑ Negative press coverage related to support of projects or activities with negative impacts on the environment (e.g. GHG emissions, deforestation & conversion, water stress)
☑ Stigmatization of sector

Technology
☑ Dependency on water-intensive energy sources
☑ Transition to lower emissions technology and products
☑ Transition to water efficient and low water intensity technologies and products
☑ Transition to water intensive, low carbon energy sources
☑ Unsuccessful investment in new technologies

Liability
☑ Exposure to litigation
☑ Non-compliance with regulations

(2.2.2.14) Partners and stakeholders considered

Select all that apply

☑ NGOs
☑ Customers
☑ Employees
☑ Investors
☑ Suppliers
☑ Regulators
☑ Local communities
☑ Indigenous peoples

(2.2.2.15) Has this process changed since the previous reporting year?

Select from:

☑ Yes

(2.2.2.16) Further details of process

Climate-related risks are integreted in the company's Entreprise Risk Management (ERM) process. The environmental risks are currently assessed by Cascades' ERM process through the reputation risks linked to internal inadequate environemental practices and the risk of the ability to follow stakeholders (governments, customers, etc.) expectations. This includes greenhouse gas emissions, water, energy and fiber consumption, as well as internal or business partner harmful practices. Cascades' Environment Team monitors these two categories of environemental risk and reports to the company's Board through the Health and Safety, Environment and Sustainable Development (HSESD) committee of the Board. Other climate-related risk categories are assessed on a regular basis by our internal Environment, Sustainability, Communications, Innovation and Marketing teams, as important matters or changes arise. Cascades has worked with an external and independent consulting firm to perform a climate-related risk assessment supported by scenario analysis. This climate-related scenario analysis according to IPCC SSP5-8.5 and IPCC SSP2-4.5 methodologies was performed on 11 key operation sites in North America, including highly strategic assets. Another scenario analysis was performed to assess transition risks that Cascades is facing according to the IEA SDS scenario. The committee involved for this exercise consisted of Cascades' CFO, CSO, VP Environment, VP Finances, VP Taxation, Director of Investors relations, Director of corporate treasury, Director of sustainability, Director of internal audit, Assistant corporate secretary and sustainability and climate change experts. This assessment is to be renewed at least once a year or when needed. We plan to extend the coverage each year. We evaluated 4 sites the first year, 10 the second, 11 in the third and this number will continue to grow. In 2025, we performed a double materiality assessment with our internal and external stakeholders. We have been able to identify and assessed environmental impacts, risks and opportunities (IRO). We plan to manage those IROs within our next sustainability plan for the 2026-2030 period.
[Add row]

(2.2.7) Are the interconnections between environmental dependencies, impacts, risks and/or opportunities assessed?

(2.2.7.1) Interconnections between environmental dependencies, impacts, risks and/or opportunities assessed

Select from:
☑ No

(2.2.7.3) Primary reason for not assessing interconnections between environmental dependencies, impacts, risks and/or opportunities

Select from:
☑ No standardized procedure

(2.2.7.4) Explain why you do not assess the interconnections between environmental dependencies, impacts, risks and/or opportunities

Cascades is still in the process of standardizing procedures relating to all its non-financial data. The Corporation plans to assess interconnections between environmental dependencies, impacts, risks and/or opportunities within the next years.
[Fixed row]

(2.3) Have you identified priority locations across your value chain?

(2.3.1) Identification of priority locations

Select from:

☑ Yes, we are currently in the process of identifying priority locations

(2.3.2) Value chain stages where priority locations have been identified

Select all that apply

☑ Direct operations

☑ Upstream value chain

☑ Downstream value chain

(2.3.3) Types of priority locations identified

Sensitive locations

☑ Areas important for biodiversity

☑ Areas of high ecosystem integrity

Locations with substantive dependencies, impacts, risks, and/or opportunities

☑ Locations with substantive dependencies, impacts, risks, and/or opportunities relating to forests

☑ Locations with substantive dependencies, impacts, risks, and/or opportunities relating to water

☑ Locations with substantive dependencies, impacts, risks, and/or opportunities relating to biodiversity

(2.3.4) Description of process to identify priority locations

Cascades will start doing a TNFD assessment in the next months to be able to better identify priority locations across its value chain, and its operations. This exercise will guide our reporting but also our strategic planning around these topics.

(2.3.5) Will you be disclosing a list/spatial map of priority locations?

Select from:

☑ No, we do not have a list/geospatial map of priority locations

[Fixed row]

(2.4) How does your organization define substantive effects on your organization?

	Type of definition	Metrics considered in definition	Application of definition
Risks	*Select all that apply* ☑ Qualitative	*Select all that apply* ☑ Frequency of effect occurring ☑ Time horizon over which the effect occurs ☑ Likelihood of effect occurring	*Definition under review. Quantitative aspects to be included.*
Opportunities	*Select all that apply* ☑ Qualitative	*Select all that apply* ☑ Frequency of effect occurring ☑ Time horizon over which the effect occurs ☑ Likelihood of effect occurring	*Definition under review. Quantitative aspects to be included.*

[Add row]

(2.5) Does your organization identify and classify potential water pollutants associated with its activities that could have a detrimental impact on water ecosystems or human health?

	Identification and classification of potential water pollutants	How potential water pollutants are identified and classified
	Select from: ☑ Yes, we identify and classify our potential water pollutants	*Cascades sites undergo analysis done by an accredited third-party laboratory.*

[Fixed row]

(2.5.1) Describe how your organization minimizes the adverse impacts of potential water pollutants on water ecosystems or human health associated with your activities.

Row 1

(2.5.1.1) Water pollutant category

Select from:

☑ Inorganic pollutants

(2.5.1.2) Description of water pollutant and potential impacts

metals (Pb, Se, Ba, Hg, Cd, Cu, etc)

(2.5.1.3) Value chain stage

Select all that apply

☑ Upstream value chain

(2.5.1.4) Actions and procedures to minimize adverse impacts

Select all that apply

☑ Discharge treatment using sector-specific processes to ensure compliance with regulatory requirements

(2.5.1.5) Please explain

Metals are present in trace amounts into raw materials, chemical and others. Cascades evaluates metals in wastewater and sludge to ensure there are no deviations from normal levels.

Row 2

(2.5.1.1) Water pollutant category

Select from:

☑ Oil

(2.5.1.2) Description of water pollutant and potential impacts

Oil and grease parameter

(2.5.1.3) Value chain stage

Select all that apply

☑ Direct operations

☑ Upstream value chain

(2.5.1.4) Actions and procedures to minimize adverse impacts

Select all that apply

☑ Assessment of critical infrastructure and storage condition (leakages, spillages, pipe erosion etc.) and their resilience

☑ Industrial and chemical accidents prevention, preparedness, and response

☑ Provision of best practice instructions on product use

☑ Discharge treatment using sector-specific processes to ensure compliance with regulatory requirements

(2.5.1.5) Please explain

Prevention of spills in Cascades' sites and maintenance procedures are in place to avoid oil and grease in water.

Row 3

(2.5.1.1) Water pollutant category

Select from:

☑ Nitrates

(2.5.1.2) Description of water pollutant and potential impacts

Kjeldal nitrogen, ammonia, nitrites

(2.5.1.3) Value chain stage

Select all that apply

☑ Direct operations

(2.5.1.4) Actions and procedures to minimize adverse impacts

Select all that apply

☑ Water recycling

☑ Discharge treatment using sector-specific processes to ensure compliance with regulatory requirements

(2.5.1.5) Please explain

Procedures are in place to ensure nutrient quantity is sufficient for wastewater treatment.

Row 4

(2.5.1.1) Water pollutant category

Select from:

☑ Phosphates

(2.5.1.2) Description of water pollutant and potential impacts

phosphorus

(2.5.1.3) Value chain stage

Select all that apply

☑ Direct operations

(2.5.1.4) Actions and procedures to minimize adverse impacts

Select all that apply

☑ Water recycling

☑ Discharge treatment using sector-specific processes to ensure compliance with regulatory requirements

(2.5.1.5) Please explain

Procedures are in place to ensure nutrient quantity is sufficient for wastewater treatment.

Row 5

(2.5.1.1) Water pollutant category

Select from:

☑ Other nutrients and oxygen demanding pollutants

(2.5.1.2) Description of water pollutant and potential impacts

Biological oxygen demand (BOD) Chemical Oxygen demand (COD)

(2.5.1.3) Value chain stage

Select all that apply

☑ Direct operations

(2.5.1.4) Actions and procedures to minimize adverse impacts

Select all that apply

☑ Water recycling

☑ Discharge treatment using sector-specific processes to ensure compliance with regulatory requirements

(2.5.1.5) Please explain

Wastewater treatments are used to reduce BOD and COD and analysis is done by a third-party.

Row 6

(2.5.1.1) Water pollutant category

Select from:

☑ Other physical pollutants

(2.5.1.2) Description of water pollutant and potential impacts

Total Suspended Solids (TSS)

(2.5.1.3) Value chain stage

Select all that apply

☑ Direct operations

(2.5.1.4) Actions and procedures to minimize adverse impacts

Select all that apply

☑ Water recycling

☑ Discharge treatment using sector-specific processes to ensure compliance with regulatory requirements

(2.5.1.5) Please explain

Wastewater treatments are used to reduce pollutants and analysis is done by a third-party.
[Add row]

C3. Disclosure of risks and opportunities

(3.1) Have you identified any environmental risks which have had a substantive effect on your organization in the reporting year, or are anticipated to have a substantive effect on your organization in the future?

Climate change

(3.1.1) Environmental risks identified

Select from:

☑ Yes, both in direct operations and upstream/downstream value chain

Forests

(3.1.1) Environmental risks identified

Select from:

☑ Yes, only in our upstream/downstream value chain

(3.1.2) Primary reason why your organization does not consider itself to have environmental risks in your direct operations and/or upstream/downstream value chain

Select from:

☑ Evaluation in progress

(3.1.3) Please explain

Cascades is in the process of evaluating its risks related to forests for its operations, along with a more in-depth evaluation of its value chain. If additional risks are identified, this disclosure will be adapted accordingly.

Water

(3.1.1) Environmental risks identified

Select from:

☑ Yes, only within our direct operations

(3.1.2) Primary reason why your organization does not consider itself to have environmental risks in your direct operations and/or upstream/downstream value chain

Select from:

☑ Evaluation in progress

(3.1.3) Please explain

Cascades will proceed to do its TNFD assessment in the next months. This evaluation will inform the organization whether any water-related risks are present in its value chain.

Plastics

(3.1.1) Environmental risks identified

Select from:

☑ No

(3.1.2) Primary reason why your organization does not consider itself to have environmental risks in your direct operations and/or upstream/downstream value chain

Select from:

☑ Evaluation in progress

(3.1.3) Please explain

Cascades doesn't currently perceive substantive environmental risks related to plastics used in its direct operations or value chain. Additional information about the results of this evaluation will be shared in the future, if relevant.
[Fixed row]

(3.1.1) Provide details of the environmental risks identified which have had a substantive effect on your organization in the reporting year, or are anticipated to have a substantive effect on your organization in the future.

Climate change

(3.1.1.1) Risk identifier

Select from:

☑ Risk3

(3.1.1.3) Risk types and primary environmental risk driver

Policy

☑ Carbon pricing mechanisms

(3.1.1.4) Value chain stage where the risk occurs

Select from:

☑ Direct operations

(3.1.1.6) Country/area where the risk occurs

Select all that apply

☑ Canada

☑ United States of America

(3.1.1.9) Organization-specific description of risk

With operations in jurisdictions covered by carbon pricing schemes such as Québec (Canada), Cascades is facing some transition risks in its direct operations, with the potential increase of costs per tonne of CO2 eq. emitted by facilities targeted as large emitters.

(3.1.1.11) Primary financial effect of the risk

Select from:

☑ Increased direct costs

(3.1.1.12) Time horizon over which the risk is anticipated to have a substantive effect on the organization

Select all that apply

☑ Long-term

(3.1.1.13) Likelihood of the risk having an effect within the anticipated time horizon

Select from:

☑ More likely than not

(3.1.1.14) Magnitude

Select from:

☑ High

(3.1.1.16) Anticipated effect of the risk on the financial position, financial performance and cash flows of the organization in the selected future time horizons

Costs associated with carbon pricing

(3.1.1.17) Are you able to quantify the financial effect of the risk?

Select from:

☑ No

(3.1.1.26) Primary response to risk

Compliance, monitoring and targets

☑ Establish organization-wide targets

(3.1.1.27) Cost of response to risk

0

(3.1.1.28) Explanation of cost calculation

We do not currently disclose this information as our company is refining the estimate.

(3.1.1.29) Description of response

The assessment of emerging regulations is covered by Cascades Enterprise Risk Management (ERM) process explained above. Climate-specific regulations' in-depth monitoring and their impact on Cascades' operations and costs is performed internally by our Environment Team.

Forests

(3.1.1.1) Risk identifier

Select from:

☑ Risk4

(3.1.1.2) Commodity

Select all that apply

☑ Timber products

(3.1.1.3) Risk types and primary environmental risk driver

Market

☑ Lack of availability and/or increased cost of recycled or renewable content

(3.1.1.4) Value chain stage where the risk occurs

Select from:

☑ Upstream value chain

(3.1.1.6) Country/area where the risk occurs

Select all that apply

☑ Canada

☑ United States of America

(3.1.1.9) Organization-specific description of risk

Cascades prioritizes the use of recycled fibers and pulp to manufacture its products. However, fluctuations in the supply of recycled content may occur. Cascades has mechanisms in place to secure its procurement and limit risks or disruptions that could impact its operations.

(3.1.1.11) Primary financial effect of the risk

Select from:

☑ Disruption in upstream value chain

(3.1.1.12) Time horizon over which the risk is anticipated to have a substantive effect on the organization

Select all that apply

☑ Short-term

(3.1.1.13) Likelihood of the risk having an effect within the anticipated time horizon

Select from:

☑ Very likely

(3.1.1.14) Magnitude

Select from:

☑ Medium

(3.1.1.16) Anticipated effect of the risk on the financial position, financial performance and cash flows of the organization in the selected future time horizons

Disruption in our business model based on recycled fibre, and potential increase of our product GHG emission impact if less recycled fibre is available.

(3.1.1.17) Are you able to quantify the financial effect of the risk?

Select from:

☑ No

(3.1.1.26) Primary response to risk

Diversification

☑ Develop new products, services and/or markets

(3.1.1.27) Cost of response to risk

0

(3.1.1.28) Explanation of cost calculation

We do not currently disclose this information as our company is refining the estimate.

(3.1.1.29) Description of response

Cascades sources mainly recycled materials to manufacture its products, with a portion of its supply coming from virgin fibers. Various climatic events, such as forest fires, can affect the availability of this resource. Cascades' procurement teams work to secure contracts with recycled fiber suppliers to maintain its procurement volumes as much as possible.

Water

(3.1.1.1) Risk identifier

Select from:

☑ Risk1

(3.1.1.3) Risk types and primary environmental risk driver

Chronic physical

☑ Changing precipitation patterns and types (rain, hail, snow/ice)

(3.1.1.4) Value chain stage where the risk occurs

Select from:

☑ Direct operations

(3.1.1.6) Country/area where the risk occurs

Select all that apply

☑ Canada

☑ United States of America

(3.1.1.7) River basin where the risk occurs

Select all that apply

☑ Columbia River

☑ Fraser River

☑ Hudson River

☑ Mississippi River

☑ St. Lawrence

(3.1.1.9) Organization-specific description of risk

In IPCC's medium scenario (SSP2 4.5), all Cascades' sites will experience an increase in annual precipitation in the long run. Compared to 2021, Winnipeg, MB will see the higher relative increase (more than 25%). In IPCC's medium scenario (SSP2 4.5), all Cascades' sites will experience a 1.5 to 2 times increase in days with extreme precipitation in the long run. Birmingham, AL, could face up to 4.5 such days each year, the other sites might experience between 1 and 3 such days each year. Paper manufacturing being dependant on water intake, our manufacturing sites are often located close to a river. Changes in precipitation patterns and extreme variability in weather patterns could lead to more frequent flooding or droughts at some of our facilities, which could disrupt the normal course of their operations.

(3.1.1.11) Primary financial effect of the risk

Select from:

☑ Increased direct costs

(3.1.1.12) Time horizon over which the risk is anticipated to have a substantive effect on the organization

Select all that apply

☑ Long-term

(3.1.1.13) Likelihood of the risk having an effect within the anticipated time horizon

Select from:

☑ More likely than not

(3.1.1.14) Magnitude

Select from:

☑ Medium

(3.1.1.16) Anticipated effect of the risk on the financial position, financial performance and cash flows of the organization in the selected future time horizons

We have not assessed the financial impact of that risk on our direct operations. However, Cascades already closely monitors the concerned sites and has Flood Emergency Response Plans (FERP) in place, aligned with our insurer FM Global's recommendations.

(3.1.1.17) Are you able to quantify the financial effect of the risk?

Select from:

☑ No

(3.1.1.26) Primary response to risk

Policies and plans

☑ Develop flood emergency plans

(3.1.1.27) Cost of response to risk

0

(3.1.1.28) Explanation of cost calculation

We do not currently disclose this information as our company is refining the estimate.

(3.1.1.29) Description of response

Cascades already closely monitors the concerned sites and has Flood Emergency Response Plans (FERP) in place, aligned with our insurer FM Global's recommendations.

Climate change

(3.1.1.1) Risk identifier

Select from:

☑ Risk2

(3.1.1.3) Risk types and primary environmental risk driver

Acute physical

☑ Heat wave

(3.1.1.4) Value chain stage where the risk occurs

Select from:

☑ Direct operations

(3.1.1.6) Country/area where the risk occurs

Select all that apply

☑ Canada

☑ United States of America

(3.1.1.9) Organization-specific description of risk

In IPCC's medium scenario (SSP2 4.5), all Cascades' sites will experience an increase of 0.5 to 2.0 degrees Celsius in average annual temperatures in the long run. Compared to 2021, Kingsey Falls, QC and Vaughan, ON will see the higher relative increase (more than 25% increase). This change may affect the confort and health of our employees.

(3.1.1.11) Primary financial effect of the risk

Select from:

☑ Increased indirect [operating] costs

(3.1.1.12) Time horizon over which the risk is anticipated to have a substantive effect on the organization

Select all that apply

☑ Short-term

(3.1.1.13) Likelihood of the risk having an effect within the anticipated time horizon

Select from:

☑ Likely

(3.1.1.14) Magnitude

Select from:

☑ Medium-low

(3.1.1.16) Anticipated effect of the risk on the financial position, financial performance and cash flows of the organization in the selected future time horizons

We have not assessed the financial impact of that risk on our direct operations. However, Cascades already monitors the concerned sites and has mitigation systems in place (ex. fans, improved access to water for employees) aligned with the company's employee health and safety programs.

(3.1.1.17) Are you able to quantify the financial effect of the risk?

Select from:

☑ No

(3.1.1.26) Primary response to risk

Infrastructure, technology and spending

☑ Other infrastructure, technology and spending, please specify :Investments in fans, improved access to water for employees, etc.

(3.1.1.27) Cost of response to risk

0

(3.1.1.28) Explanation of cost calculation

We do not currently disclose this information as our company is refining the estimate.

(3.1.1.29) Description of response

Cascades already monitors the concerned sites and has mitigation systems in place (ex. fans, improved access to water for employees) aligned with the company's employee health and safety programs

Climate change

(3.1.1.1) Risk identifier

Select from:

☑ Risk5

(3.1.1.3) Risk types and primary environmental risk driver

Acute physical

☑ Cyclone, hurricane, typhoon

(3.1.1.4) Value chain stage where the risk occurs

Select from:

☑ Direct operations

(3.1.1.6) Country/area where the risk occurs

Select all that apply

☑ United States of America

(3.1.1.9) Organization-specific description of risk

Cyclones are the most likely physical hazard that may impact Cascades' sites (in particular Wagram, Piscataway and Bear Island). The physical facilties may be affected. However, this risk is expected to diminish in these locations in the long term based on current models.

(3.1.1.11) Primary financial effect of the risk

Select from:

☑ Decreased asset value or asset useful life leading to write-offs, asset impairment or early retirement of existing assets

(3.1.1.12) Time horizon over which the risk is anticipated to have a substantive effect on the organization

Select all that apply

☑ Medium-term

(3.1.1.13) Likelihood of the risk having an effect within the anticipated time horizon

Select from:

☑ Likely

(3.1.1.14) Magnitude

Select from:

☑ Medium-high

(3.1.1.16) Anticipated effect of the risk on the financial position, financial performance and cash flows of the organization in the selected future time horizons

We have not assessed the financial impact of that risk on our direct operations. However, Cascades already monitors the concerned sites and has mitigation systems in place, aligned with our insurer FM Global's recommendations.

(3.1.1.17) Are you able to quantify the financial effect of the risk?

Select from:

☑ No

(3.1.1.26) Primary response to risk

Infrastructure, technology and spending

☑ Improve maintenance of infrastructure

(3.1.1.27) Cost of response to risk

0

(3.1.1.28) Explanation of cost calculation

We do not currently disclose this information as our company is refining the estimate.

(3.1.1.29) Description of response

Cascades already closely monitors the concerned sites and has mitigation plans in place (ex. investments in roofing), aligned with our insurer FM Global's recommendations.

Climate change

(3.1.1.1) Risk identifier

Select from:

☑ Risk6

(3.1.1.3) Risk types and primary environmental risk driver

Acute physical

☑ Wildfires

(3.1.1.4) Value chain stage where the risk occurs

Select from:

☑ Direct operations

(3.1.1.6) Country/area where the risk occurs

Select all that apply

☑ Canada

☑ United States of America

(3.1.1.9) Organization-specific description of risk

Wildfire may affect our supply chain for virgin fibres on short-term based on the SSP2-4.5 scenario. it may also affect our facilities. For example, in the medium to long run, Warrenton, MI faces a medium risk of wildfire exposure, whereas other sites are at low risk.

(3.1.1.11) Primary financial effect of the risk

Select from:

☑ Decreased asset value or asset useful life leading to write-offs, asset impairment or early retirement of existing assets

(3.1.1.12) Time horizon over which the risk is anticipated to have a substantive effect on the organization

Select all that apply

☑ Medium-term

(3.1.1.13) Likelihood of the risk having an effect within the anticipated time horizon

Select from:

☑ Likely

(3.1.1.14) Magnitude

Select from:

☑ Medium-low

(3.1.1.16) Anticipated effect of the risk on the financial position, financial performance and cash flows of the organization in the selected future time horizons

We have not assessed the financial impact of that risk on our direct operations. However, Cascades already monitors the concerned sites and has mitigation systems in place, aligned with our insurer FM Global's recommendations.

(3.1.1.17) Are you able to quantify the financial effect of the risk?

Select from:

☑ No

(3.1.1.26) Primary response to risk

Compliance, monitoring and targets

☑ Improve monitoring of direct operations

(3.1.1.27) Cost of response to risk

0

(3.1.1.28) Explanation of cost calculation

We do not currently disclose this information as our company is refining the estimate.

(3.1.1.29) Description of response

Cascades already closely monitors the concerned sites and has mitigation plans in place, aligned with our insurer FM Global's recommendations.
[Add row]

(3.3) In the reporting year, was your organization subject to any fines, enforcement orders, and/or other penalties for water-related regulatory violations?

	Water-related regulatory violations	Fines, enforcement orders, and/or other penalties	Comment
	Select from: ☑ Yes	*Select all that apply* ☑ Fines, but none that are considered as significant	*Cascades did not receive any enforcement orders during the reporting year.*

[Fixed row]

(3.3.1) Provide the total number and financial value of all water-related fines.

(3.3.1.1) Total number of fines

2

(3.3.1.2) Total value of fines

3800

(3.3.1.3) % of total facilities/operations associated

2

(3.3.1.4) Number of fines compared to previous reporting year

Select from:
☑ Higher

(3.3.1.5) Comment

In 2023, Cascades received 1 fines related to water, in only one facility. In 2024, we received 2 fines, in 2 different facilities. Cascades pays particular attention to compliance with environmental standards in the course of these operations and ensures that these facilities comply with applicable environmental standards. Cascades monitors regulatory non-compliance and ensures that a process is in place to remedy the situation.
[Fixed row]

(3.5) Are any of your operations or activities regulated by a carbon pricing system (i.e. ETS, Cap & Trade or Carbon Tax)?

Select from:
☑ Yes

(3.5.1) Select the carbon pricing regulation(s) which impact your operations.

Select all that apply
☑ Ontario EPS - ETS
☑ Québec CaT - ETS

(3.5.2) Provide details of each Emissions Trading Scheme (ETS) your organization is regulated by.

Ontario EPS - ETS

(3.5.2.1) % of Scope 1 emissions covered by the ETS

3

(3.5.2.2) % of Scope 2 emissions covered by the ETS

0

(3.5.2.3) Period start date

01/01/2024

(3.5.2.4) Period end date

12/31/2024

(3.5.2.5) Allowances allocated

2887

(3.5.2.6) Allowances purchased

12492

(3.5.2.7) Verified Scope 1 emissions in metric tons CO2e

15506

(3.5.2.8) Verified Scope 2 emissions in metric tons CO2e

0

(3.5.2.9) Details of ownership

Select from:

☑ Facilities we own and operate

(3.5.2.10) Comment

For our Trenton Mill. This facility was operating to prepare for complete closure at the end of 2024. There was production only for one month, which can explain the low amount of allocations allowed.

Québec CaT - ETS

(3.5.2.1) % of Scope 1 emissions covered by the ETS

24

(3.5.2.2) % of Scope 2 emissions covered by the ETS

0

(3.5.2.3) Period start date

01/01/2024

(3.5.2.4) Period end date

12/31/2024

(3.5.2.5) Allowances allocated

13000

(3.5.2.6) Allowances purchased

0

(3.5.2.7) Verified Scope 1 emissions in metric tons CO2e

133747

(3.5.2.8) Verified Scope 2 emissions in metric tons CO2e

0

(3.5.2.9) Details of ownership

Select from:

☑ Facilities we own and operate

(3.5.2.10) Comment

The Quebec Cap & Trade system implemented on January 1st, 2013 is essentially based on historical GHG performance for the period ending December 31st, 2020. Cascades owns and operates 3 facilities emitting more the 25 000 tCO2e/yr (Cabano, Candiac and Papier Kingsey Falls) which fall automatically under the WCI Cap & Trade Regulations. Two other facilities owned and operated by Cascades have benefited from the « Opt-In » provision (CTG - Kingsey Falls and CTG - Lachute, both in Quebec) and receive free allowances as of January 1st, 2019. We do not have the complete amount of allowances allocated for 2024 since the government will be issuing them at the end of september 2025. The amount is based on our production.
[Fixed row]

(3.5.4) What is your strategy for complying with the systems you are regulated by or anticipate being regulated by?

Cascades' activities in North America (particularly in Quebec) must take into account a price on carbon. Cascades' strategy for complying with this system is a multi-level approach: 1. Measure and report to the steering committee on a quarterly basis (Energy, GHG) in order to appreciate the progress towards internal KPIs and take action with facilities showing lower performance 2. Follow closely projects implementation planned in order to reach the SBTi GHG reduction targets. 3. Regularly update GHG projections and complying obligations in order to optimize all carbon costs.

(3.6) Have you identified any environmental opportunities which have had a substantive effect on your organization in the reporting year, or are anticipated to have a substantive effect on your organization in the future?

	Environmental opportunities identified
Climate change	*Select from:* ☑ Yes, we have identified opportunities, and some/all are being realized
Forests	*Select from:* ☑ Yes, we have identified opportunities, and some/all are being realized
Water	*Select from:* ☑ Yes, we have identified opportunities, and some/all are being realized

[Fixed row]

(3.6.1) Provide details of the environmental opportunities identified which have had a substantive effect on your organization in the reporting year, or are anticipated to have a substantive effect on your organization in the future.

Climate change

(3.6.1.1) Opportunity identifier

Select from:

☑ Opp2

(3.6.1.3) Opportunity type and primary environmental opportunity driver

Energy source

☑ Use of low-carbon energy sources

(3.6.1.4) Value chain stage where the opportunity occurs

Select from:

☑ Direct operations

(3.6.1.5) Country/area where the opportunity occurs

Select all that apply

☑ Canada

☑ United States of America

(3.6.1.8) Organization specific description

With its advantageous presence in locations like Québec and Ontario, two Canadian provinces where the electricity grid has a small carbon footprint, Cascades' operations could progressively switch from natural gas-fuelled equipment (e.g. boilers) to renewable energy equivalents. The transition in 2020 from an oil-fired boiler to an electric boiler at our plant in Cabano, Quebec, is a good example. This transition to low-emission equipment could significantly reduce the GHG emissions of our paper mills. Cascades is also committed through its new sustainability action plan launched in 2021 to achieve 100% renewable electricity by 2030.

(3.6.1.9) Primary financial effect of the opportunity

Select from:

☑ Returns on investment in low-emission technology

(3.6.1.10) Time horizon over which the opportunity is anticipated to have a substantive effect on the organization

Select all that apply

☑ Medium-term

(3.6.1.11) Likelihood of the opportunity having an effect within the anticipated time horizon

Select from:

☑ Very likely (90–100%)

(3.6.1.12) Magnitude

Select from:

☑ Medium-high

(3.6.1.14) Anticipated effect of the opportunity on the financial position, financial performance and cash flows of the organization in the selected future time horizons

We do not currently disclose this information as our company is refining the estimate.

(3.6.1.15) Are you able to quantify the financial effects of the opportunity?

Select from:

☑ No

(3.6.1.24) Cost to realize opportunity

0

(3.6.1.25) Explanation of cost calculation

Costs have not been evaluated yet.

(3.6.1.26) Strategy to realize opportunity

With costs of natural gas being currently generally lower than those of electricity, Cascades must carefully plan a transition to electricity-fuelled equipment in its facilities. Our Energy Team is currently evaluating options and costs. With regulation schemes becoming stricter and increasing carbon costs, this transition will probably become more and more conceivable in the future.

Forests

(3.6.1.1) Opportunity identifier

Select from:

☑ Opp1

(3.6.1.2) Commodity

Select all that apply

☑ Timber products

(3.6.1.3) Opportunity type and primary environmental opportunity driver

Resource efficiency

☑ Use of recycling

(3.6.1.4) Value chain stage where the opportunity occurs

Select from:

☑ Direct operations

(3.6.1.5) Country/area where the opportunity occurs

Select all that apply

☑ Canada

☑ United States of America

(3.6.1.8) Organization specific description

Sustainable forest management is becoming increasingly important in a climate change context as forests are an important carbon sink. Maximizing packaging and tissue production made from recycled fibers is an important way to reduce the impact on forests. Cascades is recovered fiber driven as 85.7% of the Company's fiber supply was recycled in 2024. This mindset also applies to Cascades' plastic packaging. The company sees value and great opportunity in this recycled product offering, which also have a reduced carbon footprint, as more and more large customers request increased recycled content and are publicly committed to do so. There is a tremendous opportunity for Cascades in this global push for a more circular economy and recycled packaging.

(3.6.1.9) Primary financial effect of the opportunity

Select from:

☑ Increased revenues resulting from increased demand for products and services

(3.6.1.10) Time horizon over which the opportunity is anticipated to have a substantive effect on the organization

Select all that apply

☑ Short-term

☑ The opportunity has already had a substantive effect on our organization in the reporting year

(3.6.1.11) Likelihood of the opportunity having an effect within the anticipated time horizon

Select from:

☑ Virtually certain (99–100%)

(3.6.1.12) Magnitude

Select from:

☑ Medium-high

(3.6.1.13) Effect of the opportunity on the financial position, financial performance and cash flows of the organization in the reporting period

We do not currently disclose this information as our company doesn't track the financial impact of this opportunity.

(3.6.1.14) Anticipated effect of the opportunity on the financial position, financial performance and cash flows of the organization in the selected future time horizons

We do not currently disclose this information as our company doesn't track the financial impact of this opportunity.

(3.6.1.15) Are you able to quantify the financial effects of the opportunity?

Select from:

☑ No

(3.6.1.24) Cost to realize opportunity

0

(3.6.1.25) Explanation of cost calculation

Costs have not been evaluated yet.

(3.6.1.26) Strategy to realize opportunity

Cascades is well-positioned to benefit from this opportunity in the market and extend its sales of recycled paper and packaging solutions. The company is integrated with a division called Cascades Recovery+ and owns and operates sorting facilities across North America. This advantageous position allows Cascades to secure its access to recovered materials, which can be used by its facilities to manufacture new products. With recent lifecycle assessments performed on its recycled products to compare them to virgin equivalents in the industry, the company is also well-positioned to sell the advantage of recycled content with science-based arguments.

Water

(3.6.1.1) Opportunity identifier

Select from:

☑ Opp4

(3.6.1.3) Opportunity type and primary environmental opportunity driver

Resource efficiency

☑ Reduced water usage and consumption

(3.6.1.4) Value chain stage where the opportunity occurs

Select from:

☑ Direct operations

(3.6.1.5) Country/area where the opportunity occurs

Select all that apply

☑ Canada

☑ United States of America

(3.6.1.6) River basin where the opportunity occurs

Select all that apply

☑ Other, please specify :Not related to a river bassin

(3.6.1.8) Organization specific description

Cascades has had goals in place to reduce its mills' water effluents for many years, resulting in an advantageous position when comparing its performance to that of the paper industry average. In 2024, Cascades emitted 5.6 times less effluents than the North American paper industry average.

(3.6.1.9) Primary financial effect of the opportunity

Select from:

☑ Increased revenues resulting from increased demand for products and services

(3.6.1.10) Time horizon over which the opportunity is anticipated to have a substantive effect on the organization

Select all that apply

☑ Medium-term

(3.6.1.11) Likelihood of the opportunity having an effect within the anticipated time horizon

Select from:

☑ Likely (66–100%)

(3.6.1.12) Magnitude

Select from:

☑ Medium

(3.6.1.14) Anticipated effect of the opportunity on the financial position, financial performance and cash flows of the organization in the selected future time horizons

We do not currently disclose this information as our company doesn't track the financial impact of this opportunity.

(3.6.1.15) Are you able to quantify the financial effects of the opportunity?

Select from:

☑ No

(3.6.1.24) Cost to realize opportunity

0

(3.6.1.25) Explanation of cost calculation

Costs have not been evaluated yet.

(3.6.1.26) Strategy to realize opportunity

For the fourth consecutive year, we exceeded our target for reducing the effluent intensity of our mills, which was originally planned for 2025. In fact, they were reduced by an additional 16.3% compared to 2023, bringing the total reduction to 38.1% in 2024 compared to 2019. One of the reasons for this improvement was the closure of three of our plants, which were under performing at the operational level and had particularly high effluents. These closures have resulted in a significant reduction in our effluents, saving a total of about 2.9 million m3 of water in 2024 compared to 2023. Stabilization of production at our Bear Island plant, which began in May 2023, also reduced water consumption per tonne produced at the plant.

Climate change

(3.6.1.1) Opportunity identifier

Select from:

☑ Opp3

(3.6.1.3) Opportunity type and primary environmental opportunity driver

Products and services

☑ Development of new products or services through R&D and innovation

(3.6.1.4) Value chain stage where the opportunity occurs

Select from:

☑ Downstream value chain

(3.6.1.5) Country/area where the opportunity occurs

Select all that apply

☑ Canada

☑ United States of America

(3.6.1.8) Organization specific description

In its packaging sector, Cascades provides packaging solutions to its customers in the food sector that combine recycled content, reduced weight and volume while extending their products' shelf life. Food waste being an important contributor to its customers' GHG emissions, from the food processors all the way to the retailers, Cascades supports their reduction goals by providing them with innovative packaging designed to tackle this waste.

(3.6.1.9) Primary financial effect of the opportunity

Select from:

☑ Increased revenues resulting from increased demand for products and services

(3.6.1.10) Time horizon over which the opportunity is anticipated to have a substantive effect on the organization

Select all that apply

☑ Short-term

(3.6.1.11) Likelihood of the opportunity having an effect within the anticipated time horizon

Select from:
☑ Very likely (90–100%)

(3.6.1.12) Magnitude

Select from:
☑ Medium

(3.6.1.14) Anticipated effect of the opportunity on the financial position, financial performance and cash flows of the organization in the selected future time horizons

We do not currently disclose this information as our company doesn't track the financial impact of this opportunity.

(3.6.1.15) Are you able to quantify the financial effects of the opportunity?

Select from:
☑ No

(3.6.1.24) Cost to realize opportunity

0

(3.6.1.25) Explanation of cost calculation

Costs have not been evaluated yet.

(3.6.1.26) Strategy to realize opportunity

Cascades is supported by Marketing and Innovation specialists that collaborate with our Technical Experts and Research and Development Center to develop packaging solutions that better protect of extend products' shelf life. Many new innovations are currently being developed and underway to support our customers in tackling the food waste problem. For more information, please see: https://www.cascades.com/en/products-services/packaging/food-packaging
[Add row]

C4. Governance

(4.1) Does your organization have a board of directors or an equivalent governing body?

(4.1.1) Board of directors or equivalent governing body

Select from:

☑ Yes

(4.1.2) Frequency with which the board or equivalent meets

Select from:

☑ Quarterly

(4.1.3) Types of directors your board or equivalent is comprised of

Select all that apply

☑ Executive directors or equivalent

☑ Non-executive directors or equivalent

☑ Independent non-executive directors or equivalent

(4.1.4) Board diversity and inclusion policy

Select from:

☑ Yes, and it is publicly available

(4.1.5) Briefly describe what the policy covers

This policy outlines the approach taken by Cascades to form and maintain a diverse board of directors, and highlight that Cascades recognizes the importance of diversity allowing the profile of directors to represent the full range of points of view, experience, and knowledge necessary for the proper management and administration of the Corporation. It describes the appointements of directors process and the diversity target. For more information on Cascades' governance: https://www.cascades.com/sites/default/files/a-propos-de-nous/pdf/Board-Diversity-Policy-2024.pdf

(4.1.6) Attach the policy (optional)

Board-Diversity-Policy-2024.pdf
[Fixed row]

(4.1.1) Is there board-level oversight of environmental issues within your organization?

	Board-level oversight of this environmental issue
Climate change	*Select from:* ☑ Yes
Forests	*Select from:* ☑ Yes
Water	*Select from:* ☑ Yes
Biodiversity	*Select from:* ☑ Yes

[Fixed row]

(4.1.2) Identify the positions (do not include any names) of the individuals or committees on the board with accountability for environmental issues and provide details of the board's oversight of environmental issues.

Climate change

(4.1.2.1) Positions of individuals or committees with accountability for this environmental issue

Select all that apply

☑ Chief Executive Officer (CEO)
☑ Board-level committee

(4.1.2.2) Positions' accountability for this environmental issue is outlined in policies applicable to the board

Select from:
☑ Yes

(4.1.2.3) Policies which outline the positions' accountability for this environmental issue

Select all that apply
☑ Board mandate

(4.1.2.4) Frequency with which this environmental issue is a scheduled agenda item

Select from:
☑ Scheduled agenda item in every board meeting (standing agenda item)

(4.1.2.5) Governance mechanisms into which this environmental issue is integrated

Select all that apply
☑ Reviewing and guiding annual budgets
☑ Overseeing the setting of corporate targets
☑ Monitoring progress towards corporate targets
☑ Overseeing and guiding value chain engagement
☑ Approving corporate policies and/or commitments
☑ Monitoring compliance with corporate policies and/or commitments
☑ Reviewing and guiding innovation/R&D priorities
☑ Approving and/or overseeing employee incentives
☑ Monitoring the implementation of the business strategy
☑ Overseeing reporting, audit, and verification processes
☑ Overseeing and guiding the development of a business strategy
☑ Reviewing and guiding the assessment process for dependencies, impacts, risks, and opportunities

(4.1.2.7) Please explain

Our 2021-2025 sustainability plan includes three climate change-related objectives, including reducing our Scope 1 and 2 emissions for mills, Scope 1 and 2 emissions for converting plants and other activities, and a reduction target for our Scope 3 emissions. Each of these targets complies with the governance framework that has been put in place to monitor our sustainable development objectives under this action plan, including quarterly monitoring at the Board level.

Forests

(4.1.2.1) Positions of individuals or committees with accountability for this environmental issue

Select all that apply

☑ Chief Executive Officer (CEO)

☑ Board-level committee

(4.1.2.2) Positions' accountability for this environmental issue is outlined in policies applicable to the board

Select from:

☑ Yes

(4.1.2.3) Policies which outline the positions' accountability for this environmental issue

Select all that apply

☑ Board mandate

(4.1.2.4) Frequency with which this environmental issue is a scheduled agenda item

Select from:

☑ Sporadic – agenda item as important matters arise

(4.1.2.5) Governance mechanisms into which this environmental issue is integrated

Select all that apply

☑ Reviewing and guiding annual budgets

☑ Overseeing the setting of corporate targets

☑ Monitoring progress towards corporate targets

☑ Overseeing and guiding value chain engagement

☑ Approving corporate policies and/or commitments

☑ Overseeing reporting, audit, and verification processes

☑ Monitoring compliance with corporate policies and/or commitments

☑ Reviewing and guiding the assessment process for dependencies, impacts, risks, and opportunities

(4.1.2.7) Please explain

Our 2021-2025 sustainable development plan includes several objectives related to our sourcing of virgin and recycled resources. We strive to maximize our recycled content and, when unavailable, opt for virgin fibers that meet FSC certification standards. These targets comply with the governance processes put in place to ensure the monitoring of our sustainable development objectives within the framework of this action plan.

Water

(4.1.2.1) Positions of individuals or committees with accountability for this environmental issue

Select all that apply

☑ Chief Executive Officer (CEO)

☑ Board-level committee

(4.1.2.2) Positions' accountability for this environmental issue is outlined in policies applicable to the board

Select from:

☑ Yes

(4.1.2.3) Policies which outline the positions' accountability for this environmental issue

Select all that apply

☑ Board mandate

(4.1.2.4) Frequency with which this environmental issue is a scheduled agenda item

Select from:

☑ Scheduled agenda item in every board meeting (standing agenda item)

(4.1.2.5) Governance mechanisms into which this environmental issue is integrated

Select all that apply

☑ Reviewing and guiding annual budgets

☑ Monitoring compliance with corporate policies and/or commitments

☑ Overseeing the setting of corporate targets
☑ Monitoring progress towards corporate targets
☑ Approving corporate policies and/or commitments
☑ Overseeing reporting, audit, and verification processes

(4.1.2.7) Please explain

Our 2021-2025 sustainable development plan includes targets for reducing effluent discharge from our mills. This target complies with the governance framework that has been put in place to monitor our sustainable development objectives under this action plan, including quarterly monitoring at the Board level.

Biodiversity

(4.1.2.1) Positions of individuals or committees with accountability for this environmental issue

Select all that apply
☑ Chief Executive Officer (CEO)
☑ Board-level committee

(4.1.2.2) Positions' accountability for this environmental issue is outlined in policies applicable to the board

Select from:
☑ Yes

(4.1.2.3) Policies which outline the positions' accountability for this environmental issue

Select all that apply
☑ Board mandate

(4.1.2.4) Frequency with which this environmental issue is a scheduled agenda item

Select from:
☑ Sporadic – agenda item as important matters arise

(4.1.2.5) Governance mechanisms into which this environmental issue is integrated

Select all that apply

☑ Approving corporate policies and/or commitments

☑ Monitoring compliance with corporate policies and/or commitments

(4.1.2.7) Please explain

Our 2021-2025 sustainable development plan includes several objectives related to our sourcing of virgin and recycled resources. We strive to maximize our recycled content and, when unavailable, opt for virgin fibers that meet FSC certification standards. These targets comply with the governance processes put in place to ensure the monitoring of our sustainable development objectives within the framework of this action plan.
[Fixed row]

(4.2) Does your organization’s board have competency on environmental issues?

Climate change

(4.2.1) Board-level competency on this environmental issue

Select from:

☑ Yes

(4.2.2) Mechanisms to maintain an environmentally competent board

Select all that apply

☑ Consulting regularly with an internal, permanent, subject-expert working group

☑ Having at least one board member with expertise on this environmental issue

(4.2.3) Environmental expertise of the board member

Experience

☑ Executive-level experience in a role focused on environmental issues

Forests

(4.2.1) Board-level competency on this environmental issue

Select from:

☑ Yes

(4.2.2) Mechanisms to maintain an environmentally competent board

Select all that apply

☑ Consulting regularly with an internal, permanent, subject-expert working group

☑ Having at least one board member with expertise on this environmental issue

(4.2.3) Environmental expertise of the board member

Experience

☑ Executive-level experience in a role focused on environmental issues

Water

(4.2.1) Board-level competency on this environmental issue

Select from:

☑ Yes

(4.2.2) Mechanisms to maintain an environmentally competent board

Select all that apply

☑ Consulting regularly with an internal, permanent, subject-expert working group

☑ Having at least one board member with expertise on this environmental issue

(4.2.3) Environmental expertise of the board member

Experience

☑ Executive-level experience in a role focused on environmental issues

[Fixed row]

(4.3) Is there management-level responsibility for environmental issues within your organization?

	Management-level responsibility for this environmental issue
Climate change	*Select from:* ☑ Yes
Forests	*Select from:* ☑ Yes
Water	*Select from:* ☑ Yes
Biodiversity	*Select from:* ☑ Yes

[Fixed row]

(4.3.1) Provide the highest senior management-level positions or committees with responsibility for environmental issues (do not include the names of individuals).

Climate change

(4.3.1.1) Position of individual or committee with responsibility

Executive level

☑ Chief Executive Officer (CEO)

(4.3.1.2) Environmental responsibilities of this position

Engagement

☑ Managing value chain engagement related to environmental issues

Policies, commitments, and targets

☑ Monitoring compliance with corporate environmental policies and/or commitments

☑ Measuring progress towards environmental corporate targets

☑ Measuring progress towards environmental science-based targets

☑ Setting corporate environmental policies and/or commitments

☑ Setting corporate environmental targets

Strategy and financial planning

☑ Conducting environmental scenario analysis

☑ Managing acquisitions, mergers, and divestitures related to environmental issues

☑ Managing annual budgets related to environmental issues

☑ Managing major capital and/or operational expenditures relating to environmental issues

☑ Managing priorities related to innovation/low-environmental impact products or services (including R&D)

Other

☑ Providing employee incentives related to environmental performance

(4.3.1.4) Reporting line

Select from:

☑ Reports to the board directly

(4.3.1.5) Frequency of reporting to the board on environmental issues

Select from:

☑ Quarterly

(4.3.1.6) Please explain

Cascades' Chief Executive Officer, who is also a Director on the Board, is the highest executive responsible for the company's climate-related performance, indicators and targets. He is responsible and accountable for the general oversight of the company's sustainability vision, strategies and targets. Sustainability and climate-related targets are quarterly reviewed with the sectors' Executive Vice-Presidents, who are accountable for the monitoring and attainment of sustainability goals and the GHG reductions targets. Cascades' Chief Executive Officer also approves the company's overall climate vision and strategies. Cascades' CEO shall bring climate-related issues to the Board as important matters arise.

Forests

(4.3.1.1) Position of individual or committee with responsibility

Executive level

☑ Chief Procurement Officer (CPO)

(4.3.1.2) Environmental responsibilities of this position

Policies, commitments, and targets

☑ Monitoring compliance with corporate environmental policies and/or commitments

☑ Measuring progress towards environmental corporate targets

☑ Measuring progress towards environmental science-based targets

☑ Setting corporate environmental policies and/or commitments

☑ Setting corporate environmental targets

Strategy and financial planning

☑ Managing environmental reporting, audit, and verification processes

☑ Managing major capital and/or operational expenditures relating to environmental issues

(4.3.1.4) Reporting line

Select from:

☑ Reports to the Chief Executive Officer (CEO)

(4.3.1.5) Frequency of reporting to the board on environmental issues

Select from:

☑ As important matters arise

(4.3.1.6) Please explain

Cascades' Vice-President, Procurement reports to the Corporation's CEO and to Cascades' management committee on the objectives of our Sustainability Action Plan that are linked to procurement. The performances associated with these objectives are also reported to the Health and Safety, Environment and Sustainable Development Committee of the Board (the " HSESD Committee") by Cascades' Vice-President, Communications, Public Affairs, Sustainability and Environment.

Water

(4.3.1.1) Position of individual or committee with responsibility

Executive level

☑ Other C-Suite Officer, please specify :Executive Vice-Presidents, packaging and tissue sectors

(4.3.1.2) Environmental responsibilities of this position

Policies, commitments, and targets

☑ Measuring progress towards environmental corporate targets

☑ Setting corporate environmental policies and/or commitments

☑ Setting corporate environmental targets

Strategy and financial planning

☑ Managing acquisitions, mergers, and divestitures related to environmental issues

☑ Managing annual budgets related to environmental issues

☑ Managing major capital and/or operational expenditures relating to environmental issues

☑ Managing priorities related to innovation/low-environmental impact products or services (including R&D)

(4.3.1.4) Reporting line

Select from:

☑ Reports to the Chief Executive Officer (CEO)

(4.3.1.5) Frequency of reporting to the board on environmental issues

Select from:

☑ Quarterly

(4.3.1.6) Please explain

Cascades' Executive Vice-Presidents for the tissue and the packaging sectors report to the Corporation's CEO and to Cascades' management committee on the objective of our Sustainability Action Plan linked to water effluents. The performances associated with this objective are also reported to the Health and Safety, Environment and Sustainable Development Committee of the Board (the " HSESD Committee") by Cascades' Vice-President, Communications, Public Affairs, Sustainability and Environment.

Biodiversity

(4.3.1.1) Position of individual or committee with responsibility

Executive level

☑ Chief Sustainability Officer (CSO)

(4.3.1.2) Environmental responsibilities of this position

Dependencies, impacts, risks and opportunities

☑ Assessing environmental dependencies, impacts, risks, and opportunities

Policies, commitments, and targets

☑ Monitoring compliance with corporate environmental policies and/or commitments

☑ Measuring progress towards environmental corporate targets

(4.3.1.4) Reporting line

Select from:

☑ Reports to the Chief Executive Officer (CEO)

(4.3.1.5) Frequency of reporting to the board on environmental issues

Select from:

☑ As important matters arise

(4.3.1.6) Please explain

Cascades' Vice-President, Communications, Public Affairs, Sustainability and Environment reports to the Corporation's CEO. This position oversees the current improvement of company practices regarding biodiversity. In the coming months and years, Cascades will revise its position on the topic, which will include an assessment of impacts and dependencies on ecosystems (TNFD assessment). Governance, policies and improvement targets may be revised depending on the findings of such exercise.
[Add row]

(4.5) Do you provide monetary incentives for the management of environmental issues, including the attainment of targets?

Climate change

(4.5.1) Provision of monetary incentives related to this environmental issue

Select from:

☑ Yes

(4.5.2) % of total C-suite and board-level monetary incentives linked to the management of this environmental issue

100

(4.5.3) Please explain

100% of the C-suite have monetary incentives linked to the attainment of GHG emissions reduction targets.

Forests

(4.5.1) Provision of monetary incentives related to this environmental issue

Select from:

☑ No, and we do not plan to introduce them in the next two years

(4.5.3) Please explain

We do not currently offer financial incentives directly related to forest topics. However, incentives may be in place at levels lower than C-suite and Board as part of Cascades' sustainable development plan. In the coming years, a financial incentive could be added to address the forest aspects, as well as responsible procurement.

Water

(4.5.1) Provision of monetary incentives related to this environmental issue

Select from:

☑ No, and we do not plan to introduce them in the next two years

(4.5.3) Please explain

We do not currently offer financial incentives directly related to water topics. However, incentives may be in place at levels lower than C-suite and Board as part of Cascades' sustainable development plan. In the coming years, a financial incentive could be added for water-related issues.
[Fixed row]

(4.5.1) Provide further details on the monetary incentives provided for the management of environmental issues (do not include the names of individuals).

Climate change

(4.5.1.1) Position entitled to monetary incentive

Board or executive level

☑ Chief Executive Officer (CEO)

(4.5.1.2) Incentives

Select all that apply

☑ Profit share

☑ Other, please specify :Peformance share units

(4.5.1.3) Performance metrics

Emission reduction

☑ Reduction in emissions intensity

(4.5.1.4) Incentive plan the incentives are linked to

Select from:

☑ Long-Term Incentive Plan, or equivalent, only (e.g. contractual multi-year bonus)

(4.5.1.5) Further details of incentives

For profit share units (PSUs) granted in 2024, the greenhouse gas emissions reduction target for mills was the key performance indicator.

(4.5.1.6) How the position's incentives contribute to the achievement of your environmental commitments and/or climate transition plan

The multiplier under the PSU Plan is directly linked to the annual GHG reduction targets for the mills (in kg of CO2 per metric ton of saleable product) as presented in the Corporation's sustainable development plan. This incentive contributes to creating a momentum at the organizational level around GHG reduction targets by identifying them as key strategic priorities.

Climate change

(4.5.1.1) Position entitled to monetary incentive

Board or executive level

☑ Other C-Suite Officer, please specify :Executive Vice-Presidents, Packaging and Tissue sectors

(4.5.1.2) Incentives

Select all that apply

☑ Profit share

☑ Other, please specify :Peformance share units

(4.5.1.3) Performance metrics

Emission reduction

☑ Reduction in emissions intensity

(4.5.1.4) Incentive plan the incentives are linked to

Select from:

☑ Long-Term Incentive Plan, or equivalent, only (e.g. contractual multi-year bonus)

(4.5.1.5) Further details of incentives

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(4.5.1.6) How the position's incentives contribute to the achievement of your environmental commitments and/or climate transition plan

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Climate change

(4.5.1.1) Position entitled to monetary incentive

Board or executive level

☑ Chief Financial Officer (CFO)

(4.5.1.2) Incentives

Select all that apply

☑ Profit share

☑ Other, please specify :Performance share units

(4.5.1.3) Performance metrics

Emission reduction

☑ Reduction in emissions intensity

(4.5.1.4) Incentive plan the incentives are linked to

Select from:

☑ Long-Term Incentive Plan, or equivalent, only (e.g. contractual multi-year bonus)

(4.5.1.5) Further details of incentives

For profit share units (PSUs) granted in 2024, the greenhouse gas emissions reduction target for mills was the key performance indicator.

(4.5.1.6) How the position's incentives contribute to the achievement of your environmental commitments and/or climate transition plan

The multiplier under the PSU Plan is directly linked to the annual GHG reduction targets for the mills (in kg of CO2 per metric ton of saleable product) as presented in the Corporation's sustainable development plan. This incentive contributes to creating a momentum at the organizational level around GHG reduction targets by identifying them as key strategic priorities.
[Add row]

(4.6) Does your organization have an environmental policy that addresses environmental issues?

	Does your organization have any environmental policies?
	Select from: ☑ Yes

[Fixed row]

(4.6.1) Provide details of your environmental policies.

Row 1

(4.6.1.1) Environmental issues covered

Select all that apply

☑ Climate change

☑ Forests

☑ Water

(4.6.1.2) Level of coverage

Select from:

☑ Organization-wide

(4.6.1.3) Value chain stages covered

Select all that apply

☑ Direct operations

☑ Upstream value chain

☑ Downstream value chain

(4.6.1.4) Explain the coverage

Cascades' Environment, Health and Safety (EHS) Policy applies to all subsidiaries, plants and entities of Cascades, located in North America, under Cascades' operational control and consolidated in Cascades' financial statements. The policy focuses on Cascades' environmental impacts on its supply chain, direct operations and the end of life of its products.

(4.6.1.5) Environmental policy content

Environmental commitments

☑ Commitment to a circular economy strategy

☑ Other environmental commitment, please specify :(1) Limiting its operations' emissions in the water and in the air. (2) Optimizing the use of resource (3) safe management of chemicals (4) reducing environmental impact of its production site

Water-specific commitments

☑ Commitment to control/reduce/eliminate water pollution

☑ Commitment to reduce water consumption volumes

(4.6.1.6) Indicate whether your environmental policy is in line with global environmental treaties or policy goals

Select all that apply

☑ Yes, in line with the Paris Agreement

(4.6.1.7) Public availability

Select from:

☑ Publicly available

(4.6.1.8) Attach the policy

Cascades_Politique_Environnement_EN_0.pdf
[Add row]

(4.10) Are you a signatory or member of any environmental collaborative frameworks or initiatives?

(4.10.1) Are you a signatory or member of any environmental collaborative frameworks or initiatives?

Select from:

☑ Yes

(4.10.2) Collaborative framework or initiative

Select all that apply

☑ UN Global Compact

☑ Forest Stewardship Council (FSC)

☑ Sustainable Forestry Initiative (SFI)

☑ Science-Based Targets Initiative (SBTi)

☑ Task Force on Nature-related Financial Disclosures (TNFD)

☑ Task Force on Climate-related Financial Disclosures (TCFD)

☑ Programme for the Endorsement of Forest Certification (PEFC)

(4.10.3) Describe your organization's role within each framework or initiative

Cascades collaborates with several frameworks to demonstrate its commitment to developing environmental disclosure frameworks, metrics, and goals that facilitate the transition to a sustainable economy. FSC: We have chosen to adopt the internationally recognized Forest Stewardship Council (FSC) certification, which certifies companies whose practices meet the most stringent requirements for sustainable forest management. In addition to protecting forest ecosystems and rare or threatened wildlife species, FSC certification ensures respect for the rights of First Nations, communities, and workers. All of our plants are covered by that certification. SFI and PEFC: The vast majority of our packaging sector plants are certified to the SFI Chain of Custody (COC) standard. Recognized internationally and endorsed by other major certification systems, such as PEFC, the SFI standard enables certified companies to meet the traceability, environmental responsibility, and sustainable performance expectations of North American and global markets. By relying on this certification, Cascades reinforces its commitment to the circular economy and provides customers with packaging products that meet the highest environmental standards. SBTi: Cascades has set targets to reduce its greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions in line with the SBTi's recommendations and is on a trajectory of global warming well below 2 degrees Celsius. These targets were approved by the SBTi in July 2021. The SBTi encourages companies to set ambitious climate action plans by setting science-based GHG emission reduction targets. Cascades is therefore joining the global movement of companies committed to climate action. TCFD: Cascades published its first TCFD assessment in 2022 and will update its evaluation of climate-related risks and opportunities in 2026. TNFD: We are currently working on our TNFD assessment. The report will be made public at the latest in 2027. UN Global Compact: Cascades has joined in 2023 the United Nations Global Compact, the world's largest corporate sustainability initiative. In so doing, the Corporation joins thousands of organizations around the world—including 189 in Canada—that are committed to responsible and transparent business practices to create a better world. Each year, Cascades reports on its environmental, social and governance initiatives and results to UN Global Compact.
[Fixed row]

(4.11) In the reporting year, did your organization engage in activities that could directly or indirectly influence policy, law, or regulation that may (positively or negatively) impact the environment?

(4.11.1) External engagement activities that could directly or indirectly influence policy, law, or regulation that may impact the environment

Select all that apply

☑ No, we have assessed our activities, and none could directly or indirectly influence policy, law, or regulation that may impact the environment

(4.11.2) Indicate whether your organization has a public commitment or position statement to conduct your engagement activities in line with global environmental treaties or policy goals

Select from:

☑ No, but we plan to have one in the next two years

(4.11.5) Indicate whether your organization is registered on a transparency register

Select from:

☑ Yes

(4.11.6) Types of transparency register your organization is registered on

Select all that apply

☑ Mandatory government register

(4.11.7) Disclose the transparency registers on which your organization is registered & the relevant ID numbers for your organization

Lobbyisme Québec (https://lobbyisme.quebec/). No current mandate registered, but past mandates can be viewed under "Cascades Inc".

(4.11.8) Describe the process your organization has in place to ensure that your external engagement activities are consistent with your environmental commitments and/or transition plan

Cascades ensures that all external engagement activities are in line with its environmental commitments through a structured governance process. Cascades' Vice-President, Communications, Public Affairs, Sustainability and Environment is in charge of overseeing the company's actions aimed at influencing policy, law or regulations on all topics. No such actions took place in the reporting year. Engagements with customers, suppliers, NGOs, and governments are guided by principles

of transparency, circularity, and climate responsibility. Cascades also adheres to the UN Global Compact and applies internal review mechanisms to validate that lobbying and advocacy efforts support its sustainability targets.

(4.11.9) Primary reason for not engaging in activities that could directly or indirectly influence policy, law, or regulation that may impact the environment

Select from:

☑ Not an immediate strategic priority

(4.11.10) Explain why your organization does not engage in activities that could directly or indirectly influence policy, law, or regulation that may impact the environment

In the reporting period, no such engagement opportunities were identified by Cascades' teams as strategic priorities to drive environmental impacts. Internal improvement opportunities and projects were the focus of our teams in 2024.
[Fixed row]

(4.12) Have you published information about your organization’s response to environmental issues for this reporting year in places other than your CDP response?

Select from:

☑ Yes

(4.12.1) Provide details on the information published about your organization’s response to environmental issues for this reporting year in places other than your CDP response. Please attach the publication.

Row 1

(4.12.1.1) Publication

Select from:

☑ In voluntary sustainability reports

(4.12.1.3) Environmental issues covered in publication

Select all that apply

☑ Climate change

☑ Forests

☑ Water

☑ Biodiversity

(4.12.1.4) Status of the publication

Select from:

☑ Complete

(4.12.1.5) Content elements

Select all that apply

☑ Governance

☑ Emission targets

☑ Emissions figures

☑ Value chain engagement

☑ Public policy engagement

☑ Water accounting figures

☑ Water pollution indicators

☑ Content of environmental policies

(4.12.1.6) Page/section reference

p. 22-41 + 49-51 + 75-83

(4.12.1.7) Attach the relevant publication

Cascades_RDD_2024_EN_VF.pdf

(4.12.1.8) Comment

Pages 22-41 of our 2024 sustainability report communicate our results regarding our various GHG emission reduction targets, our energy consumption targets, and our targets for the amount of water effluent. Pages 75-82 present the annual key data tracked by our environmental teams since 2019 (our reference year for several targets).

Row 2

(4.12.1.1) Publication

Select from:

☑ In voluntary communications

(4.12.1.3) Environmental issues covered in publication

Select all that apply

☑ Climate change

☑ Water

☑ Biodiversity

(4.12.1.4) Status of the publication

Select from:

☑ Complete

(4.12.1.5) Content elements

Select all that apply

☑ Governance

☑ Public policy engagement

☑ Emissions figures

☑ Emission targets

(4.12.1.6) Page/section reference

all

(4.12.1.7) Attach the relevant publication

GlobalCompact_SummaryResponse2024.pdf

(4.12.1.8) Comment

Cascades has joined in 2023 the United Nations Global Compact, the world's largest corporate sustainability initiative. In so doing, the Corporation joins thousands of organizations around the world—including 189 in Canada—that are committed to responsible and transparent business practices to create a better world. Each year, Cascades reports on its environmental, social and governance initiatives and results to UN Global Compact. Here's our 2024 online declaration: https://cop-report.unglobalcompact.org/COPViewer/2025?responseId=R_6Qixjg9aVXx5pf6
[Add row]

C5. Business strategy

(5.1) Does your organization use scenario analysis to identify environmental outcomes?

Climate change

(5.1.1) Use of scenario analysis

Select from:

☑ Yes

(5.1.2) Frequency of analysis

Select from:

☑ Not defined

Forests

(5.1.1) Use of scenario analysis

Select from:

☑ No, but we plan to within the next two years

(5.1.3) Primary reason why your organization has not used scenario analysis

Select from:

☑ No standardized procedure

(5.1.4) Explain why your organization has not used scenario analysis

Cascades is working to increase the social and environmental responsibility of its supply chain, either through an extensive supplier evaluation program with EcoVadis or through the priority given to recycled or certified virgin fibres in the manufacture of its products. We foster collaboration with suppliers who share our

values. Cascades will do a TNFD assessment in the coming years to be more aware of the environmental outcomes of our activities and inform our organization's business strategy if needed.

Water

(5.1.1) Use of scenario analysis

Select from:

☑ No, but we plan to within the next two years

(5.1.3) Primary reason why your organization has not used scenario analysis

Select from:

☑ No standardized procedure

(5.1.4) Explain why your organization has not used scenario analysis

Water is an essential resource for the operations of our plants and the manufacture of our products. We implement projects, action plans, monitoring and operational controls to limit the quantity used by our mills, and control the quality of effluents in the environment. Cascades will do a TNFD assessment in the coming years to be more aware of the environmental outcomes of our activities and inform our organization's business strategy if needed.
[Fixed row]

(5.1.1) Provide details of the scenarios used in your organization’s scenario analysis.

Climate change

(5.1.1.1) Scenario used

Physical climate scenarios

☑ RCP 4.5

(5.1.1.2) Scenario used SSPs used in conjunction with scenario

Select from:

☑ SSP2

(5.1.1.3) Approach to scenario

Select from:
☑ Quantitative

(5.1.1.4) Scenario coverage

Select from:
☑ Facility

(5.1.1.5) Risk types considered in scenario

Select all that apply
☑ Acute physical
☑ Chronic physical

(5.1.1.6) Temperature alignment of scenario

Select from:
☑ 2.5ºC - 2.9ºC

(5.1.1.7) Reference year

2022

(5.1.1.8) Timeframes covered

Select all that apply
☑ 2040

(5.1.1.9) Driving forces in scenario

Local ecosystem asset interactions, dependencies and impacts

☑ Speed of change (to state of nature and/or ecosystem services)

☑ Climate change (one of five drivers of nature change)

☑ Other local ecosystem asset interactions, dependencies and impacts driving forces, please specify

(5.1.1.10) Assumptions, uncertainties and constraints in scenario

Cascades' 2022 physical risks scenario analysis was conducted using Sust Global, a validated geospatial data platform that uses data science techniques, machine learning and climate models to run climate analytics. Sust Global's tool takes as input geographical coordinates of business facilities and returns risk exposure values across different time horizon windows. The scenario analysis was applied to 11 key sites in the USA and Canada, representative of Cascades' variety of activities (mills, conversion, headquarters, etc.) and locations. A physical climate risk assessment had not yet been performed for these sites.

(5.1.1.11) Rationale for choice of scenario

Cascades selected IPCC RCP 4.5 (middle of the road) and IPCC RCP 8.5 (worst case scenario), which assumes that social, economic and technological trends do not shift significantly from historical patterns but that resource use intensity diminishes, to stress-test the exposure of Cascades' key sites to physical hazards under a less extreme climate scenario. The physical risks tested included acute risks of severe weather events such as wildfires, heatwaves, drought, cyclones, or inland flooding, as well as chronic impacts of sea level rise, temperature and precipitation changes. The scenario analysis covered 3 time horizon windows: short-term (2022-2025), mid-term (2025-2030) and longterm (2030-2040). In 2025, we now consider the mid-term period to be our new short-term. The scenario also includes an increase of the average annual temperature and a change in annual precipitation.
[Add row]

(5.1.2) Provide details of the outcomes of your organization's scenario analysis.

Climate change

(5.1.2.1) Business processes influenced by your analysis of the reported scenarios

Select all that apply

☑ Risk and opportunities identification, assessment and management

☑ Target setting and transition planning

(5.1.2.2) Coverage of analysis

Select from:

☑ Organization-wide

(5.1.2.3) Summarize the outcomes of the scenario analysis and any implications for other environmental issues

In both climate scenarios considered (IPCC SSP5-8.5 and IPCC SSP2-4.5), most of Cascades' key sites have a limited exposure to acute physical risks over the 2022-2040 time window. More specifically, none of the tested sites is exposed to inland flooding or droughts. However, some of the USA sites could face increased cyclone, heatwaves, and wildfire risks, with one site facing a high risk of cyclone during the time window analyzed. The change in temperature and extreme precipitation compared to 2021 can inform operational and investment decisions on a site-by-site basis. This approach is also coherent with the site-base risk management approach in place with our insurance company (FM).
[Fixed row]

(5.2) Does your organization's strategy include a climate transition plan?

(5.2.1) Transition plan

Select from:

☑ No, but we are developing a climate transition plan within the next two years

(5.2.15) Primary reason for not having a climate transition plan that aligns with a 1.5°C world

Select from:

☑ Not an immediate strategic priority

(5.2.16) Explain why your organization does not have a climate transition plan that aligns with a 1.5°C world

Cascades has chosen to contribute to global efforts to fight climate change by aligning its targets for reducing scopes 1, 2 and 3 GHG emissions based on a global warming scenario well below 2°C (ETP B2DS scenario). Cascades therefore developed 3 targets on GHG emissions reduction using the Science Based Target initiative (SBTi) approach. Those targets have been reviewed and approved by the SBTi. The company is currently revising its GHG reduction goals to include the latest recommendations and best practices. It also envisions the development of a climate transition plan in the coming years.
[Fixed row]

(5.3) Have environmental risks and opportunities affected your strategy and/or financial planning?

(5.3.1) Environmental risks and/or opportunities have affected your strategy and/or financial planning

Select from:

☑ No

(5.3.3) Primary reason why environmental risks and/or opportunities have not affected your strategy and/or financial planning

Select from:

☑ Not an immediate strategic priority

(5.3.4) Explain why environmental risks and/or opportunities have not affected your strategy and/or financial planning

Cascades has not identified any environmental risks that would require significant changes to our strategy or financial planning. We continue to invest in projects to reduce our GHG emissions and implement the necessary actions to achieve the objectives of our action plan without disrupting our planning. We also continue to monitor the identified risks and work with our insurance company to target needed actions.
[Fixed row]

(5.4) In your organization's financial accounting, do you identify spending/revenue that is aligned with your organization's climate transition?

	Identification of spending/revenue that is aligned with your organization's climate transition
	Select from: ☑ No, but we plan to in the next two years

[Fixed row]

(5.10) Does your organization use an internal price on environmental externalities?

	Use of internal pricing of environmental externalities	Primary reason for not pricing environmental externalities	Explain why your organization does not price environmental externalities
	Select from: ☑ No, and we do not plan to in the next two years	*Select from:* ☑ Not an immediate strategic priority	*Cascades does not currently anticipate doing so in the next two years due to other strategic priorities.*

[Fixed row]

(5.11) Do you engage with your value chain on environmental issues?

Suppliers

(5.11.1) Engaging with this stakeholder on environmental issues

Select from:
☑ Yes

(5.11.2) Environmental issues covered

Select all that apply
☑ Climate change
☑ Forests
☑ Water
☑ Plastics

Smallholders

(5.11.1) Engaging with this stakeholder on environmental issues

Select from:

☑ No, but we plan to within the next two years

(5.11.3) Primary reason for not engaging with this stakeholder on environmental issues

Select from:

☑ Not an immediate strategic priority

(5.11.4) Explain why you do not engage with this stakeholder on environmental issues

Cascades does not have a formal program specifically targeting smallholders in its environmental initiatives. However, the company is deeply engaged in community-based environmental actions and partnerships that indirectly benefit local populations, including rural and regional communities.

Customers

(5.11.1) Engaging with this stakeholder on environmental issues

Select from:

☑ Yes

(5.11.2) Environmental issues covered

Select all that apply

☑ Climate change

☑ Forests

☑ Water

☑ Plastics

Investors and shareholders

(5.11.1) Engaging with this stakeholder on environmental issues

Select from:

☑ Yes

(5.11.2) Environmental issues covered

Select all that apply

☑ Climate change

☑ Forests

☑ Water

☑ Plastics

Other value chain stakeholders

(5.11.1) Engaging with this stakeholder on environmental issues

Select from:

☑ No, and we do not plan to within the next two years

(5.11.3) Primary reason for not engaging with this stakeholder on environmental issues

Select from:

☑ Not an immediate strategic priority

(5.11.4) Explain why you do not engage with this stakeholder on environmental issues

At the moment, Cascades has not identified other value chain stakeholders to engage with on environmental issues.
[Fixed row]

(5.11.1) Does your organization assess and classify suppliers according to their dependencies and/or impacts on the environment?

	Assessment of supplier dependencies and/or impacts on the environment
Climate change	*Select from:* ☑ No, we do not currently assess the dependencies and/or impacts of our suppliers, but we plan to do so within the next two years
Forests	*Select from:* ☑ No, we do not currently assess the dependencies and/or impacts of our suppliers, but we plan to do so within the next two years
Water	*Select from:* ☑ No, we do not assess the dependencies and/or impacts of our suppliers, and have no plans to do so within two years
Plastics	*Select from:* ☑ No, we do not assess the dependencies and/or impacts of our suppliers, and have no plans to do so within two years

[Fixed row]

(5.11.2) Does your organization prioritize which suppliers to engage with on environmental issues?

Climate change

(5.11.2.1) Supplier engagement prioritization on this environmental issue

Select from:

☑ Yes, we prioritize which suppliers to engage with on this environmental issue

(5.11.2.2) Criteria informing which suppliers are prioritized for engagement on this environmental issue

Select all that apply

☑ Business risk mitigation
☑ Leverage over suppliers
☑ Procurement spend
☑ Strategic status of suppliers

(5.11.2.4) Please explain

Cascades evaluates its corporate suppliers using a third-party EcoVadis questionnaire. This allows a full ESG evaluation of its suppliers' performance and mitigates risk, notably regarding climate change topics. Cascades prioritizes suppliers with scores above 45 and engages with suppliers on improvement opportunities.

Forests

(5.11.2.1) Supplier engagement prioritization on this environmental issue

Select from:
☑ Yes, we prioritize which suppliers to engage with on this environmental issue

(5.11.2.2) Criteria informing which suppliers are prioritized for engagement on this environmental issue

Select all that apply
☑ Business risk mitigation
☑ Leverage over suppliers
☑ Material sourcing
☑ Procurement spend
☑ Strategic status of suppliers

(5.11.2.4) Please explain

Cascades evaluates its corporate suppliers using a third-party EcoVadis questionnaire. This allows a full ESG evaluation of its suppliers' performance and mitigates risk, notably regarding forests and biodiversity (when relevant for the suppliers' industry sector). Cascades prioritizes suppliers with scores above 45 and engages with suppliers on improvement opportunities.

Water

(5.11.2.1) Supplier engagement prioritization on this environmental issue

Select from:

☑ Yes, we prioritize which suppliers to engage with on this environmental issue

(5.11.2.2) Criteria informing which suppliers are prioritized for engagement on this environmental issue

Select all that apply

☑ Business risk mitigation

☑ Leverage over suppliers

☑ Procurement spend

☑ Strategic status of suppliers

(5.11.2.4) Please explain

Cascades evaluates its corporate suppliers using a third-party EcoVadis questionnaire. This allows a full ESG evaluation of its suppliers' performance and mitigates risk, notably regarding water (when relevant for the suppliers' industry sector). Cascades prioritizes suppliers with scores above 45 and engages with suppliers on improvement opportunities.

Plastics

(5.11.2.1) Supplier engagement prioritization on this environmental issue

Select from:

☑ No, we do not prioritize which suppliers to engage with on this environmental issue

(5.11.2.3) Primary reason for no supplier prioritization on this environmental issue

Select from:

☑ No standardized procedure

(5.11.2.4) Please explain

Although we mainly manufacture fibre-based products, our company is also active in polymer packaging. For over 10 years, we've been introducing more and more recycled plastics into our products. We evaluate our suppliers on their environmental, social, and procurement practices using EcoVadis, but more specific issues related to plastics are not currently included as evaluation criteria in this process.
[Fixed row]

(5.11.5) Do your suppliers have to meet environmental requirements as part of your organization's purchasing process?

Climate change

(5.11.5.1) Suppliers have to meet specific environmental requirements related to this environmental issue as part of the purchasing process

Select from:

☑ Yes, environmental requirements related to this environmental issue are included in our supplier contracts

(5.11.5.2) Policy in place for addressing supplier non-compliance

Select from:

☑ No, we do not have a policy in place for addressing non-compliance

(5.11.5.3) Comment

Corporate suppliers are contractually required to fill out the Ecovadis questionnaire. They must meet a threshold score of 45 to be deemed responsible per Cascades' Responsible Procurement Program. This evaluation process covers climate change topics.

Forests

(5.11.5.1) Suppliers have to meet specific environmental requirements related to this environmental issue as part of the purchasing process

Select from:

☑ Yes, environmental requirements related to this environmental issue are included in our supplier contracts

(5.11.5.2) Policy in place for addressing supplier non-compliance

Select from:

☑ No, we do not have a policy in place for addressing non-compliance

(5.11.5.3) Comment

Corporate suppliers are contractually required to fill out the Ecovadis questionnaire. They must meet a threshold score of 45 to be deemed responsible per Cascades' Responsible Procurement Program. This evaluation process covers forests-related topics (when relevant according to the supplier's sector).

Water

(5.11.5.1) Suppliers have to meet specific environmental requirements related to this environmental issue as part of the purchasing process

Select from:

☑ Yes, environmental requirements related to this environmental issue are included in our supplier contracts

(5.11.5.2) Policy in place for addressing supplier non-compliance

Select from:

☑ No, we do not have a policy in place for addressing non-compliance

(5.11.5.3) Comment

Corporate suppliers are contractually required to fill out the Ecovadis questionnaire. They must meet a threshold score of 45 to be deemed responsible per Cascades' Responsible Procurement Program. This evaluation process covers water-related topics (when relevant according to the supplier's sector).
[Fixed row]

(5.11.6) Provide details of the environmental requirements that suppliers have to meet as part of your organization’s purchasing process, and the compliance measures in place.

Climate change

(5.11.6.1) Environmental requirement

Select from:

☑ Environmental disclosure through a non-public platform

(5.11.6.2) Mechanisms for monitoring compliance with this environmental requirement

Select all that apply

☑ Supplier scorecard or rating

(5.11.6.3) % tier 1 suppliers by procurement spend required to comply with this environmental requirement

Select from:

☑ 26-50%

(5.11.6.4) % tier 1 suppliers by procurement spend in compliance with this environmental requirement

Select from:

☑ 1-25%

(5.11.6.7) % tier 1 supplier-related scope 3 emissions attributable to the suppliers required to comply with this environmental requirement

Select from:

☑ 1-25%

(5.11.6.8) % tier 1 supplier-related scope 3 emissions attributable to the suppliers in compliance with this environmental requirement

Select from:

☑ 1-25%

(5.11.6.9) Response to supplier non-compliance with this environmental requirement

Select from:

☑ Retain and engage

(5.11.6.10) % of non-compliant suppliers engaged

Select from:

☑ Unknown

(5.11.6.11) Procedures to engage non-compliant suppliers

Select all that apply

☑ Providing information on appropriate actions that can be taken to address non-compliance

(5.11.6.12) Comment

One of the KPIs in our 2021-2025 Sustainable Development Plan is to reach 70% of purchases from our total spend from sustainable suppliers, assessed by a third party expert EcoVadis. All our corporate suppliers are requested to fulfill the EcoVadis assessment every 2 years, evaluating their sustainability performance (on the following pillars: environment, labour & human rights, ethics and sustainable procurement). The environment pillar includes climate change and GHG emissions.

Forests

(5.11.6.1) Environmental requirement

Select from:

☑ Environmental disclosure through a non-public platform

(5.11.6.2) Mechanisms for monitoring compliance with this environmental requirement

Select all that apply

☑ Supplier scorecard or rating

(5.11.6.3) % tier 1 suppliers by procurement spend required to comply with this environmental requirement

Select from:

☑ 26-50%

(5.11.6.4) % tier 1 suppliers by procurement spend in compliance with this environmental requirement

Select from:

☑ 1-25%

(5.11.6.9) Response to supplier non-compliance with this environmental requirement

Select from:

☑ Retain and engage

(5.11.6.10) % of non-compliant suppliers engaged

Select from:

☑ Unknown

(5.11.6.11) Procedures to engage non-compliant suppliers

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Water

(5.11.6.1) Environmental requirement

Select from:

☑ Environmental disclosure through a non-public platform

(5.11.6.2) Mechanisms for monitoring compliance with this environmental requirement

Select all that apply

☑ Supplier scorecard or rating

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☑ 1-25%

(5.11.6.9) Response to supplier non-compliance with this environmental requirement

Select from:
☑ Retain and engage

(5.11.6.10) % of non-compliant suppliers engaged

Select from:
☑ Unknown

(5.11.6.11) Procedures to engage non-compliant suppliers

Select all that apply
☑ Providing information on appropriate actions that can be taken to address non-compliance

(5.11.6.12) Comment

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[Add row]

(5.11.7) Provide further details of your organization’s supplier engagement on environmental issues.

Climate change

(5.11.7.2) Action driven by supplier engagement

Select from:

☑ Substitution of hazardous substances with less harmful substances

(5.11.7.3) Type and details of engagement

Innovation and collaboration

☑ Collaborate with suppliers on innovations to reduce environmental impacts in products and services

(5.11.7.4) Upstream value chain coverage

Select all that apply

☑ Tier 1 suppliers

(5.11.7.5) % of tier 1 suppliers by procurement spend covered by engagement

Select from:

☑ Less than 1%

(5.11.7.6) % of tier 1 supplier-related scope 3 emissions covered by engagement

Select from:

☑ Unknown

(5.11.7.9) Describe the engagement and explain the effect of your engagement on the selected environmental action

We collaborated with a chemicals supplier to replace traditional petroleum-based glue with a biosourced glue which has lower environmental impacts, notably a reduced carbon footprint.

(5.11.7.10) Engagement is helping your tier 1 suppliers meet an environmental requirement related to this environmental issue

Select from:

☑ Yes, please specify the environmental requirement :It helps support the supplier's climate transition plan (Race to net zero by 2045).

(5.11.7.11) Engagement is helping your tier 1 suppliers engage with their own suppliers on the selected action

Select from:

☑ Unknown

Forests

(5.11.7.1) Commodity

Select from:

☑ Timber products

(5.11.7.2) Action driven by supplier engagement

Select from:

☑ No deforestation and/or conversion of other natural ecosystems

(5.11.7.3) Type and details of engagement

Innovation and collaboration

☑ Other innovation and collaboration activity, please specify :Focus on procurement of recycled fiber. Target in place to prioritize FSC certification/standards for virgin fiber and paper procurement

(5.11.7.4) Upstream value chain coverage

Select all that apply

☑ Tier 1 suppliers

(5.11.7.5) % of tier 1 suppliers by procurement spend covered by engagement

Select from:

☑ Unknown

(5.11.7.9) Describe the engagement and explain the effect of your engagement on the selected environmental action

We use a large majority of recycled fibre in the manufacture of our products, which reduces the pressure on forest ecosystems. In 2024, 85.7% of the fibre purchased by our mills to make our products was recycled. However, the use of virgin fibres and paper is sometimes necessary. In these cases, Cascades makes sure to source as much as possible from suppliers certified by the Forest Stewardship Council® (FSC). At present, almost all of our fibre and paper supplies are recycled, FSC certified or meet FSC standards. An FSC-certified supplier must meet some of the highest environmental, social, and economic standards, including preserving the biodiversity, productivity, and ecological balance of the forest.

(5.11.7.10) Engagement is helping your tier 1 suppliers meet an environmental requirement related to this environmental issue

Select from:

☑ Yes, please specify the environmental requirement :Meeting no deforestation/no conversion status

(5.11.7.11) Engagement is helping your tier 1 suppliers engage with their own suppliers on the selected action

Select from:

☑ Unknown

Water

(5.11.7.2) Action driven by supplier engagement

Select from:

☑ No other supplier engagement

(5.11.7.10) Engagement is helping your tier 1 suppliers meet an environmental requirement related to this environmental issue

Select from:

☑ No, this engagement is unrelated to meeting an environmental requirement

Plastics

(5.11.7.2) Action driven by supplier engagement

Select from:
☑ No other supplier engagement

Climate change

(5.11.7.2) Action driven by supplier engagement

Select from:
☑ Emissions reduction

(5.11.7.3) Type and details of engagement

Information collection
☑ Collect GHG emissions data at least annually from suppliers
☑ Collect targets information at least annually from suppliers

(5.11.7.4) Upstream value chain coverage

Select all that apply
☑ Tier 1 suppliers

(5.11.7.5) % of tier 1 suppliers by procurement spend covered by engagement

Select from:
☑ Unknown

(5.11.7.6) % of tier 1 supplier-related scope 3 emissions covered by engagement

Select from:

☑ Unknown

(5.11.7.9) Describe the engagement and explain the effect of your engagement on the selected environmental action

In 2024, we contacted priority suppliers linked to a material portion of our scope 3 GHG emissions to collect information regarding their product climate footprint. This initiative aimed at collecting supplier-specific emissions factors for our calculations, as well as supporting our supplier engagement on climate.

(5.11.7.10) Engagement is helping your tier 1 suppliers meet an environmental requirement related to this environmental issue

Select from:

☑ Yes, please specify the environmental requirement :Transparency with regards to product carbon footprints

(5.11.7.11) Engagement is helping your tier 1 suppliers engage with their own suppliers on the selected action

Select from:

☑ Unknown

[Add row]

(5.11.9) Provide details of any environmental engagement activity with other stakeholders in the value chain.

Climate change

(5.11.9.1) Type of stakeholder

Select from:

☑ Customers

(5.11.9.2) Type and details of engagement

Education/Information sharing

☑ Share information about your products and relevant certification schemes

☑ Share information on environmental initiatives, progress and achievements

Innovation and collaboration

☑ Align your organization’s goals to support customers’ targets and ambitions

☑ Collaborate with stakeholders on innovations to reduce environmental impacts in products and services

(5.11.9.3) % of stakeholder type engaged

Select from:

☑ Unknown

(5.11.9.4) % stakeholder-associated scope 3 emissions

Select from:

☑ Unknown

(5.11.9.5) Rationale for engaging these stakeholders and scope of engagement

Cascades provides climate change data to its customers upon request, which includes GHG emissions data and information on reduction targets. This is aimed at meeting customer expectations in engaging with suppliers that share their engament towards climate action.

(5.11.9.6) Effect of engagement and measures of success

Cascades helps reduce GHG emissions associated with the products sold to its customers. We track this progress by calculating our products' carbon footprint (PCF) thanks to the lifecycle assessments (LCA) performed on our portfolio and share it upon request.

Forests

(5.11.9.1) Type of stakeholder

Select from:

☑ Customers

(5.11.9.2) Type and details of engagement

Education/Information sharing

☑ Share information about your products and relevant certification schemes

☑ Share information on environmental initiatives, progress and achievements

Innovation and collaboration

☑ Align your organization's goals to support customers' targets and ambitions

☑ Collaborate with stakeholders on innovations to reduce environmental impacts in products and services

☑ Encourage collaborative work in multi-stakeholder landscape towards initiatives for sustainable land-use goals

(5.11.9.3) % of stakeholder type engaged

Select from:

☑ Unknown

(5.11.9.5) Rationale for engaging these stakeholders and scope of engagement

Cascades provides information about the types of fibre used to manufacture its product and collaborate with its customers to develop product that answer their needs in terms of % of recycled content or FSC content. This also drives collaboration and innovation for more sustainable forest management practices in the value chain.

(5.11.9.6) Effect of engagement and measures of success

Cascades has objectives in place such as: (1) 100% fibre and paper that are recycled, FSC certified or that meet FSC standards, (2) 100% of the packaging we manufacture and sell is recyclable, compostable or reusable and (3) Double our supply of FSC Mix fibre (reach 39%) (vs. 2019). We track those data to make sure we achieve our goals by 2025 or 2030, depending of the planned schedule. This response from our organization is also aimed at meeting customers preference and driving sustainable forest management practices in the value chain.

Water

(5.11.9.1) Type of stakeholder

Select from:

☑ Customers

(5.11.9.2) Type and details of engagement

Education/Information sharing

☑ Share information about your products and relevant certification schemes

☑ Share information on environmental initiatives, progress and achievements

Innovation and collaboration

☑ Align your organization's goals to support customers' targets and ambitions

(5.11.9.3) % of stakeholder type engaged

Select from:

☑ Unknown

(5.11.9.5) Rationale for engaging these stakeholders and scope of engagement

Cascades provides water-related data to its customers upon request, which includes water consumption data and information on reduction targets. This is aimed at meeting customer expectations in engaging with suppliers that share their engament towards reduced water impacts.

(5.11.9.6) Effect of engagement and measures of success

Cascades shares information about the consumption of water related to products (based on water effluents), specific to some clients. We already reached our goal to reduce our mills effluents by 15% (M3/NSMT) (vs. 2019), and we now track the water consumption of our facilities using water meters.

Climate change

(5.11.9.1) Type of stakeholder

Select from:

☑ Investors and shareholders

(5.11.9.2) Type and details of engagement

Education/Information sharing

☑ Share information about your products and relevant certification schemes

☑ Share information on environmental initiatives, progress and achievements

(5.11.9.3) % of stakeholder type engaged

Select from:
☑ Unknown

(5.11.9.4) % stakeholder-associated scope 3 emissions

Select from:
☑ Unknown

(5.11.9.5) Rationale for engaging these stakeholders and scope of engagement

Cascades discloses various environmental metrics publicly on a yearly basis. This approach is aimed at supporting the assessment performed by investors regarding the company's ESG performance.

(5.11.9.6) Effect of engagement and measures of success

Cascades upholds its sustainability engagements towards its investors and shareholders by sharing complete and transparent information about key ESG metrics. These efforts also feed into the climate goals of some of our investors.
[Add row]

(5.12) Indicate any mutually beneficial environmental initiatives you could collaborate on with specific CDP Supply Chain members.

Row 1

(5.12.1) Requesting member

Select from:

(5.12.2) Environmental issues the initiative relates to

Select all that apply

☑ Climate change
☑ Forests
☑ Water

(5.12.3) Commodities the initiative relates to

Select all that apply
☑ Timber products

(5.12.4) Initiative category and type

Relationship sustainability assessment
☑ Align goals to feed into customers targets and ambitions

(5.12.5) Details of initiative

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(5.12.6) Expected benefits

Select all that apply
☑ Improved resource use and efficiency
☑ Increase in use of certified materials
☑ Reduction of own operational emissions (own scope 1 & 2)
☑ Increased transparency of upstream/downstream value chain
☑ Reduction of downstream value chain emissions (own scope 3)
☑ Reduction of own operational water withdrawals and/or consumption

(5.12.7) Estimated timeframe for realization of benefits

Select from:

☑ 1-3 years

(5.12.8) Are you able to estimate the lifetime CO2e and/or water savings of this initiative?

Select from:

☑ Yes, both lifetime CO2e and lifetime water savings

(5.12.9) Estimated lifetime CO2e savings

0

(5.12.10) Estimated lifetime water savings (megaliters)

0

(5.12.11) Please explain

Cascades conducts life cycle assessments and uses environmental calculators to evaluate the environmental benefits of the products it develops compared to the industry average. By identifying specific products to assess, we can determine the amount of CO2 and water saved. Cascades is open to collaborating with its customers to develop products that meet their needs and contribute to their sustainability goals. We invite you to contact us through your sales representative so that we can identify possible avenues for collaboration.

Row 2

(5.12.1) Requesting member

Select from:

(5.12.2) Environmental issues the initiative relates to

Select all that apply

☑ Climate change

☑ Forests

☑ Water

(5.12.3) Commodities the initiative relates to

Select all that apply

☑ Timber products

(5.12.4) Initiative category and type

Relationship sustainability assessment

☑ Align goals to feed into customers targets and ambitions

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Select from:

☑ 1-3 years

(5.12.8) Are you able to estimate the lifetime CO2e and/or water savings of this initiative?

Select from:

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(5.12.9) Estimated lifetime CO2e savings

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Row 3

(5.12.1) Requesting member

Select from:

(5.12.2) Environmental issues the initiative relates to

Select all that apply

☑ Climate change

☑ Forests

☑ Water

(5.12.3) Commodities the initiative relates to

Select all that apply

☑ Timber products

(5.12.4) Initiative category and type

Relationship sustainability assessment

☑ Align goals to feed into customers targets and ambitions

(5.12.5) Details of initiative

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☑ Reduction of downstream value chain emissions (own scope 3)

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(5.12.7) Estimated timeframe for realization of benefits

Select from:

☑ 1-3 years

(5.12.8) Are you able to estimate the lifetime CO2e and/or water savings of this initiative?

Select from:

☑ Yes, both lifetime CO2e and lifetime water savings

(5.12.9) Estimated lifetime CO2e savings

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(5.12.10) Estimated lifetime water savings (megaliters)

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Row 4

(5.12.1) Requesting member

Select from:

(5.12.2) Environmental issues the initiative relates to

Select all that apply

☑ Climate change

☑ Forests

☑ Water

(5.12.3) Commodities the initiative relates to

Select all that apply

☑ Timber products

(5.12.4) Initiative category and type

Relationship sustainability assessment

☑ Align goals to feed into customers targets and ambitions

(5.12.5) Details of initiative

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☑ Reduction of downstream value chain emissions (own scope 3)

☑ Reduction of own operational water withdrawals and/or consumption

(5.12.7) Estimated timeframe for realization of benefits

Select from:

☑ 1-3 years

(5.12.8) Are you able to estimate the lifetime CO2e and/or water savings of this initiative?

Select from:

☑ Yes, both lifetime CO2e and lifetime water savings

(5.12.9) Estimated lifetime CO2e savings

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(5.12.11) Please explain

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Row 5

(5.12.1) Requesting member

Select from:

(5.12.2) Environmental issues the initiative relates to

Select all that apply

☑ Climate change

☑ Forests

☑ Water

(5.12.3) Commodities the initiative relates to

Select all that apply

☑ Timber products

(5.12.4) Initiative category and type

Relationship sustainability assessment

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(5.12.6) Expected benefits

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☑ Improved resource use and efficiency
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☑ Reduction of own operational emissions (own scope 1 & 2)
☑ Increased transparency of upstream/downstream value chain
☑ Reduction of downstream value chain emissions (own scope 3)
☑ Reduction of own operational water withdrawals and/or consumption

(5.12.7) Estimated timeframe for realization of benefits

Select from:

☑ 1-3 years

(5.12.8) Are you able to estimate the lifetime CO2e and/or water savings of this initiative?

Select from:

☑ Yes, both lifetime CO2e and lifetime water savings

(5.12.9) Estimated lifetime CO2e savings

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(5.12.10) Estimated lifetime water savings (megaliters)

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Row 6

(5.12.1) Requesting member

Select from:

(5.12.2) Environmental issues the initiative relates to

Select all that apply

☑ Climate change

☑ Forests

☑ Water

(5.12.3) Commodities the initiative relates to

Select all that apply

☑ Timber products

(5.12.4) Initiative category and type

Relationship sustainability assessment

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(5.12.6) Expected benefits

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☑ Reduction of own operational emissions (own scope 1 & 2)

☑ Reduction of own operational water withdrawals and/or consumption

☑ Increased transparency of upstream/downstream value chain

☑ Reduction of downstream value chain emissions (own scope 3)

(5.12.7) Estimated timeframe for realization of benefits

Select from:

☑ 1-3 years

(5.12.8) Are you able to estimate the lifetime CO2e and/or water savings of this initiative?

Select from:

☑ Yes, both lifetime CO2e and lifetime water savings

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(5.12.10) Estimated lifetime water savings (megaliters)

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Row 7

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Select from:

(5.12.2) Environmental issues the initiative relates to

Select all that apply

☑ Climate change

☑ Forests

☑ Water

(5.12.3) Commodities the initiative relates to

Select all that apply

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(5.12.4) Initiative category and type

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☑ Improved resource use and efficiency

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(5.12.7) Estimated timeframe for realization of benefits

Select from:

☑ 1-3 years

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[Add row]

(5.13) Has your organization already implemented any mutually beneficial environmental initiatives due to CDP Supply Chain member engagement?

	Environmental initiatives implemented due to CDP Supply Chain member engagement	Primary reason for not implementing environmental initiatives	Explain why your organization has not implemented any environmental initiatives
	Select from:	*Select from:*	*Cascades holds a large amount of data and values the relationship it has built with its customers, but has not received any specific requests.*

	Environmental initiatives implemented due to CDP Supply Chain member engagement	Primary reason for not implementing environmental initiatives	Explain why your organization has not implemented any environmental initiatives
	☑ No, and we do not plan to within the next two years	☑ Not an immediate strategic priority	

[Fixed row]

C6. Environmental Performance - Consolidation Approach

(6.1) Provide details on your chosen consolidation approach for the calculation of environmental performance data.

	Consolidation approach used	Provide the rationale for the choice of consolidation approach
Climate change	*Select from:* ☑ Operational control	*Cascades uses the same consolidation approach as used in its financial accounting.*
Forests	*Select from:* ☑ Operational control	*Cascades uses the same consolidation approach as used in its financial accounting.*
Water	*Select from:* ☑ Operational control	*Cascades uses the same consolidation approach as used in its financial accounting.*
Plastics	*Select from:* ☑ Operational control	*Cascades uses the same consolidation approach as used in its financial accounting.*
Biodiversity	*Select from:* ☑ Other, please specify :Not consolidated	*Cascades does not consolidate data specific to biodiversity-related impacts and dependencies yet.*

[Fixed row]

C7. Environmental performance - Climate Change

(7.1) Is this your first year of reporting emissions data to CDP?

Select from:
☑ No

(7.1.1) Has your organization undergone any structural changes in the reporting year, or are any previous structural changes being accounted for in this disclosure of emissions data?

	Has there been a structural change?
	Select all that apply ☑ No

[Fixed row]

(7.1.2) Has your emissions accounting methodology, boundary, and/or reporting year definition changed in the reporting year?

(7.1.2.1) Change(s) in methodology, boundary, and/or reporting year definition?

Select all that apply
☑ No, but we have discovered significant errors in our previous response(s)

(7.1.2.2) Details of methodology, boundary, and/or reporting year definition change(s)

We discovered in 2024-2025 that our owned landfills were not included in our previous calculations. Our emissions from landfills owned and operated by Cascades are now included in the reporting year calculations. Base year emissions (2019) will be corrected as well as we are in the process of renewing our GHG reduction targets in line with the recommendations of the SBTi.
[Fixed row]

(7.1.3) Have your organization's base year emissions and past years' emissions been recalculated as a result of any changes or errors reported in 7.1.1 and/or 7.1.2?

(7.1.3.1) Base year recalculation

Select from:
☑ No, because we do not have the data yet and plan to recalculate next year

(7.1.3.3) Base year emissions recalculation policy, including significance threshold

For the entire duration of this action plan, it has been established that the recalculation of the reference year data will be possible in the following contexts: 1. Structural changes (acquisition, merger, disposal, internationalization or outsourcing, change in the product or service offering) when these have an impact that exceeds the materiality threshold on the data we had reported. This threshold has been set at 5%. This may include taking into account the cumulative effects of a number of small disposals or acquisitions in the same year (acquisitions of operations already in operation in the reference year). 2. Significant errors (plus or minus 5%) in the data. 3. External regulatory changes that have an impact on results that exceed the materiality threshold. The same rules will apply in the event of a recalculation of the targets. Any changes will be clearly identified and explained. We will recalculate our base year to include emissions from landfills under our operational control.

(7.1.3.4) Past years' recalculation

Select from:
☑ No
[Fixed row]

(7.2) Select the name of the standard, protocol, or methodology you have used to collect activity data and calculate emissions.

Select all that apply

☑ The Greenhouse Gas Protocol: A Corporate Accounting and Reporting Standard (Revised Edition)

☑ The Greenhouse Gas Protocol: Scope 2 Guidance

☑ The Greenhouse Gas Protocol: Corporate Value Chain (Scope 3) Standard

(7.3) Describe your organization's approach to reporting Scope 2 emissions.

	Scope 2, location-based	Scope 2, market-based	Comment
	Select from: ☑ We are reporting a Scope 2, location-based figure	*Select from:* ☑ We are reporting a Scope 2, market-based figure	*Cascades reports both in location-based and market-based.*

[Fixed row]

(7.4) Are there any sources (e.g. facilities, specific GHGs, activities, geographies, etc.) of Scope 1, Scope 2 or Scope 3 emissions that are within your selected reporting boundary which are not included in your disclosure?

Select from:

☑ Yes

(7.4.1) Provide details of the sources of Scope 1, Scope 2, or Scope 3 emissions that are within your selected reporting boundary which are not included in your disclosure.

Row 1

(7.4.1.1) Source of excluded emissions

Capital goods, business travel, upstream leased assets, downstream transportation and distribution, processing of sold products, use of sold products, downstream leased assets, franchises, investments are not assessed because we judged those categories were not relevant in the past years.

(7.4.1.2) Scope(s) or Scope 3 category(ies)

Select all that apply

☑ Scope 3: Franchises
☑ Scope 3: Investments
☑ Scope 3: Capital goods
☑ Scope 3: Business travel
☑ Scope 3: Use of sold products
☑ Scope 3: Upstream leased assets
☑ Scope 3: Downstream leased assets
☑ Scope 3: Processing of sold products
☑ Scope 3: Downstream transportation and distribution

(7.4.1.6) Relevance of Scope 3 emissions from this source

Select from:

☑ Emissions are not evaluated

(7.4.1.10) Explain why this source is excluded

Use of sold products, downstream leased assets and franchises are not relevant for Cascades. The other categories mentioned have not yet been assessed, but their evaluation is currently underway and will be added in the future reporting years if relevant.
[Add row]

(7.5) Provide your base year and base year emissions.

Scope 1

(7.5.1) Base year end

12/31/2019

(7.5.2) Base year emissions (metric tons CO2e)

597467

(7.5.3) Methodological details

Includes Scope 1 Emissions, from Pulp & Paper Mills and Conversion facilities across US and Canada for Cascades' 3 product groups (Tissue, Carboard Packaging, Specialized Products). Scope 1 Emissions other than Direct Emissions from manufacturing facilities are also accounted for.

Scope 2 (location-based)

(7.5.1) Base year end

12/31/2019

(7.5.2) Base year emissions (metric tons CO2e)

518790

(7.5.3) Methodological details

Regarding the Electricity purchased we used « Location based Emission Factors », ref. EPA e-grid 2020 As for the steam purchased from local incinerators (Covanta, NY and Emerald, ON), we used the EF provided by the suppliers. The state of NY reviewed regulation helped improve Covanta's EF.

Scope 2 (market-based)

(7.5.1) Base year end

12/31/2019

(7.5.2) Base year emissions (metric tons CO2e)

0

(7.5.3) Methodological details

Cascades did not calculate market-based Scope 2 emissions for baseyear electricity but we plan to disclose within two years, when our baseline will be reviewed

Scope 3 category 1: Purchased goods and services

(7.5.1) Base year end

12/31/2019

(7.5.2) Base year emissions (metric tons CO2e)

907400

(7.5.3) Methodological details

N/A

Scope 3 category 2: Capital goods

(7.5.1) Base year end

12/31/2019

(7.5.2) Base year emissions (metric tons CO2e)

0

(7.5.3) Methodological details

Not disclosed

Scope 3 category 3: Fuel-and-energy-related activities (not included in Scope 1 or 2)

(7.5.1) Base year end

12/31/2019

(7.5.2) Base year emissions (metric tons CO2e)

647730

(7.5.3) Methodological details

N/A

Scope 3 category 4: Upstream transportation and distribution

(7.5.1) Base year end

12/31/2019

(7.5.2) Base year emissions (metric tons CO2e)

137663

(7.5.3) Methodological details

N/A

Scope 3 category 5: Waste generated in operations

(7.5.1) Base year end

12/31/2019

(7.5.2) Base year emissions (metric tons CO2e)

61284

(7.5.3) Methodological details

N/A

Scope 3 category 6: Business travel

(7.5.1) Base year end

12/31/2019

(7.5.2) Base year emissions (metric tons CO2e)

0

(7.5.3) Methodological details

Not disclosed

Scope 3 category 7: Employee commuting

(7.5.1) Base year end

12/31/2019

(7.5.2) Base year emissions (metric tons CO2e)

13161

(7.5.3) Methodological details

N/A

Scope 3 category 8: Upstream leased assets

(7.5.1) Base year end

12/31/2019

(7.5.2) Base year emissions (metric tons CO2e)

0

(7.5.3) Methodological details

Not disclosed

Scope 3 category 9: Downstream transportation and distribution

(7.5.1) Base year end

12/31/2019

(7.5.2) Base year emissions (metric tons CO2e)

0

(7.5.3) Methodological details

Not disclosed

Scope 3 category 10: Processing of sold products

(7.5.1) Base year end

12/31/2019

(7.5.2) Base year emissions (metric tons CO2e)

0

(7.5.3) Methodological details

Not disclosed

Scope 3 category 11: Use of sold products

(7.5.1) Base year end

12/31/2019

(7.5.2) Base year emissions (metric tons CO2e)

0

(7.5.3) Methodological details

Not disclosed

Scope 3 category 12: End of life treatment of sold products

(7.5.1) Base year end

12/31/2019

(7.5.2) Base year emissions (metric tons CO2e)

15359

(7.5.3) Methodological details

N/A

Scope 3 category 13: Downstream leased assets

(7.5.1) Base year end

12/31/2019

(7.5.2) Base year emissions (metric tons CO2e)

0

(7.5.3) Methodological details

Not disclosed

Scope 3 category 14: Franchises

(7.5.1) Base year end

12/31/2019

(7.5.2) Base year emissions (metric tons CO2e)

0

(7.5.3) Methodological details

Not disclosed

Scope 3 category 15: Investments

(7.5.1) Base year end

12/31/2019

(7.5.2) Base year emissions (metric tons CO2e)

0

(7.5.3) Methodological details

Not disclosed

Scope 3: Other (upstream)

(7.5.1) Base year end

12/31/2019

(7.5.2) Base year emissions (metric tons CO2e)

0

(7.5.3) Methodological details

Not disclosed

Scope 3: Other (downstream)

(7.5.1) Base year end

12/31/2019

(7.5.2) Base year emissions (metric tons CO2e)

0

(7.5.3) Methodological details

Not disclosed
[Fixed row]

(7.6) What were your organization’s gross global Scope 1 emissions in metric tons CO2e?

	Gross global Scope 1 emissions (metric tons CO2e)	Methodological details
Reporting year	*564458*	*Owned landfill added in our scope 1 emissions in 2024*

[Fixed row]

(7.7) What were your organization’s gross global Scope 2 emissions in metric tons CO2e?

	Gross global Scope 2, location-based emissions (metric tons CO2e)	Gross global Scope 2, market-based emissions (metric tons CO2e)	Methodological details
Reporting year	*312693*	*267889*	*Electricity and purchased steam*

[Fixed row]

(7.8) Account for your organization’s gross global Scope 3 emissions, disclosing and explaining any exclusions.

Purchased goods and services

(7.8.1) Evaluation status

Select from:

☑ Relevant, calculated

(7.8.2) Emissions in reporting year (metric tons CO2e)

1126103

(7.8.3) Emissions calculation methodology

Select all that apply

☑ Hybrid method

(7.8.4) Percentage of emissions calculated using data obtained from suppliers or value chain partners

0

(7.8.5) Please explain

We did collect some supplier specific data in 2024. However, we have not started using them in our calculations. We are currently strenghtening our calculation method to include them in a short term horizon.

Capital goods

(7.8.1) Evaluation status

Select from:
☑ Not evaluated

(7.8.5) Please explain

Evaluation underway.

Fuel-and-energy-related activities (not included in Scope 1 or 2)

(7.8.1) Evaluation status

Select from:
☑ Relevant, calculated

(7.8.2) Emissions in reporting year (metric tons CO2e)

705234

(7.8.3) Emissions calculation methodology

Select all that apply
☑ Fuel-based method

(7.8.4) Percentage of emissions calculated using data obtained from suppliers or value chain partners

0

(7.8.5) Please explain

None of our energy suppliers were able to provide specific emission factors

Upstream transportation and distribution

(7.8.1) Evaluation status

Select from:

☑ Relevant, calculated

(7.8.2) Emissions in reporting year (metric tons CO2e)

167483

(7.8.3) Emissions calculation methodology

Select all that apply

☑ Average data method

☑ Spend-based method

☑ Distance-based method

(7.8.4) Percentage of emissions calculated using data obtained from suppliers or value chain partners

0

(7.8.5) Please explain

We have not collected any emission factors from these suppliers yet.

Waste generated in operations

(7.8.1) Evaluation status

Select from:

☑ Relevant, calculated

(7.8.2) Emissions in reporting year (metric tons CO2e)

13875

(7.8.3) Emissions calculation methodology

Select all that apply

☑ Distance-based method

☑ Waste-type-specific method

(7.8.4) Percentage of emissions calculated using data obtained from suppliers or value chain partners

0

(7.8.5) Please explain

Waste treatment specific method.

Business travel

(7.8.1) Evaluation status

Select from:

☑ Not evaluated

(7.8.5) Please explain

Evaluation underway.

Employee commuting

(7.8.1) Evaluation status

Select from:

☑ Relevant, calculated

(7.8.2) Emissions in reporting year (metric tons CO2e)

7954

(7.8.3) Emissions calculation methodology

Select all that apply

☑ Distance-based method

(7.8.4) Percentage of emissions calculated using data obtained from suppliers or value chain partners

0

(7.8.5) Please explain

Distance-based method.

Upstream leased assets

(7.8.1) Evaluation status

Select from:

☑ Not evaluated

(7.8.5) Please explain

Evaluation underway.

Downstream transportation and distribution

(7.8.1) Evaluation status

Select from:

☑ Not evaluated

(7.8.5) Please explain

Evaluation underway.

Processing of sold products

(7.8.1) Evaluation status

Select from:
☑ Not evaluated

(7.8.5) Please explain

Evaluation underway.

Use of sold products

(7.8.1) Evaluation status

Select from:
☑ Not relevant, explanation provided

(7.8.5) Please explain

Not relevant per Cascades' product nature.

End of life treatment of sold products

(7.8.1) Evaluation status

Select from:
☑ Relevant, calculated

(7.8.2) Emissions in reporting year (metric tons CO2e)

38742

(7.8.3) Emissions calculation methodology

Select all that apply

☑ Other, please specify

(7.8.4) Percentage of emissions calculated using data obtained from suppliers or value chain partners

0

(7.8.5) Please explain

Waste treatment specific method

Downstream leased assets

(7.8.1) Evaluation status

Select from:

☑ Not relevant, explanation provided

(7.8.5) Please explain

Not relevant per Cascades' business activities.

Franchises

(7.8.1) Evaluation status

Select from:

☑ Not relevant, explanation provided

(7.8.5) Please explain

Not relevant per Cascades' business activities.

Investments

(7.8.1) Evaluation status

Select from:
☑ Not evaluated

(7.8.5) Please explain

Evaluation under way.

Other (upstream)

(7.8.1) Evaluation status

Select from:
☑ Not evaluated

(7.8.5) Please explain

This category is not considered

Other (downstream)

(7.8.1) Evaluation status

Select from:
☑ Not evaluated

(7.8.5) Please explain

This category is not considered
[Fixed row]

(7.9) Indicate the verification/assurance status that applies to your reported emissions.

	Verification/assurance status
Scope 1	*Select from:* ☑ Third-party verification or assurance process in place
Scope 2 (location-based or market-based)	*Select from:* ☑ No third-party verification or assurance
Scope 3	*Select from:* ☑ No third-party verification or assurance

[Fixed row]

(7.9.1) Provide further details of the verification/assurance undertaken for your Scope 1 emissions, and attach the relevant statements.

Row 1

(7.9.1.1) Verification or assurance cycle in place

Select from:
☑ Annual process

(7.9.1.2) Status in the current reporting year

Select from:
☑ Complete

(7.9.1.3) Type of verification or assurance

Select from:
☑ Third party verification/assurance underway

(7.9.1.4) Attach the statement

12582080-RPT-4-04-Rapport de vérification GES 2024-Cascades (CGT-KF).pdf

(7.9.1.5) Page/section reference

Tissu Kingsey Falls statement verification: p.24

(7.9.1.6) Relevant standard

Select from:
☑ ISO14064-3

(7.9.1.7) Proportion of reported emissions verified (%)

3

Row 2

(7.9.1.1) Verification or assurance cycle in place

Select from:
☑ Annual process

(7.9.1.2) Status in the current reporting year

Select from:
☑ Complete

(7.9.1.3) Type of verification or assurance

Select from:

☑ Third party verification/assurance underway

(7.9.1.4) Attach the statement

12582079-RPT-4-04-Rapport de vérification GES 2024- Cascades (PKF)_final.pdf

(7.9.1.5) Page/section reference

PKF Statement verification p.25

(7.9.1.6) Relevant standard

Select from:
☑ ISO14064-3

(7.9.1.7) Proportion of reported emissions verified (%)

11

Row 3

(7.9.1.1) Verification or assurance cycle in place

Select from:
☑ Annual process

(7.9.1.2) Status in the current reporting year

Select from:
☑ Complete

(7.9.1.3) Type of verification or assurance

Select from:
☑ Third party verification/assurance underway

(7.9.1.4) Attach the statement

12582073-RPT-4-04-Rapport de vérification GES 2024- Cascades (Lachute).pdf

(7.9.1.5) Page/section reference

Lachute Statement verification p.26

(7.9.1.6) Relevant standard

Select from:
☑ ISO14064-3

(7.9.1.7) Proportion of reported emissions verified (%)

2

Row 4

(7.9.1.1) Verification or assurance cycle in place

Select from:
☑ Annual process

(7.9.1.2) Status in the current reporting year

Select from:
☑ Complete

(7.9.1.3) Type of verification or assurance

Select from:
☑ Third party verification/assurance underway

(7.9.1.4) Attach the statement

12582071-RPT-4-04-Rapport de vérification GES 2024- Cascades (Candiac).pdf

(7.9.1.5) Page/section reference

Candiac Statement verification p.25

(7.9.1.6) Relevant standard

Select from:
☑ ISO14064-3

(7.9.1.7) Proportion of reported emissions verified (%)

5

Row 5

(7.9.1.1) Verification or assurance cycle in place

Select from:
☑ Annual process

(7.9.1.2) Status in the current reporting year

Select from:
☑ Complete

(7.9.1.3) Type of verification or assurance

Select from:
☑ Third party verification/assurance underway

(7.9.1.4) Attach the statement

12582068-RPT-4-04-Rapport de vérification GES 2024-Cascades_Cabano.pdf

(7.9.1.5) Page/section reference

Cabano verification statement - p.32

(7.9.1.6) Relevant standard

Select from:
☑ ISO14064-3

(7.9.1.7) Proportion of reported emissions verified (%)

3

Row 6

(7.9.1.1) Verification or assurance cycle in place

Select from:
☑ Annual process

(7.9.1.2) Status in the current reporting year

Select from:
☑ Complete

(7.9.1.3) Type of verification or assurance

Select from:
☑ Third party verification/assurance underway

(7.9.1.4) Attach the statement

12582099-LTR-4-Hudon-Cascades-2024 Verification Report.pdf

(7.9.1.5) Page/section reference

Trenton verification statement - p.16

(7.9.1.6) Relevant standard

Select from:
☑ ISO14064-3

(7.9.1.7) Proportion of reported emissions verified (%)

3
[Add row]

(7.10) How do your gross global emissions (Scope 1 and 2 combined) for the reporting year compare to those of the previous reporting year?

Select from:
☑ Increased

(7.10.1) Identify the reasons for any change in your gross global emissions (Scope 1 and 2 combined), and for each of them specify how your emissions compare to the previous year.

Change in renewable energy consumption

(7.10.1.1) Change in emissions (metric tons CO2e)

0

(7.10.1.2) Direction of change in emissions

Select from:
☑ No change

(7.10.1.3) Emissions value (percentage)

0

(7.10.1.4) Please explain calculation

N/A

Other emissions reduction activities

(7.10.1.1) Change in emissions (metric tons CO2e)

0

(7.10.1.2) Direction of change in emissions

Select from:

☑ No change

(7.10.1.3) Emissions value (percentage)

0

(7.10.1.4) Please explain calculation

N/A

Divestment

(7.10.1.1) Change in emissions (metric tons CO2e)

0

(7.10.1.2) Direction of change in emissions

Select from:

☑ No change

(7.10.1.3) Emissions value (percentage)

0

(7.10.1.4) Please explain calculation

N/A

Acquisitions

(7.10.1.1) Change in emissions (metric tons CO2e)

0

(7.10.1.2) Direction of change in emissions

Select from:
☑ No change

(7.10.1.3) Emissions value (percentage)

0

(7.10.1.4) Please explain calculation

N/A

Mergers

(7.10.1.1) Change in emissions (metric tons CO2e)

0

(7.10.1.2) Direction of change in emissions

Select from:

☑ No change

(7.10.1.3) Emissions value (percentage)

0

(7.10.1.4) Please explain calculation

N/A

Change in output

(7.10.1.1) Change in emissions (metric tons CO2e)

0

(7.10.1.2) Direction of change in emissions

Select from:
☑ No change

(7.10.1.3) Emissions value (percentage)

0

(7.10.1.4) Please explain calculation

N/A

Change in methodology

(7.10.1.1) Change in emissions (metric tons CO2e)

99630

(7.10.1.2) Direction of change in emissions

Select from:

☑ Increased

(7.10.1.3) Emissions value (percentage)

11

(7.10.1.4) Please explain calculation

Owned landfill, propane used in our forklift, HFC were not previously calculated. They have been added to our inventory in 2024. Base year recalculation to come.

Change in boundary

(7.10.1.1) Change in emissions (metric tons CO2e)

0

(7.10.1.2) Direction of change in emissions

Select from:

☑ No change

(7.10.1.3) Emissions value (percentage)

0

(7.10.1.4) Please explain calculation

N/A

Change in physical operating conditions

(7.10.1.1) Change in emissions (metric tons CO2e)

0

(7.10.1.2) Direction of change in emissions

Select from:
☑ No change

(7.10.1.3) Emissions value (percentage)

0

(7.10.1.4) Please explain calculation

N/A

Unidentified

(7.10.1.1) Change in emissions (metric tons CO2e)

0

(7.10.1.2) Direction of change in emissions

Select from:
☑ No change

(7.10.1.3) Emissions value (percentage)

0

(7.10.1.4) Please explain calculation

N/A

Other

(7.10.1.1) Change in emissions (metric tons CO2e)

0

(7.10.1.2) Direction of change in emissions

Select from:
☑ No change

(7.10.1.3) Emissions value (percentage)

0

(7.10.1.4) Please explain calculation

NA
[Fixed row]

(7.10.2) Are your emissions performance calculations in 7.10 and 7.10.1 based on a location-based Scope 2 emissions figure or a market-based Scope 2 emissions figure?

Select from:
☑ Location-based

(7.13) Is biogenic carbon pertaining to your direct operations relevant to your current CDP climate change disclosure?

Select from:
☑ Yes

(7.13.1) Account for biogenic carbon data pertaining to your direct operations and identify any exclusions.

CO2 emissions from land use management

(7.13.1.1) Emissions (metric tons CO2)

0

(7.13.1.2) Methodology

Select all that apply
☑ Default emissions factors

(7.13.1.3) Please explain

Cascades does not have emissions from land use management.

CO2 removals from land use management

(7.13.1.1) Emissions (metric tons CO2)

0

(7.13.1.2) Methodology

Select all that apply
☑ Default emissions factors

(7.13.1.3) Please explain

Cascades does not have removals from land use management.

Sequestration during land use change

(7.13.1.1) Emissions (metric tons CO2)

0

(7.13.1.2) Methodology

Select all that apply

☑ Default emissions factors

(7.13.1.3) Please explain

Cascades does not have sequestration during land use change

CO2 emissions from biofuel combustion (land machinery)

(7.13.1.1) Emissions (metric tons CO2)

0

(7.13.1.2) Methodology

Select all that apply
☑ Default emissions factors

(7.13.1.3) Please explain

N/A

CO2 emissions from biofuel combustion (processing/manufacturing machinery)

(7.13.1.1) Emissions (metric tons CO2)

196338

(7.13.1.2) Methodology

Select all that apply
☑ Default emissions factors

(7.13.1.3) Please explain

Cascades uses EPA's Table C-1 to Subpart C of Part 98—Default CO2 Emission Factors and High Heat Values for Various Types of Fuel for 14673 tons of CO2e. We use the « Quebec's Regulation respecting Mandatory Reporting of Certain Emissions of Contaminants into the Atmosphere », Table 1-1 and Table 1-3 for 181665 tons of CO2e

CO2 emissions from biofuel combustion (other)

(7.13.1.1) Emissions (metric tons CO2)

0

(7.13.1.2) Methodology

Select all that apply

☑ Default emissions factors

(7.13.1.3) Please explain

N/A
[Fixed row]

(7.14) Do you calculate greenhouse gas emissions for each agricultural commodity reported as significant to your business?

Timber products

(7.14.1) GHG emissions calculated for this commodity

Select from:

☑ Yes

(7.14.2) Reporting emissions by

Select from:

☑ Total

(7.14.3) Emissions (metric tons CO2e)

548930

(7.14.5) Change from last reporting year

Select from:
☑ Higher

(7.14.6) Please explain

Emissions related to timber products increased due to our increased production, along with an increase in our virgin fiber supplies as a result of market demands and the availability of recycled fiber.
[Fixed row]

(7.15) Does your organization break down its Scope 1 emissions by greenhouse gas type?

Select from:
☑ Yes

(7.15.1) Break down your total gross global Scope 1 emissions by greenhouse gas type and provide the source of each used global warming potential (GWP).

Row 1

(7.15.1.1) Greenhouse gas

Select from:
☑ CO2

(7.15.1.2) Scope 1 emissions (metric tons of CO2e)

464816

(7.15.1.3) GWP Reference

Select from:

☑ IPCC Sixth Assessment Report (AR6 - 100 year)

Row 2

(7.15.1.1) Greenhouse gas

Select from:

☑ CH4

(7.15.1.2) Scope 1 emissions (metric tons of CO2e)

88301

(7.15.1.3) GWP Reference

Select from:

☑ IPCC Sixth Assessment Report (AR6 - 100 year)

Row 3

(7.15.1.1) Greenhouse gas

Select from:

☑ N2O

(7.15.1.2) Scope 1 emissions (metric tons of CO2e)

3436

(7.15.1.3) GWP Reference

Select from:

☑ IPCC Sixth Assessment Report (AR6 - 100 year)

Row 4

(7.15.1.1) Greenhouse gas

Select from:
☑ HFCs

(7.15.1.2) Scope 1 emissions (metric tons of CO2e)

4723

(7.15.1.3) GWP Reference

Select from:
☑ IPCC Sixth Assessment Report (AR6 - 100 year)
[Add row]

(7.16) Break down your total gross global Scope 1 and 2 emissions by country/area.

	Scope 1 emissions (metric tons CO2e)	Scope 2, location-based (metric tons CO2e)	Scope 2, market-based (metric tons CO2e)
Canada	*308876*	*59857*	*73655*
United States of America	*255582*	*252836*	*194234*

[Fixed row]

(7.17) Indicate which gross global Scope 1 emissions breakdowns you are able to provide.

Select all that apply

☑ By business division

☑ By activity

(7.17.1) Break down your total gross global Scope 1 emissions by business division.

Row 1

(7.17.1.1) Business division

Cascades Containerboard Packaging

(7.17.1.2) Scope 1 emissions (metric ton CO2e)

246741

Row 2

(7.17.1.1) Business division

Cascades Tissue Group

(7.17.1.2) Scope 1 emissions (metric ton CO2e)

166426

Row 3

(7.17.1.1) Business division

Cascades Specialty Products Group

(7.17.1.2) Scope 1 emissions (metric ton CO2e)

44949

Row 4

(7.17.1.1) Business division

Cascades Transport

(7.17.1.2) Scope 1 emissions (metric ton CO2e)

27691

Row 5

(7.17.1.1) Business division

Air Cascades

(7.17.1.2) Scope 1 emissions (metric ton CO2e)

351

Row 6

(7.17.1.1) Business division

Cascades Recovery

(7.17.1.2) Scope 1 emissions (metric ton CO2e)

20573

Row 7

(7.17.1.1) Business division

Cascades Bury

(7.17.1.2) Scope 1 emissions (metric ton CO2e)

53361

Row 8

(7.17.1.1) Business division

Cascades Corporate

(7.17.1.2) Scope 1 emissions (metric ton CO2e)

4366
[Add row]

(7.17.3) Break down your total gross global Scope 1 emissions by business activity.

	Activity	Scope 1 emissions (metric tons CO2e)
Row 1	*Pulp & Paper Production Activity*	*374804*
Row 2	*Converting Activity*	*47580*
Row 3	*Other (Air Cascades, Cascades Transport, Cascades Recovery, Company vehicles)*	*142074*

[Add row]

(7.18) Do you include emissions pertaining to your business activity(ies) in your direct operations as part of your global gross Scope 1 figure?

Select from:

☑ Yes

(7.18.1) Select the form(s) in which you are reporting your agricultural/forestry emissions.

Select from:
☑ Emissions disaggregated by category (advised by the GHG Protocol)

(7.18.2) Report the Scope 1 emissions pertaining to your business activity(ies) and explain any exclusions. If applicable, disaggregate your agricultural/forestry by GHG emissions category.

Row 1

(7.18.2.1) Activity

Select from:
☑ Processing/Manufacturing

(7.18.2.2) Emissions category

Select from:
☑ Total

(7.18.2.3) Emissions (metric tons CO2e)

536767

(7.18.2.4) Methodology

Select all that apply
☑ Region-specific emissions factors

(7.18.2.5) Please explain

These emissions are the result of Recovery activities (old papers) and Manufacturing activities (Pulp & Paper Mills and Conversion facilities) in North America.

Row 2

(7.18.2.1) Activity

Select from:
☑ Distribution

(7.18.2.2) Emissions category

Select from:
☑ Total

(7.18.2.3) Emissions (metric tons CO2e)

27691

(7.18.2.4) Methodology

Select all that apply
☑ Region-specific emissions factors

(7.18.2.5) Please explain

These emissions are included in Scope 1 emissions since Cascades Transport is under the control of Cascades. The truck fleet is part of Cascades Transport's activities
[Add row]

(7.20) Indicate which gross global Scope 2 emissions breakdowns you are able to provide.

Select all that apply
☑ By business division
☑ By activity

(7.20.1) Break down your total gross global Scope 2 emissions by business division.

	Business division	Scope 2, location-based (metric tons CO2e)	Scope 2, market-based (metric tons CO2e)
Row 1	*Cascades Containerboard Packaging*	*203058*	*183578*
Row 2	*Cascades Tissue Group*	*88260*	*67689*
Row 3	*Cascades Specialized Products*	*19336*	*14096*
Row 4	*Cascades CR+*	*2017*	*2483*
Row 5	*Cascades Corporate*	*22*	*43*

[Add row]

(7.20.3) Break down your total gross global Scope 2 emissions by business activity.

	Activity	Scope 2, location-based (metric tons CO2e)	Scope 2, market-based (metric tons CO2e)
Row 1	*Pulp & Paper Production Activity*	*283202*	*228380*
Row 2	*Conversion Activity*	*27450*	*36980*
Row 3	*Cascades Recovery + others*	*2041*	*2529*

[Add row]

(7.22) Break down your gross Scope 1 and Scope 2 emissions between your consolidated accounting group and other entities included in your response.

Consolidated accounting group

(7.22.1) Scope 1 emissions (metric tons CO2e)

563264

(7.22.2) Scope 2, location-based emissions (metric tons CO2e)

311252

(7.22.3) Scope 2, market-based emissions (metric tons CO2e)

202413

(7.22.4) Please explain

Includes all Cascades entities

All other entities

(7.22.1) Scope 1 emissions (metric tons CO2e)

1194

(7.22.2) Scope 2, location-based emissions (metric tons CO2e)

1441

(7.22.3) Scope 2, market-based emissions (metric tons CO2e)

1859

(7.22.4) Please explain

Includes Sonoco
[Fixed row]

(7.23) Is your organization able to break down your emissions data for any of the subsidiaries included in your CDP response?

Select from:
☑ Not relevant as we do not have any subsidiaries

(7.26) Allocate your emissions to your customers listed below according to the goods or services you have sold them in this reporting period.

Row 1

(7.26.1) Requesting member

Select from:

(7.26.2) Scope of emissions

Select from:
☑ Scope 1

(7.26.4) Allocation level

Select from:
☑ Business unit (subsidiary company)

(7.26.5) Allocation level detail

Allocation at the business sector level

(7.26.6) Allocation method

Select from:
☑ Allocation based on mass of products purchased

(7.26.7) Unit for market value or quantity of goods/services supplied

Select from:

☑ Metric tons

(7.26.8) Market value or quantity of goods/services supplied to the requesting member

4771

(7.26.9) Emissions in metric tonnes of CO2e

1851

(7.26.10) Uncertainty (±%)

1

(7.26.11) Major sources of emissions

Our major sources of emissions are natural gas and steam for scope 1. More information in Cascades' sustainability report: https://www.cascades.com/sites/default/files/developpement-durable/Cascades-Sustainability-Report-2024.pdf

(7.26.12) Allocation verified by a third party?

Select from:

☑ No

(7.26.13) Please explain how you have identified the GHG source, including major limitations to this process and assumptions made

Energy consumption (all sources) is measured at a facility level at Cascades and cumulated at the business sector level. No assumptions were made.

(7.26.14) Where published information has been used, please provide a reference

Primary data

Row 2

(7.26.1) Requesting member

Select from:

(7.26.2) Scope of emissions

Select from:
☑ Scope 1

(7.26.4) Allocation level

Select from:
☑ Business unit (subsidiary company)

(7.26.5) Allocation level detail

Allocation at the business sector level

(7.26.6) Allocation method

Select from:
☑ Allocation based on mass of products purchased

(7.26.7) Unit for market value or quantity of goods/services supplied

Select from:
☑ Metric tons

(7.26.8) Market value or quantity of goods/services supplied to the requesting member

2003

(7.26.9) Emissions in metric tonnes of CO2e

356

(7.26.10) Uncertainty (±%)

1

(7.26.11) Major sources of emissions

Our major sources of emissions are natural gas and steam for scope 1. More information in Cascades' sustainability report: https://www.cascades.com/sites/default/files/developpement-durable/Cascades-Sustainability-Report-2024.pdf

(7.26.12) Allocation verified by a third party?

Select from:

☑ No

(7.26.13) Please explain how you have identified the GHG source, including major limitations to this process and assumptions made

Energy consumption (all sources) is measured at a facility level at Cascades and cumulated at the business sector level. No assumptions were made.

(7.26.14) Where published information has been used, please provide a reference

Primary data

Row 3

(7.26.1) Requesting member

Select from:

(7.26.2) Scope of emissions

Select from:

☑ Scope 1

(7.26.4) Allocation level

Select from:

☑ Business unit (subsidiary company)

(7.26.5) Allocation level detail

Allocation at the business sector level

(7.26.6) Allocation method

Select from:

☑ Allocation based on mass of products purchased

(7.26.7) Unit for market value or quantity of goods/services supplied

Select from:

☑ Metric tons

(7.26.8) Market value or quantity of goods/services supplied to the requesting member

6515

(7.26.9) Emissions in metric tonnes of CO2e

1158

(7.26.10) Uncertainty (±%)

1

(7.26.11) Major sources of emissions

Our major sources of emissions are natural gas and steam for scope 1. More information in Cascades' sustainability report: https://www.cascades.com/sites/default/files/developpement-durable/Cascades-Sustainability-Report-2024.pdf

(7.26.12) Allocation verified by a third party?

Select from:

☑ No

(7.26.13) Please explain how you have identified the GHG source, including major limitations to this process and assumptions made

Energy consumption (all sources) is measured at a facility level at Cascades and cumulated at the business sector level. No assumptions were made.

(7.26.14) Where published information has been used, please provide a reference

Primary data

Row 4

(7.26.1) Requesting member

Select from:

(7.26.2) Scope of emissions

Select from:

☑ Scope 1

(7.26.4) Allocation level

Select from:

☑ Business unit (subsidiary company)

(7.26.5) Allocation level detail

Allocation at the business sector level

(7.26.6) Allocation method

Select from:

☑ Allocation based on mass of products purchased

(7.26.7) Unit for market value or quantity of goods/services supplied

Select from:

☑ Metric tons

(7.26.8) Market value or quantity of goods/services supplied to the requesting member

89806

(7.26.9) Emissions in metric tonnes of CO2e

34843

(7.26.10) Uncertainty (±%)

1

(7.26.11) Major sources of emissions

Our major sources of emissions are natural gas and steam for scope 1. More information in Cascades' sustainability report: https://www.cascades.com/sites/default/files/developpement-durable/Cascades-Sustainability-Report-2024.pdf

(7.26.12) Allocation verified by a third party?

Select from:

☑ No

(7.26.13) Please explain how you have identified the GHG source, including major limitations to this process and assumptions made

Energy consumption (all sources) is measured at a facility level at Cascades and cumulated at the business sector level. No assumptions were made.

(7.26.14) Where published information has been used, please provide a reference

Primary data

Row 5

(7.26.1) Requesting member

Select from:

(7.26.2) Scope of emissions

Select from:
☑ Scope 1

(7.26.4) Allocation level

Select from:
☑ Business unit (subsidiary company)

(7.26.5) Allocation level detail

Allocation at the business sector level

(7.26.6) Allocation method

Select from:
☑ Allocation based on mass of products purchased

(7.26.7) Unit for market value or quantity of goods/services supplied

Select from:
☑ Metric tons

(7.26.8) Market value or quantity of goods/services supplied to the requesting member

7984

(7.26.9) Emissions in metric tonnes of CO2e

1419

(7.26.10) Uncertainty (±%)

1

(7.26.11) Major sources of emissions

Our major sources of emissions are natural gas and steam for scope 1. More information in Cascades' sustainability report: https://www.cascades.com/sites/default/files/developpement-durable/Cascades-Sustainability-Report-2024.pdf

(7.26.12) Allocation verified by a third party?

Select from:

☑ No

(7.26.13) Please explain how you have identified the GHG source, including major limitations to this process and assumptions made

Energy consumption (all sources) is measured at a facility level at Cascades and cumulated at the business sector level. No assumptions were made.

(7.26.14) Where published information has been used, please provide a reference

Primary data

Row 6

(7.26.1) Requesting member

Select from:

(7.26.2) Scope of emissions

Select from:

☑ Scope 1

(7.26.4) Allocation level

Select from:

☑ Business unit (subsidiary company)

(7.26.5) Allocation level detail

Allocation at the business sector level

(7.26.6) Allocation method

Select from:

☑ Allocation based on mass of products purchased

(7.26.7) Unit for market value or quantity of goods/services supplied

Select from:

☑ Metric tons

(7.26.8) Market value or quantity of goods/services supplied to the requesting member

9598

(7.26.9) Emissions in metric tonnes of CO2e

3724

(7.26.10) Uncertainty (±%)

1

(7.26.11) Major sources of emissions

Our major sources of emissions are natural gas and steam for scope 1. More information in Cascades' sustainability report: https://www.cascades.com/sites/default/files/developpement-durable/Cascades-Sustainability-Report-2024.pdf

(7.26.12) Allocation verified by a third party?

Select from:

☑ No

(7.26.13) Please explain how you have identified the GHG source, including major limitations to this process and assumptions made

Energy consumption (all sources) is measured at a facility level at Cascades and cumulated at the business sector level. No assumptions were made.

(7.26.14) Where published information has been used, please provide a reference

Primary data

Row 7

(7.26.1) Requesting member

Select from:

(7.26.2) Scope of emissions

Select from:

☑ Scope 1

(7.26.4) Allocation level

Select from:

☑ Business unit (subsidiary company)

(7.26.5) Allocation level detail

Allocation at the business sector level

(7.26.6) Allocation method

Select from:

☑ Allocation based on mass of products purchased

(7.26.7) Unit for market value or quantity of goods/services supplied

Select from:

☑ Metric tons

(7.26.8) Market value or quantity of goods/services supplied to the requesting member

2723

(7.26.9) Emissions in metric tonnes of CO2e

1056

(7.26.10) Uncertainty (±%)

1

(7.26.11) Major sources of emissions

Our major sources of emissions are natural gas and steam for scope 1. More information in Cascades' sustainability report: https://www.cascades.com/sites/default/files/developpement-durable/Cascades-Sustainability-Report-2024.pdf

(7.26.12) Allocation verified by a third party?

Select from:

☑ No

(7.26.13) Please explain how you have identified the GHG source, including major limitations to this process and assumptions made

Energy consumption (all sources) is measured at a facility level at Cascades and cumulated at the business sector level. No assumptions were made.

(7.26.14) Where published information has been used, please provide a reference

Primary data

Row 8

(7.26.1) Requesting member

Select from:

(7.26.2) Scope of emissions

Select from:
☑ Scope 1

(7.26.4) Allocation level

Select from:
☑ Business unit (subsidiary company)

(7.26.5) Allocation level detail

Allocation at the business sector level

(7.26.6) Allocation method

Select from:
☑ Allocation based on mass of products purchased

(7.26.7) Unit for market value or quantity of goods/services supplied

Select from:

☑ Metric tons

(7.26.8) Market value or quantity of goods/services supplied to the requesting member

14

(7.26.9) Emissions in metric tonnes of CO2e

2

(7.26.10) Uncertainty (±%)

1

(7.26.11) Major sources of emissions

Our major sources of emissions are natural gas and steam for scope 1. More information in Cascades' sustainability report: https://www.cascades.com/sites/default/files/developpement-durable/Cascades-Sustainability-Report-2024.pdf

(7.26.12) Allocation verified by a third party?

Select from:

☑ No

(7.26.13) Please explain how you have identified the GHG source, including major limitations to this process and assumptions made

Energy consumption (all sources) is measured at a facility level at Cascades and cumulated at the business sector level. No assumptions were made.

(7.26.14) Where published information has been used, please provide a reference

Primary data

Row 9

(7.26.1) Requesting member

Select from:

(7.26.2) Scope of emissions

Select from:

☑ Scope 1

(7.26.4) Allocation level

Select from:

☑ Business unit (subsidiary company)

(7.26.5) Allocation level detail

Allocation at the business sector level

(7.26.6) Allocation method

Select from:

☑ Allocation based on mass of products purchased

(7.26.7) Unit for market value or quantity of goods/services supplied

Select from:

☑ Metric tons

(7.26.8) Market value or quantity of goods/services supplied to the requesting member

78521

(7.26.9) Emissions in metric tonnes of CO2e

30464

(7.26.10) Uncertainty (±%)

1

(7.26.11) Major sources of emissions

Our major sources of emissions are natural gas and steam for scope 1. More information in Cascades' sustainability report: https://www.cascades.com/sites/default/files/developpement-durable/Cascades-Sustainability-Report-2024.pdf

(7.26.12) Allocation verified by a third party?

Select from:

☑ No

(7.26.13) Please explain how you have identified the GHG source, including major limitations to this process and assumptions made

Energy consumption (all sources) is measured at a facility level at Cascades and cumulated at the business sector level. No assumptions were made.

(7.26.14) Where published information has been used, please provide a reference

Primary data
[Add row]

(7.27) What are the challenges in allocating emissions to different customers, and what would help you to overcome these challenges?

Row 1

(7.27.1) Allocation challenges

Select from:

☑ We face no challenges

(7.27.2) Please explain what would help you overcome these challenges

Energy consumption (all sources) is measured at a facility level at Cascades and cumulated at the business sector level. No assumptions were made.
[Add row]

(7.28) Do you plan to develop your capabilities to allocate emissions to your customers in the future?

	Do you plan to develop your capabilities to allocate emissions to your customers in the future?	Describe how you plan to develop your capabilities
	Select from: ☑ Yes	*Allocation based on volume of products purchased thanks to detailed and available product carbon footprints (PCF).*

[Fixed row]

(7.29) What percentage of your total operational spend in the reporting year was on energy?

Select from:
☑ More than 5% but less than or equal to 10%

(7.30) Select which energy-related activities your organization has undertaken.

	Indicate whether your organization undertook this energy-related activity in the reporting year
Consumption of fuel (excluding feedstocks)	*Select from:* ☑ Yes
Consumption of purchased or acquired electricity	*Select from:*

	Indicate whether your organization undertook this energy-related activity in the reporting year
	☑ Yes
Consumption of purchased or acquired heat	*Select from:* ☑ No
Consumption of purchased or acquired steam	*Select from:* ☑ Yes
Consumption of purchased or acquired cooling	*Select from:* ☑ No
Generation of electricity, heat, steam, or cooling	*Select from:* ☑ Yes

[Fixed row]

(7.30.1) Report your organization’s energy consumption totals (excluding feedstocks) in MWh.

Consumption of fuel (excluding feedstock)

(7.30.1.1) Heating value

Select from:

☑ Unable to confirm heating value

(7.30.1.2) MWh from renewable sources

550231

(7.30.1.3) MWh from non-renewable sources

2337936

(7.30.1.4) Total (renewable + non-renewable) MWh

2888167.00

Consumption of purchased or acquired electricity

(7.30.1.1) Heating value

Select from:
☑ Unable to confirm heating value

(7.30.1.2) MWh from renewable sources

966583

(7.30.1.3) MWh from non-renewable sources

699939

(7.30.1.4) Total (renewable + non-renewable) MWh

1666522.00

Consumption of purchased or acquired steam

(7.30.1.1) Heating value

Select from:
☑ Unable to confirm heating value

(7.30.1.2) MWh from renewable sources

639721

(7.30.1.3) MWh from non-renewable sources

296016

(7.30.1.4) Total (renewable + non-renewable) MWh

935737.00

Consumption of self-generated non-fuel renewable energy

(7.30.1.1) Heating value

Select from:
☑ Unable to confirm heating value

(7.30.1.2) MWh from renewable sources

129174

(7.30.1.4) Total (renewable + non-renewable) MWh

129174.00

Total energy consumption

(7.30.1.1) Heating value

Select from:
☑ Unable to confirm heating value

(7.30.1.2) MWh from renewable sources

2980943

(7.30.1.3) MWh from non-renewable sources

2880643

(7.30.1.4) Total (renewable + non-renewable) MWh

5861586.00
[Fixed row]

(7.30.6) Select the applications of your organization’s consumption of fuel.

	Indicate whether your organization undertakes this fuel application
Consumption of fuel for the generation of electricity	*Select from:* ☑ No
Consumption of fuel for the generation of heat	*Select from:* ☑ Yes
Consumption of fuel for the generation of steam	*Select from:* ☑ Yes
Consumption of fuel for the generation of cooling	*Select from:* ☑ No
Consumption of fuel for co-generation or tri-generation	*Select from:* ☑ No

[Fixed row]

(7.30.7) State how much fuel in MWh your organization has consumed (excluding feedstocks) by fuel type.

Sustainable biomass

(7.30.7.1) Heating value

Select from:

☑ Unable to confirm heating value

(7.30.7.2) Total fuel MWh consumed by the organization

0

(7.30.7.4) MWh fuel consumed for self-generation of heat

0

(7.30.7.5) MWh fuel consumed for self-generation of steam

0

(7.30.7.8) Comment

NA

Other biomass

(7.30.7.1) Heating value

Select from:

☑ HHV

(7.30.7.2) Total fuel MWh consumed by the organization

511531

(7.30.7.4) MWh fuel consumed for self-generation of heat

0

(7.30.7.5) MWh fuel consumed for self-generation of steam

511531

(7.30.7.8) Comment

The Biomass used at our Cabano Mill is purchased from local sawmills. Forest residues are also burned by the Biomass boilers.

Other renewable fuels (e.g. renewable hydrogen)

(7.30.7.1) Heating value

Select from:
☑ Unable to confirm heating value

(7.30.7.2) Total fuel MWh consumed by the organization

38699

(7.30.7.4) MWh fuel consumed for self-generation of heat

38699

(7.30.7.5) MWh fuel consumed for self-generation of steam

0

(7.30.7.8) Comment

The biogas used at our Moulded-Pulp facility in Indiana is « Landfill Biogas » produced by a local producer.

Coal

(7.30.7.1) Heating value

Select from:

☑ Unable to confirm heating value

(7.30.7.2) Total fuel MWh consumed by the organization

0

(7.30.7.4) MWh fuel consumed for self-generation of heat

0

(7.30.7.5) MWh fuel consumed for self-generation of steam

0

(7.30.7.8) Comment

We don't use coal.

Oil

(7.30.7.1) Heating value

Select from:
☑ HHV

(7.30.7.2) Total fuel MWh consumed by the organization

50274

(7.30.7.4) MWh fuel consumed for self-generation of heat

0

(7.30.7.5) MWh fuel consumed for self-generation of steam

50272

(7.30.7.8) Comment

CCP - Cabano Mill uses Heavy Oil for the production of steam. This facility is located in the province of QC in an area where Natural Gas is not available

Gas

(7.30.7.1) Heating value

Select from:
☑ HHV

(7.30.7.2) Total fuel MWh consumed by the organization

2287664

(7.30.7.4) MWh fuel consumed for self-generation of heat

575244

(7.30.7.5) MWh fuel consumed for self-generation of steam

1712420

(7.30.7.8) Comment

Cascades uses Natural Gas to produce Heat and Steam

Other non-renewable fuels (e.g. non-renewable hydrogen)

(7.30.7.1) Heating value

Select from:
☑ Unable to confirm heating value

(7.30.7.2) Total fuel MWh consumed by the organization

0

(7.30.7.4) MWh fuel consumed for self-generation of heat

0

(7.30.7.5) MWh fuel consumed for self-generation of steam

0

(7.30.7.8) Comment

We don't consume other type of non-renewable fuel.

Total fuel

(7.30.7.1) Heating value

Select from:
☑ HHV

(7.30.7.2) Total fuel MWh consumed by the organization

2888167

(7.30.7.4) MWh fuel consumed for self-generation of heat

613943

(7.30.7.5) MWh fuel consumed for self-generation of steam

227224

(7.30.7.8) Comment

We don't have any comment to add here.

[Fixed row]

(7.30.9) Provide details on the electricity, heat, steam, and cooling your organization has generated and consumed in the reporting year.

Electricity

(7.30.9.1) Total Gross generation (MWh)

0

(7.30.9.2) Generation that is consumed by the organization (MWh)

0

(7.30.9.3) Gross generation from renewable sources (MWh)

0

(7.30.9.4) Generation from renewable sources that is consumed by the organization (MWh)

0

Heat

(7.30.9.1) Total Gross generation (MWh)

613943

(7.30.9.2) Generation that is consumed by the organization (MWh)

613943

(7.30.9.3) Gross generation from renewable sources (MWh)

38699

(7.30.9.4) Generation from renewable sources that is consumed by the organization (MWh)

575244

Steam

(7.30.9.1) Total Gross generation (MWh)

2344385

(7.30.9.2) Generation that is consumed by the organization (MWh)

2344385

(7.30.9.3) Gross generation from renewable sources (MWh)

581693

(7.30.9.4) Generation from renewable sources that is consumed by the organization (MWh)

1762692

Cooling

(7.30.9.1) Total Gross generation (MWh)

0

(7.30.9.2) Generation that is consumed by the organization (MWh)

0

(7.30.9.3) Gross generation from renewable sources (MWh)

0

(7.30.9.4) Generation from renewable sources that is consumed by the organization (MWh)

0
[Fixed row]

(7.30.14) Provide details on the electricity, heat, steam, and/or cooling amounts that were accounted for at a zero or near-zero emission factor in the market-based Scope 2 figure reported in 7.7.

Row 1

(7.30.14.1) Country/area

Select from:
☑ Canada

(7.30.14.2) Sourcing method

Select from:
☑ Default delivered electricity from the grid (e.g. standard product offering by an energy supplier) from a grid that is 95% or more low-carbon and where there is no mechanism for specifically allocating low-carbon electricity

(7.30.14.3) Energy carrier

Select from:
☑ Electricity

(7.30.14.4) Low-carbon technology type

Select from:
☑ Hydropower (capacity unknown)

(7.30.14.5) Low-carbon energy consumed via selected sourcing method in the reporting year (MWh)

657632

(7.30.14.6) Tracking instrument used

Select from:
☑ Contract

(7.30.14.7) Country/area of origin (generation) of the low-carbon energy or energy attribute

Select from:
☑ Canada

(7.30.14.8) Are you able to report the commissioning or re-powering year of the energy generation facility?

Select from:
☑ No

(7.30.14.10) Comment

Utility

Row 2

(7.30.14.1) Country/area

Select from:
☑ United States of America

(7.30.14.2) Sourcing method

Select from:
☑ Unbundled procurement of energy attribute certificates (EACs)

(7.30.14.3) Energy carrier

Select from:

☑ Electricity

(7.30.14.4) Low-carbon technology type

Select from:

☑ Wind

(7.30.14.5) Low-carbon energy consumed via selected sourcing method in the reporting year (MWh)

10953

(7.30.14.6) Tracking instrument used

Select from:

☑ US-REC

(7.30.14.7) Country/area of origin (generation) of the low-carbon energy or energy attribute

Select from:

☑ United States of America

(7.30.14.8) Are you able to report the commissioning or re-powering year of the energy generation facility?

Select from:

☑ No

(7.30.14.10) Comment

Purchases

Row 3

(7.30.14.1) Country/area

Select from:

☑ United States of America

(7.30.14.2) Sourcing method

Select from:

☑ Default delivered electricity from the grid (e.g. standard product offering by an energy supplier), supported by energy attribute certificates

(7.30.14.3) Energy carrier

Select from:

☑ Electricity

(7.30.14.4) Low-carbon technology type

Select from:

☑ Renewable energy mix, please specify :solar and wind

(7.30.14.5) Low-carbon energy consumed via selected sourcing method in the reporting year (MWh)

9011

(7.30.14.6) Tracking instrument used

Select from:

☑ Other, please specify :tarif

(7.30.14.7) Country/area of origin (generation) of the low-carbon energy or energy attribute

Select from:

☑ United States of America

(7.30.14.8) Are you able to report the commissioning or re-powering year of the energy generation facility?

Select from:

☑ No

(7.30.14.10) Comment

Utility

Row 4

(7.30.14.1) Country/area

Select from:
☑ United States of America

(7.30.14.2) Sourcing method

Select from:
☑ Project-specific contract with an electricity supplier

(7.30.14.3) Energy carrier

Select from:
☑ Electricity

(7.30.14.4) Low-carbon technology type

Select from:
☑ Hydropower (capacity unknown)

(7.30.14.5) Low-carbon energy consumed via selected sourcing method in the reporting year (MWh)

118826

(7.30.14.6) Tracking instrument used

Select from:

☑ Contract

(7.30.14.7) Country/area of origin (generation) of the low-carbon energy or energy attribute

Select from:
☑ United States of America

(7.30.14.8) Are you able to report the commissioning or re-powering year of the energy generation facility?

Select from:
☑ No

(7.30.14.10) Comment

Supplier

Row 5

(7.30.14.1) Country/area

Select from:
☑ United States of America

(7.30.14.2) Sourcing method

Select from:
☑ Heat/steam/cooling supply agreement

(7.30.14.3) Energy carrier

Select from:
☑ Steam

(7.30.14.4) Low-carbon technology type

Select from:
☑ Other biomass

(7.30.14.5) Low-carbon energy consumed via selected sourcing method in the reporting year (MWh)

648037

(7.30.14.6) Tracking instrument used

Select from:
☑ Contract

(7.30.14.7) Country/area of origin (generation) of the low-carbon energy or energy attribute

Select from:
☑ United States of America

(7.30.14.8) Are you able to report the commissioning or re-powering year of the energy generation facility?

Select from:
☑ No

(7.30.14.10) Comment

Supplier
[Add row]

(7.30.16) Provide a breakdown by country/area of your electricity/heat/steam/cooling consumption in the reporting year.

Canada

(7.30.16.1) Consumption of purchased electricity (MWh)

833184

(7.30.16.2) Consumption of self-generated electricity (MWh)

0

(7.30.16.4) Consumption of purchased heat, steam, and cooling (MWh)

202112

(7.30.16.5) Consumption of self-generated heat, steam, and cooling (MWh)

1524250

(7.30.16.6) Total electricity/heat/steam/cooling energy consumption (MWh)

2559546.00

United States of America

(7.30.16.1) Consumption of purchased electricity (MWh)

833338

(7.30.16.2) Consumption of self-generated electricity (MWh)

0

(7.30.16.4) Consumption of purchased heat, steam, and cooling (MWh)

733625

(7.30.16.5) Consumption of self-generated heat, steam, and cooling (MWh)

1236994

(7.30.16.6) Total electricity/heat/steam/cooling energy consumption (MWh)

2803957.00
[Fixed row]

(7.45) Describe your gross global combined Scope 1 and 2 emissions for the reporting year in metric tons CO2e per unit currency total revenue and provide any additional intensity metrics that are appropriate to your business operations.

Row 1

(7.45.1) Intensity figure

0.402

(7.45.2) Metric numerator (Gross global combined Scope 1 and 2 emissions, metric tons CO2e)

877151

(7.45.3) Metric denominator

Select from:
☑ metric ton of product

(7.45.4) Metric denominator: Unit total

2184000

(7.45.5) Scope 2 figure used

Select from:
☑ Location-based

(7.45.6) % change from previous year

9.5

(7.45.7) Direction of change

Select from:

☑ Increased

(7.45.8) Reasons for change

Select all that apply

☑ Change in methodology

(7.45.9) Please explain

In 2024, we improved our methodology to add landfills and propane. We did not have access to the information before. The denominator here refers to metric tonnes of total products shipped and is different from the unit used for our SBTi intensity target for scopes 1 and 2, which is focused on mills' GHG emissions intensity.
[Add row]

(7.52) Provide any additional climate-related metrics relevant to your business.

Row 1

(7.52.1) Description

Select from:

☑ Energy usage

(7.52.2) Metric value

8.5

(7.52.3) Metric numerator

GJ of energy purchased (P&P Mills only)

(7.52.4) Metric denominator (intensity metric only)

Metric tons of net saleable production

(7.52.5) % change from previous year

9

(7.52.6) Direction of change

Select from:

☑ Decreased

(7.52.7) Please explain

Cascades' goal is to reduce energy consumption per net saleable metric tonne (NSMT) at its mills. This target excludes self-generated energy from the combustion of papermaking residuals, although it is included in our overall energy consumption report. Self-generated energy comes mainly from two internal sources: black liquor and mixed sludge. However, only energy purchased—representing 90% of our total consumption—is factored into our reduction targets. Our internal energy efficiency experts have developed a two-part action plan to achieve this goal: (1) develop and implement energy efficiency projects and (2) operational control to ensure better day-to-day monitoring of key performance indicators and facility sustainability. In 2024, their work contributed to a further 9.0% reduction in energy purchased at our mills compared to 2023. In total, Cascades mills consume 17.7% less energy per NSMT than in 2019. This performance is also the result of the closure of equipment and plants with lower energy performance. efficiency projects, these changes improved our overall results.
[Add row]

(7.53) Did you have an emissions target that was active in the reporting year?

Select all that apply

☑ Absolute target

☑ Intensity target

(7.53.1) Provide details of your absolute emissions targets and progress made against those targets.

Row 1

(7.53.1.1) Target reference number

Select from:

☑ Abs 1

(7.53.1.2) Is this a science-based target?

Select from:

☑ Yes, and this target has been approved by the Science Based Targets initiative

(7.53.1.3) Science Based Targets initiative official validation letter

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(7.53.1.4) Target ambition

Select from:

☑ Well-below 2°C aligned

(7.53.1.5) Date target was set

06/06/2021

(7.53.1.6) Target coverage

Select from:

☑ Business activity

(7.53.1.7) Greenhouse gases covered by target

Select all that apply

☑ Carbon dioxide (CO2)

☑ Methane (CH4)

☑ Nitrous oxide (N2O)

☑ Hydrofluorocarbons (HFCs)

(7.53.1.8) Scopes

Select all that apply

☑ Scope 1

☑ Scope 2

(7.53.1.9) Scope 2 accounting method

Select from:

☑ Location-based

(7.53.1.11) End date of base year

12/31/2019

(7.53.1.12) Base year Scope 1 emissions covered by target (metric tons CO2e)

93741

(7.53.1.13) Base year Scope 2 emissions covered by target (metric tons CO2e)

40922

(7.53.1.31) Base year total Scope 3 emissions covered by target (metric tons CO2e)

0.000

(7.53.1.32) Total base year emissions covered by target in all selected Scopes (metric tons CO2e)

134663.000

(7.53.1.33) Base year Scope 1 emissions covered by target as % of total base year emissions in Scope 1

15.69

(7.53.1.34) Base year Scope 2 emissions covered by target as % of total base year emissions in Scope 2

7.89

(7.53.1.53) Base year emissions covered by target in all selected Scopes as % of total base year emissions in all selected Scopes

12

(7.53.1.54) End date of target

12/31/2030

(7.53.1.55) Targeted reduction from base year (%)

27.5

(7.53.1.56) Total emissions at end date of target covered by target in all selected Scopes (metric tons CO2e)

97630.675

(7.53.1.57) Scope 1 emissions in reporting year covered by target (metric tons CO2e)

189654

(7.53.1.58) Scope 2 emissions in reporting year covered by target (metric tons CO2e)

29491

(7.53.1.77) Total emissions in reporting year covered by target in all selected scopes (metric tons CO2e)

219145.000

(7.53.1.78) Land-related emissions covered by target

Select from:

☑ No, it does not cover any land-related emissions (e.g. non-FLAG SBT)

(7.53.1.79) % of target achieved relative to base year

-228.13

(7.53.1.80) Target status in reporting year

Select from:

☑ Underway

(7.53.1.82) Explain target coverage and identify any exclusions

This reduction target covers scope 1 and 2 emissions from our plants and other activities, excluding our mills (see Int 1 target below).

(7.53.1.83) Target objective

Reduce -27.5% of our scope 1 and 2 emissions from our plants and other activities

(7.53.1.84) Plan for achieving target, and progress made to the end of the reporting year

The emissions reported for these activities increased significantly between 2023 and 2024. This increase is mainly due to the correction of the calculation by adding new sources of emissions in order to improve the quality and comprehensive nature of our report with regard to applicable standards. Among other things, emissions from landfills owned by Cascades, formerly accounted for in our scope 3 report, are now included in scope 1 under the "other activities" category, which represents a significant increase of about 89,000 metric tonnes of CO2 equivalent. These methodological changes provide greater clarity and representation of our activities. Cascades is currently adjusting the greenhouse gas inventory for its reference year (2019) to reflect these important methodological changes. In the meantime, the differences between the 2024 results and those of 2023 and 2019 are artificially inflated. The recalculation of the 2019 data will allow us to provide a true picture of our performance on this indicator in the next report. We are now reviewing this target in light of SBTi's latest recommendations.

(7.53.1.85) Target derived using a sectoral decarbonization approach

Select from:

☑ No

[Add row]

(7.53.2) Provide details of your emissions intensity targets and progress made against those targets.

Row 1

(7.53.2.1) Target reference number

Select from:

☑ Int 1

(7.53.2.2) Is this a science-based target?

Select from:

☑ Yes, and this target has been approved by the Science Based Targets initiative

(7.53.2.3) Science Based Targets initiative official validation letter

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(7.53.2.4) Target ambition

Select from:

☑ Well-below 2°C aligned

(7.53.2.5) Date target was set

06/06/2021

(7.53.2.6) Target coverage

Select from:

☑ Business activity

(7.53.2.7) Greenhouse gases covered by target

Select all that apply

☑ Carbon dioxide (CO2)

☑ Methane (CH4)

☑ Nitrous oxide (N2O)

☑ Hydrofluorocarbons (HFCs)

(7.53.2.8) Scopes

Select all that apply

☑ Scope 1

☑ Scope 2

(7.53.2.9) Scope 2 accounting method

Select from:

☑ Location-based

(7.53.2.11) Intensity metric

Select from:

☑ Metric tons CO2e per metric ton of product

(7.53.2.12) End date of base year

12/31/2019

(7.53.2.13) Intensity figure in base year for Scope 1

0.221

(7.53.2.14) Intensity figure in base year for Scope 2

0.21

(7.53.2.33) Intensity figure in base year for all selected Scopes

0.4310000000

(7.53.2.34) % of total base year emissions in Scope 1 covered by this Scope 1 intensity figure

84

(7.53.2.35) % of total base year emissions in Scope 2 covered by this Scope 2 intensity figure

92

(7.53.2.54) % of total base year emissions in all selected Scopes covered by this intensity figure

88

(7.53.2.55) End date of target

12/31/2030

(7.53.2.56) Targeted reduction from base year (%)

38.7

(7.53.2.57) Intensity figure at end date of target for all selected Scopes

0.2642030000

(7.53.2.58) % change anticipated in absolute Scope 1+2 emissions

-24

(7.53.2.60) Intensity figure in reporting year for Scope 1

0.189

(7.53.2.61) Intensity figure in reporting year for Scope 2

0.143

(7.53.2.80) Intensity figure in reporting year for all selected Scopes

0.3320000000

(7.53.2.81) Land-related emissions covered by target

Select from:

☑ No, it does not cover any land-related emissions (e.g. non-FLAG SBT)

(7.53.2.82) % of target achieved relative to base year

59.35

(7.53.2.83) Target status in reporting year

Select from:

☑ Underway

(7.53.2.85) Explain target coverage and identify any exclusions

This target covers Scope 1 and Scope 2 emissions from Pulp & Paper activities. It excludes joint ventures which are not under operational control.

(7.53.2.86) Target objective

Reduce our GHG emissions of scopes 1 and 2 per tonne of products manufactured at our mills (MT of CO2 eq./NSMT) by 38.7% by 2030, compared to 2019

(7.53.2.87) Plan for achieving target, and progress made to the end of the reporting year

In 2024, Cascades reduced its scopes 1 and 2 emissions per tonne of products manufactured by its mills by 4.6% compared to 2023. As a result, we achieved a total reduction of 23% compared to 2019, which exceeds the intermediate target (-19.4%) set for 2025. We are confident that we will meet our 2030 target, even though sustained efforts are still required. In the past year, an additional 34,468 metric tonnes of CO2 equivalent were reduced from the mills' GHG emissions inventory. This result was made possible by the implementation of several projects by our teams. We are currently reviewing our GHG reduction targets in light of the latest SBTi requirements.

(7.53.2.88) Target derived using a sectoral decarbonization approach

Select from:

☑ Yes

Row 2

(7.53.2.1) Target reference number

Select from:

☑ Int 2

(7.53.2.2) Is this a science-based target?

Select from:

☑ Yes, and this target has been approved by the Science Based Targets initiative

(7.53.2.3) Science Based Targets initiative official validation letter

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(7.53.2.4) Target ambition

Select from:

☑ Well-below 2°C aligned

(7.53.2.5) Date target was set

06/06/2021

(7.53.2.6) Target coverage

Select from:

☑ Organization-wide

(7.53.2.7) Greenhouse gases covered by target

Select all that apply

☑ Carbon dioxide (CO2)

(7.53.2.8) Scopes

Select all that apply

☑ Scope 3

(7.53.2.10) Scope 3 categories

Select all that apply

☑ Category 7: Employee commuting

☑ Category 1: Purchased goods and services

☑ Category 5: Waste generated in operations

☑ Category 12: End-of-life treatment of sold products

☑ Category 4: Upstream transportation and distribution

☑ Category 3: Fuel-and-energy-related activities (not included in Scopes 1 or 2)

(7.53.2.11) Intensity metric

Select from:

☑ Other, please specify :metric tons

(7.53.2.12) End date of base year

12/31/2019

(7.53.2.15) Intensity figure in base year for Scope 3, Category 1: Purchased goods and services

0.3927

(7.53.2.17) Intensity figure in base year for Scope 3, Category 3: Fuel-and-energy-related activities (not included in Scopes 1 or 2)

0.2772

(7.53.2.18) Intensity figure in base year for Scope 3, Category 4: Upstream transportation and distribution

0.0616

(7.53.2.19) Intensity figure in base year for Scope 3, Category 5: Waste generated in operations

0.0231

(7.53.2.21) Intensity figure in base year for Scope 3, Category 7: Employee commuting

0.0057

(7.53.2.26) Intensity figure in base year for Scope 3, Category 12: End-of-life treatment of sold products

0.0077

(7.53.2.32) Intensity figure in base year for total Scope 3

0.7680000000

(7.53.2.33) Intensity figure in base year for all selected Scopes

0.7680000000

(7.53.2.36) % of total base year emissions in Scope 3, Category 1: Purchased goods and services covered by this Scope 3, Category 1: Purchased goods and services intensity figure

51.4

(7.53.2.38) % of total base year emissions in Scope 3, Category 3: Fuel-and-energy-related activities (not included in Scopes 1 or 2) covered by this Scope 3, Category 3: Fuel-and-energy-related activities (not included in Scopes 1 or 2) intensity figure

32.2

(7.53.2.39) % of total base year emissions in Scope 3, Category 4: Upstream transportation and distribution covered by this Scope 3, Category 4: Upstream transportation and distribution intensity figure

8.4

(7.53.2.40) % of total base year emissions in Scope 3, Category 5: Waste generated in operations covered by this Scope 3, Category 5: Waste generated in operations intensity figure

2.7

(7.53.2.42) % of total base year emissions in Scope 3, Category 7: Employee commuting covered by this Scope 3, Category 7: Employee commuting intensity figure

0.6

(7.53.2.47) % of total base year emissions in Scope 3, Category 12: End-of-life treatment of sold products covered by this Scope 3, Category 12: End-of-life treatment of sold products intensity figure

4.7

(7.53.2.53) % of total base year emissions in Scope 3 (in all Scope 3 categories) covered by this total Scope 3 intensity figure

100

(7.53.2.54) % of total base year emissions in all selected Scopes covered by this intensity figure

100

(7.53.2.55) End date of target

12/31/2030

(7.53.2.56) Targeted reduction from base year (%)

22

(7.53.2.57) Intensity figure at end date of target for all selected Scopes

0.5990400000

(7.53.2.59) % change anticipated in absolute Scope 3 emissions

-5

(7.53.2.62) Intensity figure in reporting year for Scope 3, Category 1: Purchased goods and services

0.5156

(7.53.2.64) Intensity figure in reporting year for Scope 3, Category 3: Fuel- and energy-related activities

0.3229

(7.53.2.65) Intensity figure in reporting year for Scope 3, Category 4: Upstream transportation and distribution

0.0767

(7.53.2.66) Intensity figure in reporting year for Scope 3, Category 5: Waste generated in operations

0.0064

(7.53.2.68) Intensity figure in reporting year for Scope 3, Category 7: Employee commuting

0.0036

(7.53.2.73) Intensity figure in reporting year for Scope 3, Category 12: End-of-life treatment of sold products

0.0177

(7.53.2.79) Intensity figure in reporting year for total Scope 3

0.9429000000

(7.53.2.80) Intensity figure in reporting year for all selected Scopes

0.9429000000

(7.53.2.81) Land-related emissions covered by target

Select from:

☑ No, it does not cover any land-related emissions (e.g. non-FLAG SBT)

(7.53.2.82) % of target achieved relative to base year

-103.52

(7.53.2.83) Target status in reporting year

Select from:

☑ Underway

(7.53.2.85) Explain target coverage and identify any exclusions

Our scope 3 emissions reduction target cover upstream and downstream emission. Category 1, 3, 4, 5, 7 and 12 are covered. The capital assets (2), business travel (6), assets leased upstream (8), transportation and distribution of merchandise sold (9), transformation of products sold (11), assets leased downstream (13), franchises (14) and investment (15) categories are currently not included in our scope 3 report.

(7.53.2.86) Target objective

Reduce our scope 3 GHG emissions per tonne of products sold (MT of CO2 eq./ metric tonne of shiped products) by 22% by 2030, compared to 2019

(7.53.2.87) Plan for achieving target, and progress made to the end of the reporting year

Since 2018, Cascades has been calculating its scope 3 emissions according to the recommendations of the GHG Protocol. In 2024, our teams continued to refine data collection processes and the overall understanding of our emissions categories. This work included biogenic methane emissions associated with end-of-life treatment of sold products previously excluded from scope 3 emissions calculations. Our teams are currently doing the same work to include biogenic methane in our reference year. In doing so, the 2024 result for the scope 3 report excludes biogenic methane emissions for reasons of consistency. In 2024, a form was developed with an external partner to collect emission factors associated with strategic inputs such as chemical additives and pulp and paper. This will enable us to track more accurately the carbon footprint of the materials we buy that go into the production of our products. In order to improve our decision-making with regards to transportation, we developed a method to estimate the CO2 emissions associated with each mode of transportation, taking into account trailer weight and distances travelled. As part of the calls for tenders, carriers are invited to submit rate proposals according to the origin, destination, mode of transport, type of fuel. This approach enabled us to compare different transportation scenarios both economically and environmentally, and to calculate potential CO2 emission reductions per additional dollar invested. We are currently reviewing our GHG reduction targets in light of the latest SBTi requirements.

(7.53.2.88) Target derived using a sectoral decarbonization approach

Select from:

☑ Yes

[Add row]

(7.54) Did you have any other climate-related targets that were active in the reporting year?

Select all that apply

☑ No other climate-related targets

(7.55) Did you have emissions reduction initiatives that were active within the reporting year? Note that this can include those in the planning and/or implementation phases.

Select from:

☑ Yes

(7.55.1) Identify the total number of initiatives at each stage of development, and for those in the implementation stages, the estimated CO2e savings.

	Number of initiatives	Total estimated annual CO2e savings in metric tonnes CO2e
Under investigation	*91*	*`Numeric input*
To be implemented	*74*	*82151*
Implementation commenced	*19*	*11263*
Implemented	*18*	*3743.6*
Not to be implemented	*9*	*`Numeric input*

[Fixed row]

(7.55.2) Provide details on the initiatives implemented in the reporting year in the table below.

Row 1

(7.55.2.1) Initiative category & Initiative type

Energy efficiency in buildings
☑ Lighting

(7.55.2.2) Estimated annual CO2e savings (metric tonnes CO2e)

0.9

(7.55.2.3) Scope(s) or Scope 3 category(ies) where emissions savings occur

Select all that apply
☑ Scope 1

(7.55.2.4) Voluntary/Mandatory

Select from:
☑ Voluntary

(7.55.2.5) Annual monetary savings (unit currency – as specified in 1.2)

45743

(7.55.2.6) Investment required (unit currency – as specified in 1.2)

156932

(7.55.2.7) Payback period

Select from:
☑ 4-10 years

(7.55.2.8) Estimated lifetime of the initiative

Select from:
☑ 11-15 years

(7.55.2.9) Comment

Lighting improvement at our Vaudreuil facility.

Row 2

(7.55.2.1) Initiative category & Initiative type

Energy efficiency in production processes
☑ Waste heat recovery

(7.55.2.2) Estimated annual CO2e savings (metric tonnes CO2e)

288.6

(7.55.2.3) Scope(s) or Scope 3 category(ies) where emissions savings occur

Select all that apply
☑ Scope 1

(7.55.2.4) Voluntary/Mandatory

Select from:
☑ Voluntary

(7.55.2.5) Annual monetary savings (unit currency – as specified in 1.2)

37299

(7.55.2.6) Investment required (unit currency – as specified in 1.2)

37316

(7.55.2.7) Payback period

Select from:
☑ 1-3 years

(7.55.2.8) Estimated lifetime of the initiative

Select from:
☑ 16-20 years

(7.55.2.9) Comment

Compressor heat recovery at our Lachute mill.

Row 3

(7.55.2.1) Initiative category & Initiative type

Energy efficiency in buildings
☑ Heating, Ventilation and Air Conditioning (HVAC)

(7.55.2.2) Estimated annual CO2e savings (metric tonnes CO2e)

0.4

(7.55.2.3) Scope(s) or Scope 3 category(ies) where emissions savings occur

Select all that apply

☑ Scope 1

(7.55.2.4) Voluntary/Mandatory

Select from:
☑ Voluntary

(7.55.2.5) Annual monetary savings (unit currency – as specified in 1.2)

2153

(7.55.2.6) Investment required (unit currency – as specified in 1.2)

38559

(7.55.2.7) Payback period

Select from:
☑ 16-20 years

(7.55.2.8) Estimated lifetime of the initiative

Select from:
☑ 16-20 years

(7.55.2.9) Comment

Replace 2 HVAC units - Lihotech

Row 4

(7.55.2.1) Initiative category & Initiative type

Energy efficiency in production processes
☑ Reuse of steam

(7.55.2.2) Estimated annual CO2e savings (metric tonnes CO2e)

279.2

(7.55.2.3) Scope(s) or Scope 3 category(ies) where emissions savings occur

Select all that apply

☑ Scope 1

(7.55.2.4) Voluntary/Mandatory

Select from:

☑ Voluntary

(7.55.2.5) Annual monetary savings (unit currency – as specified in 1.2)

663484

(7.55.2.6) Investment required (unit currency – as specified in 1.2)

10801

(7.55.2.7) Payback period

Select from:

☑ <1 year

(7.55.2.8) Estimated lifetime of the initiative

Select from:

☑ 16-20 years

(7.55.2.9) Comment

Eliminate 5,300 lb/hr steam to settler 2 tank. Replace with flash steam from LP condensate tank - Niagara FAlls

Row 5

(7.55.2.1) Initiative category & Initiative type

Energy efficiency in production processes
☑ Compressed air

(7.55.2.2) Estimated annual CO2e savings (metric tonnes CO2e)

9.1

(7.55.2.3) Scope(s) or Scope 3 category(ies) where emissions savings occur

Select all that apply
☑ Scope 1

(7.55.2.4) Voluntary/Mandatory

Select from:
☑ Voluntary

(7.55.2.5) Annual monetary savings (unit currency – as specified in 1.2)

22422

(7.55.2.6) Investment required (unit currency – as specified in 1.2)

0

(7.55.2.7) Payback period

Select from:

☑ <1 year

(7.55.2.8) Estimated lifetime of the initiative

Select from:
☑ 11-15 years

(7.55.2.9) Comment

Improve operation of compressors. - Mississauga

Row 6

(7.55.2.1) Initiative category & Initiative type

Energy efficiency in buildings
☑ Heating, Ventilation and Air Conditioning (HVAC)

(7.55.2.2) Estimated annual CO2e savings (metric tonnes CO2e)

0.6

(7.55.2.3) Scope(s) or Scope 3 category(ies) where emissions savings occur

Select all that apply
☑ Scope 1

(7.55.2.4) Voluntary/Mandatory

Select from:
☑ Voluntary

(7.55.2.5) Annual monetary savings (unit currency – as specified in 1.2)

24527

(7.55.2.6) Investment required (unit currency – as specified in 1.2)

506384

(7.55.2.7) Payback period

Select from:
☑ 21-25 years

(7.55.2.8) Estimated lifetime of the initiative

Select from:
☑ 16-20 years

(7.55.2.9) Comment

Installation of an air/air heat exchanger for building heating - Plastique KF

Row 7

(7.55.2.1) Initiative category & Initiative type

Energy efficiency in production processes
☑ Waste heat recovery

(7.55.2.2) Estimated annual CO2e savings (metric tonnes CO2e)

124

(7.55.2.3) Scope(s) or Scope 3 category(ies) where emissions savings occur

Select all that apply

☑ Scope 1

(7.55.2.4) Voluntary/Mandatory

Select from:
☑ Voluntary

(7.55.2.5) Annual monetary savings (unit currency – as specified in 1.2)

13777

(7.55.2.6) Investment required (unit currency – as specified in 1.2)

28935

(7.55.2.7) Payback period

Select from:
☑ 1-3 years

(7.55.2.8) Estimated lifetime of the initiative

Select from:
☑ 16-20 years

(7.55.2.9) Comment

Heat Recovery from Air compressors - Drummundville

Row 8

(7.55.2.1) Initiative category & Initiative type

Energy efficiency in buildings
☑ Lighting

(7.55.2.2) Estimated annual CO2e savings (metric tonnes CO2e)

11

(7.55.2.3) Scope(s) or Scope 3 category(ies) where emissions savings occur

Select all that apply

☑ Scope 1

(7.55.2.4) Voluntary/Mandatory

Select from:

☑ Voluntary

(7.55.2.5) Annual monetary savings (unit currency – as specified in 1.2)

2177

(7.55.2.6) Investment required (unit currency – as specified in 1.2)

28117

(7.55.2.7) Payback period

Select from:

☑ 11-15 years

(7.55.2.8) Estimated lifetime of the initiative

Select from:

☑ 11-15 years

(7.55.2.9) Comment

Row 9

(7.55.2.1) Initiative category & Initiative type

Energy efficiency in buildings
☑ Lighting

(7.55.2.2) Estimated annual CO2e savings (metric tonnes CO2e)

18

(7.55.2.3) Scope(s) or Scope 3 category(ies) where emissions savings occur

Select all that apply
☑ Scope 1

(7.55.2.4) Voluntary/Mandatory

Select from:
☑ Voluntary

(7.55.2.5) Annual monetary savings (unit currency – as specified in 1.2)

3527

(7.55.2.6) Investment required (unit currency – as specified in 1.2)

35260

(7.55.2.7) Payback period

Select from:

☑ 4-10 years

(7.55.2.8) Estimated lifetime of the initiative

Select from:
☑ 11-15 years

(7.55.2.9) Comment

LED Lighting Retrofit at 401 47th St building - Greenpac

Row 10

(7.55.2.1) Initiative category & Initiative type

Energy efficiency in production processes
☑ Process optimization

(7.55.2.2) Estimated annual CO2e savings (metric tonnes CO2e)

598

(7.55.2.3) Scope(s) or Scope 3 category(ies) where emissions savings occur

Select all that apply
☑ Scope 1

(7.55.2.4) Voluntary/Mandatory

Select from:
☑ Voluntary

(7.55.2.5) Annual monetary savings (unit currency – as specified in 1.2)

110634

(7.55.2.6) Investment required (unit currency – as specified in 1.2)

505791

(7.55.2.7) Payback period

Select from:
☑ 4-10 years

(7.55.2.8) Estimated lifetime of the initiative

Select from:
☑ 16-20 years

(7.55.2.9) Comment

Boiler #3 controls upgrade & new natural gas fuel train - Trenton

Row 11

(7.55.2.1) Initiative category & Initiative type

Energy efficiency in buildings
☑ Maintenance program

(7.55.2.2) Estimated annual CO2e savings (metric tonnes CO2e)

278

(7.55.2.3) Scope(s) or Scope 3 category(ies) where emissions savings occur

Select all that apply

☑ Scope 1

(7.55.2.4) Voluntary/Mandatory

Select from:
☑ Voluntary

(7.55.2.5) Annual monetary savings (unit currency – as specified in 1.2)

53866

(7.55.2.6) Investment required (unit currency – as specified in 1.2)

4852

(7.55.2.7) Payback period

Select from:
☑ <1 year

(7.55.2.8) Estimated lifetime of the initiative

Select from:
☑ 1-2 years

(7.55.2.9) Comment

Steam Trap Replacements - Trenton

Row 12

(7.55.2.1) Initiative category & Initiative type

Energy efficiency in production processes
☑ Reuse of steam

(7.55.2.2) Estimated annual CO2e savings (metric tonnes CO2e)

834

(7.55.2.3) Scope(s) or Scope 3 category(ies) where emissions savings occur

Select all that apply

☑ Scope 1

(7.55.2.4) Voluntary/Mandatory

Select from:

☑ Voluntary

(7.55.2.5) Annual monetary savings (unit currency – as specified in 1.2)

142444

(7.55.2.6) Investment required (unit currency – as specified in 1.2)

348000

(7.55.2.7) Payback period

Select from:

☑ 1-3 years

(7.55.2.8) Estimated lifetime of the initiative

Select from:

☑ 11-15 years

(7.55.2.9) Comment

Install High pressure receiver and deaerator tank to eliminate steam venting - Schenectady

Row 13

(7.55.2.1) Initiative category & Initiative type

Energy efficiency in buildings
☑ Motors and drives

(7.55.2.2) Estimated annual CO2e savings (metric tonnes CO2e)

53

(7.55.2.3) Scope(s) or Scope 3 category(ies) where emissions savings occur

Select all that apply
☑ Scope 1

(7.55.2.4) Voluntary/Mandatory

Select from:
☑ Voluntary

(7.55.2.5) Annual monetary savings (unit currency – as specified in 1.2)

18119

(7.55.2.6) Investment required (unit currency – as specified in 1.2)

9152

(7.55.2.7) Payback period

Select from:

☑ <1 year

(7.55.2.8) Estimated lifetime of the initiative

Select from:
☑ 16-20 years

(7.55.2.9) Comment

Elimination of 246 tank Pump (125 HP motor) - Niagara falls

Row 14

(7.55.2.1) Initiative category & Initiative type

Energy efficiency in buildings
☑ Maintenance program

(7.55.2.2) Estimated annual CO2e savings (metric tonnes CO2e)

136

(7.55.2.3) Scope(s) or Scope 3 category(ies) where emissions savings occur

Select all that apply
☑ Scope 1

(7.55.2.4) Voluntary/Mandatory

Select from:
☑ Voluntary

(7.55.2.5) Annual monetary savings (unit currency – as specified in 1.2)

14708

(7.55.2.6) Investment required (unit currency – as specified in 1.2)

8997

(7.55.2.7) Payback period

Select from:
☑ <1 year

(7.55.2.8) Estimated lifetime of the initiative

Select from:
☑ 1-2 years

(7.55.2.9) Comment

Steam leaks repair - Lachute

Row 15

(7.55.2.1) Initiative category & Initiative type

Energy efficiency in production processes
☑ Process optimization

(7.55.2.2) Estimated annual CO2e savings (metric tonnes CO2e)

169

(7.55.2.3) Scope(s) or Scope 3 category(ies) where emissions savings occur

Select all that apply

☑ Scope 1

(7.55.2.4) Voluntary/Mandatory

Select from:
☑ Voluntary

(7.55.2.5) Annual monetary savings (unit currency – as specified in 1.2)

32661

(7.55.2.6) Investment required (unit currency – as specified in 1.2)

15643

(7.55.2.7) Payback period

Select from:
☑ <1 year

(7.55.2.8) Estimated lifetime of the initiative

Select from:
☑ 16-20 years

(7.55.2.9) Comment

Refiner energy savings through chemical changes - Niagara falls

Row 16

(7.55.2.1) Initiative category & Initiative type

Energy efficiency in buildings
☑ Maintenance program

(7.55.2.2) Estimated annual CO2e savings (metric tonnes CO2e)

10

(7.55.2.3) Scope(s) or Scope 3 category(ies) where emissions savings occur

Select all that apply

☑ Scope 1

(7.55.2.4) Voluntary/Mandatory

Select from:

☑ Voluntary

(7.55.2.5) Annual monetary savings (unit currency – as specified in 1.2)

17942

(7.55.2.6) Investment required (unit currency – as specified in 1.2)

2536

(7.55.2.7) Payback period

Select from:

☑ <1 year

(7.55.2.8) Estimated lifetime of the initiative

Select from:

☑ 1-2 years

(7.55.2.9) Comment

Compressed air leak repairs (184 CFM) - Mississauga

Row 17

(7.55.2.1) Initiative category & Initiative type

Energy efficiency in buildings
☑ Motors and drives

(7.55.2.2) Estimated annual CO2e savings (metric tonnes CO2e)

913.8

(7.55.2.3) Scope(s) or Scope 3 category(ies) where emissions savings occur

Select all that apply
☑ Scope 1

(7.55.2.4) Voluntary/Mandatory

Select from:
☑ Voluntary

(7.55.2.5) Annual monetary savings (unit currency – as specified in 1.2)

265497

(7.55.2.6) Investment required (unit currency – as specified in 1.2)

105497

(7.55.2.7) Payback period

Select from:

☑ <1 year

(7.55.2.8) Estimated lifetime of the initiative

Select from:
☑ 16-20 years

(7.55.2.9) Comment

Reel trim pump - Greeboac

Row 18

(7.55.2.1) Initiative category & Initiative type

Energy efficiency in buildings
☑ Motors and drives

(7.55.2.2) Estimated annual CO2e savings (metric tonnes CO2e)

20

(7.55.2.3) Scope(s) or Scope 3 category(ies) where emissions savings occur

Select all that apply
☑ Scope 1

(7.55.2.4) Voluntary/Mandatory

Select from:
☑ Voluntary

(7.55.2.5) Annual monetary savings (unit currency – as specified in 1.2)

6815

(7.55.2.6) Investment required (unit currency – as specified in 1.2)

35503

(7.55.2.7) Payback period

Select from:

☑ 4-10 years

(7.55.2.8) Estimated lifetime of the initiative

Select from:

☑ 16-20 years

(7.55.2.9) Comment

M90 tank pump size reduction - Niagara
[Add row]

(7.55.3) What methods do you use to drive investment in emissions reduction activities?

Row 1

(7.55.3.1) Method

Select from:

☑ Dedicated budget for energy efficiency

(7.55.3.2) Comment

Cascades' energy efficiency team has a budget to attain the Sustainability Action Plan.

Row 2

(7.55.3.1) Method

Select from:
☑ Dedicated budget for other emissions reduction activities

(7.55.3.2) Comment

Cascades' has a budget planned to deploy in order to reach its SBTi targets for GHG emissions.
[Add row]

(7.67) Do you implement agriculture or forest management practices on your own land with a climate change mitigation and/or adaptation benefit?

Select from:
☑ No

(7.68) Do you encourage your suppliers to undertake any agricultural or forest management practices with climate change mitigation and/or adaptation benefits?

Select from:
☑ No

(7.68.3) Why do you not encourage your suppliers to undertake any agricultural/forest management practices with climate change mitigation and/or adaptation benefits?

(7.68.3.1) Primary reason

Select from:
☑ We plan to introduce a process in the next two years

(7.68.3.2) Please explain

As a company operating with a vast majority of recycled inputs, emissions from land use management or land use change were not seen as material for Cascades in the past few years. However, with the latest guidance from the GHG Protocol regarding these emissions and the requirement from the SBTi to develop a FLAG target for our industry sector, Cascades has started measuring these types of emissions in 2025. We should be able to report them in the coming years. This will also lead to supplier engagement regarding forest management practices with climate change mitigation and/or adaptation benefits.
[Fixed row]

(7.73) Are you providing product level data for your organization's goods or services?

Select from:
☑ No, I am not providing data

(7.74) Do you classify any of your existing goods and/or services as low-carbon products?

Select from:
☑ Yes

(7.74.1) Provide details of your products and/or services that you classify as low-carbon products.

Row 1

(7.74.1.1) Level of aggregation

Select from:
☑ Group of products or services

(7.74.1.2) Taxonomy used to classify product(s) or service(s) as low-carbon

Select from:
☑ No taxonomy used to classify product(s) or service(s) as low carbon

(7.74.1.3) Type of product(s) or service(s)

Other

☑ Other, please specify

(7.74.1.4) Description of product(s) or service(s)

recycled PET food tray

(7.74.1.5) Have you estimated the avoided emissions of this low-carbon product(s) or service(s)

Select from:

☑ Yes

(7.74.1.6) Methodology used to calculate avoided emissions

Select from:

☑ Other, please specify :Life cycle assessment

(7.74.1.7) Life cycle stage(s) covered for the low-carbon product(s) or services(s)

Select from:

☑ Cradle-to-grave

(7.74.1.8) Functional unit used

92 cubic inches food tray

(7.74.1.9) Reference product/service or baseline scenario used

92 cubic inches 100% virgin PET food tray

(7.74.1.10) Life cycle stage(s) covered for the reference product/service or baseline scenario

Select from:

☑ Cradle-to-grave

(7.74.1.11) Estimated avoided emissions (metric tons CO2e per functional unit) compared to reference product/service or baseline scenario

0.0001053

(7.74.1.12) Explain your calculation of avoided emissions, including any assumptions

70% less CO2 emissions than the national average for PET, due to the recycled content

(7.74.1.13) Revenue generated from low-carbon product(s) or service(s) as % of total revenue in the reporting year

0

Row 2

(7.74.1.1) Level of aggregation

Select from:

☑ Group of products or services

(7.74.1.2) Taxonomy used to classify product(s) or service(s) as low-carbon

Select from:

☑ No taxonomy used to classify product(s) or service(s) as low carbon

(7.74.1.3) Type of product(s) or service(s)

Other

☑ Other, please specify

(7.74.1.4) Description of product(s) or service(s)

100% recycled paper towels

(7.74.1.5) Have you estimated the avoided emissions of this low-carbon product(s) or service(s)

Select from:

☑ Yes

(7.74.1.6) Methodology used to calculate avoided emissions

Select from:

☑ Other, please specify :Life cycle assessment

(7.74.1.7) Life cycle stage(s) covered for the low-carbon product(s) or services(s)

Select from:

☑ Cradle-to-grave

(7.74.1.8) Functional unit used

One tonne of 100% recycled paper towels

(7.74.1.9) Reference product/service or baseline scenario used

One m2 of paper towels made entirely from virgin fiber, based on the average production data of the North American paper industry.

(7.74.1.10) Life cycle stage(s) covered for the reference product/service or baseline scenario

Select from:

☑ Cradle-to-grave

(7.74.1.11) Estimated avoided emissions (metric tons CO2e per functional unit) compared to reference product/service or baseline scenario

0.00012

(7.74.1.12) Explain your calculation of avoided emissions, including any assumptions

Up to 54% less impact on climate change.

(7.74.1.13) Revenue generated from low-carbon product(s) or service(s) as % of total revenue in the reporting year

0.08

Row 3

(7.74.1.1) Level of aggregation

Select from:
☑ Product or service

(7.74.1.2) Taxonomy used to classify product(s) or service(s) as low-carbon

Select from:
☑ No taxonomy used to classify product(s) or service(s) as low carbon

(7.74.1.3) Type of product(s) or service(s)

Other
☑ Other, please specify

(7.74.1.4) Description of product(s) or service(s)

100% recycled bathroom tissue

(7.74.1.5) Have you estimated the avoided emissions of this low-carbon product(s) or service(s)

Select from:
☑ Yes

(7.74.1.6) Methodology used to calculate avoided emissions

Select from:
☑ Other, please specify :LCAs

(7.74.1.7) Life cycle stage(s) covered for the low-carbon product(s) or services(s)

Select from:
☑ Cradle-to-grave

(7.74.1.8) Functional unit used

One tonne of 100% recycled bathroom tissue

(7.74.1.9) Reference product/service or baseline scenario used

One m2 of bathroom tissue made entirely from virgin fiber, based on the average production data of the North American paper industry.

(7.74.1.10) Life cycle stage(s) covered for the reference product/service or baseline scenario

Select from:
☑ Cradle-to-grave

(7.74.1.11) Estimated avoided emissions (metric tons CO2e per functional unit) compared to reference product/service or baseline scenario

0.000065

(7.74.1.12) Explain your calculation of avoided emissions, including any assumptions

up to 62% less impact on climate change.

(7.74.1.13) Revenue generated from low-carbon product(s) or service(s) as % of total revenue in the reporting year

0
[Add row]

(7.79) Has your organization retired any project-based carbon credits within the reporting year?

Select from:

☑ No

C8. Environmental performance - Forests

(8.1) Are there any exclusions from your disclosure of forests-related data?

	Exclusion from disclosure
Timber products	*Select from:* ☑ Yes

[Fixed row]

(8.1.1) Provide details on these exclusions.

Timber products

(8.1.1.1) Exclusion

Select from:

☑ Other, please specify :Produced and sold virgin product from our forest

(8.1.1.2) Description of exclusion

Virgin fibre from our owned forest sold externally

(8.1.1.3) Value chain stage

Select from:

☑ Direct operations

(8.1.1.4) Reason for exclusion

Select from:

☑ Data is not available

(8.1.1.5) Primary reason why data is not available for your disclosed commodity

Select from:

☑ Challenges associated with data collection and/or quality

(8.1.1.8) Indicate if you are providing the commodity volume that is being excluded from your disclosure of forests-related data

Select from:

☑ No, the volume excluded is confidential

(8.1.1.10) Please explain

Cascades manages forests and harvests part of them for use as raw material. However, a second portion is sold to external customers and is therefore not included in the disclosure volume.

Timber products

(8.1.1.1) Exclusion

Select from:

☑ Other, please specify :Jumbo rolls and sheets

(8.1.1.2) Description of exclusion

Procured sheets

(8.1.1.3) Value chain stage

Select from:

☑ Direct operations

(8.1.1.4) Reason for exclusion

Select from:
☑ Data is not available

(8.1.1.5) Primary reason why data is not available for your disclosed commodity

Select from:
☑ Challenges associated with data collection and/or quality

(8.1.1.8) Indicate if you are providing the commodity volume that is being excluded from your disclosure of forests-related data

Select from:
☑ No, the volume excluded is confidential

(8.1.1.10) Please explain

This disclosure does not include the supply of sheets for our specialty plants in the packaging sector, as we do not have sufficiently specific data to integrate them. However, these volumes are marginal compared to the total fibre and paper supplies at all of our facilities. We are actively continuing our efforts to improve the collection of this information and to be able to provide, in our future reports, an even more complete and accurate picture of our procurement.
[Add row]

(8.2) Provide a breakdown of your disclosure volume per commodity.

Timber products

(8.2.1) Disclosure volume (metric tons)

2586426

(8.2.2) Volume type

Select all that apply

☑ Produced

☑ Sourced

(8.2.3) Produced volume (metric tons)

1757

(8.2.4) Sourced volume (metric tons)

2584668
[Fixed row]

(8.3) Provide details on the land you own, manage and/or control that is used to produce your disclosed commodities.

Timber products

(8.3.1) Type of control

Select from:

☑ Own land

(8.3.2) Country/area

Select from:

☑ Canada

(8.3.3) First-level administrative division

Select from:

☑ States/equivalent jurisdictions

(8.3.4) Specify the states or equivalent jurisdictions

Quebec

(8.3.5) Land type

Select from:
☑ Other land type, please specify :Mix of tree plantations and managed natural forests

(8.3.6) Area (hectares)

10533

(8.3.7) Indicate if you can provide the volume produced on land you own, manage and/or control

Select from:
☑ Yes

(8.3.8) Volume produced on land you own, manage and/or control (metric tons)

1757

(8.3.9) % area third-party certified

100

(8.3.10) Third-party certification scheme

Select all that apply
☑ FSC Forest Management certification
[Add row]

(8.4) Indicate if any of the land you own, manage and/or control was not used to produce your disclosed commodities in the reporting year.

Select from:

☑ Some of the land we own, manage and/or control is not used for production

(8.4.1) Provide details on the land you own, manage and/or control that was not used to produce your disclosed commodities in the reporting year.

Row 1

(8.4.1.1) Country/area

Select from:
☑ Canada

(8.4.1.2) Type of control

Select from:
☑ Own land

(8.4.1.3) Land type

Select from:
☑ Land protected by certifications

(8.4.1.4) Area (hectares)

10157

(8.4.1.5) % covered by natural forests and other natural ecosystems

100

(8.4.1.6) Please explain

An estimation of 90% of the territory consists of forest and 10% consist of wetlands. This is an extrapolation of a precisely analyzed portion representing approximately 36% of the total surface area owned by Cascades.
[Add row]

(8.5) Provide details on the origins of your sourced volumes.

Timber products

(8.5.1) Country/area of origin

Select from:

☑ Canada

(8.5.2) First level administrative division

Select from:

☑ Unknown

(8.5.4) Volume sourced from country/area of origin (metric tons)

1169779

(8.5.5) Source

Select all that apply

☑ Independent smallholders

☑ Company-affiliated smallholders

☑ Trader/broker/commodity market

☑ Contracted suppliers (processors)

(8.5.7) Please explain

Challenges associated with data collection prevent us to have the quantity by first level administrative division.

Timber products

(8.5.1) Country/area of origin

Select from:

☑ Brazil

(8.5.2) First level administrative division

Select from:

☑ Unknown

(8.5.4) Volume sourced from country/area of origin (metric tons)

39773

(8.5.5) Source

Select all that apply

☑ Contracted suppliers (processors)

(8.5.7) Please explain

Challenges associated with data collection prevent us to have first level administrative division.

Timber products

(8.5.1) Country/area of origin

Select from:

☑ Finland

(8.5.2) First level administrative division

Select from:

☑ Unknown

(8.5.4) Volume sourced from country/area of origin (metric tons)

14517

(8.5.5) Source

Select all that apply

☑ Contracted suppliers (processors)

(8.5.7) Please explain

Challenges associated with data collection prevent us to have first level administrative division.

Timber products

(8.5.1) Country/area of origin

Select from:

☑ Uruguay

(8.5.2) First level administrative division

Select from:

☑ Unknown

(8.5.4) Volume sourced from country/area of origin (metric tons)

7415

(8.5.5) Source

Select all that apply

☑ Trader/broker/commodity market

(8.5.7) Please explain

Challenges associated with data collection prevent us to have first level administrative division.

Timber products

(8.5.1) Country/area of origin

Select from:

☑ United States of America

(8.5.2) First level administrative division

Select from:

☑ Unknown

(8.5.4) Volume sourced from country/area of origin (metric tons)

1310549

(8.5.5) Source

Select all that apply

☑ Trader/broker/commodity market

(8.5.7) Please explain

Challenges associated with data collection prevent us to have first level administrative division.

Timber products

(8.5.1) Country/area of origin

Select from:

☑ Unknown origin

(8.5.4) Volume sourced from country/area of origin (metric tons)

42104

(8.5.5) Source

Select all that apply

☑ Trader/broker/commodity market

(8.5.7) Please explain

Challenges associated with data collection prevent us to have the country of origin and the first level administrative division.

Timber products

(8.5.1) Country/area of origin

Select from:

☑ France

(8.5.2) First level administrative division

Select from:

☑ Unknown

(8.5.4) Volume sourced from country/area of origin (metric tons)

532

(8.5.5) Source

Select all that apply

☑ Trader/broker/commodity market

(8.5.7) Please explain

Challenges associated with data collection prevent us to have first level administrative division.

[Add row]

(8.7) Did your organization have a no-deforestation or no-conversion target, or any other targets for sustainable production/ sourcing of your disclosed commodities, active in the reporting year?

Timber products

(8.7.1) Active no-deforestation or no-conversion target

Select from:

☑ No, but we plan to have a no-deforestation or no-conversion target in the next two years

(8.7.3) Primary reason for not having an active no-deforestation or no-conversion target in the reporting year

Select from:

☑ No standardized procedure

(8.7.4) Explain why you did not have an active no-deforestation or no-conversion target in the reporting year

Cascades is currently reviewing its position and processes regarding the protection of forests and biodiversity, particularly in the context of the European Union Deforestation Regulation (EUDR).

(8.7.5) Other active targets related to this commodity, including any which contribute to your no-deforestation or no-conversion target

Select from:

☑ Yes, we have other targets related to this commodity

[Fixed row]

(8.7.2) Provide details of other targets related to your commodities, including any which contribute to your no-deforestation or no-conversion target, and progress made against them.

Timber products

(8.7.2.1) Target reference number

Select from:

☑ Target 1

(8.7.2.3) Target coverage

Select from:

☑ Organization-wide (direct operations only)

(8.7.2.4) Commodity volume covered by target (metric tons)

Select from:

☑ Other volume, please specify :498,792 metric tons

(8.7.2.5) Category of target & Quantitative metric

Third-party certification

☑ % of volume third-party certified

(8.7.2.7) Third-party certification scheme

Chain-of-custody certification

☑ FSC Chain-of-Custody certification (any type)

(8.7.2.8) Date target was set

01/01/2021

(8.7.2.9) End date of base year

12/31/2019

(8.7.2.10) Base year figure

19

(8.7.2.11) End date of target

12/31/2025

(8.7.2.12) Target year figure

39

(8.7.2.13) Reporting year figure

44

(8.7.2.14) Target status in reporting year

Select from:
☑ Achieved

(8.7.2.15) % of target achieved relative to base year

125.00

(8.7.2.16) Global environmental treaties/ initiatives/ frameworks aligned with or supported by this target

Select all that apply
☑ Sustainable Development Goals

(8.7.2.17) Explain target coverage and identify any exclusions

Cascades' target is to double its FSC Mix supply by 2025. The calcul of the % is made on the total of virgin fiber procurement. That total include our jumbo rolls, wood and pulp procurement. There are three levels of FSC certification. FSC Mix certification guarantees that products come from certified forests whose operations meet the highest environmental, social and economic standards.

(8.7.2.19) List the actions which contributed most to achieving or maintaining this target

This significant increase was made possible, in particular, by certain sites in the tissue sector that were able to secure supplies of jumbo rolls bearing the FSC Mix designation. The efforts made at our mill in Cabano, which significantly increased its certified purchases in 2024, are also noteworthy. To that end, the mill team has put in place incentives and processes to secure the supply of certified log wood required for the production of wood chips for virgin pulp. While vendor credits vary over time, our purchasing strategies enable us to ensure a stable annual supply volume. In recent years, we have seen a steady increase in FSC credits associated with the delivery of wood chips from our partners, a sign of a positive dynamic in our supply chain in this sector.

(8.7.2.20) Further details of target

In 2024, 44.0% of the virgin fibre we purchased was FSC Mix certified, surpassing the original target of 39% which is a commitment to double our supply by 2025. This is an increase of 6.0% compared to 2023.

Timber products

(8.7.2.1) Target reference number

Select from:

☑ Target 2

(8.7.2.3) Target coverage

Select from:

☑ Organization-wide (direct operations only)

(8.7.2.4) Commodity volume covered by target (metric tons)

Select from:

☑ Disclosure volume

(8.7.2.5) Category of target & Quantitative metric

Third-party certification

☑ % of volume third-party certified

(8.7.2.7) Third-party certification scheme

Chain-of-custody certification

☑ Other chain-of-custody certification, please specify :100% of Cascades' fibre and paper purchased coming from recycled sources or meeting FSC® certification standards by 2025

(8.7.2.8) Date target was set

01/01/2021

(8.7.2.9) End date of base year

12/31/2019

(8.7.2.10) Base year figure

93

(8.7.2.11) End date of target

12/31/2025

(8.7.2.12) Target year figure

100

(8.7.2.13) Reporting year figure

98.1

(8.7.2.14) Target status in reporting year

Select from:
☑ Underway

(8.7.2.15) % of target achieved relative to base year

72.86

(8.7.2.16) Global environmental treaties/ initiatives/ frameworks aligned with or supported by this target

Select all that apply
☑ Sustainable Development Goals

(8.7.2.17) Explain target coverage and identify any exclusions

This goal aims at reaching 100% of fibre and paper procured that are recycled, FSC certified or that meet FSC standards. That calcul is made on the total of procurement, including jumbo rolls, wood, fibres and pulp.

(8.7.2.18) Plan for achieving target, and progress made to the end of the reporting year

In 2024, about 98.1% of the fibre and paper we purchased were either recycled or met the FSC certification standards, enabling us to maintain an enviable level of performance comparable to previous years. Our tissue teams have already achieved the Cascades goal of 100% fibre and paper that are recycled, FSC certified or that meet FSC standards, supporting the company's overall approach. On the packaging side, more effort has been required to maintain existing certified volumes. Adjustments have been made and clear guidelines have been issued to ensure our performance continues. A share of unrecycled or uncertified procurement is still used in some plants where full transition is a challenge. Our internal sourcing teams support them to complete the transition to 100% fibre and paper that are recycled, FSC certified or that meet FSC standards. practices.

(8.7.2.20) Further details of target

Cascades has always favoured the use of recycled fibre in its products, and will continue to do so. However, depending on the availability of recycled fibre and the specific technical needs of customers, Cascades is sometimes forced to use virgin fibre and paper manufactured by external suppliers. In this case, we opt to use FSC fibre.
[Add row]

(8.8) Indicate if your organization has a traceability system to determine the origins of your sourced volumes and provide details of the methods and tools used.

Timber products

(8.8.1) Traceability system

Select from:

☑ Yes

(8.8.2) Methods/tools used in traceability system

Select all that apply

☑ Chain-of-custody certification

(8.8.3) Description of methods/tools used in traceability system

FSC Chain of Custody: FSC Certification takes place through independent third-party assessments by Certification Bodies. Certifiers audit our business to ensure that we are purchasing FSC certified products from a certified supplier; certified products are clearly identifiable; certified products are separated from non-certified; certified products are traceable, and volumes are recorded.
[Fixed row]

(8.8.1) Provide details of the point to which your organization can trace its sourced volumes.

Timber products

(8.8.1.1) % of sourced volume traceable to production unit

100

(8.8.1.2) % of sourced volume traceable to sourcing area and not to production unit

0

(8.8.1.3) % sourced volume traceable to country/area of origin and not to sourcing area or production unit

0

(8.8.1.4) % of sourced volume traceable to other point (i.e., processing facility/first importer) not in the country/area of origin

0

(8.8.1.5) % of sourced volume from unknown origin

0

(8.8.1.6) % of sourced volume reported

100.00
[Fixed row]

(8.9) Provide details of your organization's assessment of the deforestation-free (DF) or deforestation- and conversion-free (DCF) status of its disclosed commodities.

Timber products

(8.9.1) DF/DCF status assessed for this commodity

Select from:
☑ Yes, deforestation- and conversion-free (DCF) status assessed

(8.9.2) % of disclosure volume determined as DF/DCF in the reporting year

98.1

(8.9.3) % of disclosure volume determined as DF/DCF through a third-party certification scheme providing full DF/DCF assurance

17.4

(8.9.4) % of disclosure volume determined as DF/DCF through monitoring of production unit

0

(8.9.5) % of disclosure volume determined as DF/DCF through monitoring of sourcing area

0

(8.9.6) Is a proportion of your disclosure volume certified through a scheme not providing full DF/DCF assurance?

Select from:

☑ No

[Fixed row]

(8.9.1) Provide details of third-party certification schemes used to determine the deforestation-free (DF) or deforestation- and conversion-free (DCF) status of the disclosure volume, since specified cutoff date.

Timber products

(8.9.1.1) Third-party certification scheme providing full DF/DCF assurance

Chain-of-custody certification

☑ FSC Chain-of-Custody certification (any type)

(8.9.1.2) % of disclosure volume determined as DF/DCF through certification scheme providing full DF/DCF assurance

17.4

(8.9.1.3) Comment

All Cascades plants are covered under a FSC multi-site Chain-of-Custody (CoC) certificate. This certification ensures that the wood is tracked from the forest to the finished product, making sure that it comes from FSCcertified forests or meets FSC controlled wood requirements. FSC-certified materials and FSC controlled wood are widely recognized for their contribution to value chains without deforestation. In 2024, 85,7% of Cascades' total fiber supply consisted of recycled content, an intake considered as having no impacts on deforestation by nature.

(8.9.1.4) Certification documentation

Cascades FSC Certficates 2025.pdf
[Add row]

(8.10) Indicate whether you have monitored or estimated the deforestation and conversion of other natural ecosystems footprint for your disclosed commodities.

	Monitoring or estimating your deforestation and conversion footprint	Primary reason for not monitoring or estimating deforestation and conversion footprint	Explain why you do not monitor or estimate your deforestation and conversion footprint
Timber products	*Select from:* ☑ No, but we plan to monitor or estimate our deforestation and conversion footprint in the next two years	*Select from:* ☑ No standardized procedure	*This is a strategic priority for Cascades in the next years.*

[Fixed row]

(8.11) For volumes not assessed and determined as deforestation- and conversion-free (DCF), indicate if you have taken actions in the reporting year to increase production or sourcing of DCF volumes.

	Actions taken to increase production or sourcing of DCF volumes
Timber products	*Select from:* ☑ Yes

[Fixed row]

(8.11.1) Provide details of actions taken in the reporting year to assess and increase production/sourcing of deforestation- and conversion-free (DCF) volumes.

Timber products

(8.11.1.1) Action type

Select from:

☑ Increasing supplier control systems

(8.11.1.2) % of disclosure volume that is covered by this action

19.3

(8.11.1.3) Indicate whether you had any major barriers or challenges related to this action in the reporting year

Select from:

☑ No

(8.11.1.5) Provide further details on the actions taken, their contribution to achieving DCF status, and any related barriers or challenges

In 2024, 19.3% of our fibre and pulp procurement was considered virgin (vs recycled). From that quantity, 44.0% was FSC mix certified. The portion of non-certified virgin fibre, pulp and paper represent 1.9% of our procurement. Cascades is still committed to increase its supply of FSC Mix fibre and work with its facilities to put in place incentives and processes to secure the supply of certified materials. See question 8.7.2 for more information about our targets and actions conducted to improve this.
[Add row]

(8.12) Indicate if certification details are available for the commodity volumes sold to requesting CDP Supply Chain members.

	Third-party certification scheme adopted	Certification details are available for the volumes sold to any requesting CDP Supply Chain members
Timber products	*Select from:* ☑ Yes	*Select from:* ☑ Yes

[Fixed row]

(8.12.1) Provide details of the certified volumes sold to each requesting CDP Supply Chain member.

Row 1

(8.12.1.1) Requesting member

Select from:

(8.12.1.2) Commodity

Select from:

☑ Timber products

(8.12.1.3) Form of commodity

Select all that apply

☑ Secondary packaging

(8.12.1.4) Total volume of commodity sold to requesting member

2003

(8.12.1.5) Metric

Select from:

☑ Metric tons

(8.12.1.6) Third-party certification scheme

Chain-of-custody certification

☑ FSC Chain-of-Custody certification (any type)

(8.12.1.7) % of the total volume of commodity sold to requesting member that is certified

0

(8.12.1.8) Comment (optional)

no comment

Row 2

(8.12.1.1) Requesting member

Select from:

(8.12.1.2) Commodity

Select from:

☑ Timber products

(8.12.1.3) Form of commodity

Select all that apply

☑ Paper

(8.12.1.4) Total volume of commodity sold to requesting member

9535

(8.12.1.5) Metric

Select from:

☑ Metric tons

(8.12.1.6) Third-party certification scheme

Chain-of-custody certification

☑ FSC Chain-of-Custody certification (any type)

(8.12.1.7) % of the total volume of commodity sold to requesting member that is certified

84

(8.12.1.8) Comment (optional)

We categories those sales under Sobeys.

Row 3

(8.12.1.1) Requesting member

Select from:

(8.12.1.2) Commodity

Select from:

☑ Timber products

(8.12.1.3) Form of commodity

Select all that apply

☑ Paper

(8.12.1.4) Total volume of commodity sold to requesting member

89806

(8.12.1.5) Metric

Select from:
☑ Metric tons

(8.12.1.6) Third-party certification scheme

Chain-of-custody certification
☑ FSC Chain-of-Custody certification (any type)

(8.12.1.7) % of the total volume of commodity sold to requesting member that is certified

94

(8.12.1.8) Comment (optional)

no comment

Row 4

(8.12.1.1) Requesting member

Select from:

(8.12.1.2) Commodity

Select from:
☑ Timber products

(8.12.1.3) Form of commodity

Select all that apply

☑ Paper

(8.12.1.4) Total volume of commodity sold to requesting member

1377

(8.12.1.5) Metric

Select from:

☑ Metric tons

(8.12.1.6) Third-party certification scheme

Chain-of-custody certification

☑ FSC Chain-of-Custody certification (any type)

(8.12.1.7) % of the total volume of commodity sold to requesting member that is certified

16

(8.12.1.8) Comment (optional)

no comment

Row 5

(8.12.1.1) Requesting member

Select from:

(8.12.1.2) Commodity

Select from:

☑ Timber products

(8.12.1.3) Form of commodity

Select all that apply

☑ Paper

(8.12.1.4) Total volume of commodity sold to requesting member

84989

(8.12.1.5) Metric

Select from:

☑ Metric tons

(8.12.1.6) Third-party certification scheme

Chain-of-custody certification

☑ FSC Chain-of-Custody certification (any type)

(8.12.1.7) % of the total volume of commodity sold to requesting member that is certified

89

(8.12.1.8) Comment (optional)

no comment

Row 6

(8.12.1.1) Requesting member

Select from:

(8.12.1.2) Commodity

Select from:

☑ Timber products

(8.12.1.3) Form of commodity

Select all that apply

☑ Paper

(8.12.1.4) Total volume of commodity sold to requesting member

4771

(8.12.1.5) Metric

Select from:

☑ Metric tons

(8.12.1.6) Third-party certification scheme

Chain-of-custody certification

☑ FSC Chain-of-Custody certification (any type)

(8.12.1.7) % of the total volume of commodity sold to requesting member that is certified

100

(8.12.1.8) Comment (optional)

no comment

Row 7

(8.12.1.1) Requesting member

Select from:

(8.12.1.2) Commodity

Select from:

☑ Timber products

(8.12.1.3) Form of commodity

Select all that apply

☑ Secondary packaging

(8.12.1.4) Total volume of commodity sold to requesting member

4221

(8.12.1.5) Metric

Select from:

☑ Metric tons

(8.12.1.6) Third-party certification scheme

Chain-of-custody certification

☑ FSC Chain-of-Custody certification (any type)

(8.12.1.7) % of the total volume of commodity sold to requesting member that is certified

0

(8.12.1.8) Comment (optional)

no comment
[Add row]

(8.13) Does your organization calculate the GHG emission reductions and/or removals from land use management and land use change that have occurred in your direct operations and/or upstream value chain?

Timber products

(8.13.1) GHG emissions reductions and removals from land use management and land use change calculated

Select from:
☑ No, but plan to do so in the next two years

(8.13.2) Primary reason your organization does not calculate GHG emissions reductions and removals from land use management and land use change

Select from:
☑ No standardized procedure

(8.13.3) Explain why your organization does not calculate GHG emissions reductions and removals from land use management and land use change

As a company operating with a vast majority of recycled inputs, emissions from land use management or land use change were not seen as material for Cascades in the past few years. However, with the latest guidance from the GHG Protocol regarding these emissions and the requirement from the SBTi to develop a FLAG target for our industry sector, Cascades has started measuring these types of emissions in 2025. We should be able to report them in the coming years. For produced volumes, in comparison with other companies in the pulp & paper market that manage millions of hectares for their production, Cascades' timber asset of 10 000 hectares in the Bas St-Laurent region is very small. Moreover, wood material for the mill's production is sourced through an indirect chain of suppliers. Wood harvested from this area is purchased by sawmills of the region in order to produce different wood products such as graded lumber, pre-cut pallet stock and woodchips. CCP-Cabano purchases woodchips for its paper production from these sawmills. Indirectly, a portion of the timber harvested in Cascades woodlots could be found in the chips that are used in our paper production. For this reason, emissions from forestry activities undertaken on our woodlots are not included in the CDP disclosure. GHG emissions for woodchips purchases, on the other hand, are accounted for in our annual GHG emissions in scope 3 category 1 “Purchased goods and services". Cascades firmly believes that forests have great potential to limit the harmful consequences of climate change and is evaluating the possibility to include harvesting activities in Cascades' forests in CSR and carbon disclosure reports.
[Fixed row]

(8.14) Indicate if you assess your own compliance and/or the compliance of your suppliers with forest regulations and/or mandatory standards, and provide details.

(8.14.1) Assess legal compliance with forest regulations

Select from:

☑ Yes, from both suppliers and owned/managed/controlled land

(8.14.2) Aspects of legislation considered

Select all that apply

☑ Land use rights

☑ Environmental protection

☑ Forest-related rules, including forest management and biodiversity conservation, where directly related to wood harvesting

☑ Human rights protected under international law

(8.14.3) Procedure to ensure legal compliance

Select all that apply

☑ Certification

(8.14.5) Please explain

Cascades uses certifications such as FSC as a procedure to ensure legal compliance.
[Fixed row]

(8.15) Do you engage in landscape (including jurisdictional) initiatives to progress shared sustainable land use goals?

	Engagement in landscape/jurisdictional initiatives
	Select from: ☑ Yes, we engage in landscape/jurisdictional initiatives

[Fixed row]

(8.15.1) Indicate the criteria you consider when prioritizing landscapes and jurisdictions for engagement in collaborative approaches to sustainable land use and provide an explanation.

(8.15.1.1) Criteria for prioritizing landscapes/jurisdictions for engagement

Select all that apply

☑ Ability to contribute to/ build on existing landscape/jurisdictional initiatives

☑ Commodity sourcing footprint

☑ Organization has operational presence in area

☑ Opportunity to protect and restore natural ecosystems

☑ Risk of biodiversity loss

(8.15.1.2) Explain your process for prioritizing landscapes/jurisdictions for engagement

Our Packaging sector mill in Cabano owns 10,000 hectares of forest in the Bas St-Laurent region, Quebec, Canada. The asset comprises of natural forest lands, poplar plantations and softwood plantations. These forestlands are certified under the FSC Forest Management Group certification of the Fédération des groupements forestiers du Bas-Saint-Laurent (Certificate Code: NC-COC-000747). Cascades is engaged in the silvicultural management of its properties through forestry groups. The work is framed by protection and enhancement plans for the territory of the Agence de Mise en Valeur du Bas-Saint-Laurent. These protection plans are basically governed by municipal, regional and provincial laws and regulations. We must then take into account the visual frameworks to be protected or the different ecosystems to be enhanced. Cascades also has conservation agreements on certain specific ecosystems to be preserved due to the presence of rare species to be protected directly on our properties with collections defining these sites. All of the work carried out is authorized by the approval of a forest engineer responsible for ensuring compliance with the applicable rules. Cascades therefore has close to 10,000 hectares of forest meeting these commitments and meeting the principles of FSC certification.

[Fixed row]

(8.15.2) Provide details of your engagement with landscape/jurisdictional initiatives to sustainable land use during the reporting year.

Row 1

(8.15.2.1) Landscape/jurisdiction ID

Select from:

☑ LJ1

(8.15.2.2) Name of initiative

Bas-Saint-Laurent region (Temiscouata and Kamouraska)

(8.15.2.3) Country/area

Select from:

☑ Canada

(8.15.2.4) Name of landscape or jurisdiction area

Bas-Saint-Laurent region (Temiscouata and Kamouraska)

(8.15.2.6) Indicate if you can provide the size of the area covered by the initiative

Select from:

☑ No, area is unknown

(8.15.2.8) Type of engagement

Select all that apply

☑ Convener: Leads or facilitates the design, set-up, and high-level management of the initiative

☑ Partner: Shares responsibility with other stakeholders to manage and implement actions.

☑ Implementer: Executes actions based on the collective goals

☑ Funder: Provides full or partial financial resources

(8.15.2.9) Engagement start year

1996

(8.15.2.10) Engagement end year

Select from:
☑ Not defined

(8.15.2.11) Estimated investment over the project period

537000

(8.15.2.12) Landscape goals supported by engagement

Environmental
☑ Avoided deforestation/conversion of other natural ecosystems and/or decreased degradation rate
☑ Biodiversity protected and/or restored
☑ Improved community resilience from climate adaptation plans or mitigation efforts
☑ Natural ecosystems conserved and/or restored

(8.15.2.13) Organization actions supporting initiative

Participate in planning and multi-stakeholder alignment
☑ Collaborate on landscape sustainability assessments through participatory mapping

(8.15.2.14) Type of partners engaged in the initiative design and implementation

Select all that apply
☑ Local communities

(8.15.2.15) Description of engagement

We do have closed engagement for conservation areas (wetlands). We are engaged in the wildlife management with an outfitter on our property. We also give financial support to the outfitter manager.

(8.15.2.16) Collective monitoring framework used to measure progress towards landscape goals and actions

Select from:

☑ Yes, progress is monitored using an internally defined framework

(8.15.2.17) State the achievements of your engagement so far and how progress is monitored

Cascades is engaged in the silvicultural management of our properties through forestry groups. The work is framed by protection and enhancement plans for the territory of the Agence de Mise en Valeur du Bas-Saint-Laurent. These protection plans are basically governed by municipal, regional and provincial laws and regulations. We must then take into account the visual frameworks to be protected or the different ecosystems to be enhanced. We also have conservation agreements on certain specific ecosystems to be preserved due to the presence of rare species to be protected directly on our properties with collections defining these sites. All of the work carried out is authorized by the approval of a forest engineer responsible for ensuring compliance with the applicable rules. We therefore have close to 10,000 hectares of forest meeting these commitments and meeting the principles of FSC certification.

(8.15.2.18) Claims made

Select from:

☑ No, we are not making any claims, and we do not plan to within the next two years

[Add row]

(8.15.3) For each of your disclosed commodities, provide details on the disclosure volume from each of the landscapes/jurisdictions you engage in.

Row 1

(8.15.3.1) Landscape/jurisdiction ID

Select from:

☑ LJ1

(8.15.3.2) Does any of your produced and/or sourced commodity volume originate from this landscape/jurisdiction, and are you able/willing to disclose information on this volume?

Select from:

☑ Yes, we do produce/source from this landscape/jurisdiction, and we are able/willing to disclose volume data

(8.15.3.3) Commodity

Select from:

☑ Timber products

(8.15.3.4) % of disclosure volume from this landscape/jurisdiction

0.08
[Add row]

(8.16) Do you participate in any other external activities to support the implementation of policies and commitments related to deforestation, ecosystem conversion, or human rights issues in commodity value chains?

Select from:

☑ Yes

(8.16.1) Provide details of the external activities to support the implementation of your policies and commitments related to deforestation, ecosystem conversion, or human rights issues in commodity value chains

Row 1

(8.16.1.1) Commodity

Select all that apply

☑ Timber products

(8.16.1.2) Activities

Select all that apply

☑ Involved in industry platforms

(8.16.1.3) Country/area

Select from:

☑ Canada

(8.16.1.4) Subnational area

Select from:

☑ Not applicable

(8.16.1.5) Provide further details of the activity

Cascades takes active part in discussions and activities organized with Canadian and American forest, packaging, pulp and paper, environmental, circular economy, climate change associations and organizations. Cascades subscribes to Fastmarkets RISI and is a member of the Institute of Scrap Recycling Industries (ISRI). The Corporation's participation in these roundtables and activities enables awareness of issues, trends and better asses potential impacts on the business and industry including on topics related to forests and value chains.
[Add row]

(8.17) Is your organization supporting or implementing project(s) focused on ecosystem restoration and long-term protection?

Select from:

☑ Yes

(8.17.1) Provide details on your project(s), including the extent, duration, and monitoring frequency. Please specify any measured outcome(s).

Row 1

(8.17.1.1) Project reference

Select from:

☑ Project 1

(8.17.1.2) Project type

Select from:

☑ Peatland protection and restoration

(8.17.1.3) Expected benefits of project

Select all that apply

☑ Reduce/halt biodiversity loss

(8.17.1.4) Is this project originating any carbon credits?

Select from:

☑ No

(8.17.1.5) Description of project

A vital section of the Saint-Sylvère (Québec, Canada) bog, nestled beside a forest that serves as a sanctuary for diverse wildlife, is now permanently protected thanks to a generous land donation. Cascades has gifted more than 116 hectares in the Saint-Sylvère community, located in the Centre-du-Québec region, to the Nature Conservancy of Canada (NCC), a leading conservation organization dedicated to protecting natural habitats. The protected land is located on the traditional territory of the W8banaki Nation, known as Ndakina. We recognize the role and responsibility of the W8banaki Nation in the governance, management and conservation of this site, also known as the "Moz8depek" Bog, Moosehead Bog. Ninety percent of this new conservation area are wetlands, an important contributor to carbon storing and water purification. Citizen birdwatchers have already identified 68 species of birds in the area that includes the property. Among these, four endangered species have been observed: the Canada warbler, Eastern-wood pewee, bank swallow and barn swallow. Others viewed include the meadowlark, the eastern bluebird, black duck and blue-winged teal. The forest surrounding the property provides habitat for many species, including moose, white-tailed deer, ruffed grouse, snowshoe hare, wild turkey and green frog.

(8.17.1.6) Where is the project taking place in relation to your value chain?

Select all that apply

☑ Project based elsewhere

(8.17.1.7) Start year

2024

(8.17.1.8) Target year

Select from:

☑ Indefinitely

(8.17.1.9) Project area to date (Hectares)

116

(8.17.1.10) Project area in the target year (Hectares)

116

(8.17.1.11) Country/Area

Select from:

☑ Canada

(8.17.1.12) Latitude

46.2332

(8.17.1.13) Longitude

72.2241

(8.17.1.14) Monitoring frequency

Select from:

☑ Never

(8.17.1.15) Total investment over the project period (currency)

0

(8.17.1.16) For which of your expected benefits are you monitoring progress?

Select all that apply

☑ Reduce/halt biodiversity loss

(8.17.1.17) Please explain

Since the donated and protected lands are not part of our value chain, we do not expect any direct benefit in return from Nature Conservancy of Canada (NCC). This initiative is part of Cascades' commitments to protecting ecosystems and biodiversity.
[Add row]

C9. Environmental performance - Water security

(9.1) Are there any exclusions from your disclosure of water-related data?

Select from:
☑ Yes

(9.1.1) Provide details on these exclusions.

Row 1

(9.1.1.1) Exclusion

Select from:
☑ Water aspects

(9.1.1.2) Description of exclusion

Water usage from converting plants and office buildings (except containerboard plants) is not included in this year reporting

(9.1.1.3) Reason for exclusion

Select from:
☑ Other, please specify :Water volume non-significant

(9.1.1.7) Percentage of water volume the exclusion represents

Select from:
☑ 1-5%

(9.1.1.8) Please explain

In last year's CDP report, we calculated that converting plants other than box plants (approximately 40 sites out of a total of 64) accounted for only 1.5% of Cascades' total water consumption. Most converting plants and office buildings use water only sporadically, primarily for occasional cleaning and human consumption.

Row 2

(9.1.1.1) Exclusion

Select from:

☑ Water aspects

(9.1.1.2) Description of exclusion

Effluents from Cascades packaging converting plants, more specifically for containerboard, which lack water meters to measure total effluent volumes. Other converting plants do not generate effluent.

(9.1.1.3) Reason for exclusion

Select from:

☑ Water supply network

(9.1.1.7) Percentage of water volume the exclusion represents

Select from:

☑ 1-5%

(9.1.1.8) Please explain

Box plants converting facilities don't have watermeters for their effluent. Effluent water goes to the city water treatment before being released back to the environment. We have data for their water usage from the city. Therefore, since the water usage is known and represents about 2% of Cascades' effluents overall, we can affirm that the effluent produced in the converting sites will be about 2%

Row 3

(9.1.1.1) Exclusion

Select from:

☑ Facilities

(9.1.1.2) Description of exclusion

Facilities closed during 2024 are not included in this reporting.

(9.1.1.3) Reason for exclusion

Select from:
☑ Divestiture

(9.1.1.7) Percentage of water volume the exclusion represents

Select from:
☑ 6-10%

(9.1.1.8) Please explain

The complete water data were not compiled in facilities closed during 2024 due to lack of onsite employees.
[Add row]

(9.2) Across all your operations, what proportion of the following water aspects are regularly measured and monitored?

Water withdrawals – total volumes

(9.2.1) % of sites/facilities/operations

Select from:
☑ 100%

(9.2.2) Frequency of measurement

Select from:
☑ Continuously

(9.2.3) Method of measurement

Flowmeters are installed in most mills to measure withdrawal volumes in real time. For the box converting plants, the water authorities provide bills monthly, quarterly or annually.

(9.2.4) Please explain

The measurement frequency was chosen because the mills represent the largest proportion of water withdrawals. The number of sites with measurements is lower than last year due to the exclusion of water consumption data from all converting plants except box plants. This is still representing about 98-99% of Cascades' water withdrawals.

Water withdrawals – volumes by source

(9.2.1) % of sites/facilities/operations

Select from:

☑ 100%

(9.2.2) Frequency of measurement

Select from:

☑ Continuously

(9.2.3) Method of measurement

Flowmeters are installed in most mills to measure withdrawal volumes in real time. For the box converting plants, the water authorities provide bills monthly, quarterly or annually.

(9.2.4) Please explain

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Water withdrawals quality

(9.2.1) % of sites/facilities/operations

Select from:

☑ Not monitored

(9.2.4) Please explain

The quality of water withdrawals is not monitored.

Water discharges – total volumes

(9.2.1) % of sites/facilities/operations

Select from:

☑ 51-75

(9.2.2) Frequency of measurement

Select from:

☑ Continuously

(9.2.3) Method of measurement

Flowmeters are installed in each mill to measure discharge volume in real time

(9.2.4) Please explain

Water discharge is only monitored at Cascades' paper mills, which represent about 66% of all sites reported. We don't have data on the water discharge of box plants. Water is continuously monitored using flowmeters.

Water discharges – volumes by destination

(9.2.1) % of sites/facilities/operations

Select from:

☑ 51-75

(9.2.2) Frequency of measurement

Select from:

☑ Continuously

(9.2.3) Method of measurement

Flowmeters are installed in each mill to measure discharge volume in real time

(9.2.4) Please explain

Water discharge is only monitored at Cascades' paper mills, which represent about 66% of all sites reported. We don't have data on the water discharge of box plants. Water is continuously monitored using flowmeters.

Water discharges – volumes by treatment method

(9.2.1) % of sites/facilities/operations

Select from:

☑ 51-75

(9.2.2) Frequency of measurement

Select from:

☑ Continuously

(9.2.3) Method of measurement

Flowmeters are installed in each mill to measure discharge volume in real time

(9.2.4) Please explain

Water discharge is only monitored at Cascades' paper mills, which represent about 66% of all sites reported. We don't have data on the water discharge of box plants. Water is continuously monitored using flowmeters.

Water discharge quality – by standard effluent parameters

(9.2.1) % of sites/facilities/operations

Select from:

☑ 51-75

(9.2.2) Frequency of measurement

Select from:

☑ Daily

(9.2.3) Method of measurement

Frequency and methods are variable by site and parameters

(9.2.4) Please explain

TSS and BOD or COD are tested daily for mills only except for Candiac.

Water discharge quality – emissions to water (nitrates, phosphates, pesticides, and/or other priority substances)

(9.2.1) % of sites/facilities/operations

Select from:

☑ 26-50

(9.2.2) Frequency of measurement

Select from:

☑ Monthly

(9.2.3) Method of measurement

Frequency is variable by site and parameters

(9.2.4) Please explain

Phosphorus and Total Kjeldahl nitrogen are tested and results noted as mg P/l. Methods and frequency are variable by mills and region. Canada and Northeast USA

Water discharge quality – temperature

(9.2.1) % of sites/facilities/operations

Select from:
☑ 51-75

(9.2.2) Frequency of measurement

Select from:
☑ Daily

(9.2.3) Method of measurement

By temperature probe in the water discharge channel

(9.2.4) Please explain

In all paper mills only

Water consumption – total volume

(9.2.1) % of sites/facilities/operations

Select from:
☑ 51-75

(9.2.2) Frequency of measurement

Select from:

☑ Monthly

(9.2.3) Method of measurement

Monthly Bills and water flowmeters installed

(9.2.4) Please explain

Water discharge is only monitored at Cascades' paper mills, which represent about 66% of all sites reported. We don't have data on water discharge of box plants.

Water recycled/reused

(9.2.1) % of sites/facilities/operations

Select from:

☑ Not monitored

(9.2.4) Please explain

We do not monitor recycled/reused water

The provision of fully-functioning, safely managed WASH services to all workers

(9.2.1) % of sites/facilities/operations

Select from:

☑ 100%

(9.2.2) Frequency of measurement

Select from:

☑ Monthly

(9.2.3) Method of measurement

Monthly Bills

(9.2.4) Please explain

For WASH water, we cannot determine the exact water usage due to the way it is measured. In most mills and box plant conversions, data for WASH water and potable process water are combined.
[Fixed row]

(9.2.2) What are the total volumes of water withdrawn, discharged, and consumed across all your operations, how do they compare to the previous reporting year, and how are they forecasted to change?

Total withdrawals

(9.2.2.1) Volume (megaliters/year)

16817

(9.2.2.2) Comparison with previous reporting year

Select from:
☑ About the same

(9.2.2.3) Primary reason for comparison with previous reporting year

Select from:
☑ Increase/decrease in efficiency

(9.2.2.4) Five-year forecast

Select from:
☑ Lower

(9.2.2.5) Primary reason for forecast

Select from:

☑ Facility closure

(9.2.2.6) Please explain

The 2021–2025 Sustainable Development Plan of Cascades includes a goal to reduce water discharge by 15% at its mills (excluding conversion plants). This target will be reached and exceeded in 2025. Water reduction targets are based on a limited number of facilities, so it is difficult to estimate exactly how much water withdrawal, discharge, and consumption will be saved — but it will decrease overall. The most significant impact will come from the closure of one of our mills, which will notably reduce water withdrawals, discharges, and consumption. We plan to maintain current water consumption levels, as we believe most mills have already optimized their water use.

Total discharges

(9.2.2.1) Volume (megaliters/year)

13648

(9.2.2.2) Comparison with previous reporting year

Select from:

☑ About the same

(9.2.2.3) Primary reason for comparison with previous reporting year

Select from:

☑ Increase/decrease in efficiency

(9.2.2.4) Five-year forecast

Select from:

☑ Lower

(9.2.2.5) Primary reason for forecast

Select from:

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Total consumption

(9.2.2.1) Volume (megaliters/year)

3169

(9.2.2.2) Comparison with previous reporting year

Select from:

☑ About the same

(9.2.2.3) Primary reason for comparison with previous reporting year

Select from:

☑ Increase/decrease in efficiency

(9.2.2.4) Five-year forecast

Select from:

☑ Lower

(9.2.2.5) Primary reason for forecast

Select from:

☑ Facility closure

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[Fixed row]

(9.2.4) Indicate whether water is withdrawn from areas with water stress, provide the volume, how it compares with the previous reporting year, and how it is forecasted to change.

(9.2.4.1) Withdrawals are from areas with water stress

Select from:
☑ No

(9.2.4.8) Identification tool

Select all that apply
☑ WWF Water Risk Filter

(9.2.4.9) Please explain

We used the WWF Water Risk Filter to determine whether our sites are located in water stress areas. In this exercise, we assessed water risk for all Cascades sites, including mills, converting plants, and office locations. We focused on the basin's physical risks, which include categories such as water availability, drought, flooding, water quality, and the status of ecosystem services. A threshold of 3.4 (high risk) was used to identify areas of water stress. None of our sites exceeded this threshold. However, out of the 91 sites assessed, ten fall into the medium risk category. All remaining sites are classified as low risk. This is a primary assessement of our water risk, we are looking to evaluate more aspects that can indicate an area with water stress in the short term.
[Fixed row]

(9.2.7) Provide total water withdrawal data by source.

Fresh surface water, including rainwater, water from wetlands, rivers, and lakes

(9.2.7.1) Relevance

Select from:

☑ Relevant

(9.2.7.2) Volume (megaliters/year)

10468.42

(9.2.7.3) Comparison with previous reporting year

Select from:

☑ Higher

(9.2.7.4) Primary reason for comparison with previous reporting year

Select from:

☑ Increase/decrease in business activity

(9.2.7.5) Please explain

The difference in fresh surface water usage compared to last year is due to our new mill, Bear Island, which began production in May 2023. Therefore, in 2024, we have twelve months of production versus seven in 2023. Bear Island primarily uses fresh surface water and is one of the biggest mills at Cascades.

Brackish surface water/Seawater

(9.2.7.1) Relevance

Select from:

☑ Not relevant

(9.2.7.5) Please explain

Cascades does not use Brackish surface water or seawater

Groundwater – renewable

(9.2.7.1) Relevance

Select from:
☑ Relevant

(9.2.7.2) Volume (megaliters/year)

1620.59

(9.2.7.3) Comparison with previous reporting year

Select from:
☑ About the same

(9.2.7.4) Primary reason for comparison with previous reporting year

Select from:
☑ Increase/decrease in efficiency

(9.2.7.5) Please explain

Since 2021, each mill has been assigned a target to reduce or maintain its water consumption as part of the sustainable development plan. In 2024, several mills optimized their water usage to meet these targets.

Groundwater – non-renewable

(9.2.7.1) Relevance

Select from:

☑ Not relevant

(9.2.7.5) Please explain

Cascades only uses renewable groundwater

Produced/Entrained water

(9.2.7.1) Relevance

Select from:
☑ Not relevant

(9.2.7.5) Please explain

Cascades does not use produced/entrained water

Third party sources

(9.2.7.1) Relevance

Select from:
☑ Relevant

(9.2.7.2) Volume (megaliters/year)

4728.54

(9.2.7.3) Comparison with previous reporting year

Select from:
☑ About the same

(9.2.7.4) Primary reason for comparison with previous reporting year

Select from:

☑ Increase/decrease in efficiency

(9.2.7.5) Please explain

Since 2021, each mill has been assigned a target to reduce or maintain its water consumption as part of the sustainable development plan. In 2024, several mills optimized their water usage to meet these targets.
[Fixed row]

(9.2.8) Provide total water discharge data by destination.

Fresh surface water

(9.2.8.1) Relevance

Select from:

☑ Relevant

(9.2.8.2) Volume (megaliters/year)

7901.68

(9.2.8.3) Comparison with previous reporting year

Select from:

☑ Higher

(9.2.8.4) Primary reason for comparison with previous reporting year

Select from:

☑ Increase/decrease in business activity

(9.2.8.5) Please explain

Cascades' overall water consumption is lower than last year. The difference in fresh surface water discharge compared to last year is due to our new mill, Bear Island, which began production in May 2023. Therefore, in 2024, we have twelve months of production versus seven in 2023. Bear Island water discharge goes back to fresh surface water.

Brackish surface water/seawater

(9.2.8.1) Relevance

Select from:

☑ Not relevant

(9.2.8.5) Please explain

Cascades does not discharge water in Brackish or sea water

Groundwater

(9.2.8.1) Relevance

Select from:

☑ Not relevant

(9.2.8.5) Please explain

Cascades doees not discharge water in groundwater

Third-party destinations

(9.2.8.1) Relevance

Select from:

☑ Relevant

(9.2.8.2) Volume (megaliters/year)

5746.35

(9.2.8.3) Comparison with previous reporting year

Select from:

☑ Lower

(9.2.8.4) Primary reason for comparison with previous reporting year

Select from:

☑ Increase/decrease in efficiency

(9.2.8.5) Please explain

Since 2021, each mill has been assigned a target to reduce or maintain its water discharge as part of the sustainable development plan. In 2024, several mills optimized their water usage to meet these targets.
[Fixed row]

(9.2.9) Within your direct operations, indicate the highest level(s) to which you treat your discharge.

Tertiary treatment

(9.2.9.1) Relevance of treatment level to discharge

Select from:

☑ Relevant

(9.2.9.2) Volume (megaliters/year)

1322

(9.2.9.3) Comparison of treated volume with previous reporting year

Select from:

☑ Higher

(9.2.9.4) Primary reason for comparison with previous reporting year

Select from:
☑ Increase/decrease in business activity

(9.2.9.5) % of your sites/facilities/operations this volume applies to

Select from:
☑ 1-10

(9.2.9.6) Please explain

Only one mill uses a tertiary treatment. This mill was a start-up in 2023 but now, it is in full operation for 2024.

Secondary treatment

(9.2.9.1) Relevance of treatment level to discharge

Select from:
☑ Relevant

(9.2.9.2) Volume (megaliters/year)

9681

(9.2.9.3) Comparison of treated volume with previous reporting year

Select from:
☑ About the same

(9.2.9.4) Primary reason for comparison with previous reporting year

Select from:

☑ Increase/decrease in efficiency

(9.2.9.5) % of your sites/facilities/operations this volume applies to

Select from:
☑ 31-40

(9.2.9.6) Please explain

Most mills use a secondary treatment before discharging their water in the environment. The amount is about the same as 2023.

Primary treatment only

(9.2.9.1) Relevance of treatment level to discharge

Select from:
☑ Relevant

(9.2.9.2) Volume (megaliters/year)

2070

(9.2.9.3) Comparison of treated volume with previous reporting year

Select from:
☑ About the same

(9.2.9.4) Primary reason for comparison with previous reporting year

Select from:
☑ Increase/decrease in efficiency

(9.2.9.5) % of your sites/facilities/operations this volume applies to

Select from:

☑ 11-20

(9.2.9.6) Please explain

The mills that only have a primary treatment discharge their water to a third party destination where the water is treated properly and sent back to the environment

Discharge to the natural environment without treatment

(9.2.9.1) Relevance of treatment level to discharge

Select from:
☑ Not relevant

(9.2.9.6) Please explain

Cascades does not discharge water without any treatments

Discharge to a third party without treatment

(9.2.9.1) Relevance of treatment level to discharge

Select from:
☑ Relevant

(9.2.9.2) Volume (megaliters/year)

575

(9.2.9.3) Comparison of treated volume with previous reporting year

Select from:
☑ Higher

(9.2.9.4) Primary reason for comparison with previous reporting year

Select from:
☑ Increase/decrease in efficiency

(9.2.9.5) % of your sites/facilities/operations this volume applies to

Select from:
☑ 1-10

(9.2.9.6) Please explain

Only one mill discharges its water to a third party without treatment. The third party makes sure to respect the environmental regulations.

Other

(9.2.9.1) Relevance of treatment level to discharge

Select from:
☑ Not relevant

(9.2.9.6) Please explain

Cascades does not use other types of water treatments.
[Fixed row]

(9.2.10) Provide details of your organization’s emissions of nitrates, phosphates, pesticides, and other priority substances to water in the reporting year.

(9.2.10.1) Emissions to water in the reporting year (metric tons)

27.03

(9.2.10.2) Categories of substances included

Select all that apply

☑ Nitrates

☑ Phosphates

(9.2.10.4) Please explain

The quantity of phosphate and nitrate emissions to water reported is only partial. First, all converting plants and eight of the eighteen mills do not treat their effluent. It is a third-party source that regulates and treats their water discharges. Second, two other mills do not generate any water discharge. Among the last eight mills, two of them do not measure their phosphate concentration and two of them do not measure their nitrate concentration. Thus, the quantity of phosphate comes from six mills and the quantity of nitrates comes from six mills that are rejecting their effluent to the environment.
[Fixed row]

(9.3) In your direct operations and upstream value chain, what is the number of facilities where you have identified substantive water-related dependencies, impacts, risks, and opportunities?

Direct operations

(9.3.1) Identification of facilities in the value chain stage

Select from:

☑ Yes, we have assessed this value chain stage and identified facilities with water-related dependencies, impacts, risks, and opportunities

(9.3.2) Total number of facilities identified

18

(9.3.3) % of facilities in direct operations that this represents

Select from:

☑ 51-75

(9.3.4) Please explain

Plants identified as posing a financial water-related risks for the company are the eighteen mills. The pulping process and the applications on the paper machine require large amounts of water and are impossible without it. Mill production is used by our converting plants as raw materials (box plant, specialty packaging and tissue paper). Therefore, their production is essential for Cascades' operations.

Upstream value chain

(9.3.1) Identification of facilities in the value chain stage

Select from:

☑ No, we have not assessed this value chain stage for facilities with water-related dependencies, impacts, risks, and opportunities, and are not planning to do so in the next 2 years

(9.3.4) Please explain

Cascades does not evaluate the water-related dependencies, impacts, risks and opportunities from the upstream value chain.
[Fixed row]

(9.3.1) For each facility referenced in 9.3, provide coordinates, water accounting data, and a comparison with the previous reporting year.

Row 1

(9.3.1.1) Facility reference number

Select from:

☑ Facility 1

(9.3.1.2) Facility name (optional)

Bear Island

(9.3.1.3) Value chain stage

Select from:

☑ Direct operations

(9.3.1.4) Dependencies, impacts, risks, and/or opportunities identified at this facility

Select all that apply

☑ Impacts

☑ Risks

(9.3.1.5) Withdrawals or discharges in the reporting year

Select from:

☑ Yes, withdrawals and discharges

(9.3.1.7) Country/Area & River basin

United States of America

☑ Other, please specify :Little River, VA

(9.3.1.8) Latitude

37.813107

(9.3.1.9) Longitude

-77.438897

(9.3.1.10) Located in area with water stress

Select from:

☑ No

(9.3.1.13) Total water withdrawals at this facility (megaliters)

1855.79

(9.3.1.14) Comparison of total withdrawals with previous reporting year

Select from:

☑ Higher

(9.3.1.15) Withdrawals from fresh surface water, including rainwater, water from wetlands, rivers and lakes

1711.04

(9.3.1.16) Withdrawals from brackish surface water/seawater

0

(9.3.1.17) Withdrawals from groundwater - renewable

0

(9.3.1.18) Withdrawals from groundwater - non-renewable

0

(9.3.1.19) Withdrawals from produced/entrained water

0

(9.3.1.20) Withdrawals from third party sources

144.76

(9.3.1.21) Total water discharges at this facility (megaliters)

1321.82

(9.3.1.22) Comparison of total discharges with previous reporting year

Select from:

☑ Higher

(9.3.1.23) Discharges to fresh surface water

1321.82

(9.3.1.24) Discharges to brackish surface water/seawater

0

(9.3.1.25) Discharges to groundwater

0

(9.3.1.26) Discharges to third party destinations

0

(9.3.1.27) Total water consumption at this facility (megaliters)

533.98

(9.3.1.28) Comparison of total consumption with previous reporting year

Select from:
☑ Higher

(9.3.1.29) Please explain

Bear Island was only in operation for 7 months in 2023 vs all 2024. That explain why the consumption is higher.

Row 2

(9.3.1.1) Facility reference number

Select from:

☑ Facility 2

(9.3.1.2) Facility name (optional)

Cabano

(9.3.1.3) Value chain stage

Select from:

☑ Direct operations

(9.3.1.4) Dependencies, impacts, risks, and/or opportunities identified at this facility

Select all that apply

☑ Impacts

☑ Risks

(9.3.1.5) Withdrawals or discharges in the reporting year

Select from:

☑ Yes, withdrawals and discharges

(9.3.1.7) Country/Area & River basin

Canada

☑ Other, please specify :Temiscouata Lake

(9.3.1.8) Latitude

47.684715

(9.3.1.9) Longitude

-68.886558

(9.3.1.10) Located in area with water stress

Select from:

☑ No

(9.3.1.13) Total water withdrawals at this facility (megaliters)

3227.02

(9.3.1.14) Comparison of total withdrawals with previous reporting year

Select from:

☑ About the same

(9.3.1.15) Withdrawals from fresh surface water, including rainwater, water from wetlands, rivers and lakes

3227.02

(9.3.1.16) Withdrawals from brackish surface water/seawater

0

(9.3.1.17) Withdrawals from groundwater - renewable

0

(9.3.1.18) Withdrawals from groundwater - non-renewable

0

(9.3.1.19) Withdrawals from produced/entrained water

0

(9.3.1.20) Withdrawals from third party sources

0

(9.3.1.21) Total water discharges at this facility (megaliters)

3155.84

(9.3.1.22) Comparison of total discharges with previous reporting year

Select from:

☑ Lower

(9.3.1.23) Discharges to fresh surface water

3155.84

(9.3.1.24) Discharges to brackish surface water/seawater

0

(9.3.1.25) Discharges to groundwater

0

(9.3.1.26) Discharges to third party destinations

0

(9.3.1.27) Total water consumption at this facility (megaliters)

71.17

(9.3.1.28) Comparison of total consumption with previous reporting year

Select from:

☑ Higher

(9.3.1.29) Please explain

We estimate the water withdrawals for this mill. Since there is not a total flowmeter installed, we use the sum of five flowmeters at the mill. Unfortunately, two small water lines is missing in this total. The estimation is the closet possible. A new flowmeter was installed in 2024. That could explain why the consumption is different from last year

Row 3

(9.3.1.1) Facility reference number

Select from:

☑ Facility 3

(9.3.1.2) Facility name (optional)

Greenpac

(9.3.1.3) Value chain stage

Select from:

☑ Direct operations

(9.3.1.4) Dependencies, impacts, risks, and/or opportunities identified at this facility

Select all that apply

☑ Impacts

☑ Risks

(9.3.1.5) Withdrawals or discharges in the reporting year

Select from:

☑ Yes, withdrawals and discharges

(9.3.1.7) Country/Area & River basin

United States of America
☑ Other, please specify :Niagara River

(9.3.1.8) Latitude

43.086948

(9.3.1.9) Longitude

-79.015182

(9.3.1.10) Located in area with water stress

Select from:
☑ No

(9.3.1.13) Total water withdrawals at this facility (megaliters)

2294.59

(9.3.1.14) Comparison of total withdrawals with previous reporting year

Select from:
☑ About the same

(9.3.1.15) Withdrawals from fresh surface water, including rainwater, water from wetlands, rivers and lakes

466.57

(9.3.1.16) Withdrawals from brackish surface water/seawater

0

(9.3.1.17) Withdrawals from groundwater - renewable

1138.76

(9.3.1.18) Withdrawals from groundwater - non-renewable

0

(9.3.1.19) Withdrawals from produced/entrained water

0

(9.3.1.20) Withdrawals from third party sources

689.27

(9.3.1.21) Total water discharges at this facility (megaliters)

1753.63

(9.3.1.22) Comparison of total discharges with previous reporting year

Select from:

☑ About the same

(9.3.1.23) Discharges to fresh surface water

0

(9.3.1.24) Discharges to brackish surface water/seawater

0

(9.3.1.25) Discharges to groundwater

0

(9.3.1.26) Discharges to third party destinations

1753.63

(9.3.1.27) Total water consumption at this facility (megaliters)

540.97

(9.3.1.28) Comparison of total consumption with previous reporting year

Select from:

☑ About the same

(9.3.1.29) Please explain

N/A

Row 4

(9.3.1.1) Facility reference number

Select from:

☑ Facility 4

(9.3.1.2) Facility name (optional)

CEC-KF

(9.3.1.3) Value chain stage

Select from:

☑ Direct operations

(9.3.1.4) Dependencies, impacts, risks, and/or opportunities identified at this facility

Select all that apply

☑ Impacts

☑ Risks

(9.3.1.5) Withdrawals or discharges in the reporting year

Select from:

☑ Yes, withdrawals and discharges

(9.3.1.7) Country/Area & River basin

Canada

☑ Other, please specify :South-West Nicolet River

(9.3.1.8) Latitude

45.863438

(9.3.1.9) Longitude

-72.068314

(9.3.1.10) Located in area with water stress

Select from:

☑ No

(9.3.1.13) Total water withdrawals at this facility (megaliters)

372.21

(9.3.1.14) Comparison of total withdrawals with previous reporting year

Select from:

☑ Lower

(9.3.1.15) Withdrawals from fresh surface water, including rainwater, water from wetlands, rivers and lakes

372.21

(9.3.1.16) Withdrawals from brackish surface water/seawater

0

(9.3.1.17) Withdrawals from groundwater - renewable

0

(9.3.1.18) Withdrawals from groundwater - non-renewable

0

(9.3.1.19) Withdrawals from produced/entrained water

0

(9.3.1.20) Withdrawals from third party sources

0

(9.3.1.21) Total water discharges at this facility (megaliters)

333.51

(9.3.1.22) Comparison of total discharges with previous reporting year

Select from:

☑ Higher

(9.3.1.23) Discharges to fresh surface water

333.51

(9.3.1.24) Discharges to brackish surface water/seawater

0

(9.3.1.25) Discharges to groundwater

0

(9.3.1.26) Discharges to third party destinations

0

(9.3.1.27) Total water consumption at this facility (megaliters)

38.7

(9.3.1.28) Comparison of total consumption with previous reporting year

Select from:

☑ Lower

(9.3.1.29) Please explain

This mill has a river water pump that provides water to other mills in Kingsey Falls (PKF and Forma-pak). Since Forma-pak did not have a flowmeter before the end of 2023, their consumption was included in CEC KF. For 2023, we subtracted the estimation of Forma-pak to have a separate declaration. In 2024, we have more data for Forma-pak water consumption. That could explain why the water consumption is different.

Row 5

(9.3.1.1) Facility reference number

Select from:

☑ Facility 5

(9.3.1.2) Facility name (optional)

Mississauga

(9.3.1.3) Value chain stage

Select from:

☑ Direct operations

(9.3.1.4) Dependencies, impacts, risks, and/or opportunities identified at this facility

Select all that apply

☑ Impacts

☑ Risks

(9.3.1.5) Withdrawals or discharges in the reporting year

Select from:

☑ Yes, withdrawals and discharges

(9.3.1.7) Country/Area & River basin

Canada

☑ Other, please specify :Lake ontario

(9.3.1.8) Latitude

43.694939

(9.3.1.9) Longitude

-79.676824

(9.3.1.10) Located in area with water stress

Select from:

☑ No

(9.3.1.13) Total water withdrawals at this facility (megaliters)

901.92

(9.3.1.14) Comparison of total withdrawals with previous reporting year

Select from:
☑ Higher

(9.3.1.15) Withdrawals from fresh surface water, including rainwater, water from wetlands, rivers and lakes

0

(9.3.1.16) Withdrawals from brackish surface water/seawater

0

(9.3.1.17) Withdrawals from groundwater - renewable

0

(9.3.1.18) Withdrawals from groundwater - non-renewable

0

(9.3.1.19) Withdrawals from produced/entrained water

0

(9.3.1.20) Withdrawals from third party sources

901.92

(9.3.1.21) Total water discharges at this facility (megaliters)

575.2

(9.3.1.22) Comparison of total discharges with previous reporting year

Select from:

☑ About the same

(9.3.1.23) Discharges to fresh surface water

0

(9.3.1.24) Discharges to brackish surface water/seawater

0

(9.3.1.25) Discharges to groundwater

0

(9.3.1.26) Discharges to third party destinations

575.2

(9.3.1.27) Total water consumption at this facility (megaliters)

326.73

(9.3.1.28) Comparison of total consumption with previous reporting year

Select from:

☑ About the same

(9.3.1.29) Please explain

N/A

Row 6

(9.3.1.1) Facility reference number

Select from:

☑ Facility 6

(9.3.1.2) Facility name (optional)

Niagara Falls

(9.3.1.3) Value chain stage

Select from:

☑ Direct operations

(9.3.1.4) Dependencies, impacts, risks, and/or opportunities identified at this facility

Select all that apply

☑ Impacts

☑ Risks

(9.3.1.5) Withdrawals or discharges in the reporting year

Select from:

☑ Yes, withdrawals and discharges

(9.3.1.7) Country/Area & River basin

United States of America

☑ Other, please specify :Niagara River

(9.3.1.8) Latitude

43.091471

(9.3.1.9) Longitude

-79.013541

(9.3.1.10) Located in area with water stress

Select from:

☑ No

(9.3.1.13) Total water withdrawals at this facility (megaliters)

640.74

(9.3.1.14) Comparison of total withdrawals with previous reporting year

Select from:

☑ Lower

(9.3.1.15) Withdrawals from fresh surface water, including rainwater, water from wetlands, rivers and lakes

111.02

(9.3.1.16) Withdrawals from brackish surface water/seawater

0

(9.3.1.17) Withdrawals from groundwater - renewable

481.83

(9.3.1.18) Withdrawals from groundwater - non-renewable

0

(9.3.1.19) Withdrawals from produced/entrained water

0

(9.3.1.20) Withdrawals from third party sources

47.89

(9.3.1.21) Total water discharges at this facility (megaliters)

550.12

(9.3.1.22) Comparison of total discharges with previous reporting year

Select from:

☑ Much lower

(9.3.1.23) Discharges to fresh surface water

0

(9.3.1.24) Discharges to brackish surface water/seawater

0

(9.3.1.25) Discharges to groundwater

0

(9.3.1.26) Discharges to third party destinations

550.12

(9.3.1.27) Total water consumption at this facility (megaliters)

90.62

(9.3.1.28) Comparison of total consumption with previous reporting year

Select from:

☑ Higher

(9.3.1.29) Please explain

N/A

Row 7

(9.3.1.1) Facility reference number

Select from:

☑ Facility 7

(9.3.1.2) Facility name (optional)

Formapak

(9.3.1.3) Value chain stage

Select from:

☑ Direct operations

(9.3.1.4) Dependencies, impacts, risks, and/or opportunities identified at this facility

Select all that apply

☑ Impacts

☑ Risks

(9.3.1.5) Withdrawals or discharges in the reporting year

Select from:

☑ Yes, withdrawals and discharges

(9.3.1.7) Country/Area & River basin

Canada

☑ Other, please specify :South-West Nicolet River

(9.3.1.8) Latitude

45.858703

(9.3.1.9) Longitude

-72.074151

(9.3.1.10) Located in area with water stress

Select from:

☑ No

(9.3.1.13) Total water withdrawals at this facility (megaliters)

62.94

(9.3.1.14) Comparison of total withdrawals with previous reporting year

Select from:

☑ About the same

(9.3.1.15) Withdrawals from fresh surface water, including rainwater, water from wetlands, rivers and lakes

62.94

(9.3.1.16) Withdrawals from brackish surface water/seawater

0

(9.3.1.17) Withdrawals from groundwater - renewable

0

(9.3.1.18) Withdrawals from groundwater - non-renewable

0

(9.3.1.19) Withdrawals from produced/entrained water

0

(9.3.1.20) Withdrawals from third party sources

0

(9.3.1.21) Total water discharges at this facility (megaliters)

26.9

(9.3.1.22) Comparison of total discharges with previous reporting year

Select from:

☑ About the same

(9.3.1.23) Discharges to fresh surface water

26.9

(9.3.1.24) Discharges to brackish surface water/seawater

0

(9.3.1.25) Discharges to groundwater

0

(9.3.1.26) Discharges to third party destinations

0

(9.3.1.27) Total water consumption at this facility (megaliters)

36.03

(9.3.1.28) Comparison of total consumption with previous reporting year

Select from:
☑ Lower

(9.3.1.29) Please explain

N/A

Row 8

(9.3.1.1) Facility reference number

Select from:
☑ Facility 8

(9.3.1.2) Facility name (optional)

Indiana

(9.3.1.3) Value chain stage

Select from:
☑ Direct operations

(9.3.1.4) Dependencies, impacts, risks, and/or opportunities identified at this facility

Select all that apply

☑ Impacts

☑ Risks

(9.3.1.5) Withdrawals or discharges in the reporting year

Select from:

☑ Yes, withdrawals only

(9.3.1.6) Reason for no withdrawals and/or discharges

Indiana mill does not have any water discharge

(9.3.1.7) Country/Area & River basin

United States of America

☑ Other, please specify :City of Brook, Indiana

(9.3.1.8) Latitude

40.926123

(9.3.1.9) Longitude

-87.331501

(9.3.1.10) Located in area with water stress

Select from:

☑ No

(9.3.1.13) Total water withdrawals at this facility (megaliters)

50.13

(9.3.1.14) Comparison of total withdrawals with previous reporting year

Select from:

☑ About the same

(9.3.1.15) Withdrawals from fresh surface water, including rainwater, water from wetlands, rivers and lakes

0

(9.3.1.16) Withdrawals from brackish surface water/seawater

0

(9.3.1.17) Withdrawals from groundwater - renewable

0

(9.3.1.18) Withdrawals from groundwater - non-renewable

0

(9.3.1.19) Withdrawals from produced/entrained water

0

(9.3.1.20) Withdrawals from third party sources

50.13

(9.3.1.27) Total water consumption at this facility (megaliters)

50.13

(9.3.1.28) Comparison of total consumption with previous reporting year

Select from:

☑ About the same

(9.3.1.29) Please explain

The mill operates in a closed-loop process. Even if this mill does not generate wastewater, it needs water to produce.

Row 9

(9.3.1.1) Facility reference number

Select from:
☑ Facility 9

(9.3.1.2) Facility name (optional)

Iowa

(9.3.1.3) Value chain stage

Select from:
☑ Direct operations

(9.3.1.4) Dependencies, impacts, risks, and/or opportunities identified at this facility

Select all that apply
☑ Impacts
☑ Risks

(9.3.1.5) Withdrawals or discharges in the reporting year

Select from:
☑ Yes, withdrawals only

(9.3.1.6) Reason for no withdrawals and/or discharges

Iowa mill does not have any water discharge

(9.3.1.7) Country/Area & River basin

United States of America
☑ Other, please specify :Mississipian aquifer

(9.3.1.8) Latitude

42.7271

(9.3.1.9) Longitude

-93.7277

(9.3.1.10) Located in area with water stress

Select from:
☑ Yes

(9.3.1.13) Total water withdrawals at this facility (megaliters)

37.6

(9.3.1.14) Comparison of total withdrawals with previous reporting year

Select from:
☑ About the same

(9.3.1.15) Withdrawals from fresh surface water, including rainwater, water from wetlands, rivers and lakes

0

(9.3.1.16) Withdrawals from brackish surface water/seawater

0

(9.3.1.17) Withdrawals from groundwater - renewable

0

(9.3.1.18) Withdrawals from groundwater - non-renewable

0

(9.3.1.19) Withdrawals from produced/entrained water

0

(9.3.1.20) Withdrawals from third party sources

37.6

(9.3.1.27) Total water consumption at this facility (megaliters)

37.6

(9.3.1.28) Comparison of total consumption with previous reporting year

Select from:
☑ About the same

(9.3.1.29) Please explain

The mill operates in a closed-loop process. Even if this mill does not generate wastewater, it needs water for their production

Row 10

(9.3.1.1) Facility reference number

Select from:

☑ Facility 10

(9.3.1.2) Facility name (optional)

PKF

(9.3.1.3) Value chain stage

Select from:

☑ Direct operations

(9.3.1.4) Dependencies, impacts, risks, and/or opportunities identified at this facility

Select all that apply

☑ Impacts

☑ Risks

(9.3.1.5) Withdrawals or discharges in the reporting year

Select from:

☑ Yes, withdrawals and discharges

(9.3.1.7) Country/Area & River basin

Canada

☑ Other, please specify :South-West Nicolet River

(9.3.1.8) Latitude

45.859664

(9.3.1.9) Longitude

-72.073005

(9.3.1.10) Located in area with water stress

Select from:

☑ No

(9.3.1.13) Total water withdrawals at this facility (megaliters)

348.65

(9.3.1.14) Comparison of total withdrawals with previous reporting year

Select from:

☑ Lower

(9.3.1.15) Withdrawals from fresh surface water, including rainwater, water from wetlands, rivers and lakes

348.65

(9.3.1.16) Withdrawals from brackish surface water/seawater

0

(9.3.1.17) Withdrawals from groundwater - renewable

0

(9.3.1.18) Withdrawals from groundwater - non-renewable

0

(9.3.1.19) Withdrawals from produced/entrained water

0

(9.3.1.20) Withdrawals from third party sources

0

(9.3.1.21) Total water discharges at this facility (megaliters)

263.88

(9.3.1.22) Comparison of total discharges with previous reporting year

Select from:

☑ About the same

(9.3.1.23) Discharges to fresh surface water

263.88

(9.3.1.24) Discharges to brackish surface water/seawater

0

(9.3.1.25) Discharges to groundwater

0

(9.3.1.26) Discharges to third party destinations

0

(9.3.1.27) Total water consumption at this facility (megaliters)

84.77

(9.3.1.28) Comparison of total consumption with previous reporting year

Select from:

☑ Lower

(9.3.1.29) Please explain

N/A

Row 11

(9.3.1.1) Facility reference number

Select from:
☑ Facility 11

(9.3.1.2) Facility name (optional)

GPS-Rockingham

(9.3.1.3) Value chain stage

Select from:
☑ Direct operations

(9.3.1.4) Dependencies, impacts, risks, and/or opportunities identified at this facility

Select all that apply
☑ Impacts
☑ Risks

(9.3.1.5) Withdrawals or discharges in the reporting year

Select from:
☑ Yes, withdrawals and discharges

(9.3.1.7) Country/Area & River basin

United States of America
☑ Other, please specify :Little carr Creek

(9.3.1.8) Latitude

34.9336

(9.3.1.9) Longitude

-79.7666

(9.3.1.10) Located in area with water stress

Select from:

☑ No

(9.3.1.13) Total water withdrawals at this facility (megaliters)

13.11

(9.3.1.14) Comparison of total withdrawals with previous reporting year

Select from:

☑ About the same

(9.3.1.15) Withdrawals from fresh surface water, including rainwater, water from wetlands, rivers and lakes

0

(9.3.1.16) Withdrawals from brackish surface water/seawater

0

(9.3.1.17) Withdrawals from groundwater - renewable

0

(9.3.1.18) Withdrawals from groundwater - non-renewable

0

(9.3.1.19) Withdrawals from produced/entrained water

0

(9.3.1.20) Withdrawals from third party sources

13.11

(9.3.1.21) Total water discharges at this facility (megaliters)

9.01

(9.3.1.22) Comparison of total discharges with previous reporting year

Select from:

☑ About the same

(9.3.1.23) Discharges to fresh surface water

0

(9.3.1.24) Discharges to brackish surface water/seawater

0

(9.3.1.25) Discharges to groundwater

0

(9.3.1.26) Discharges to third party destinations

9.01

(9.3.1.27) Total water consumption at this facility (megaliters)

4.1

(9.3.1.28) Comparison of total consumption with previous reporting year

Select from:
☑ About the same

(9.3.1.29) Please explain

N/A

Row 12

(9.3.1.1) Facility reference number

Select from:
☑ Facility 12

(9.3.1.2) Facility name (optional)

Candiac

(9.3.1.3) Value chain stage

Select from:
☑ Direct operations

(9.3.1.4) Dependencies, impacts, risks, and/or opportunities identified at this facility

Select all that apply
☑ Impacts
☑ Risks

(9.3.1.5) Withdrawals or discharges in the reporting year

Select from:

☑ Yes, withdrawals and discharges

(9.3.1.7) Country/Area & River basin

Canada

☑ Other, please specify :St-Laurent, Fleuve

(9.3.1.8) Latitude

45.400117

(9.3.1.9) Longitude

-73.523508

(9.3.1.10) Located in area with water stress

Select from:

☑ No

(9.3.1.13) Total water withdrawals at this facility (megaliters)

1051.04

(9.3.1.14) Comparison of total withdrawals with previous reporting year

Select from:

☑ Lower

(9.3.1.15) Withdrawals from fresh surface water, including rainwater, water from wetlands, rivers and lakes

1035.01

(9.3.1.16) Withdrawals from brackish surface water/seawater

0

(9.3.1.17) Withdrawals from groundwater - renewable

0

(9.3.1.18) Withdrawals from groundwater - non-renewable

0

(9.3.1.19) Withdrawals from produced/entrained water

0

(9.3.1.20) Withdrawals from third party sources

16.03

(9.3.1.21) Total water discharges at this facility (megaliters)

901.74

(9.3.1.22) Comparison of total discharges with previous reporting year

Select from:
☑ Lower

(9.3.1.23) Discharges to fresh surface water

0

(9.3.1.24) Discharges to brackish surface water/seawater

0

(9.3.1.25) Discharges to groundwater

0

(9.3.1.26) Discharges to third party destinations

901.74

(9.3.1.27) Total water consumption at this facility (megaliters)

149.3

(9.3.1.28) Comparison of total consumption with previous reporting year

Select from:
☑ About the same

(9.3.1.29) Please explain

N/A

Row 13

(9.3.1.1) Facility reference number

Select from:
☑ Facility 13

(9.3.1.2) Facility name (optional)

Eau Claire

(9.3.1.3) Value chain stage

Select from:

☑ Direct operations

(9.3.1.4) Dependencies, impacts, risks, and/or opportunities identified at this facility

Select all that apply

☑ Impacts

☑ Risks

(9.3.1.5) Withdrawals or discharges in the reporting year

Select from:

☑ Yes, withdrawals and discharges

(9.3.1.7) Country/Area & River basin

United States of America

☑ Other, please specify :Chippewa River

(9.3.1.8) Latitude

44.828548

(9.3.1.9) Longitude

-91.508263

(9.3.1.10) Located in area with water stress

Select from:

☑ No

(9.3.1.13) Total water withdrawals at this facility (megaliters)

1258.4

(9.3.1.14) Comparison of total withdrawals with previous reporting year

Select from:

☑ Lower

(9.3.1.15) Withdrawals from fresh surface water, including rainwater, water from wetlands, rivers and lakes

784.57

(9.3.1.16) Withdrawals from brackish surface water/seawater

0

(9.3.1.17) Withdrawals from groundwater - renewable

0

(9.3.1.18) Withdrawals from groundwater - non-renewable

0

(9.3.1.19) Withdrawals from produced/entrained water

0

(9.3.1.20) Withdrawals from third party sources

473.83

(9.3.1.21) Total water discharges at this facility (megaliters)

1064.73

(9.3.1.22) Comparison of total discharges with previous reporting year

Select from:

☑ Lower

(9.3.1.23) Discharges to fresh surface water

1064.73

(9.3.1.24) Discharges to brackish surface water/seawater

0

(9.3.1.25) Discharges to groundwater

0

(9.3.1.26) Discharges to third party destinations

0

(9.3.1.27) Total water consumption at this facility (megaliters)

193.67

(9.3.1.28) Comparison of total consumption with previous reporting year

Select from:

☑ Lower

(9.3.1.29) Please explain

N/A

Row 14

(9.3.1.1) Facility reference number

Select from:

☑ Facility 14

(9.3.1.2) Facility name (optional)

CTG-KF

(9.3.1.3) Value chain stage

Select from:

☑ Direct operations

(9.3.1.4) Dependencies, impacts, risks, and/or opportunities identified at this facility

Select all that apply

☑ Impacts

☑ Risks

(9.3.1.5) Withdrawals or discharges in the reporting year

Select from:

☑ Yes, withdrawals and discharges

(9.3.1.7) Country/Area & River basin

Canada

☑ Other, please specify :Sout-West Nicolet river

(9.3.1.8) Latitude

45.865404

(9.3.1.9) Longitude

-72.065828

(9.3.1.10) Located in area with water stress

Select from:

☑ No

(9.3.1.13) Total water withdrawals at this facility (megaliters)

1517.78

(9.3.1.14) Comparison of total withdrawals with previous reporting year

Select from:

☑ Higher

(9.3.1.15) Withdrawals from fresh surface water, including rainwater, water from wetlands, rivers and lakes

1441.63

(9.3.1.16) Withdrawals from brackish surface water/seawater

0

(9.3.1.17) Withdrawals from groundwater - renewable

0

(9.3.1.18) Withdrawals from groundwater - non-renewable

0

(9.3.1.19) Withdrawals from produced/entrained water

0

(9.3.1.20) Withdrawals from third party sources

76.15

(9.3.1.21) Total water discharges at this facility (megaliters)

1311.26

(9.3.1.22) Comparison of total discharges with previous reporting year

Select from:
☑ Higher

(9.3.1.23) Discharges to fresh surface water

1311.26

(9.3.1.24) Discharges to brackish surface water/seawater

0

(9.3.1.25) Discharges to groundwater

0

(9.3.1.26) Discharges to third party destinations

0

(9.3.1.27) Total water consumption at this facility (megaliters)

130.37

(9.3.1.28) Comparison of total consumption with previous reporting year

Select from:

☑ Lower

(9.3.1.29) Please explain

The water withdrawals is higher then last year because we added all the potable water from Kingsey Falls to this one (CEC-KF, Formapak, CTG-KF et PKF)

Row 15

(9.3.1.1) Facility reference number

Select from:
☑ Facility 15

(9.3.1.2) Facility name (optional)

Lachute

(9.3.1.3) Value chain stage

Select from:
☑ Direct operations

(9.3.1.4) Dependencies, impacts, risks, and/or opportunities identified at this facility

Select all that apply
☑ Impacts
☑ Risks

(9.3.1.5) Withdrawals or discharges in the reporting year

Select from:
☑ Yes, withdrawals and discharges

(9.3.1.7) Country/Area & River basin

Canada

☑ Other, please specify :North River

(9.3.1.8) Latitude

45.651702

(9.3.1.9) Longitude

-74.348134

(9.3.1.10) Located in area with water stress

Select from:

☑ No

(9.3.1.13) Total water withdrawals at this facility (megaliters)

577.85

(9.3.1.14) Comparison of total withdrawals with previous reporting year

Select from:

☑ Higher

(9.3.1.15) Withdrawals from fresh surface water, including rainwater, water from wetlands, rivers and lakes

455.4

(9.3.1.16) Withdrawals from brackish surface water/seawater

0

(9.3.1.17) Withdrawals from groundwater - renewable

0

(9.3.1.18) Withdrawals from groundwater - non-renewable

0

(9.3.1.19) Withdrawals from produced/entrained water

0

(9.3.1.20) Withdrawals from third party sources

122.45

(9.3.1.21) Total water discharges at this facility (megaliters)

423.74

(9.3.1.22) Comparison of total discharges with previous reporting year

Select from:
☑ Higher

(9.3.1.23) Discharges to fresh surface water

423.74

(9.3.1.24) Discharges to brackish surface water/seawater

0

(9.3.1.25) Discharges to groundwater

0

(9.3.1.26) Discharges to third party destinations

0

(9.3.1.27) Total water consumption at this facility (megaliters)

154.11

(9.3.1.28) Comparison of total consumption with previous reporting year

Select from:
☑ Higher

(9.3.1.29) Please explain

N/A

Row 16

(9.3.1.1) Facility reference number

Select from:
☑ Facility 16

(9.3.1.2) Facility name (optional)

Mechanicville

(9.3.1.3) Value chain stage

Select from:
☑ Direct operations

(9.3.1.4) Dependencies, impacts, risks, and/or opportunities identified at this facility

Select all that apply
☑ Impacts

☑ Risks

(9.3.1.5) Withdrawals or discharges in the reporting year

Select from:
☑ Yes, withdrawals and discharges

(9.3.1.7) Country/Area & River basin

United States of America
☑ Hudson River

(9.3.1.8) Latitude

42.88694

(9.3.1.9) Longitude

-73.686454

(9.3.1.10) Located in area with water stress

Select from:
☑ No

(9.3.1.13) Total water withdrawals at this facility (megaliters)

619.31

(9.3.1.14) Comparison of total withdrawals with previous reporting year

Select from:
☑ Lower

(9.3.1.15) Withdrawals from fresh surface water, including rainwater, water from wetlands, rivers and lakes

452.39

(9.3.1.16) Withdrawals from brackish surface water/seawater

0

(9.3.1.17) Withdrawals from groundwater - renewable

0

(9.3.1.18) Withdrawals from groundwater - non-renewable

0

(9.3.1.19) Withdrawals from produced/entrained water

0

(9.3.1.20) Withdrawals from third party sources

166.92

(9.3.1.21) Total water discharges at this facility (megaliters)

519.41

(9.3.1.22) Comparison of total discharges with previous reporting year

Select from:

☑ Lower

(9.3.1.23) Discharges to fresh surface water

0

(9.3.1.24) Discharges to brackish surface water/seawater

0

(9.3.1.25) Discharges to groundwater

0

(9.3.1.26) Discharges to third party destinations

519.41

(9.3.1.27) Total water consumption at this facility (megaliters)

99.9

(9.3.1.28) Comparison of total consumption with previous reporting year

Select from:
☑ Higher

(9.3.1.29) Please explain

N/A

Row 17

(9.3.1.1) Facility reference number

Select from:
☑ Facility 17

(9.3.1.2) Facility name (optional)

Pryor

(9.3.1.3) Value chain stage

Select from:

☑ Direct operations

(9.3.1.4) Dependencies, impacts, risks, and/or opportunities identified at this facility

Select all that apply

☑ Impacts

☑ Risks

(9.3.1.5) Withdrawals or discharges in the reporting year

Select from:

☑ Yes, withdrawals and discharges

(9.3.1.7) Country/Area & River basin

United States of America

☑ Other, please specify :Grand Neosho River

(9.3.1.8) Latitude

36.300019

(9.3.1.9) Longitude

-95.310111

(9.3.1.10) Located in area with water stress

Select from:

☑ No

(9.3.1.13) Total water withdrawals at this facility (megaliters)

882.03

(9.3.1.14) Comparison of total withdrawals with previous reporting year

Select from:

☑ Lower

(9.3.1.15) Withdrawals from fresh surface water, including rainwater, water from wetlands, rivers and lakes

0

(9.3.1.16) Withdrawals from brackish surface water/seawater

0

(9.3.1.17) Withdrawals from groundwater - renewable

0

(9.3.1.18) Withdrawals from groundwater - non-renewable

0

(9.3.1.19) Withdrawals from produced/entrained water

0

(9.3.1.20) Withdrawals from third party sources

882.03

(9.3.1.21) Total water discharges at this facility (megaliters)

797.35

(9.3.1.22) Comparison of total discharges with previous reporting year

Select from:

☑ Lower

(9.3.1.23) Discharges to fresh surface water

0

(9.3.1.24) Discharges to brackish surface water/seawater

0

(9.3.1.25) Discharges to groundwater

0

(9.3.1.26) Discharges to third party destinations

797.35

(9.3.1.27) Total water consumption at this facility (megaliters)

84.68

(9.3.1.28) Comparison of total consumption with previous reporting year

Select from:

☑ Lower

(9.3.1.29) Please explain

N/A

Row 18

(9.3.1.1) Facility reference number

Select from:

☑ Facility 18

(9.3.1.2) Facility name (optional)

CTG- Rockingham

(9.3.1.3) Value chain stage

Select from:

☑ Direct operations

(9.3.1.4) Dependencies, impacts, risks, and/or opportunities identified at this facility

Select all that apply

☑ Impacts

☑ Risks

(9.3.1.5) Withdrawals or discharges in the reporting year

Select from:

☑ Yes, withdrawals and discharges

(9.3.1.7) Country/Area & River basin

United States of America

☑ Other, please specify :Little carr creek

(9.3.1.8) Latitude

34.954831

(9.3.1.9) Longitude

-79.809752

(9.3.1.10) Located in area with water stress

Select from:

☑ No

(9.3.1.13) Total water withdrawals at this facility (megaliters)

790.69

(9.3.1.14) Comparison of total withdrawals with previous reporting year

Select from:

☑ Higher

(9.3.1.15) Withdrawals from fresh surface water, including rainwater, water from wetlands, rivers and lakes

0

(9.3.1.16) Withdrawals from brackish surface water/seawater

0

(9.3.1.17) Withdrawals from groundwater - renewable

0

(9.3.1.18) Withdrawals from groundwater - non-renewable

0

(9.3.1.19) Withdrawals from produced/entrained water

0

(9.3.1.20) Withdrawals from third party sources

790.69

(9.3.1.21) Total water discharges at this facility (megaliters)

639.9

(9.3.1.22) Comparison of total discharges with previous reporting year

Select from:
☑ Higher

(9.3.1.23) Discharges to fresh surface water

0

(9.3.1.24) Discharges to brackish surface water/seawater

0

(9.3.1.25) Discharges to groundwater

0

(9.3.1.26) Discharges to third party destinations

639.9

(9.3.1.27) Total water consumption at this facility (megaliters)

150.79

(9.3.1.28) Comparison of total consumption with previous reporting year

Select from:
☑ Higher

(9.3.1.29) Please explain

N/A
[Add row]

(9.3.2) For the facilities in your direct operations referenced in 9.3.1, what proportion of water accounting data has been third party verified?

Water withdrawals – total volumes

(9.3.2.1) % verified

Select from:
☑ 51-75

(9.3.2.2) Verification standard used

The third-party verification is carried out by companies that perform the annual calibration of all flowmeters (for both water withdrawals and water discharge). We follow the standards set out in the Regulation regarding pulp and paper mills (Règlement sur les fabriques de pâtes et papiers, Q-2, r. 27). This regulation specifies that the margin of error must not exceed 10%. We apply this standard to all Cascades mills, regardless of their location.

Water withdrawals – volume by source

(9.3.2.1) % verified

Select from:
☑ 51-75

(9.3.2.2) Verification standard used

The third-party verification is carried out by companies that perform the annual calibration of all flowmeters (for both water withdrawals and water discharge). We follow the standards set out in the Regulation regarding pulp and paper mills (Règlement sur les fabriques de pâtes et papiers, Q-2, r. 27). This regulation specifies that the margin of error must not exceed 10%. We apply this standard to all Cascades mills, regardless of their location.

Water withdrawals – quality by standard water quality parameters

(9.3.2.1) % verified

Select from:

☑ Not verified

(9.3.2.3) Please explain

We do not have a third-party verification for water quality parameters

Water discharges – total volumes

(9.3.2.1) % verified

Select from:

☑ 51-75

(9.3.2.2) Verification standard used

The third-party verification is carried out by companies that perform the annual calibration of all flowmeters (for both water withdrawals and water discharge). We follow the standards set out in the Regulation regarding pulp and paper mills (Règlement sur les fabriques de pâtes et papiers, Q-2, r. 27). This regulation specifies that the margin of error must not exceed 10%. We apply this standard to all Cascades mills, regardless of their location.

Water discharges – volume by destination

(9.3.2.1) % verified

Select from:

☑ 51-75

(9.3.2.2) Verification standard used

The third-party verification is carried out by companies that perform the annual calibration of all flowmeters (for both water withdrawals and water discharge). We follow the standards set out in the Regulation regarding pulp and paper mills (Règlement sur les fabriques de pâtes et papiers, Q-2, r. 27). This regulation specifies that the margin of error must not exceed 10%. We apply this standard to all Cascades mills, regardless of their location.

Water discharges – volume by final treatment level

(9.3.2.1) % verified

Select from:

☑ 51-75

(9.3.2.2) Verification standard used

The third-party verification is carried out by companies that perform the annual calibration of all flowmeters (for both water withdrawals and water discharge). We follow the standards set out in the Regulation regarding pulp and paper mills (Règlement sur les fabriques de pâtes et papiers, Q-2, r. 27). This regulation specifies that the margin of error must not exceed 10%. We apply this standard to all Cascades mills, regardless of their location.

Water discharges – quality by standard water quality parameters

(9.3.2.1) % verified

Select from:

☑ Not verified

(9.3.2.3) Please explain

We do not have a third-party verification for water quality parameters

Water consumption – total volume

(9.3.2.1) % verified

Select from:

☑ 51-75

(9.3.2.2) Verification standard used

The third-party verification is carried out by companies that perform the annual calibration of all flowmeters (for both water withdrawals and water discharge). We follow the standards set out in the Regulation regarding pulp and paper mills (Règlement sur les fabriques de pâtes et papiers, Q-2, r. 27). This regulation specifies that the margin of error must not exceed 10%. We apply this standard to all Cascades mills, regardless of their location.
[Fixed row]

(9.4) Could any of your facilities reported in 9.3.1 have an impact on a requesting CDP supply chain member?

Select from:
☑ We do not have this data but we intend to collect it within two years

(9.5) Provide a figure for your organization's total water withdrawal efficiency.

	Revenue (currency)	Total water withdrawal efficiency	Anticipated forward trend
	4701000000	*279538.56*	*We are just starting to collect data. We will have to analyze more in order to anticipate a trend. We plan to do so within the next year.*

[Fixed row]

(9.12) Provide any available water intensity values for your organization's products or services.

Row 1

(9.12.1) Product name

N/A

(9.12.2) Water intensity value

0

(9.12.3) Numerator: Water aspect

Select from:

☑ Other, please specify :N/A

(9.12.4) Denominator

0

(9.12.5) Comment

We are just starting to collect data. We will have to analyze more in order to anticipate a trend. We plan to do so within the next year.
[Add row]

(9.13) Do any of your products contain substances classified as hazardous by a regulatory authority?

(9.13.1) Products contain hazardous substances

Select from:

☑ No

(9.13.2) Comment

Cascades rigorously monitors the chemicals used in the manufacture of its products and its manufacturing processes. Specialized teams ensure regulatory compliance, safety and reduced environmental impact. The company implements various measures at each of its plants to ensure that chemical safety standards are met. This includes safe storage, well-established emergency procedures, regular audits, and compliance with WHMIS 2015 requirements in Canada and HazCom 2012 in the United States. In addition, appropriate training is provided to employees to safely handle and manage chemicals. Cascades works with specialized service providers to ensure that hazardous materials and products are collected to standards. These companies are responsible for packaging, collecting, transporting, processing, recycling and disposing of hazardous waste and providing documentation on final destinations.

[Fixed row]

(9.14) Do you classify any of your current products and/or services as low water impact?

	Products and/or services classified as low water impact	Primary reason for not classifying any of your current products and/or services as low water impact	Please explain
	Select from: ☑ No, but we plan to address this within the next two years	*Select from:* ☑ Lack of internal resources	*We are just starting to collect data. We will have to analyze more in order to anticipate a trend. We plan to do so within the next year.*

[Fixed row]

(9.15) Do you have any water-related targets?

Select from:
☑ Yes

(9.15.1) Indicate whether you have targets relating to water pollution, water withdrawals, WASH, or other water-related categories.

	Target set in this category	Please explain
Water pollution	*Select from:* ☑ No, and we do not plan to within the next two years	*Not an immediate priority*
Water withdrawals	*Select from:*	*Rich text input [must be under 1000 characters]*

	Target set in this category	Please explain
	☑ Yes	
Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene (WASH) services	*Select from:* ☑ No, and we do not plan to within the next two years	*Not an immediate priority*
Other	*Select from:* ☑ No, and we do not plan to within the next two years	*Not an immediate priority*

[Fixed row]

(9.15.2) Provide details of your water-related targets and the progress made.

Row 1

(9.15.2.1) Target reference number

Select from:

☑ Target 1

(9.15.2.2) Target coverage

Select from:

☑ Business division

(9.15.2.3) Category of target & Quantitative metric

Water withdrawals

☑ Reduction in withdrawals per unit of production

(9.15.2.4) Date target was set

01/01/2019

(9.15.2.5) End date of base year

12/31/2019

(9.15.2.6) Base year figure

11.76

(9.15.2.7) End date of target year

12/31/2025

(9.15.2.8) Target year figure

7.81

(9.15.2.9) Reporting year figure

7.3

(9.15.2.10) Target status in reporting year

Select from:

☑ Achieved and maintained

(9.15.2.12) Global environmental treaties/initiatives/ frameworks aligned with or supported by this target

Select all that apply

☑ None, alignment not assessed

(9.15.2.13) Explain target coverage and identify any exclusions

Only Cascades' mills are covered in this target. That excludes all the converting plants. This is still representing about 98-99% of Cascades' water withdrawals.

(9.15.2.15) Actions which contributed most to achieving or maintaining this target

One of the reasons for this improvement was the closure of three of our plants, which were under performing at the operational level and had particularly high effluents. These closures have resulted in a significant reduction in our effluents, saving a total of about 2.9 million m3 of water in 2024 compared to 2023. Stabilization of production at our Bear Island plant, which began in May 2023, also reduced water consumption per tonne produced at the plant.

(9.15.2.16) Further details of target

For the fourth consecutive year, we exceeded our target for reducing the effluent intensity of our mills, which was originally planned for 2025. In fact, they were reduced by an additional 16.3% compared to 2023, bringing the total reduction to 38.1% in 2024 compared to 2019.
[Add row]

C10. Environmental performance - Plastics

(10.1) Do you have plastics-related targets, and if so what type?

(10.1.1) Targets in place

Select from:

☑ Yes

(10.1.2) Target type and metric

Plastic packaging

☑ Increase the proportion of plastic packaging that is recyclable in practice and at scale

(10.1.3) Please explain

Our goal is to have 100% of the packaging we manufacture and sell (including plastic ones), being recyclable, compostable or reusable by 2030.
[Fixed row]

(10.2) Indicate whether your organization engages in the following activities.

Production/commercialization of plastic polymers (including plastic converters)

(10.2.1) Activity applies

Select from:

☑ No

(10.2.2) Comment

Cascades does not engage in the production or commercialization of plastic polymers.

Production/commercialization of durable plastic goods and/or components (including mixed materials)

(10.2.1) Activity applies

Select from:
☑ No

(10.2.2) Comment

Cascades does not engage in the production/commercialization of durable plastic goods and/or components

Usage of durable plastics goods and/or components (including mixed materials)

(10.2.1) Activity applies

Select from:
☑ No

(10.2.2) Comment

Cascades does not engage in the usage of durable plastics goods and/or components

Production/commercialization of plastic packaging

(10.2.1) Activity applies

Select from:
☑ Yes

(10.2.2) Comment

We manufacture packaging materials made of polyethylene, polyethyleneterephtalate and polystyrene.

Production/commercialization of goods/products packaged in plastics

(10.2.1) Activity applies

Select from:

☑ No

(10.2.2) Comment

We package our hygiene products in polywraps, either produced in-house or sourced from external suppliers.

Provision/commercialization of services that use plastic packaging (e.g., food services)

(10.2.1) Activity applies

Select from:

☑ No

(10.2.2) Comment

Cascades does not engage in the provision/commercialization of services that use plastic packaging

Provision of waste management and/or water management services

(10.2.1) Activity applies

Select from:

☑ No

(10.2.2) Comment

Cascades engages in the provision of waste management services. However, data availability regarding these services doesn't allow us to submit quality information in this CDP response.

Provision of financial products and/or services for plastics-related activities

(10.2.1) Activity applies

Select from:

☑ No

(10.2.2) Comment

Cascades does not engage in the provision of financial products and/or services for plastic-related activities.

Other activities not specified

(10.2.1) Activity applies

Select from:

☑ No

(10.2.2) Comment

Cascades does not engage in other activities of that kind.
[Fixed row]

(10.5) Provide the total weight of plastic packaging sold and/or used and indicate the raw material content.

Plastic packaging sold

(10.5.1) Total weight during the reporting year (Metric tons)

20529

(10.5.2) Raw material content percentages available to report

Select all that apply

☑ % virgin fossil-based content

☑ % post-consumer recycled content

(10.5.3) % virgin fossil-based content

26

(10.5.6) % post-consumer recycled content

74

(10.5.7) Please explain

We manufacture and sell various types of plastic packaging. We incorporate post-consumer recycled resin into all our PET and 25% of our polystyrene packaging. [Fixed row]

(10.5.1) Indicate the circularity potential of the plastic packaging you sold and/or used.

Plastic packaging sold

(10.5.1.1) Percentages available to report for circularity potential

Select all that apply

☑ % reusable

☑ % technically recyclable

☑ % recyclable in practice and at scale

(10.5.1.2) % of plastic packaging that is reusable

0

(10.5.1.3) % of plastic packaging that is technically recyclable

85

(10.5.1.4) % of plastic packaging that is recyclable in practice at scale

49

(10.5.1.5) Please explain

The majority (85%) of our packaging is technically recyclable in municipal facilities. Those that are not are made of multiple materials, which cannot be separated using standard sorting methods. The recyclability of all our packaging is assessed by the organization How2Recycle.
[Fixed row]

(10.6) Provide the total weight of waste generated by the plastic you produce, commercialize, use and/or process and indicate the end-of-life management pathways.

Production of plastic

(10.6.1) Total weight of waste generated during the reporting year (Metric tons)

20529

(10.6.2) End-of-life management pathways available to report

Select all that apply
☑ Recycling
☑ Landfill

(10.6.4) % recycling

49

(10.6.8) % landfill

51

(10.6.12) Please explain

We aim for all our plastic packaging to be recyclable, reusable, or compostable by 2030. In the meantime, we must work on improving the design of our packaging to make it recyclable and divert it from landfills.

Commercialization of plastic

(10.6.1) Total weight of waste generated during the reporting year (Metric tons)

20529

(10.6.2) End-of-life management pathways available to report

Select all that apply

☑ Recycling

☑ Landfill

(10.6.4) % recycling

49

(10.6.8) % landfill

51

(10.6.12) Please explain

We aim for all our plastic packaging to be recyclable, reusable, or compostable by 2030. In the meantime, we must work on improving the design of our packaging to make it recyclable and divert it from landfills.
[Fixed row]

C11. Environmental performance - Biodiversity

(11.2) What actions has your organization taken in the reporting year to progress your biodiversity-related commitments?

(11.2.1) Actions taken in the reporting period to progress your biodiversity-related commitments

Select from:

☑ Yes, we are taking actions to progress our biodiversity-related commitments

(11.2.2) Type of action taken to progress biodiversity- related commitments

Select all that apply

☑ Land/water protection

[Fixed row]

(11.3) Does your organization use biodiversity indicators to monitor performance across its activities?

	Does your organization use indicators to monitor biodiversity performance?
	Select from: ☑ No, we do not use indicators, but plan to within the next two years

[Fixed row]

(11.4) Does your organization have activities located in or near to areas important for biodiversity in the reporting year?

Legally protected areas

(11.4.1) Indicate whether any of your organization's activities are located in or near to this type of area important for biodiversity

Select from:
☑ No

(11.4.2) Comment

We do not have activities located near this type of important area for biodiversity.

UNESCO World Heritage sites

(11.4.1) Indicate whether any of your organization's activities are located in or near to this type of area important for biodiversity

Select from:
☑ No

(11.4.2) Comment

We do not have activities located near this type of important area for biodiversity.

UNESCO Man and the Biosphere Reserves

(11.4.1) Indicate whether any of your organization's activities are located in or near to this type of area important for biodiversity

Select from:
☑ No

(11.4.2) Comment

We do not have activities located near this type of important area for biodiversity.

Ramsar sites

(11.4.1) Indicate whether any of your organization's activities are located in or near to this type of area important for biodiversity

Select from:

☑ No

(11.4.2) Comment

We do not have activities located near this type of important area for biodiversity.

Key Biodiversity Areas

(11.4.1) Indicate whether any of your organization's activities are located in or near to this type of area important for biodiversity

Select from:

☑ Not assessed

(11.4.2) Comment

We are currently starting our TNFD assessment to evaluate if we are located on key biodiversity areas, and if relevant, what are the impacts of our activities on them.

Other areas important for biodiversity

(11.4.1) Indicate whether any of your organization's activities are located in or near to this type of area important for biodiversity

Select from:

☑ Not assessed

(11.4.2) Comment

We are currently starting our TNFD assessment to evaluate if we are located on other areas important for biodiversity, and if relevant, what are the impacts of our activities on them.
[Fixed row]

C13. Further information & sign off

(13.1) Indicate if any environmental information included in your CDP response (not already reported in 7.9.1/2/3, 8.9.1/2/3/4, and 9.3.2) is verified and/or assured by a third party?

(13.1.1) Other environmental information included in your CDP response is verified and/or assured by a third party

Select from:

☑ No, but we plan to obtain third-party verification/assurance of other environmental information in our CDP response within the next two years

(13.1.2) Primary reason why other environmental information included in your CDP response is not verified and/or assured by a third party

Select from:

☑ Other, please specify :Cascades' Sustainability reporting within financial statements (IFRS S2) will be verified starting in 2026.

(13.1.3) Explain why other environmental information included in your CDP response is not verified and/or assured by a third party

Cascades will obtain third-party verification for its GHG emissions (starting with scopes 1 and 2 emissions) in the coming years, in the context of climate-related reporting regulations in California (SB-253 and SB-261). This will help us increase the level of verification/assurance of our environmental information in this CDP response.
[Fixed row]

(13.3) Provide the following information for the person that has signed off (approved) your CDP response.

(13.3.1) Job title

Vice-president, Public Affairs, Communications, Sustainability and Environment

(13.3.2) Corresponding job category

Select from:

☑ Chief Sustainability Officer (CSO)

[Fixed row]

(13.4) Please indicate your consent for CDP to share contact details with the Pacific Institute to support content for its Water Action Hub website.

Select from:

☑ Yes, CDP may share our Disclosure Submission Lead contact details with the Pacific Institute