



PUBLIC DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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POST-EVENT REPORT


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RESPONSIBLE ENTITY NAME	GoSea Pty Ltd trading as World Surfari Events
NAME OF EVENT	Noosa Festival of Surfing
EVENT DATE(S)	8-17 th March 2024
DECLARATION	<p><i>To the best of my knowledge, the information provided in this public disclosure statement is true and correct and meets the requirements of the Climate Active Carbon Neutral Standard.</i></p> 
	Name of signatory: John Finlay Position of signatory: Director Date: 11 May 2024



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1. CERTIFICATION SUMMARY

TOTAL EMISSIONS OFFSET	253 tCO ₂ -e
CARBON OFFSETS USED	19.6 % VCUs 0.4% ACCUs
RENEWABLE ELECTRICITY	N/A
CARBON ACCOUNT	Prepared by: Dee Cartmel, Registered Consultant, The CN Agency
TECHNICAL ASSESSMENT	N/A
THIRD PARTY VALIDATION	N/A

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2. CERTIFICATION INFORMATION

Description of certification

- Event name: Noosa Festival of Surfing 2024
- Event dates: 8 – 17 March 2024
- Event location: Noosa Heads, Main Beach
- Attendees: 305

Activity data collected from previous occurrences of this event has informed the preparation of this carbon inventory.

Event description

The Noosa Festival of Surfing (NFOS) is the responsibility of GoSea Pty Ltd and has been managed by World Surfari Events on behalf of the Noosa Malibu Club since 2019 and has had a proud history of sustainably, particularly with regards to minimizing waste and implementing waste to landfill diversion solutions. The event has offset carbon emissions since 2021. The 32nd annual NFOS event was held 3rd to 12th March 2023 in Noosa at First Point, Sunrise Beach and Noosa River mouth locations attracting 305 unique attendees (competitors, employees and volunteers) from the local region, interstate and overseas. NFOS is classed as a Small Event and has not previously been certified. This event coincides with a WSL longboard event and other events promoted by NFOS which are not included in the carbon neutral certification as these associated events are outside the control of the responsible entity.

As per The Event Standard, developed and administered by the Australian Government Department of Industry, Science, Energy and Resources adapted from the GHG Protocol – Corporate Standard (WBCSD and WRI, 2004)), the following emissions sources are deemed to be relevant:

- All electricity associated with operating the event
- Attendee travel (e.g. ground and air transport of staff, volunteers, presenters and participants)
- Food and drink consumed at the event
- Accommodation (when applicable)

These emissions are considered significant emissions and must always be quantified regardless of materiality. All other emissions identified as arising as a consequence of an event are assessed for relevance.

For more information, please visit <https://www.noosafestivalofsurfing.com/>

3.EMISSIONS BOUNDARY

Inside the emissions boundary

All emission sources listed in the emissions boundary are part of the carbon neutral claim.

Quantified emissions have been assessed as relevant and are quantified in the carbon inventory. This may include emissions that are not identified as arising due to the operations of the event, however are **optionally included**.

Non-quantified emissions have been assessed as relevant and are captured within the emissions boundary, but are not measured (quantified) in the carbon inventory. All material emissions are accounted for through an uplift factor. Further detail is available at Appendix C.

Outside the emissions boundary

Excluded emissions are those that have been assessed as not relevant to the event's operations and are outside of its emissions boundary or are outside of the scope of the certification. These emissions are not part of the carbon neutral claim. Further detail is available at Appendix D.

Inside emissions boundary		Outside emission boundary
<u>Quantified</u>	<u>Non-quantified</u>	<u>Excluded</u>
Accommodation and facilities	Refrigerants	N/A
Electricity		
Food & drinks		
Stationary energy (liquid fuels)		
Transport (air)		
Transport (land)		
Waste		
Water		
Products		

Data collection – changes since the pre-event report

Emissions source	Data collection method	Assumptions / conservative approach taken
Attendee travel	Survey collected on the online entry form	Data collected was updated with actual travel information provided by event attendees. There were fewer international travelers in 2024.
Attendee accommodation	Survey collected on the online entry form	Data collected was updated with actual accommodation information provided by event attendees. Attendees occupied more 4-star accommodation facilities than estimated in pre report.
Food and drinks	Invoice amounts provided by event manager and food vendor	Data collected was updated with actual amount that were purchased for event due to an improvement in data collection method.
Electricity	Meter readings	Meter readings were taken at event and data was updated with actuals.

4. EMISSIONS REDUCTIONS

Emissions reduction measures

- Continue the refundable recycling bins, ensuring financial returns are donated.
- Enhance Attendee responsible waste practices i.e. distributing waste to the correct bins to prevent recycling contamination, bringing their own water bottles and avoiding plastic waste, and leaving the beach clean.
- Continue to work with waste contractors to ensure successful landfill diversion practices. This includes providing additional bins with signage and volunteers managing the bins.
- Continue to encourage event partners and vendors to provide plastic free services and products.
- Establish sustainability data collection awareness pre-event to notify stakeholders that data will need to be provided post event, particularly with vendors that are outside the operational control of NFOS.
- Encourage Attendees to reduce their travel emission sources and offset their own travel emissions and/or participate in opting into the offsetting of the event with promotions such as “Offset my Gear”, educating them on sustainable surf brands, travel and accommodation options.

5. EMISSIONS SUMMARY

Use of Climate Active carbon neutral products, services, buildings or precincts

N/A

Emissions summary

The electricity summary is available in the Appendix B. Electricity emissions were calculated using a location-based approach.

Emission category	Pre-event		Post-event		Sum of total emissions (t CO ₂ -e)
	Total emissions (t CO ₂ -e)	Sum of scope 1 (tCO ₂ -e)	Sum of scope 2 (tCO ₂ -e)	Sum of scope 3 (tCO ₂ -e)	
Accommodation and facilities	18.46	0.00	0.00	19.51	19.51
Electricity	0.92	0.00	0.00	0.16	0.92
Food	6.25	0.00	0.00	20.39	20.39
Products	0.47	0.00	0.00	1.35	1.35
Stationary Energy (liquid fuels)	0.06	0.22	0.00	0.07	0.28
Transport (Air)	188.42	0.00	0.00	175.70	175.70
Transport (Land and Sea)	30.52	0.00	0.00	32.28	32.28
Waste	4.41	0.00	0.00	1.79	1.79
Water	0.21	0.00	0.00	0.17	0.17
Total pre-event emissions (tCO₂-e)	249.70				
Total post-event emissions (tCO₂-e)		0.22	0.00	251.42	252.40
Difference between pre-event and post-event emissions	Pre-event total minus post-event total = 2.70 tCO₂-e				

Uplift factors

N/A

6. CARBON OFFSETS

Eligible offsets retirement summary

Offsets retired for Climate Active certification

This is a post-event report. The eligible offsets below are a reconciliation of those from the pre-event report. The table may also show additional eligible offsets purchased and retired for this event based on the post-event emissions calculations.

Type of offset units	Eligible quantity (used for this reporting period)	Percentage of total
Verified Carbon Units (VCUs)	252	99.6%
Australian Carbon Credit Units (ACCUs)	1	0.4%

Project description	Type of offset units	Registry	Date retired	Serial number (and hyperlink to registry transaction record)	Vintage	Stapled quantity	Eligible quantity retired (tCO ₂ -e)	Eligible quantity used for previous reporting periods	Eligible quantity banked for future reporting periods	Eligible quantity used for this reporting period	Percentage of total (%)
Southern Cardamom REDD+ Project	VCUs	VERRA	20 January 2024	14477-599554507-599554756-VCU-263-VER-KH-14-1748-01012021-31122021-1	2021	0	250	0	0	250	98.8%
Southern Cardamom REDD+ Project	VCUs	VERRA	28 May 2024	14477-599556391-599556392-VCU-263-VER-KH-14-1748-01012021-31122021-1	2021	0	2	0	0	2	0.8%
Paroo River North Environmental Project	ACCU	ANREU	11 September 2024	8,328,774,073	2020-21	0	1	0	0	1	0.4%
Total offsets retired this report and used in this report										253	
Total offsets retired this report and banked for future reports									0		

Co-benefits

The SeaTrees Token restores multiple ecosystems to sequester more CO₂ than you emit. The result is a positive impact on the ocean and the life it supports. For every ton of carbon dioxide emitted from the event, one ton of CO₂ with carbon credits from either the Southern Cardamom REDD+ Project in Cambodia or the Colombia Pacific Watershed Projects is retired. The event aims to become “ocean positive” by the additional support of restoring mangrove forests when SeaTrees plants three mangrove trees in Mida Creek, Kenya which has the potential to sequester an additional ton of CO₂. See more at <https://sea-trees.org/pages/southern-cardamom-forest>

Paroo River North Environmental Project establishes permanent native forests through assisted regeneration from in-situ seed sources (including rootstock and lignotubers) on land that was cleared of vegetation and where regrowth was suppressed for at least 10 years prior to the project having commenced.


7. RENEWABLE ENERGY CERTIFICATE (REC) SUMMARY

Renewable Energy Certificate (REC) summary

N/A

APPENDIX A: ADDITIONAL INFORMATION




Verified Carbon Standard

Certificate of Verified Carbon Unit (VCU) Retirement


Verra, in its capacity as administrator of the Verra Registry, does hereby certify that on 20 Jan 2024, 250 Verified Carbon Units (VCUs) were retired on behalf of:

Noosa Festival of Surfing 2024

Project Name
Southern Cardamom REDD+ Project

VCU Serial Number
14477-599554507-599554756-VCS-VCU-263-VER-KH-14-1748-01012021-31122021-1

Additional Certifications
CCB-Biodiversity Gold; CCB-Climate Gold

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Verified Carbon Standard

Certificate of Verified Carbon Unit (VCU) Retirement

Verra, in its capacity as administrator of the Verra Registry, does hereby certify that on 28 May 2024, 2 Verified Carbon Units (VCUs) were retired on behalf of:

Noosa Festival of Surfing 2024

Project Name
Southern Cardamom REDD+ Project

VCU Serial Number
14477-599556391-599556392-VCS-VCU-263-VER-KH-14-1748-01012021-31122021-1

Additional Certifications
CCB-Biodiversity Gold; CCB-Climate Gold

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APPENDIX B: ELECTRICITY SUMMARY

There are two international best-practice methods for calculating electricity emissions – the location-based method and the market-based method. Reporting electricity emissions under both methods is called dual reporting.

Dual reporting of electricity emissions is useful, as it provides different perspectives of the emissions associated with a business's electricity usage.

Location-based method

The location-based method provides a picture of a business's electricity emissions in the context of its location, and the emissions intensity of the electricity grid it relies on. It reflects the average emissions intensity of the electricity grid in the location (State) in which energy consumption occurs. The location-based method does not allow for any claims of renewable electricity from grid-imported electricity usage.

Market-based method

The market-based method provides a picture of a business's electricity emissions in the context of its renewable energy investments. It reflects the emissions intensity of different electricity products, markets and investments. It uses a residual mix factor (RMF) to allow for unique claims on the zero emissions attribute of renewables without double-counting.

For this certification, electricity emissions have been set by using the **location approach**.

Market Based Approach Summary			
Market Based Approach	Activity Data (kWh)	Emissions (kg CO2-e)	Renewable Percentage of total
Behind the meter consumption of electricity generated	0	0	0%
Total non-grid electricity	0	0	0%
LGC purchased and retired (kWh) (including PPAs)	0	0	0%
GreenPower	0	0	0%
Climate Active certified - Precinct/Building (voluntary renewables)	0	0	0%
Climate Active certified - Precinct/Building (LRET)	0	0	0%
Climate Active certified - Precinct/Building jurisdictional renewables (LGCs surrendered)	0	0	0%
Climate Active certified - Electricity products (voluntary renewables)	0	0	0%
Climate Active certified - Electricity products (LRET)	0	0	0%
Climate Active certified - Electricity products jurisdictional renewables (LGCs surrendered)	0	0	0%
Jurisdictional renewables (LGCs surrendered)	0	0	0%
Jurisdictional renewables (LRET) (applied to ACT grid electricity)	0	0	0%
Large Scale Renewable Energy Target (applied to grid electricity only)	198	0	19%
Residual electricity	844	768	0%
Total renewable electricity (grid + non grid)	198	0	19%
Total grid electricity	1,042	768	19%
Total electricity (grid + non grid)	1,042	768	19%
Percentage of residual electricity consumption under operational control	100%		
Residual electricity consumption under operational control	844	768	
Scope 2	752	684	
Scope 3 (includes T&D emissions from consumption under operational control)	93	84	
Residual electricity consumption not under operational control	0	0	
Scope 3	0	0	

Total renewables (grid and non-grid)	18.96%
Mandatory	18.96%
Voluntary	0.00%
Behind the meter	0.00%
Residual scope 2 emissions (t CO2-e)	0.68
Residual scope 3 emissions (t CO2-e)	0.08
Scope 2 emissions liability (adjusted for already offset carbon neutral electricity) (t CO2-e)	0.68
Scope 3 emissions liability (adjusted for already offset carbon neutral electricity) (t CO2-e)	0.08
Total emissions liability (t CO2-e)	0.77

Figures may not sum due to rounding. Renewable percentage can be above 100%

Location-based approach summary						
Location-based approach	Activity Data (kWh) total	Under operational control			Not under operational control	
Percentage of grid electricity consumption under operational control	100%	(kWh)	Scope 2 Emissions (kgCO ₂ -e)	Scope 3 Emissions (kgCO ₂ -e)	(kWh)	Scope 3 Emissions (kgCO ₂ -e)
ACT	0	0	0	0	0	0
NSW	0	0	0	0	0	0
SA	0	0	0	0	0	0
VIC	0	0	0	0	0	0
QLD	1,042	1,042	761	156	0	0
NT	0	0	0	0	0	0
WA	0	0	0	0	0	0
TAS	0	0	0	0	0	0
Grid electricity (scope 2 and 3)	1,042	1,042	761	156	0	0
ACT	0	0	0	0		
NSW	0	0	0	0		
SA	0	0	0	0		
VIC	0	0	0	0		
QLD	0	0	0	0		
NT	0	0	0	0		
WA	0	0	0	0		
TAS	0	0	0	0		
Non-grid electricity (behind the meter)	0	0	0	0		
Total electricity (grid + non grid)	1,042					

Residual scope 2 emissions (t CO₂-e)	0.76
Residual scope 3 emissions (t CO₂-e)	0.16
Scope 2 emissions liability (adjusted for already offset carbon neutral electricity) (t CO₂-e)	0.76
Scope 3 emissions liability (adjusted for already offset carbon neutral electricity) (t CO₂-e)	0.16
Total emissions liability	0.92

APPENDIX C: INSIDE EMISSIONS BOUNDARY

Non-quantified emission sources

The following emissions sources have been assessed as relevant, are captured within the emissions boundary, but are not measured (quantified) in the carbon inventory. These emissions are accounted for through an uplift factor. They have been non-quantified due to one of the following reasons:

1. **Immaterial** <1% for individual items and no more than 5% collectively
2. **Cost effective** Quantification is not cost effective relative to the size of the emission but uplift applied.

Relevant non-quantified emission sources	Justification reason
Refrigerants	Immaterial

APPENDIX D: OUTSIDE EMISSIONS BOUNDARY

Excluded emission sources

Those which only meet one condition of the relevance test can be excluded from the certification boundary.

Emissions tested for relevance are detailed below against each of the following criteria:

1. **Size** The emissions from a particular source are likely to be large relative to the event's electricity.
2. **Influence** The responsible entity has the potential to influence the reduction of emissions from a particular source.
3. **Risk** The emissions from a particular source contribute to the event's greenhouse gas risk exposure.
4. **Stakeholders** The emissions from a particular source are deemed relevant by key stakeholders.
5. **Outsourcing** The emissions are from outsourced activities that were previously undertaken within the event's boundary or from outsourced activities that are typically undertaken within the boundary for comparable events.

Excluded emissions sources summary

Emission sources tested for relevance	Size	Influence	Risk	Stakeholders	Outsourcing	Justification
N/A						



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