

## **DISCLOSURE MATERIALS**

Certified B Corporations must complete a Disclosure Questionnaire to identify potentially sensitive issues related to the company (e.g. historical fines, sanctions, material litigation, or sensitive industry practices).

This component does not affect the company's score on the B Impact Assessment. If the company answers affirmatively to any items in the Disclosure Questionnaire and B Lab deems them to be material, the company must:

- 1) Be transparent about the disclosure issues identified on the company's public B Impact Report
- 2) Describe how the company has addressed this issue.
- 3) Demonstrate that management systems are in place to avoid similar issues from arising in the future.

In all cases, the Standards Advisory council reserves the right to refuse certification if the company is ultimately deemed not to uphold the spirit of the community.

In addition to the voluntary indication of sensitive issues in the Disclosure Questionnaire, companies pursuing Certification also are subject to background checks by B Lab staff. Background checks include a review of public records, news sources, and search engines for company names, brands, executives/founders, and other relevant topics.

Sensitive issues identified through background checks may or may not be within the scope of questions in the Disclosure Questionnaire, but undergo the same review process and are subject to the same possible review by the Standards Advisory Council, including ineligibility for B Corp Certification, required remediation, or disclosure.

This document contains a copy of the company's completed Disclosure Questionnaire and related disclosure documentation provided by the company.



## DISCLOSURE QUESTIONNAIRE

Company Name: Agrícola Valles del Sur SpA Date Submitted: 12/18/2020

Industries & Products	Yes	No
Please indicate if the company is involved in profollowing. Select Yes for all options that apply.	oduction of or trac	de in any the
Animal Products or Services		$\sqrt{}$
Biodiversity Impacts	V	
Chemicals		<b>V</b>
Company Explanation Of Disclosure Item Flags		V
Disclosure Alcohol		√
Disclosure Firearms Weapons		V
Disclosure Mining		V
Disclosure Pornography		V
Disclosure Tobacco		V
Energy and Emissions Intensive Industries		V
Fossil fuels		V
Gambling		V
Genetically Modified Organisms		V
Illegal Products or Subject to Phase Out		Į į
Industries at Risk of Human Rights Violations		V
Monoculture Agriculture		V
Nuclear Power or Hazardous Materials		V
Payday, Short Term, or High Interest Lending		V
Water Intensive Industries		
Other		V
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Supply Chain Diaglacures	Voc	No

Supply Chain Disclosures	Yes	No
Please indicate if any of the following statements are company's significant suppliers.	e true regardin	g your
Business in Conflict Zones		√
Child or Forced Labor		<b>V</b>
Negative Environmental Impact		<b>V</b>
Negative Social Impact		7
Other		<b>V</b>

Outcomes & Penalties	True	False
Please indicate if the company has had any formal complaint to a regulatory agency or been assessed any fine or sanction in the past five years for any of the following practices or policies. Check all that apply.		
Anti-Competitive Behavior		V
Breaches of Confidential Information		√
Bribery, Fraud, or Corruption		√
Company Explanation Of Disclosure Item Flags		√
Company has filed for bankruptcy		<b>V</b>
Consumer Protection		√
Financial Reporting, Taxes, Investments, or Loans		V
Hazardous Discharges Into Air/Land/Water (Past 5 Yrs)		V
Labor Issues		V
Large Scale Land Conversion, Acquisition, or Relocation		V
Litigation or Arbitration		√
On-Site Fatality		√
Penalties Assessed For Environmental Issues		<b>V</b>
Political Contributions or International Affairs		√
Recalls		√
Significant Layoffs		√
Violation of Indigenous Peoples Rights		√
Other		√

Practices	True	False
Please indicate if the following statements are true regarding whether or not the company engages in the following practices. Check all that apply. If the statement is true, select "Yes." If false, select "No."		
Animal Testing		√
Company/Suppliers Employ Under Age 15 (Or Other ILO Minimum Age)  Company Explanation Of Disclosure Item Flags		<b>V</b>
Company prohibits freedom of association/collective		V
Company prohibits freedom of association/collective bargaining  Company workers are prisoners		√ ,
		N,
Conduct Business in Conflict Zones		V
Confirmation of Right to Work		$\sqrt{}$
Does not transparently report corporate financials to government		V
government Employs Individuals on Zero-Hour Contracts		$\sqrt{}$
Facilities located in sensitive ecosystems		V
ID Cards Withheld or Penalties for Resignation		V
No formal Registration Under Domestic Regulations		V
No signed employment contracts for all workers		V
Overtime For Hourly Workers Is Compulsory		V
Payslips not provided to show wage calculation and deductions		V
Sale of Data		$\sqrt{}$
Tax Reduction Through Corporate Shells		V
Workers cannot leave site during non-working hours		V
Workers not Provided Clean Drinking Water or Toilets		V
Workers paid below minimum wage		V
Workers Under Bond		V
Other		V



## **B Corp Certification - Disclosure Questionnaire Documentation**

PROVIDED BY: Agrícola Valles del Sur SpA

DATE: 12/18/2020

DISCLOSURE	
<b>QUESTIONNAIRE CATEGOR</b>	RΥ

**Environmentally Intensive Industries** 

**TOPIC** 

Biodiversity Impact and Monoculture Agriculture

SUMMARY OF ISSUE

As an agriculture producer, Agrícola Valles del Sur SpA operates in an industry in which biodiversity impact and monoculture agriculture are material environmental issues.

SIZE/SCOPE OF ISSUE (e.g. \$ financial implication, # of individuals affected)

The company derives 100% of its revenue from the sale of fruits. 93% of their production is organic. The company operates 4 fields that accounts for a total of 922.73 hectares.

**IMPACT ON STAKEHOLDER(S)** 

Agriculture, particularly in cases where a single crop is cultivated at a time, poses a risk to local ecosystems of flora and fauna as well as the potential degradation of cultivated land.

IMPLEMENTED MGT PRACTICES

The company has "conservation areas" at each one of its fields typically containing river borders, native trees, biological corridors, etc., as set forth in the Field-specific "Environmental Management Plan", that allow for native species to maintain a habitat. AVDS' organic production also provides for minimal impact on the environment. The company only plants fruit trees and bushes, therefore the number of planted hectares will only vary between seasons if new hectares are planted or if an old and/or underperforming plot (e.g. due to disease, problems with the plants, etc.) is removed. The company does not sow any other crop for production. They use crops like oatmeal & lupin, that act as soil sanitizers, and are ripped directly into the same plot, as preparation for a new planting.

As crop rotation cannot be used for fruit orchards in the same way it can be applied to crops, the company utilises other practices that include a vegetative cover between rows of trees/bushes (which minimizes soil erosion & enhances microorganisms that are part of the Biological Control); reincorporation to the soil of pruning material; soil maps that identify potential needs of management for each area; use of weed control covers to minimize weeds and control measures thereof & improve humidity retention; etc.

As the majoirty of the companies production is organic, they do not use pesticides or chemical fertilizers, unless they are approved for Organic production. To minimize the use of pesticides, they have "Integrated Pest Management", that includes the use of physical barriers (e.g. at Vilcún & Gorbea they have a small water canal that the main pests cannot surpass, since those insects do not fly); manual control (i.e. manuall removing adult individuals of a pest from the bushes); liberation of pest natural enemies (like insects or fungi that attacks a certain pest); use of fungi that control diseases (e.g. the fundus "trichoderma" controls the fungus "botrytis", since it competes with it and does allow it to grow); etc.

For the last 2 seasons, AVDS has worked with a "Regenerative Farming" (or "Agroecología") Advisor, Ramón Guilleminot, to incorporate practices that further minimize impact, like the use of plants that naturally attract beneficial insects or repel pests, and enhance biodiversity, or the use of on-Field produced "humus" that will improve soils (micronutrients).

AVDS has specific targets to minimize and/or adequately manage wastes, but currently has no specific target on preserving or conserving biodiversity.

DISCLOSURE QUESTIONNAIRE CATEGORY	Environmentally Intensive Industries
TOPIC	Water Intensive Industries
SUMMARY OF ISSUE	As an agriculture producer, Agrícola Valles del Sur SpA operates in an industry that is water intensive. Aspects of the industry that make it water intensive include irrigation used in the cultivation of crops.
SIZE/SCOPE OF ISSUE (e.g. \$ financial implication, # of individuals affected)	The company derives 100% of its revenue from the sale of fruits. 93% of their production is organic. The company operates 4 fields that accounts for a total of 922.73 hectares. The company has a 100% drip irrigation system for its farms and track their use of water on a monthly basis for every field.
IMPACT ON STAKEHOLDER(S)	As water intensive industries, agriculture production poses risks such as water stress or depletion of local water sourced if water use is not appropriately managed. The majority of their water is sources from nearby wells which contain natural bodies of water.
IMPLEMENTED MGT PRACTICES	Agricola Valles del sur has set goals to reduce total water use by 2% by December 2021. They do not currently benchmark with other competitors in the same industry. The company is continously evaluating and/or implementing technology that may help further optimize the use of water for irrigation (i.e. humidity probes, irrigation, programmable controllers, etc.