

**PUBLIC SUMMARY OF SECOND SURVEILLANCE VISIT OF PERAK FMU
FOR FOREST MANAGEMENT CERTIFICATION**

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Date of Surveillance Visit

19-24 September 2005 and 19-20 October 2005

Result of Surveillance Visit

Based on the *Report of Second Surveillance Visit of Perak Forest Management Unit for Forest Management Certification* [Ref: SQAS/FC/MTCC(FMC)-3 dated 29 October 2005], the FMU had undertaken the necessary corrective actions to address the remaining Minor CAR (PER-013) which was closed-out during the surveillance visit. However, a Major CAR (PER-014) was raised relating to the documentation at the forest checking station where discrepancies in the implementation of stump to gate control of log movement were detected. The Perak Forestry Department undertook immediate action to address the CAR and the verification of the action taken was conducted on 19-20 October 2005. During the verification, the Major CAR was closed-out and with the closure of the Major CAR, SIRIM QAS had recommended that the *Certificate for Forest Management* be maintained.

A summary of the CARs and their closed-out details is as shown in **Table 1**.

Note: For general information on the FMU and the assessment process under the MTCC scheme, please refer to the “Public Summary of Assessment of Perak FMU for Forest Management Certification”.

Table 1: Summary of Corrective Action Requests (CARs) and Closed-out Details

CAR No.	Criterion	Indicator	Status of CAR	Nature of CAR	Close-Out Details
PER-013	4: Biological Diversity	4.2 Existence and implementation of management guidelines to keep undisturbed a part of each production forest, protect endangered, rare and threatened species of flora and fauna, and protect features of special biological interest, such as seed trees, nesting sites, niches and keystone species	Minor	Selection of seed trees is not satisfactorily carried out.	<p>A total of 21 seed trees from 7 compartments in 4 Permanent Reserved Forests were inspected. All with the exception of one tree were of acceptable good form.</p> <p>Minor CAR PER-013 was closed-out on 23 September 2005.</p>
PER-014	3 Flow of Forest Produce	3.3: Existence and implementation of: (a) forest management plans, and (b) forest harvesting (operational) plans	Major	Inspection of the documentation at <i>Balai Pemeriksaan Hutan Ulu Kerian</i> (Ulu Kerian Forest Checking Station) showed that there were discrepancies in the implementation of stump to gate control of log movement which was in deviation of the required regulation.	<p>Five forest checking stations in the five Forest Districts of the FMU were inspected to rectify the discrepancies detected. The invoices and the Removal Passes issued were compared with the record book on tagged trees in the respective compartments harvested. It was observed that the species recorded and the tag numbers were consistently similar in all these records. It was also reported that the Perak State Forestry Department has streamlined its administrative procedures to enhance the implementation of the Removal Pass System.</p> <p>Major CAR PER-014 was closed-out on 20 October 2005.</p>