

Republic of the Philippines

MINISTRY OF
NATURAL RESOURCES

MNR ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER

NO. 47

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SUBJECT: Creating a Natural Resources Conservation
Office and providing for its organization,
operation and management.

1. NAME

Pursuant to the provisions of Presidential Decree No. 461 and in order to accelerate the development of national parks as a standard of conservation, there is hereby created a Natural Resources Conservation Office (NRCO), hereby referred to as NRCO.

2. DESCRIPTION

The NRCO involves the integrated development and management as a system of the prototype national parks in the provinces of Leyte, Negros Occidental and Palawan.

3. OBJECTIVES

The objectives of the NRCO are:

a. To assess the natural assets of existing national parks in Leyte, Negros Occidental and Palawan and undertake activities to preserve and maintain their aesthetic, educational, cultural and historical values.

b. To promote the use and encourage the appreciation of the park system in order to enhance their enjoyment by local and foreign tourists.

c. To establish a national frame of reference for the development of other existing/potential parks.

4. ACTIVITIES

The NRCO shall be developed in four (4) general stages:

a. Assessment and survey of all national parks in the three (3) provinces, categorizing them according to the purposes they were established for and identification and evaluation of activities needed to improve or maintain their natural features. This also includes the location of nature routes and rest areas and such other improvements necessary to make the parks accessible and their features appreciated.

b. Preparation of plans to implement the development and management proposals so identified and setting of priorities and phasing schemes in accordance with coordinated uses and consistent with clientele preferences.

c. Implementation of development and management plans according to priorities and preparation of promotional programs in coordination with concerned government agencies and private entities to encourage travel to the parks by the greatest number of local and foreign tourists. This includes the preparation of brochures and promotional materials.

d. Subsequent survey of other parks or park systems as identified by the NRCO which may be developed and managed in a similar manner.

5. ORGANIZATION AND MANAGEMENT

Under the direct supervision of the Minister of Natural Resources, the management of the NRCO shall be the responsibility of a Director to be assisted by a National Parks Project Management Staff. The Staff shall consist of:

a. Project Manager

There shall be a Project Manager who shall direct the operations of the NRCO. He shall be designated by the Minister and shall hold office at any available convenient space within the Ministry Office premises.

b. Implementing Units

To assist the Project Manager in the implementation of the NRCO, there are hereby created an Administrative Unit and a Technical Unit. The Administrative Unit shall be headed by an Administrative Officer and the Technical Unit by a Forestry Supervisor I.

Members

Jose Rene Montelibano	MNR
Cirilo Serna	BFD
Luz Gonzales	BFD
Lorenzo Agaloos	BFD
Gloria Arce	BFD
Dr. Dioscoro Rabor	UPLB-CF
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Joemari Gerochi	BFAR
One (1) Representative	PTA
One (1) Tropical Forest Conservation Specialist	Consultant
Ma. Teresa Jugador	MNR

The Chairman is hereby authorized to organize the above committee and enlist the services of private consultants, local and foreign, for the expeditious establishment of the NRCC and Staff.

8. This Administrative Order shall take effect immediately and shall rescind all previous Orders or Provisions inconsistent herewith.

9. This Order shall remain in force unless otherwise revoked.


TEODORO Q. PEÑA
Minister

ANNEX A

