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## **MEMORANDUM**

TO

The Regional Executive Directors

DENR Region 7, 8 and MIMAROPA

ATTN:

PENROs Cebu, Bohol, Southern Leyte and Palawan

FROM

The Undersecretary for Field Operations and Environment

SUBJECT

RECOVERY AND TRANSPORT PERMIT FOR UPROOTED/FALLEN TREES IN PRIVATE LANDS, AND TEMPORARY WAIVING OF ISSUANCE OF TRANSPORT PERMIT FOR NON-TIMBER FOREST PRODUCTS IN PRIVATE

**LANDS** 

DATE

DEC 2 9 2021

In view of the devastation brought about by Typhoon "Odette" particularly in the provinces of Cebu and Bohol in Region 7; Southern Leyte in Region 8; and Palawan in MIMAROPA Region, the following instructions/guidelines are hereby issued for the recovery and transport of uprooted/fallen trees in private or titled lands.

- 1. This recovery and transport activities shall cover fallen/uprooted trees, both naturally growing and planted, in private or titled lands only in the typhoon "Odette" affected areas identified by the National Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Council (NDRRMC).
- 2. The issuance of permits shall be on a per application basis and subject to the conduct of verification and inventory and compliance with other requirements pursuant to pertinent rules and regulations.
- 3. The concerned PENRO shall issue the permits for naturally growing trees, and the CENRO concerned shall issue permits for planted trees. However, the Implementing PENRO shall issue permits covering both naturally growing and planted trees in one (1) application.
- 4. The issuance of transport permit shall be temporarily waived for Non-Timber Forest Products (e.g., Bamboo, Nipa, Anahaw) harvested from private or titled lands to be used as housing and/or re-building materials by the affected communities.
- 5. This arrangement is effective for only three (3) months upon signing of the undersigned.

The Regional Executive Director of DENR Regions 7, 8 and MIMAROPA shall supervise the implementation of this issuance, and submit to the Office of the Secretary, copy furnished this Office and the Forest Management Bureau, a comprehensive report on the permits issued pursuant to this directive. The report shall include among others, the names and addresses of applicants, species name, number of trees and its corresponding volume, and geotagged photographs.

FOR GUIDANCE AND STRICT COMPLIANCE.

ATTY. JUAN MIGUEL T. CUNA, CESO I

Cc: The Secretary, DENR

The Director, Forest Management Bureau

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