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## MEMORANDUM

FOR : **The Directors**  
Legal Affairs Service  
Policy and Planning Service

**The Bureau Directors**  
Biodiversity Management Bureau  
Land Management Bureau

**The Regional Executive Directors**  
DENR – CAR, Region II, III, IV-A, V, VI, VII, VIII, IX, X and  
CARAGA

FROM : **The Director**  
Legislative Liaison Office

SUBJECT : **REQUEST FOR COMMENTS FROM THE COMMITTEE ON  
NATURAL RESOURCES OF THE HOUSE OF  
REPRESENTATIVES**

DATE : 27 September 2022

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In reference to the letter dated 21 September 2022 from the Committee on Natural Resources of the House of Representatives, received by our Office on 22 September 2022, we are **requesting for your comments and recommendations to be submitted on or before October 5, 2022 5PM** on the local bills provided in the table below:

REGION LOCATED	HOUSE BILL
CAR	House Bill No. 981 – “An Act Repealing Presidential Proclamation No. 414”, authored by Rep. Mark O. Go;
	House Bill No. 982 – “An Act Repealing Presidential Proclamation No. 572”, authored by Rep. Mark O. Go;
	House Bill No. 2897 – “An Act Excluding from The Operation of Proclamation No. 290 Dated July 18, 1988 Which Established the Teacher’s Camp Reservation Situated In The City of Baguio, Certain Portions of Land Embraced Therein and Declaring The Same Alienable and Disposable Lands for Disposition to Actual and Qualified Applicants Under Republic Act No. 730”, authored by Rep. Mark O. Go;

	<p>House Bill No. 2898 – “An Act Excluding from The Operation of Proclamation No. 93 Dated November 5, 1992 Which Established the Buyog Watershed Forest Reserve Situated In the City of Baguio, Certain Portions of Land Embraced Therein And Declaring The Same Alienable and Disposable Lands for Disposition to Actual and Qualified Applicants Under Republic Act No. 730”, authored by Rep. Mark O. Go;</p> <p>House Bill No. 4117 – “An Act Reclassifying as Mineral Land A Parcel of Land Located In Barangay Talalang, Municipality of Balbalan, Province of Kalinga, Open For Declaration As a People’s Small-Scale Mining Area, Thereby Excluding the Said Land from The Coverage of Republic Act No. 10561 Or “An Act Declaring the Province of Kalinga as Tourism Development Area (TDA)”, authored by Rep. Allen Jesse C. Mangaoang;</p>
<b>REGION II</b>	<p>House Bill No. 4419 – “An Act to Convert Barangay Itbud, Municipality of Uyugan, Province Of Batanes, From Its Present Classification as National Park to An Alienable And Disposable Residential Land/Site”, authored by Rep. Ciriaco B. Gato, Jr.</p>
<b>REGION III</b>	<p>House Bill No. 2785 – “An Act Establishing Aurora Memorial Protected Landscape in The Municipalities of Maria Aurora and San Luis All in The Province of Aurora and In the Municipality of Bongabon, Nueva Ecija as A Protected Area, Providing for Its Management, And for Other Purposes”, authored by Rep. Rommel Rico Angara;</p> <p>House Bill No. 2922 – “An Act Establishing Mt. Sawtooth, Located in The Municipalities of Mayantoc and San Jose, Province of Tarlac as Protected Area Under the Category of Protected Landscape Pursuant to Republic Act 7586 As Amended by Republic Act 11038, Otherwise Known as The Expanded National Integrated Protected Areas System Act Of 2018, Providing for Its Management, Funds and For Other Purposes”, authored by Reps. Jaime D. Cojuangco, Christian Tell A. Yap, and Noel "Bong" N. Rivera;</p> <p>House Bill No. 537 – “An Act Converting a Portion of The Land, Embraced Under</p>

	<p>Proclamation No. 508 And Proclamation No. 532 As Alienable and Disposable to The Actual Bona Fide Occupants Thereof”, authored by Rep. Geraldine B. Roman;</p> <p>House Bill No. 2957 – “An Act Reclassifying Certain Parcels of Land of Public Domain Located In Sitios from The Different Barangays of Anupul, San Nicolas, San Roque and Lourdes, All in The Municipality of Bamban, Province of Tarlac from Unclassified Forest Lands into Alienable and Disposable Lands”, authored by Rep. Noel "Bong" N. Rivera;</p>
<b>REGION IV-A</b>	<p>House Bill No. 3918 – “An Act Declaring a Parcel of Land Located in The Municipality Of San Francisco, Province of Quezon a Protected Area with A Category of Protected Landscape Under National Integrated Protected Areas System (NIPAS) To Be Referred to As The San Francisco Protected Landscape, Providing for Its Management, And Appropriating Funds Therefor”, authored by Rep. Reynante U. Arrogancia;</p> <p>House Bill No. 3919 – “An Act Declaring a Parcel of Land Located in The Municipality of San Andres, Province of Quezon as A Protected Area with A Category of Protected Landscape and Seascape Under the National Integrated Protected Areas System (NIPAS) To Be Referred to As The Alibijaban Protected Landscape And Seascape, Providing For Its Management, And Appropriating Funds Therefor”, authored by Rep. Reynante U. Arrogancia;</p>
<b>REGION V</b>	<p>House Bill No. 1405 – “An Act Establishing the Mt. Masaraga Protected Landscape In The Province of Albay as A Protected Area Under the Category of Protected Landscape, Providing For Its Management and For Other Purpose”, authored by Rep. Fernando T. Cabredo;</p>
<b>REGION VI</b>	<p>House Bill No. 3695 – “An Act Declaring a Parcel of Land Located in The Municipality of Nueva Valencia in The Province of Guimaras, A Protected Area, With the Category of Natural Park under the National Integrated Protected Areas System, To Be Referred to As the Taklong and Tandong Group of Islands Natural Park, Providing for Its Management, And Appropriating Funds</p>

	Therefor”, authored by Rep. Ma. Lucille L. Nava, M.D.;
<b>REGION VII</b>	House Bill No. 607 – “An Act Declaring a Parcel of Land of The Public Domain Located in the Island of Pamilacan, Municipality of Baclayon, Province of Bohol an Agricultural Land Open to Disposition for Agricultural, Residential, Commercial, Industrial or Other Productive Purposes”, authored by Rep. Edgar M. Chatto;
	House Bill No 608 – “An Act Reclassifying Certain Parcels of Land Located at The Islands of Cabilao and Sandingan in The Municipality of Loon, Province of Bohol, Into Alienable and Disposable Lands and For Other Purposes”, authored by Rep. Edgar M. Chatto;
	House Bill No. 1071 – “An Act Declaring Parcels of Land of The Public Domain Located in the City of Naga, Province of Cebu as Agricultural Land Open to Disposition for Agricultural, Residential, Commercial, Industrial, Or Other Productive Purposes”, authored by Rep. Rhea Mae A. Gullas;
<b>REGION VIII</b>	House Bill No. 3743 – “An Act Declaring the Panaon Island and Its Surrounding Areas, Situated in The Province of Southern Leyte as Protected Seascape, Pursuant to Republic Act 11038, Otherwise Known as The Expanded National Integrated Protected System (ENIPAS) Act Of 2018”, authored by Rep. Luz Mercado;
	House Bill No. 4095 – “An Act Declaring the Panaon Island and Its Surrounding Areas, Situated in The Province of Southern Leyte as Protected Seascape, Pursuant to Republic Act 11038, Otherwise Known as The Expanded National Integrated Protected System (ENIPAS) Act Of 2018”, authored by Rep. Christopherson "Coco" M. Yap.
	House Bill No. 4404 – “An Act Reclassifying and Converting Parcels of Timberland Located In Barangays 1 And 2 (Poblacion), Bulawan, Caraycay, Libertad, Malobago, Maputi, San Roque, San Miguel in The Municipality of Maslog and Small Portion in The Municipalities of Arteche, Oras, And Dolores in The Province of Eastern Samar,

	As Alienable and Disposable Lands”, authored by Rep. Maria Fe R. Abunda; and
<b>REGION IX</b>	House Bill No. 3392 – “An Act Declaring a Parcel of Land Located in The Municipalities of President Manuel A. Roxas, Katipunan and Siayan in The Province of Zamboanga Del Norte, A Protected Area with The Category of Protected Landscape Under the National Integrated Protected Areas System (NIPAS) To Be Referred to As the Mt. Gutom Protected Landscape, Providing for Its Management and Appropriating Funds Therefor”, authored by Rep. Glona G. Labadlabad;  House Bill No. 3397 – “An Act Declaring the Olutanga Island Protected Landscape and Seascape Located in The Province of Zamboanga Sibugay as A Protected Area, Providing For Its Management and For Other Purposes”, authored by Rep. Wilter Y. Palma;
<b>REGION X</b>	House Bill No. 1452 – “An Act Declaring Certain Portions of Cagayan De Oro City To Be Known as The Cagayan De Oro-Iponan Watershed as A Protected Area Under The Category Of Protected Landscape and Its Peripheral Areas as Buffer Zone, Providing for Its Management and For Other Purposes”, authored by Rep. Rufus B. Rodriguez;  House Bill No. 2658 – “An Act Declaring the Sultan Naga Dimaporo Protected Landscape and Seascape Area Within the Municipality of Sultan Naga Dimaporo, Province of Lanao Del Norte as Component of The National Integrated Protected Areas System Under the Category of Protected Landscape and Seascape and Providing for Its Management”, authored by Reps. Sittie Aminah Q. Dimaporo and Mohamad Khalid Q. Dimaporo;
	House Bill No. 3791 – “An Act Declaring the Pantaron Mountain Range as A Protected Area Categorized as A National Park and Watershed, And Providing for Its Management and Administration”, authored by Rep. Pantaleon D. Alvarez;
<b>CARAGA</b>	House Bill No. 95 – “An Act Declaring as Agricultural Land Certain Parcels of Land of The Public Domain Situated Within the City

	of Surigao, Province of Surigao Del Norte”, authored by Rep. Robert Ace S. Barbers; House Bill No. 435 – “An Act to Reclassify a Developed Portion of Forest Land Under Concession With Picop, Located in The City of Bislig and The Municipalities of Hinatuan, Lingig, And Tagbina, Province of Surigao Del Sur. into Alienable and Disposable Land of The Public Domain for The Purpose of Distributing the Same To Bona Fide And Long-Term Farmers/Occupants Thereof, And for Other Purposes”, authored by Rep. Johnny Ty Pimentel;
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For your perusal, the copies of the bills may be accessed through this link  
<https://bit.ly/3SPVpiX>.

For information and action, please.

**ROMIROSE B. PADIN**

*cc: Undersecretary for Legal, Administration, Human Resources and Legislative Affairs  
Undersecretary for Policy, Planning and International Affairs  
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21 September 2022

**Sec. MARIA ANTONIA YULO LOYZAGA**

*Secretary*

Department of Environment and Natural Resources  
Visayas Avenue, Diliman, Quezon City

**Dear Secretary Yulo Loyzaga:**

The Committee on Natural Resources is in the process of studying several measures that have been referred to it by the Committee on Rules. In anticipation of our upcoming Committee Meetings in November where these measures will be deliberated on, may we request your advance comments on the following:

**Protected Area Bills**

1. **House Bill No. 1405** – *“An Act Establishing The Mt. Masaraga Protected Landscape In The Province Of Albay As A Protected Area Under The Category Of Protected Landscape, Providing For Its Management And For Other Purpose”*, authored by Rep. Fernando T. Cabredo;
2. **House Bill No. 1452** – *“An Act Declaring Certain Portions Of Cagayan De Oro City To Be Known As The Cagayan De Oro-Iponan Watershed As A Protected Area Under The Category Of Protected Landscape And Its Peripheral Areas As Buffer Zone, Providing For Its Management And For Other Purposes”*, authored by Rep. Rufus B. Rodriguez;
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4. **House Bill No. 2785** – *“An Act Establishing Aurora Memorial Protected Landscape In The Municipalities Of Maria Aurora And San Luis All In The Province Of Aurora And In The Municipality Of Bongabon, Nueva Ecija As A Protected Area, Providing For Its Management, And For Other Purposes”*, authored by Rep. Rommel Rico Angara;

*Providing For Its Management, And Appropriating Funds Therefor*", authored by Rep. Reynante U. Arrogancia;

13. **House Bill No. 4095** – *"An Act Declaring The Panaon Island And Its Surrounding Areas, Situated In The Province Of Southern Leyte As Protected Seascape, Pursuant To Republic Act 11038, Otherwise Known As The Expanded National Integrated Protected System (ENIPAS) Act Of 2018"*, authored by Rep. Christopherson "Coco" M. Yap.

### **Land Reclassification**

1. **House Bill No. 95** – *"An Act Declaring As Agricultural Land Certain Parcels Of Land Of The Public Domain Situated Within The City Of Surigao, Province Of Surigao Del Norte"*, authored by Rep. Robert Ace S. Barbers;
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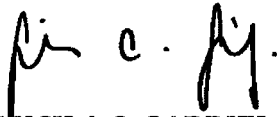
We have attached herewith the link to the Google drive for the measures, for your reference. We look forward to your reply in the soonest possible time. This will also aid us in facilitating the smooth conduct of our upcoming Committee Meetings.

For inquiries, we may be reached through our office email at [committee.naturalresources@house.gov.ph](mailto:committee.naturalresources@house.gov.ph) or [naturalresources.hrep@gmail.com](mailto:naturalresources.hrep@gmail.com). Thank you very much and stay safe.

Thank you very much and keep safe.

Very truly yours,

**FOR THE CHAIRPERSON  
REP. ELPIDIO F. BARZAGA, JR.**

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'L. C. G.', written in a cursive style.

**LUCILA C. GABRIEL**  
*OIC-Committee Secretary*