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## **MEMORANDUM**

TO

All Regional Executive Directors

**FROM** 

The Undersecretary for Field Operations - Luzon, Visayas and Environment

The Undersecretary for Field Operations-Mindanao

SUBJECT

EVALUATION OF ACTIVITIES IN THE 131 CRITICAL WATERSHEDS SUPPORTING NATIONAL IRRIGATION SYSTEMS

DATE

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In accordance with DENR Memorandum 2023-600, dated July 17, 2023, you are hereby instructed to submit the list, maps and shapefiles of proposed and ongoing programs and activities implemented within the 131 Critical Watersheds supporting National Irrigation Systems of the National Irrigation Administration (NIA) within your area of jurisdiction. These activities include, but are not limited to the following:

A. Existing Programs/Projects/Agreements/Permits:

- a. Small- and large-scale mining
- b. Processing of mining applications and related permits
- c. Mineral Production Sharing Agreements
- d. Financial and Technical Assistance Agreements
- e. Mineral Processing Permits
- f. Area clearances for sand and gravel
- g. Other government projects including NGP and SWCs, among others

B. Ongoing Applications Including Renewal:

- a. Exploration Permits
- b. New Mining Applications

Please ensure that your assessments are submitted by October 23, 2023, to allow time for consolidation. Additionally, all Regional Executive Directors are instructed to attend the meeting on 25 October 2023 in Quezon City for the presentation of their findings.

The Forest Management Bureau (FMB) is instructed to provide shapefiles of the said 131 critical watersheds to all DENR Regional Offices for their ready reference.

FOR STRICT COMPLIANCE, PLEASE.

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