



**DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES
KAGAWARAN NG KAPALIGIRAN AT LIKAS YAMAN**



MEMORANDUM

**TO : The Assistant Secretary for International Affairs and
Director, in concurrent capacity
Biodiversity Management Bureau

All Regional Executive Directors**

**FROM : The Undersecretary
Field Operations, MGB & EMB – Mindanao**

**SUBJECT : MEETING AT THE PARK INN HOTEL ON 11 JULY 2024 RE:
STATUS UPDATES AND ACTIONS TAKEN ON THE
ASSESSMENT OF COMMERCIAL ESTABLISHMENTS WITHIN
PROTECTED AREAS**

DATE : 05 JUL 2024

To provide an update the status on the assessment of Protected Areas and the status of the Regional Offices' data relative to the undersigned's instruction through Memorandum dated 18 March 2024 on the submission of a list of all commercial establishments within protected areas, you are hereby enjoined to attend the meeting on 11 July 2024 at the Park Inn Hotel SM City North EDSA, North Avenue, corner Epifanio de los Santos Ave, Quezon City from 9:00AM to 12:00nn.

Regional Offices must prepare a briefer on the current status of the protected area assessment and the corresponding actions taken on the identified issues and concerns within your respective regions, to be presented to the body. Ensure it follows the attached briefer content guide/template. You are also instructed to bring the pertinent documents as well as your complete lists/data on all commercial establishments within protected areas to support your briefers and in preparation for the discussion on the subject matter.

For information and strict compliance.


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- The Assistant Secretary for Field Operations – Luzon and Visayas
- The Assistant Secretary for Field Operations – Eastern Mindanao
- The Assistant Secretary for Field Operations – Western Mindanao

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PRESENTATION CONTENT GUIDE

Each Protected Area within your Region must have the following information. You may also use the attached sample briefers as reference on how the information may be presented.
One PA = One Briefer.

NAME OF PROTECTED AREA (LEGAL BASES I.E. RA, PP) REGION

I. PA General Profile

- No. of Municipalities:
- No. of Cities:
- No. of PAMB Members:
- Total Area (ha)
 - Multiple Use Zone (ha)
 - Strict Protection Zone (ha)
 - Buffer Zone (ha)
- % of PA Covered by Ancestral Domain Title/Claim
- Titled Areas within the PA, if any (no. / total has)

II. Manpower Complement

Manpower Complement	No.
PASU (Nationwide)	105
Job Order (Nationwide)	420
Regular (PA)	
Job Order (PA)	

III. Area Monitored

No. of Protection Officers/Park Ranger	Area (ha)

IV. No. of Establishments within the PA (Status of Compliance)

Establishments within PA	No.
(Status of Compliance)	
Complete with PAMB, ECC and SAPA	
With PAMB and with ECC	
Without PAMB Clearance, with ECC	
With PAMB Clearance and No ECC	
No PAMB Clearance and No ECC	
TOTAL	

V. Actions Taken

Issuance	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	Total
Show-Cause								
Notice of Technical Conference with NOV								
Cease-and-Desist Order								
Other actions taken (i.e. 'cases filed', add rows as necessary								

VI. Other Actions Taken & Ways Forward

REFERENCE SAMPLES

RA 11038 UPPER MARIKINA RIVER BASIN PROTECTED LANDSCAPE

Municipality : 4
 City : 1
 Barangay : 9
 PAMB Composition : 27

Region	Multiple Use Zone (has)	Strict Protection Zone (has)	Total (has)
CALABARZON	17,243	8,882	26,125

PAs (Nationwide)	AREA (has)
115	4,443,482.98

91.86% OF UMRBPL IS COVERED BY ANCESTRAL DOMAIN TITLE/CLAIM

Manpower Complement	No.
PASU (Nationwide)	105
JOB ORDER (Nationwide)	420
Regular (UMRBPL)	5
Job Order (UMRBPL)	37

ACTIONS TAKEN								
ISSUANCE	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	TOTAL
Show-Cause	25	19	32	14	237	86	42	455
Notice of Technical Conference with Notice of Violation (NOV)								
Cease-and-Desist Order				47				

AREA MONITORED	
PA Ranger/Park Ranger	Area (has)
12	2,177

Establishment within UMRBPL (Status of Compliance)	No.
Complete with PAMB, ECC and SAPA	13
With PAMB and with ECC	2
Without PAMB Clearance, with ECC	1
With PAMB Clearance and No ECC	4
Without PAMB Clearance and No ECC	237
TOTAL	247

NAME	LOCATION	ZONE	LOT AREA (Has)	TYPE OF STRUCTURE	PAMB RESOLUTION		ECC	
					NO.	DATE	NO.	DATE
Tayabasan Buk Water Supply	Brgy. Calawis, Antipolo City and Brgy. San Rafael, Rodriguez	MUZ	11.7	Dam	6	2019	ECC-OL-RAA-2019-0559	November 4, 2019
Tayabasan River Water Supply System	Brgy. Calawis, Antipolo City	MUZ	10.65	Treatment Facility	6	2020	ECC-OL-RAA-1011-0595	February 11, 2011
Wawa Buk Water Supply - Upper Wawa Dam Component	Brgy. Calawis, Antipolo City, Brgy. Pitong Bukawe, San Mateo and Brgy. San Rafael, Rodriguez	MUZ	62.4082	Dam	4,5 and 8	2021	ECC-OL-RAA-2101-0003	May 20, 2021

WAYS FORWARD:

- Continuous issuance of Show-Cause Order (SCO) and Cease and Desist Order (CDO) and filing of appropriate cases in court;
- Review Policy for the issuance of SAPA or Clearance for Eco-tourism Projects with resort or structure;
- Make a clear policy on the validity of those areas covered by PA previously released for settlement or utilization;
- Review boundaries of areas for declaration as PA especially if it will overlap A & D or proclamations with conflicting land uses;
- If possible, special management scheme for areas already disposed but necessary to be included for protection purposes;
- Expropriate the private properties to be reverted into public land; and
- Approval of PAMO staffing pattern by DBM.

RA 9237 MT. APO PROTECTED AREA ACT OF 2003

Municipality : 7

Barangay: 44

PAMB Composition : 92 (3 IP, 2 NGO, 1 Academe, 2 Private Corp, 4 GOCC)

Region	Buffer Zone (has)	Multiple Use Zone (has)	Strict Prot. Zone (has)	Total (has.)
XI	3,305	22,808	23,359	52,025 (81%)
XII	3,237	1,431	7,360	12,028 (19%)
TOTAL	6,542	24,239	309,719	64,053

PAs (Nationwide)	AREA (Has.)
115	4,443,482.98

Manpower Complement	No.
PASU (Nationwide)	105
JOB ORDER (Nationwide)	420
Regular (MANP)	12
Job Order (MANP)	57

96% OF MANP IS COVERED BY ANCESTRAL DOMAIN TITLE/CLAIM

AREA MONITORED	
Park Protection Officer	Area (has.)
1	8,444

ACTIONS TAKEN					
ISSUANCE	2021	2022	2023	2024	TOTAL
Show-Cause		32	19	6	57
Notice of Technical Conference with Notice of Violation (NOV)	5	11	7	1	24
Cease-and-Desist Order				7	7

Establishments within MANP (Status of Compliance)	No.
Complete with PAMB, ECC and SAPA	3
With PAMB and with ECC	6
With PAMB Clearance and No ECC	34
Without PAMB Clearance and No ECC	53
TOTAL	96

NAME	LOCATION	ZONE	LOT AREA (sq.m.)	TYPE OF STRUCTURE	PAMB RESOLUTION		ECC	
					NO.	DATE	NO.	DATE
Monte Frio Resort	Sitio Mainit, Kapatagan, Digos City	MUZ	10,940	Private Structure (Resort)	En Banc Resolution 34-2019	November 19, 2019	ECC-OL-R11-2021-0185	July 7, 2021
Twin Mountain in View Resort	Sitio Balutakay, Managa, Bansalan	MUZ	7,400	Private Structure (Resort)	En Banc Resolution No. 2022-110	November 10, 2022	ECC-OL-R11-2023-0336	Nov 20, 2023
Villa Recurso	Barangay Kapatagan, Digos City	MUZ	17,597	Private Structure (Resort)	Davao Del Sur Sub-PAMB Resolution No. 2022-31	July 27, 2022	None	

WAYS FORWARD:

- Suspension of authority of the Regional Office to issue ECC application for projects within PA as per Memorandum from Secretary Maria Antonia Yulo Loyzaga dated March 26, 2024
- Strategic collaboration of all stakeholders and holistic approach in the management and implementation of PAs

FACT SHEET

ACTIONS TAKEN

- 2018 Demolition of community huts within SPZ in So. Garuk, Sta Cruz, Davao del Sur;
- 2023, EMB together with PENRO Davao del Sur and PAMO launched the EMB on WHEELS to assist applicants in SAPA Application;
- 2024 Issued 7 Cease and Desist Order to Resorts in So. Langan, Coronon, Sta Cruz, Davao del Sur which built swimming pools in coronon river, due for self demolition;

WAYS FORWARD

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