



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



MEMORANDUM

FOR/TO : The Assistant Secretary for Legal Affairs and Enforcement
The Assistant Directors
Biodiversity Management Bureau
Ecosystems Research and Development Bureau
Environmental Management Bureau
Forest Management Bureau
Land Management Bureau
Mines and Geosciences Bureau
The Chief, Policy and Program Division, NWRB
Representative, River Basin Control Office
Representative, Legal Affairs Service
Representative, Office of the Undersecretary for Field
Operations – Luzon, Visayas and Environment
Representative, Office of the Undersecretary for Field
Operations – Mindanao
Representative, Legislative Liaison Office
Representative, Water Resource Management Office
Head of the DENR BAC Secretariat
Atty. Joseph Bautista, SMCRD

FROM : The OIC Director
Policy and Planning Service

SUBJECT: **AGREEMENTS DURING THE 5TH DENR-TECHNICAL
WORKING GROUP (TWG) MEETING ON THE CODIFICATION
OF ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES (ENR) LAWS
(PHASE 1) HELD ON 11 SEPTEMBER 2024, 11:00 AM AT THE
OASIA CONFERENCE ROOM**

DATE : 13 SEP 2024

This refers to the 5th DENR-TWG Meeting on the Codification of ENR Laws (Phase 1), held on 11 September 2024, 11:00 AM at the OASIA Conference Room, to discuss the completion/termination of the project. The meeting was presided over by undersigned and participated in by the Assistant Secretary for Legal Affairs and Enforcement, members of the TWG for Codification, Head of the DENR BAC Secretariat, PSD Chief and staff, Atty. Joseph Bautista of SMCRD, and the President and staff of the Center for Environmental Law and Policy Advocacy Inc. (CELPA).

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Relative thereto, herewith are the agreements during the meeting:

1. LMB and BMB shall conduct a meeting with CELPA to finalize the draft Lands and Biodiversity Codes, respectively. The PPS shall coordinate the timeline/schedule of the meetings with the Bureaus concerned. All these meetings with CELPA should be completed within September 2024;
2. MGB and FMB shall submit to PPS their final concurrence on the draft Mining and Forestry Codes, respectively. On the other hand, the NWRB shall submit its position/recommendation on the draft bill creating the Department of Water;
3. PPS shall provide the EMB with the details of the Sub-TWG meeting conducted by the said Bureau with CELPA, as well as the latest version of the draft Environment Code;
4. PPS shall provide CELPA with copies of the comments of the sectors on the draft Codes submitted on 17 May 2024;
5. CELPA shall present the Codification Project findings and recommendations to the DENR Execom (targeted to be held on the last week of October 2024), and to provide a copy of the presentation to PPS within September to October 2024;
6. Bureaus shall present the final draft Codes to their Supervising Undersecretaries; and
7. DENR to have an internal discussion with regard to the final payment for the project.

For your information and appropriate action.


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