



DEPARTMENT OF
ENVIRONMENT AND
NATURAL RESOURCES

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SPECIAL ORDER)
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SUBJECT: Creating a Team composed of Foresters from the DENR Central Office and the Forest Management Bureau to conduct field investigation on the operations and related activities of holders of Private Land Timber Permit, Special Private Land Timber Permit and Mini-Sawmill Permit in Region XI

In the interest of the service an investigating Team composed of Foresters from the DENR Central office and the Forest Management Bureau is hereby created. The Team shall consist of:

Forester Demetrio Bartolazo	- Team Leader (FMB)
Forester Santos Sibolboro	- Member (FMB)
Forester Nemesio Beronilla	- Member (FMB)

The Team shall among others, have the following tasks:

1. Conduct an actual investigation of the operations and other activities of all PLTP and SPLTP holders and Mini-Sawmill holders in Region XI;
2. Determine whether or not the areas under PLTPs and SPLTPs still contain commercial trees/timber as reported by field personnel as to warrant their continued existence. Emphasis is given to the PLTP area of Mr. Jonathan Yamashita of Maasim, Sarangani Province;
3. Investigate exhaustively all the subject matters complained of by the Sangguniang Bayan of the Municipality of Maasim, Province of Sarangani contained in its Resolution No. 96 series of 1993;
4. Conduct a thorough investigation of all operations and activities of mini-sawmills, as well as Lumber Dealers in Region XI particularly those in Surigao del Sur especially those subject of the complaint of the Vice-Mayor of Bislig, Surigao del Sur to Vice President Joseph Estrada. To investigate thoroughly the allega

tions that these mini-sawmills are involved in or conducting illegal logging activities;

5. Determine possible connivance and/or participation of DENR personnel in the reported illegal logging and operation of these mini-sawmills.

Field Offices of the DENR shall provide the needed assistance to the Team in pursuit of their assigned tasks.

They are entitled to claim authorized transportation expenses, per diems and other allowance chargeable against the Field Operations funds subject to the usual auditing and accounting regulations.

They shall submit their report ten (10) days after completion of their field investigation.


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