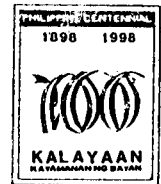




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**DENR SPECIAL ORDER**

No. 97- 421

April 06, 1997

**SUBJECT : CREATION OF TECHNICAL STUDY GROUP TO UNDERTAKE AN IN-DEPTH ASSESSMENT ON WILD PIG INFESTATION IN TAWI-TAWI ON APRIL 6-16, 1997.**

In the interest of the service and in order to address the problem on wild pig infestation in Tawi-Tawi, a Technical Study Group to undertake an in-depth assessment of the situation in the area is hereby created, composed of the following:

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| 1. Ms. Norma M. Molinyawe, PAWB   | - | Group Leader |
| 2. Dr. Karen Rose, IUCN   | - | Member       |
| 3. Prof. Pedro Alviola, UPLB  | - | Member       |
| 4. Prof. Blas Tabaranza, WCSP/Haribon   | - | Member       |
| 5. Dr. Bibiano Ranes, ERDB  | - | Member       |
| 6. Mr. Pedro Atega, ERDB  | - | Member       |
| 7. Mr. Cesar Jimlok, Farmers Federation of the Philippines, Tawi-Tawi Chapter | - | Member       |
| 8. Ms. Melchora Aguilar, DENR-ARRM  | - | Member       |
| 9. Representative, IFAW   | - | Member       |
| 10. Dr. Stephen Toledo, PAWB  | - | Member       |

The Group shall have the following responsibilities:

1. Generate information on the number of families affected by the problem; extent of crops/area damaged; identity of wild pigs causing problem in the area; estimated population of the species; existing system or practice in the area to depopulate or control its population; and such other vital information;
2. Present the results of its field assessment to DENR-ARRM, affected communities and concerned local government units, thru a Workshop which must be held immediately after the field assessment activity;
3. Formulate recommendations acceptable to all concerned as may be generated during the Workshop;
4. Submit compliance report, including recommendations, to the Secretary, DENR within fifteen (15) days upon completion of the activities; and,

5. Perform other duties and responsibilities as may be necessary to effectively carry out its tasks.

Under this Order, the Protected Areas and Wildlife Bureau is hereby authorized to organize and facilitate the conduct of the above-mentioned workshop involving affected communities, concerned local government units and DENR-ARMM, aimed at generating views and opinions on how to approach the problem and to come up with strategies acceptable to all concerned.

The expenses to be incurred by the Group in the performance of its tasks, including reasonable travelling allowances, per diems of the members and expenses for the Workshop, shall be chargeable against PAWB funds, subject to usual accounting and auditing rules and regulations. The PAWB Director is also authorized to solicit external funding for the purpose.

This Order takes effect immediately and is automatically revoked upon completion of the above-mentioned activities.

  
VICTOR O. RAMOS  
Secretary