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DENR SPECIAL ORDER No. 97-469

SUBJECT: Creation of the Regional Eagle Watch Teams in Regions 1, 2, 3, 4, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12 and 13.

In the interest of the service and in order to ensure effective location, protection and monitoring of the wild population of the Philippine Eagle throughout its known range while addresing the conservation needs of other birds of prey and wildlife resources in the country, REGIONAL EAGLE WATCH TEAMS in Regions 1, 2, 3, 4, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12 and 13 are hereby created to be composed of the following:

Region 1

Isidro Nalupa - Team Leader
Cora Marie Pugal - Member
Ronnie Jacinto - Member
Ferdinand Salvador - Member
Frederico Salvador - Member

Region 2

Restituta V. Antolin - Team Leader
Abundio Galampan - Member
Alcides Ebuen - Member
Guillermo Pallaya - Member
Mario Cosmiano - Member
Rey Catabui - Member
Gaudencio J. Bartolome- Member

Region 3

Lydia M. Sadueste - Team Leader
Minerva J. Martinez - Member
Redentor Laureta - Member
Jimmy Aberin - Member
Benedicto Agbisit - Member
Teresita Manzano - Member
Melody Almazan - Member

Region 4

Roberto Zoleta - Team Leader
Carlos Palacios - Member
Chito Llave - Member
Restituto Bermudes - Member
Simplicio Amparo - Member
Jesus Tañedo - Member

Region 8

- Team Leader Arnulito Viojan Eires Mate - Member Winston Solito - Member - Member Federico Briton - Member Lopito Ilao Ma. Cristina Santos - Member

Region 9

Eduardo M. Bisquera Rudyard P. Pacas - Team Leader - Member - Member Marcel Selisana Mario B. Ronulo - Member Abdulciong U. Abubacar- Member Michael F. Dela Cruz - Member - Member Almario M. Kaabay

Region 10

- Team Leader Felix Mirasol Nazinciano Dumas - Member - Member Rolando Dingal Charles Tacasan - Member - Member Fernando Dagulo - Member Romeo Taclindo

Region 11

Leonilo R. Rivera - Team Leader - Asst. Team Leader Carlos B. Bonnit - Member Demetrio T. Cahilig - Member Alnulfo M. Alvarez Jose E. Lechoncito - Member - Member Rodrigo S. Ocon - Member Caleb A. Galido

Region 12

- Team Leader Ernesto G. Manuel - Member Vicente Curtiz Wilson Trajico - Member - Member Jose Marquez - Member Ansari Dicritan - Member Eduardo Piastro - Member Raymundo Apatan

Antonio T. Cabrido — Team Leader Josephine L. Araojo — Member Eric Herson Gallego — Member Edilberto Gutierrez — Member

Adelfo Luegas - Member
Domingo Furigay - Member
Jocelyn Maceren - Member

The Team shall perform the following functions in addition to their regular duties and responsibilities:

- 1. Undertake field surveys to locate wild populations of Philippine Eagles and other birds of prey; locate Philippine Eagle nests and nesting sites; and determine extent of remaining habitats of the Philippine eagle;
- Monitor and protect eagle(s) sighted including nest(s), nesting site(s), and area(s) of sighting;
- 3. Retrieve captive birds of prey in the possession of private entities/individuals and work for their turn-over to the Center for Philippine Raptors thru PAWB;
- 4. Promote public education and disseminate information about the Philippine Eagle and other birds of prey and the importance of conserving them and their habitats;
- 5. In close coordination, collaboration and consultation with concerned Local Government Units, work for the issuance of Provincial and/or Municipal Ordinances prohibiting the capture of Philippine Eagles unless allowed by the DENR Secretary and encouraging public support in government efforts to protect and conserve them;
- 6. Enforce laws, rules and regulations concerning the Philippine birds of prey and other wildlife resources;
- 7. Produce annual maps (scale = 1:50,000) on Philippine Eagle population distribution and nests locations;
- 8. Perform other functions and duties on wildlife conservation as may be assigned by the Regional Executive Director or his duly authorized representative.

The Team Leaders shall also perform the following administrative and financial functions:

 Establish coordinative mechanisms between PAWB and the concerned Regional Office regarding the Team's activities;

- 2. Prepare and submit to PAWB, thru the Project Leader, Philippine Raptors Conservation Program (PRCP), the following:
 - 2.1 Team's Annual Work and Financial Plan for the succeeding year not later than every 10th of December:
 - 2.2 Quarterly accomplishment reports within the first fifteen (15) days of the succeeding quarter;
 - 2.3 Semi-annual narrative and consolidated physical and financial accomplishment reports every 5th of the succeeding period;
 - 2.4 Annual narrative and consolidated accomplishment reports every 10th of the succeeding year.
- 3. Recommend approval of travel orders and itineraries of travel of Team Members as may be necessary in the performance of their assigned tasks;
- 4. Recommend approval of procurement requests and payment or settlement of claims.

The Team's operations and compliance to this Order shall be the responsibility of the Regional Technical Director for Environmental Management and Protected Areas Service. To ensure effective operations and mobilization of the Teams, the concerned PENROs and CENROs are hereby authorized to approve travel orders, procurement requests and claims of the Team Members under their supervision.

The concerned RTDs for EMPAS shall submit to the Secretary, through the Undersecretry for Field Operations semi-annual progress reports not later than every 5th of the succeeding period.

The budget for the Team's operations shall be provided by PAWB out of the PRCP funds, which shall be released to the concerned Regional Offices thru a quarterly Letter of Advice of Allotment (LAA) in the amount to be determined by PAWB. It is understood that no succeeding releases shall be made by PAWB without the submission of the required Quarterly Technical Report. It is also understood that charging of expenses to the Team's budget shall be subject to existing accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

This Order takes effect immediately, revokes DENR S.O. No. 1124, Series of 1994 and supersedes all other Orders inconsistent herewith.

CTOR O. RAMOS Secretary