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SUBJECT

CREATION OF A TECHNICAL WORKING GROUP FOR THE INSTITUTIONALIZATION OF NATURAL CAPITAL

ACCOUNTING IN THE DENR

In the interest of the service and in order to mainstream and initiate the implementation of Natural Capital Accounting (NCA) within the DENR through the formulation of a policy, and other relevant activities, the Technical Working Group (TWG) for the Institutionalization of NCA in the DENR is hereby created:

A. TECHNICAL WORKING GROUP

The TWG shall be composed of the following:

Chairperson:

Director, Policy and Planning Service

Co-Chairperson:

Director, Knowledge and Information Systems Service

Members:

Chief, PPS-Planning and Programming Division

Chief, PPS-Policy Studies Division

Chief, PPS-Program Monitoring and Evaluation Division

Chief, KISS-Statistics and Data Resource Management Division

Chief, FASPS-Project Preparation Division

Chief, CCS-Climate Change Information and Technical Support

Division

Chief, HRDS-Training and Development Division

Chief, BMB-National Parks Division

Chief, BMB - Biodiversity Policy and Knowledge Management

Division

Chief, EMB-Policy, Planning and Program Development Division

Chief, ERDB-Planning and Information and Communications

Technology Division

Chief, FMB-Forest Policy, Planning and Knowledge Management

Division

Chief, LMB-Land Policy and Planning Division

Chief, MGB-Mineral Economics, Information and Publication

Division

Chief, MGB – Mining Technology Division

Chief, PCSDS-ECAN Monitoring and Evaluation Division

Chief, NWRB-Policy and Program Division

Chief, LLDA-Policy Planning and Information Management Division

Chief, NAMRIA-Resource Data Analysis Branch

Representative, Strategic Communications and Initiatives Service

Representative, Assistant Secretary for Foreign Assisted and Special

Projects

Representative, Assistant Secretary for Finance, Information Systems,

and Mining Concerns

The Undersecretary for Policy, Planning and International Affairs, as well as the Undersecretary for Finance, Information Systems, and Climate Change shall oversee the work and outputs of the TWG.

The members of the TWG shall submit the names, offices, and contact details of their permanent representatives to the TWG within one week upon issuance of this order to the Director of the Policy and Planning Service. They may include one (1) staff as alternate representatives to the TWG.

B. FUNCTIONS

The TWG shall have the following functions:

- 1. Review and analyze outputs, recommendations and best practices from past initiatives and research on NCA;
- 2. Thresh out the institutional arrangements for the implementation of NCA within the DENR:
- 3. Develop protocols, procedures and processes for the institutionalization and operationalization of NCA in the DENR;
- 4. Review relevant laws and policies;
- 5. Formulate a policy issuance for the institutionalization of NCA in the DENR;
- 6. Provide technical guidance and advice on NCA within the DENR;
- 7. Prepare and arrange Capacity Building activities and programs for relevant DENR personnel and employees on NCA; and
- 8. Conduct Information, Education and Communication (IEC) and disseminate Knowledge Products and other related outputs pertaining to NCA.

C. CREATION OF SUB-TWGs

In pursuit of the above, the Chairperson of the TWG for the Institutionalization of NCA in the DENR may create Sub-TWGs, as appropriate.

D. SECRETARIAT

The Secretariat of the TWG shall be responsible for coordinating with the bureaus and other offices concerned in consolidating the overall activities and outputs of the TWG. It shall be composed of representatives from the PPS – Planning and Programming Division (PPD), and KISS-Statistics and Data Resource Management Division (SDRMD). The PPS-PPD shall serve as overall secretariat while the KISS SDRMD shall consolidate all data gathered and present to the TWG actions/decisions to be made.

All expenses to be incurred in the conduct of the activities of the TWG shall be charged against DENR funds, subject to the usual accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

This Order shall take effect immediately.

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Resources, and Legislative Affairs

