



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



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SPECIAL ORDER  
No. 2024 - 573

**SUBJECT : AUTHORIZING THE CONDUCT OF ACTIVITIES IN CELEBRATION OF THE 2024 INTERNATIONAL COASTAL CLEANUP (ICC) DAY**

In the interest of the service and pursuant to Presidential Proclamation No. 470, Series of 2003, the observance of the 2024 International Coastal Cleanup (ICC) Day on 21 September 2024, and the nationwide simultaneous Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) signing between all the DENR Regional Offices and Civil Service Commission on 17 September 2024 are hereby authorized.

The theme for ICC 2024, "Clean Seas for Blue Economy", is aligned with the objectives of the United Nations Decade of Ocean Science for Sustainable Development - Ocean Decade Challenge Four, which aims to develop a sustainable and Equitable Blue Economy.

As such, the following are the identified cleanup sites for Metro Manila:

| Cleanup Location                                      | Focal Office        |
|---|---------------------|
| 1. SM By The Bay, Pasay City                          | DENR NCR            |
| 2. Las Piñas - Parañaque Wetland Park (LPPWP)         | BMB                 |
| 3. Tanza Marine Tree Park, Navotas City               | NWRB, NRDC          |
| 4. Manila Baywalk Dolomite Beach                      | MBCO/Central Office |
| 5. Coastal Area, Brgy. Bagumbayan North, Navotas City | LMB                 |
| 6. Marikina River, Brgy. Nangka, Marikina City        | MGB                 |
| 7. Pasig River (Baseco Riverside)                     | PRCMO               |
| 8. Baseco Beach, City of Manila                       | EMB                 |
| 9. Portion of Manila Bay at Manila Ocean Park         | LLDA, FMB           |
| 10. ASEANA Business Park                              | NAMRIA              |

The above-mentioned offices in support of the DENR - NCR shall take the lead in the coordination, logistical preparation, and mobilization of respective partners and stakeholders, youth, and women, in each specific site.

The Regional Offices shall likewise be expected to identify their cleanup sites in collaboration with the regional Bureau of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources offices, EMB regional offices, Civil Service Commission (CSC), Philippine National Police - Maritime Group, Philippine Coast Guard, local government units, women and youth groups, among others. The Director of the Biodiversity Management Bureau (BMB) shall oversee the execution of the event nationwide.

The following guidelines are to be followed during the conduct of ICC:


1. The attached official logo (<https://tinyurl.com/3b5b49ju>) may be used for social media banners, shirt designs, and for the production of identified collaterals in the conduct of ICC Day.
2. **No physical single-use banner (tarpaulin)** shall be printed for and displayed during the event;
3. Implement the use of **sustainable items** such as reusable containers, water tumblers, metal utensils for eating, and reusable gloves during the conduct of the event; and
4. **Trash Data forms from Ocean Conservancy or the Clean Swell mobile application** shall be utilized during the nationwide cleanup activities;

All DENR officials and employees from the Central Office, Regional Offices, Bureaus, and Attached Agencies are hereby requested to participate in the said event. Participation in the said activity shall be on official time with a one (1) day offsetting privilege to be used until December 29, 2024. All related expenses to be incurred during the conduct of the activity shall be charged against identified DENR funds, subject to the usual accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

All DENR offices shall submit a report consolidating data gathered during the ICC Day fifteen (15) days after the activity to the Coastal and Marine Division of the Biodiversity Management Bureau for national consolidation and submission to the Philippine Coordinator for Ocean Conservancy. The BMB shall submit a consolidated report to the undersigned fifteen (15) days after the consolidation of submitted regional reports.

All Regional Executive Directors are authorized to reschedule the date and time of the activities, as necessary in cases of inclement weather, safety, security concerns, and among others at the regional level, while in Metro Manila the undersigned is given the authority to amend the schedule of cleanup.

This Order shall take effect on the dates herein specified.

  
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and Human Resources