Memorandum Circular No. 7 May 15, 1991

TO: All Concerned

SUBJECT: Conditions Governing the Issuance of

Mangrove Cutting Permits Within Approved FLA Areas and the Survey of

Mangrove Areas for FLA Applicants

1. Sections 4 and 9 of DAO 15, S-90 set conditions governing the development of fishponds within mangrove areas. These conditions are further detailed in DENR Policy Primer Vol. I, No. 1, dated March 29, 1990. The issuance of mangrove cutting permits within approved FLA areas as provided in MC 5, S-90, as amended, and the survey of mangrove areas for FLA applications are affected.

- a. No mangrove cutting permit shall be issued covering an approved FLA area if the area applied for has ten (10) percent or more mangrove canopy cover and/or is capable of natural regeneration.
- b. Surveys by DENR staff of mangrove areas for the purpose of supporting FLA applications shall no longer be undertaken if the area to be surveyed has ten (10) percent or more mangrove canopy cover and/or is capable of natural regeneration. The DENR also shall not approve surveys by others for the same purpose if the area to be surveyed has ten (10) percent or more mangrove canopy cover and/or is capable of natural regeneration.

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