

**Memorandum Circular
No. 22
December 29, 1992**

TO : All Regional Executive Directors and Offices

SUBJECT : Guidelines on the Preparation and Submission of Maps of Areas Covered by the National Integrated Protected Areas System

Pursuant to DAO No. 25, Series of 1992 and Republic Act No. 7586, and in order to provide the management with basic data for evaluating the suitability/unsuitability of proposed Protected Areas under any of the eight categories of the NIPAS Act, the following procedures in the preparation/submission of the maps of areas covered by the NIPAS are hereby promulgated for the information and guidance of all concerned.

1. All the individual maps of the protected area enumerated under section 5.a of Republic Act No. 7586 shall be drawn to the scale of 1:50000.
2. The accomplished protected area map shall contain the following conventional mapping data and symbols, but not limited thereto:
 - a. Major trails, road networks and rivers and creeks
 - b. Existing land uses e.g. Refo Project, kaingins, etc. (optional)
 - c. Vegetative Cover (optional)
 - d. Technical description, e.g. distances per stations, no. of stations, directional reading, etc.
 - e. Legend
 - f. Scale adopted
 - g. Directional northing
3. Existing features of the surrounding area immediately outside and extending 500 meters from the protected area boundary shall also be reflected/indicated for buffer zoning purposes.
4. The map to be submitted shall be in blueprint and in three (3) copies.
5. The boundaries of the different land use patterns shall be clearly indicated in the map.

6. The deadline for the submission of all the Protected Area Maps shall be on February 22, 1993.

This Memorandum Circular shall take effect immediately and shall revoke any order and circulars that are inconsistent therewith.

ANGEL C. ALCALA
Secretary