

DENR Administrative Order
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SUBJECT : Creation of Regional Special Operations Group (RSOG) and Multisectoral Forest Protection Councils (MFPC) in All Regions, DENR.

In the interest of the service and in line with the mandate of the DENR to ensure the protection of the natural resources of the country, there is a need to strengthen the enforcement and developmental capabilities of the regional offices.

In line with this, a Regional Special Operations Group (RSOG) is hereby created in each region. The Group Leader shall be designated by the Secretary, upon recommendation by the Undersecretary for Field Operations and the REDS, to be selected from among those personnel in the region with ranks of at least CENRO.

The RSOG shall be reporting directly to the Regional Executive Director and shall receive instructions from the Secretary and the Undersecretary for Field Operations on operations to be conducted; it may be utilized by the REDs to beef up capabilities in different areas within the operational jurisdiction of the regional office. They shall conduct intelligence and surveillance operations of illegal logging, mining and other illegal environmental and natural resources related activities and submit plans to the REDs on how to stop such activities.

Multisectoral Forest Protection Councils (MFPC) are likewise to be created in all regions. Funds necessary in the effective execution of MFPC and RSOG tasks shall be taken from the regional budget to be augmented from special funds coming from the Office of the Undersecretary for Field Operations.

This Order shall take effect immediately.

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Secretary