DENR Administrative Order No. 42 November 16, 1994

SUBJECT: Memoranda of Agreement in Protected Areas.

Pursuant to Section 10 (h) of RA 7586 of 1992 and DAO No. 38 Series of 1990, authorizing the Secretary to enter into an agreement with other government agencies, NGOs, and private institutions for the development and management of protected areas, and Section 18 of DAO # 25 Series of 1992, recognizing the authority of the Protected Area Management Board (PAMB) to decide/approve matters related to protected area management, the following guidelines are hereby issued to ensure effective administration and management of protected areas:

- 1. The Secretary shall sign all MOAs concerning protected area management until such time that the final PAMB for each protected area is organized. Once the final PAMB is organized, signing of MOAs and other similar or related documents is hereby delegated to the Chairman of the organized PAMB.
- 2. All current Memoranda of Agreement entered into and similar or related documents signed by the Secretary will be reviewed by the final PAMB. If some amendments are warranted, same shall be incorporated in the amended MOA that will be signed by the PAMB Chairman (Regional Executive Director). If there are no amendments, the documents will be ratified by the PAMB and shall remain in force within the stipulated period indicated therein.

This Order shall take effect immediately.

ANGEL C. ALCALA Secretary