

**MALACANANG
MEMORANDUM
ORDERS**

Malacanang Memorandum Order
July 11, 1995

**SUBJECT : Master Plan of the Northwestern Luzon Growth
Quadrangle**

By virtue of the approval of the Master Plan of the Northwestern Luzon Growth Quadrangle, all national line agencies are hereby directed to re-align their programs and activities in consonance with the Master Plan.

FIDEL V. RAMOS
President

Malacanang Memorandum Order
No. 270
March 22, 1995

SUBJECT : Creating the Bukidnon Watershed Protection and Development Council and Prescribing Measures to Preserve Watershed Resources in Bukidnon

In order to fully protect and preserve the remaining forest in the Bukidnon Watersheds and rehabilitate open areas within the headwaters of the watershed, the Bukidnon Watersheds Protection and Development Council is hereby created with the following measures hereby prescribed:

The Bukidnon Watersheds Protection and Development Council shall be composed of the Provincial Government and representatives from concerned National Lines Agencies, LGU's Institutions and NGO's covered by specific watersheds, namely: Upper Pulangi River Watershed, Muleta River Watershed, Tagoloan River Watershed, Cagayan River Watershed, Maridugo River Watershed, Davao/Salug River Watershed, and Agusan River Watershed.

Agencies concerned are hereby directed to abide by the policies and guidelines promulgated by the council, not contrary to existing laws and regulations, in the issuance of permits, licenses, and leases within the watersheds relative to the development and utilization of forest resources.

The Council shall:

- Formulate policies and guidelines on watershed boundary and land uses, conservation, protection, utilization, development and rehabilitation consistent with existing laws and regulations and make recommendation to the President regarding inter-agency coordination/ collaboration and local community development.
- Enhance community-based resource management programs with emphasis on socio-economic upliftment while conserving watershed biodiversity through promotion and maintenance of sustainable land use system.
- Establish watershed databank management system, and submit periodic reports to the Office of the President.
- Prepare and implement programs/projects relative to the Framework

Plan that will enhance the watershed sustainability as well as increase geographical and industrial/projects relative to the Framework Plan that will enhance the watershed sustainability as well as increase geographical and industrial/sectoral productivity and make the council an effective catalyst for environmental protection, development and management, in the process.

The Council shall be chaired by the Provincial Government with an authority to compose technical secretariat from among its members. It shall be funded by the DENR, Office of the President, Department of Energy through National Power Corporation, National Irrigation Administration and share from foreign grants and aids for the province. Further, NAMRIA shall provide the Council with updated and relevant information, maps, satellite images, and aerial photos. All national and local agencies are hereby enjoined to fully cooperate and support the mandate of the Council.

This Memorandum Order shall likewise serve as an Implementing Order and shall take effect immediately.

FIDEL V. RAMOS
President

By the President:

TEOFISTO T. GUINGONA, JR.
Executive Secretary

**Proclamation
No. 552
March 20, 1995**

**SUBJECT : Establishing as Mt. Matutum Protected Landscape the
Parcels of Land of the Public Domain Situated within
the Municipalities of Tupi, Tampakan, and Polomolok,
Province of South Cotabato, and the Municipality of
Malungon, Province of Sarangani.**

Upon recommendation of the Secretary of Environment and Natural Resources and pursuant to the powers vested in me by law, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Philippines, do hereby withdraw from sale, entry, disposition or settlement and set aside for watershed and ecological enhancement purpose, subject to private rights, if there be any, and to the operations of previous proclamations reserving any portion thereof for specific purposes, the parcel of land of the public domain located within the municipalities of Tupi, Tampakan, and Polomolok, Province of South Cotabato, and the Municipality of Malungon, Province of Sarangani, more particularly described as follows:

(technical description omitted)

The said area shall be known as "Mt. Matutum Protected Landscape" and shall be under the administration and control of the Department of Environment and Natural Resources in coordination with the local government units pursuant to Republic Act No. 7586 (NIPAS Act of 1992).

The destruction of the natural resources of the area or the conduct of other activities which could disturb or destroy the ecosystem and the resources found therein are hereby prohibited.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the Republic of the Philippines to be affixed.

**FIDEL V. RAMOS
President**

By the President:

**TEOFISTO T. GUINGONA, JR.
Executive Secretary**

**Proclamation
No. 559
April 7, 1995**

SUBJECT : Excluding from the Operation of Proclamation No. 87, Dated August 9, 1966, which Established the Dibudalan Mountain Forest Reserve, and Declaring the Land Embraced therein as Aurora State College of Technology School Site Civil Reservation, Situated in Zabali, Baler, Aurora.

Upon recommendation of the Secretary of Environment and Natural Resources and pursuant to the provisions of Presidential Decree No. 705, otherwise known as the Revised Forestry Code of the Philippines, as amended, **I FIDEL V. RAMOS**, President of the Philippines, do hereby exclude from the operation of Proclamation No. 37, dated August 6, 1966, which established the Dibudalan Mountain Forest Reserve, and declaring the land embraced therein as Aurora State College of technology School Site Civil Reservation, subject to private rights, if any there be, and to the condition that the removal and utilization of timber and other forest products therein shall be subject to the Forestry Internal Revenue laws and regulation, certain parcel of the public domain (to cover the disestablished Communal Forest Parcel II, Adm. and the proposed Government Center of the Province of Aurora), situated in Barangay Zabali, Baler, Aurora, which is more particularly described as follows:

A parcel of land beginning at a point marked "1" being S 10° 45'W, 1046 m. from BLLM No. 39 Cad. 185, Baler Aurora.

(technical description omitted)

containing an area of ONE MILLION NINE HUNDRED SIXTY THOUSAND SIX HUNDRED (1,960,600.00) SQUARE METERS.

The area covered by the reservation shall be under the administrative jurisdiction, supervision and control of the Department of Education, Culture and Sports and the Aurora State College of Technology.

In the event that the area is no longer needed for the purpose stated, or its development has already been abandoned for a period of two (2) years, this Proclamation is automatically withdrawn, revoked or cancelled and the subject area regains its original status as part and parcel of the forest land.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the Republic of the Philippines to be affixed.

FIDEL V. RAMOS
President

By the President:

TEOFISTO T. GUINGONA, JR.
Executive Secretary

Proclamation
No. 635
August 28, 1995

SUBJECT : Excluding from the Marikina Watershed Reservation Certain Parcels of Land Embraced Therein for Use as Sanitary Landfill Sites and Similar Waste Disposal Under the Administration of the Metropolitan Manila Development Authority.

WHEREAS, to safeguard the availability of potable water for the population of Metro Manila and the adjoining provinces and municipalities, the government had reserved parcels of land identified as the Marikina Watershed Reservation;

WHEREAS, while the areas delineated as part of the Watershed Reservation are intended primarily for use in projects and/or activities designed to contain and preserve the underground water supply, other peripheral areas had been included within the scope of the reservation to provide for such space as may be needed for the construction of the necessary structures, other related facilities, as well as other priority projects of government as may be eventually determined.

WHEREAS, to cope with the requirements of the growing population in Metro Manila and the adjoining provinces and municipalities, certain developed and open portions of the Marikina Watershed Reservation, upon the recommendation of the Secretary of the Department of Environment and Natural Resources should now be excluded from the scope of the reservation;

WHEREAS, there is now an urgent need to provide for, and develop, the necessary facilities for the disposal of the waste generated by the population of Metro Manila and the adjoining provinces and municipalities, to ensure their sanitary and/or hygienic disposal;

WHEREAS, To cope with the requirements for the development of the waste disposal facilities that may be used, portions of the peripheral areas of the Marikina Watershed Reservation, after due consideration and study, have now been identified as suitable sites that may be used for the purpose;

WHEREAS, the Secretary of the Department of Environment and Natural Resources has recommended the exclusion of these areas that have been so identified from the Marikina Watershed Reservation so that they may then be developed for the purpose;

NOW, THEREFORE, for and in consideration of the aforesaid premises, **I, FIDEL V. RAMOS,** President of the Philippines, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby ordain:

Section 1. General. That certain parcels of land, embraced by the Marikina Watershed Reservation, were found needed for use in the solid waste disposal program of the government in Metropolitan Manila, are hereby excluded from that which is held in reserve and are now made available for use as sanitary landfill and such other related waste disposal applications.

Section 2. Purpose. The areas being excluded from the Marikina Watershed Reservation are hereby placed under the administration of the Metropolitan Manila Development Authority, for development as Sanitary Landfill, and/or for use in the development of such other related waste disposal facilities that may be used by the cities and municipalities of Metro Manila and the adjoining province of Rizal and its municipalities.

Section 3. Technical Description. Specifically, the areas being hereby excluded from the Marikina Watershed Reservation consist of two (2) parcels, with an aggregate areas of approximately **ONE MILLION SIXTY THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED TWENTY NINE (1,0660,529)** square meters more or less, as follows:

Parcel A

(Technical Description omitted)

beginning, with an area of **SEVEN HUNDRED THIRTY SIX THOUSAND AND EIGHTY-ONE (736,081)** square meters, more or less, subject to existing vested rights, if there be any, and subject to the results of final ground verification and survey.

Parcel B

A parcel of land situated in the municipality of San Mateo, Province of Rizal, bounded on the South along line 15-16, on the West along lines 16-1, 1-6 by timberland; on the Northwest along lines 6-8 and on the Northeast along lines 8-14 and on the Southeast along line 14-15 by Marikina Watershed Reservation.

Beginning at a point marked "1" beginning N 46 deg. 37'W, 470.92 m from MWR No. 49; thence

(Technical Description omitted)

beginning with an areas of **THREE HUNDRED TWENTY-FOUR THOUSAND AND FOUR HUNDRED FOURTY-EIGHT (324,338)** square meters, subject to existing vested rights if any there be and subject to the results of final ground verification and survey.

Section 4. Reservations. The development, construction, use and/or operation of any facility that may be established within the parcel of land herein excluded from the Marikina Watershed Reservation shall be governed by existing laws, rules and regulations pertaining to environmental control and management. When no longer needed for sanitary landfill purposes or the related waste disposal activities, the parcels of land subject of this Proclamation shall revert back as part of the Marikina Watershed Reservation, unless otherwise authorized.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the Republic of the Philippines to be affixed.

Done in the City of Manila, this 28th day of August in the year of our Lord, nineteen hundred and ninety five.

FIDEL V. RAMOS
President

By the President:

RUBEN D. TORRES
Executive Secretary

**Proclamation
No. 703
November 28, 1995**

SUBJECT : Establishing as Loog Watershed Forest Reserve For Purposes of Protecting, Maintaining and Improving Its Water Yield and Providing Restraining Mechanism for Inappropriate Forest Exploitation and Disruptive Land-Use, a Parcel of Land of the Public Domain Located in the Municipality of Basey, Province of Western Samar

Upon recommendation of the Secretary of Environment and Natural Resources and pursuant to the powers vested in me by law, I, FIDEL V. RAMOS, President of the Philippines, do hereby withdraw from entry, sale, disposition, or settlement, and set aside as Loog Watershed Forest Reserve, subject to private rights, if there be any, and to operations of previous proclamations reserving any portion thereof for specific purposes, and to the implementation of community-based forestry projects and other forestry development programs consistent with the objectives of the proclamation as may be determined by the Secretary of Environment and Natural Resources, a certain parcel of land of the public domain situated in the Municipality of Basey, Province of Western Samar, Philippines, more particularly described as follows:

Beginning at point "1" on the map, is a point on the ground which is a corner boundary between permanent forest and alienable or disposable land at latitude $11^{\circ}18'41.97''$ and longitude $125^{\circ}09'89.48$ and being N $66^{\circ}06'$, E, 1,461.29 meters from Basey River junction.

(technical description omitted)

Thence N $17^{\circ}51'E$, 239 meters to corner 1, a point of beginning, containing an area of ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED SIXTY FIVE AND $99/100(1,865.99)$ HECTARES more or less.

The Department of Environment and Natural Resources, thru the Forest Management Bureau, shall administer and manage the reservation in coordination with other agencies of the government with the objective of maintaining its usefulness as a watershed forest reserve as source of water for domestic use, agriculture, and other related purposes.

The management, development, and protection of the watershed forest reserve shall be supported by a Watershed Management Council composed of

Government Agencies, Local Government Units(s), and Non-Government Organization(s).

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the Republic of the Philippines to be affixed.

FIDEL V. RAMOS
President

By the President:

RUBEN D. TORRES
Executive Secretary