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MEMORANDUM

FOR

Regional Executive Director

DENR Regions NCR, 1, 2, 3, CALABARZON, MIMAROPA, 5, 6, 7,

8, 9, 10, 11, 12, and CARAGA

FROM

Assistant Director

Officer-In-Charge, Office of the Director

SUBJECT

REQUEST FOR INFORMATION ON KNOWN SEABIRD

HABITATS AND NOMINEES TO THE SEABIRD FORUM TO

BE HELD ON OCTOBER 13-15, 2021

This refers to the upcoming National Seabird Forum co-organized by BMB and our partners in conservation tentatively scheduled on October 13-14, 2021 with the aim of gathering information about these birds. Seabirds spend a significant portion of their lives at the sea, hence the name. They have developed various characteristics that help them adapt to the marine environment. These pelagic birds are among the highly threatened species of animals globally, however, we only have little information about these birds.

In line with this, we are requesting the Regions and its Field Offices to kindly provide any data/information on the occurrence and habitats of seabirds that your Office may have records on by September 6, 2021. Such information will provide a more comprehensive understanding on the state of seabirds in the country and will also serve as reference in coming up with a National Seabird Action Plan.

Further, we also would like to request one (1) representative from the Conservation and Development Division and one (1) representative each from the marine protected areas (MPA) to participate in the said forum. We would appreciate receiving the names of the nominees by accomplishing the online registration form thru this link: https://bit.ly/seabirdforum2021 on or before September 6.

For any inquiries, please contact Mr. John Berhel Doria through telephone numbers (632) 89258946/89246031 to 35 loc. 224 or you may email us at wrd@bmb.gov.ph.



