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**RE: Rainforest Guardian Online Installation Training**

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Dear Partners,

The proposed training of Rainforest Connection is Monday 1pm. We will be sending an online link so partners can join via zoom. May we get the names and email addresses of those who can join so we can send them invitation? Preferred would be rangers from EL Nido that joined the project before like Dennis Velasco and Sir Alan Valle, RED Nilo Tamera, PENRO Eriberto Sanos, and last but not the least Dr. Vicente Tuddao. They were in Palawan when we did our installation last January 2020.

Thank you and looking forward to your kind response.

Best,

Karrie

**From:** DENR Mimaropa Region [mailto:mimaroparegion@denr.gov.ph]**Sent:** Tuesday, November 16, 2021 4:27 PM**To:** Karenina Buenafe <Karenina.Buenafe@huawei.com>**Subject:** Re: Rainforest Guardian Online Installation Training

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On Tue, Nov 16, 2021 at 3:46 PM Karenina Buenafe &lt;Karenina.Buenafe@huawei.com&gt; wrote:

Dear Partners:

Pleasant day to you!

Background:

Huawei Philippines, Smart and Rainforest Connection installed Rainforest Connection Guardians in five (5) key locations in El Nido and Taytay Palawan last January 2020. The system is able to detect threats and alert the rangers but there was some false reports as well. Rainforest connection guardians continually enhanced the machine learning and sometime September 2020, they updated the program via virtual connection. During the course of time, wear and tear, unfavorable weather condition, the guardians have deteriorated and lost signal.

Situation: Since March 2021, the Rainforest guardians lost signal and are not transmitting alerts. Initial findings from RFCx team indicated problem with the SD cards. Unfortunately, RFCX Engineers can not fly to Manila because of the lockdown.

Suggested action: Huawei and Rainforest Connection agreed to ship to Manila the Replacement Guardians, engage local licensed climbers and riggers locally and train them how to install the new guardians.

- Train locals to install the RFCx
- replace and upgrade the Rainforest Guardians the version 2.0.
- Allow some DENR Personnel to learn how to install the devices

In this regard, we wish to inform you that the new Rainforest Connection Guardians replacement devices for Palawan are already here in Manila. In this regard, we wish to invite 2 to 3 attendees from DENR Main and 2-3 Participants from DENR Palawan to attend the on-line training . The proposed date is Nov. 23 or 24. 9am to 12nn via zoom.

Thank you and looking forward to your kind consideration.

Sincerely,

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