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MEMORANDUM

FOR/TO : **The Undersecretary and Concurrent Director**
Special Concerns and Biodiversity Management Bureau

Regional Executive Directors
Regional Offices NCR, I, III, IV-A CALABARZON,
IV-B MIMAROPA, V, VI, IX, X & XII

FROM : **The Assistant Secretary**
Field Operations – Mindanao and Legislative Affairs

SUBJECT : **REQUEST FOR COMMENT AND RECOMMENDATIONS ON
VARIOUS BILLS REGARDING TOURISM IN THE COUNTRY**

This pertains to the letter from the Office of Representative Sol Aragones, Chairperson of the Senate Committee on Tourism dated 10 August 2021, requesting DENR for comment and recommendations on the various proposed legislations¹ regarding tourism in the country, to wit:

1. House Bill No. 8102, entitled, "AN ACT DECLARING THE BAWBAWON ISLAND IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF PLARIDEL, PROVINCE OF MISAMIS OCCIDENTAL A TOURIST DESTINATION, PROVIDING FOR ITS DEVELOPMENT AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR," authored by Rep. Diego "Nonoy" C. Ty;
2. House Bill No. 8129, entitled, "AN ACT DECLARING THE MUNICIPALITY OF SAN JUAN IN THE PROVINCE OF BATANGAS AS AN ECOTOURISM ZONE AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR," authored by Rep. Lianda B. Bolilia;
3. House Bill No. 8272, entitled, "AN ACT DECLARING COLOSBOA HILLS, ALSO KNOWN AS THE LITTLE NEW ZEALAND OF CENTRAL LUZON, LOCATED IN BARANGAY COLOSBOA, MUNICIPALITY OF CUYAPO, PROVINCE OF NUEVA ECIJA, A TOURIST DESTINATION, PROVIDING FOR ITS DEVELOPMENT, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR," authored by Rep. Estrellita B. Suansing;
4. House Bill No. 8602, entitled, "AN ACT DECLARING THE MUNICIPALITY OF PARACALE IN THE PROVINCE OF CAMARINES NORTE AS AN ECOTOURISM ZONE AND APROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR," authored by Rep. Josefina B. Tallado;
5. House Bill No. 8603, entitled, "AN ACT DECLARING MALIGAYA FALLS IN BARANGAY SUBMAKIN, MUNICIPALITY OF LABO, PROVINCE OF CAMARINES
6. NORTE AN ECOTOURISM ZONE AND APROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR," authored by Rep. Josefina B. Tallado;
7. House Bill No. 8604, entitled, "AN ACT DECLARING THE MUNICIPALITY OF CAPALONGA IN THE PROVINCE OF CAMARINES NORTE AS AN ECOTOURISM ZONE AND APROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR," authored by Rep. Josefina B. Tallado;

¹ For your convenience and reference, ecopy of the lists with titles of the various bills would be emailed as well

8. House Bill No. 8605, entitled, "AN ACT DECLARING THE MUNICIPALITY OF JOSE PANGANIBAN IN THE PROVINCE OF CAMARINES NORTE AS AN ECOTOURISM ZONE AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR," authored by Rep. Josefina B. Tallado;
9. House Bill No. 8613, entitled, "AN ACT DECLARING KURJANAN FALLS IN BARANGAY IGSORO, MUNICIPALITY OF BUGASONG, PROVINCE OF ANTIQUE, AN ECOTOURISM SITE PROVIDING FOR ITS DEVELOPMENT AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR," authored by Rep. Loren Legarda;
10. House Bill No. 8902, entitled, "AN ACT DECLARING HULUGA CAVES 1 & 2 IN BARANGAY INDAHAG, CAGAYAN DE ORO CITY AS ECOTOURISM SITES AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR," authored by Rep. Rufus B. Rodriguez;
11. House Bill No. 8903, entitled, "AN ACT DECLARING KALAPAT CAVE IN BARANGAY DANSOLIHON, CAGAYAN DE ORO CITY AN ECOTOURISM SITE AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR," authored by Rep. Rufus B. Rodriguez;
12. House Bill No. 8904, entitled, "AN ACT DECLARING KWEBA DE ORO IN BARANGAY BAYANGA, CAGAYAN DE ORO CITY AN ECOTOURISM SITE AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR," authored by Rep. Rufus B. Rodriguez;
13. House Bill No. 8905, entitled, "AN ACT DECLARING LANGAG CAVE IN BARANGAY DANSOLIHON, CAGAYAN DE ORO CITY AN ECOTOURISM SITE AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR," authored by Rep. Rufus B. Rodriguez;
14. House Bill No. 8906, entitled, "AN ACT DECLARING MACAHAMBUS CAVE IN BARANGAY BAYANGA, CAGAYAN DE ORO CITY AN ECOTOURISM SITE AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR," authored by Rep. Rufus B. Rodriguez;
15. House Bill No. 8907, entitled, "AN ACT DECLARING MAMBUAYA CAVE IN BARANGAY MAMBUAYA, CAGAYAN DE ORO CITY AN ECOTOURISM SITE AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR," authored by Rep. Rufus B. Rodriguez;
16. House Bill No. 8908, entitled, "AN ACT DECLARING BOLUTOHAN CAVE IN BARANGAY INDAHAG, CAGAYAN DE ORO CITY AS AN ECOTOURISM SITE AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR," authored by Rep. Rufus B. Rodriguez;
17. House Bill No. 8909, entitled, "AN ACT DECLARING CALABERA CAVE IN BARANGAY INDAHAG, CAGAYAN DE ORO CITY AS AN ECOTOURISM SITE AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR," authored by Rep. Rufus B. Rodriguez;
18. House Bill No. 8947, entitled, "AN ACT DECLARING BIRHEN FALLS IN BARANGAY DANSOLIHON IN CAGAYAN DE ORO CITY AN ECOTOURISM SITE AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR," authored by Rep. Rufus B. Rodriguez;
19. House Bill No. 8949, entitled, "AN ACT DECLARING IGBALALAY FALLS IN BARANGAY BALUBAL IN CAGAYAN DE ORO CITY AN ECOTOURISM SITE AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR," authored by Rep. Rufus B. Rodriguez;
20. House Bill No. 8950, entitled, "AN ACT DECLARING MIGTALAHID FALLS IN BARANGAY DANSOLIHON IN CAGAYAN DE ORO CITY AN ECOTOURISM SITE AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR," authored by Rep. Rufus B. Rodriguez;
21. House Bill No. 8951, entitled, "AN ACT DECLARING MIGTUGSOK FALLS IN BARANGAY FS CATANICO IN CAGAYAN DE ORO CITY AN ECOTOURISM SITE AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR," authored by Rep. Rufus B. Rodriguez;
22. House Bill No. 8952, entitled, "AN ACT DECLARING SINULOM FALLS AND BULAO COLD SPRING IN BARANGAY TIGNAPOLOAN IN CAGAYAN DE ORO CITY AN ECOTOURISM SITE AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR," authored by Rep. Rufus B. Rodriguez;
23. House Bill No. 8953, entitled, "AN ACT DECLARING ULO BALONGKOT FALLS IN BARANGAY DANSOLIHON IN CAGAYAN DE ORO CITY AN ECOTOURISM SITE AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR," authored by Rep. Rufus B. Rodriguez;

24. House Bill No. 8994, entitled, "AN ACT DECLARING BACULAN FALLS IN BARANGAY GOLICTOP, MUNICIPALITY OF MIDSALIP, PROVINCE OF ZAMBOANGA DEL SUR AS ECOTOURISM SITE AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR," authored by Rep. Divina Grace C. Yu;
25. House Bill No. 9266, entitled, "AN ACT DECLARING THE TANAP AVIS FALLS IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF BURGOS, PROVINCE OF ILOCOS NORTE, AS AN ECOTOURISM DESTINATION, PROVIDING FOR ITS DEVELOPMENT, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR," authored by Rep. Ria Christina G. Fariñas and Rep. Rudys Caesar G. Fariñas;
26. House Bill No. 9295, entitled, "AN ACT DECLARING THE MUNICIPALITY OF COLUMBIO, PROVINCE OF SULTAN KUDARAT, AN ECOTOURISM ZONE, AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR," authored by Rep. Princess Rihan M. Sakaluran;
27. House Bill No. 9634, entitled, "AN ACT DECLARING LA MESA DAM ECOPARK IN BARANGAY FAIRVIEW, QUEZON CITY AS A TOURISM SITE," authored by Rep. Alfred Vargas;
28. House Bill No. 9661, entitled, "AN ACT DECLARING BANGA CAVES IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF RAGAY, PROVINCE OF CAMARINES SUR AN ECOTOURISM SITE AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR," authored by Rep. Luis Raymund F. Villafuerte, Jr.;
29. House Bill No. 9665, entitled, "AN ACT DECLARING CALINIGAN MOUNTAIN RANGE IN THE MUNICIPALITIES OF LAGONOY, PRESENTACION AND GARCHITORENA, PROVINCE OF CAMARINES SUR AN ECOTOURISM SITE AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR," authored by Rep. Luis Raymund F. Villafuerte, Jr.;
30. House Bill No. 9759, entitled, "AN ACT DECLARING ADDITIONAL CAVES AND CAVE SYSTEMS AS PART OF THE LIBMANAN CAVES NATURAL PARK IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF LIBMANAN, PROVINCE OF CAMARINES SUR AN ECOTOURISM SITE AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR," authored by Rep. Luis Raymund F. Villafuerte, Jr.;
and,
31. House Bill No. 9763 entitled, "AN ACT DECLARING PAG-ORING CAVES IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF LIBMANAN, PROVINCE OF CAMARINES SUR AN ECOTOURISM SITE AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS THEREFOR," authored by Rep. Luis Raymund F. Villafuerte, Jr.

For this, your Legislative Liaison Office² will appreciate if **your Office can submit the electronic copy of the requested comment and recommendations at denrlegislative@yahoo.com, not later than 08 September 2021, for consolidation and submission to the said House Committee.**

For information and appropriate action.


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