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MEMORANDUM

FOR : The Regional Executive Directors
DENR Regions 10 & MIMAROPA

FROM : The Assistant Director
Officer-In-Charge, Office of the Director

SUBJECT : **INVITATION TO THE ONLINE MENTORING & COACHING
WORKSHOP FOR THE PREPARATION OF PROTECTED AREA
FINANCE PLAN**

The Biodiversity Management Bureau is pleased to inform you that an online mentoring and coaching on PA Finance Plan (PAFP) preparation will be held in May 2021 for selected protected areas in your respective Regions. The said activity is a follow through of the Training that we have conducted last December 2020 in collaboration with the United Nations Development Programme - Biodiversity Finance Initiative Project (UNDP-BIOFIN).

The said PAFP Training has revealed the potential for mobilizing resources to support the implementation of the Protected Area Management Plans (PAMPs). Through the said Training, participants were able to identify different finance solution schemes that may be developed and implemented in the identified protected areas. Out of the 12 participating PAFP Teams, five (5) were able to complete their outputs that need further enhancement before these are finalized and adopted for implementation. These Teams represent the following protected areas:

1. Mt. Kitanglad Range Natural Park
2. Mt. Malindang Range Natural Park
3. Tubbataha Reefs Natural Park
4. Apo Reef Natural Park
5. Mt. Makiling Forest Reserve

To realize this and to sustain the gains of the PAFP Training, the mentoring and coaching will be conducted for these five protected areas to help the PAFP Teams in the finalization of relevant outputs, such as the PA Finance Plan, PA Investment Program and 1-year Action Plan.

The online mentoring and coaching will be held on the following dates and will be attended by the Chief PAMBCS, PENRO Planning Officers, PASus, PAMO technical staff (3) and PAMB members (2) particularly from the Sustainable Financing Committee or any equivalent PAMB Committee (Attached is a copy of the draft Special Order):



United Nations Decade on Biodiversity

Batch	Dates	Regions/PAs
1	May 3 - 7 & May 17 - 21, 2021	Region 10 1. Mt. Kitanglad Range NP 2. Mt. Malindang Range NP
2	May 10 - 12 & 14, & May 24 - 28, 2021	CALABARZON 1. Mt. Makiling FR MIMAROPA 1. Tubbataha Reefs NP 2. Apo Reef NP

Each participating Team is expected to have with them their PAMP and, if available, their respective Business Case/Plan, and other related plans and financial documents.

The mentoring and coaching will be conducted through a blended learning approach. Resource persons from the Biofin and BMB will participate online while the PAFP Team members shall participate via online and when feasible, shall convene in one conference hall to facilitate a more productive workshop following the COVID-19 health and safety protocols.

All expenses to be incurred in relation to the conduct of the above-mentioned activity will be shouldered by the UNDP-BIOFIN subject to the existing accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

Our staff from the UNDP-Biofin and National Parks Division will be coordinating with you on the details of this activity.

For information.


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