



MEMORANDUM

FOR : The Regional Executive Director
DENR MIMAROPA Region
L&S Building, Roxas Blvd., Ermita, Manila

FROM : Assistant Secretary for Policy, Planning, and Foreign Assisted and Special
Projects, and Director, in concurrent capacity

SUBJECT : **APPLICATION FOR FOREST LANDUSE AGREEMENT FOR
TOURISM (FLAgT) PURPOSES OF BORACAY REGENCY
BEACH RESORT INCORPORATED LOCATED IN SITIO JOLO,
BARANGAY POBLACION 5, CORON, PALAWAN**

DATE :

This has reference to your Memorandum dated 18 March 2021 addressed to the Undersecretary for Field Operations and Environment regarding the application of Boracay Regency Beach Resort Inc. (BRBRI) for Forest Landuse Agreement for Tourism (FLAgT) purposes with an area of 1.43 hectares of public forestlands located in Barangay Poblacion 5, Coron, Palawan and referred to Forest Management Bureau for appropriate action.

Review of the submitted documents disclosed the following issues and concerns, to wit:

1. Comprehensive Development and Management Plan;

1.1. Approval Sheet

The Approving Authority in the signed Approval Sheet by the members of CDMP Review and Deliberation Committee is the former Undersecretary for Field Operations, Enforcement and Muslim Affairs, Usec. Jim O. Sampulna. Accordingly, the said document was received by the Chief, LPDD of MIMAROPA Region on **30 October 2020** per note of the Assistant Regional Director for Technical Services of DENR MIMAROPA Region.

Per DENR Special Order No. 2020-310 dated **15 September 2020**, Undersecretary Juan Miguel T. Cuna, *CESO I* was designated as the Undersecretary for Field Operations and Environment, hence, to date the approving authority to sign the CDMP Approval Sheet shall be Usec. Cuna.

The Approval Sheet is also undated.

1.2. Cover Sheet

The CDMP Cover Sheet is not signed by the BRBRI.

1.3. Content of the CDMP

The contents of the Comprehensive Management and Development Plan are deemed insufficient. Said Plan should give significant emphasis on the development aspect of the project, hence, the existing infrastructures and the proposed developments within the applied areas should be discussed comprehensively.

A Gantt chart presenting the infrastructure development and work programs shall also be included in the CDMP to show the applicant/proponent's plans (short term/medium term/long term) and/or their 25-years plan over the applied FLAgT area.

2. Other Submitted Documentary Requirements;

2.1. Not certified true copies

- Articles of Incorporation
- By Laws
- Annual Income Tax Return
- Appropriate Clearance from NCIP

A document to be considered as Certified True Copy (CTC) of the original document, the certification should come from the issuing Office/Agency. However, the Authorized Certifying Officer of the concerned DENR Offices may also certify a true copy of the document provided that the original document was presented to her/him. Also, the name and office of the certifying officer should be indicated in the document along with the date of the certification in all the pages of each document which will be stamped with certified true copy.

2.2. Unorganized copy

The two (2) submitted folders relative to the subject application contained different sets of documents, i.e., there are documents in Folder No. 1 that are not in Folder No. 2 and vice versa, there are documents with certified true copies in Folder No. 1 but not certified true copies in Folder No. 2 or vice versa.

The Region may submit only one folder of application as long as it contains the complete sets of documentary requirements based on existing guidelines. Otherwise, or should there be more than one folder to be submitted, said folders should contain exactly the same sets of documentary requirements for ease of review and reference (dog ear and/or document tags may be provided).

Premises considered, it is recommended that DENR MIMAROPA coordinates accordingly with the BRBRI for the resolution of the above-mentioned observations, issues, and concerns. Please be informed that the subject application for FLAgT shall only be given due consideration upon the resolution of the same.

Further, this Office reiterates DENR Memoranda dated 25 and 26 April 2017 (copy attached) regarding the submission of documents to the DENR Central Office for consideration and approval. Said Memoranda reminded the Regional Offices to refrain from endorsing applications for forest tenure issuance, which are incomplete and not appropriately evaluated. Documents to be submitted at the Central Office (CO) shall be explicitly discussed/presented in a Completed Staff Work (CSW) format in order to provide ample and reliable information to the DENR CO.

FOR INFORMATION AND FURTHER APPROPRIATE ACTION, PLEASE.

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