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## PALAWAN COUNCIL FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT STAFF

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**MR. DAVID R. BALADAD**

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Dear Mr. Baladad:

This refers to your inquiry as to whether or not the disapproval of then DENR-MIMAROPA Regional Executive Director Henry A. Adornado of the PAMB endorsement dated August 30, 2018 issued in favor of CAMPAL's Agro-Forestry Project in So. Candis, Barangay Campong Ulay, Rizal, Palawan was proper.

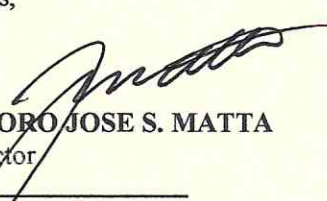
The matter stated above was duly referred to the PCSD Legal and Inter-Governmental Affairs Committee for deliberation. The same was included in the agenda during the Committee Meeting held last November 26, 2020 where the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) and PAMB were duly represented. It was established that DENR did not approve the PAMB endorsement because it relied on the 2005 ECAN Map which indicated that the project area falls within the Core Zone where any kind of activity is strictly prohibited.

PCSD Proclamation No. 16<sup>1</sup> issued on October 9, 2000 declared Certificate of Ancestral Domain Claim No. 100 located in So. Campong-Ulay, Punta Baja, Rizal, Palawan as Tribal Ancestral Zone. However, the same was not reflected and incorporated in the 2005 ECAN Map<sup>2</sup>. On January 18, 2018, PCSD Resolution No. 18-622<sup>3</sup> was issued entitled "Amending the ECAN Map of Tribal Ancestral Zone located in Barangays Campong-Ulay and Punta Baja, Municipality of Rizal, Palawan". By virtue of the said resolution, an updated ECAN Map<sup>4</sup> was approved indicating therein that the area previously classified as falling within the Core Zone is now a Tribal Ancestral Zone. However, due to failure of communication between the PCSD and the DENR, the latter was not informed of the amended ECAN Map, hence its reliance to the 2005 approved ECAN Map.

In view of the foregoing, it is recommended that SocResources re-submit its application before the PAMB, together with all the other documents it previously submitted as required for the issuance of a PAMB endorsement. The PCSD will also furnish the PAMB and DENR with PCSD Proclamation No. 16, Resolution No. 18-622 and the updated ECAN Map.

We hope to have shed light to your query.

Very truly yours,

  
**ATTY. TEODORO JOSE S. MATTA**  
Executive Director

<sup>1</sup> Annex A- PCSD Proclamation No. 16

<sup>2</sup> Annex B- 2005 ECAN Map for Municipality of Rizal

<sup>3</sup> Annex C- PCSD Resolution No. 18-622

<sup>4</sup> Annex D- Updated ECAN Map

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