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Dear Dir. Ferrer,

Greetings!


The Forestry Development Center – UPLB College of Forestry and Natural Resources, in line with its mandate to conduct policy studies and provide a venue for the discussion of issues in forestry, natural resources, and environment, will be holding a policy forum under its FOREST POLICY e-TALKS 2022 with a Series of Webinars on the theme “***Turning the Tide: Why Mangroves Matter***”. The third topic of the series, **Mangrove Ecosystem Goods and Services: Practices and Lessons Learned in Mangrove Development and Utilization**, will be held on **16 August 2022, 9:00 – 12:00 nn** via Zoom and Facebook live stream.

We have invited 3 speakers from local government units (LGUs) and 1 from people’s organization (PO) to give five-minute presentations each on their respective mangrove projects. The presentation will be followed by a moderated question and answer portion on relevant topics. This will be followed by an open forum. The policy forum is open to participants from government sectors, private sector, policy makers, LGUs, and academic institutions.

We are therefore inviting you and your colleagues to join us in this online policy forum. You may register at this link <https://bit.ly/whyMangroves3>. The policy forum will also be live streamed at Forestry Development Center CFNR UPLB page. E-certificates will be issued to the participants after they fill out the evaluation at the end of the forum. Attached is the draft program of activities. Please feel free to contact our office for any concern regarding the policy forum.

Thank you very much and we look forward to a fruitful online policy forum.

Very truly yours,

  
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