

PUBLIC SCOPING REPORT

for the

Proposed Expansion of the Gotok Limestone Quarry Project of Rio Tuba Nickel Mining Corporation (RTNMC)

1.0 INTRODUCTION

Rio Tuba Nickel Mining Corporation (RTNMC) is applying for the amendment of its ECC (ECC-CO-1801-0001) to extend the mine life of the Gotok Limestone Quarry located in Barangays Iwahig and Sandoval, Municipality of Bataraza, Palawan. The proposed amendment will include the expansion of its development area within the MPSA from 13.0 ha to 59.90 ha. To start the ECC amendment process, RTNMC submitted its request for a conduct of a Public Scoping Meeting together with the documentary requirements to the Environmental Management Bureau (EMB) Central Office. This was done in accordance with the Department Administrative Order (DAO) 2017-15 or the “Guidelines on Public Participation Under the Philippine Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) System”.

2.0 DOCUMENTATION OF PUBLIC SCOPING

Following the guidelines stated in DAO 2017-15, a Notice of Public Scoping Meeting was posted at the EMB website on July 28, 2022, at least 10 days before the conduct of the activity. Copies of the notice were also posted at the Municipal Hall of Bataraza and at public spaces within the impact barangays. A copy of the notice is provided in **Annex 1**. **Annex 6** also includes photos of the actual posting of the Notice in various public places and local bulletins.

Prior to the activity, invitation letters signed by the EMB Director were disseminated by RTNMC. Received copies of the invitations are presented in **Annex 2**.

A total of 96 stakeholders and representatives attended the Public Scoping Meeting for the Gotok Limestone Quarry Expansion Project held on August 9, 2022 at the Sandoval Covered Court in Barangay Sandoval, Municipality of Bataraza. Representatives from the Barangay and Municipal Local Government Units of Impact areas, local organizations, concerned National Government Agencies, other industries within the vicinity of the project area, RTNMC and Gaia South, Inc. were present during the meeting. **Table 1** shows the composition of the attendees and copy of the attendance sheets are provided as **Annex 3**.

Table 1. Attendees for each group/organization

Group/Organization	No. of Attendees
EMB MIMAROPA - PEMU	2
DENR PENRO - PALAWAN	1
MGB MIMAROPA	1
DepEd - Palawan	1
Palawan Council for Sustainable Development (PCSD) Staff	2
LGU – BATARAZA (Vice-Mayor's Office, Municipal Planning and Development Office and Municipal Environment and Natural Resources Office)	3
Barangay Iwahig (BLGU, Farmers' Association, Senior Citizen Association, Religious Sector, and Barangay Health Workers)	7

Group/Organization	No. of Attendees
Barangay Sandoval (BLGU, Transport Group, Parent-Teacher Association, and Barangay Health Workers)	26
Barangay Rio Tuba (BLGU, Fisherfolks, Religious Sector, Senior Citizen Association, Women's' Organization, and Barangay Health Workers)	12
Barangay Ocayan (BLGU, PWD, Business Sector, Transport Sector, ERPAT, and Women's' Org.)	12
Indigenous People – Representatives (Tribal Chieftain and Indigenous People Mandatory Representative)	2
Western Philippines University (WPU)	2
Environmental Legal Assistance Center (ELAC)	2
Haribon Foundation Palawan	1
Coral Bay Nickel Corporation (CBNC)	3
Graymont Philippines Inc. (GPI)	1
RTNMC	15
Gaia South Inc.	3
Total	96

For this public scoping meeting, the program of activities followed the requirements set in the DAO 2017-18. A copy of the program is provided as **Annex 4**.

The program started at around 9:30 a.m. with an opening prayer followed by the singing of the National Anthem. Hon. Eddie Catague, Chairman of Brgy. Sandoval, welcomed the attendees to the Public Scoping Meeting. The introduction of participants was done by Ms. Kristine Lasmarias of Gaia South Inc. She also gave an overview of the workshop and its objectives. Ms. Edna Velasco, Chief of Provincial Environmental Management Unit - Palawan (PEMU-Palawan), presented the scoping guidelines and the mechanics of the activity. This was followed by a series of presentation by RTNMC, starting with the technical specifications of the proposed project done by Engr. Jayson Lomboy, Mine Engineering Department Manager, followed by the environmental impacts and mitigating measures done by Ms. Christinne Blanco, Pollution Control Officer, and lastly, the presentation of the social aspect of the project done by Ms. Venice Guian, Community Relations In-Charge. **Annex 5** shows the PowerPoint Presentation of the Project Description.

The open forum was then moderated by Ms. Edna Velasco, PEMU-Palawan, wherein the attendees were given a chance to raise their concerns related to the proposed project. After closing the forum, Ms. Kristine Lasmarias of Gaia South delivered the summary of all issues and concerns raised. This was followed by delivery of messages from Hon. Havier Mattrasal, Chairman of Brgy. Iwahig and Hon. Simmy V. Didik, Councilor of Brgy. Rio Tuba. The program was then closed by a presentation of the next steps in the EIA process done by Ms. Edna Velasco. The Public Scoping meeting concluded at 12:15 p.m.

Photo-documentation of the activity is provided as **Annex 6**.

3.0 ANALYSIS OF ISSUES RAISED DURING THE PUBLIC SCOPING

Table 2 summarizes the issues and concerns raised during the open forum.

Table 2. Summary of the issues and concerns raised during the open forum

Name	Issues/Concerns/Notes	Response
PROJECT DESCRIPTION		
Ms. Dely Urdelas <i>Resident, Brgy. Sandoval</i>	<p>Earlier it was mentioned that the expansion of the quarry operation is 60 hectares which is within our land. So what will happen to our land if there will be an expansion?</p> <p>Our lands are close to your mining site and blasting area.</p> <p>We are located on the other side. We are planting at the foot of the mountain within our land.</p>	<p>Mr. Rodolfo T. Campos <i>Project Manager, RTNMC</i></p> <p>The expansion is actually not an expansion in terms of adding space (only within the approved MPSA). We will check where your land is located. Our Mining Engineer is here to validate. But regarding the expansion, we would not apply for a new one, it is still the original area, we will just extend. So we can continue the operation of CBNC and your CSR benefits.</p> <p>Don't worry about our blasting activities because we have a contractor for it and we assure you that when we conduct blasting, there is no one around. So when you see people in the area, those are our contractor. The PNP and LGU will also be informed before the blasting activity.</p> <p>Noted on this ma'am. We will have someone check the area. Anyway, we will make sure that your land will not be included. <i>(Requested Engr. Lomboy to check Ma'am Dely's area).</i></p> <p>The design of the actual quarry site is within our property (MPSA) only. The additional area for the quarry is only 10 hectares. We will limit the expansion to Gotok and we will protect the caves in the area. So, if you saw the presentation of Engr. Lomboy earlier there are areas that won't be affected so we can protect the caves in the area.</p> <p>For. Edna Velasco, <i>PEMU, EMB MIMAROPA</i></p> <p>Okay. I hope that is clear ma'am.</p>
Ms. Arvee Salazar <i>Environmental Legal Assistance Center (ELAC)</i>	<p>We are an Environmental Group that monitors the mining activities here in our Province. We also provide assistance to the Indigenous People (IP) with regards to issues like these. My question is, first and foremost, have we done a feasibility study in the area?</p>	<p>Mr. Reynaldo Dela Rosa <i>COMREL, RTNMC</i></p> <p>Any expansion or any project we do in area will not be allowed without a Feasibility Study or Environmental Impact Assessment Report. These are the requirements of the PCSD and the DENR. Whatever project it is, all studies should have been done regardless if expansion or new project.</p>

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	May we ask for a copy of the pre-Feasibility Study? We cannot access the document in the website given. <i>(Ms. Salazar may have been referring to the Project Description indicated in the letter of invitation for the Public Scoping)</i>	<p>We submitted that to the DENR and that is a public document that you can get anytime. We submit everything to the DENR. If you get the copy from us, it might become self-serving. Some might say we revised something in the study. It is better if the copy you will get is the one we submitted to the Government. It is public document anyway.</p> <p>For. Edna Velasco <i>PEMU, EMB MIMAROPA</i></p> <p>If you need a copy ma'am, you may send a request to the Central Office because they are the ones who received it. Please address it to the EMB Director.</p>
<p>Ms. Arvee Salazar <i>Environmental Legal Assistance Center (ELAC)</i></p>	<p>It is because we are really unaware, so apologies for that. We also tried to access your Feasibility Report but we did not see anything. For the information of everyone, what is blasting and what do you use when you conduct blasting?</p> <p>Sir, may we know if you use dynamites? If yes, what kind of dynamites?</p> <p>We are just asking because sometimes the explosion is too much right and it affects the people, the animals in the forest, and also the environment. This is also why I want to clarify. Thank you.</p>	<p>Mr. Rodolfo T. Campos <i>Project Manager, RTNMC</i></p> <p>Thank you ma'am for your question. Our contractor for the blasting activity is Consolidated Exploration. When we say controlled blasting, we do it phase by phase. You cannot blast the entire area in one go. That is why we call it controlled blasting. For example, if we need 50 x 20 meters only then blasting will be limited to that. If you look at it, the area to be blasted is small but we still inform the community. If you see anyone there, those are our contractors, they are the ones giving the go signal to start the blasting. We prohibit anyone else to enter the area. So, when we say we will do blasting, we clear the entire area. We will call the community and inform them that we will do blasting at a specific hour and day.</p> <p>Mr. Rodolfo T. Campos <i>Project Manager, RTNMC</i></p> <p>We use ordinary blasting cap. When there is no blasting cup, then regular dynamite. Our Contractor asks first for permission from the PNP before we conduct blasting. This is not the kind of dynamite with too much explosions that can blast the entire area.</p> <p>Mr. Neil James Duran <i>Gaia South Inc.</i></p> <p>Part of the EPRMP or Environmental Performance Report and Management Plan is the environmental risk assessment. Included in that module is the extent of impacts of the blasting. Rest assured that these concerns and issues pertaining to the project will be presented during the public hearing or after we do</p>

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		the study of the area. Part of the program is to discuss the issues brought up today and what the Company did to address the issue. The results of the study and the extent and intensity of the noise will also be discussed. At the same time, we will present the mitigating measures and the procedural manuals as RTNMC has ISO certification. During the Public Hearing, we will discuss all of those things. Hopefully you can also attend and our study can satisfy or answer your question.
LAND		
Ms. Arvee Salazar <i>Environmental Legal Assistance Center (ELAC)</i>	<p>Since our colleagues from PCSD are here, do we know the classification of the forest to be destroyed? Is it a natural forest? Because in our first assessment in 2009, it is in the core zone - the expansion area.</p> <p>Thank you very much Sir Apollo. Our only concern here as well is the conduct of blasting or use of dynamite. Because even if it is a Controlled-Use Zone, and dynamites are being used, it will affect the lands in the area. What are our mitigating measures? Because there are people living below the mountains, right? When you do blasting, or if it rains and there is flooding, how are the people, how are the IPs in the area? So aside from the environment, we are also concerned on the welfare of the IPs.</p>	<p>Mr. Apollo Regalo <i>PCSD</i></p> <p>We have criteria and guidelines based on the PCSD resolution that we used when we use sonar on terrestrial and also on coastal areas of Palawan. Based on the criteria, that area is classified as Controlled-Use Zone. Also, based on our guidelines, Controlled-Use Zones have activities that can to be conducted and quarrying is an activity allowed within a Controlled-Use Zone.</p> <p>Mr. Reynaldo Dela Rosa <i>COMREL, RTNMC</i></p> <p>Ma'am, maybe if you can get a copy of our impact study, you will see that we include that in the document. With regards to the community, Chieftain Kurob is here with us, he knows that before we conduct the blasting, the communities are well-informed. The process is a controlled blasting. For example, we just need to blast one (1) hectare or 50 x 20 meters only, we can easily do that because the blasting technology is already modern. That is indicated in the impact study that hopefully you can get a copy of. Chieftain Kurob here can vouch that the community is well-informed before the blasting.</p>
Mr. Marlon Tamsi <i>Environmental Legal Assistance Center (ELAC)</i>	<p>I just want to reiterate what my colleague mentioned earlier that we cannot access the website.</p> <p>Second, we all know that there are caves in the area so since this is Public Scoping, hopefully we can also have focus on the protection of the caves. Also, the actions of the Company and the IPs on the blasting activity. They mentioned earlier their actions before blasting. Hopefully we can include that in the scope of the study. The blasting activity as well as the caves, and protection of the natural forest should be included because that is where they get their medicines from.</p>	<p>Mr. Neil James Duran <i>Gaia South Inc.</i></p> <p>After this Public Scoping, we will make a Public Scoping Report to be submitted to the EMB. Whatever issues raised here will be included in the report and then it will be used by the EMB Review Committee. We will also conduct a Technical Scoping Meeting, wherein we will discuss the result of the Public Scoping with the DENR, including RTN and the EMB Review Committee (and Resource Persons). The Public Scoping Report is their (EMB) additional basis for the studies they want to include in the EIA. Also, Gaia South has previously</p>

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	<p>Mr. Marlon Tamsi ELAC</p> <p>Thank you very much Sir Neil because we really want to access your Project Description Report. But not everyone can access the internet so hopefully there are copies that are readily available. That is my suggestion.</p>	<p>done a joint cave assessment with the PCSD and we will include that in the study. If you notice in the design, RTNMC avoided the caves, with 50 meters buffer zone. Supposedly, these area can be quarried directly but re-designing was needed due to the required buffer zone. The company could have gotten more limestone in the area but this cannot be done in order to protect the four (4) identified caves.</p> <p><i>(Gaia South Personnel talked to the ELAC to representative on how to access the website)</i></p>
<p>Mr. Inocencio Magallanes Haribon Foundation Member of the Multi-Partite Monitoring Team (MMT) of RTNMC</p>	<p>Just to add, we have a request before about the caves. If you remember Sir Apol of PCSD there are compliance requirements for that. What I want to see here in the Scoping Report that you will make is the effects of blasting on the caves. Because there was a study we commissioned before so I want to see in the report if the caves were protected during the blasting. Our caves are environmentally critical so we need to protect it.</p>	<p>Mr. Neil James Duran Gaia South Inc.</p> <p>Thank you, Sir. We will include that in the study. Later on, we will discuss the summary of the issues and concerns that were raised and then what were the responses or actions to address the issues. All of these will be part of the Public Scoping Report.</p> <p><i>(To clarify, the Public Scoping Report will not include the requested discussion on the effects of blasting but will be presented in the EPRMP. The concern/suggestion will only be noted in the Public Scoping Report. Moreover, the documentation during the Public Hearing will include the actual recording of the hearing procedure to be submitted to DENR.)</i></p>
WATER		
<p>For. Reynaldo Rivera MENRO, Bataraza</p>	<p>The issue on the watershed or the water catchment within the MPSA of Gotok has never been mentioned. In our Forest Land Use Plan, the catchment is included. So hopefully you can consider the conservation of our watershed within the area of expansion the Gotok Quarry.</p> <p>Can we request for a copy of the study?</p>	<p>Mr. Neil James Duran Gaia South Inc.</p> <p>Yes sir, the watershed is included in our study as part of the hydrogeology and hydrology.</p> <p>Mr. Neil James Duran Gaia South Inc.</p> <p>Based on the EIA process, once the EMB has approved the report and we have completed the report based on the requirements and additional information,</p>

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	Can we request for the draft report that has yet to be approved by the EMB?	<p>copies will be provided to the LGU of Bataraza as well as the host Barangays and government agencies involved.</p> <p>Mr. Neil James Duran <i>Gaia South Inc.</i></p> <p>The EMB will forward the copies to you because I think you will also be part of the EMB Review Committee as Resource Person. So EMB will invite you to attend the review process. Once you are a member of the EMB Review Committee, they will furnish you the copy of the report.</p>
PEOPLE		
Hon. Eddie Catague <i>Barangay Captain, Barangay Sandoval</i>	We also see some workers in the company that are not from the area. Our issue is about job which can be done by the locals from Sandoval. Locals from Sitio Gotok or Iwahig may be hired for some work opportunities as well such as digging and housekeeping since they are more affected by the operations.	<p>Mr. Rodolfo T. Campos <i>Project Manager, RTNMC</i></p> <p>We are trying our best to get the locals of Gotok. We will relay this to the management to prioritize the locals of Bataraza especially those in Sandoval, Iwahig, and in Rio Tuba. Earlier, Councilor Simmy Didik and I discussed that some people were coming here claiming they are local in the area but in reality they are not really natives or not from Bataraza. So I also told Captain and his team earlier to give a Certification to the people who are coming in the area. If not from Bataraza, maybe an authorization can be given. But to the applicants, we will make sure to request for the locals. If the applicant is qualified, we will do our best to hire them. We cannot promise anything but we will do everything to accommodate qualified workers from Bataraza area.</p>
	This question is about our box culvert. You know that it is already rainy season And only half the work was done by the Company. Road maintenance should also be done. There was once an incident wherein a Barangay Council member on his motorcycle, visited the area wearing a <i>barong</i> and was splattered with laterite when a huge vehicle passed through the uneven road. Immediate repair of potholes in the road must be done. Actually, the environmental compliance includes the maintenance of the road and box culvert right? Or if you want, you may budget to the Barangay and we will get the culvert fixed. It can be done in two weeks.	<p>Mr. Reynaldo Dela Rosa <i>COMREL, RTNMC</i></p> <p>Thank you very much Captain for raising the concern regarding the box culvert. There is no one else who can help us with this except Chairman Eddie. This is because we respect the claimants of the road. They have things that they still want to do. They did not allow the culvert and you also know that Captain Eddie. But the construction of the culvert is already with the Municipality who also reported to us that there was a little misunderstanding so they stopped. But if we really want it to be finished, there is no one else who can help us except Chairman Eddie.</p> <p>The Company is willing to maintain the road. This year, thru Chairman Eddie, we paved the road with gravel twice. However, due to the heavy usage and also because it was not concrete, there is a need for regular maintenance. But as I</p>

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	<p>What they really want to ask is if RTNMC is expanding, how many meters or kilometers is it from the original area? Because why would you expand if there are still available minerals in your quarry area? Expanding would mean that you can no longer get limestone from your existing area?</p>	<p>said, we need your support and help because there are still issues on the road. That is what we have discussed earlier. But just keep in mind that the company is willing to help whatever is agreed upon by the Barangay, Municipality, the community and the claimants.</p> <p>Going back to the expansion that was asked by Chairman Eddie. We all know that you are confused. Why would we say expansion but we are not going beyond the MPSA? The MPSA is the area granted by the Government where we are allowed to mine. That is according to the Mining Law or the Philippine Mining Act. But in Palawan we have a special law – it is the SEP Law. There is no law like this in other provinces. DENR gave us 84 hectares but the PCSD only gave us 13 hectares. In the past year, RTNMC mines only within the 13 hectares even if the Government granted us the 84 hectares. Now we are applying for the expansion of the 13-ha area that is confined within the 84-ha MPSA. We will not go beyond the given permit of the DENR. Even the volume will be increased. Only the 13 hectares will have an expansion. As previously said, we have a special law here in Palawan. I will give the floor to Engr. Jayson again so he can explain better.</p> <p>Engr. Jayson Lomboy <i>RTNMC</i></p> <p>Good morning once again. (<i>Presenting again the slides</i>) Here is our MPSA of 84 hectares while the existing operation of 13 hectares is here. Our new SEP Clearance is at 47 hectares. That is already the expansion. If we combine the proposed expansion of 47 hectares and the existing 13 hectares, then it will become 60 hectares.</p> <p>Mr. Reynaldo Dela Rosa <i>COMREL, RTNMC</i></p> <p>So there, we will not go beyond the MPSA.</p> <p>Mr. Apollo Regalo <i>Palawan Council for Sustainable Development (PCSD)</i></p> <p>Like what was said by Engr. Jayson earlier, the company was given an expansion or SEP clearance. What is indicated in the Clearance is 46.9 hectares. That is the subject of the expansion. That is where they can</p>

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		<p>expand their operations. For their benefit, are you allowed to tell them how much of the 46.9 hectares is subject for actual drilling or excavation or actual quarry operations and where is it? Because it seems overwhelming if 46.9 hectares is included in the expansion but the actual site for quarrying is not as big right?</p> <p>Engr. Ronelbert Suguitan <i>Resident Mine Manager, RTNMC</i></p> <p>Thank you, Sir. For clarification, he already said that the inclusion of our SEP Clearance is 46.9 hectares. Within that approved 46.9 hectares, only 10 hectares will be quarried. That would be its only expansion. So it would just be almost as big as our existing 13 hectares. The expansion is only 10 hectares. If you look here in the plan, there are identified caves by PSCD. It was included in our conditions to have a buffer area. You will notice that we avoided the caves. We also did this to our first 13 hectares. The MMT will also ensure that the caves will not be damaged. We also do controlled blasting so we do not damage the caves in the area.</p> <p>For. Edna Velasco <i>PEMU, EMB MIMAROPA</i></p> <p>Ok that is clear. Only the 10 hectares will be added in the quarry operations. Even myself, I visualize 46.9, and I said its huge, but now it is clear that it is not the entire area. That is what we need to add to this report.</p> <p>Mr. Inocencio Magallanes <i>Haribon Foundation</i> <i>Member of the Multi-Partite Monitoring Team (MMT) of RTNMC</i></p> <p>The mineral production is within the MPSA. But if it's me, use extension instead of expansion. If you will expand the quarry operations by 10 hectares, it would seem like small scale mining. That is why you are protected by the MPSA. The benefit to the Barangay from the extraction tax is 40%, 30% to the Municipality, and then 30% to the Provincial Government. And I also recommend to you, if we extend to 10 hectares, the ECC conditions should include a Barangay Resolution where you are the priority to become the employees. You may insert that in the ECC condition so the company will surely get accept employees from Barangay Iwahig and Sandoval.</p>

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		<p>Engr. Ronelbert Suguitan <i>Resident Mine Manager, RTNMC</i></p> <p>I also want to answer the question of Captain Eddie about the culvert. What needs to be done is easy but we have been prohibited to do so. Maybe Captain, you can just help us with the Barangay and create a resolution and pass to the Municipal Government. If the resolution for approval will be granted I will personally make things done.</p> <p>For. Edna Velasco <i>PEMU, EMB MIMAROPA</i></p> <p>It is already clear to everyone. You can still give your comments, issues, or concerns but we hope that it is about the project.</p>
<p>Ms. Arvee Salazar <i>Environmental Legal Assistance Center (ELAC)</i></p>	<p>I have a follow-up question. Since you mentioned earlier the classification of the area and that there are IPs living there, is the area an ancestral land or ancestral domain?</p> <p>Does this mean it is classified as ancestral land?</p> <p>Does the land have a title?</p>	<p>Mr. Kurob Dambo <i>Chieftain, Brgy. Iwahig</i></p> <p>We are the original IPs in Kulantuod near the quarry. The Company follows the law and did not break their promises so far. A lot of our children were also able to go to school because of the company. It would be hard for us if the quarry will be stopped because the poor IPs can no longer afford to go to school.</p> <p>Regarding the blasting, before they do blasting, they come to me. For example, they will do blasting the next day, today they will come to me with proper notification. I will then tell to other IPs. They are honest people.</p> <p>Mr. Reynaldo Dela Rosa <i>COMREL, RTNMC</i></p> <p>Yes ma'am, it is part of the ancestral domain.</p> <p>Mr. Reynaldo Dela Rosa <i>COMREL, RTNMC</i></p> <p>We do not have the CADT (<i>Certificate of Ancestral Domain Title</i>) ma'am. They already have an application for CADT but it is still pending with NCIP. They already have ADSDPP and CRDP. But the Company, even if they do not have CADT, we still do our best to get a CP because we know that since time immemorial, they were already there. That is why Ms. Venice explained earlier that the benefits from the royalty, have been given to the IPs even if there is no</p>

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	<p>For Chieftain, if you do not have a CADT yet, maybe you already have SDMP or CSR. Hopefully we can work on getting them a CADT because if there is no CADT and we have activities like mining in the area of the IPs, they won't have a proper delineation right? Which means their area might be affected or this might also affect their CADT, so hopefully this is something we can think about thoroughly. You open your area to companies but if it affects the conduct of traditional activities and practices such as rituals, or the area where you get your medicinal plants, even if you have ADSDPP but you cannot prove it in these places, you might have problems on getting your CADT.</p> <p>Can the company help with their CADT instead?</p>	<p>approved CADT yet. Of course, the royalty is based on gross sales, our operations there is just small. As said by Sir Boy of Haribon Foundation earlier, it should be in PMRD since it is too small.</p> <p>So yes, this is an ancestral domain recognized by the company and the NCIP but their application is still in process and their CADT is yet to be released. As for the blasting, the biggest area affected is only half of this basketball court. We blast in small areas only.</p> <p>Mr. Reynaldo Dela Rosa <i>COMREL, RTNMC</i></p> <p>Before the Chieftain answered earlier, I have said that even if they do not have a CADT, all the rights and benefits of those with CADT are given to them by the Company. So, we will give all the help to the ADSDPP or everything you need including delineation. Because there is an accredited IPO that our natives and including Chieftain Kurob are a member of. The IPO is really into the preservation of the traditions. Actually, they have made a book on their traditions on medicinal plants. Hopefully, the IPDO can share it with you.</p> <p>Mr. Kurob Dambo <i>Chieftain, Brgy, Iwahig</i></p> <p>Ma'am, the CADT you mentioned, we have already applied for it as well as other IPs within Bataraza.</p> <p>Mr. Reynaldo Dela Rosa <i>RTNMC</i></p> <p>Their application is already with the NCIP for over 10 years. It is unfortunate that their CADT has been on hold while the others have already been released. They have been applying for more than 10 years. All requirements have been provided already. Hopefully NCIP can grant it soon because they will have more benefits aside from us that will come from the government and others that can give aid to them. If you are concerned about this, we are concerned as well. This is why even without a CADT, the owners of the Company are keen on giving the IPs their rightful benefits.</p> <p>Mr. Reynaldo Dela Rosa <i>RTNMC</i></p> <p>Yes ma'am.</p>

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Ms. Elma Urdelas <i>Resident, Gotok, Sandoval</i>	Why is it that you promised previously that before you open the Gotok Quarry, you will give jobs to our children and they will be regularized but until now, none of these were fulfilled? One more thing, our "basakan" has been destroyed due to flooding since you started your blasting in Gotok. We will allow the expansion for as long as you give jobs to our children and regularize them before you start the quarry.	<p>Mr. Rodolfo T. Campos <i>Project Manager, RTNMC</i></p> <p>Regarding the jobs, Sir Bong already answered that earlier. This is also included in our MOA. I also want to mention that we have a MOA with our IPs. However, we cannot accommodate everyone who applies. This is why we have SDMP, we have scholarship and CSR programs, as well as royalty for the IPs. That is the alternative to those who cannot be accommodated as we only need 30 persons. Actually, we have exceeded 30 persons to accommodate the request of the community for employment. In reality, Gotok can now cease its operation but we opted not to, to continuously provide livelihood for those who are in need.</p> <p>Mr. Neil James Duran <i>Gaia South Inc.</i></p> <p>The flood modeling is included in the requirement of the EMB. In the flood modeling, we will compare the cover /extent before the start of quarry operations then the transition from natural vegetation to palm oil plantation. There are constant factors on this. This will be included in our presentation during the Public Hearing.</p>
Mr. Bonifacio Bevie <i>Resident, Gotok, Sandoval</i>	As a TODA representative, what can you do to help in my livelihood? The situation of our roads is very poor. What can be done to improve our roads? We also hope that our children can be employed by the Company.	<p>For. Edna Velasco <i>PEMU, EMB-MIMAROPA</i></p> <p>That question was already answered earlier. So, it just the same answers.</p> <p>We will now close the open forum. The summary of issues will be presented later so kindly listen if your issue will be mentioned because it will be included in the Environmental Impact Assessment that will be submitted by Gaia South, Inc.</p>
OTHER CONCERNS		
Mr. Conrado Idia <i>Resident, Gotok, Iwahig,</i>	The road passing from the highway to the quarry is a private road according to our documents.	<p>Mr. Inocencio Magallanes <i>Haribon Foundation Member of the Multi-Partite Monitoring Team (MMT) of RTNMC</i></p> <p>We have been monitoring the Gotok Quarry operation. We should do the proposal for the road maintenance program. Let us wait for the Government to release the Executive Order on the monitoring of the development of that provincial road.</p> <p>When we went to inspect the area, we saw that the road is not a national highway. We never saw a document saying that this road is a private property. As far as we know, this is classified as a</p>

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	<p>We wrote to the Province (<i>Palawan LGU</i>) that this is a private property. They gave us a map. There is no indication here that this is San Juan Road, it only says Gotok Road. If this is a private property, why was a road built on it?</p> <p>This was already brought up with the Barangay. They have an answer to our complaint.</p>	<p>provincial road. Now, we propose that we develop a flood control program for that road because we have a problem with climate change especially during heavy rains. We should also develop a rehabilitation plan. During our long-time monitoring there, it is outside the MPSA of RTNMC so the issue on that road is within the jurisdiction of the Government.</p> <p>How can you say that this is a private property? This will be noted however, and will be checked with the Provincial Government of Palawan.</p> <p>This means your concern is not related to the mining project, so I suggest that we discuss this with the Government.</p> <p>Mr. Reynaldo Dela Rosa <i>COMREL, RTNMC</i></p> <p>You really have the right to know what the real status of that road is. However, RTNMC has no mandate on this especially since this is a public road. The decision of the Government will be followed by RTNMC. For now, the matter is between you and the Government because the right to close the roads is on the LGU. Maybe if you want to do that, we need to discuss this with the Government.</p> <p>Noted. We cannot answer that now since the MPSA of Gotok Quarry is too far. Maybe what you are saying is the possible road closure in case there will be an issue. But the discussion on the ownership of the road cannot be answered in this meeting.</p> <p>For. Edna Velasco <i>PEMU, EMB-MIMAROPA</i></p> <p>Maybe that is what we should do. That is a discussion with the LGU. It cannot be answered by RTNMC and it is too far from the operation of the Gotok Limestone Quarry.</p> <p>Hon. Bobby Panaligan <i>Barangay Ocayan</i></p> <p>The road cannot be closed because it is under the jurisdiction of the Government.</p>
Mr. Kurob Dambo <i>Chieftain, Brgy. Iwahig</i>	About the road going to Kulantuod. If it will be closed, what access would the people use going to Kulantuod? Prior to road closure, a request must be	Mr. Reynaldo Dela Rosa <i>COMREL, RTNMC</i>

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	delivered and approved by everyone. We should not quarrel over such issue. When we close the road, how about the locals of Kulantuod? Hopefully, we can have a full understanding on what your project is and if it will be within the Barangay, you can simply talk to the Captain.	Chief, thank you very much for your suggestion. But I want to reiterate that we cannot answer for now as that is a matter between you and our Government to discuss. So for now, we cannot answer this because we will need the help of the Municipality and the Province and other agencies to clarify the matter. This cannot be clarified to the public. For now, we will leave this issue on the table and we have here our companions like Capt. Jojo of the Municipal Council that we can ask for help.
Ms. Rosalia Fontanilla <i>Resident, Brgy. Iwahig</i>	Before the company came here, we were already living here. This is where we grew up and got married. Our children graduated because of the company. Even before the company came here, that road is already there. We have been using that road. So you cannot close that.	<p>Mr. Rodolfo T. Campos <i>Project Manager, RTNMC</i></p> <p>What you said is correct, the Gotok Quarry was not yet here but those roads were there already. In the 1980's I would pass by using that road. So that road is already there.</p> <p>Hon. Eddie Catague <i>Chairman, Barangay Sandoval</i></p> <p>This issue is already with the legal. We are not allowed to comment because it is up to the court. We do not have the right to comment because everyone has an opinion. Like Sir Bong and Ma'am Rosalia, I was also born here. However, we cannot say who is right and who is wrong. Let us just wait for the decision of the court. For the part of the Barangay, we already responded to their letter. We have also submitted a document so let us leave it for the meantime.</p>
Engr. Alma Valledor <i>MPDO, Bataraza</i>	Since this has already undergone the SEP process and you already have the SEP Clearance. You have also undergone the review of the ECAN Board in which the Chairman is our Mayor. The concern is we are currently reconstituting our special bodies and we will include in the ECAN Board the reconstitution especially the Technical Working Group. One of the responsibilities of the Technical Working Group or the ECAN Board is to monitor the programs and projects granted with SEP Clearance. We are informing you as early as now, that the ECAN Board will conduct monitoring activities aside from the evaluation and endorsement during SEP application. When we reconstitute the Executive Order, we start the conduct of monitoring. The concerns that were raised by the stakeholders earlier will also be checked by the ECAN Board and TWG.	<p>Mr. Neil James Duran <i>Gaia South Inc.</i></p> <p>Yes ma'am. That is noted.</p>

In summary, the following key issues/concerns/recommendations were documented during the open forum:

- Clarification on the extent of the proposed expansion. *RTNMC explained that the proposed area for expansion is just outside of the allowed 13-ha area as indicated in the ECC and SEP but still inside the approved MPSA.*
- Classification of the proposed project site based on ECAN Map. *It was explained by the PCSD Representative that based on their assessment and verification, the area is within the Controlled-Use Zone wherein quarry activities are allowed. RTNMC was also granted an SEP Clearance after it has satisfied the requirements and evaluation of the Council.*
- The project area being part of an ancestral domain. *Accordingly, the CADT application is still pending at the NCIP. Regardless of the CADT, the IPs still receive the same benefits of a CADT holder from the Company. The Company is always prepared to assist in the immediate approval of the CADT application.*
- Risk of blasting activities and query on the type of blasting material. *RTNMC has a contractor for the implementation of the controlled blasting which uses modern technology to ensure minimized impact. Prior to blasting, the residents/IPs, LGU, and the PNP are being notified ahead regarding the specific time and date to ensure that no one is near the area. The EPRMP will include the mitigating measures and impacts will be discussed specifically under the Environmental Risk Assessment.*
- Cave protection. *Based on RTNMC's mining plan, buffer zones will be maintained, caves will also be assessed during the EIA.*
- Localized flooding in the "basakan" in Gotok. *Gaia South mentioned that a Flood Modeling Study will be included in the EPRMP. Suggestion on watershed conservation/management was also noted.*
- Concerns on job opportunities. *RTNMC pledges to prioritize local workers but is also limited on the maximum number of workers needed in the operation. To further help the community, SDMP and CSR programs are being implemented by the Company.*
- Road maintenance and culvert installation. *The Company is in constant coordination with the LGU to help maintain the affected road while resolution on the installation of the box culvert is still being discussed due to issues of some local claimants.*
- Copy of the Project Description/Feasibility Study and EIA Draft Report. *For the Feasibility Study, official copy of the submitted document may be requested at the DENR. The Project Description (PD) has been uploaded in the EMB website per guidelines of the EMB as part of the advance posting for the conduct of Public Scoping Meeting. For the EIA Draft Report as requested by the MENRO, it was mentioned by Gaia South that they are usually invited by the EMB as Resource Person during technical reviews and will be given copy of the EIA document.*

- Reinstitution of the Municipal ECAN Board Technical Working Group (TWG). *It was mentioned by the Municipal ECAN Board Representative that the TWG will conduct monitoring in the area once the Executive Order has been approved.*

Comments sheet were provided to the attendees and these were read during the open forum. **Annex 7** provides the scanned copy of the filled-out comments sheets.

4.0 NEXT STEPS

A Public Scoping Report (PSR) will be submitted by Gaia South to the EMB Central Office. Once EMB approved the submitted PSR, a Technical Scoping Meeting will be convened. The issues, concerns and suggestions documented in this PSR will be considered by the EIA Review Committee in the scope of the EIA study. Agreements on the scope will be documented in the form of a Technical Scoping Checklist, which will be signed by all attending parties. This checklist will be used as basis in completing the Environmental Performance Report and Management Plan (EPRMP).

ANNEX 1 – NOTICE OF PUBLIC SCOPING



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Notice is hereby given to interested and concerned parties who wish to participate in the Public Scoping Activity that is scheduled on:

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The public scoping is an early stage in the Environmental Impact Assessment Process where the proponent aims to provide an overview of the proposed project, present proposed action, gather issues and concerns and other relevant information to provide the scope of work and terms of reference for the preparation of Environmental Impact Statement.

All interested parties, organizations, and agencies are encouraged to provide inputs during the Public Scoping and public review periods and provide comments to ddelarosa@gaisouthinc.com copy furnished EMB Central Office through email at eia@emb.gov.ph and recordsco@emb.gov.ph.

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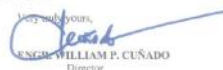







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Mrs. Edelyn Adonis
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 Business Sector Representative
 Proper Ocayan, Barangay Ocayan, Bataraza, Palawan

SUBJECT : PUBLIC SCOPING FOR THE PROPOSED EXPANSION OF THE GOTOK LIMESTONE QUARRY OF RIO TUBA NICKEL MINING CORPORATION (RTNMC) SET ON 09 AUGUST 2022

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Mr. Estiven Villarreal
 Representative
 TODA/ transport group association representative
 Proper Ocayan, Barangay Ocayan, Bataraza, Palawan

SUBJECT : PUBLIC SCOPING FOR THE PROPOSED EXPANSION OF THE GOTOK LIMESTONE QUARRY OF RIO TUBA NICKEL MINING CORPORATION (RTNMC) SET ON 09 AUGUST 2022

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 Representative
 Expat Association
 Proper Ocayan, Barangay Ocayan, Bataraza, Palawan

SUBJECT : PUBLIC SCOPING FOR THE PROPOSED EXPANSION OF THE GOTOK LIMESTONE QUARRY OF RIO TUBA NICKEL MINING CORPORATION (RTNMC) SET ON 09 AUGUST 2022

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Mr. Innocencio Magallanes
 Haribon Palawan

SUBJECT : PUBLIC SCOPING FOR THE PROPOSED EXPANSION OF THE GOTOK LIMESTONE QUARRY OF RIO TUBA NICKEL MINING CORPORATION (RTNMC) SET ON 09 AUGUST 2022

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
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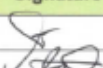



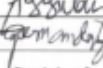

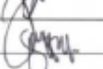
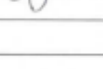





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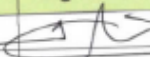
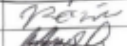


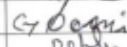
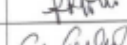


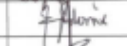



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2	PROV. CHESAP	F		PWD	
3	Bobby D. Parangon	M		Day 1st	
4	Bulung 12. Rana			Ocayan	
5	PEKING T. ASIRAN	M		Ocayan	
6	GERBROGALDONG	M	09977594322	Ocayan	
7	ADONIS F. MORA	F	0967519764	Ocayan	
8	Gerlaine B. Bulupa	F	09519650000	PTC	
9	Ronalyn D. Abule	F	0944 1496246	Womens	
10	Elizabeth Viprido	F	09095803561	Scholar	
11	BOLYN G. ADONIS	F	09072488504	posmgr Socor	
12	Jacton D. Capal	M	09072488504	Tricycle Driver	
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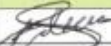
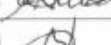
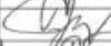

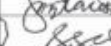
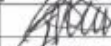




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2	Noel L. Masangkay	M	09198256749	SSPS MGB, Palawan	
3	EDNA S. VELASCO	F	09277795829	Chief, PMU, Palawan	
4	REYHDA ENOJA	F	091215462	P-II Dep Ed	
5	Carl Anthony Alejandro	M	09052219537	PLMS I	
6	JINEFER F. BUTU	F	091517110892	Campus Admin (UPU)	
7	CHRISTINE F. CUSIN	F	09484186285	Faculty (UPU)	
8	IRENE G. GUBAT	F	09064491860	LSA 2 (MVM of/ii)	
9	APOLLO V. REGALO	M	097208103860	PDO IV	
10	ANA MARIA G. XIOSTA	F	09462926154	PDO - II	
11	ALMA V. VALLEDOR	F	09177747787	MPDC - LGU Bata	
12	Reynaldo C. Rivera	M	09354324967	MPDC - Bataraza	
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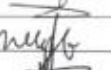


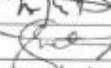













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2	ARVEE SALAZAR	F	094425932	Co Pres Legal	
3	MARTIN R. TAMS	M	091064330915	Co Pres Legal	
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Proponent, EIA Preparer and other Industries

RTNMC, Gaia, other Industries (CRNC, SPI)
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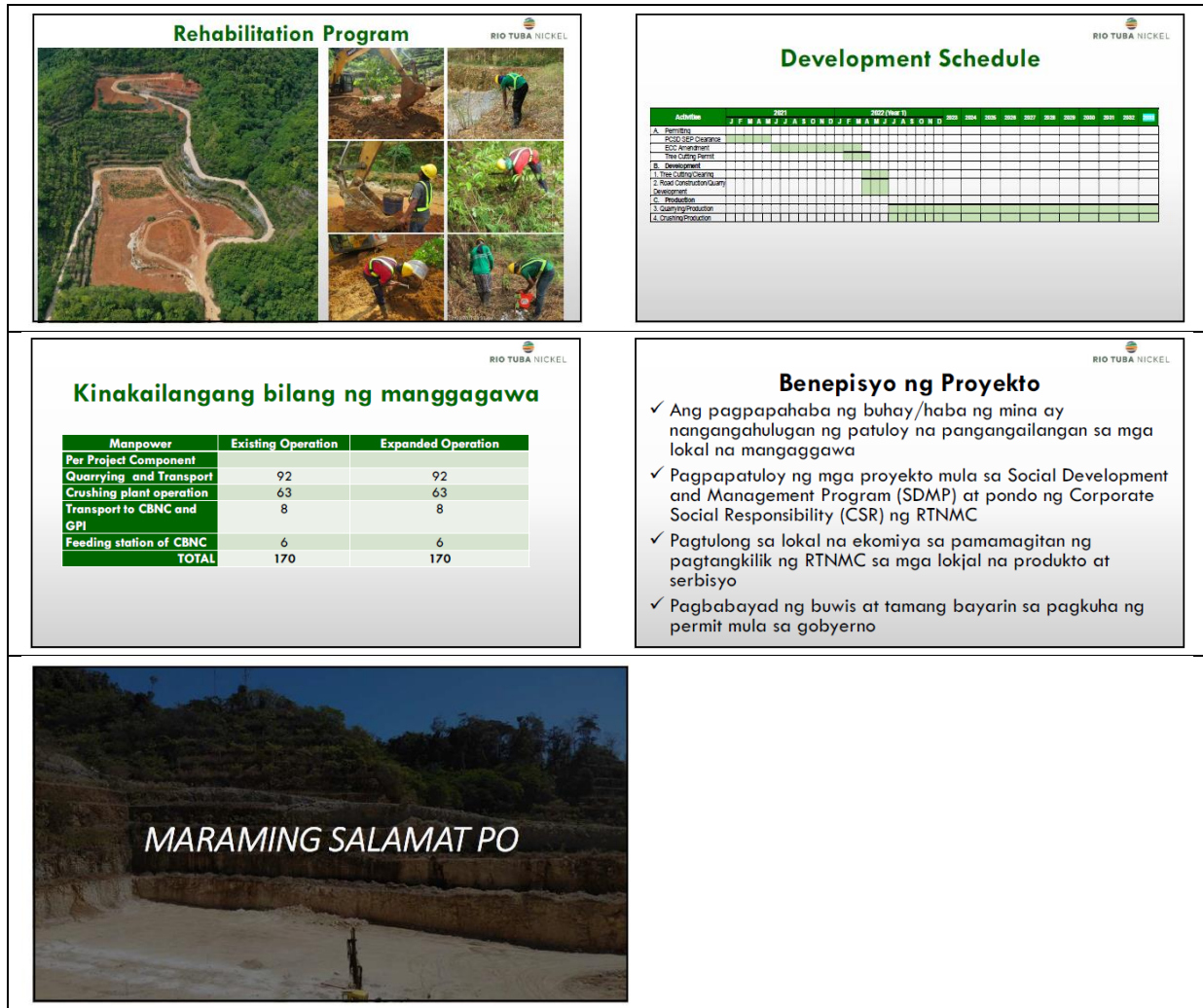
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2	Jayson Lombay	M		Envoy / RTN	
3	Friedman L. Pelayo	M		Envoy / RTN	
4	ROSAURO BUSCANG	M		Envoy	
5	Josias T. dela Cerna	M		Envoy	
6	BOIT ALIANTAN	M	0962377157	CDC	
7	Milly Dee S. Aguirre	F		Envoy	
8	DONJOURNE WATSON	M		SAFETY MANAGER	
9	CHERRY S. SALANGA	F	09086795223	Recruitment/Training Supervisor	
10	Lito Ayupokad	M		PLW	
11	Ronnie D. Solano	M	09064330238	Admin Manager	
12	Ann-Ann B. Tatal	M		Safety Officer	
13	SHERRY LAY A. NALAN	F		Safety Engr.	
14	JUOT RIEL	F	07178484416		
15	REY DANNAY	M	09266388891		
16	LXNIE HIMAYA	F	09493761000		
17	Venice Terra N. Guzan	F	0977221161	Comptrol Sup	
18	Janice M. Tupos	F		Manager / RTN	
19	Melissa Didic	F		Comptrol RTN	
20	Kristine Laumann	F	09061085120	Gaia South Inc	
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ANNEX 4 – PUBLIC SCOPING PROGRAM

<p>Project Title: Gotok Limestone Quarry Expansion Project Project Location: Barangays Iwahig, Sandoval, and Rio Tuba, Municipality of Bataraza, Province of Palawan Project Proponent: Rio Tuba Nickel Mining Corporation Date and Time of Scoping: August 9, 2022 at 9:00 am Venue: Sandoval Covered Court, Brgy. Sandoval, Municipality of Bataraza</p>		
Time Allotted	Program of Activities	Person Responsible
8:00-9:00 am	Registration/Acceptance of the participants	
9:00-9:10 am	Welcome Remarks	Hon. Eddie Catague <i>Chairman, Brgy. Sandoval</i>
9:10-9:20 am	Introduction of Participants, Workshop Overview, Objectives and Expectation Setting of the Scoping	Ms. Kristine Lasmarias <i>Gaia South Inc.</i>
9:20 – 9:30 am	Overview of the Scoping Guidelines; Mechanics of the Scoping for the project	For. Edna Velasco <i>Chief, Provincial Environmental Management Unit – Palawan, EMB MIMAROPA</i>
9:30 – 10:00 am	Brief Presentation of Proposed Project, Potential Impacts and Measures	RTNMC <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Engineering • Environment • Community Relations
10:00-12:00 nn	Open Forum and Raising of Issues to be addressed by the EIA Study	For. Edna Velasco <i>Chief, Provincial Environmental Management Unit – Palawan, EMB MIMAROPA</i>
12:00-12:10 pm	Synthesis and Integration/ Summary of Issues and Agreements on Scoping and Next Steps in the EIA Process	
12:20-12:20 pm	Messages from Representative Sectoral Participants	Hon. Javier Matrasal <i>Chairman, Brgy. Iwahig</i>
12:20-12:30 pm	Closing Remarks, and Next Steps in the EIA Process	For. Edna Velasco <i>Chief, Provincial Environmental Management Unit – Palawan, EMB MIMAROPA</i>

<p>Mga Pasilidad Quarry & Crushing Plant</p> 	<p>Pagkontrol ng Polusyon at Dumit</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ basura at iba pang materyales 36m³ kada taon <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➢ Paghihiwalay sa nabubulok at di nabubulok ➢ Pagtatapon sa GP-28 (mined-out pit na may kapasidad na 240,000 m³ na kayang mapuno sa loob ng 20 taon) ✓ wastewater – 1,044 m³ kada araw <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➢ settling/recycling pond at pakakawalan papunta sa Upper Kinurong
<p>Pagkontrol ng Polusyon at Dumit Quarry Area</p>  <p>Silt collector sumps</p> <p>Water spraying of the hauling road</p>	<p>Pagkontrol ng Polusyon at Dumit Crushing Plant & Magazine Areas</p>  <p>Water settling/recycling pond</p> <p>Constructed berm at the Magazine area</p>
<p>Rehabilitation Program</p> <p>•Nursery Operation</p>  <p>Soil Potting</p> <p>Wildling Collection</p> <p>Seedling Maintenance</p>	<p>Rehabilitation Program</p> <p>•Nursery – Production of Large Planting Materials</p> 
<p>Rehabilitation Program</p> <p>•Nursery – Clonal Rehabilitation Facility</p> 	<p>Rehabilitation Program</p> <p>•Watering Activity</p> 
<p>Rehabilitation Program</p> <p>•Revegetation</p> 	<p>Rehabilitation Program</p> 



RIO TUBA NICKEL

Project Title : Gotok Limestone Quarry Expansion Project

Project Location : Barangays Iwahig, Sandoval, and Rio Tuba, Municipality of Bataraza, Province of Palawan

Project Proponent : Rio Tuba Nickel Mining Corporation

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RIO TUBA NICKEL

Benepisyo ng Proyekto

- ✓ Ang pagpapahaba ng buhay/haba ng mina ay nangangahulugan ng patuloy na pangangailangan sa mga lokal na mangaggawa
- ✓ Pagpapatuloy ng mga proyekto mula sa Social Development and Management Program (SDMP) at kaukulang pondo mula Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) ng RTNMC
- ✓ Pagtulong sa lokal na ekonomiya sa pamamagitan ng pagtangkilik ng RTNMC sa mga lokal na produkto at serbisyo
- ✓ Pagbabayad ng buwis at tamang bayarin sa pagkuha ng permit mula sa lokal na pamahalaan at gobyerno

RIO TUBA NICKEL

Kinakailangang bilang ng manggagawa

Manpower	Existing Operation	Expanded Operation
Per Project Component		
Quarrying and Transport	92	92
Crushing plant operation	63	63
Transport to CBNC and GPI	8	8
Feeding station of CBNC	6	6
TOTAL	170	170

RIO TUBA NICKEL

ANNUAL SDMP ACCOMPLISHMENT

COMPONENT	2018	2019	2020	2021	TOTAL PER COMPONENT
Development of Host & Neighboring Communities (DHNC)	1,791,466.80	4,031,627.24	4,562,463.12	3,137,126.73	13,522,683.89
Information Education & Communication (IEC)	467,538.41	695,335.49	694,237.53	288,282.97	2,345,394.40
Development of Mining Technology & Geosciences (DMTG)	139,545.00	283,339.43	843,957.43	642,938.51	1,609,780.37
TOTAL PER YEAR	2,398,550.21	5,210,302.16	6,100,658.08	4,068,348.21	

RIO TUBA NICKEL

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Diana M. Usman is the first college graduate under the SDMP scholarship program of Gotok Limestone Quarry Project. She obtained her degree in Bachelor of Elementary Education from Palawan State University Bataraza Campus this year.

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IMPLEMENTED PROJECTS FOR IP

Number of Scholars Per Barangay/IP Community as of July 2022

No.	Community	College	High school	Elem.
1	IP Kinurong, Rio Tuba		3	
2	IP Panagaan, Taratak		4	
3	IP Bagusan, Ocayan		2	
4	IP Proper, Sandoval			2
Sub Total			9	2
1	Non IP Iwahig	3		
Sub Total		3		
GRAND TOTAL		3	9	2



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ANNEX 6 – PHOTODOCUMENTATION

Posting of the Notice of Public Scoping at Public Spaces



So. Proper, Barangay Iwahig, Bataraza, Palawan



Barangay Sandoval, Bataraza, Palawan



Barangay Ocayan, Bataraza, Palawan



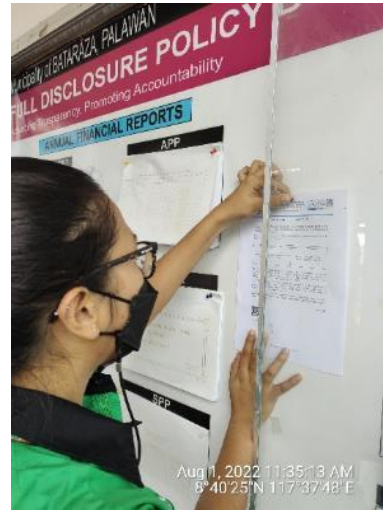
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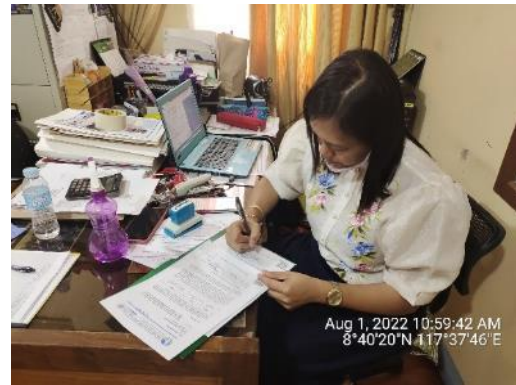


Announcement board of the office of the Vice Mayor



Bataraza Municipal Hall Announcement Board

Dissemination of letters to invitees conducted on August 1, 2022





Public Scoping Activity



Participants during the registration



Opening prayer



Hon. Eddie Catague during his welcome remarks



For. Edna Velasco of PEMU during the briefing



Engr. Jayson Lomboy of RTNMC during his presentation of the details of the proposed project



Ms. Christinne Blanco of RTNMC during her presentation of the environmental management measures



Ms. Venice Guian of RTNMC during her presentation of the social projects implemented by the company



Participants during the open forum



Hon. Javier Mattrasal, Chairman of Iwahig, during his message

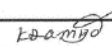




Hon. Simmy V. Didik, Councilor of Rio Tuba, during his message



For. Edna Velasco of PEMU during her presentation of the next steps in the EIA process

ANNEX 7 – COMMENTS SHEET

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Name (Pangalan) :	
Position/Affiliation (Organisasyon) :	
Address (Tirahan) :	
Comments and Suggestions (Komento at Suhestiyon): <p>PARA SITIO KALANTUAN HANANGYAN IDIYAHIG BATULAGA PALAWAN 1. ONE DAY TAGAN LANG DATING HADAT KONG MAG OPERIT NA 2. BAGAYAN NG TRABAHANG TAGA KALANTUAN 3. AGOSAN SIYANG PACHAD AT KONG APPROV NA</p>	
 Signature (Lagda)	
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Name (Pangalan) :	Bonifacio S. Berte
Position/Affiliation (Organisasyon) :	TODA
Address (Tirahan) :	Gotok, Sandoval.
Comments and Suggestions (Komento at Suhestiyon): ng Gotok <p>Sir, Maan. Kilalang itong TODA Representative, am po ba mag maintutulong mag para sa aming barangay. at ang aktibidad ng aming bayan ay magiging malalap. Am po ba ang magandang posisyon para mag- sapa ang aming bayan. at sana rin po yung aming mga anak ay mag magka pakikilala rin sa kumpanya para magka trabaho.</p>	
 Signature (Lagda)	
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Name (Pangalan) :	Betty B. Dudo
Position/Affiliation (Organisasyon) :	Child Development Worker
Address (Tirahan) :	Gotok, Sandoval
Comments and Suggestions (Komento at Suhestiyon): <p>Kulang itong CDW ng Gotok Sandoval, na ating bangal ay ang day care center ay magkaroon at bigyan ng kasuportang building dahil na tagal ng karamihan 28 yrs na building at di nakabago sa mga malapit at mga kumpanyang dapat bigyan ng panam na nakabago na ang aming day care center na magmamula sa RTNMC at CONC. at mga kailangang pa ilaw at kinita para po sa Nuded ng day care.</p>	
 Signature (Lagda)	

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Name (Pangalan) :	Elma Udelas
Position/Affiliation (Organisasyon) :	
Address (Tirahan) :	Brgy. Sandoval, Gotok

Comments and Suggestions (Komento at Suhestiyon):

Bakit po ang mga Pangako nyo noon kagabi kumpleto ang Gotok Quarry ay biglang nyo na trabaho ang mga ~~bagay~~ anak at ipa Regular. Bakit po kungang ngayon ay wala pa sinasagot ang mga Pangako nyo sa amon. isa po po ang aming Basakan ay nasukina na similar nang nag-Blasting kaya sa Gotok Quarry ay nababaha na po ang aming Basakan. Papeyag po kasi sa mag Expansion Bata. Patrabahin nyo ang mga anak at ipa regular na kagabi mag expansion sa Gotok, Quarry.

Signature (Lagda)

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Name (Pangalan) :	Dwintor J. Parisa
Position/Affiliation (Organisasyon) :	Chaplain
Address (Tirahan) :	Iwahig

Comments and Suggestions (Komento at Suhestiyon):

Ang magandang himalaan muna ang proyekto ay inilagay lamang magpapatalay para sa itatubuli ng komunidad. at hindi kami papayag na sarahan at ang daan sa kulantad at ipagpapatalay go pag-aayos dahil upon lang daan na hindi maburo papuntang higitway.

Signature (Lagda)

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Name (Pangalan) :	Ragnar Ace
Position/Affiliation (Organisasyon) :	Phd. Sub. Farms Wad
Address (Tirahan) :	Pag. Wad

Comments and Suggestions (Komento at Suhestiyon):

Salamat sa RTN at madugmon sa ang SDMP sa mga farmis mag lagan ang mag pagbayad long byang bagay bahay bulag mag karoon ang Trak ang ma magan na makipartik

Signature (Lagda)


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Name (Pangalan)	: Leticia T. Padua
Position/Affiliation (Organisasyon)	: Brgy. Supon
Address (Tirahan)	: Sandoval Crossing

Comments and Suggestions (Komento at Suhestiyon):

Para sa akin po magandang maipagpatuloy dahil
ito ay nakatutulong para sa aming mamamayan
kaya natakda ganda sa ang inyong programa.
Salamat po.


Signature (Lagda)


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Name (Pangalan)	: Corchuta F. Patiller
Position/Affiliation (Organisasyon)	: Brgy. Kagawad
Address (Tirahan)	: Crossing Sandoval

Comments and Suggestions (Komento at Suhestiyon):

Gueto ko po na matuloy ang quarry
sa Gotok dahil malaki ang kontribusyon
sa Brgy. Sandoval lalo na sa mga
project.


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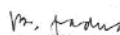
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Name (Pangalan)	: Bernards P. Padua
Position/Affiliation (Organisasyon)	: Brgy. Amnes
Address (Tirahan)	: Crossing 1 Sandoval, Prat. Pal.

Comments and Suggestions (Komento at Suhestiyon):

Para po sa akin, napakaganda ito na
maipagpatuloy dahil nakatutulong po
ito para sa aming ating lab na
ma project. Salamat po.


Signature (Lagda)