

Regional Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Full Council (RDRRMC) MIMAROPA
4th Quarter Full Council Meeting
Video Teleconference via Zoom App
27 December 2021 / 09:00AM

MINUTES OF THE MEETING

Participants:

- Dir. Ruben L. Carandang	OCD MIMAROPA, DND Chairperson, RDRRMC MIMAROPA
- Asec. Manuel Gonzales	DOTr
- Dir. Agustin Mendoza	NEDA MIMAROPA
- Dir. Cheryl Ortega	DICT LC3
- Dir. Mario Baquilod	DOH MIMAROPA
- FSSupt Damian Rejano Jr.	BFP MIMAROPA
- Engr. Ronald Cabute	NTC MIMAROPA
- Riznette Kathleen Sales	DILG MIMAROPA
- Janssen Andeza	DOST MIMAROPA
- Azeneth Transmonte	DSWD MIMAROPA
- Lorenzo Mangaco III	DSWD MIMAROPA
- Angelo Paolo Aboboto	NEDA MIMAROPA
- Capt Sarmiento	203rd Infantry Brigade
- Supt Robert Bana-ag	BFP MIMAROPA
- PMaj Loreto Maulion Jr.	PRO MIMAROPA
- PCPL Danny Asir Jr	PRO MIMAROPA
- Joey Figuracion	DOST-PAGASA
- Ens Talingting	PCG Palawan
- Markus Peter Mantubig	MGB MIMAROPA
- Gaudioso Alger Jr	NAPOLCOM MIMAROPA
- Nigel Tabije	DOTr
- James Gonzalo	DOTr
- Arlene Clemente	DOTr
- Rica Flores	DHSUD MIMAROPA
- Maria Graciela Bucad	DICT LC3
- JC Cueto	DICT LC3
- Faye Reyes	DOT MIMAROPA
- Atty. Joselito Alisuag	CHED MIMAROPA
- Glea Castro	PPA Mindoro
- Romeo Ibarrientos Jr	DENR MIMAROPA
- Philip Ruga	DOLE MIMAROPA
- Ramonito Martin	DOH MIMAROPA
- Cheenne Grace Dela Peña	NIA MIMAROPA
- Cesar Contreras	PMS MIMAROPA
- Hanna Grace Ernia	OCD CO-Operations Service
- Representative	PCG STL
- Ivy Kristine Basco	PDRRMO Oriental Mindoro
- Amiel De Mesa	PDRRMO Occidental Mindoro
- Col. Roseller Muros (Ret)	PDRRMO Romblon
- Jose Rino Labay	PDRRMO Marinduque
- Jeremias Alili	PDRRMO Palawan
- Dennis Escosora	CDRRMO Calapan
- Earl Timbancaya	CDRRMO Puerto Princesa
- Nieves L. Bonifacio	OCD MIMAROPA
- Marc Rembrandt Victore	OCD MIMAROPA
- Maria Aiza Siason	OCD MIMAROPA
- Georgina G. Opinion	OCD MIMAROPA
- Mary An B. Aceveda	OCD MIMAROPA
- Jefrie G. Rodriguez	OCD MIMAROPA

- Sheila Marie S. Reyes
- Clyde Jewel C. Solis
- Anthony M. Zoleta
- Wilmer F. Fabella

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1. Proceedings/Highlights of the Meeting

- The meeting started at 09:00 AM with the invocation and the giving of welcome remarks by OCD MIMAROPA ARD Nieves Bonifacio, followed by the acknowledgement of the participants by Ms. Georgina Opinion and the call of meeting to order by Dir. Ruben Carandang.
- Ms. Opinion presented the proposed provisional agenda of the meeting and the minutes of the previous meeting which were duly approved and seconded by the member agencies.

Presentation of Weather and Climate Outlook by DOST-PAGASA

- Mr. Joey Figuracion of DOST-PAGASA presented the MIMAROPA Weather Update and Climate Outlook 2021. As presented, ENSO Alert System Status is La Niña Advisory No. 3. La Niña persists and likely to continue until the Feb-Mar-Apr 2022 (60% chance) and transition to ENSO-neutral conditions during April-June 2022 season.
- Forecast Rainfall in MIMAROPA is Above normal rainfall over Romblon; near normal rainfall conditions over Mindoro Provinces, Calamian & Cuyo Islands, and Southern Palawan; below normal rainfall over central and the remaining northern part of Palawan (January 2022); near normal rainfall condition in the Region (February 2022); generally near normal rainfall conditions over most part of Palawan and some western portion of Occidental Mindoro (March 2022); mostly below normal rainfall condition (April 2022); and generally near normal conditions are expected in MIMAROPA (May and June 2022).
- Forecast Temperature in MIMAROPA is slightly cooler to near average especially in mountainous area. Surges of cold temperature is likely during January and February. 1-4 Tropical Cyclones are expected to enter/develop in the PAR from January to June 2022.
- Dir. Agustin Mendoza of NEDA MIMAROPA asked if DOST PAGASA has an ability to do data analytics for them to have an outlook on the impacts/implications of the localized climate projections especially on economic sector. Mr. Figuracion mentioned that PAGASA is issuing Farm Weather and Dam Advisory but for the rest of the sector PAGASA has no data analytics yet.
- Dir. Mario Baquilod requested DOST PAGASA to provide them Area Specific Data of the amount of Rainfall in MIMAROPA in anticipation to Water Borne Diseases.

Presentation of Current COVID-19 Situation Report and Vaccination Updates in MIMAROPA

- Dir. Mario Baquilod of DOH MIMAROPA presented the latest COVID-19 situation, as of 26 December 2021, in the region. There are 33,791 total cases in the region, 124 of which are active cases (0.4%). There are now 32,109 recoveries (95.0%) and 1,059 deaths (3.1%) reported in the region. Oriental Mindoro has the highest no. of active cases (52) and highest total cases (9,985) in the region followed by Palawan (40). MIMAROPA has 3.1% Case Fatality Rate with Puerto Princesa City having the highest with 5.6%. MIMAROPA has 29.19% positivity rate with Palawan having the highest at 37.47%, followed by Puerto Princesa City with 35.44%. This can be attributed to the targeted testing being implemented, with only those manifesting symptoms and admitted suspected cases being prioritized for testing.

All the Provinces and Cities of MIMAROPA are under Alert Level 2, having negative case trend and with the HCUR less than 50% except for Romblon which is under Alert Level 1. MIMAROPA as of 9 December 2021, has a total of 173 Cases of Delta Variant in the Region. There is no reported omicron variant in MIMAROPA as of the reporting time.

- Dir. Mendoza asked if MIMAROPA is heading towards the herd immunity. Dir. Baquilod mentioned that MIMAROPA is somehow moving on that phase especially on current downward trend of cases in the region.
- Moreover, Dir. Baquilod presented the updates on the vaccination program in MIMAROPA as of 25 December 2021. 33.72% of the target population in MIMAROPA has been fully vaccinated while 10.91% are partially vaccinated. 55.37% of the target population in MIMAROPA are still unvaccinated. He also highlighted the challenges faced on the conduct of vaccination program.
- Furthermore, Dir. Baquilod presented the Initial Assessment and Actions Taken on the Effects of Typhoon Odette in Palawan. Part of his presentation are the reported damaged health facilities, status of health facilities and their response actions provided.

Presentation of Updates on the Health Resiliency Program for MIMAROPA pursuant to the current NDRRMP 2020-2030 by DOH MIMAROPA

- Dir. Baquilod presented the Health Resiliency Program 2020-2030. This includes the vision, mission, goal and objectives. The Health Resiliency Program also entails five (5) Strategy Programs namely (1) Development of DRRM-H Plan at the Regional, Provincial, City and Municipal level including Hospitals at all levels; (2) Organize and establish HEERT at the Regional, Provincial, City and Municipal level including Hospitals at all levels; (3) Provision of Health Emergency Commodities (HEC) at the Regional, Provincial, City and Municipal level including Hospitals at all levels; (4) Establishment of a Functional Emergency Operation Center at the Regional, Provincial, City and Municipal level including Hospitals at all levels; and (5) Health Systems and Facility Enhancement.
- Dir. Carandang manifested if the MIMAROPA Regional Health Resiliency Program is patterned to the national mother plan. Mr. Ramonito Martin of DOH MIMAROPA mentioned that the MIMAROPA Regional Health Resiliency Program is based on the cascaded matrix or pattern from the national.
- Dir. Carandang requested DOH MIMAROPA to present updates on the status of Health Resiliency Program every quarterly meeting.
- Mr. Rino Labay of PDRRMO Marinduque manifested the availability of funding for health operations facility and its relation to DRRM Operation Centers. Mr. Martin encouraged LDRRMOs to include to their Local Investment Plan for health the funding for the establishment of Health Operations facility that will cater health emergencies. He also highlighted the DRRMO Operations Center can be a co-shared facility for health and other types of hazards/emergencies as long as there is an agreement with the LCEs or LDRRMCs that it is a co-shared facility.

- Dir. Carandang highlighted the importance of prioritizing the institutionalization of Disaster Risk Reduction and Management in Health (DRRM-H) at all levels of governance in anticipation for future health emergencies.
- ARD Nieves Bonifacio of OCD MIMAROPA manifested the integration of health program in their respective LDRRMPs. Dir. Carandang suggested to set a meeting with LDRRMOs and DOH MIMAROPA to discuss the integration of health program in their LDRRMPs.
- ARD Bonifacio encouraged the P/CDRRMOs to update their respective LDRRMPs based on the NDRRMP 2020-2030.

Presentation of Updates on the Construction of Flood/Sediment Control Structure in Mogpog River in Brgy. Bocboc by DENR-MGB MIMAROPA

- Engr. Markus Mantubig of DENR-MGB MIMAROPA presented Updates on the Construction of Flood/Sediment Control Structure in Mogpog River in Brgy. Bocboc. The presentation includes the current condition of the Mine Structures and Facilities based from the 4th Quarter 2021 monitoring, condition of Maguila-guila Siltation Dam and Gabion Dam Project. As presented, since MarCopper Mining Corporation (MMC) ceased its operations, most of the mine structures and facilities are no longer maintained. Based on the the previous monitoring activities, most of its mine structures and facilities still exist. However, deterioration of the said structures and facilities is evident. Current condition of Mine Structures and Facilities based from the 4th Quarter 2021 Monitoring has no significant changes observed as compared to the previous monitoring.
- Dir. Carandang requested TWG-Marcopper Mining to present their actions taken to mitigate/eliminate risk imposed brought by abandoned MARCOPPER Mining on the next RDRRMC Full Council Meeting.
- Dir. Baquilod manifested on the human health risk considering the heavy metals presence on the bodies of water and they have received a lot of reports on dermatological diseases around the area and neuro developmental delays on the children.
- Engr. Mantubig suggested to the body to invite DENR-EMB being the right agency to provide thorough information or background on the condition of bodies of water affected by MARCOPPER Mining. He also highlighted that they have been sending letter to MARCOPPER Mining Corporation since 2016 regarding this matter but until now they have not received any response from them. He also mentioned that they have proposed construction of gabion dam to prevent sedimentation only of Mogpog River and in case of the possible fall down on the structures of North Dam, Maguila-guila Waste Dam and Siltation Dam.

Presentation of Amended Guidelines on the Pre-Disaster Risk Assessment (PDRA) by OCD CO-Operations Service

- Ms. Hannah Ernia of OCD CO-Operations Service presented the Amended Guidelines on the Pre-Disaster Risk Assessment (PDRA). Her presentation includes the references of the amendment, rationale for PDRA review, timelines for amended PDRA Guidelines Development, its general guidelines, scope and coverage, triggers, attendees to PDRA Meeting (PDRA Core Group and PDRA Analyst Group), PDRA process, PDRA Meeting Order of Business (c/o Analyst Group), risk matrix based on Probability and Impact Analysis and the Emergency Preparedness And Response (EPR) Protocols. PDRA allows the NDRRMC to come up with checklist of actions and standard directives for NDRRMC and all RDRRMCs. The future opportunities as perceived are as follows:
 - a. Refined indicators for risk matrix based on Probability and Impact Analysis;
 - b. Enhanced scientific and technical capabilities of PDRA Analyst Group;
 - c. More streamlined PDRA Meetings;
 - d. More regional and locally-led PDRA Meetings;

- e. Utilization of tools for detailed risk assessment (e.g. GeoRiskPH); and
- f. Manual or booklet for EPR Checklist.

Presentation of Updates on the Effects of Typhoon "Odette" in MIMAROPA Region by OCD MIMAROPA

- Ms. Maria Aiza S. Siason of OCD MIMAROPA presented the Updates on the Effects of Typhoon "Odette" in MIMAROPA Region as of 27 December 2022. Part of her presentation are the affected population based on DSWD MIMAROPA DROMIC Report as of 26 December 2022/6PM, casualties, status of roads and bridges, status of lifelines, status of ports, damaged houses, damaged to infrastructure, damaged to agriculture and assistance provided.

Presentation of Salient Features of the Proposed Establishment of Palawan as National Disaster Response Capability Hub by PDRRMO Palawan

- Mr. Jeremias Alili of PDRRMO Palawan presented Salient Features of the Proposed Establishment of Palawan as National Disaster Response Capability Hub. Sanganui Panlalawigan Resolution No. 16105 s. 2021 entitled "Urging the National Government through the National Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Council (NDRRMC) and the Office of Civil Defense (OCD) to consider the Province of Palawan as National Center or Hub of Disaster Risk Reduction and Management (DRRM) Operations and Establish necessary base and Infrastructure, facilities, personnel, equipment and tools related thereto, being the safest province in the entire Philippines. The salient features for this resolution considers the geographical location of Palawan that has an access to the major islands of the country, its low susceptibility to all major hazards in the country such as Earthquake and Tsunami and the infrequently visits of typhoons, its vast inventories of government agencies specially the WESCOM of AFP which can be a major component of the DRRM hub, and it can also be the foundation for DRRM capability training center.
- Dir. Baquilod manifested on the capacity of airport facility on accommodating international aid considering a huge magnitude of disaster strike.
- Dir. Carandang urged member agencies to provide justification to their standpoint on the Proposed Establishment of Palawan as National Disaster Response Capability Hub to be consolidated in the form of resolution for the adoption of the council in consideration to the internal and external factors.

2. Decision Points/Actionable Items

- Ms. Mary An B. Aceveda of OCD MIMAROPA presented the Actionable Items noted during meeting:


Item	Responsible Agency / Office
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Send request letter to DOST PAGASA regarding the Area Specific Data of the amount of Rainfall in MIMAROPA in anticipation to Water Borne Diseases; • Present updates on the status of the Health Resiliency Program in MIMAROPA every Quarterly RDRRMC MIMAROPA Full Council Meeting. 	DOH MIMAROPA
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Set meeting with P/CDRRMOs and DOH MIMAROPA regarding the integration of Health resiliency Program in their Local DRRM Plan; • Invite TWG-MARCOPPER Mining Corporation (MMC) on the next RDRRMC MIMAROPA Full Council Meeting 	OCD MIMAROPA

<p>to present actions taken to mitigate/eliminate risk imposed by the abandoned MARCOPPER Mining;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Invite DENR-EMB on the next RDRRMC MIMAROPA Full Council Meeting to provide background on the condition of bodies of water affected by MARCOPPER Mining; • Send the Proposal to Consider Palawan as the National Center or Hub of DRRM Operations to all RDRRMC Member Agencies for their comments and justification; • Consolidate all the responses for the adoption of the council; • Coordinate with the OCD Central Office and PDRRMO Palawan regarding the availability of mobility to transport DOH MIMAROPA Oxygen Cylinder. 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provide OCD MIMAROPA Secretariat their comments and justification on the Proposal to Consider Palawan as the National Center or Hub of DRRM Operations. 	<p>All RDRRMC Member Agencies</p>

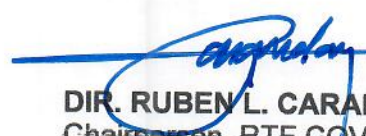
Adjournment

- RDRRMC Chairperson, Ruben L. Carandang expressed his appreciation for the presence of RDRRMC member agencies and MIMAROPA P/CDRRMOs for their continuous support especially during the current new normal situation.
- The meeting was adjourned at 01:20 PM.

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