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MEMORANDUM

FOR/TO : **The Regional Executive Directors**
All DENR Regions

The Ramsar Site Managers
Olango Island Wildlife Sanctuary (OIWS)
Agusan Marsh Wildlife Sanctuary (AMWS)
Naujan Lake National Park (NLNP)
Tubattaha Reefs Natural Park (TRNP)
Puerto Princesa Subterranean River National Park (PPSRNP)
Negros Occidental Coastal Wetland and Conservation Area (NOCWCA)
Las Piñas-Parañaque Wetland Park (LPPWP)
Sasmuan Pampanga Coastal Wetland (SPCW)

FROM : **The OIC Director**

SUBJECT : **REQUEST FOR PARTICIPANT FOR THE NATIONAL TRAINING FOR WETLAND MANAGERS IN THE PHILIPPINES IN PAMPANGA ON JULY 18-22, 2022**

The Ramsar Regional Center – East Asia (RRC-EA) is one of the regional initiatives formally recognized by the Convention on Wetlands (Ramsar Convention) in which we are a Contracting Party. It was established to serve as a regional platform for capacity building, information exchange, and cooperation among governments, Ramsar Site/wetland managers and stakeholders, international and national non-government organizations, technical experts, and business organizations. RRC-EA regularly co-organizes capacity-building events in selected countries within the region to enhance knowledge and skills on wetland conservation at the national level. It has already completed such events in Bhutan, Indonesia, Thailand, and Viet Nam, among others.

For 2022, RRC-EA intends to hold a National Training for Wetland Managers in the Philippines on July 18-22, 2022 in collaboration with the Biodiversity Management Bureau. This event intends to provide an equal opportunity for education and capacity building to wetland managers and stakeholders in the country. The said training aims to:

1. Orient participants on the Ramsar Convention and its tools;
2. Share basic concepts, new information, and experiences in wetland management;
3. identify site-specific and common wetland issues in the country, and recommend solutions to address these issues;



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4. Encourage interaction and discussions among wetland managers; and
5. Strengthen the network of wetland managers in the country.

In light of this, may we request to nominate one to three (1-3) participants, preferably wetland focal persons from the Conservation and Development Division (CDD), Ramsar Site Managers and concerned PENROs with Ramsar Sites through the attached nomination slip, on or before 17 June 2022. Kindly refer to the table below for the number of nominees per region.

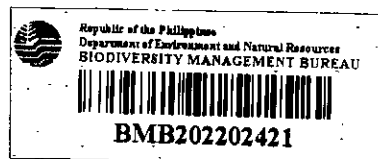
REGION	OFFICE	NO. OF PARTICIPANTS
CAR	CDD	1
NCR	CDD, Metropolitan Environment Office (MEO) South Field Office, Las Piñas-Parañaque Critical Habitat and Ecotourism Area-Management Office (LPPCHEA-MO)	1 (CDD) 1 (Ramsar Site Manager) 1(MEO South Field Office)
REGION I	CDD	1
REGION II	CDD	1
REGION III	CDD PENRO Pampanga LGU Sasmuan, Pampanga	1(CDD) 1(Ramsar Site Manager) 1(PENRO Pampanga)
REGION IV-A	CDD	1
REGION IV-B	CDD PENRO Oriental Mindoro PENRO Palawan NLNP Management Office TRNP Management Office PPSRNP Management Office	1(CDD) 1(PENRO Oriental Mindoro) 1(PENRO Palawan) 3 (Ramsar Site Managers)
REGION V	CDD	1
REGION VI	CDD PENRO Negros Occidental NOCWCA	1(CDD) 1 (PENRO Negros Oriental) 1(Ramsar Site Manager)
REGION VII	CDD PENRO Cebu OIWS Management Office	1(CDD) 1 (PENRO Cebu) 1(Ramsar Site Manager)
REGION VIII	CDD	1
REGION IX	CDD	1
REGION X	CDD	1
REGION XI	CDD	1

REGION XII	CDD	1
REGION XIII	CDD PENRO Agusan del Sur AMWS Management Office	1(CDD) 1 (Agusan de Sur) 1(Ramsar Site Manager)

A copy of the tentative program is also attached for reference. For further clarification and submission of duly accomplished nomination slips, you may reach Mr. Jeffrey Jaymes A. Mesias of the Caves, Wetlands, and other Ecosystems Division of this Bureau through (8)925-8951 or at cawed@bmb.gov.ph cc: jeffreyjaymes.mesias@bmb.gov.ph.

For consideration.


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NATIONAL TRAINING FOR WETLAND MANAGERS IN THE PHILIPPINES

July 18-22, 2022

Pampanga

PARTICIPANT'S NOMINATION SLIP

Personal Information			
Full Name:	GIVEN	MIDDLE	SURNAME
Sex:	Birth Date:		
<input type="checkbox"/> Male			
<input type="checkbox"/> Female			
Designation/Position Title:		Affiliated Office:	
Office Address:			
Telephone:	Fax:	Mobile:	
E-mail address:		Office e-mail address:	
Emergency contact person and number:			
Signature:			
Please send back to Caves, Wetlands and other Ecosystems Division, Biodiversity Management Bureau thru Email: cawed@bmb.gov.ph not later than 17 June 2022.			

National Training for Wetland Managers in the Philippines
 Angeles City, Philippines
 19-22 July 2022

Program of Activities

Day 1: 19 July 2022 (Tuesday)

Time	Topic / Activity	Speaker / Resource Person
8:30 – 9:00	Registration of participants	
9:00 – 9:15	Welcome messages	Ramsar Regional Center – East Asia (RRC-EA) Biodiversity Management Bureau (BMB), Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR), Philippines DENR Regional Office
9:15 – 9:45	Wetland Management in the Philippines	BMB
9:45 – 10:15	Overview on the Ramsar Convention The Ramsar Convention and the Ramsar Regional Center – East Asia	RRC-EA
10:15 – 10:30	Group photo coffee and tea break	
10:30 – 11:30	Ramsar Site designation	BMB (Joy M. Navarro)
11:30 – 12:00	Wetland management planning and monitoring	RRC-EA
12:00 – 13:30	Lunch break	
13:30 – 14:00	Nature-based Solutions	Wetlands International – Philippines
14:00 – 14:45	Group exercise: Participatory risk mapping	Wetlands International – Philippines
14:45 – 15:30	Group reporting	Wetlands International – Philippines
15:30 – 15:45	coffee and tea break	
15:45 – 16:15	Group exercise: Identifying solutions to common challenges in wetland conservation and wise use	RRC-EA
16:15 – 16:45	Group reporting	RRC-EA
16:45 – 17:00	Wrap-up	BMB
18:00 – 20:00	Welcome dinner	

Day 2: 20 July 2022 (Wednesday)

Time	Topic / Activity	Speaker / Resource Person
9:00 – 9:15	Participant-led recap of Day 1	

Time	Topic / Activity	Speaker / Resource Person
9:15 – 9:45	Introduction to the multiple values of wetlands and ecosystem services and the Ramsar context	Society for the Conservation of Philippine Wetlands (SCPW)
9:45 – 10:15	Recognizing, capturing and demonstrating the value of wetland ecosystems	
10:15 – 10:30	coffee and tea break	
10:30 – 11:15	Group exercise: Recognizing wetland values	
11:15 – 12:00	Group reporting	
12:00 – 13:30	Lunch break	
13:30 – 14:45	Introduction to the Rapid Assessment of Wetland Ecosystem Services (RAWES) approach	BMB (Mr. Kelvin Anthony Balaquit)
14:45 – 15:30	Group exercise: Applying the RAWES approach	
15:30 – 15:45	Coffee and tea break	
15:45 – 16:45	Group reporting	
16:45 – 17:00	Wrap-up	BMB

Day 3: 21 July 2022 (Thursday)

Time	Topic / Activity	Speaker / Resource Person
9:00 – 17:00	Field visit to Sasman Pampanga Coastal Wetlands	DENR Regional Office, BMB and SCPW

Day 4: 22 July 2022 (Friday)

Time	Topic / Activity	Speaker / Resource Person
9:00 – 10:30	Participant-led recap of Day 3 Reporting of RAWES outputs	Society for the Conservation of Philippine Wetlands (SCPW)
10:30 – 10:45	coffee and tea break	
10:45 – 12:00	Ramsar Site Management Effectiveness Tracking Tool (R-METT)	Sabah Environmental Trust (SET)
12:00 – 13:30	lunch break	
13:30 – 14:25	R-METT (continued)	SET
14:25 – 15:25	R-METT (group exercises)	SET
15:25 – 15:40	coffee and tea break	
15:40 – 16:40	R-METT (group reporting)	SET
16:40 – 16:50	Training evaluation	RRC-EA
16:50 – 17:00	Closing messages	RRC-EA, BMB

Day 4: 23 July 2022 (Saturday) HOME BOUND