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## Department of Environment and Natural Resources BIODIVERSITY MANAGEMENT BUREAU

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## MEMORANDUM

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FOR

The Bureau Directors

Environment Management Bureau

Ecosystems Research and Development Bureau

Forest Management Bureau Land Management Bureau Mines and Geosciences Bureau

The Director

Policy and Planning Service

The Executive Director River Basin Control Office

The Regional Executive Directors

All DENR Regions

**FROM** 

The OIC Director

**SUBJECT** 

INVITATION TO THE NATIONAL CONSULTATION

**REGARDING WETLAND BILLS ON 25 MARCH 2022 VIA ZOOM** 

The Biodiversity Management Bureau of the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (BMB-DENR) is currently embarking on an initiative supporting the adoption of a national policy on wetlands. This pertains to the two bills currently filed in the Philippine Congress, namely: (1) a substitute Bill consolidating House Bills Nos. 3460 and 8925, entitled "An Act Institutionalizing the National Wetlands Conservation Policy"; and (2) Senate Bill No. 2036 entitled "An Act Establishing a National Wetland Policy, Providing Mechanisms for Its Institutionalization, and Appropriating Funds Thereof."

To further enhance the said Bills, the DENR-BMB is conducting a series of multi-sectoral processes to elicit and generate additional inputs, comments, insights and views from key wetland stakeholders.

In this regard, we would like to invite principal and alternate representatives from your office to attend the National Consultation on the said Bills, which will be conducted on **25 March 2022** via Zoom (Meeting ID: 932 2759 9315 and Passcode: wetlandshb).

Please find the attached copy of the substitute bill and its Senate version for your perusal as well as the program of the consultation. Should you have clarifications and concerns, you can contact us through email <a href="mailto:cawed@bmb.gov.ph">cawed@bmb.gov.ph</a> copy furnished <a href="mailto:amy\_lecciones@yahoo.com">amy\_lecciones@yahoo.com</a> and <a href="mailto:darryestorba@wetlands.ph">darryestorba@wetlands.ph</a>.

For information and consideration.





