



November 10, 2022

## MEMORANDUM

**FOR** : The Regional Executive Director  
MIMAROPA Region  
1515 DENR by the Bay Building, Roxas Blvd.,  
Barangay 668, Ermita, Manila

**THRU** : The Provincial Environment and  
Natural Resources Officer  
Sta. Monica, Puerto Princesa City

**FROM** : The OIC-Community Environment and  
Natural Resources Officer  
Coron, Palawan

**SUBJECT** : **UPDATE REPORT ON THE ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES AND  
CONCERNS IN CORON, PALAWAN**

Respectfully submitted are the updates on the action taken in connection to the environmental issues and concerns in Coron, Palawan.

### **A. RECLAMATION PROJECT**

This Office has been conducting weekly monitoring activity on the reclamation area. The Local Government Unit through the Municipal Engineering Office has already commence the initial construction of the Drainage System. The Philippine Reclamation Authority (PRA) has forfeited the said project in favor of the Government

### **B. CORON-CULION INTERISLAND BRIDGE PROJECT**

A case was already filed by this Office against the Newington Builders Inc., contractor of the said project, in violations of Presidential Decree No. 705.

### **C. PROPOSED NEW PUBLIC MARKET**

A letter of appeal was sent by the Local Government Unit of Coron forwarded to the DENR MIMAROPA Region and PENRO Palawan on the proposed Public Market in Sitio Digueboy, Barangay Poblacion VI, Coron, Palawan for they have already started the construction of the said project and cannot find any other suitable area for the purpose. Cease and Desist Order (CDO) was previously issued by this Office.

### **D. ILLEGAL QUARRY AREAS**

The contractors and LGU Coron has already submitted and implemented the rehabilitation plans on the mountain quarry sites utilized for the reclamation project by the Provincial Government of Palawan. These rehab plans were reviewed by DENR Mines and Geosciences Bureau embedded personnel assigned in this Office. All these sites were issued with Cease and Desist Order (CDO).

Moreover, this Office will continue close monitoring and coordination with concerned agencies to address these issues.

For information, record and further instruction/s, if any.

**RODNEY G. VERIAN**