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MEMORANDUM

FOR : **The Regional Executive Director**
DENR-MIMAROPA

ATTN : **PENRO Palawan**

FROM : **The OIC Director**

SUBJECT : **CONDUCT OF ORIENTATION OF THE APPROVED
BMB-TECHNICAL BULLETIN ON MAINSTREAMING THE
INTEGRATED COASTAL MANAGEMENT (ICM) APPROACH
INTO THE COMPREHENSIVE LAND USE PLAN (CLUP) TO
LGU PUERTO PRINCESA CITY AND REGION 4B-MIMAROPA
FIELD STAFF ON 6-8 DECEMBER 2022**

DATE :

This has reference to the implementation of the Technical Assistance component of the Coastal and Marine Ecosystems Management Program (CMEMP) of the Department. The Snake Island Operational Plan for 2023-2028 under Program 2: Model Site for Integrated Coastal Management Implementation, which being spearheaded by BMB, commits to integrate the ICM approach to the Comprehensive Land Use Plans (CLUPs) of LGUs with major river systems draining into the Honda Bay, Puerto Princesa, where Snake Island NCMCR is located based on the signed Technical Bulletin 2022-02. As part of the agreements during the SIOP TWG Meeting last 5-7 October 2022, it was agreed to orient the LGU of Puerto Princesa which is currently updating its CLUP as well as the DENR Field Staff of the approved TB on ICM mainstreaming. This will provide an opportunity for them to learn the Mainstreaming process and serve as a learning window to better implement ICM Mainstreaming in other target sites in the province.

With reference thereto, this Bureau would like to request for your assistance in convening and coordinating the participation of the DENR Field Offices and concerned units in LGU Puerto Princesa City. Below are the proposed schedule details:

Activity	Date Expected Participants
1. Briefing Orientation with the Field Offices on the approved TB on mainstreaming ICM to	December 6, 2022 DENR PENRO and concerned CENRO

the LGU's CLUP	
2. Orientation with the LGU Puerto Princesa City on the TB Mainstreaming ICM to CLUP	December 7, 2022 DENR PENRO and concerned CENRO DENR BMB LGU (SB, MPDC, CENRO etc)

Attached for your reference is our letter to the Local Chief Executive of LGU Puerto Princesa City requesting the approved TB to be presented before a Sangguniang Bayan Session and participate in their CLUP updating which was said to resume this month on the above mentioned dates. For any clarification and confirmation please contact Ms. Maria Katrina L. Apaya and Mr. Joseph Ryan B. Davalos of the Coastal and Marine Division of this Bureau at katrina.apaya@bmb.gov.ph and davalosjosephryan8@gmail.com or you may call us at (02) 925-8948 or 0976 242 2980.

For your information and consideration.

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Dear Honorable Bayron,

Isang makakalikasang araw!

Relative to the mandates of the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) to conserve, manage, develop and properly use the country's environment and natural resources, its Field Offices are extending Technical Assistance to the LGUs within their area of jurisdiction in any concerns related to the environment. As such, one of the priority programs of the DENR is the Coastal and Marine Ecosystems Management Program (CMEMP) which aims to address the drivers and threats of degradation of the coastal and marine ecosystems. This program uses the Integrated Coastal Management approach to holistically manage the ecosystems by looking at the interconnectivity of the activities from the ridges down to the coastal areas.

The DENR-Biodiversity Management Bureau in coordination with the key and relevant agencies, realized that mainstreaming the ICM Approach into a long-term development and mandated plan, like the Comprehensive Land Use Plan (CLUP), puts into fore the ICM strategies programs and important elements which will enhance sustainable development concerns into the local government planning processes. This also increases local stakeholder commitment towards sustainable coastal and marine development.

Furthermore, the Snake Island as National Coastal and Marine Center for Research (NCMCR) per DAO 2011-12 Operational Plan CY 2023-2028, Program 2: Model Site for Integrated Coastal Management Implementation included ICM Mainstreaming to the Comprehensive Land Use Plans (CLUPs) of LGUs with major river systems draining into the Honda Bay, Puerto Princesa, where Snake Island NCMCR is located.

We have been informed by our field offices that the CLUP of Puerto Princesa is being updated at the moment. In this regard, may we request to give an orientation to you and your concerned offices with the ICM mainstreaming guidelines on 6 or 7 December 2022 or at your most convenient time.

Ms. Maria Katrina L. Apaya and Mr. Joseph Ryan B. Davalos of the Coastal and Marine Division of this Bureau with contact information: katrina.apaya@bmb.gov.ph and davalosjosephryan8@gmail.com / (02) 925-8948 and/ or our field office counterpart field offices will be coordinating with your staff on this matter should you have any concerns. We look forward to our future collaboration for the strengthened conservation, protection and management of the Coastal and Marine Resources of Palawan.

Very truly yours,

NATIVIDAD Y. BERNARDINO

OIC Director