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MEMORANDUM

TO : **THE REGIONAL EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR**
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ATTN : **THE CHIEF**
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RIVER BASIN FOCAL PERSON
Region IV-B

FROM : **THE ASSISTANT SECRETARY**
Policy, Planning and Foreign Assisted and Special Projects; and
Chair, E2RB Project Management Committee

SUBJECT : **WORKSHOP-FORUM ON PAYMENT FOR ECOSYSTEM SERVICES (PES) ON WATER USE IN WATERSHEDS/RIVER BASINS (LUZON CLUSTER)**

DATE : **NOV 11 2022**

The River Basin Control Office (RBCO), together with other DENR Offices and GIZ-PH, will be conducting the Workshop-Forum on Payment for Ecosystem Services (PES) for Water Use in Watersheds/River Basins scheduled to be held on **5-7 December 2022** at **Ciudad Christhia, San Mateo, Rizal**.

The workshop-forum aims to review and use as discussion papers the draft Guidelines on the Development of Payments for Ecosystem Services (PES) for Water Use to Finance Watershed/River Basin Management in the Philippines and Toolkit: Financing Watershed/River Basin Management in the Philippines. The activity is part of the Ecosystem-based management and application of ecosystem values in two river basins in the Philippines (E2RB) Project implementation which aims to strengthen ecosystem services, protect biodiversity, and reduce vulnerability to climate change and natural disasters through integrated management and application of ValuES (ecosystem services assessment) and ecosystem-based adaptation measures.

In this regard, may we request selected DENR personnel from your Region to join the forum and participate in the discussions for us to get a more holistic and broader perspective from the stakeholders. Participants are requested to register at <https://bit.ly/3S2e3TD> on or before 18 November 2022. Our staff, Ms. Lorraine Quiñones, will coordinate with your office on the particulars of the said activity. We may also be reached through rbco@denr.gov.ph or (02) 8926-4706.

We have attached Special Order No. 2022-742 authorizing the conduct of the activity, for your guidance and ready reference.

FOR YOUR FAVORABLE CONSIDERATION.


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