

SABANG BAY WATER QUALITY MANAGEMENT AREA **GOVERNING BOARD**



SPECIAL MEETING FOR THE RECONSTITUTION OF THE REPRESENTATION OF THE BUSINESS SECTOR AND NON-GOVERNMENT AGENCY (NGO) TO THE **GOVERNING BOARD OF SABANG BAY WATER QUALITY MANAGEMENT AREA** (SBWQMA)

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6	Venue:	ue: Video Conference via Microsoft Teams		
7	Time:	9:00am – 12:00pm		
8	Date:	21 September 2022		
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10	Attendees:			
11	1.	Jason C. Abarquez	-	Stairway Foundation Inc.
12	2.	Denmark B. Recamara	-	Blue Alliance Philippines
13	3.	Emmanuel Lineses	-	Philippine Chamber of Commerce and
14				Industry-OrMin Puerto Galera Chapter
15	4.	Leny Del Mundo	-	White Beach Business Owners Association
16				(WBBOA)
17	5.	Maevelyn Kathryn D. Tupasi	-	EMB MIMAROPA
18	6.	Jane T. Dumenden	-	EMB MIMAROPA
19	7.	Adz Hazen M. Dimapilis	-	EMB MIMAROPA
20	8.	Engr. Ma. Kimberly B. Evora	-	EMB MIMAROPA
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22	22 Highlights of the Special Meeting			

The meeting started with the acknowledgement of the attendees on the meeting. .

Ms. Jane T. Dumenden presented the Overview of Sabang Bay Water Quality Management Area (WQMA) including the DENR Administrative Order No. 2016-06 or the "Designation of the Sabang Bay Water Quality Management Area and Creation of its Governing Board". Ms. Maevelyn Kathryn D. Tupasi stressed that the reason of the special meeting was to reconstitute the representation of the Business Sector and Non-Government Agency (NGO) since there was no alternate member on the said sectors. She added that as stated at the DAO, the voting of the business sector and NGO will be counted as one even it has two (2) representatives each. Ms. Emmanuel Lineses asked to change the designation of Sabang Bay WQMA into Puerto Galera Bay WOMA since it includes the Muelle Bay and San Isidro Bay. Ms. Tupasi stated that during the creation of the WQMA, the NWRB together with the members, suggested naming it Sabang Bay WQMA since the main concern in Puerto Galera is the high concentration of *fecal coliform* is the Sabang Bay. Moreover, Ms. Tupasi stated that Muelle Bay and San Isidro Bay was included in the WQMA since there was an existing data and continuous monitoring of the water quality of the said waterbodies.

- Mr. Adz Hazen M. Dimapilis discussed the Governing Rules and Roles of the Governing Board of SB WQMA. He highlighted the composition, functions, committees, source of funds and utilization, quarterly meetings, and activities conducted and implemented by the board.
- Followed by the discussion of Mr. Dimapilis, Ms. Dumenden presented the water quality status of the Sabang Bay and other monitored waterbodies within WQMA for CY 2022. Mr. Lineses asked the location of the Timbugan Creek. Ms. Dumenden clarified that the creek was located near the Summer Connection. Ms. Tupasi disclosed and then clarified by Ms. Leny Del Mundo to the meeting that upon confirmation from LGU and CENRO Socorro that Timbugan Creek is not a creek since it was filled with water during rainy days and surface run-off. She added that it can be considered as discharge outfall inside the WQMA.
- After the overview and discussion about SB WQMA, Ms. Tupasi moved on to the next 53 54 topic which is the designation of permanent and alternate member of business sector and NGO. From the business sector, Mr. Emmanuel Lineses from PCCI-OrMin Puerto 55 Galera Chapter serve as permanent member and Ms. Leny Del Mundo of WBBOA as 56 57 alternate member. From NGO, Mr. Jason C. Abarquez from Stairway Foundation

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serve as permanent member and Blue Alliance Philippines represented by Mr. Denmark B. Recamara as alternate member.



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Figure 1. Photo opportunity during the special meeting



Figure 2. Presentation of the Overview of Sabang Bay WQMA



Figure 3. Presentation on the Special Meeting for the reconstitution of representation of Business sector and NGO member