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DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS AND HIGHWAYS

1st District Engineering Office- Palawan
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Sir,

Environmental greetings!


This pertains to the on-going repair of the bridge over Igang River in Sitio Igang, Barangay Poblacion, Taytay, Palawan. Result of investigation by the representative of this Office disclosed that the sand and gravel materials used in the project are being illegally extracted from the river that brought environmental damages. It is in violation of the following laws:

1. RA 7942, Section 103. Theft of Minerals. – *“Any person extracting minerals and disposing the same without a mining agreement, lease, permit, license, or steals minerals or ores or the products thereof from mines or mills or processing plants...xxx”*
2. RA 11038, Section 20. Paragraph (p) – *“Undertaking mineral exploitation or extraction within the protected area.”*
3. RA 11038, Section 20. Paragraph (q) – *“Engaging in commercial or large-scale quarrying within the protected area.”*

In view hereof, kindly revisit the terms and conditions entered into between your Office and the contractor and ensure that they are strictly adhered upon. Please furnished us also a copy of the contract to be used in possible prosecution against the enablers to the environmental damages.


Thank you.

Sincerely,


ALAN VALLE
Community Environment and Natural Resources Officer

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