

**Activity Design**  
**West Philippine Sea Levelling Off and Strategic Planning Workshop for 2023**  
**October 27-29, 2022**  
**Puerto Princesa City, Palawan**

**I. Rationale**

The DENR, as a Member Agency of the National Task Force for the West Philippine Sea, has completed the Protected Area Suitability Assessments (PASA) for two proposed NIPAS Marine Protected Areas (MPAs) in the Kalayaan Island Group (KIG), namely the Eastern Kalayaan Protected Landscape and Seascape, and the Pag-asa Islands Protected Landscape and Seascape, last June-July 2022, through the Biodiversity Management Bureau, DENR IVB, PENRO Palawan and CENRO Puerto Princesa.

Throughout the conduct and in the presentation of the PASA to various key Officials of the DENR, various future activities and strategies were identified for the conservation and management not just of the proposed NIPAS MPAs, but also of the entire KIG in the West Philippine Sea to further our national interest over our maritime areas. There were also activities identified as DENR commitments that are reflected in the KIG Strategic Development Plan developed by multi-agencies involved in the WPS implementation through the facilitation of Palawan Council for Sustainable Development (PCSD) Secretariat. As such, a DENR Levelling Off and Strategic Planning Workshop for the West Philippine Sea with the DENR IVB, PENRO Palawan, CENRO Puerto Princesa, BMB, ERDB and the Central Office is being proposed for on October 27-29, 2022.

**II. Objectives**

The objectives of the Workshop are as follows:

1. To present the results of the PASA and corresponding recommended activities for the Kalayaan Island Group;
2. To level off on various position, level of involvement of DENR Offices for actions and activities;
3. To discuss commitments of the various DENR Offices and logistical, financial requirements;
4. To begin strategic planning for the Kalayaan Island Group, West Philippine Sea for 2023 onwards.

**III. Target Participants**

<b>BMB (CMD and WRD)</b>	<b>7</b>
<b>DENR IVB</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>ERDB</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>PENRO Palawan</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>CENRO Puerto Princesa</b>	<b>3</b>

<b>Office of the Undersecretary for Finance, Information Systems and Climate Change</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>Palawan Council for Sustainable Development</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>25</b>

#### IV. Provisional Program of Activities

<b>Time</b>	<b>Activity</b>	<b>Responsible Person</b>
<p style="text-align: center;"><i>DAY 1 October</i>  <i>Arrival</i>  <i>Presentation of Current Strategies and Activities</i></p>		
11:00 - 12:00NN	Arrival of Regional Pax, Check-in and Registration	CMD Secretariat
12:00 - 1:00 PM	LUNCH	
1:00 - 1:15 PM	<b>Welcoming of Participants</b> <b>Opening Remarks</b>	
1:15 - 1:30 PM	<b>Rationale and Objectives of the Workshop</b>	
1:30 - 2:00 PM	Session 1: Presentation of Plans and Recommended Activities  <b>Presentation of PASA Results and Recommendations (Highlight biodiversity, habitats, marine turtles)</b>	CMD
2:00 - 2:30 PM	Session 1: Presentation of Plans and Recommended Activities  <b>Presentation of the Strategic Development Plan for the Kalayaan Island Group / Municipality of Kalayaan</b>	PCSDS
2:30 - 4:00 PM	PM Snacks  Session 2: <b>Stocktaking of current Government (DENR and PCSD) Initiatives on the West Philippine Sea</b>  <b>Discussion on Alignment of PASA Recommendations with SDP-KIG</b>	CMD  CMD, PCSDS

4:00 PM	Synthesis of Day 1	CMD
<i>DAY 2 October Strategic Planning Workshop</i>		
7:00 AM	BREAKFAST	
7:30 - 9:00 AM	<b>Registration</b>	
9:00 - 9:30 AM	<b>Recap of Day 1</b>	CMD Secretariat and Equipment Focals
9:30 - 12:00 NN	Session 3: <b>Strategic Action Planning</b>  <i>Development of Workplans for 2023 and onwards based on PASA Recommendations, SDP-KIG</i>	CMD Secretariat and Equipment Focals
12:00 - 1:00 PM	LUNCH	
1:00 - 2:30 PM	Session 3: CONT. <b>Strategic Action Planning</b>  <i>Presentation of Developed Workplans</i>	
2:30 - 4:00 PM	Session 4: <b>Writeshop: Drafting of Outputs / Reports recommending inclusion of developed WPS Workplans in future Workplans to Agency Chiefs/Officials</b>	
4:00 PM onwards	<b>Synthesis of Day 2</b>	
<i>DAY 3 October Synthesis and Next Steps</i>		
7:30 AM	BREAKFAST	
8:30 - 8:45 AM	<b>Registration</b>	
8:45 - 9:45 AM	Session 5: <b>Writeshop: Drafting of Outputs / Reports re SAP Workshop Workplans Proposals, and Agreements/Next Steps</b>	
9:45 - 10:00 AM	<b>Closing Remarks</b>	
10:00 - 10:15 AM	Group Photo, Awarding of Certificates	
10:15 onwards	Egress Lunch Travel Home	

