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MS. LORMELYN E. CLAUDIO, CESO IV

Regional Executive Director

Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) MIMAROPA Region
Manila

Dear RED Claudio,

As the Forest Management Bureau (FMB) is set to formulate the third strategic plan of the Community-Based Forest Management Program (CBFMP) covering CY 2023-2032, our NGO, Yakap Kalikasan Tungo sa Kaunlaran ng Pilipinas, Inc., sought and obtained the support of the Forest Foundation Philippines (FFP), a member of the CBFM-National Working Group, for in-person consultation and planning workshops through the project *“Supporting Community & Regional Consultations for the Updating of the 25-Year CBFM Strategic Plan”*. Yakap Kalikasan strongly believes that a plan meant to sustain forests, empower and improve lives of forest communities must emanate from the forest communities themselves, thus, part of the said project is our support to the gathering of the Regional CBFM-PO Federations in all 15 regions.

It is in this light that we request for your approval and support to the plan of convening at least the Regional CBFM-PO Federation officers to the “Regional CBFM-PO Federation Meeting/Workshop” on a date before the Luzon Cluster Consultative Planning workshop which is set on November 7-11, 2022. This meeting/workshop aims that the Regional CBFM Federation officers are able to prepare for the discussions in the upcoming Island-based consultations to update the CBFM strategic plan for CY 2023-2032. More specifically, the PO leaders shall aim to come up with:

- a. An assessment of where generally the CBFM POs in the region are now in terms of the objectives of the CBFM Program, and what factors facilitated and/or hindered the effective implementation of the program;
- b. List of important things, conditions, strategies or steps to consider in the next CBFM strategic plan;
- c. Roster of present and anticipated concerns related to the implementation of the program; and
- d. List of five PO representatives and products to display and sell in the Island-based Consultation Workshop.

We are requesting that this event will be supervised and documented by the Regional Conservation and Development Division and CBFM Office. Yakap Kalikasan shall shoulder the PO participants’ transportation (plane, ship or bus) and travel, meals and accommodations in this event for up to a total of P55,000, for liquidation within at most 2 weeks after the event.

The proposed design, guide questions and templates have been provided to the Regional CBFM Coordinators during our meeting yesterday.

Should you need any clarifications on this matter, please do not hesitate to contact Ms. Janet Martires, Project Leader, at 09174080263 or email address of wangits65@gmail.com.

For your approval and reactions.

Maraming salamat po.

Respectfully yours,



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