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SPECIAL ORDER No. 2022 - <u>660</u>

SUBJECT: AUTHORIZING THE CONDUCT OF 2022 INTERNATIONAL COASTAL CLEANUP (ICC) DAY ON SEPTEMBER 17, 2022

In the interest of the service and pursuant to Presidential Proclamation No. 470, Series of 2003, the observance of the 2021 International Coastal Cleanup (ICC) Day on September 17, 2021, Saturday with the theme "Fighting for Trash Free Seas – Pilipinas: Ending the Flow of Trash at the Source" is hereby authorized.

The DENR officials and employees from the Central Office, Regional Offices, Bureaus, and Attached Agencies are authorized to participate in the said event. In view thereof, the DENR Regions and implementing partners are directed to celebrate the ICC Day 2022 following these guidelines:

- 1. The use of the attached ICC official logo, banner and shirt design in the production of all collaterals in the conduct of ICC Day;
- 2. Coordinate with other concerned national agencies, academe, NGOs, POs and other partners for the promotion and awareness raising of this year's ICC theme;
- 3. Issue Regional Special Orders relevant to this celebration within their respective areas of jurisdiction with proper observance of protocols under this COVID-19 state; and
- 4. During the clean-up, the data cards will be distributed and to be accomplished by the participants/volunteers. **Assigned Coordinator** per area will collect the accomplished data cards for consolidation using the ICC Google Forms to be provided by BMB with instructions.

Attendance to the abovementioned activity shall be considered an official time. Employees attending the event who will incur official time in excess of 22 days for this month shall be entitled to compensatory offsetting privilege to be used within the year, equivalent to the incurred excess in official time for the month of this event.

Expenses to be incurred in the ICC Day including but not limited to supplies and materials shall be charged against respective DENR offices' funds. Other related and incidental expenses in the implementation of the activity at the national level shall be charged against BMB – CMEMP fund, subject to the usual accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

All regional offices shall submit a report consolidating data gathered during the ICC Day fifteen (15) days after the activity to the Coastal and Marine Division of the Biodiversity Management Bureau for national consolidation and submission to the Philippine Coordinator for Ocean Conservancy. A consolidated report shall be submitted by the BMB to the undersigned fifteen (15) days upon the completion of regional reports.

This Order takes effect immediately.

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