



November 29, 2023

MEMORANDUM

FOR : The OIC, Regional Executive Director
DENR, MIMAROPA Region

ATTENTION : The Chief, Planning and Management Division
The Chief, Licenses, Patent and Deed Division

FROM : The OIC, PENR Officer

SUBJECT : REQUEST FOR REDUCTION OF TARGET UNDER
AGRICULTURAL FREE PATENT FOR CY 2024

This pertains to the annual target of this Office under Agricultural Free Patent issuance for Calendar Year 2024 with the total of 541 patents based on the corresponding National Expenditures Program (NEP).

This Office would like to reiterate our previous request for the reduction of our target as contained in our memorandum dated August 16, 2023, based on the following circumstances, data and other factors, to wit:

1. Based on our Forward Estimate for CY 2024, this Office proposed only a total 150 patents for Tier 1 and 200 patents for Tier 2, respectively, having a total of 350 agricultural patents;
2. In 2018, during the implementation of RLTA in the municipality of Boac, considering that it was the first ever municipality subjected for RLTA which consists of sixty-one (61) barangays, with the same timeframe of implementation of three (3) months same with that of those municipalities with lesser number of barangays, the Enumerators cannot avoid lapses.
3. That although the province of Marinduque have already conducted RLTA covering the municipalities of Boac, Buenavista and Torrijos, of which generated a total of 3,323 untitled lands, included therein those lots which are to be subjected to subdivision survey under the Public Land Survey (Municipalities of Buenavista and Torrijos), in which it needs the approval of the survey first before a patent can be issued;
4. Hereunder is the tabulated data showing the identified workable lots from the RLTA operation together with the data on patents that have been issued from 2018 to present, lots to be subjected to Public Land Survey (PLS), lots without supporting documents of ownership, and those lots covered by claims and conflicts cases, as follows;



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| MUNICIPALITY | WORKABLE LOTS (RLTA) | TITLED LOTS AFTER RLTA | REMAINING UNTITLED LOTS BASED ON WORKABLE LOTS | FOR PUBLIC LAND SURVEY | REMARKS |
|-------------------|----------------------|------------------------|--|------------------------|--|
| Boac (2018) | 1760 | 1252 | 508 | - | Majority of the remaining untitled lots are composed of: - absentee claimants - no supporting documents of ownership - with claims and conflict - erroneous technical description |
| Buenavista (2021) | 44 | 71 | -27 | 62 | Some of the titled lots from Buenavista came from the previously approved survey. It is understood that lots proposed for Public Land Survey cannot be accounted for the time being as potential or workable lots considering that it needs approval of the survey |
| Torrijos (2022) | 142 | 126 | 16 | 652 | |

- Following the discussion during the recently conducted Fulltime Delivery Unit (FDU) meeting held last November 13, 2023 at the Regional Office, this Office greatly appreciates the immediate action of our Regional Executive Director Felix S. Mirasol, Jr. on the matter by calling the attention of other MIMAROPA provinces who are willing to help resolve the issue;
- In the affirmative, CENRO Atanacio Santos of Sablayan and CENRO Efren De Los Reyes of CENRO San Jose, province of Occidental Mindoro, manifested their willingness to help/absorb those excess targets of 291 agricultural patents from the province of Marinduque. Hopefully, other MIMAROPA provinces also manifest their intention to accept the request for the sake of regionwide accomplishment under patent issuance;
- Comparatively, if we look at the targets of other MIMAROPA provinces with CENR Offices compared to our Office's target for CY 2024, and being an Implementing PENRO, our target is doubled of those supervising PENROs which have more manpower;



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8. Further, other provinces have already conducted RLTA and aside from that they have recent approved cadastral surveys as potential for title while Marinduque has no recent approved cadastral survey; and
9. Lastly, we would like to emphasize that in the distribution of targets by the Region, potential lots and manpower involved in the implementation of the activity must be given due consideration to make it attainable.

Relative thereto, based on the foregoing circumstances and data, our request for reduction of target under agricultural patent issuance for CY 2024 from five hundred forty-one (541) to two hundred fifty (250) patents is hereby reiterated and requested to be given due consideration. It is further requested that the excess target of two hundred ninety-one (291) be redistributed to other provinces which manifested intention to help resolve the issue.

Please find attached supporting documents/data for your reference/guidance.

For information and consideration/approval.

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