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MEMORANDUM

TO : The Regional Executive Director
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FROM : The Director,
In concurrent capacity as the Assistant Secretary for Policy,
Planning and Foreign-Assisted and Special Projects

SUBJECT : **INVITATION TO THE CONDUCT OF THE FACE-TO-FACE TRAINING ON THE USE AND MAINTENANCE OF WATER QUALITY CHECKERS FOR CMEMP PRIORITY SITES**

DATE :

In line with the target outputs of the Coastal and Marine Ecosystems Management Program (CMEMP), this Bureau will be conducting a two-day training on March 28-29, 2022 at the BMB Training Center, NAPWC, Quezon City in line with the implementation of the water quality monitoring within CMEMP Priority sites in particular the Verde Island Passage.

During the CMEMP Year Starter for CY 2022, all legislated NIPAS MPAs were provided with water quality checkers to ensure the smooth conduct of water quality monitoring within their management jurisdiction. The field implementers shall be trained on the proper use of water quality checkers for their operation and maintenance. This year, priority sites including those within the Verde Island Passage (VIP) will be provided water quality checkers in support of the efforts on strengthening the monitoring of the water quality in the Verde Island Passage.

The specific objectives of the training are as follows:

- To train the participants on the technical know-how of using the water quality checker, specifically on the basic features, basic maintenance, and auto-calibration of the handheld equipment, as well as the data importation from the checker to any devices;
- To orient the participants on the basics of water quality assessment and monitoring methodologies, including the water quality protocols and standards based on existing guidelines;

With this may we kindly request for the participation of **two (2) representatives** from the Provincial Environment and Natural Resources Office concerned who are closely working on the conduct of water quality in the Verde Island Passage.

In view thereof, the select representatives from your office are requested to register through this link, bit.ly/3XGkcbP for the drafting of the DENR Special Order and logistical preparations for this training activity. Kindly register on or before February 15, 2023. Further, the program of activities and travel advisory will be sent to the participants once they have registered through the link provided herein.

Furthermore, the expenses to the above-mentioned activity such as food shall be charged against the available funds of the Bureau. The accommodation, travel expenses and per diem of the Regional and Field participants shall be charged against their respective Offices.

Should you have any queries, you may contact Ms. Siara Jeanne F. Nulada of the Coastal and Marine Division at cmd@bmb.gov.ph and through the telephone numbers (02) 8925 8948/ (02) 8924 6031 loc 207.

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