



## MEMORANDUM

FOR : **The Undersecretaries**  
Finance, Information Systems and Climate Change  
Integrated Environmental Science and Supervising Undersecretary of the  
River Basin Control Office

**The Directors**  
Legal Affairs Service  
Policy and Planning Service  
Climate Change Service

**The Bureau Directors**  
Forest Management Bureau  
Land Management Bureau  
Environmental Management Bureau  
Biodiversity Management Bureau  
Ecosystems Research and Development Bureau

**The Regional Executive Directors**  
Region I, IV-B, VII

**The Administrator**  
National Mapping Resource and Information Authority

**The Executive Director**  
National Water Resources Board

**The Officer-in-Charge**  
Mines and Geosciences Bureau

FROM : **The Director**  
Legislative Liaison Office

SUBJECT : **REQUEST FOR COMMENTS AND INVITATION TO ATTEND  
THE FACE-TO-FACE MEETING OF THE COMMITTEE ON  
NATURAL RESOURCES OF THE HOUSE OF  
REPRESENTATIVES AND THE CONSULTATIVE MEETING OF  
THE LEGISLATIVE LIAISON OFFICE**

DATE : 16 February 2023

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The Committee on Natural Resources of the House of Representatives will be holding a face-to-face Committee Meeting **on 22 February 2023 (Wednesday), 1:30 in the afternoon at Nograles Hall, House of Representatives** to deliberate on the following:

Bills approved on Third Reading in the 18th Congress

1. House Bill No. 1821, An Act Establishing The Final Forestland Boundary Of The Province Of Siquijor, by Rep. Zaldy S. Villa
2. House Bill No. 3891, An Act Declaring The Island Of Mindoro A Mining Free-Zone, Prohibiting All Forms Of Mining Operation And Activity, And Providing Penalties Therefor, by Rep. Arnan C. Panaligan
3. House Bill No. 6219, An Act Declaring The Island Of Mindoro As A Mining- Free Zone, And Providing Penalties For Violation Thereof, by Rep. Alfonso V. Umali, Jr.

Continuation of the Deliberation on the following:

Philippine Ecosystem And Natural Capital Accounting System (PENCAS) (included in the LEDAC Priorities)

1. House Bill No. 73, entitled “An Act Institutionalizing The Philippine Ecosystem And Natural Capital Accounting System (PENCAS), Mandating Its Use In Policy And Decision-Making, Designating The Agencies Responsible For Its Implementation, Providing Institutional Arrangements Among Responsible Agencies, Appropriating Funds Therefore And For Other Purposes”, authored by Rep. Jose Francisco “Kiko” B. Benitez, PhD.; and
2. House Bill No. 2604, entitled “An Act Institutionalizing The Philippine Ecosystem And Natural Capital Accounting System (PENCAS), Mandating Its Use In Policy And Decision-Making, Designating The Agencies Responsible For Its Implementation, Providing Institutional Arrangements Among Responsible Agencies, Appropriating Funds Therefor And For Other Purposes”, authored by Rep. Antonio “AA” B. Legarda.

Initial Deliberation of the Following Measures:

1. House Bill No. 1757, An Act Providing For The Sustainable Management Of Heritage Trees And For Other Purposes, by Rep. Paolo Z. Duterte and Rep. Eric Go Yap
2. Local Bill on Heritage Trees:

House Bill No. 1418, An Act Declaring The Acacia Trees In The Municipality Of Binalonan, Province Of Pangasinan, As Local Heritage Trees And Appropriating Funds For Its Protection, Preservation, And Conservation, And Other Purposes, by Rep. Ramon N. Guico Jr.

In this regard, we would like to request your **comments/recommendations** on the above-mentioned bills on **or before February 20, 2023, at 5 PM**. Kindly submit it via email at [denrlo@denr.gov.ph](mailto:denrlo@denr.gov.ph) for the drafting of the position paper requested by the Committee.

Further, to be prepared for the upcoming Committee Meeting, we are inviting you or your representative for a consultative meeting to discuss the aforementioned bills on **February 20, 2023, at 2:00 PM at Social Hall, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, DENR Central Office**.

Attached herewith are the invitation letter, and agenda. For your perusal, copies of the bills may be accessed through this link <https://bit.ly/3Ka7QES>.

Your attendance is highly encouraged.

  
**ROMIROSE B. PADIN**

cc: Undersecretary for Special Concerns and Legislative Affairs