



Republic of the Philippines  
**Department of Environment and Natural Resources**  
MIMAROPA Region  
**PROVINCIAL ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES OFFICE**

**TRAVEL ORDER**  
No.

Name: ERNESTO E. TAÑADA  
Position: PENR Officer

Date: February 22, 2023  
Salary : \_\_\_\_\_  
Div./Sec./Unit: PENRO  
Official Station: PENRO

Departure Date: March 1, 2023

Arrival Date: March 3, 2023

Destination: Batangas City

Purpose of Travel: To attend invitation to the in-person meeting with Malampaya Foundation, Inc. For the proposed establishment of the Verse Island Passage (VIP) under R.A 7586 or the NIPAS Act of 2018

Per Diems/Expenses Allowed: \_\_\_\_\_  
Appropriation to which Travel should be charged: \_\_\_\_\_  
Remarks or special instructions: \_\_\_\_\_

**CERTIFICATION:**

This is to certify that the travel is necessary and is connected with the functions of the official/employee of this Div./Sec./Unit.

Recommending Approval:

Approved:

DONNA MAYOR-GORDOVE, CESO IV  
ARD-Management Services

LORMELYN E. CLAUDIO, CESO IV  
Regional Executive Director

**AUTHORIZATION**

I herby authorize the accountant to deduct the corresponding amount of the unliquidated cash advance from my succeeding salary for failure to liquidate this travel within the prescribed thirty-day period upon return to my permanent official station pursuant to item 5.1.3 of COA Circular 97-002 dated February 10, 1997 and Sec. 16 of EO No. 248 dated May 29, 1995.

ERNESTO E. TAÑADA  
Official/Employee

## MEMORANDUM

TO : **The Regional Executive Director**  
DENR CALABARZON  
647h+3f6, Mayapa Road (along SLEX)  
Brgy. Mayapa, Calamba, Laguna

**The Regional Executive Director**  
DENR MIMAROPA  
1515 Roxas Boulevard, Ermita, Manila

ATTENTION : Assistant Regional Director for Technical Services  
PENRO Batangas  
PENRO Marinduque  
PENRO Occidental Mindoro  
PENRO Oriental Mindoro  
PENRO Romblon  
CDD Chief with CRFMS & PAMBCS Chiefs

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

SUBJECT : **INVITATION TO THE IN PERSON MEETING WITH  
MALAMPAYA FOUNDATION, INC. FOR THE PROPOSED  
ESTABLISHMENT OF THE VERDE ISLAND PASSAGE (VIP)  
UNDER R.A. 7586 OR THE NIPAS ACT OF 1992 AS AMENDED  
BY R.A. 11038 OR THE ENIPAS ACT OF 2018 ON MARCH 2, 2023  
IN BATANGAS CITY**

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This has reference to the result of the Small Group Blended (In Person and Online) Meeting held on 08 August 2022 conducted by this Office basically to a) develop a national road map on how to proceed with the establishment of the VIP AS A Protected Area under the System; b) provide an overview of the draft Bill on VIP; and c) encourage support from NGOS, CSOs and Academe on this said undertaking.

It was during this Meeting that our former Director Natividad Bernardino instructed the BMB-CMD to facilitate the immediate conduct of the PASA for all the provinces until the end of CY 2022. It was reiterated that despite limited resources, the BMB can tap into foreign-assisted projects, NGOs, CSOs, the Academe and other organizations in the conduct of Protected Area Suitability Assessment (PASA) of VIP. CMD should also prepare a Work and Financial Plan to identify possible areas of collaboration with the stakeholders involved. In addition, the following next steps, among others, were identified:

- a) Circulate results of the Meeting and the attachments
  - Reference materials with the attachments
  - Draft VIPPS Bill and Road Map
  - Letter for CSOs providing potential areas for collaboration
- b) DENR CALABARZON and MIMAROPA to prepare a political map of all the LGUs surrounding the VIP whether they concur or disagree or are unwilling to answer in regard to the establishment of the VIP as a protected area under the System

Following the instruction of former Director Bernardino, we prepared letters to the CSOs, in consideration of their initial expression of support to this initiative. As a response to our letter, a message was received by CMD that Malampaya Foundation, Inc. is inviting the BMB, CALABARZON and MIMAROPA for a meeting on March 2, 2023 (exclusive of travel dates) in Batangas City to discuss the support they will be providing us and for the activities entailed in the conduct of PASA for the 5 provinces surrounding the VIP.

Relative to this, may we invite you to attend the said meeting. In addition, may we also invite the Assistant Regional Director for Technical Services, CDD with CRFMS & PAMBCS Chiefs, PENRO Batangas, PENRO Marinduque, PENRO Occidental Mindoro, PENRO Oriental Mindoro, and PENRO Romblon with one (1) key Technical Staff from each PENRO in consideration that the VIP is under your area of jurisdiction/concern.

Your attendance to this meeting is highly appreciated. Exact venue shall be announced as soon as finalized.

**MARCIAL C. AMARO, JR.**



## NOTICE OF MEETING

FOR/TO : **DENR CALABARZON**

Nilo B. Tamoria, Regional Executive Director  
Elmer C. Bascos, In-Charge ARD for Technical Services  
Noel M. Recillo, PENRO Batangas  
CDD Chief  
CRFM Section Chief  
PAMBC Section Chief  
PENRO Batangas Technical Staff (1)

### **DENR MIMAROPA**

Lormelyn E. Claudio, Regional Executive Director  
Maximo C. Landrito, OIC ARD for Technical Services  
Imelda M. Diaz, PENRO Marinduque  
Mr. Ernesto E. Tanada, PENRO Occidental Mindoro ✓  
Alan L. Valle, PENRO Oriental Mindoro  
Arnoldo A. Blaza, Jr., PENRO Romblon  
Maria Melissa L. Endangan, OIC Chief, CDD ✓  
Ma. Cecilia G. Sawit, Section Chief, CRFM  
Michaela D. Rongavilla, Section Chief, PAMBC  
PENRO Batangas Technical Staff (1)  
PENRO Occidental Mindoro Technical Staff (1)  
PENRO Oriental Mindoro Technical Staff (1)  
PENRO Marinduque Technical Staff (1)  
PENRO Romblon Technical Staff (1)

### **BIODIVERSITY MANAGEMENT BUREAU**

Marcial C. Amaro, Director  
Armida P. Andres, Chief, Coastal and Marine Division  
Desiree Eve Maano, Section Chief, Coastal and Marine Division  
John Erick B. Avelino, Section Chief, Coastal and Marine Division  
Alita D. Sangalang, Senior EMS  
Pablo G. de los Reyes, Sr. EMS  
Concerned Staff (1)

FROM : **The Director**

In concurrent capacity as Assistant Secretary for Policy, Planning  
and Foreign-Assisted and Special Projects

WHEN : **March 2, 2023 (exclusive of travel dates)**

SUBJECT : **In Person Meeting with Malampaya Foundation, Inc. relative to the Proposed of the Verde Island Passage (VIP) under R.A. 7586 or the NIPAS Act of 1992 as amended by R.A. 11038 or the ENIPAS Act of 2018 on 28 February 2023 in Batangas City**

We would like to invite you to a meeting on **March 2, 2023 (exclusive of travel dates)** in Batangas City to discuss the support which Malampaya Foundation, Inc. will be providing the DENR and for the activities entailed in the conduct of PASA for the five (5) provinces surrounding the VIP.

**MARCIAL C. AMARO, JR.**