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MEMORANDUM

TO : **The Regional Executive Directors**
DENR Regions CAR, 2, 4A, 4B, 7, and 12

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

SUBJECT : **REQUEST FOR PARTICIPANTS FOR THE TRAINING OF TRAINERS ON PEATLAND ASSESSMENT AND MANAGEMENT ON 10-16 APRIL 2023**

DATE :

The Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) through the Biodiversity Management Bureau (BMB), in its capacity as the National Focal Point for the ASEAN Task Force on Peatlands (ATFP), with the support of GIZ Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) GmbH is implementing the “*Ensuring Sustainable Benefits from Peatland through Protection and Wise Use (ESBenePeat)*” Project. This project is part of the ASEAN Regional Programme on Sustainable Use of Peatlands and Haze Mitigation in ASEAN (SUPA) Component 1 for Work Area 2 which intends to support ASEAN Member States for the implementation of the ASEAN Peatland Management Strategy (APMS) and National Action Plan on Peatlands (NAPP). It aims to ensure that the ecological functions and services of the Philippines peatland are sustained through its protection and management.

In line with the implementation of the Project, the BMB, in collaboration with the Measurable Action for Haze-Free Sustainable Land Management in Southeast Asia (MAHFSA) Team through Global Environment Centre – Malaysia, will hold a Training of Trainers on Peatland Assessment and Management on April 10-16, 2023 in Agusan del Sur. The training aims to strengthen the institutional capacity on peatland conservation and management at the national and local levels. Specifically, it aims to:

1. Develop skills of future trainers from relevant agencies and stakeholders on peatland assessment and management through hands-on training;
2. Capacitate core personnel of the DENR and Bangsamoro Governments’ Ministry of Environment, Natural Resources and Energy (MENRE) to assist on



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the actual assessment of peatlands as targeted under the ESBenePeat Project;
and

3. Develop realistic action plans for the assessment of peatlands in targeted regions in the country.

In this regard, we are pleased to invite you to nominate one (1) staff from your Office to participate in the said training. Attached herewith is the nomination form to be accomplished and submitted not later than **28 February 2023**. Nominations are expected to consider the following qualifications for participants:

1. directly working on wetlands, especially on peatland conservation and management;
2. must be knowledgeable on wetland issues at the site level;
3. medically fit for field work; and
4. able to transfer knowledge and skills by training other wetland managers and stakeholders in their respective offices.

A copy of the tentative program is also attached for your reference. Should you have further query related to this, your staff may contact Ms. Krizia Angela Naredo or Ms. Lady Gayvee Corcuera of the ESBenePeat Project through (02) 8924-6031 local 229 or at esbenepeat.cawed.bmb@gmail.com.

For information and appropriate action.

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