

MEMORANDUM

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TO : The Regional Executive Directors
DENR – Regions 5, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13 & MIMAROPA

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

SUBJECT : **INVITATION TO THE PROTECTED AREA FINANCE PLANNING WORKSHOP ON 6-12 MARCH 2023 IN XENIA HOTEL, CLARK FREEPORT, ANGELES CITY, PAMPANGA**

The Biodiversity Management Bureau is pleased to inform you that we are organizing a **Protected Area Finance Planning Workshop on March 6-12, 2023** (including travel time) in **Xenia Hotel, Clark Freeport, Angeles City, Pampanga** for selected protected areas in your respective regions. The workshop will pick up on the Training on Protected Area Finance Plan (PAFP) Preparation conducted in December 2020 and the Mentoring and Coaching Workshops (MCW) conducted in May 2021. The workshop is supported by the Biodiversity Conservation and Management of Protected Areas in ASEAN (BCAMP) Project implemented by the ASEAN Centre for Biodiversity (ACB) and the European Union (EU), and by the United Nations Development Programme – Biodiversity Finance Initiative Project (UNDP-BIOFIN).

Out of the thirteen (13) legislated protected areas that participated in the Training on PAFP Preparation (December 2020), and the five (5) PAs that participated in the MCW (May 2021), only the Apo Reef Natural Park and Tubbataha Reefs Natural Park have completed and officially adopted their own Protected Area Financial Plans. The remaining eleven (11) protected areas are in different stages of PAFP completion. Thus, to complete their respective (1) PA Finance Plan, (2) PA Investment Program, and (3) One-year Action Plan, the PA Finance Planning Workshop will be conducted for the following protected areas including the Mts. Iglit-Baco Natural Park and Pasonanca Natural Park as BCAMP sites and Mt. Inayawan Range Natural Park as a newly proclaimed ASEAN Heritage Park (AHP):

Region	Name of Protected Area	Remarks
CALABARZON	Mt. Makiling Forest Reserve	AHP
MIMAROPA	Mts. Iglit-Baco Natural Park	AHP and BCAMP site
5	Bongsanglay Natural Park	Year of Protected Areas (YoPA) site
7	Balinsasayao Twin Lakes Natural Park	
8	Samar Island Natural Park	YoPA site
9	Pasonanca Natural Park	AHP and BCAMP site
10	Mts. Timpoong-Hibok-hibok Natural Monument	AHP
	Mt. Kitanglad Range Natural Park	AHP
	Mt. Malindang Range Natural Park	AHP
	Mt. Inayawan Range Natural Park	AHP
11	Mt. Hamiguitan Range Wildlife Sanctuary	AHP and YoPA



Region	Name of Protected Area	Remarks
11 and 12	Mt. Apo Natural Park	AHP
13	Agusan Marsh Wildlife Sanctuary	AHP

The PA Finance Planning Workshop will be participated in by the Chief of the Conservation and Development Division of the concerned Regional Offices, Protected Area Superintendents, two PAMO technical staff, and two PAMB members particularly from the Sustainable Finance Committee or related PAMB committees. Mt. Makiling Forest Reserve, Mt. Kitanglad Range Natural Park, and Mt. Malindang Range Natural Park will be represented by their respective Protected Area Superintendents and one (1) technical staff since they are already in the final stages of completing their respective Protected Area Finance Plans. Attached is a copy of the draft Special Order for your reference.

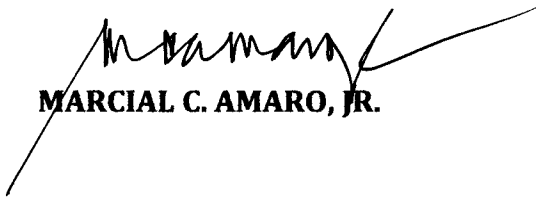
The PASus are expected to bring with them the following documents:

- PA Management Plan (PAMP)
- Work and Financial Plans (past 5 – 10 years)
- National Expenditure Program (NEP)
- Ecotourism Management Plan
- Unit of Work Measurement (UWM)
- Integrated Protected Areas Fund (IPAF) reports
- Utilization report on their Retained Income Account (RIA)
- Report/status of grants/donations/corporate social responsibility (NGOs, LGUs, and private sector)
- GAD Plan and reports

Expenses to be incurred in the conduct of the PA Finance Planning Workshop such as food, accommodation, venue, and supplies shall be shouldered by the BCAMP Project and BIOFIN. Transportation and other travelling expenses of the DENR participants shall be charged to their respective offices subject to the usual accounting and auditing rules and regulations while the BCAMP Project will shoulder those of the PAMB members.

Our staff from the ACB-BCAMP Project and National Parks Division will be coordinating with you on the details of this activity.

For information.


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DENR SPECIAL ORDER
NO. 2023 - _____

**SUBJECT: AUTHORIZING THE CONDUCT OF THE PROTECTED AREA
FINANCE PLANNING WORKSHOP**

In the interest of the service and in order to provide technical assistance to enhance PA management planning and implementation, the conduct of a Protected Area Finance Planning Workshop is hereby authorized on March 6-12, 2023 in Xenia Hotel, Clark Freeport, Angeles City, Pampanga to be participated in by the following:

DENR Regional/Field Offices

The Chief, Conservation and Development Division (CDD) and Protected Area Superintendents (PASu) and two (2) technical staff of the Protected Area Management Office (PAMO) of the following protected areas:

Region	Protected Area
MIMAROPA	1. Mts. Iglit-Baco Natural Park
5	2. Bongsanglay Natural Park
7	3. Balinsasayao Twin Lakes Natural Park
8	4. Samar Island Natural Park
9	5. Pasonanca Natural Park
10	6. Mts. Timpoong-Hibok-hibok Natural Monument
	7. Mt. Inayawan Range Natural Park
11	8. Mt. Hamiguitan Range Wildlife Sanctuary
11 and 12	9. Mt. Apo Natural Park
13	10. Agusan Marsh Wildlife Sanctuary

The PASu and one (1) technical staff of the PAMO of the following protected areas:

Region	Protected Area
10	11. Mt. Kitanglad Range Natural Park
	12. Mt. Malindang Range Natural Park

DENR – Central Office and Biodiversity Management Bureau

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Expenses to be incurred in the conduct of the PA Finance Planning Workshop such as food, accommodation, venue, and supplies shall be shouldered by the Biodiversity Conservation and Management of Protected Areas in ASEAN (BCAMP) Project of the ASEAN Centre for Biodiversity (ACB) and the European Union (EU), and the United Nations Development Programme – Biodiversity Finance Initiative Project (UNDP-BIOFIN), while transportation and other travel expenses of the participants shall be charged to their respective offices subject to the usual accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

Along with the BMB technical staff, selected PASus and experts from BIOFIN and ACB shall also be invited to serve as resource persons and facilitators. Two (2) representatives from the concerned Protected Area Management Boards particularly from the Sustainable Financing Committee or related PAMB committees shall also be invited.

The BMB Director/Officer-In-Charge is authorized to change the date and venue of the workshop in case of conflict and unforeseen circumstances and shall likewise submit to the undersigned the proceedings/report fifteen (15) days after completion of the activity.

This Order shall take effect on the dates specified herein.

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