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30 January 2023

Mr. Rolando S. Josue

Environment and Natural Resources Officer
Provincial Government of Marinduque
Boac, Marinduque

Dear Mr. R. S. Josue:

This refers to the attached **note** on the Letter dated **02 May 2022** of **Mr. Pedrito M. Nepomuceno** of Marinduque First Saturday Movers, Inc. and former Mayor of Boac, Marinduque, requesting to monitor the alleged illegal quarrying activities in Marinduque.

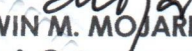
The said letter was forwarded to our Office by the Department of Environment and Natural Resources – Action Center on 30 January 2023 to address the issue raised.

In this regard, this Office is requesting for comments on the alleged illegal quarrying activities in the province since the provincial government of Marinduque has already taken over the sand and gravel operations in the province pursuant to Provincial Ordinance No. 149, series of 2019.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

By Authority of the Regional Director:


EDWIN M. MOJARES, PhD
Chief, Geosciences Division
OIC, Office of the Regional Director

Enc'l: As stated

cc: **8888 Citizens Complaint Center**
Office of the President
Malacañang, Manila
Ticket Reference No. W20230126-819-7-1

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Boac, Marinduque

The Regional Executive Director
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02 May 2022

Mr. Pedrito M. Nepomuceno

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1550 Mandaluyong City, Metropolitan Manila

Dear Mr. P. M. Nepomuceno:

This refers to your Letter dated 22 October 2021 addressed to the President of the Philippines on the alleged illegal mining in Boac, Marinduque.

The abovementioned letter was forwarded by the Department of Environment and Natural Resources in a Memorandum dated 04 February 2022 and was then forwarded by this Office to the Provincial Environment and Natural Resources Office (PENRO) - Marinduque in a Memorandum dated 24 February 2022 for investigation.

The investigation was conducted on 15 March 2022 by the technical personnel of PENRO-Marinduque, and the Protected Area Management Office-Marinduque in coordination with the Barangay Local Government Unit of Tumagabok.

Based on the report, no current mining or similar activities was observed by the barangay officials and locals of Barangay Tumagabok, Boac, Marinduque during the time of investigation.

Rest assured that this Office, in coordination with the PENRO-Marinduque, will strictly monitor the above area as well as other areas in Boac to eradicate illegal mining activities in the province of Marinduque.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

Edwin M. Mojares, Ph.D.
EDWIN M. MOJARES, Ph.D.
OIC - Regional Director

cc:

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Supervising Undersecretary for Forest Management Bureau
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Thank you

Note: We need to monitor regularly

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