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Regional Executive Director
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Dear Dir. Claudio,

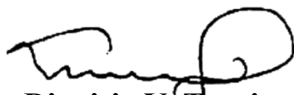
In connection with the letter dated May 31, 2023 regarding the Area Verification of TCSC CORP's Application for Exploration Permit No. 391 – MIMAROPA – OS situated in the Municipalities of Mamburao, and Paluan, Province of Occidental Mindoro, it was recommended by the Mines and Geosciences Bureau MIMAROPA Region that we an amended location map excising the portions of the applied area that fall within the critical habitat of wildlife resources, which are protected by the Republic Act 9147, based on the findings and recommendations of your good office.

In this regard, we would like to request for a copy of the shapefile of the Coastal Resources Map in the Municipalities of Paluan, and Mamburao, Province of Occidental Mindoro that was used in delineating the critical coral reef and seagrass/seaweed areas. Further, this will serve as basis and reference for the amendment of our location map, wherein the identified areas of conflict will be excised as recommended.

We are looking forward for your favourable action to our request.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,



Dionisio V. Toreja
President
TCSC CORP.



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31 May 2023

MR. DIONISIO V. TOREJA

President
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National Road, Poblacion
San Pascual, Batangas

Dear Mr. D. V. Toreja:

This refers to Exploration Permit Application (EPA) No. 391-MIMAROPA of TCSC Corp. situated in the Municipalities of Paluan and Mamburao, Province of Occidental Mindoro.

Please be informed that per area verification of the DENR MIMAROPA Region (copy attached), the entire applied area falls outside any Protected Areas, however, portions of the applied area fall within coral reefs and seagrass/seaweed areas which are protected by Republic Act No. 9147, otherwise known as the "Wildlife Resources Conservation and Protection Act."

To facilitate the processing of EPA No. 391-MIMAROPA, TCSC Corp. should submit within 30 days upon receipt of this Letter at least three (3) copies of the amended location map excising the portions of the applied area that fall within the critical habitat of wildlife resources. TCSC Corp. should coordinate with the DENR MIMAROPA Region for the delineation and excision of the said critical habitat in the applied area.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

GLENN MARCELO C. NOBLE
Regional Director

Enc'l. : As stated

**"MINING SHALL BE PRO-PEOPLE AND PRO-ENVIRONMENT
IN SUSTAINING WEALTH CREATION AND IMPROVED QUALITY OF LIFE."**





Republic of the Philippines
Department of Environment and Natural Resources
MIMAROPA REGION

MEMORANDUM

FOR : THE REGIONAL DIRECTOR
Mines and Geosciences Bureau, MIMAROPA Region

FROM : THE REGIONAL EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

SUBJECT : AREA VERIFICATION OF THE APPLICATION FOR
EXPLORATION PERMIT NO. 391-MIMAROPA-OS OF TCSC
CORPORATION SITUATED IN THE MUNICIPALITIES OF
MAMBURAO AND PALUAN, PROVINCE OF OCCIDENTAL
MINDORO [2023-102621]

DATE : MAY 29 2023

8:30 PM

This has reference to your Memorandum dated February 02, 2023 requesting area verification on whether or not the tenement area under Exploration Permit Application (EPA) No. 391-MIMAROPA-OS of TCSC Corporation falls within a protected area pursuant to RA No. 7586 otherwise known as the National Integrated Protected Areas System (NIPAS) Act of 1992 as amended by RA No. 11038 or the Expanded NIPAS Act of 2018 and/or other No-Go Zone areas.

Based on verification, the following are our findings and recommendations:

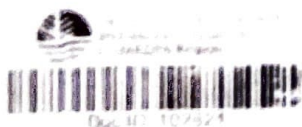
1. Corner 1 of parcels 1 and 2 have the same geographic coordinate value, which is out of placement with the attached map. Please review the provided technical description to rule out any potential typographical errors.
2. The whole area of parcels 1 and 2 falls within sea (Paluan Bay), per verification made by the Conservation and Development Division (CDD) and the Land Evaluation and Survey Section (LESS).
3. Parcel 1 with an approximate area of 1,082.9647 hectares falls outside any Protected Areas.
4. For parcel 2 with an approximate area of 3,417.210 hectares, a verification using the provided technical descriptions excluding the erroneous duplicate corner (corner 1) shows that the subject area falls outside any Protected Areas.
5. Portions of parcel 1 and 2 fall within coral reefs and seagrass/seaweed areas. Such areas are protected by Republic Act No. 9147, also known as the "Wildlife Resources Conservation and Protection Act". The Act provides for the conservation, preservation and protection of terrestrial and aquatic wildlife species and their habitats.

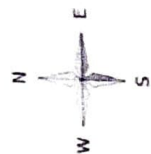
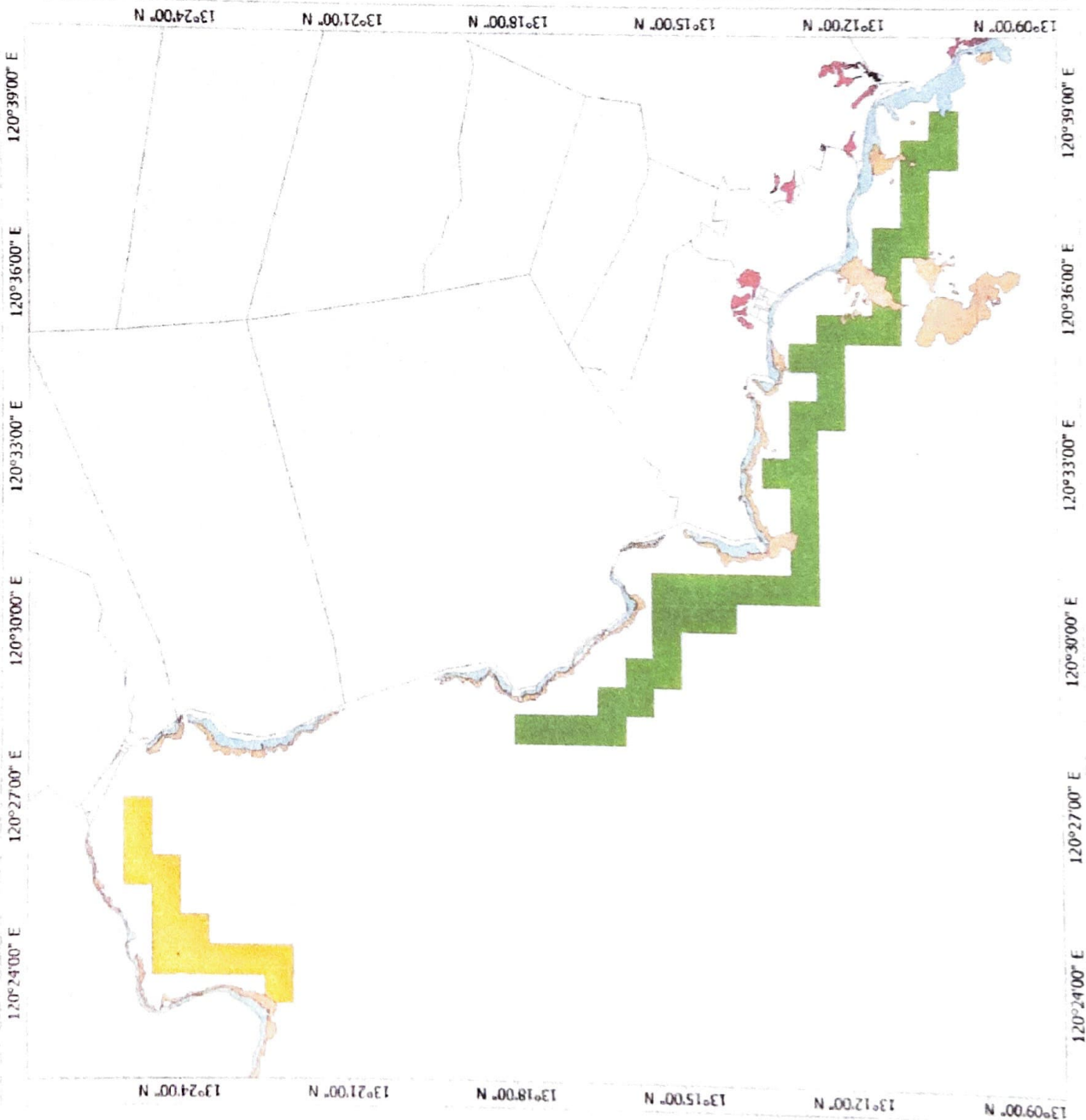
6. The ecological integrity of the coastal zone of the Municipality of Paluan and Mamburao will be threatened by the proximity and scope of Exploration Permit Application (EPA) No. 391-MIMAROPA-OS. Threats include, but are not limited to the possibility of actual and potential sources of pollution brought on by direct and indirect effects of mining activities on land and in the coastal zone.

The EPA No. 391-MIMAROPA-OS geospatial data and this Office's Coastal Resources GIS Database are overlaid on the attached GIS-generated map, which shows the extent of their respective locations.


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MAP

showing the

**EXPLORATION PERMIT APPLICATION
OF TCSC CORPORATION
(EPA No. 391-MIMAROPA-OS)**

superimposes with the

COASTAL RESOURCE MAP

located in:

Municipalities of Mamburao and Paluan, Occidental Mindoro

APPROXIMATE AREA : 4,500.1757 hectares

Coordinate System: Latitude / Longitude
Datum: Luzon 1911

DATA SOURCE: NAMRIA COASTAL RESOURCE MAP

LEGEND

EPA No. 391-MIMAROPA-OS

Parcel 1

Parcel 2

Coastal Resources

Corals

Mangrove forest

Seagrass/Sea weeds

Barangay Boundary

Verified by:

ALLEN M. ABILANG
Draftsman I/GIS Operator