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Attention: I

ENGR. ESPERANZA SAJUL

Chief, EIAMD

#### Dear Dir. Gonzales:

This is to submit the Public Scoping Report (PSR) relative to Berong Nickel Corporation's (BNC's) application for Environmental Compliance Certificate for its Long Point Nickel project at Long Point, Brgy. Apurawan, Aborlan, Palawan.

The Public Scoping was held on 27 February 2023 at Apurawan Gym, Brgy. Apurawan, Palawan.

For your evaluation.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

RAMON MANUEL R. BRIONES

Vice President for Operations



BERONG NICKEL CORPORATION (BNC)

LONG POINT, APURAWAN, ABORLAN, PALAWAN



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### 1. PROJECT OVERVIEW

Berong Nickel Corporation has a management agreement with David M. Consunji Inc. – Mining Corporation (DMCI-MC), a wholly owned subsidiary engaged in ore and mineral mining and exploration to supervise and manage its activities especially on technical and financial aspects of mineral exploration and development of nickel laterite in BNC areas of interest.

On September 29, 2021, BNC was issued a SEP clearance to open "Long Point" which was covered by the original areas explored by ATLAS mining way back in 1990's. The Long Point Nickel Project is under the same entity, located at Barangay Apurawan, Municipality of Aborlan, Palawan. Table 1 shows the details of the proposed LPNP, the Proponent and the EIA Preparer.

Table 1. Proposed Project, Proponent and EIA Preparer Details.

Project Name	Proposed Long Point Nickel Project		
Nature of the Project	Mining Exploration and Operations		
Proposed Extraction Rate	1,000,000 DMT per Annum		
Commodity	Nickel Laterite		
Location of Mine Site and Facilities	Long Point, Barangay Apurawan, Aborlan, Palawan		
Total Project Area	2,357.7583 hectares		
Mining Method	Surface Mining		
Project Proponent	Berong Nickel Corporation (BNC) 3F DMCI Homes Corporate Center, 1321 Apolinario Street,  Bgy. Bangkal, Makati City Philippines 1233		
Authorized Representative	Mr. Ramon Manuel R. Briones – VP for Operations		
Contact Person(s)	Engr. Marc Raymund Zamora - Resident Mine Manager		
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### 2. ACTIVITY RATIONALE

As stipulated in the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) Administrative Order No. 2017-15 (Guidelines on Public Participation under the Philippine Environmental Impact Statement System) or DAO 2017-15, social preparation and public participation is an integral part and a requirement for Proposed Projects required to conduct an Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA). At the onset of EIA process, early involvement of the stakeholders is initiated through the conduct of Information Education Campaign (IEC), Focus Group Discussion (FGD) and Perception Survey. The IEC serves as a basis for preliminary identification of stakeholders and related issues in preparation for the scoping proper.

Once the social preparation has been completed, a public scoping is carried out. This activity is a proponent-driven multi-sectoral process and more meaningful identification of the most significant issues/impacts of the proposed Long Point Nickel Project. Input of the stakeholders were consolidated particularly on the issues and concerns pertaining the proposed project. This will be used to establish the scope of work and terms of reference (ToR) for the EIA, and delimits the extent of the baseline information to those necessary to evaluate and mitigate the impacts.

For Berong Nickel Corporation, the request to conduct Public Scoping was submitted to DENR EMB Central Office on February 7, 2023. The invitation letters (signed by DENR EMB Central Office EIAMD Chief Esperanza Sajul) were officially distributed on February 16-20,2023 to the invitees identified based on the stakeholder groups indicated on Section 5 of DAO 2017-15.

The invitees for the Public Scoping include:

- 1. Local Government Unit in areas where the proposed Long Point Nickel Project (LPNP) will be situated (a)
  - ✓ Municipality of Aborlan (host municipality)
  - √ Barangay Apurawan (direct impact area)
  - ✓ Barangay Culandanum (secondary impact area)
- 2. Government Agencies with related Mandate on Tyoe of the Project and its impacts (b)
  - ✓ Provincial Government of Palawan
  - ✓ DENR EMB Provincial Environmental Management Unit
  - ✓ Palawan Council for Sustainable Development (PCSD)
  - ✓ Provincial Environment and Natural Resources Office (PG ENRO)
  - ✓ DENR Environment and Natural Resources Office (PENRO)
  - ✓ DENR City Environment and Natural Resources Office (CENRO)
  - ✓ Municipal Environment and Natural Resources Office (MENRO)
  - ✓ Municipal Agriculturist of Aborlan (MAO)
  - ✓ Municipal Health Office (MHO)
  - ✓ Municipal Planning and Development Office (MPDO)
- 3. Interest groups, preferably those with mission/s specifically related to the type and impacts of the proposed LPNP (c)
  - ✓ Religious sector Sto. Nino Catholic Church
  - ✓ Indigenous People's Organization NCIP MIMAROPA, NCIP Palawan.
  - ✓ Non-government Organization HARIBON Palawan
  - ✓ People's Organization Farmer's Association, Senior Citizen Association

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- 4. Local Institutions (f)
  - ✓ Apurawan Elementary School
  - ✓ Apurawan National High School
  - ✓ Culandanum Elementary School
  - ✓ Culandanum High School

The proof of receipt for invitation letters are provided as attachment of this report (Annex D).

### 3. STAKEHOLDERS REPRESENTATION

The Public Scoping activity was conducted on February 27, 2023 (Monday) at the Apurawan Gymnasium in Sitio Sto. Nino, Brgy, Apurawan, Aborlan, Palawan. The activity was facilitated by Berong Nickel Corporation together with the EIA Preparers and representatives from DENR EMB Provincial Management Unit Ms. Edna Velasco and Ms. Mercy Almorfe. Table 2 shows the composition of the participants in the Public Scoping activity.

Table 2. Participants in the Public Scoping.

Stakeholder Group/ Office/	Total No. of	Gender Di			
Organization	Representatives		Male		
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undertaken (a)			T		
Municipality of Aborlan	8	3	5		
Barangay Apurawan	9	1	8		
Barangay Culandanum	2		2		
Government agencies with relate impacts (b)	d mandate on the	type of pro	ject and its		
Provincial Government of Palawan	3	1	2		
DENR EMB – Provincial	2	2			
Environmental Management Unit					
Palawan Council for Sustainable	1		1		
Development (PCSD)					
Provincial Environment and Natural	1		1		
Resources Office (PG ENRO)					
DENR Environment and Natural	1		1		
Resources Office (PENRO)					
DENR City Environment and	2		2		
Natural Resources Office (CENRO)					
Municipal Environment and Natural	0				
Resources Office (MENRO)					
Municipal Agriculturist of Aborlan	2		2		
(MAO)					
Municipal Health Office (MHO)	0				
Municipal Planning and	1		1		
Development Office (MPDO)		4	4		
Mines and Geosciences Bureau	2	1	1		
(MGB)	A	4			
Department of Agriculture	with mission/s are		 		
Interest groups, preferably those with mission/s specifically related to the type and impacts of the proposed undertaking (c)					
Sto. Nino Catholic Church, VBSI	1	1			
NCIP – MIMAROPA	0	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·			
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Stakeholder Group/ Office/	Total No. of	Gender Di	stribution
Organization	Representatives	Female	Male
Interest groups, preferably those	with mission/s sp	ecifically re	ated to the
type and impacts of the proposed	undertaking (c)		
NCIP – Palawan,	1		1
HARIBON Palawan	1		1
Farmer's Association	3		3
Senior Citizen Association	1	1	
Indigenous People's Organization	3		3
(Youth, BATA)			
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Women's Organization	1	1	
Local institutions (f)			
Department of Education	3	3	
Apurawan Elementary School			
Apurawan National High School	2	2	
Culandanum Elementary School	1	1	
Culandanum High School	0		
Palawan National School (PNS)	1		1
Systems Technological Institute	1		1
(STI)			
Palawan State University (PSU)	2		2
Local Residents (Apurawan)	63	20	43
Local Residents (Culandanum)	1		1
Berong Nickel Corporation	35	10	25
(Proponent)			
EMG Environment and Safety	6	2	4
Management Consultancy			
Services (EIA Preparer)			
Total	163	50	113

### 4. SUMMARY OF ISSUES AND CONCERNS

The public scoping activity related to the proposed Long Point Nickel Project of the Berong Nickel Corporation at Sitio Long Point, barangay Apurawan, Aborlan, Palawan was actively participated by various stakeholders/sectoral representatives. During the open forum, there were 5 items raised for people module, 2 for land and water modules, and 4 for others. The below matrix (Table 3) shows the specific issues and concerns raised by the stakeholders. Please refer to Annex F for the detailed discussion of the issues and concerns raised and the corresponding Proponent's reply and Annex G for the acknowledgement of issues and concerns raised.

Table 3. Issues and concerns raised by stakeholders during the Public

Scoping Activity.

EIA Module	Issues and Concerns
	Eligibility for Scholarship Grants (between IP and Diwan)
	Inquiries on what can be done to increase the percentage of the scholarship beneficiaries in the impact areas
People	What is the percentage of the local residents who can be employed by BNC and the minimum wage that the company will set?
i copic	Will BNC provide seminars and trainings for unqualified applicant residents to improve their qualification?
	Are there capacity enhancement for the residents, the concrete plan to improve the qualifications of the community and what is the target implementation of these programs.
	Capacity of BNC secure permit to cut trees and the technology to be used during the uprooting of trees.
Land	Ipilan Mining Corporation admitted that earth balling they conducted wasn't successful. Is there other technology which BNC could utilize to improve the survival rate of the trees?
Water	There is a marine sanctuary around 0.5 kilometer from the project area. Is the distance of the proposed project far enough to induce significant impacts to the marine sanctuary?
	Rainfall must be considered in the design of structures for mitigation of the impacts of disasters
	There is a need to clarify whether the roads constructed by BNC near long point was issued ECC
Others	There is need for a clarification why the mining sector only has 0.46% contribution to the national employment despite being a large industry.
Others	Mining is expected to induce economic growth. However, Economic growth in Berong is not evident
	What are the impacts of the mining on the processing of their local products like coconuts?

### 5. DESIGN OF PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

It is well recognized that the involvement and participation of the stakeholders are significant throughout the EIA process. For the proposed Long Point Nickel Project scoping, the following activities have been conducted:

- ➤ Focused Group Discussion (FGD) was conducted with concerned stakeholder groups on April 10, 2022 in Sitio Sto. Nino, Brgy. Apurawan, Aborlan, Palawan.
- ➤ Perception Survey was conducted on September 24-26, 2022 to representatives of offices, organizations, local residents, business owners, academe, religious groups, farmers from Brgy. Apurawan and Brgy. Culandanum who were not able to participate in previous stakeholder engagement activities (i.e., FGD, IEC).
- ➤ Public Scoping/Hearing will be carried out to ensure efficient exchange of information and views between and among the project stakeholders on the results of the EIA, if needed.

### 6. NARRATIVE OF THE PUBLIC SCOPING ACTIVITY

The public scoping for the Long Point Nickel Project was facilitated by the Berong Nickel Corporation, proponent of the project located at barangay Apurawan, Aborlan, Palawan was scheduled on February 27, 2023 at 12:30pm and conducted at the Apurawan Gym, Barangay Apurawan, Aborlan.

For the preliminaries, registration of participants was set in 1 and half hours (12:30 PM – 2:00 PM) led by the staff of the Berong Nickel Corporation (BNC). Although, there were some registrants who managed to come earlier in the scheduled time of registration but most of the expected participants from other agencies had arrived and filled the gymnasium of the barangay came nearly 2:00 PM.

Quarter before 2:00 PM, Engr. Rolando S. Sajot, BNC Safety & Health Superintendent called the attention of all the attendees to formally start the Scoping program. As to start, Engr. Sajot called before us Kgd. Randy Gila, Sanguniang Barangay member of Brgy. Apurawan for the opening prayer followed by the singing of the national anthem led by Ms. Maribel Favila, Principal, Apurawan Elementary School.

After which, a welcoming address was given by Mr. Boni Madarcos, Governor's representative and followed immediately the presentation of the participants by Mr. Rolando Sajot. The introduction was based from the filled-up registration forms. First, the emcee introduced the honorable members of the Sangunian Panlalawigan who are present during the scoping activity. From the office of the Governor being represented by Mr. Boni Madarcos, followed by the Honorable Sanguniang Bayan Members with Mayor Ortega and Vice Mayor Madeja. The emcee introduced also the Honorable Sanguniang Barangay officials of Brgy. Apurawan and Brgy. Culandanum headed by their Barangay Captain and the different organizations who were present in the gymnasium (NGOs, Business Sector, Cooperatives, IP communities, DepEd, EIA Team, and the Berong Nickel Corporation team).

For the objectives and expectations, Dr. Rodolfo O. Abalus Jr., EIA Co-Team Leader clearly explained it. These include the overview of the project, proposed

activities of the project, solicitation of issues and concerns of the primary affected community (Brgy. Apurawan) and secondary affected community (Brgy. Culandanum) in relation with the proposed mining operation. For the overall idea of the guidelines of Scoping, Dr. Abalus underscored that it will run through rigid and tedious processes which start with Social Preparation where Information Education Campaign was conducted already in Brgy. Apurawan and Brgy. Culandanum. Then, after the activity, request for scoping was made such that the Berong Nickel Company and the EIA team are conducting such scoping activity. The Co-team leader highlighted that after the scoping, there will be formation of review team (compose of different experts in the field that will review the EIA submitted to EMB) and followed by the scheduling of a three-level scoping activity where the 1st level is the project briefing meeting with the review team, 2nd level is the public scoping with community and the last level as mentioned is the technical scoping with the review team. Dr. Abalus, emphasized that the presence of the community stakeholders was very significant in the completion of the scoping. Their issues and concerns raised were all important in the completion of the **Environmental Impact Assessment.** 

In like manner, For. Mercy B. Almorfe, Supervising EMS EMB-PEMU, provided more details on the Overview of the Scoping Guidelines and the Mechanics of the Scoping for the Project. For. Almorfe, provided more details by giving specific process of EIA. According to her, EIA starts with data/information collection about the environment, ecosystem and socio-cultural. These information and data will be subjected to in-depth analysis and study if there will be impact to the community and if there will be bad effects, measures to reduce or avoid the impact can be determined and if there will be good effects, these will be developed and sustained. Likewise, For. Almorfe, emphasized the importance of the participation of the community stakeholders in the scoping for the EIA. These data and information will serve as basis for planning and preparing the community (barangay or municipal) through the Environmental Management Plan (EMP) and Social Development Plan (SDP). Overall, this will prepare the documents for the Environmental Impact Statement. For. Almorfe provided a logical explanation about the EIA. She explained that the stressors can be results of the operation which include emission of polluted air, effluents or polluted water and the immediate environment can be affected. The primary affected and the secondary affected area. And through EIA, these scenarios can be determined and identified what proper measures will be conducted to reduce or minimize the effect. These impacts can be direct and indirect. Some examples of these type of impacts were also discussed by the Forester. To end her presentation, the project screening processes was explained clearly by For. Almorfe. That according to her, the EIA to EIS requirements of the BNC is not an ordinary requirement that can be acquired easily but to have the permit to operate, the company must undergo each process. And one very important is scoping with the participation of all stakeholders.

After the presentation of the Objectives to Mechanics of the Scoping, Engr. Rolando L. Sajot, Safety and Health Superintendent, gave the project description. This includes the project information, proponent profile, and the preparers followed the presentation of the project summary by Engr. Renato Y. Sabat Jr., BNC Mine Planning Engineer. Engr. Sabat discussed the necessary permit and documents their company must acquire before their mining operations. These are the;

Exploration through Authority to Verify Minerals (ATVM), that according to him, it was already acquired from the DENR-MGB and exploration was conducted; Environmental Compliance Certificate (ECC) from the DENR-EMB and Free Prior Informed Consent (FPIC) from the NCIP, these 2 permits are ongoing acquiring and one of the requirements are the scoping activity; Mineral Production Sharing Agreement (MPSA); Tree Cutting Permit from the DENR; Construction and Development (PPA -Port; DENR-EMB); and Mining Operation from DENR-MGB. The Engr. Also discussed their best practices, processes in mining, where to mine, and plan to ship the ore. Apparently, Ms. Jaypee B. Jacob, ISO Integrated Management Representative, discussed about what programs of the company to develop the community. Ms. Jacob introduced the percent allocation of funds for SDMP; 75% for the Development of Host and Neighbouring Communities (DHNC) program; 15% for the Information, Education and Communication (EIC) Program, and 10% for the Development of Mine Technology and Geosciences (DMTG) Program. She presented their programs given in Berong, Quezon on Education where they produced many College graduates in different courses and employed them as well. Likewise, she presented some livelihood projects assisted by their company like the piggery project, sea-cucumber and seaweed projects, solar driers construction and farm to market road construction. Another was the program on health. Their company assists the community by giving free meals for grade schoolers, free vaccines and medicines, free training and seminars in relation to health issues and concerns and providing health clinics in the barangays. Further, the company strengthened the socio-cultural aspects of the by providing multicab patrols, barangay halls, gymnasium, school buildings, assisting the churches and participating in the programs of the IPs. And to end her sharing, Ms. Jacob also highlighted the importance of the participation of the community which is considered as the key for the proper implementation of the SDMP projects and programs.

For the impact assessment and mitigation, Mr. Jay Pee R. Dela Cruz, Mine Environmental Protection and Enhancement Officer/Pollution Control Officer, presented the examples of impact identification and mitigation for land, air, water, flora and fauna, and the people. He discussed the potential environmental impacts and the equivalent management and mitigating measures.

For the stakeholders' perception survey result, Mr. Jandi G. Panolino presented the data analyzed in graphs and figures from 100 respondents from Apurawan as the primary affected barangay and another 100 respondents from Culandanum as secondary affected community. This information was taken from the 2 barangays being potentially affected upon the commencement of the mining operation. This was also conducted to as adhere with the initial requirements of the EIA.

For the Open Forum, details were presented in Annex F for issues and concerns.

For the Closing remarks, Vice Mayor Madeja extended his thanks to the scoping facilitators and all the attendees. He further emphasized also the importance of the scoping activity. And with that, the scoping ended with the final remarks of the BNC resident manager, Engr, Marc Raymund L. Zamora with full of appreciation and gratitude to all the people who attended the scoping activity.

# 7. PHOTO-DOCUMENTATION

# **Proof of Posting Re Notice of Public Scoping**











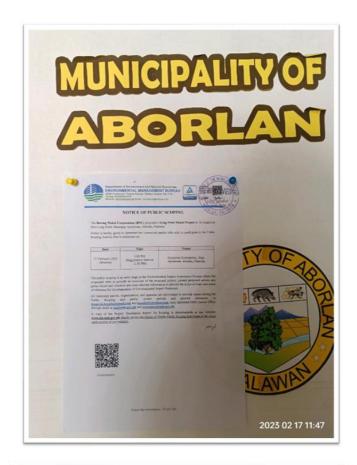














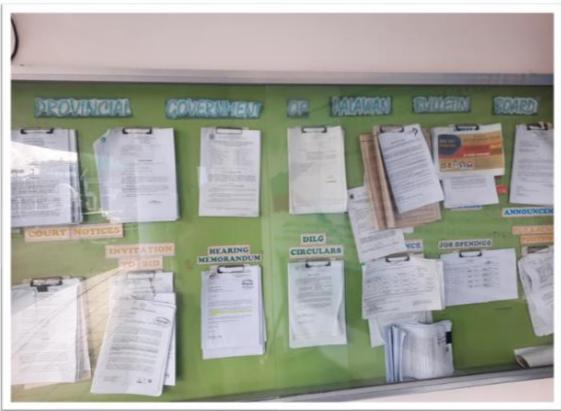
















# Public scoping registration of the participants







Mr. Madarcos, a representative from the Office of the Provincial Governor





Mr. Fabello, a representative from Palawan Council for Sustainable Development (PCSD)

# Public scoping presentation



Dr. Rodolo Abalus, Jr., EIA preparer Co-team leader presented the objectives and expectations for the public scoping activity



Participants from the LGU and Apurawan National High School



Ms. Mercedita Almorfe from DENR PEMU - Palawan presented the Environmental Impact Assessment process



The EIA Team preparers



Engr. Renato Sabat, BNC Mine Planning Engineer presented the Long Point Nickel Project



Ms. Jaypee Jacob, BNC ISO Officer presented the various programs conducted by BNC to its host community and stakeholders



Mr. Jay Pee dela Cruz, BNC MEPEO and Pollution Control Officer presented the Impact Assessment and mitigation



Mr. Jandi Panolino, EIA Team preparer presented the result of the Perception Su

# Open forum





Representative from HARIBON Palawan Mr. Boy Magallanes during open forum



IPMR of Aborlan, Mr. Tom Kutat one of the stakeholders who raised a question during the open forum



From EMB Provincial Environmental Management Unit of Palawan, Ms. Edna Velasco addressing some of the questions raised by the stakeholders





Vice Mayor Madeja extended his thanks to the scoping facilitators and all the attendees



Engr. Marc Raymund Zamora, BNC Resident Mine Manager gave his closing remarks

## ANNEX A. PROOF OF PUBLIC SCOPING ATTENDANCE



### LONG POINT NICKEL PROJECT

Apurawan Gym, Barangay Apurawan, Aborlan February 27, 2023 12:30PM

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### ANNEX B. PROGRAM FOR PUBLIC SCOPING

Project Title : <u>LONG POINT NICKEL PROJECT</u>
Project Location : <u>Barangay Apurawan, Aborlan, Palawan</u>
Project Proponent : <u>BERONG NICKEL CORPORATION</u>

Date & Time of Scoping : February 27, 2023 12:30PM

Scoping Venue : <u>Apurawan Gym, Barangay Apurawan, Aborlan</u>

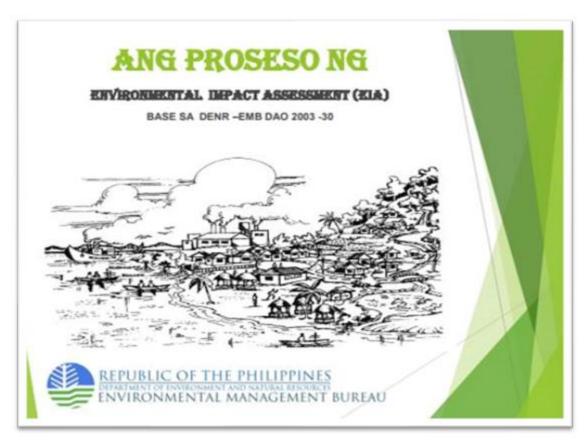
TIME ALLOTTED	PROGRAM OF ACTIVITIES	PERSON RESPONSIBLE
12:30 - 2:00 pm	Registration	
2:00 - 2:10pm	<ul><li>Opening Prayer</li><li>National Anthem</li></ul>	<ul> <li>Kgd. Randy Gila (LGU (Barangay Apurawan)</li> <li>Ms. Maribel Favila (Principal, Apurawan Elementary School)</li> </ul>
2:10 - 2:15pm	Welcome Remarks	(Governor's Office Representative)
2:15 - 2:20pm	Introduction of Participants	Mr. Rolando S. Sajot (BNC Safety & Health Superintendent)
2:20 - 2:35pm	<ul> <li>Objectives and Expectations</li> <li>Setting of the Scoping</li> <li>Overview of the Scoping Guidelines</li> <li>Mechanics of the Scoping for the Project</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Dr. Rodolfo O. Abalus Jr. (EIA Co-Team Leader)</li> <li>For. Mercy B. Almorfe (Supervising EMS EMB- PEMU)</li> </ul>
2:35 - 2:55pm	Brief Presentation of Long Point Nickel Project	<ul> <li>Engr. Renato Y. Sabat Jr         (BNC Mine Planning         Engineer)</li> <li>Ms. Jaypee B. Jacob         (BNC ISO Management         Representative)</li> <li>Mr. Jay Pee R. Dela Cruz         (BNC MEPEO/PCO)</li> </ul>
		Mr. Jandi G. Panolino     (EIA Team Member)
2:55 - 3:10pm	Snacks	
3:10 - 4:10pm	Open Forum	<ul> <li>For. Edna S. Velasco         (PEMU/ Proponent Palawan         Chief, DENR-EMB)</li> <li>BNC Representatives</li> <li>EIA Preparer</li> </ul>

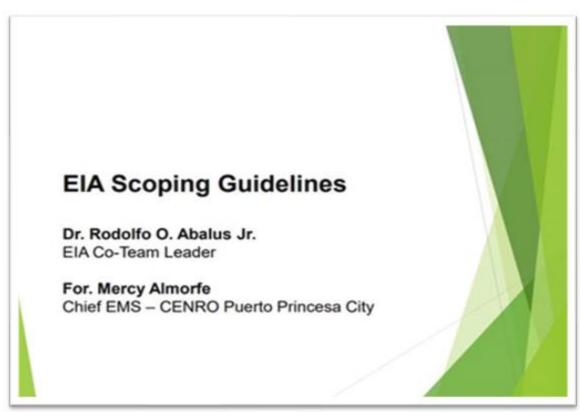
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TIME ALLOTTED	PROGRAM OF ACTIVITIES	PERSON RESPONSIBLE
4:10 - 4:40pm	Synthesis and Integration/Summary of Issues and Agreements on Scoping	<ul> <li>For. Edna S. Velasco         (PEMU/ Proponent Palawan Chief, DENR-EMB)</li> <li>BNC Representatives</li> <li>EIA Preparer</li> </ul>
4:40 - 4:55pm	Message from a representative of sectoral participants	<ul> <li>Hon. Mayor Jaime Ortega (or representative)</li> <li>Hon. SB Arnel Ortega (SB Environmental Committee Chairman)</li> </ul>
4:55 - 5:00pm	Closing Remarks	Engr. Marc Raymund L.     Zamora     (BNC RM)

Emcee: Mr. Rolando S. Sajot (BNC Safety & Health Superintendent)

### ANNEX C. PUBLIC SCOPING PRESENTATION MATERIALS





## Layunin



Magbigay ng pangkalahatang-ideya patungkol sa ipinapanukalang proyekto



Mailahad ang mga panukalang gawain ng proyekto



Malikom ang mga isyu at alalahanin ng mga apektadong mamamayan



Makalikom ng mga mahahalagang impormasyon na magagamit sa kabuuang gagawin para sa paggawa ng Environmental Impact Statement (EIS)



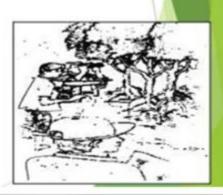
## Mga Inaasahan

- Ang mga apektadong mamamayan ay dumalo at makilahok sa pag uusap sa gaganaping scoping miting
- Ang proponent at ang mga ekspertong gagaawa ng Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) kasama ng mga apektadong mamamayan ay may parehong pang unawa patungkol sa panukalang proyekto
- Nauunawaan at kinikilala ng mga apektadong mamamayan ang kahalagahan ng scoping miting
- Bukas at maayos na takbo ng usapan patungkol sa ipinapanukalang proyekto.

# ANO ang PROSESO ng EIA?

- Ang Environmental Impact Assessment ay isang proseso na binubuo ng sumusunod na gawain:
- Pagkolekta ng datus o impormasyon tungkol sa kapaligiran, kalikasan at sosyo-kultural
- Pag-susuri sa kalagayan ng kapaligiran, kalikasan at sosyo-kultural/ekonomikal base sa datus kung magkakaroon ng proyekto upang magawan ng paraan para maiwasan ang masamang epekto nito at pagbutihin/pagandahin ang mabuting epekto.



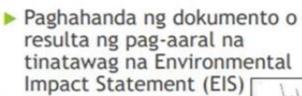


- Mahalaga ang pakikilahok ng mga taong maapektuhan ng proyekto mula sa simula ng pag-aaral, pag-paplano at pagsasagawa ng proyekto.
- Ang EIA ay isang proseso ng pag-aaral na nagiging basehan sa pagpaplano ng may ari ng proyekto upang maging basehan ng DENR kung ang proyekto ay makakalikasan at makatao.



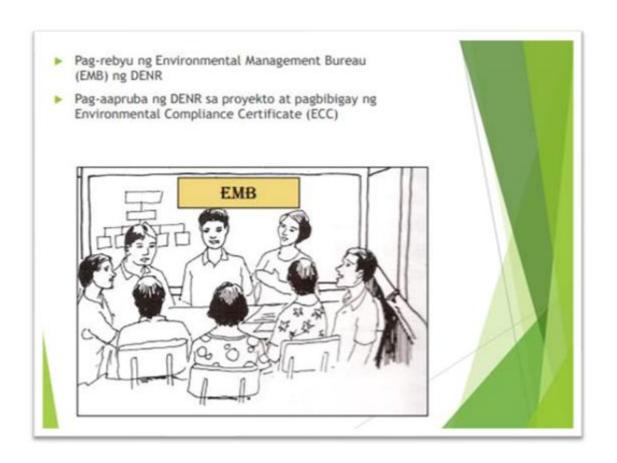


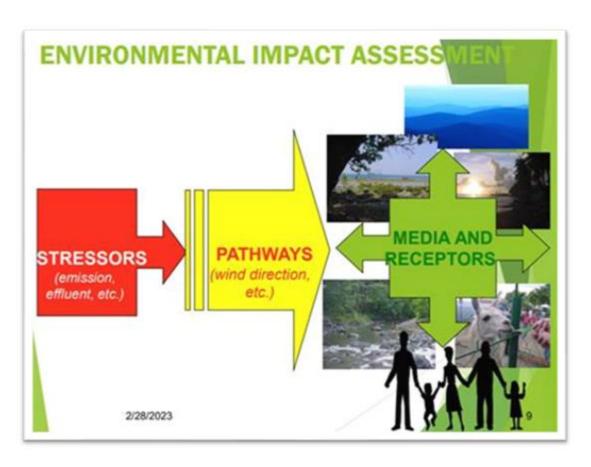
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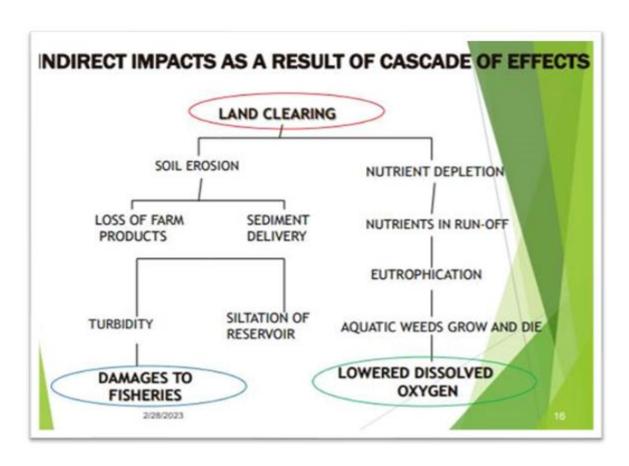


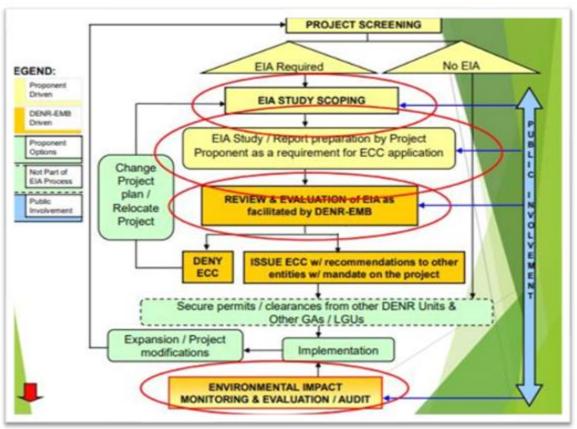
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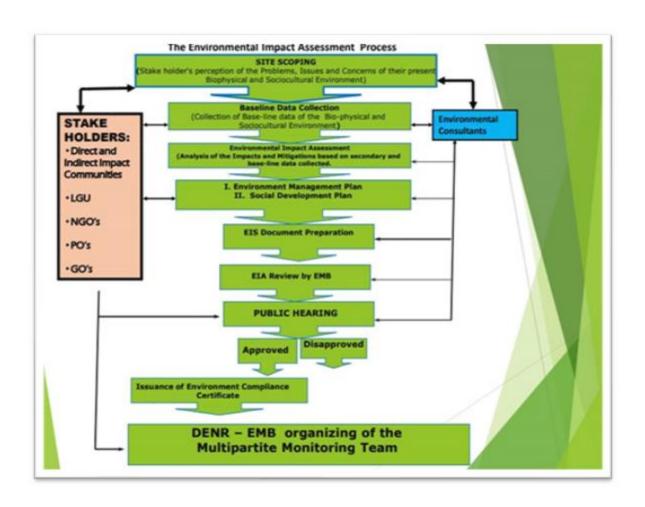
- Pollution due to discharge of waste streams into air/water/land
- noise pollution due emission of sound from plant activities
- intentional addition of substances such as pesticides, herbicides etc,
- ocontamination of physical environment due to accidental release of hazardous substances or addition resulting from spills blowouts, explosion

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# **Project Description for Scoping**

# For Issuance of DENR-EMB's Environmental Compliance Certificate (ECC)

Apurawan, Aborlan, Palawan February 2023



## Part 1. Project Description

Mr. Rolando L. Sajot Safety and Health Superintendent



**Project Information** 

Project Name Nature of the Project

Proposed Extraction Rate : Commodity

Location of Mine Site and

Facilities Permit

Authority over the Project Area

Long Point Nickel Project

Exploration, Mining and Shipping Operations

1,000,000 DMT per Annum

Nickel Laterite

Long Point, Barangay Apurawan, Aborlan, Palawan

#### SEP Clearance MEO-092921-055

- The Strategic Environmental Plan Clearance MEO-0929021-055 for Mining Explorations and Operations at Long Point, Apurawan, Aborian was issued to Berong Nickel Corporation by Palawan Council for Sustainable Development on September 21, 2021.
- Berong Nickel Corporation was granted by the Mines and Geosciences Bureau on March 4, 2022 Authority to Verify Mineral (ATVM) at Sitio Long Point, Apurawan, Aborlan

The issued ATVM is valid for 1 year instead of the Exploration Permit which is valid for 2 years. As per EO 79, ATVM is granted for mining applications provided that the area has no approved EP or MPSA.

Total Project Area Mining Method 2,357.7583 hectares Surface Mining

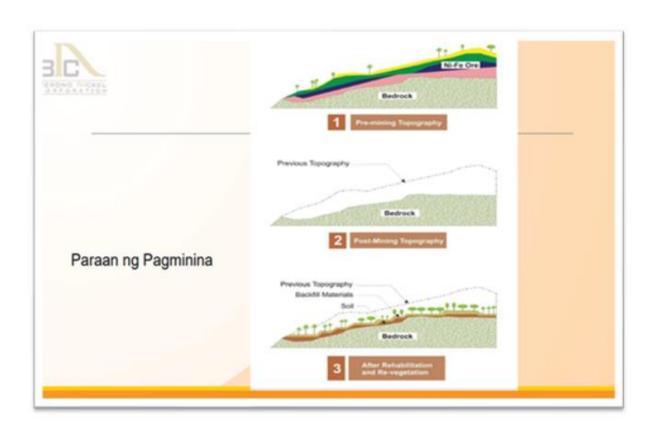


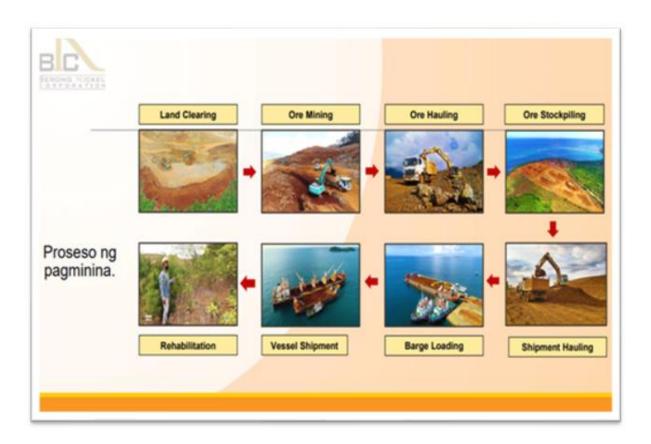
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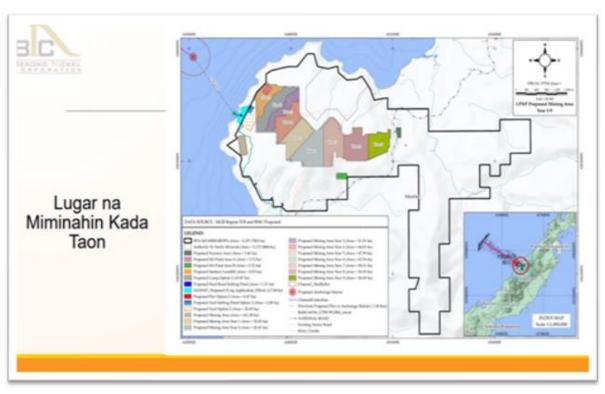
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Mine Planning Engineer













# Part 3. Mga Programa sa Pagpapaunlad ng Komunidad

Ms. Jaypee B. Jacob

ISO Integrated Management Representative



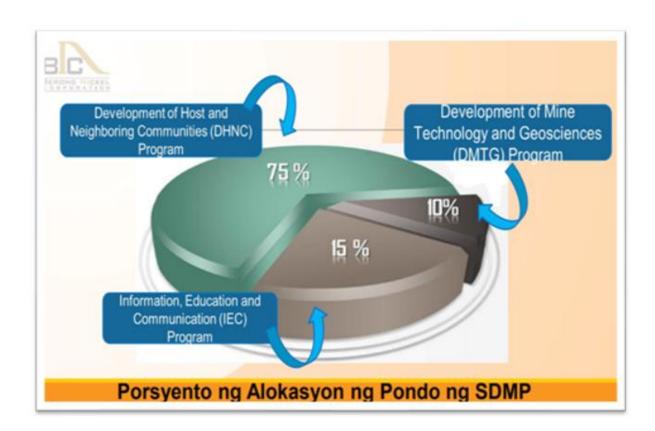
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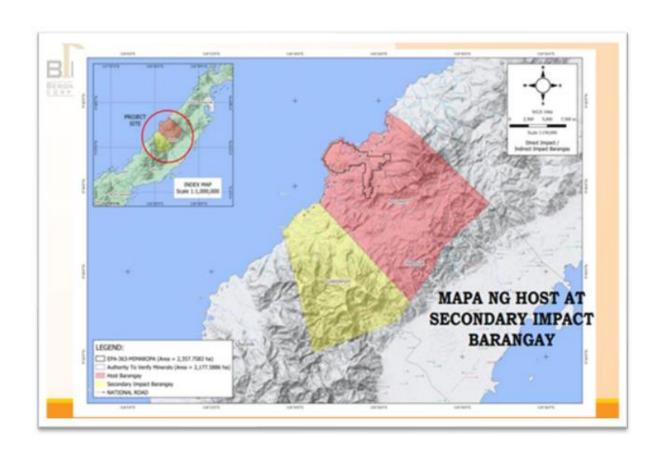
### Administrative Order No. 2010-21:

Patakaran at Regulasyong Gabay sa pagpapatupad ng Batas Republika Blg. 7942 o ang "Philippine Mining Act of 1995"

## Chapter XIV, Section 134, Item D:

Ang pondong nakalaan para sa SDMP ay ang 1.5% ng kabuuang operating cost.

















## Part 4. Impact Assessment and Mitigation

Mr. Jay Pee R. Dela Cruz

Mine Environmental Protection and Enhancement Officer / Pollution Control Officer

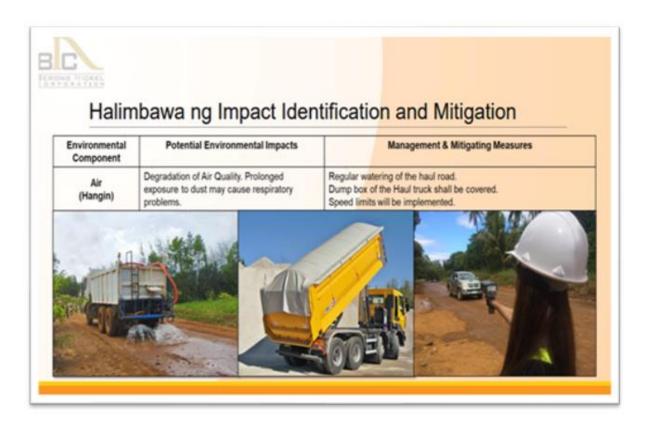


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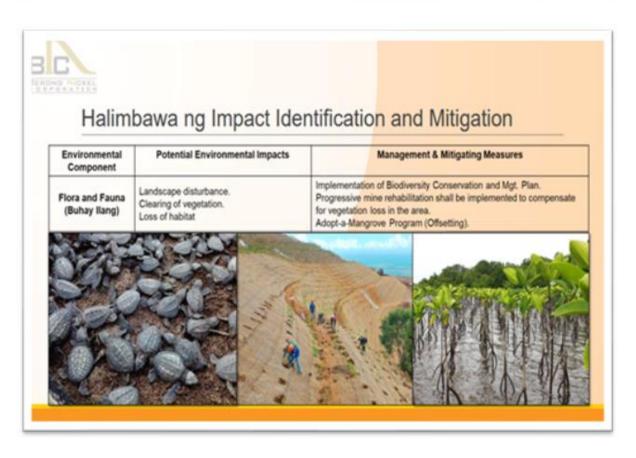
Impact assessment - tumutukoy sa detalyadong pagsusuri ng mga epekto sa lipunan at kapaligiran ng binabalak na proyekto at natukoy na mga alternatibo, kumpara sa baseline condition nito.

Mitigation - mga hakbang sa pagpapagaan ay nagbibigay ng isang sistema upang bawasan, iwasan o i-offset ang mga potensyal na masamang epekto sa kapaligiran ng mga aktibidad sa pag-unlad. Ang kanilang layunin ay upang i-maximize ang mga benepisyo ng proyekto at mabawasan ang mga hindi kanais-nais na epekto. Ang ganitong mga hakbang sa pagpapagaan ay maaaring nasa anyo ng mga hakbang na pang-iwas, pagwawasto o kompensasyon.











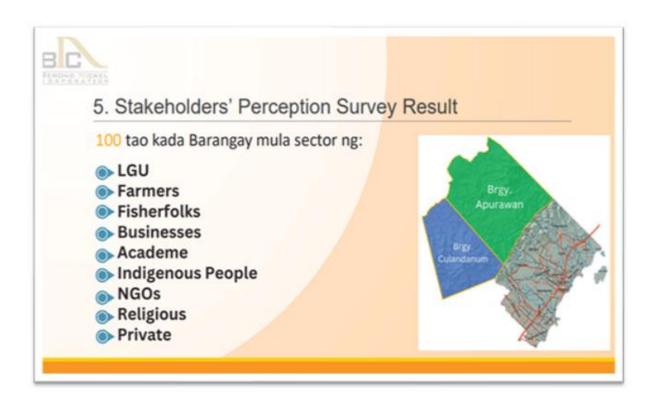


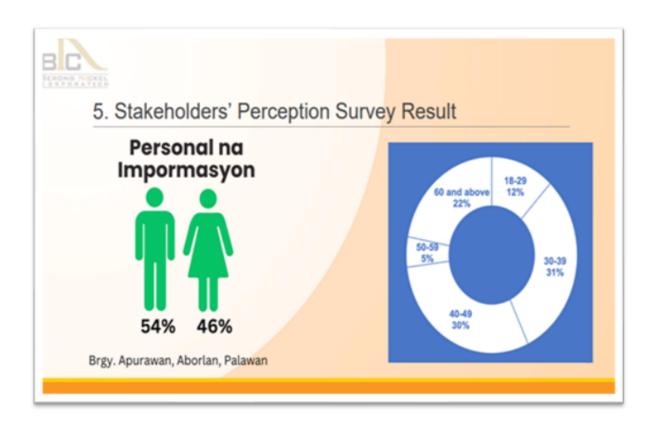


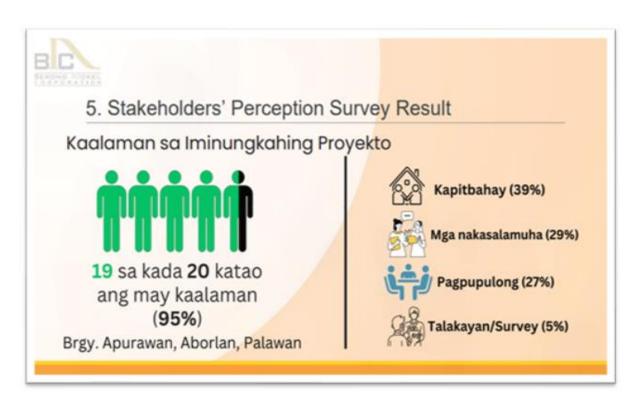
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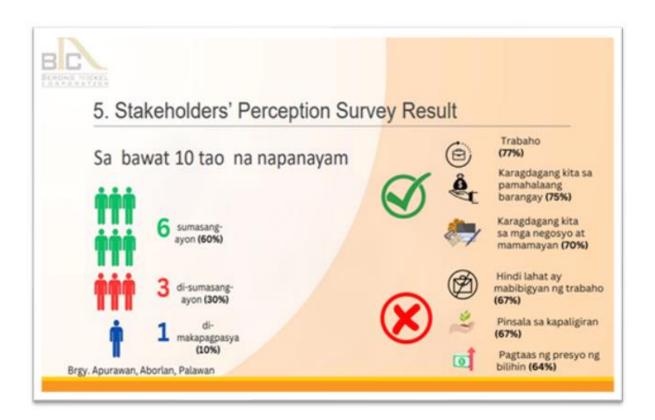
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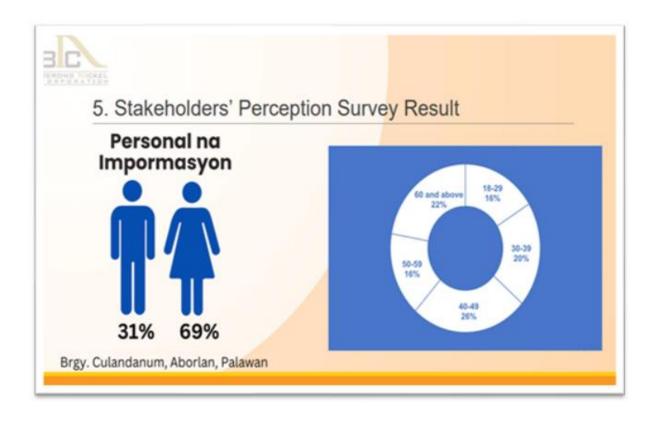
Biodiversity Conservation, Terrestrial Fauna and Water Quality Specialist

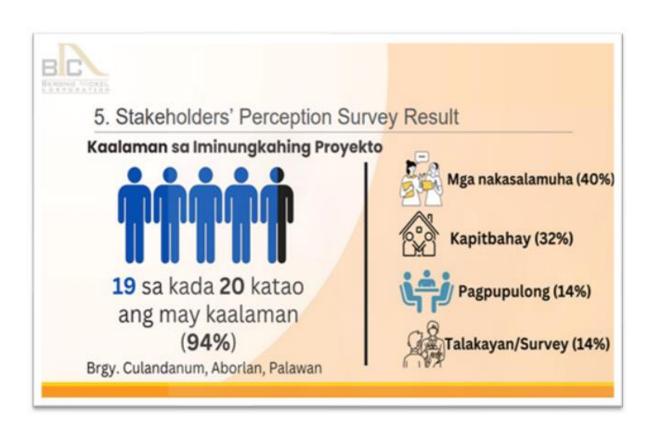


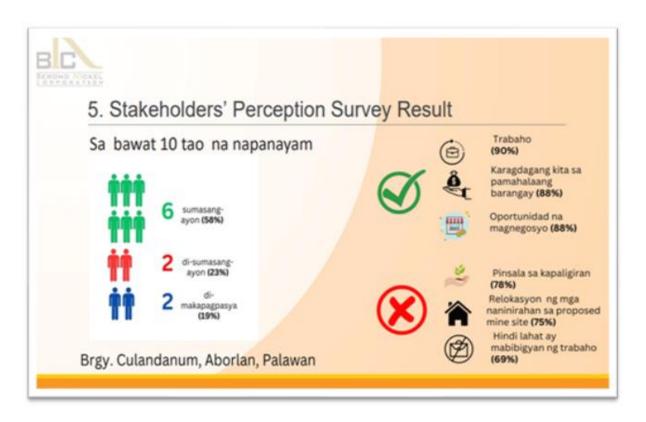














### Iba Pang Positibo Pananaw Tungkol sa Proyekto

- Dadami pa ang mga taong tagalabas na pupunta sa aming lugar (73%)
- Tataas ang environmental awareness ng publiko (73%)
- Mas madaling maibebenta ang mga produktong local (67%)
- Pagtatanim ng mga puno (56%)
- Pagkakaroon ng supply ng kuryente (53%)
- Pagkakaroon ng maayos na phone signal at internet (52%)
- Paglikha/pag-aayos ng mga kalsada (44%)
- Pagkakataong makapag-aral sa pamamagitan ng scholarship (44%)
- Mahikayat ang mga kabataan na magplano para sa kinabukasan (43%)
- Pagsasagawa ng mga makabuluhang pagsasanay o seminar (39%)
- Sistema ng pagsubaybay upang matiyak ang kaligtasan at kalinisan ng hangin at tubig (35%)



### Iba Pang Positibo Pananaw Tungkol sa Proyekto

- Pagtatayo ng mga paaralan at iba pang proyektong imprastruktura (34%)
- Pagbibigay ng mga materyales ng pagtatanim sa mga residente (34%)
- Pagbibigay ng mga malilipatang bahay at lupa para sa mga apektado ng proyekto (32%)
- Pagtatayo ng mga pasilidad ng kalusugan (29%)
- Pagtatag ng mga instrumentasyon ng watershed upang masubaybayan ang pag-ulan at iba pang parameter ng klima (29%)
- Sistema ng pagsubaybay para sa proteksyon at konserbasyon ng biodiversity at lupa (27%)
- Pagkakaroon ng kaayusan at kapayapaan (21%)



## Iba Pang Negatibong Pananaw Tungkol sa Proyekto

- Dadami pa ang mga taong tagalabas na pupunta sa aming lugar (66%)
- Pagtaas ng presyo ng mga bilihin (42%)
- Pagkakaroon ng kaguluhan sa aming lugar (42%)



#### ANNEX D. PROOF OF RECEIPT OF PUBLIC SCOPING INVITATION LETTERS



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**SUBJECT** 

PUBLIC SCOPING FOR THE PROPOSED LONG POINT NICKEL

PROJECT OF BERONG NICKEL CORPORATION (BNC) SET ON 27

FEBRUARY 2023

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Very truly yours,

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Hon. Marven Madeja Vice Mayor Municipal Government of Aborlan Legislative Bldg., Aborlan, Palawan

**SUBJECT** 

PUBLIC SCOPING FOR THE PROPOSED LONG POINT NICKEL PROJECT OF BERONG NICKEL CORPORATION (BNC) SET ON 27 **FEBRUARY 2023** 

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Atty. Teodoro Jose Matta

Executive Director

Palawan Council for Sustainable Development

PCSD Building, Sta Monica, Puerto Princesa City

SUBJECT

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**14 FEBRUARY 2023** 

Dr. Marie Grace T. Pascua, CESO III

Regional Director

NCIP - MIMAROPA

San Vicente, Calapan City, Oriental Mindoro

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SUBJECT

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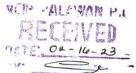


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**14 FEBRUARY 2023** 

Atty. Jansen Jontilla Provincial Director NCIP - Palawan Sta. Monica, Puerto Princesa City



SUBJECT

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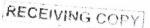
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Atty. Noel Aquino
Chief of Provincial ENRO
Provincial ENRO
PEO Compound, Puerto Princesa City

SUBJECT

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PUBLIC SCOPING FOR THE PROPOSED LONG POINT NICKEL PROJECT OF BERONG NICKEL CORPORATION (BNC) SET ON 27 FEBRUARY 2023

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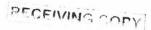
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Mr. Pedro A. Velasco OIC - CENRO FEB CENRO Puerto Princesa - DENR

SUBJECT

Sta. Monica, Puerto Princesa City

PUBLIC SCOPING FOR PROPOSED LONG POINT NICKEL PROJECT OF BERONG NICKEL CORPORATION (BNC) SET ON 27

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Mr. Avelino De Guzman Jr. MENR Officer Municipal Government of Aborlan MENRO Bldg., Municipal Compound, Aborlan

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**14 FEBRUARY 2023** 

Mr. Clemente Cacatian
Municipal Agriculturist
Municipal Government of Aborlan
Municipal Bldg., Aborlan, Palawan

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**14 FEBRUARY 2023** 

Engr. Salvador Cojamco MPDO Officer Municipal Government of Aborlan Municipal Bldg., Aborlan, Palawan



SUBJECT

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**14 FEBRUARY 2023** 

Dr. Fidel V. Salazar

Municipal Health Officer

Municipal Government of Aborlan

Municipal Health Office, Poblacion, Aborlan, Palawan

SUBJECT

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Mr. Inocencio Magallanes

Chairman

NGO - Haribon Palawan

Brgy. San Miguel, Puerto Princesa City

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**14 FEBRUARY 2023** 

Mr. Nestor Valmoria

President

**Farmers Association** 

Brgy. Culandanum, Aborlan, Palawan

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**14 FEBRUARY 2023** 

Ms. Imelda Cajolo Head Teacher I Culandanum Elementary School Brgy. Culandanum, Aborlan, Palawan

SUBJECT

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Hon. Danilo Cortez Brgy. Captain Brgy. Apurawan, Aborlan, Palawan Barangay Hall, Apurawan

SUBJECT

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Ms. Maribel B. Favila
Head Teacher I
Apurawan Elementary School
Brgy. Apurawan, Aborlan, Palawan

SUBJECT

PUBLIC SCOPING FOR THE PROPOSED LONG POINT NICKEL PROJECT OF BERONG NICKEL CORPORATION (BNC) SET ON 27

FEBRUARY 2023

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Thank you, and we look forward to your participation.

Very truly yours,

FOR: ENGR. ESPERANZA A. SAJUL

Chief, EIAMD

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## NOTICE OF PUBLIC SCOPING

The **Berong Nickel Corporation (BNC)** proposed a **Long Point Nickel Project** to be located at Sitio Long Point, Barangay Apurawan, Aborlan, Palawan.

Notice is hereby given to interested and concerned parties who wish to participate in the Public Scoping Activity that is scheduled on:

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The public scoping is an early stage in the Environmental Impact Assessment Process where the proponent aims to provide an overview of the proposed project, present proposed action, and gather issues and concerns and other relevant information to provide the scope of work and terms of reference for the preparation of Environmental Impact Statement.

All interested parties, organizations, and agencies are encouraged to provide inputs during the Public Scoping and public review periods and provide comments to <a href="mailto:dsegovia.brenda@gmail.com">dsegovia.brenda@gmail.com</a> and <a href="mailto:mondocto@yahoo.com">mondocto@yahoo.com</a>, copy furnished EMB Central Office through email at <a href="mailto:eia@emb.gov.ph">eia@emb.gov.ph</a> and <a href="mailto:recordsco@emb.gov.ph">recordsco@emb.gov.ph</a>.

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14 FEBRUARY 2023

Ms. Lydia B. Salac

President

Senior Citizen Group Representative of Private Sector

Brgy. Apurawan, Aborlan, Palawan

SUBJECT :

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**14 FEBRUARY 2023** 

Ms. Irel L. Hermosa Teacher III Apurawan National High School Brgy. Apurawan, Aborlan, Palawan

SUBJECT

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14 FEBRUARY 2023

Mr. Rufino Pedroso
President

Farmers Association
Brgy. Apurawan, Aborlan, Palawan

SUBJECT

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14 FEBRUARY 2023

Fr. Joseph Haa
Parish Priest
Sto. Niño Catholic Chapel
Sto. Niño Pray Apprent Aberlan

Sto. Niño, Brgy. Apurawan, Aborlan, Palawan

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**14 FEBRUARY 2023** 

Ms. Melanie Herher

Teacher I

Culandanum High School

Brgy. Culandanum, Aborlan, Palawan

SUBJECT

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#### ANNEX E. CERTIFICATES OF POSTING



Republic of the Philippines
Provincial Government of Palawan

OFFICE OF THE PROVINCIAL ADMINISTRATOR
Ground Floor, Ramon V. Mitra Jr. Building
Puerto Princesa City

#### CERTIFICATE OF POSTING

This is to certify that the Department of Environment and Natural Resources - Environmental Management Bureau (DENR-EMB) the Public Scoping for Long Point Nickel Project of Berong Nickel Corporation (BNC) were posted on the Bulletin Board of the Provincial Government of Palawan from February 21, 2023 onwards.

This certification is being issued under Section 21 of the DENR that secures an Environmental Compliance Certificate (ECC).

Issued this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of February 2023, at Puerto Princesa City, Palawan.

LINA S. SORNEL-MARTIN Administrative Officer III

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Republic of the Philippines (Republic Act No. 7611)

## PALAWAN COUNCIL FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

01 March 2023

MARC RAYMUND L. ZAMORA

Resident Manager
Berong Nickel Corporation
Bgy, Berong, Quezon, Palawan
No. 156 Manalo Street, Puerto Princesa City, Palawan

Dear Mr. Zamora:

Greetings'

This has reference to your letter dated February 16, 2023 requesting for the posting of the NOTICE. OF PUBLIC SCOPING for the Proposed Long Point Nickel Project of Berong Nickel Corporation in our office location. Please find attached photos of the posting compliance for the period February 20, 2023 until March 01, 2023.

Thank you and regards.

Sincerely yours,

NIÑO BEY C. ESTOYA, MNSA, CESE<sub>A</sub>V

Acting Executive Director

Vision: Palawan, an innovative and dynamicrglobal center of sustainable development Mission: PCSDS as the driver of environmental conservation and inclusive development in Palawan, a biosphere reserve and science-for-sustainability site, guided by the Strategic Environmental Plan

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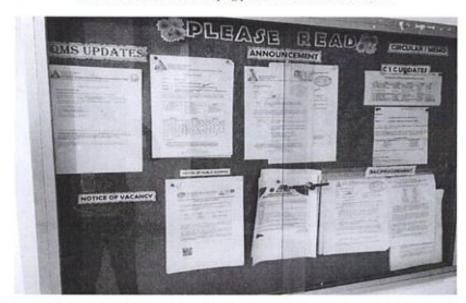
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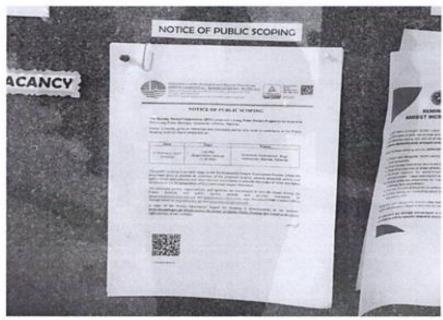
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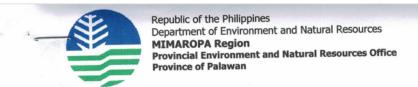
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Annex A. Notice of Public Scoping posted at PCSDS Bulletin Board.







#### CERTIFICATE OF POSTING

This is to CERTIFY that the attached NOTICE OF PUBLIC SCOPING of the Berong Nickel Corporation (BNC) on a proposed Long Point Nickel Project to be located at Sitio Long Point, Barangay Apurawan, Aborlan, palawan has been posted at PENRO Palawan bulletin board from February 14, 2023 to March 6, 2023

This certification is issued on 6th Day of March, 2023 upon request of **Berong Nickel Corporation** (BNC) for whatever purpose it may served.

WAMALAYDA S. TALABUCON

Planning Officer III OIC-MSD/Chief, Planning Section

Brgy. Sta. Monica, Puerto Princesa City, Palawan Tel/Fax: (048) 433-5638/ 434-8791 Email Add: penropalawan@denr.gov.ph



# Republic of the Philippines OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT NATIONAL COMMISSION ON INDIGENOUS PEOPLES PALAWAN PROVINCIAL OFFICE

Beside Barangay Hall, Santa Monica, Puerto Princesa City, Palawan

#### CERTIFICATE OF POSTING

#### TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

This is to CERTIFY that the National Commission on Indigenous People (NCIP)- Palawan Provincial Office, for the period beginning February 16, 2023 to February 27, 2023, has posted the *Notice of Public Scoping for the Long Point Nickel Project* proposed by Berong Nickel Corporation (BNC), conducted in Barangay Apurawan, Aborlan, Palawan.

Issued this  $3^{\rm rd}$  day of March, 2023 at Barangay Santa Monica, Puerto Princesa City.

ATTY. JANSEN I. JONTILA DMO-V/ Provincial Officer

By the authority of the Provincial Officer:

DIANY KRISHNEL'S. HUELE Administrative Officer IV

RELEASED MATE: 3-3-23



# Republic of the Philippines DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES COMMUNITY ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES OFFICE

PUERTO PRINCESA CITY
South National Highway, Bgy. Sta. Monica, Puerto Princesa City
Telephone No.: (048) 717-0702

Email Address: cenropuertoprincesa@denr.gov.ph

#### CERTIFICATE OF POSTING

THIS IS TO CERTIFY that the NOTICE OF PUBLIC SCOPING of the proposed Long Point Nickel Project of Berong Nickel Corporation located in Barangay Apurawan, Aborlan, Palawan has been posted in this Office from February 16 to 27, 2023.

This certification is issued as one of the requirements in the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Process of the said project per request dated February 16, 2023 of Mr. Marc Raymund L. Zamora, Resident Manager of Berong Nickel Corporation.

DATE:

Issued this 2nd day of March, 2023.

PEDRO A. VELASCO

Development Management Officer IV

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DRN: 2022-1393/RPS/lpu





Republic of the Philippines Province of Palawan Municipality of Aborlan Barangay Culandanum

#### OFFICE OF THE PUNONG BARANGAY

### **CERTIFICATION**

## TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

**This is to certify** that Berong Nickel Corporation posting the notice of public scoping on February 17, 2023 to February 27, 2023.

Issued this  $17^{th}$  day of February, 2023. At Barangay Culandanum, Aborlan, Palawan.

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### Republic of the Philippines Province of Palawan Municipality ofAborlan Barangay Apurawan

#### OFFICE OF THE PUNONG BARANGAY

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This is to certify that Berong Nickel Corporation posting the Notice of Public Scoping on February 17, 2023 to February 27, 2023.

Issued this 27th day of February, 2023 at Barangay Apurawan, Aborlan, Palawan.

DANILO B. CORTEZ Punong Barangay

Barangay Kagawad

#### ANNEX F. PROOF OF CONSENT TO USE VENUE



Republic of the Philippines Province of Palawan Municipality of Aborlan Barangay Apurawan

#### OFFICE OF THE PUNONG BARANGAY

#### CERTIFICATE OF APPROVAL

#### TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

This is to certify that the Barangay Officials of Barangay Apurawan, Aborlan, Palawan has approved permission to use the Barangay covered court to be use for the for the Public Scoping activity on February 27, 2023.

This Certification is issued upon request of Berong Nickel Corporation for whatever legal purposes it may serve.

Issued this 16<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2023 at Barangay Apurawan, Aborlan, Palawan.

**Punong Barangay** 

## ANNEX G. ACKNOWLWEDGEMENT OF ISSUES, CONCERNS AND SUGGESTIONS RAISED DURING THE PUBLIC SCOPING

Project Name	Long Point Nickel Project	Project Location	Apurawan Barangay	Aborlan	Palawan Province	MIMAROPA Region
Proponent Name	Beron Nickel Corporation	Proponent Address	Berong Nickel Corp		ICI Homes Corp	porate Center, 1321 Apolinario
Proponent Contact Person	Mr. Ramon Manuel R. Briones Vice President for Operations  Engr. Marc Raymund Zamora Resident Mine Manager  Mr. Jonathan L. Pilien Corporate Community Relations Head  Atty. Brenda D. Segovia Associate Legal Counsel	Proponent Means of Contact	Landline No:  Mobile No:	02 823 7963 02 831 2309	Fax No.: Email: beron	02 831 6241  gnickelcorp@gmail.com nd.zamora@gmail.com
EIA Consultant	EMG Environmental and Safety Management Consultancy Services	Consultant Address	Gumamela Zone 5,	Brgy. Santa Monica,	Puerto Princes	a City
EIA Consultant Contact Person	Ramon M. Docto, PhD EIA Preparer/Team Leader +63 917 849 5330 mondocto@yahoo.com  Rodolfo O. Abalus Jr., PhD Co-Team Leader +63 917 162 2572	Consultant Means of Contact	Landline No:	63 917 849 5330	Fax No.:	mondocto@yahoo.com
EMB/DENR Scoping Representatives	rodolfo_abalus@vahoo.com Edna Velasco PEMU-Palawan Chief	Place of Public Scoping Date of Public Scoping	Mobile No: Apurawan Gym, Bro February 27, 2023	63 917 162 2572 gy, Apurawan, Aborla	Email: n	rodolfo_abalus@yahoo.com

EIA Module	Issues/Suggestions Raised by the Stakeholder	Sector or Representative who Raised the Issue/Concern	Proponent's Response
Land	The stakeholder raised concerns about the capacity of BNC secure permit to cut trees and the technology to be used during the uprooting of trees. He also cited that trees uprooted using earthballing method have very low survival rates.	Inocencio Magallanes, Haribon Palawan	Mr. Roland Talabucon DENR PENRO Chief: DENR has requirements to issue permit which should be complied firsts by the proponent. Meanwhile, CENRO will conduct inventory of the trees. DENR requires that 100 seedlings shall be provided for every tree to be cut. If the BNC isnt capable to do earthballing, other substitutes may be done as long as the actions should be coordinated with the DENR
People	The stakeholder asked if the Diwan members (aside from Ips) eligible for the scholarship program to be implemented by BNC.	Kgd. Ireneo Hermosa Jr., Apurawan	Ms. Jaypee Jacob: There are two means of funds from which the scholarship program may be funded, which are the CRDP and SDMP.CDRP is dedicated for IPs while SMDP may be availed by the the locals, including Diwan members. The selection of the scholarship grantees still rely on the decision of the barangay government
Water	It was informed that there is a marine sanctuary around 0.5 kilometer from the project area. The stakeholder inquired if the distance of the proposed project is far enough to induce significant impacts to the marine sanctuary?	Kgd Ireneo Hermosa Jr., Apurawan	For. Mercy Almorfe: There is a need to confirm the available instruments supporting the establishment of the Marine sanctuary such as ordinance or proposal. It is one of the importance of public scoping to solicit the issues identified by the residents  From MAO Representative, Armen. Molleno: The marine sanctuary being referred to was declared and established by the municipality. Core and buffer zones were also identified. The 26 hectares core zone is still

			in good condition.
			Mr. Inocencio Magallanes: The delineation of the core zone and conduct biodiversity assessment should be conducted
			Dr. Rodolfo Abalus Jr.: The EIA team will try to conduct marine biodiversity assessment on the core zone designated by the municipality. The team will also conduct water quality assessment which will serve as baseline data for monitoring purposes
			Mr. Jay Pee dela Cruz: These assessments are already being done by the company as a part of the MMT. The company also conducts annual coastal assessment to determine changes in the marine ecosystem.
Land	Ipilan Mining Corporation admitted that earthballing they conducted wasn't successful. Is there other technology which BNC could utilize to impprove the survival rate of the trees?	Mr. Marlon Tamsi, ELAC	Dr. Ramon Docto: UPLB conducted a study on the success of earthballing and it was confirmed that earthballing has low success/survival rate. It was also recommended the treeplanting of native tree species as an alternative may be more beneficial than earthballing
Water	Rainfall must be considered in the design of structures for mitigation of the impacts of disasters	Mr. Marlon Tamsi, ELAC	Sir Jay Pee dela Cruz: Design of series settling ponds were based on the peak rainfall of the most recent strongest typhoon. The good design of these structures significantly reduced the impacts on the water quality. Monitoring stations are already installed for baseline data gathering

Others	here is a need to clarify whether ne roads constructed by BNC near	Mr. Marlon Tamsi, ELAC	Mr. Rolando Sajot: No roads were constructed by BNC on the project area
	long point was issued ECC		Kgd Hermosa: It was the coast guards who constructed the roads
People	Kgd. Tomas asked for the percentage of the local residents who can be employed by BNC and the minimum wage that the company will set.	Kgd. Tomas Kutat, IPMR	Ms. Jaypee Jacob: No percentage may be given as of now. The basis of hiring shall be based on the qualifications. The minimum wage shall be based on the rate set for the province including the mandatory benefits such as SSS, Philhealth, etc.
People	Kgd. Tomas further asked if those unqualified for the job be given seminars and training to impve their qualification	Kgd. Tomas Kutat, IPMR	Ms. Jaypee Jacob: The company may provide livelihood programs to impove the locals' living.
Others	There is need for a clarification why the mining sector only has 0.46% contribution to the national employment despite being a large industry.	Ms. Jahil Antipuesto, Teacher Apurawan National School	Ms. Jaypee Jacob: Reasons for the decreased employment contribution of the mining industry included suspension of mining operation throughout the country and the Covid-19 pandemic.
People	The stakeholder wanted to know what are there any capacity enhancement for the residents, the concrete plan to improve the qualifications of the community and the target implementation of these	Ms. Jahil Antipuesto, Teacher Apurawan National School	Ms. Jaypee Jacob: Such programs are included in the SDMP and shall be approved by the MGB. Only a certain budget can be allocated for scholarship and thus limiting the nuber of recipients of scholarship. Non-beneficiaries may still benefit thru ALS and livelihood training

	programs.		
			Mr. Rolando Sajot: Noted that local government plans and approves the SDMP.
People	Inquiries on what can be done to increase the percentage of the scholarship beneficiaries in the impact areas	Ms. Jahil Antipuesto, Teacher Apurawan National School	Kgd Randy Gila: Brgy council shall be careful on recommending and selecting beneficiaries of scholarship
			Mr. Jay Pee dela Cruz: Take note that Berong is a recipient of benefits from SDMP and CDRP. In fact, Berong received atleast 147 M + 67 Million from the mining project.
Others	Mining is expected to induce economic growth. However, Economic growth in Berong is not evident	Engr. Raymond Antipuesto, MAO Rep	Mr. Jay Pee dela Cruz: A social impact assessment will be done upon minining operations. This will serve as baseline study will be done to monitor improvement in the locals living
			Dr Docto: Social impact assessment will be conducted as a part of the EIA process. Note that the baseline data is important as a means to monitor changes in the community
Others	Mr. Pedroso asked what the impacts of the mining on the processing of their local products are	Mr. Rufino Pedroso, Chairperson of KAANIB and Apurawan and Culandanum Coconut Farmers Assoc.	Mr. Rolando Sajot: Local's first policy shall be implemented for employment. Hiring requires endorsement from the barangay government

