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MEMORANDUM

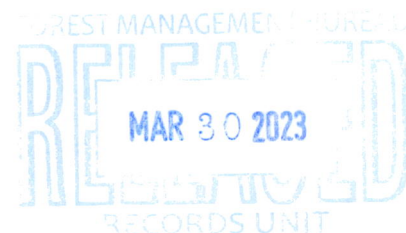
FOR : The Regional Executive Directors
DENR Regions 1-13 and CAR, except NCR

ATTENTION : The Regional CBFM Coordinator

FROM : The OIC-Assistant Secretary for Field Operations – Western Mindanao and
Director, in concurrent capacity

SUBJECT : **ISSUANCE OF RESOURCE UTILIZATION PERMIT (RUP)
WITHIN COMMUNITY-BASED FOREST MANAGEMENT
AGREEMENT (CBFMA) AREA**

DATE : **MAR 30 2023**



This pertains to the issuance of Resource Utilization Permit (RUP) within an area issued with Community-Based Forest Management Agreement (CBFMA). Under Section 10 of DENR Administrative Order (DAO) No. 1996-29 “Rules and Regulations for the Implementation of Executive Order 263, Otherwise Known as the Community-Based Forest Management Strategy (CBFMS)”, a management and utilization plan for each resource, e.g., timber, rattan resins, covering a specific area of the CBFMA and time period shall be prepared. The DENR shall conduct resource inventory as a basis for the preparation of resource use plan and shall serve as the permit to utilize the resource. In the same DAO under Section 12, the community shall be granted an interim user’s permit that shall terminate upon the acceptance of the resource use plans. However, *the DAO No. 1996-29 which is the basis of issuance of RUP and/or interim utilization permit was already repealed* by DAO No. 2004-29 “Revised Rules and Regulations for the Implementation of Executive Order 263, Otherwise Known as the Community-Based Forest Management Strategy (CBFMS)” as specified in Section 41 therein.

Further, under Section 26 of DAO No. 2004-29 stated that harvesting, processing and transport of forest and biodiversity products in CBFM areas shall be in accordance with existing rules and regulations. In addition, under Section 18, the *Community Resource Management Framework (CRMF) as the community’s strategic plan shall describe the community’s long-term vision, aspirations, comments and strategies for the protection, rehabilitation, development and utilization of forest resources.* **Hence, the RUP is no longer necessary, as all utilization of forest resources within CBFM area should be in accordance with existing rules and regulations and the required permits, as shown in the attached Annex 1. Furthermore, please be reminded that before the CBFM-POs may secure any related-harvesting permit, the resource use/harvesting plan should be integrated or part of their affirmed CRMF and approved Five-Year Work Plan (FYWP).**

FOR INFORMATION AND CONSIDERATION, PLEASE.


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cc: The Undersecretary for Policy, Planning and International Affairs
The Undersecretary for Field Operations – Luzon, Visayas and Environment
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Annex 1. List of Required Permits per Forest Resource/Product

Forest Resource	Type of Utilization Permit	Legal Bases	Scope and Coverage
Timber	Tree Cutting Permit/Special Tree Cutting Permit/Private Land Timber Permit/Special	DAO No. 2018-16; and DAO No. 2020-06	Covers all applications for the removal of trees for the construction of roads, bridges, flood control, and other infrastructure duly certified as government projects of the DPWH, DOE, DOTr, DepEd, DA, DOH, CHED, and NIA
	Private Land Timber Permit	DAO No. 2021-11	Moreover, the cutting of naturally growing trees, either in the public/forest lands or private lands is also covered, specifically those covered by exemptions under Executive Order No. 23 and memorandum from the Executive Secretary dated 20 October 2011.
Rattan	Private Tree Plantation Registration	DAO No. 2020-18	Finally, plantation establishment, certification, harvesting, and transport of planted trees and tree derivatives in forest lands with existing tenure and in registered private tree plantations are also included.
	Rattan Cutting Contract Rattan Cutting Permit	DAO No. 1989-04	Covers all rattan in any forest lands except in experimental forests, national parks, and equivalent reserves, wilderness areas, mossy forests, and such other areas as may hereinafter be closed to rattan cutting and gathering. Public A&D lands not subject of applications for patents, however, may also be made available for harvesting of rattan.
Bamboo	Certificate of Bamboo Plantation Registration	DAO No. 2021-26	Covers all naturally grown bamboo stands, backyard farms, and plantations found within forest lands, agricultural lands (alienable and disposable), mineral lands, private titled lands, and ancestral lands. Established bamboo plantations under the programs of the Department of Agriculture are not covered.
Gums, Resins, Oils, and Exudates	Tapping, Extraction, and Collection Permit	DAO No. 2021-33	Applies to the tapping, extraction, collection, and transportation of gums, resins, oils, and exudates (GROE) found within forest lands, alienable and disposable public lands, private titled lands, ancestral lands/ancestral domain, national parks, and protected areas. The nationwide ban on the cutting of <i>Almaciga</i> still applies.
Wood Charcoal	Wood Charcoal Production Permit	DAO No. 2022-05	Applies to wood charcoal made from raw materials, except all mangrove species, which were harvested, gathered, collected, or bough from applicable areas.