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MEMORANDUM

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THRU : The PENR Officer
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FROM : The Attorney IV and
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SUBJECT : **REPORT ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF LAWIN FOREST
AND BIODIVERSITY PROTECTION SYSTEM OF BPRMO
WITHIN THE FOREST CONSERVATION AREA (FCA) OF
BPR FOR THE MONTH OF OCTOBER 2023**

DATE : **NOV 28 2023**

Respectfully forwarding herewith is the Memorandum report dated November 20, 2023 of the BPR Management Office for the month of October 2023 on the implementation of Lawin Forest and Biodiversity Protection System Accomplishments. Based on the report, the BPRMO patrolled a total distance of 31.43 km or 104.77% of their monthly target as per BRPMO's 4th Quarter Lawin Patrol Plan of 2023.

For the Regional Executive Director's information and record.

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The Chief, Forest Resources Conservation Division

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DOCUMENTS

ATTACHED : 1. BPRMO Report on Lawin Accomplishment of October 2023
2. Letters dated October 12 & 24, 2023

DATE : NOV 20 2023

With the implementation of the Lawin Forest and Biodiversity Protection System, respectfully submitted is the detailed report of the Busuanga Pasture Reserve Management Office (BPRMO) on the results of the Lawin monitoring and patrolling activity conducted in the Municipalities of Coron and Busuanga, Palawan within the BPR area for the month of October 2023.

I. Findings and Result

Two (2) Patrol Teams were dispatched during the conduct of this activity within the Forest Conservation Area (FCA) of BPR situated in the Municipalities of Coron and Busuanga, Palawan. The target distance for the month of October 2023 is 30 kilometers (km) based on the Lawin Patrol Plan for the 4th Quarter of 2023. On the said month, the BPRMO Patrol Teams were able to traverse an aggregate distance of 31.43 km or 104.77 % (Table 1).

Table 1. BPRMO Lawin monitoring and patrolling accomplishment for October 2023

Month	Target (km)	Accomplishment (km)	Difference (km)	Accomplishment (%)
October	30	31.43	(1.43)	104.77%

**The accomplishment rate is computed based on the 30 kilometer target per CENRO/CA per month compared to the sum of the distance patrolled per CENRO/CA.*

Table 2 shows a total of 389 Forest Condition Counts (FCCs) recorded during the patrolling. Open-Uncultivated Forest (OUC) appears to have the highest figure recorded for October 2023 with 192 counts or 49%, while Old Growth Forest (OGF) has the least recorded observation with 2 counts or 0.5%. The remaining forest conditions such as Open-Cultivated (OC), Advanced Secondary Forest (ASF), and Early Secondary Forest (ESF) with corresponding total figures of 31 (8%), 10 (2%), and 154 (40%), respectively. Based on the SMART analysis, the total FC with the good condition has a total count of 166 or 42.5% which includes OGF, ASF, and ESF.

Table 2. Patrol Observation: Forest Condition Counts

Forest Condition											
OGF		ASF		ESF		OUC		OC		Total	
Count	%	Count	%	Count	%	Count	%	Count	%	Count	%
2	0.5	10	2	154	40	192	49	31	8	389	100

OGF-Old Growth Forest. ASF-Advance Secondary Forest. ESF-Early Secondary Forest. OUC-Open, Un-cultivated. OC-Open, Cultivated

For the presence of natural regenerants, 218 FCCs or 56% of the total FCC was recorded with the presence of natural regenerants while 171 FCCs or 44% were with the absence of natural regenerants. There is none or 0% recorded dense natural regenerants, while sixty-nine (69) FCCs or 18% and one hundred fourty-nine (149) or 38% recorded as moderate and sparse natural regenerants, respectively (Table 3).

Table 3. Patrol Observation: Natural Regenerant Count

Regenerants											
Presence of Regenerant								No Regenerants		Total Forest Condition	
Dense		Moderate		Sparse		Total					
Count	%	Count	%	Count	%	Count	%	Count	%	Count	%
0	0	69	18	149	38	218	56	171	44	389	100

Table 4 shows the observed and recorded threats within the FCA of BPR. A total of six (6) threats were observed and recorded during the Lawin monitoring and patrolling for the month of October 2023 of the BPR Management Office. This was accounted for five (5) cutting of trees and one (1) for huts or houses and other infrastructures.

Table 4. Patrol Observation: Threat Count

Threats	No. of observation
Cutting of trees	5
Huts or Houses and other Infrastructures	1
Total	6

As can be viewed from the map in Annex C, the threats observed/documentated in the FCA during the month of October 2023 are found in Brgy. Bintuan, Coron, Palawan and Brgy. New Busuanga, Busuanga, Palawan. The current threat index for this month of October 2023 was computed as 0.19 threats per kilometer (T/Km) was lower than the previous months of August and September which was computed as 0.70 and 0.22 threats per kilometer (T/Km) threat index respectively.

II. Actions Taken by the BPRMO for the observed threats

Pertaining to the six (6) observed/recorded threats for the month of October 2023, the following were the actions taken by this office:

Table 5. Threats Response for the month of October 2023

Date of the conduct of Lawin activity	Threats	Actions taken
October 5, 2023	(4) for cutting of trees	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Sent communication letters dated October 12, 2023, addressed to Brgy. Bintuan, Coron, Palawan for information regarding the threats recorded during the Lawin patrolling and monitoring within their area of jurisdiction.
October 19, 2023	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• (1) under huts or house and other infrastructure	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Sent communication letter dated October 24, 2023, addressed to Brgy. Bintuan, Coron, Palawan for information regarding the threats recorded during the Lawin patrolling and monitoring within their area of jurisdiction.
October 19, 2023	(1) for cutting of trees	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Sent communication letters dated October 24, 2023, addressed to Brgy. New Busuanga, Busuanga, Palawan for information regarding the threats recorded during the Lawin patrolling and monitoring within their area of jurisdiction.

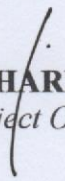
III. Remarks and Recommendations

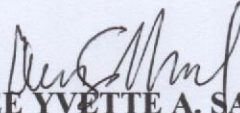
- 1) Frequency of the visibility of patrolling and Lawin monitoring within the Forest Conservation Area of BPR is being intensified to include weekends, if necessary, in order to prevent and immediately address any possible threats within the forested areas of BPR;
- 2) As stipulated in the future actions, will send letter addressed to the concerned Barangays with a record of threats observed in every conduct of Lawin patrolling and monitoring to inform and assists them if it requires urgent action;
- 3) Observed unlawful activities on the ground are being thoroughly investigated and documented and filing of appropriate criminal complaints against the offenders pursuant to Presidential Decree No. 705 as amended and other environmental laws, if so warrant;

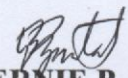
- 4) Conduct or participate in rehabilitation activities such as tree planting, enrichment planting and assisted natural regeneration to maintain and accelerate the recovery of forest cover for approval;
- 5) To forward this report thru channel for the Region thru the PENRO for their information and record.

For the OIC, FIDD's information, record and further instruction/s, if any.

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Summary Patrol Report

Region 04B - BPR

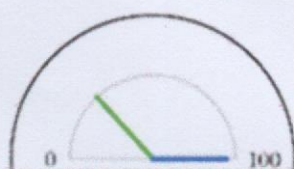
Number of days analyzed: 31

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This report presents the patrol performance and quality of the implementing unit during the above stated period of time (number of days). The report contains information on accomplishment rate, coverage and intensity of patrolling in different forest types on patrol distance covered per patroller. The information is meant to provide a basis for patrol planning for the next planning period and implementation of adaptive measures to enhance patrolling as necessary.

Overall accomplishment rate*

Level of Accomplishment



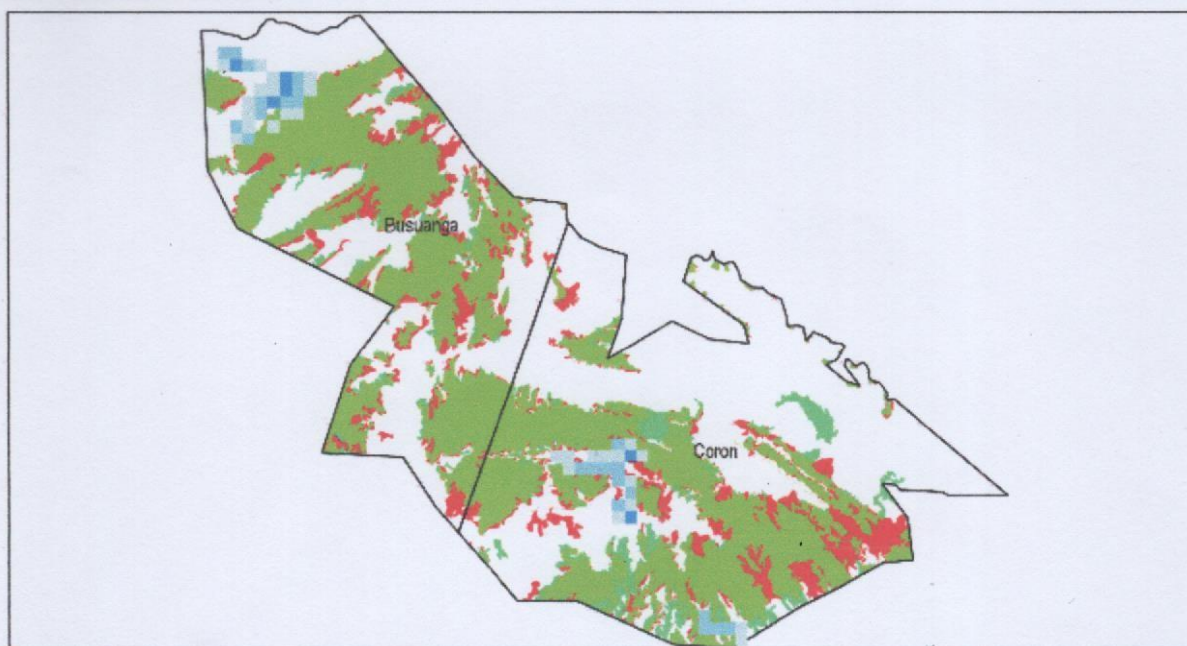
● Accomplishment
 ● Target

Accomplishment* for the period	Target* distance for the period
31.43	30

Accomplishment Rate:
34.77

*Target is computed based on 10km target per team of 4 DENR patrollers per month

Patrol coverage and intensity



Patrol distance covered by each forest ranger

Forest Ranger	Patrol Distance Accomplished
Archie Agnes	17.85
Emerson Montanez, Jr.	17.85
Gricilito Lagao	17.85
Leonardo Puno	17.85
Desiree Yvette Sandoval	16.65
Dindo Sarmiento	16.65
Bernie Mantal	14.62
Richard Galagate	13.74
Rommel Gacayan	13.74
Joy Kristel Degorio	13.58
Michael Acbang	13.58



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Forest Protection Effectiveness Report

Region 04B - BPR

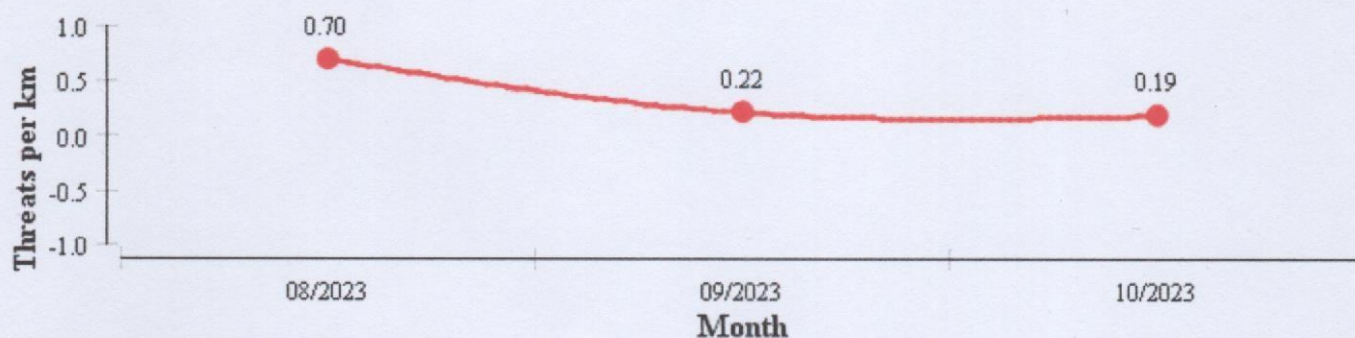
Number of days analyzed: 92

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This reports presents trends in observations of forest condition, regeneration, threats and indicator species. The combined presentation allows for an evaluation if protection efforts are effective, conservation targets are met and the forest achieves the desired future forest condition. Protection efforts are effective, when records of forest condition, regeneration and indicator species show an upward trend towards more observations more and denser regeneration, particularly in degraded forest areas. Increasing trends in indicator species suggest that the improved forest condition is providing a better habitat for forest dependent species. All trends presented are put in relation to the patrol effort to provide comparability. Forest cover data were derived from 2003 and 2010 NAMRIA land cover maps.

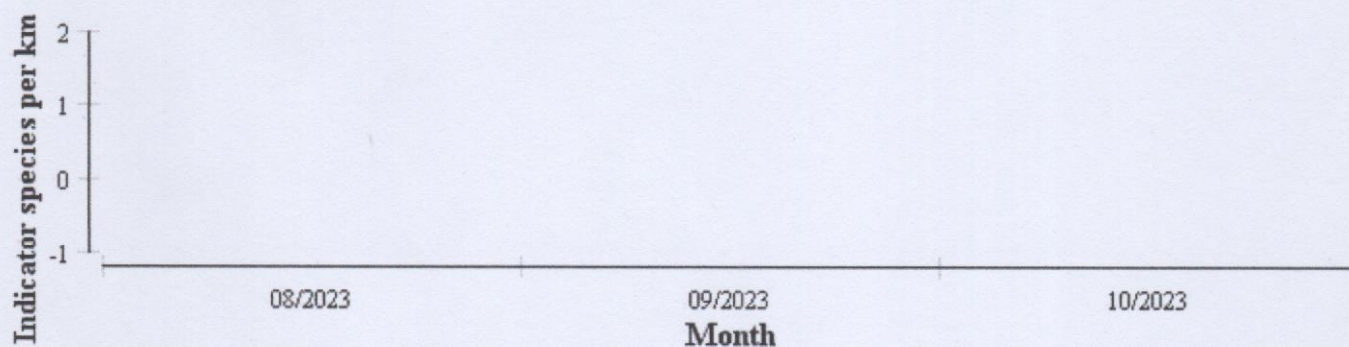
Trends of Observations per Patrol Kilometer in the Forest Conservation Area

Trend in Threats



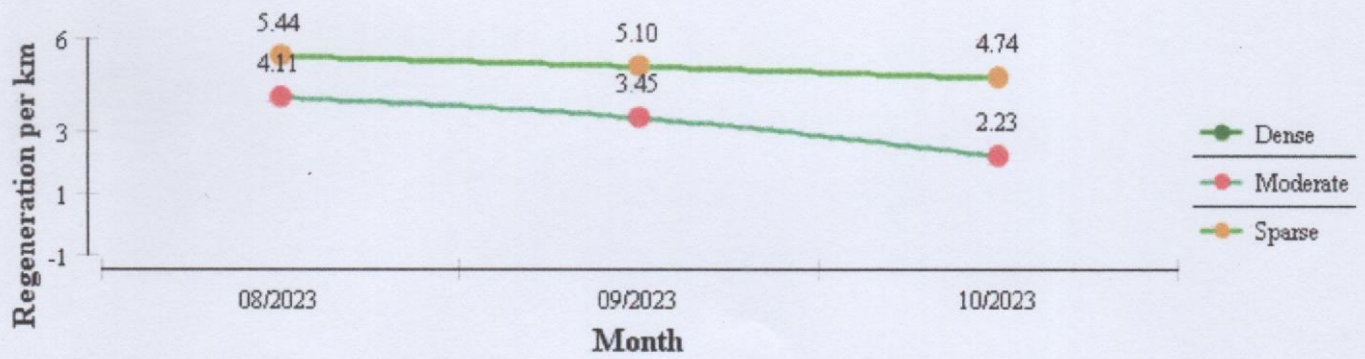
A decreasing trend in threats in the forest conservation area mean effective forest protection; an increasing trend means the opposite.

Trend in Indicator Species



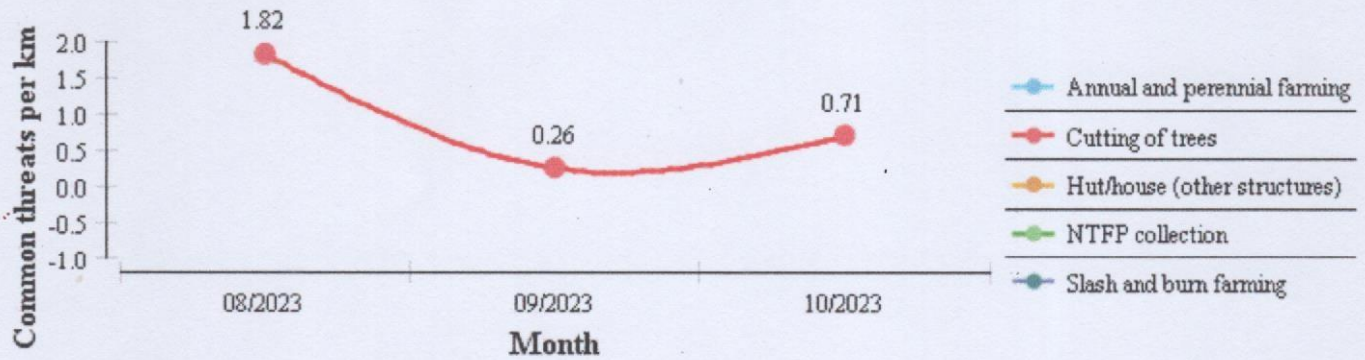
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Trends in Regeneration Density



An increasing trend in regeneration means effective forest protection; a decreasing trend means the opposite.

Trends of most common Threats





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Summary Threat Report

Region 04B - BPR

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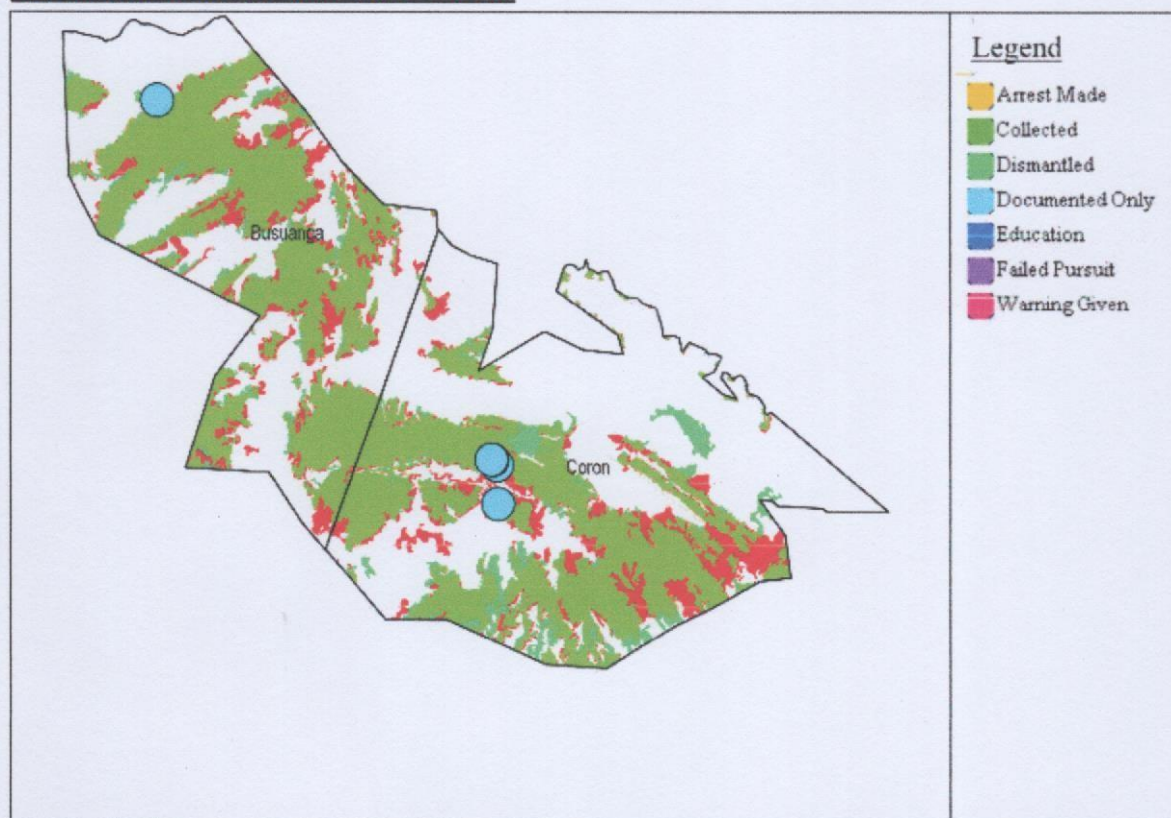
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This report presents information for the implementing units of DENR to effectively plan and carry out actions for addressing observed threats to the forest.

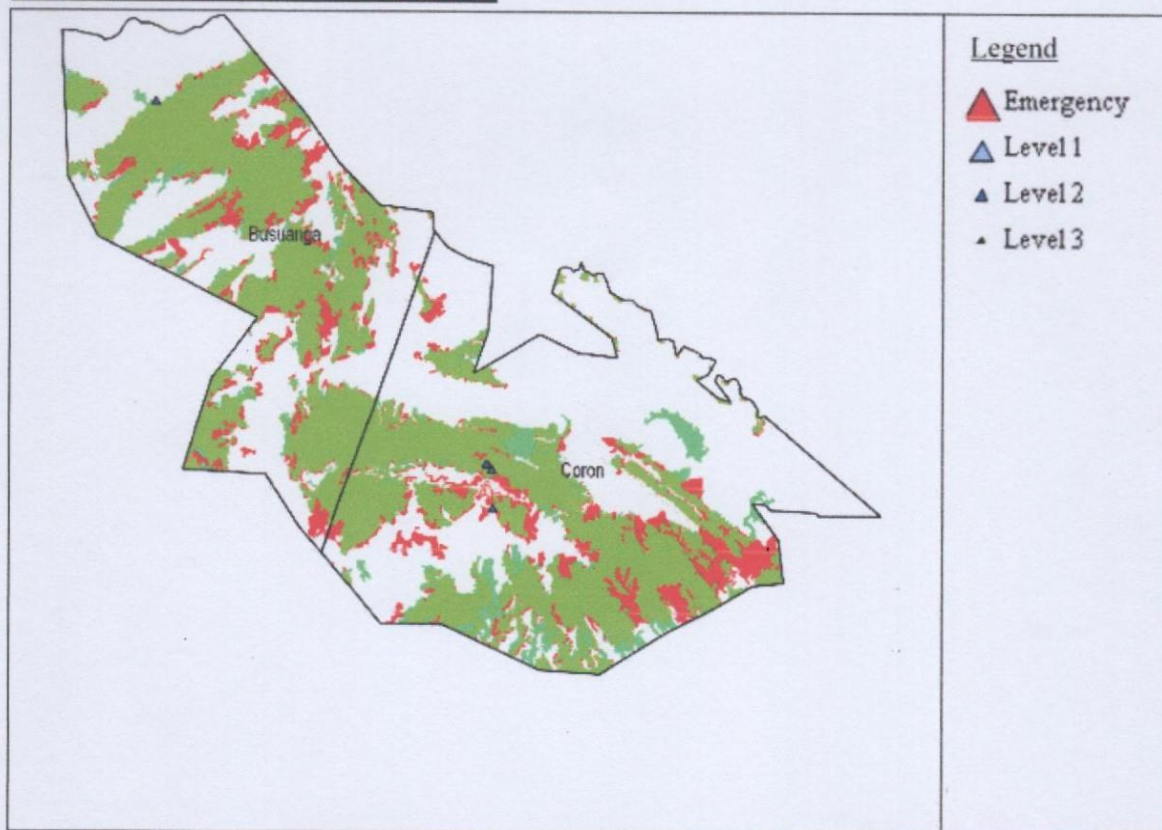
Threats observed and level of response required

Threat	No. of Observations	Emergency - Immediate action required!	Level 1 - Action required within a week	Level 2 - Action required within a month
Cutting of Trees	5	0	0	5
Hut or House and Other Infrastructure	1	0	0	1

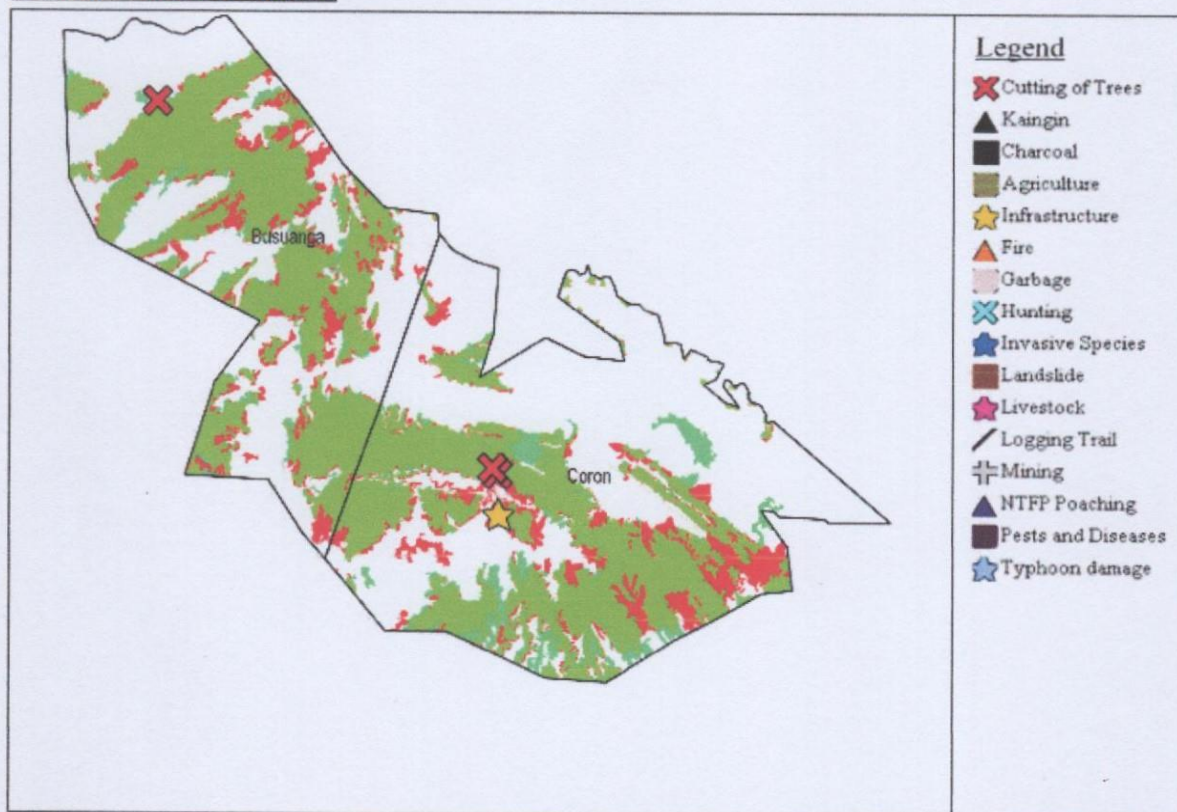
Locations of actions taken to address threats



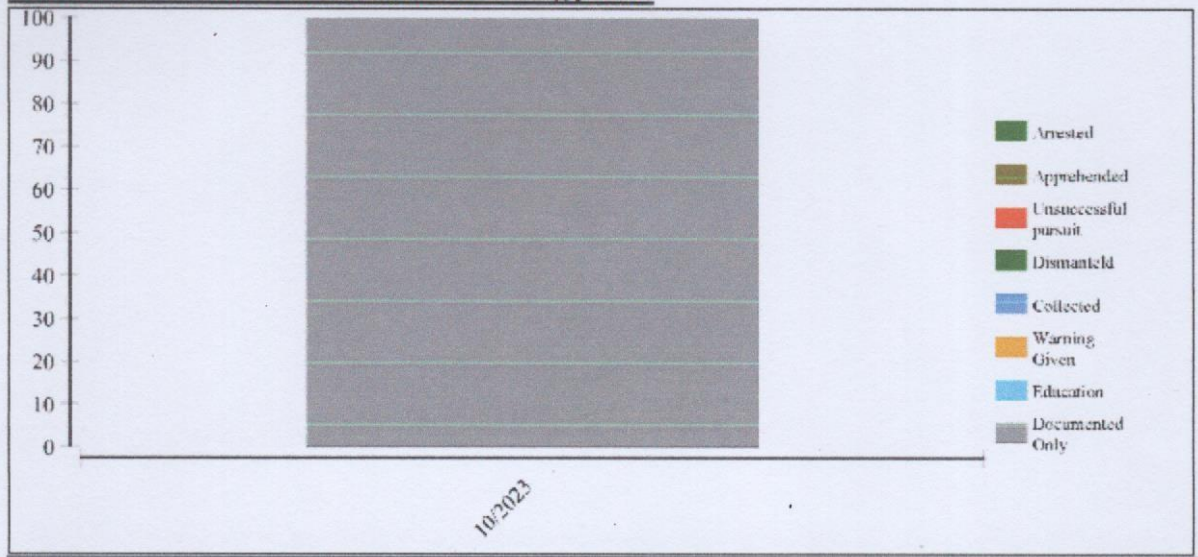
Locations and urgency of responses needed



Location of observed threats



Actions taken to address observed threats during patrols



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October 12, 2023

HON. LARRY B. PE
BARANGAY CHAIRMAN
Barangay Bintuan, Coron, Palawan

Dear **Hon. Pe**;

Warm greetings from the Community and Environment and Natural Resources Office Calamianes Islands, Coron, Palawan!

Furnishing you herewith is the report pertains to the Lawin monitoring and patrolling activity conducted by the Technical Staff and Office Support Staff/ Bantay Gubat of BPR Management Office on October 5, 2023 in Brgy. Bintuan, Coron, Palawan within the BPR.

Disclosed on the report that during the Lawin activity, the patrollers encountered four (4) threats within your area of jurisdiction under cutting of trees within timberland/forest lands. The said illegal activity is in violation of Section 77 - "Cutting, Gathering and/ or collecting Timber or other Forest without License" of P.D.705 as amended.

Much to our concern to help conserve and protect the remaining forest within your barangay and for the enforcement of forestry and environmental laws, we are however have limited manpower, mobility and fund resource to undertake the activity.

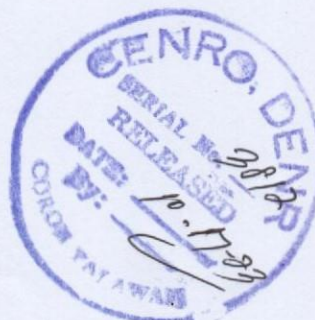
To deter illegal activity happening in your area of jurisdiction may we seek support from your barangay as we endeavor in safeguarding, conserving and protecting the remaining forest stand in your area from unlawful activities by reporting illegal activities to this office.

For future action, the BPR Management Office will coordinate with your barangay for the conduct of follow-up investigation to identify the personalities involved on the threats recorded; and will continue to implement Lawin Forest and Biodiversity Protection System in your barangay within the Forest Conservation Area (FCA) of the BPR to deter illegal activities.

We are looking forward to your consideration on this matter. Thank you.

Very truly yours,

RODNEY G. VERIAN
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October 24, 2023

HON. LARRY B. PE
BARANGAY CHAIRMAN
Barangay Bintuan, Coron, Palawan

Dear **Hon. Pe**;

Warm greetings from the Community and Environment and Natural Resources Office Calamianes Islands, Coron, Palawan!

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October 24, 2023

HON. ARDON A. LIBARRA
BARANGAY CHAIRMAN
Barangay New Busuanga, Busuanga, Palawan

Dear **Hon. Libarra;**

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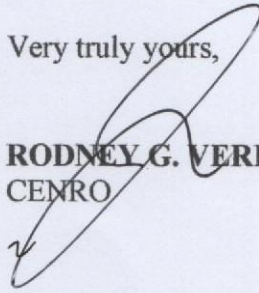
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