

Republic of the Philippines Department of Environment and Natural Resources **PENRO** Marinduque

27 July 2022

MEMORANDUM

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FOR

The Regional Director

MGB-MIMAROPA

FROM

The OIC, PENR Officer

SUBJECT

SPOT REPORT ON THE ALLEGED OPEN PIT MINING IN

BARANGAY MAKAWAYAN, TORRIJOS, MARINDUQUE

Respectfully forwarded is the memorandum report dated June 27, 2022 of personnel of PENRO Marinduque and its enclosure regarding the alleged open pit mining in Barangay Makawayan, Torrijos, Marinduque.

In this regard, this office is requesting technical assistance since we have no deputized MGB-Embedded personnel to conduct an in-depth investigation into the said matter.

For information and appropriate action.

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THE OIC-PENR Officer

DENR PENRO Marinduque

THRU

The Chief, Technical Services Division

FROM

Forest Ranger

Forest Protection Officer

SUBJECT

SPOT REPORT ON THE ALLEGED OPEN PIT MINING AT

BARANGAY MAKAWAYAN, TORRIJOS, MARINDUQUE.

Background

On June 23, 2022 the DENR PENRO Marinduque through its facebook page received a report of illegal mining activity in Brgy. Makawayan, Torrijos, Marinduque. The report was forwarded by the ICT section to the Monitoring and Enforcement Section for immediate action. Based on the alleged report a group of four people people are digging hole to find gold in a specific area in Brgy. Makawayan, Torrijos. A certain Jr Velasco and Lendon Velasco were named by the reporter as the offender and the other two perpetrators are allegedly residing in Brgy. Malibago and Brgy. Tigwi both in the municipality of Torrijos.

Action Taken

On June 26, 2022, the undersigned conducted a surveillance and investigation as compliance with the instruction given by In-Charge, MES For. Don Gibson D. Mercado.

Coordination in the Barangay was made prior to the actual ground verification in order to formalize the conduct of the investigation and to interview the authorities to confirm the veracity of the report. Assistant from the barangay officials was also requested to accompany the team in the investigation.

Findings

After the investigation the following findings are hereby gathered;

- 1. That Hon. Emmanuel Noce, Barangay Captain of Makawayan, Torrijos has no knowledge about the alleged gold mining within his jurisdiction.
- 2. That upon the conduct of area verification the team found one (1) manmade hole with the dimension of 80cm in diameter and 2m in depth;
- 3. That no persons were caught in the act conducting the illegal activities during the site verification.

In view foregoing, the undersigned recommend the conduct of in-dept investigation together with the staff of MGB to examine if the pit was really a gold mine site.

For information and appropriate action.

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Noted by:

DON GIBSON DIMERCADO
Forester

In-Charge, Monitoring and Enforcement Section







GEO-TAGGED PHOTOS TAKEN DURING THE ACTUAL INSPECTION/INVESTIGATION OF ILEEGAL SMALL MINING ACTIVIES LOCATED AT BRGY. MAKAWAYAN, TPRRIJOS, MARINDUQUE.







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