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MEMORANDUM

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The Regional Executive Director

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Ermita, Manila

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The Regional Director

MGB –MIMAROPA Region 1515 L&S Bldg., Roxas Blvd.

Ermita, Manila

FROM

Provincial Environment and

Natural Resources Officer

SUBJECT

REPORT ON THE FOLLOW-UP MONITORING FOR THE

SAND AND GRAVEL ACTIVITIES AT BRGY. SAN NICOLAS AND BRGY. GUADALUPE, AND QUARRY OPERATIONS AT

BRGY. SAN NICOLASM CORON, PALAWAN

Forwarded is the Memorandum dated 19 July 2022 of CENRO Coron endorsing the appended report of the MGB personnel dated 19 July 2022 regarding the above subject.

It is informed that is a monthly follow-up monitoring of Sand and Gravel activities in Brgys. San Nicolas and Guadalupe, Coron to ensure compliance with the Cease-and-Desist Orders issued on those illegal activities until the necessary permits are obtained.

For your information and record.

For the PENRO:

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19 July 2022

MEMORANDUM

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THRU

Provincial Environment and

Natural Resources Officer

Sta. Monica, Puerto Princesa City

FROM

The Community Environment and

Natural Resources Officer

Coron, Palawan

SUBJECT

REPORT ON THE FOLLOW-UP MONITORING FOR THE

SAND AND GRAVEL ACTIVITIES AT BRGY. SAN NICOLAS AND BRGY. GUADALUPE; AND QUARRY OPERATIONS AT

BRGY. SAN NICOLAS, CORON, PALAWAN

Respectfully endorsing is the report of the MGB personnel dated 19 July 2022 regarding the abovementioned subject.

Last 18 July 2022, a follow-up monitoring was conducted in mountain and sand and gravel activities in Brgy. San Nicolas and Brgy. Guadalupe, Coron. This was to ensure proper and prompt compliance of the proponents to stop their respective operations until the necessary permits are acquired. Upon visiting the sites, no signs of ongoing operation were observed.

For your information and record.

For and in the absence of the CENRO

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In-charge of the Office of CENR

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COMMUNITY ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES OFFICE

MIMAROPA Region Coron, Palawan

19 July 2022

MEMORANDUM

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FOR

The Community Environment and

Natural Resources Officer

Coron, Palawan

FROM

The Undersigned

SUBJECT :

MONITORING REPORT FOR THE SAND AND GRAVEL ACTIVITIES AT BRGY. SAN NICOLAS AND BRGY. GUADALUPE; AND QUARRY OPERATION AT BRGY. SAN

NICOLAS, CORON, PALAWAN

Background Information

The undersigned conducted a follow-up monitoring last 18 July 2022 to the subject areas. This is in relation to the order by the CENRO to conduct weekly monitoring of the quarry sites in Coron that have been previously issued CDOs by MGB. This is to ensure strict compliance with the said order and prevent further violations until proper permits are acquired. Figure 1 shows the location of each proponent within the municipality of Coron.

Purpose and Scope

The undersigned conducted a follow-up monitoring on the aforementioned sites to ensure prompt and proper compliance of the following proponents. The investigation includes an ocular inspection of the site, photo documentation, and verbal interviews with the locals/owners/caretakers.

Findings and Observations

Mr. Correa - Brgy. San Nicolas

1. The subject area is in Sitio Tabok, Brgy. San Nicolas, Coron. It is geographically situated at 12° 04' 53" N, 120° 11' 09" E. This is approximately 15 km away from CENRO Coron and can be reached within an approximately 20-minute motorcycle ride (Figure 1).

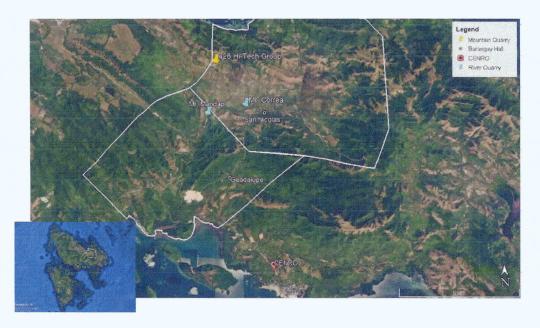


Figure 1. Location map of the investigated sand and gravel and mountain quarry areas in Brgy. San Nicolas and Brgy. Guadalupe, Coron, Palawan. The image is excerpted from Google Earth.

The caretaker, Mr. Roman Fabia mentioned that the social development program was already done and no further movement within the site. There is no extraction of new quarry material based on the undisturbed river channel and the lack of quarry equipment.

428 Hi-Tech Group Inc. - Brgy. San Nicolas

- 1. The subject area is located in Sitio Pakunan, Brgy. San Nicolas, Coron within the Busuanga Pasture Reserve. It is geographically situated at 12° 05' 60" N, 120° 10' 17" E. This is approximately 18 km away from CENRO Coron and can be reached within an approximately 25-minute motorcycle ride (Figure 1).
- 2. Upon arrival at the quarry site, no activity was observed. There were also no visible changes to the quarry site compared to the last visit of the undersigned personnel. All heavy quarry equipment was also nowhere to be seen (*see Photo Documentation*).

Mr. Mandap - Brgy. Guadalupe

- 1. The subject area is located in Sitio Abaca, Brgy. Guadalupe, Coron. It is geographically situated at 12° 04' 30" N, 120° 10' 02" E. This is approximately 12 km away from CENRO Coron and can be reached within an approximately 15-minute motorcycle ride.
- The gates towards the site of Mr. Mandap were still closed, similar to the last visit. No further changes were observed and interviews with the local resulted in similar observations.

Comments and Recommendations

1. To all proponents, keep up their compliance with the cease-and-desist orders until the necessary permits are acquired.

For your reference, record, and further instruction(s).

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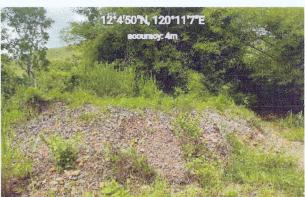
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Photo Documentation

(Proponent: Mr. Correa - Brgy. San Nicolas)





Current state of the Mr. Correa's quarry site.

(Proponent: 428 Hi-Tech Group Inc. - Brgy. San Nicolas)





State of the proponent's quarry upon site visit. No evidence of recent activity was observed in the area.