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THRU

The ARD for Technical Services

FROM

The OIC, PENR Officer

SUBJECT

THIRD QUARTER PROGRESS REPORT ON THE MAINTENANCE AND REPAIRS OF FACILITIES INSIDE MIBNP UNDER ECOTOURISM PROGRAM AND

INSIDE MIBNP UNDER ECOTOURISM PROGRAM AND IMPACT MONITORING FOR PROCLAIMED AND

LEGISLATED PROTECTED AREAS

Forwarded is the memorandum dated October 24, 2022 of PASu of Mounts Iglit-Baco Natural Park (MIBNP) regarding Third Quarter Progress Report on the Maintenance of Facilities inside MIBNP under Ecotourism Program and Impact Monitoring for Proclaimed and legislated Protected Areas.

Please be informed that the PAMO-MIBNP employed four (4) Park attendants under Ecotourism Program for Proclaimed and Legislated PAs and assigned at different stations of MIBNP to conduct minor repairs, assist in the facilitation of the day-to-day operation and ensure the cleanliness and worthiness of all facilities found within the Protected Area. Likewise, it was stated in the report the duties and responsibilities of four (4) Park attendants and activities conducted by the MIBNP Park Rangers undertaken for the Third Quarter of CY 2022 with geotagged pictures.

For information and records.

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Provincial Environment and Natural Resources Office MOUNTS IGLIT-BACO NATURAL PARK PROTECTED AREA MANAGEMENT OFFICE

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Submitting herewith the accomplishment report of the Mts. Iglit-Baco Natural Park - Protected Area Management Office (MIBNP-PAMO) for the 3rd Quarter of CY 2022 on the Maintenance of Facilities - one of the target activities under Ecotourism Program and Impact Monitoring for Proclaimed and Legislated Protected Areas. The performance indicator of this activity is the number and type of facilities maintained.

In line with this, the MIBNP-PAMO employed four (4) Park Attendants under Ecotourism Program for Proclaimed and Legislated PAs and assigned at different stations of MIBNP to conduct minor repairs, assist in the facilitation of the day-to-day operation, and ensure the cleanliness and worthiness of all facilities found within the protected areas. Specifically, they are tasked with performing the following duties and responsibilities:

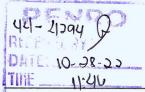
- 1. Maintain the ranger stations and surrounding facilities free from litter, debris, garbage, weeds, vegetation and overhanging limbs.
- 2. Conduct brushing and maintenance of trails within MIBNP.
- 3. Perform minor repairs of facilities.
- 4. Attend on the queries and concerns of visitors/guests.
- 5. Assist the regular Forest Ranger in checking/monitoring and confiscation of illegally cut, transported forest products.
- 6. Assist the Protected Area Superintendent and other PAMO staffs in the inventory and inspection of facilities for repair.
- Ensure that all equipment and facilities are fully operational, safe and in good condition.

Assist in the conduct of Regular Patrolling and Monitoring within MIBNP.

Perform other functions assigned by the Protected Area Superintendent.

The following paragraphs are the activities conducted and participated by the MIBNP Park Rangers together with Park Attendants during 3rd Quarter of CY 2022 under Ecotourism Program and Impact Monitoring for Proclaimed and Legislated PAs:

Park Attendants daily routine is to make sure that ranger stations and surrounding
facilities are free from litter and any obstruction, and to ensure that the facilities are
well-kept and appealing. They regularly conduct cleaning, sweeping, brushing, and
attending to the tasks being assigned by the immediate supervisor.



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Figure 1. Regular cleaning and brushing of ranger stations and surrounding facilities inside MIBNP

• On July 21 to 22, 2022, the park attendants together with park rangers conducted brushing and maintenance of trails from Bayanan Creek to Station 1 (Figure 2) to maintain the visibility of trails, ensures the longevity, and sustainability of a trail or trail system to avoid existence of another trail that may causes trampling of important flora species.



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Figure 2. Park Attendants during the conduct of brushing and maintenance of trails from Bayanan Creek to Station 1

• From July 21 to 23, 2022, Park Attendants and other PAMO personnel repaired the footbridge along the way from Station 1 to Station 2 (Figure 3). The team constructed a mini bridge so that passers-by, especially the rangers of Tamaraw Conservation Program (TCP) and MIBNP, could easily cross the creek during the conduct of regular patrolling and monitoring activities. At the same time, during the construction of the said bridge, the team also brushed foot trails from Bayanan Creek to Station 1 to avoid



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the likelihood that multiple routes would develop as well as to protect the landscape and the trail users.



Figure 3. MIBNP-PAMO field personnel repaired the footbridge along the way from Station 1 to Station 2

- The PENRO Pre-Inspection Team responded on the request of MIBNP-PAMO with a memorandum dated July 26, 2022, to conduct pre-inspection of all existing facilities found within MIBNP. This is to facilitate the maintenance and repair of facilities under the MIBNP Ecotourism Program of the approved Work and Financial Plan, CY 2022. The team performed basic inspection techniques including visual surveys and randomly operating fixtures, equipment, and lighting and electrical systems. They also took photographs, and made careful notes, specifying whether items are functional, marginal, or unsatisfactory. The said activity was conducted in Tamaraw Gene Pool Farm and Stations 1 to 4 of MIBNP (see Figure 4). Ultimately, the goal was to document and rate the conditions of all building elements in a report for repair and maintenance, specifically the following:
 - a) Exterior and grounds;
 - b) Foundation and roofs;
 - c) Plumbing and electrical systems; and
 - d) Interior features of all facilities and equipment (walls, ceilings, windows, doors, roofs, floors, etc.).



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Figure 5. Geotagged Photos during the conduct of Pre-inspection of facilities for repair on August 9-12, 2022



Figure 4. Photos of facilities found within MIBNP that needs to repair

• The results of Pre-inspection were received by the PAMO through a memorandum dated September 1, 2022 of PENRO, specifying the observations and recommendations made based on the findings. Currently, the MIBNP-PAMO is preparing all necessary documents including the estimates cost of materials and purchase order to facilitate the procurement process in compliance to RA 9184. Moreover, the repair and maintenance are vital to the safe, efficient functioning of the facilities within MIBNP for the use of MIBNP park rangers, visitors, and the locals.

In addition, the maintenance of facilities found within Mts. Iglit-Baco Natural Park (MIBNP) is a continuous effort of MIBNP-PAMO to provide a safe and appropriate shelter for MIBNP rangers and visitors during regular and special activities inside MIBNP.

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