



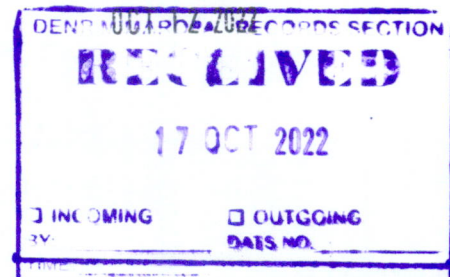
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MEMORANDUM

FOR : The Regional Executive Director
DENR Region 4-B (MIMAROPA)
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FROM : The OIC Director

SUBJECT : **PROPOSED INCLUSION OF EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF PALAWAN COUNCIL FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT STAFF (PCSDS) AS MEMBER OF THE PROTECTED AREA MANAGEMENT BOARD (PAMB) IN ALL PROTECTED AREAS IN PALAWAN**



This pertains to your Memorandum informing us that your Office has concurred with the inclusion of the Executive Director of Palawan Council for Sustainable Development Staff (PCSDS) in the membership of the Protected Area Management Board (PAMB) of all protected areas in Palawan.

Section 11 of the NIPAS Act as amended by RA 11038 of 2018 explicitly provides for the composition of the Management Board and the PCSD is not among the members provided. However, the PAMB may invite other government agencies/instrumentalities to serve as resource persons especially when necessary to provide inputs and address relevant issues and concerns on matters within their mandates.

It is also noted, that most of the protected areas in the province of Palawan has yet to be legislated. Hence, it is imperative that the proposed legislation of the remaining initial and proclaimed protected areas in the Province of Palawan, include a site specific provision like the inclusion of the PCSD as one of the members of the Management Board. Further, this is consistent with Section 30 of the ENIPAS Act of 2018 on the **Subsequent Site-Specific Legislation** which aims to appropriately respond to the distinct and particular needs and conservation requirements of the protected areas in the locality.

Furthermore, this is consistent with RA 7611 or the Strategic Environmental Plan (SEP) for Palawan, which provides that PCSD is responsible for the governance, implementation and policy direction of the said SEP for Palawan

For information and guidance.



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