

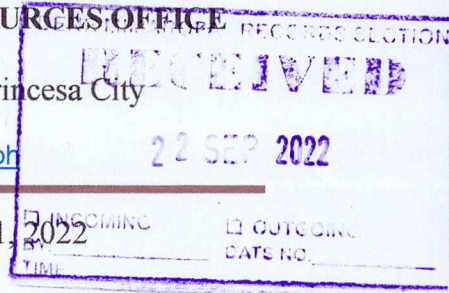


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Dear Ms. Hernandez,

This is to acknowledge receipt of your letter dated July 22, 2022 requesting for a certified true copy of the application for Socialized Industrial Forest Management Agreement (SIFMA) filed by Commodore Nicanor M. Hernandez, et. al. in a more or less 2,000 hectares of land situated in Barangays Bacungan and Bahile, Puerto Princesa City including information as to the status of such application.

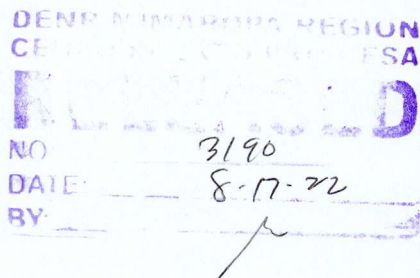
Please be informed that per Section 5 of DENR Administrative Order No. 2004-30 dated August 29, 2004, "**Revised Rules and Regulations Governing the Socialized Industrial forest Management Program (SIFMP)**" the area that may be awarded in a SIFMA for association, partnership or cooperative is up to 500 hectares only;

Further, initial projection made by this Office using the technical descriptions indicated in the proposed map of the area intended to apply for SIFMA by your family disclosed that the entire 2,000 hectares falls within core zone a **strict protection zone** per ECAN Map of the City Government of Puerto Princesa and Palawan Council for Sustainable Development (PCSD). Per Ordinance No. 560 "**Revised Zoning Ordinance of the City of Puerto Princesa**" Section 31 states that the *Area of maximum protection or Core Zone prohibits Forest Co-Management Agreements such as SIFMA, CBFMA, ISF, FLAg, FLAgT and Lease including residential developments, infrastructure development and exploration and extraction or other mining activities*;

In view thereof, we regret to inform you that the application for SIFMA of Commodore Nicanor M. Hernandez, et. al. over a more or less 2,000 hectares of forest land situated in Brgys. Bacungan and Bahile is **DENIED** due to the above mentioned reasons.

Furthermore, you are hereby informed that a mere application for permit to occupy any forestlands UNLESS APPROVED does not entitle the applicant to occupy, possess or sell it. FORESTLANDS are owned by the state and beyond the commerce of men.

We trust that you are properly informed. Thank you.



Truly yours,


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