



Republic of the Philippines

Department of Environment and Natural Resources

MIMAROPA Region

**PROVINCIAL ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES OFFICE**

NOV 16 2023

**MEMORANDUM**

**TO :** The PASu  
Mounts Iglit-Baco Natural Park (MIBNP)  
San Jose, Occidental Mindoro

**FROM :** The OIC, PENR Officer

**SUBJECT :** **REQUEST FOR THE INSTALLATION OF THE 227 FABRICATED SIGNAGES WITHIN MTS. IGLIT-BACO NATURAL PARK IN OCCIDENTAL MINDORO [ I-2023-121755]**

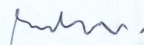
Referred is the memorandum dated November 13, 2023 of OIC, Regional Executive Director Felix S. Mirasol, Jr., *CESO IV* regarding request for the installation of the 227 fabricated signages within Mts. Iglit-Baco Natural Park in Occidental Mindoro. Based on the said memorandum your request has been granted to install signages within the strategic places along the perimeter of MIBNP which include the province of Oriental Mindoro not covered by the Buhid Bangon CADT.

Strategic places along the perimeter boundary of MIBNP shall refer to the following:

1. Those areas that are adjacent to non-indigenous communities or indigenous communities but do not share boundaries with MIBNP.
2. Entry and exit points of the protected area
3. Accessible areas of MIBNP

For information and compliance.

For and in the absence of PENR Officer:

  
**EMILIZA A. CALABIO**  
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**FOR :** The OIC, PENR Officer  
Occidental Mindoro

**ATTENTION:** The PASu  
Mts. Iglit-Baco Natural Park (MIBNP)

**FROM :** The OIC, Regional Executive Director

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In reference to the undated Memorandum of the Protected Area Superintendent (PASu) of Mts. Iglit-Baco Natural Park (MIBNP) regarding the above subject, below is the response of this Office.

1. DAO 2015-10, Section 6.2(c) provides that *"In between corners, signages/markers must be installed in strategic places and/or every 250m, if necessary."*

The installation of signages every 250m is not prescriptive but an option, the other option being in "strategic places".

2. Based on Map 16 (*Distribution of ownership, rights, and tenure in MIBNP*) of the Protected Area Management Plan (PAMP) of MIBNP, the coverage of Buhid-Bangon CADT covers portion of the Oriental Mindoro side of MIBNP in the municipalities of Bansud, Bongabong, and Mansalay.

Based on Map 17 (*Approved CADTs in the Island of Mindoro, 2015*) of the PAMP, the same CADT of Buhid-Bangon extends far beyond the boundary of MIBNP in Occidental and Oriental Mindoro.

3. The purpose of installing signages at the perimeter boundary of the protected area is to provide warning and restrict entry of unauthorized individuals, with the exception of the Buhid-Bangon indigenous communities within their CADT. The CADT on the other hand serves as an extra layer of protection to MIBNP as the indigenous communities are bound to protect their titled domain against the entry of individuals that do not belong to their tribe. With this in place, the boundary of MIBNP within the CADT of the tribe is already secured even without signages installed in it.

Foregoing considered and the efforts exerted by the PASu of MIBNP in communicating with the Buhid-Bangon indigenous communities, the request is hereby granted. The 227 signages shall be installed in strategic places of the protected area. This may include the province of Oriental Mindoro not covered by the Buhid-Bangon CADT, should there be strategic places in said province as determined by the PASu.

Strategic places along the perimeter boundary of MIBNP shall refer to the following:

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For information and compliance.

  
**FELIX S. MIRASOL, JR., CESO IV**



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## MEMORANDUM

**TO:** The Regional Executive Director  
DENR MIMAROPA Region  
1515 L&S Bldg., Roxas Blvd., Ermita, Manila

**THRU:** The PENR Officer  
Mamburao, Occidental Mindoro

**FROM:** The Protected Area Superintendent  
Mts. Iglit-baco Natural Park

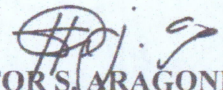
**SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR THE INSTALLATION OF THE 227 FABRICATED  
SIGNAGES WITHIN MTS. IGLIT-BACO NATURAL PARK IN  
OCCIDENTAL MINDORO**

This has reference to the implementation of activities stipulated in the approved Work and Financial Plan of Mts. Iglit-Baco Natural Park (MIBNP) for CY 2022, under Demarcation of Boundaries for Legislated Protected Area Subprogram titled **“Purchase and delivery of fabricated signages with lettering and painting including hauling and installation thereof within the pre-identified strategic places in between the primary corners of MIBNP”** in Oriental Mindoro side that has been requested for suspension through the memorandum dated June 13, 2023, submitted through channels.

In line with this, please be informed that despite efforts and significant resources invested by this office to resolve the concerns and doubts of the Buhid-Bangon IP community, specifically, the Sadik-Habanan Buhid Incorporated (SHBI), we have not been able to obtain their consensual agreement to fully implement the signage installation on the boundary line of the MIBNP in Oriental Mindoro, which is also part of their ancestral domain. Even at the last attempt, they remained hesitant and unwilling to cooperate with the Protected Area Management Office of MIBNP to fully implement the activity. We have also explored *alternative solutions and methods to further engage and convince the concerned IPs, but none of them have been successful.*

Thus, the undersigned respectfully request that the two-hundred twenty-seven (227) fabricated signages be installed in Occidental Mindoro instead to avoid further loss. This will also facilitate the utilization of funds allotted and the completion of the project.

For information and consideration.

  
HECTOR S. ARAGONES, JR.