REGIONAL SPECIAL ORDER

AUG 15 2023

SUBJECT: AUTHORIZING THE CONDUCT OF VARIOUS ACTIVITIES IN

CELEBRATION OF THE APO REEF MONTH IN SEPTEMBER

2023

In the interest of the service and in view of the declaration of Apo Reef Natural Park (ARNP) in Sablayan, Occidental Mindoro as protected area under the National Integrated Protected Areas System (NIPAS) on September 6, 1996 pursuant to Presidential Proclamation No. 868, a month-long celebration is hereby authorized in September 2023. As such, the conduct of the following activities and participation of DENR personnel are further authorized:

Activity	Date	Participants
Motorcade and groundbreaking ceremony of Protected Area Management Office (PAMO) building	September 6, 2023	More or less 150 participants from DENR, LGU, and other stakeholders
Mini exhibit at Sablayan Municipal Hall	September 7-30, 2023	
International Coastal Clean-up day	September 16, 2023	More or less 150 participants from DENR, LGU, and other stakeholders
Sea camp	September 19-20, 2023	More or less 30 Paradise Vloggers (members of this are displaced fisherfolks of Apo Reef) 15 ARNP-PAMO Staff

All expenses to be incurred shall be charged against the *Integrated Protected Area Fund (IPAF) Retained Income Account (RIA)* of Apo Reef Natural Park (ARNP), except for travelling expenses of DENR participants which shall be charged to respective offices' funds or other sources, subject to availability and existing accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

The ARNP-PAMO shall submit report to the undersigned within fifteen (15) days upon conclusion of the month-long celebration.

This Order shall take effect on the dates herein specified.

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