

Republic of the Philippines Department of Environment and Natural Resources MIMAROPA Region

# PROVINCIAL ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES OFFICE

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**FOR** 

The Regional Executive Director

DENR MIMAROPA Region

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1515 DENR By the Bay Building Roxas Boulevard,

Barangay 668, Ermita, Manila

THRU

The ARD for Technical Services

**FROM** 

The OIC, PENR Officer

**SUBJECT** 

LIST OF CAVE INVENTORIED WITHIN

PROVINCE OF OCCIDENTAL MINDORO FOR CY 2022

Respectfully submitted is the list of cave inventoried within the Province of Occidental Mindoro based on the submitted inventory report of CENRO Sablayan (Mounts Calavite Wildlife Sanctuary) and Mounts Iglit-Baco Natural Park (MIBNP) for CY 2022.

Attached herewith the inventory report of CENRO Sablayan and Mounts Iglit-Baco Natural Park (MIBNP) photo documentation and GIS map of cave.

For information and record.

# LIST OF CAVE INVENTORIED WITHIN PROTECTED AREA PROVINCE OF OCCIDENTAL MINDORO FY 2022

NAME OF CAVE	LOCATION	BRIEF DESCRIPTION
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Pilpilan	Brgy. Poypoy, Calintaan, Occidental Mindoro	Cave is dry  Rocky/Slippery trail going to the cave; Small passage from cave entrance; Cave entrance is approximately 2.5-3 meters; Vegetation outside is drought; Lots of guano inside the cave; No signs of guano extraction or treasure hunting inside and out of the cave
Magbangkaw	Brgy. Manoot, Rizal, Occidental Mindoro	Vandalism (names of people using charcoal); Cave entrance is approximately 6-8 meters; Cracks/collapse boulders inside the cave; Indication of guano extraction; Observed species includes bat (insect bats), balinsasayaw (swiflets), spider, etc.
WITHIN MOUNT CAL	AVITE WILDLIFE SANCTU	JARY (CENRO SABLAYAN jurisdiction)
Masaringsing Cave 1 Masaringsing Cave 2	(Sub-sitio Masaring sing) So.	With a total area of 6,396 sqm, cave entrance is 4ft and its width is 2ft  Cave entrance is under water
ividsdringsing Cave 2	Ignunok, Brgy. Harrison,	
	Paluan, Occidental Mindoro	5.19 km away from So. Ignunok 8.20 km away from Brgy. Harrison to So. Ignunok travelled by banca, facing NW of MCWS
	So. Atuyan, brgy. Harrison, Paluan, Occidental Mindoro	The cave can be accessed by bvoat then a 50 meters walk from the shore before reaching the cave opening
Kuweba ni Gudo		Cave opening is approxiamtely 10m in height
		With existing vegetation near the cave opening
		presence of bats, stalagmites and stalactites
Kalinsungan Cave	So. Calangigan, Brgy. Harrison, Paluan, Occidental Mindoro	can be accessed by boat only. There 2 entry points (thru swimming and rapelling) that may lead to inner portion of the cave presence of bats, stalagmites and stalactites
		Two (2) passages were observed inside the cave
	So. Pinagbayanan, Brgy. Harrison, Paluan, Occidental Mindoro	A two (2) hours hike from the community of Sitio Pinagbayanan.
Pinagbayanan Cave 1		Vertical entry point
		There is an existing vegetation around the cave
		805m away to Pinagbayanan Cave 2
		Only 1 person can enter at a time
		with existing vegetation around the cave

## LIST OF CAVE INVENTORIED WITHIN PROTECTED AREA PROVINCE OF OCCIDENTAL MINDORO FY 2022

NAME OF CAVE	LOCATION	BRIEF DESCRIPTION
	So. Pinagbayanan, Brgy.	990 meters away from the community of Sitio Pinagbayanan
Mindoro		with existing vegetation around the cave
	Presence of bats	
Aghalite (ave		A 2-3 hours hike from the community of So. Agbalite
	So. Agbalite, Brgy. Harrison, Paluan, Occidental Mindoro	2.2 km away from the ommunity of So. Agbalite
		Along Lumintao river
		With existing vegetation around the cave
		Presence of bats

Consolidated by:

Reviewed by:

EMILIZA A. CALABIO

Chief, CDS

In-charge, 480

Attested by:



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Department of Environment and Natural Resources

MIMAROPA Region

#### PROVINCIAL ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES OFFICE

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#### MEMORANDUM

FOR

The Regional Executive Director

DENR MIMAROPA Region 1515 L&S Bldg, Roxas, Blvd.,

Ermita, Manila

THRU

The ARD for Technical Services

FROM

The OIC, PENR Officer

**SUBJECT** 

REPORT ON INVENTORY OF CAVES WITHIN MT.

CALAVITE WILDLIFE SANCTUARY (MCWS), PALUAN,

OCCIDENTAL MINDORO

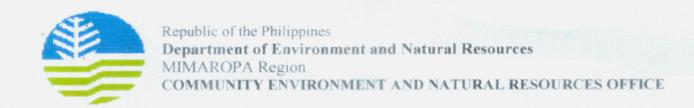
Forwarded is the memorandum dated September 26, 2022 of CENRO Sablayan regarding report on inventory of caves within Mt. Calavite Wildlife Sanctuary (MCWS).

Based on the report submitted a total of five (5) caves were inventoried and mapped within MCWS. Thus, fund was requested for the assessment of the said caves.

Attached are the brief description, photos and GIS generated map of the inventoried cave within the Mount Calavite Wildlife Sanctuary (MCWS).

For information, evaluation and record.

ERNESTO E. TAÑADA



September 26, 2022

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### **MEMORANDUM**

FOR

The Regional Executive Director

DENR MIMAROPA Region 1515 L&S Bldg, Roxas Blvd.

Ermita Manila

THRU

The PENR Officer

Mamburao, Occidental Mindoro

FROM

The CENR Officer

**SUBJECT** 

REPORT ON INVENTORY OF CAVES WITHIN MT.

CALAVITE WILDLIFE SANCTUARY (MCWS), PALUAN,

OCCIDENTAL MINDORO

Respectfully submitted is the report on inventory of caves within Mt. Calavite Wildlife Sanctuary (MCWS).

A total of five (5) caves were inventoried and mapped within MCWS. Thus, this Office is respectfully requesting a fund for the assessment of the said caves.

Attached are the brief description, photos and GIS-generated map of the inventoried cave within the protected area.

For your information, evaluation and record.

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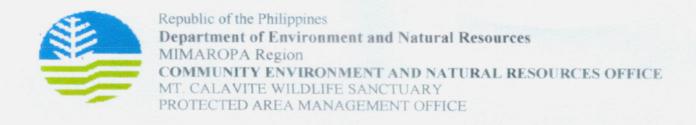
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September 23, 2022

#### MEMORANDUM

FOR

The CENR Officer

FROM

The Protected Area Superintendent

SUBJECT

REPORT ON INVENTORY OF CAVES WITHIN MT.

CALAVITE WILDLIFE SANCTUARY (MCWS), PALUAN,

OCCIDENTAL MINDORO

Please be informed that the MCWS-PAMO conducted re-inventory of caves found within Mt. Calavite Wildlife Sanctuary from August 31, 2022 to September 2, 2022.

As a result of the undertaken activity, a total of five (5) caves were inventoried and mapped. In this connection, may we request fund for the assessment of the said caves.

Attached are the brief description, photos and GIS-generated map of the inventoried cave within the protected area.

For your information, evaluation and record.

ARLENEV. FRANCISCO



# **Department of Environment and Natural Resources**MIMAROPA Region

# COMMUNITY ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES OFFICE

MT. CALAVITE WILDLIFE SANCTUARY PROTECTED AREA MANAGEMENT OFFICE

#### LIST OF INVENTORIED CAVES WITHIN MT. CALAVITE WILDLIFE SANCTUARY

NO.	NAME OF CAVE	LOCATION	BRIEF DESCRIPTION
1	Kuweba ni Gudo	So. Atuyan, Brgy. Harrison, Paluan, Occidental Mindoro	<ul> <li>✓ The cave can be accessed by boat then a 50 meters walk from the shore before reaching the cave opening</li> <li>✓ Cave opening is approximately 10m in height.</li> <li>✓ With existing vegetation near the cave opening</li> <li>✓ Presence of bats, stalagmites and stalactites.</li> </ul>
2	Kalinsungan Cave	So. Calangigan, Brgy. Harrison, Paluan, Occidental Mindoro	<ul> <li>✓ Can be accessed by boat only. There are 2 entry points (thru swimming &amp; rappelling) that may lead to inner portion of the cave.</li> <li>✓ Presence of bats, stalagmites and stalactites</li> <li>✓ Two (2) passages were observed inside the cave</li> </ul>
3	Pinagbayanan Cave 1	So. Pinagbayanan, Brgy. Harrison, Paluan, Occidental Mindoro	<ul> <li>✓ A two (2) hours hike from the community of Sitio Pinagbayanan.</li> <li>✓ Vertical entry point.</li> <li>✓ There is an existing vegetation around the cave.</li> <li>✓ 805m away to Pinagbayanan Cave 2.</li> <li>✓ Only one (1) person can enter at a time</li> <li>✓ With existing vegetation around the cave</li> </ul>

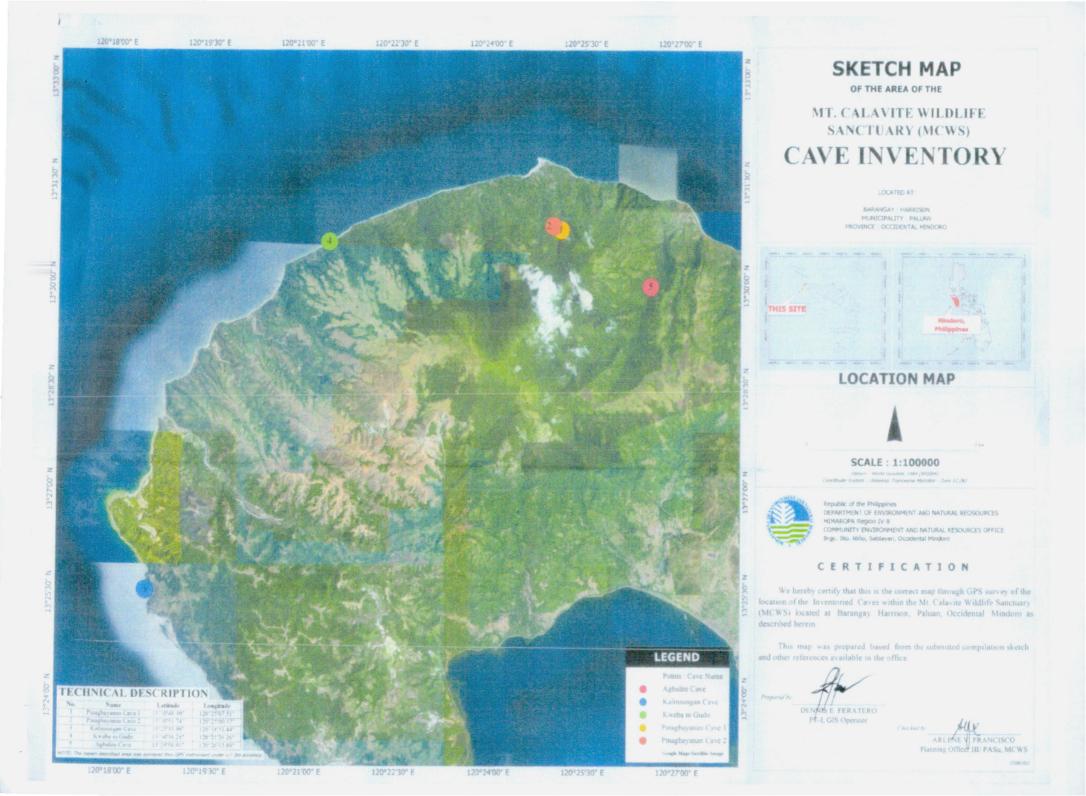


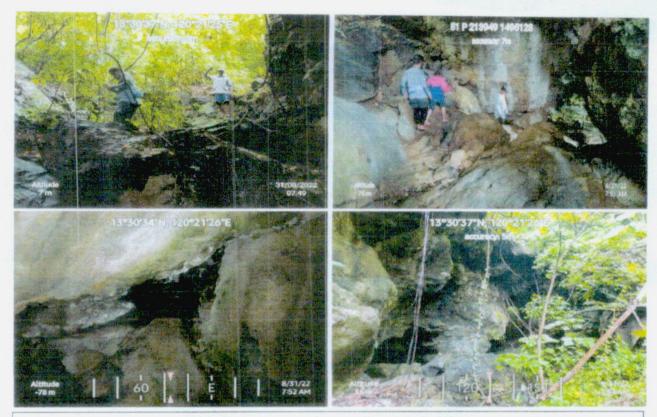
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4	Pinagbayanan Cave 2	So. Pinagbayanan, Brgy. Harrison, Paluan, Occidental Mindoro	<ul> <li>✓ 990 meters away from the community of Sitio         Pinagbayanan     </li> <li>✓ With existing vegetation around the cave</li> <li>✓ Presence of bats</li> </ul>
5	Agbalite Cave	So. Agbalite, Brgy. Harrison, Paluan, Occidental Mindoro	<ul> <li>✓ A 2-3 hours hike from the community of So. Agbalite</li> <li>✓ 2.2km away from the community of So. Agbalite</li> <li>✓ Along Lumanao river</li> <li>✓ With existing vegetation around the cave</li> <li>✓ Presence of bats</li> </ul>

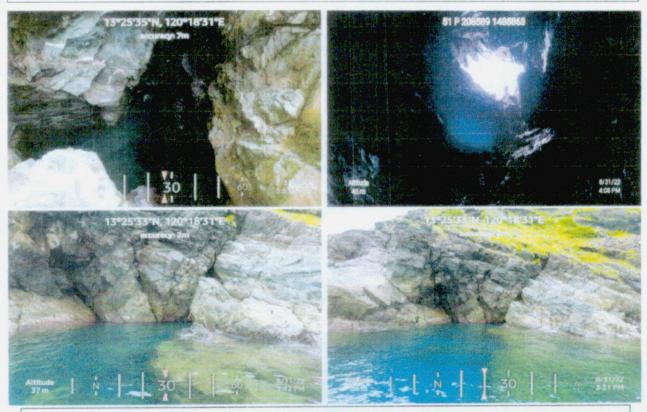
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Photos taken at Kuweba ni Gudo located at So. Atuyan, Brgy. Harrison, Paluan, Occidental Mindoro



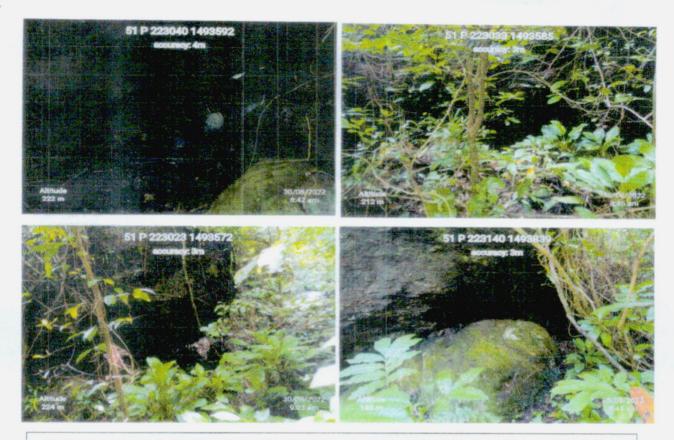
Photos taken at Kalinsungan Cave located at So. Calangigan, Brgy. Harrison, Paluan, Occidental Mindoro



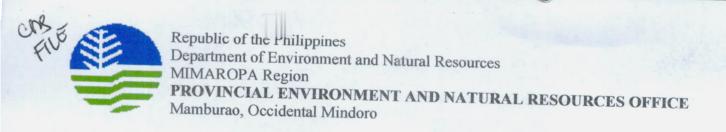
Photos taken at Pinagbayanan Cave 2 located at So. Pinagbayanan, Brgy. Harrison, Paluan, Occidental Mindoro



Photos taken at Pinagbayanan Cave 1 located at So. Pinagbayanan, Brgy. Harrison, Paluan, Occidental Mindoro



Photos taken at Agbalite Cave located at So. Pinagbayanan, Brgy. Harrison, Paluan, Occidental Mindoro



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### **MEMORANDUM**

**FOR** 

The Regional Executive Director

DENR MIMAROPA Region 1515 L&S Bldg, Roxas, Blvd.,

Ermita, Manila

THRU

The ARD for Technical Services

**FROM** 

The OIC, PENR Officer

**SUBJECT** 

PROGRESS REPORT ON CAVE INVENTORY AND RAPID CAVE ASSESSMENT WITHIN PROTECTED AREA WITH PERFORMANCE INDICATOR OF

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Forwarded is the memorandum dated May 16, 2022 of PASu of Mounts Iglit-Baco Natural Park (MIBNP) regarding submission of progress report on Cave Inventory and Rapid Cave Assessment on March 15-18, 2022 and April 19-22, 2022 in Brgy. Poypoy, Calintaan and Brgy. Manoot, Rizal, Occidental Mindoro respectively, within the vicinities of Mts. Iglit-Baco Natural Park . The aforementioned activity was the target of MIBNP based on the Work and Financial Plan for CY 2022.

Pursuant to DENR Administrative Order No. 2003-29, two (2) caves was identified the Pilpilan cave at Brgy. Poypoy, Calintaan and Magbangkaw cave in Brgy. Manoot, Rizal Occidental Mindoro. Prior to the conduct of the said activity the team coordinated to the local officials and tribal leaders within the area to discuss their purpose and conducted Communication, Education and Public Awareness (CEPA) regarding cave management to foster the importance and potential of caves for ecotourism.

Attached herewith are other pertinent documents such as summary of findings, photo documentation, sketch and location map of caves.

For information and record.

ERNESTO E TAÑADA

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So. Pag-asa, Brgy. Payompon, Mamburao, Occidental Mindoro Email: tsdoccmin04@gmail.com



### DEPARTMEN. OF ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL REJURCES

MIMAROPA Region

Provincial Environment and Natural Resources Office

# MTS. IGLIT-BACO NATURAL PARK PROTECTED AREA MANAGEMENT OFFICE

May 16, 2022

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#### **MEMORANDUM**

FOR

The Regional Executive Director

DENR MIMAROPA Region

1515 L & S Bldg., Roxas Blvd., Ermita, Manila

THRU

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The PENR Officer

Mamburao, Occidental Mindoro

FROM

The Protected Area Superintendent

San Jose, Occidental Mindoro

**SUBJECT** 

PROGRESS REPORT ON CAVE INVENTORY AND RAPID

CAVE ASSESSMENT WITHIN PROTECTED AREA WITH PERFORMANCE INDICATOR OF INVENTORY OF CAVES

WITHIN PROTECTED AREAS.

Please be informed that the MIBNP team conducted a cave inventory and rapid cave assessment on March 15-18, 2022 and April 19-22, 2022 in Brgy. Poypoy, Calintaan and Brgy. Manoot, Rizal, Occidental Mindoro respectively, within the vicinities of Mts. Iglit-Baco Natural Park.

Relative hereto, below statements are the operations and procedures performed during the cave inventory and rapid cave assessment activities.

- The inventory team coordinated to the local officials and tribe leaders to discuss the purpose of the team in conducting inventory of all possible caves within the protected area.
- A brief Community Education and Public Awareness (CEPA) and an informal orientation regarding cave management, importance of caves and tourism potential of caves were also tackled to promote cave protection and foster its potential benefits in the communities.
- The team performed mapping, geological and biological documentation and gathered other relevant information of the caves for the purpose of formulation and implementation of relevant policies, plans, and programs for cave management pursuant to DENR Administrative Order No. 2003-29 or the Implementing Rules and Regulations of the National Caves and Cave Resources Management and Protection Act (RA No. 9072 of 2001).
- Geotagged photos were taken using mobile GPS unit to facilitate the acquisition of cave locations.
- The team initiated Rapid Cave Assessment and took photos and videos of interior features of the cave systems for further analysis.







# DEPARTMEN. OF ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL REJURCES

MIMAROPA Region

Provincial Environment and Natural Resources Office

# MTS. IGLIT-BACO NATURAL PARK PROTECTED AREA MANAGEMENT OFFICE

Attached herewith the list of MIBNP Rapid Cave Assessment Team, Summary of Findings, Photo documentation, Sketch and Location Map of Caves. (Please see attached List of Attachments that follows next).

For your information and record.

Protected Area Superintendent



# DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESURCES MIMAROPA Region

# Provincial Environment and Natural Resources Office

# MTS. IGLIT-BACO NATURAL PARK PROTECTED AREA MANAGEMENT OFFICE

# A. MIBNP Rapid Cave Assessment Team

# Table 1. List of MIBNP Cave Assessment Team

Cave/s	Names
Pilpilan	Gina Ay Agman
	Eugine Secreto
	John Charles Arevallo
	Leo Angelo Navarro
	Ramil Lumanglas
	Roberto Suaverdez
	Leon Ruzzel Unilongo
Magbangkaw	Roberto Suaverdez
	Eugine Secreto
	Leo Ruzzel Unilongo
	Ronnie Estrella
	John Charles Arevallo
	Arnold Roca
	Victor Espeleta

# **B. Summary of Findings**

Table 2. Summary of Finding of the Rapid Cave Assessment

Name of Cave	Location/ Coordinates/ Altitude	Features/ Rock Formation	Remarks
Pilpilan	Brgy. Poypoy, Calintaan, Occidental Mindoro  12°39'6" N, 121°1'12" E	Flowstones , Cave Curtains	Cave is dry; Rocky/Slippery trail going to the cave; Small passage from cave entrance; Cave entrance is approximately 2.5-3 meters; Vegetation outside is drought; Lots of guano inside the cave; Insect bats are living inside the cave; No signs of guano extraction or treasure hunting inside and out of the cave
Magbangkaw	Brgy. Manoot, Rizal, Occidental Mindoro  12°37'22" N, 121°9'49" E  390 masl	Pristine Cave	Vandalism (names of people using charcoal); Cave entrance is approximately 6-8 meters; Crack/collapse boulders inside the cave; Indication of guano extraction; Observed species includes bat (insect bats), balinsasayaw (swiftlets), spider, etc.



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C. Photo Documentation



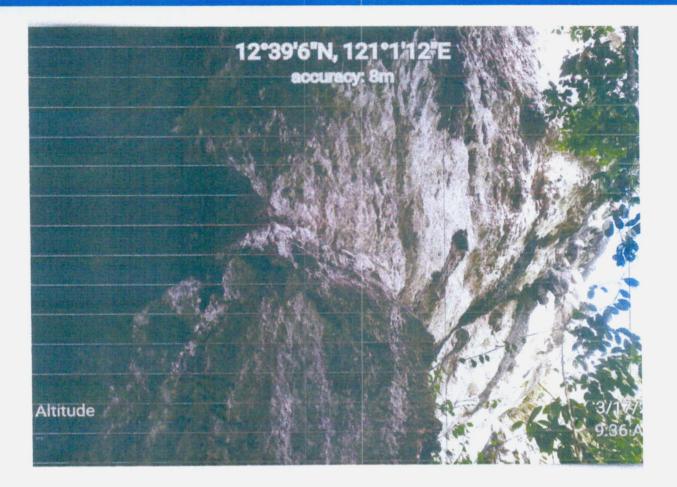
Figure 1. The Assessment Team during CEPA and Coordination with barangay officials and tribe leaders



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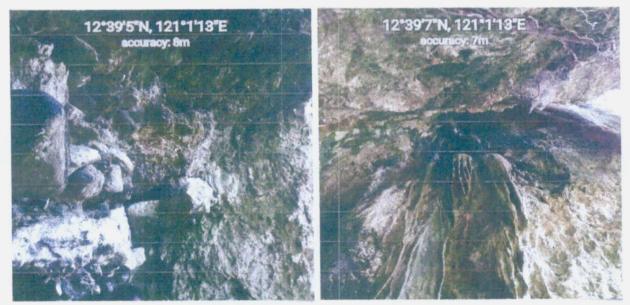


Figure 2. Geotagged Photos taken from Pilpilan Cave



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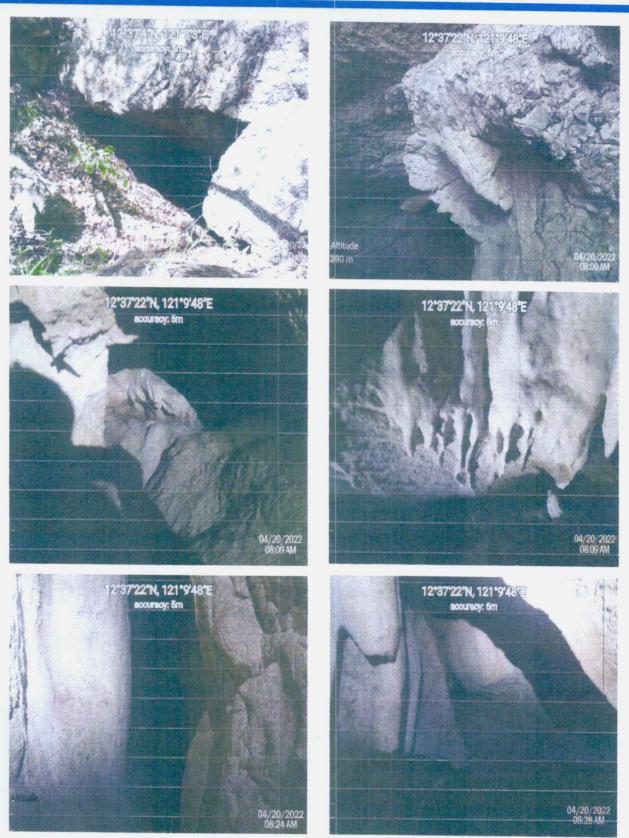


Figure 3. Geotagged Photos taken from Magbangkaw Cave

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D. Sketch Map

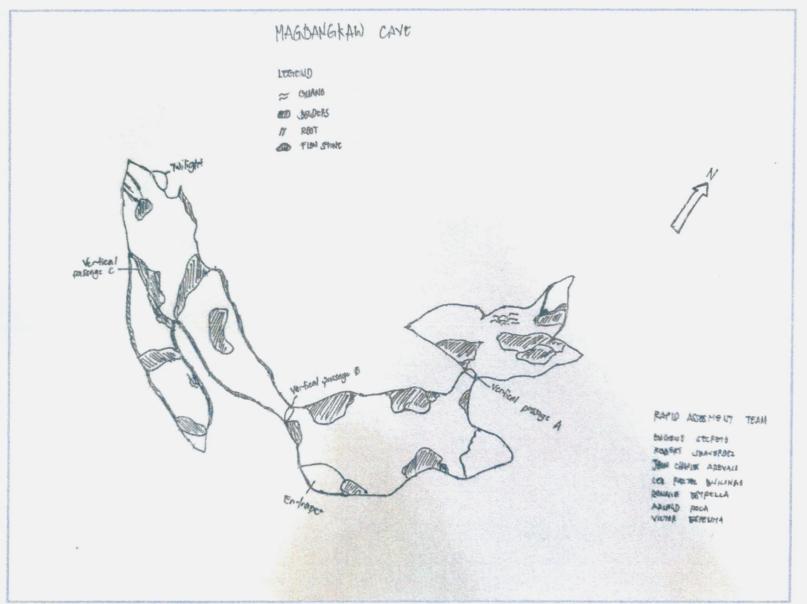


Figure 4. Sketch Map of Magbangkaw Cave



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MIMAROPA Region

Provincial Environment and Natural Resources Office

# MTS. IGLIT-BACO NATURAL PARK PROTECTED AREA MANAGEMENT OFFICE

## E. Location Map of Caves within MIBNP

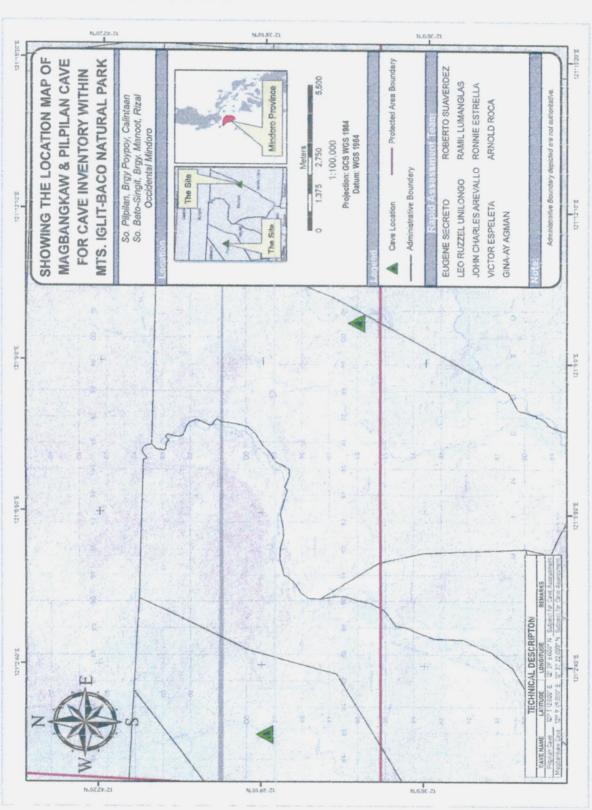
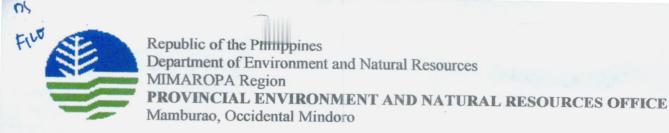


Figure 5. Location Map of Pilpilan and Mangbangkaw Cave within MIBNP



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#### **MEMORANDUM**

**FOR** 

The Regional Executive Director

DENR MIMAROPA Region 1515 L&S Bldg, Roxas, Blvd.,

Ermita, Manila

THRU

The ARD for Technical Services

**FROM** 

The OIC, PENR Officer

**SUBJECT** 

REPORT ON THE CONDUCTED CAVE

IDENTIFICATION WITHIN THE PROTECTED AREA

OF MOUNT CALAVITE WILDLIFE SANCTUARY

Forwarded is the memorandum dated May 02, 2022 of CENRO Sablayan regarding report on the conducted cave identification within the Protected Area of Mount Calavite Wildlife Sanctuary. Attached with the report are the following, to wit:

1. Report on the conducted cave identification;

2. Geo-tagged photos; and

3. GIS generated map of Masaringsing Cave 1 & 2 within the Mount Calavite Wildlife Sanctuary (MCWS)

For information and record.

ERNESTO Z. TAÑADA

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# Republic of the Philippines Department of Environment and Natural Resources MIMAROPA REGION

# COMMUNITY ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES Sablayan, Occidental Mindoro

**MEMORANDUM** 

May 02, 2022

**FOR** 

: The OIC-PENR Officer

Mamburao, Occidental Mindoro

**FROM** 

The CENR Officer

**SUBJECT** 

REPORT ON THE CONDUCTED CAVE IDENTIFICATION

WITHIN PROTECTED AREA OF MOUNT CALAVITE

WILDLIFE SANCTUARY.

Endorsing is the memorandum dated May 02, 2022 of Protected Area Superintendent Orlando R. Ramos, regarding the report of the above mentioned subject.

For your information, evaluation and further action, if any.

FOR ANASTACIO A SANTOS, MPA







May 02, 2022

#### **MEMORANDUM**

FOR

: The CENR Officer

Sablayan, Occidental Mindoro

**FROM** 

The Protected Area Superintendent

**MCWS** 

**SUBJECT** 

REPORT ON THE CONDUCTED CAVE IDENTIFICATION

WITHIN THE PROTECTED AREA OF MT.CALAVITE

WILDLIFE SANCTUARY.

Please be informed that one of the target of Mount Calavite Wildlife Sanctuary-Protected Area Management Office (MCWS-PAMO) for CY 2022 under the Protected Areas Development and Management is the cave assessment

Endorsing is the memorandum dated March 30,2022 of Forest Ranger Marlon L.Alfaro and Park Rangers Mario Benedicto S. Salvio,Omar T.Villar and Reymar R.Estoy regarding the report on the cave identification within the Procted Area of Mount Calavite Wildlife Sanctuary.

Attached herewith are the following documents:

- 1. Report of conducted Cave identification
- 2. Geo-tagged photos and
- 3. GIS generated maps.

For your information and evaluation.

ORLANDO R.RAMOS



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Community Environment and Natural Resources Office Sablayan, Occidental Mindoro

MT. CALAVITE WILDLIFE SANCTUARY PROTECTED AREA MANAGEMENT OFFICE

E-mail: mcws.denr@gmail.com

March 30, 2022

### **MEMORANDUM**

FOR

The CENRO Officer

Sablayan, Occidental Mindoro

THRU

The MCWS Superintendent

Paluan, Occidental Mindoro

**FROM** 

MCWS Rangers

SUBJECT

SUBMISSION OF REPORT ON ACTIVITIES ON CAVE IDENTIFICATION WITHIN MOUNT

CALAVITE WILDLIFE SANCTUARY PALUAN,

OCC. MINDORO.

Respectfully submitted the report on the activities undertaken on Cave Identification dated March 08, 2022 in Sub-Sitio Masaringsing, Sitio. Ignunok, Brgy. Harrison, Paluan Occidental Mindoro.

The conducted on identification of Cave in Sub-Sitio Masaringsing, Sitio Ignunok, Brgy. Harrison, Paluan Occidental Mindoro. has identified two entry point of Cave which called Masaringsing Cave 1 and Cave 2 with the total area of 6,396 sqm. The height of the Cave entrance is 4ft. and its width is 2ft. The entrance of the Cave is under water before entering easily inside the Cave, the distance of the Cave from Sitio Ignunok is 5.19 km. from Brgy. Hall of Harrison to Sitio Ignunok is about 8.20 km. travelled by banca, facing North West of MCWS and North West of Sitio Ignunok, Brgy. Harrison, Paluan Occidental Mindoro.

Attached here with the geo-tagged pictures taken from the two identified Caves.

For your information and record.

MARLON L. ANDFARO

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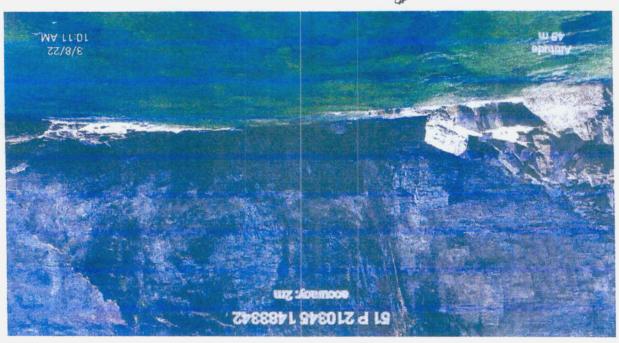
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MASARINGSING CAVE - 2

