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The OIC, ARD for Technical Services

FROM

The Provincial Environment and

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SUBJECT

REPORT ON THE CONDUCTED ACTIVITIES FOR THE

CELEBRATION OF WORLD WILDLIFE DAY 2023

Respectfully forwarded is the memorandum dated March 22, 2023 of the CENRO Quezon, Palawan re: the above subject.

This serves as **Means of Verification (MoV)** for target activities under Special Events in CY 2023.

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Respectfully forwarded is the report dated March 20, 2023, of Forester Sheryl C. Bacan, Information Officer regarding above – cited subject.

Please be informed that this Office through Conservation and Development Section (CDS) spearheaded the conduct of the following activities in line with the celebration of World Wildlife Day (WWD), to wit:

- Coastal Clean up drive along the coastal areas of Pawikan Conservation Project of Berong Nickel Corporation situated in So. Tagbolante, Bgy. Berong, Quezon, Palawan and within the premises of Rasa Island Wildlife Sanctuary, Bgy. Panacan, Narra, Palawan,
- 2. Information, Education & Communication Campaign, a total of 28 employees of Berong Nickel Corporation (BNC) attended. &

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3. Distribution of pamphlets.

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On December 20, 2013, the United Nations General Assembly proclaimed March 3 as World Wildlife Day to celebrate and raise awareness of the world's wild fauna and flora. This date was chosen as it is the birthday of CITES, the Convention on International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Flora and Fauna, signed in 1973. In recognition of the work CITES does and collaborative work for conservation that is going on globally, the theme for World Wildlife Day this year is "Partnership for Wildlife Conservation".

This theme "Partnerships for Wildlife Conservation" will allow us to celebrate all conservation efforts, from intergovernmental to local scale. Within this theme, the day has a focus on two sub-topics:

- Marine life & oceans with around 70% of our planet being covered by water, the impact of marine conservation is incredibly important.
- Business & finance globally, conservation efforts need to be funded and this work needs to be done in collaboration with business an area that, in the past, has been seen as exploitative and unsustainable. Successful partnerships for conservation must find ways of including business if we are to reverse the loss in biodiversity.

In line with this celebration, the DENR-CENRO Quezon through Conservation and Development Section spearheaded the following activities, to wit:

A. Coastal Clean-Up Drive

1. PAWIKAN CONSERVATION PROJECT

So. Tagbolante, Bgy. Berong, Quezon, Palawan

The DENR – CENRO Quezon in collaboration with Berong Nickel Corporation (BNC) through Mine Environmental Protection and Enhancement Office (MEPEO), facilitated a coastal clean – up drive along the coast of Pawikan Conservation Project, So. Tagbolante, Bgy. Berong, Quezon, Palawan dated March 7, 2023.

As part of the continuous marine protection efforts of BNC through its MEPEO and due to numerous sightings of sea turtles laying eggs within the said coastal area, the said corporation voluntarily established a conservation project for the Marine Sea Turtles. From 2018 until today, the CENRO Quezon through CDS continually watching over the said area, likewise, conducted annual coastal clean — up drive, distribution pamphlets on wildlife and dissemination of information through IECs.

A total of forty-one (41) individuals, fourteen (14) females and twenty-seven (27) males were gathered and participated in the clean – up drive along almost 5 kilometers coastal areas of Pawikan Conservation Project of BNC – MEPEO.



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Seven (10) sacks of trash with approximate weight of 10 kilograms were collected and properly disposed by the BNC Team thereafter. Compared to the trash collected last year, it is seven (5) sacks lesser this year. It is a good indicator that the joint efforts of BNC and DENR were effective. Top five (5) trash collected were nylon, fishing nets, plastic lids, pet bottles and cigarrete butts.

2. RASA ISLAND WILDLIFE SANCTUARY

On February 28, 2023, the PAMO – RIWS personnel conducted a coastal clean - up drive in the premises of Rasa Island Wildlife Sanctuary. The activity was also in commemoration of the 17th year of the declaration of RIWS as a Protected Area pursuant to Presidential Proclamation No. 1000 on February 15, 2006.

A total of 13 cement sacks of garbage were collected with an estimated weight of 40 kilograms. It was observed that most of the garbage collected were plastic bottles and old empty liquor bottles that were assumed to be either drifted by the tide/sea waves or allegedly brought by the claimants visiting the island.

B. Information, Education, Communication (IEC) Campaign

On the same date and prior to the conduct of Coastal clean-up drive at Berong, Quezon, Palawan the team conducted an Information, Education, Communication (IEC) campaign to the employees and staff of the said corporation with the topics RA 9147 or the Wildlife Resources Conservation and Protection Act that being discussed by Information Officer Sheryl C. Bacan, followed by Marine Debris with focus on Plastic Pollution and Its Effect to Marine Wildlife discussed by ECOMS II Elany P. Sanico, Importance of Marine Sea Turtles discussed by ECOMS II Michelle J. Sebido and RA 11313 or the Safe Spaces Act/Bawal Bastos Law that being discussed by Forest Technician II Richelle C. Ojario. Afterwards, distribution of pamphlets with contents on wildlife were followed.

A total of twenty-eight individuals or employees of BNC were participated in, two (2) females and twenty-six (26) males.

These activities aims to combat the issue of marine debris, raise awareness on marine pollution, improve waste management and an action to inspire people on the desire for a cleaner, safer and healthier ocean.

To achieve safer and cleaner oceans and its coastlines, people should be properly educated to raise their awareness on the protection, conservation and management of environment and natural resources. It must also be accompanied by strict implementation of existing laws, policies, and regulations, specifically the Wildlife Act, Ecological Solid Waste Management and Water Code of the Philippines which is vital to the protection of wildlife, our seas, and its marine resources.

Attached are attendance sheets and geotagged photos taken during the activity.

For information, reference, and record.

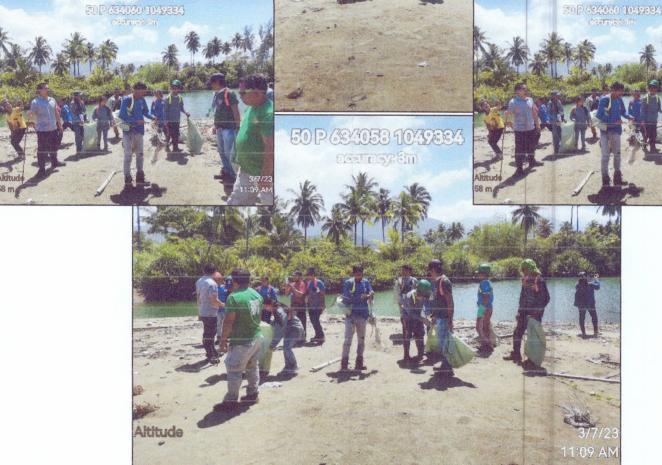
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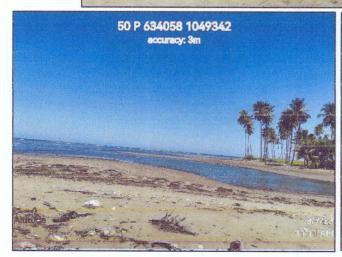


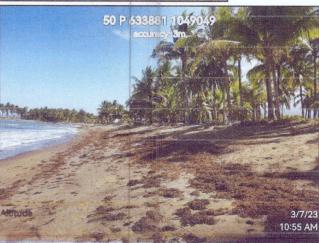
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During the clean-up drive at So. Tagbolante, Bgy. Berong, Quezon, Palawan



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Information Officer/Forester I Sheryl C. Bacan discussing the RA 9147 or the Wildlife Resources Conservation and Protection Act.





ECOMS II Elany P. Sanico discussing Marine Debris with focus on Plastic Pollution and Its Effect to Marine Wildlife.





ECOMS II Michelle J. Sebido discussing Importance of Marine Sea Turtles.





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Forest Technician II Richelle C. Ojario discussing the RA 11.313 or the Safe Spaces Act/Bawal Bastos Law



Photo opportunity with the participants and volunteers.







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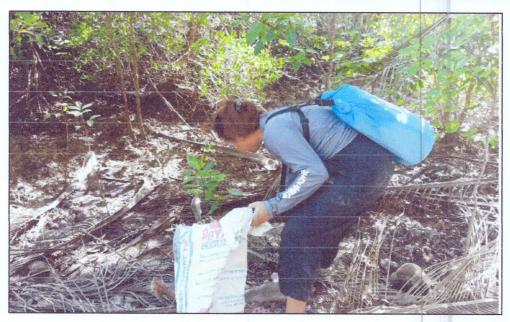
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Coastal clean – up drive conducted in Rasa Island Wildlife Sanctuary dated February 28, 2023





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