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MEMORANDUM

FOR : The Regional Executive Director
DENR MIMAROPA Region
1515 DENR By the Bay Building, Roxas Boulevard,
Barangay 668, Ermita, Manila

THRU : The ARD for Technical Services

FROM : The OIC, PENR Officer

SUBJECT : **DRAFT REGIONAL SPECIAL ORDER RE: 2023
TAMARAW COUNT**

Respectfully submitted is the draft Regional Special Order regarding 2023 Tamaraw Count scheduled on April 16-25, 2023 within Mounts Iglit-Baco Natural Park (MIBNP).

For information, evaluation and consideration.


ERNESTO E. TAÑADA

TSD-CDS3/31/2023



REGIONAL SPECIAL ORDER

No. _____
Series of 2023

**SUBJECT: AUTHORIZING THE PARTICIPATION OF SELECTED DENR –
PENRO PERSONNEL TO THE 2023 TAMARAW POPULATION
COUNT**

In the interest of service and to provide assistance to the DENR- Tamaraw Conservation Program in generating reliable information on the current number of the tamaraw inside its core habitat within Mts. Iglit-Baco Natural Park Ranges and to monitor/further examine the animal population trends as well as its dynamics, the following DENR personnel are hereby authorized to participate in the 2023 Tamaraw Population Count to be held in Mts. Iglit Baco Natural Park in April 16-April 25, 2023 and the Data Consolidation thereafter on April 26, 2023 in San Jose Occidental Mindoro:

PENRO – OCCIDENTAL MINDORO

1. Special Investigator - Lander Cristian E. Coden
2. Project Evaluation Assistant 1 - Michael A. Del Mundo ©

**MT. CALAVITE WILDLIFE SANCTUARY-PROTECTED AREA MANAGEMENT
OFFICE**

1. Ecosystem Management Specialist 1- John Benedikt O. Perida (COS)

APO REEF NATURAL PARK-PROTECTED AREA MANAGEMENT OFFICE

1. Park Maintenance Foreman -Roberto P. Beringuela
2. Boat Captain - RomelM. Pacaul

BIODIVERSITY CORRIDOR PROJECT

1. Regional Landscape Planning Specialist - Jan Lloyd I. Balon
2. Community and Stakeholder Coordinator- Clinth Jezter G. Dela Cruz
3. Project Volunteer –Javaan G. Stewardson

MT. IGLIT-BACO NATURAL PARK

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| 1. Hector S. Aragones, Jr. | -PASu |
| 2. Rodolfo B. Abowac | - Park Maintenance Foreman |
| 3. Eugene S. Secreto | - Park Maintenance Foreman |
| 4. Roberto T. Suaverdez | - Park Maintenance Foreman |
| 5. Ramil I. Lumanglas | - Park Maintenance Foreman |
| 6. John Paul M. Santelices | - Forest Ranger |
| 7. Leo Angelo A. Navarro | - Forest Ranger |



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| 8. Jaylord D. Evora | - EMS 1 |
| 9. Mae Fatima M. Laderas | - CEPA Assistant |
| 10. Michelle R. Garcia | - Admin. Assistant |
| 11. Lucille R. Fabular | - Park Ranger |
| 12. Rosa Flor M. Mangupit | - Park Ranger |
| 13. Leo Ruzzel P. Unilongo | - Park Ranger |
| 14. Jerome L. Bueno | - Park Attendant |
| 15. Edgar C. Bunagan | - Park Attendant |
| 16. Argel C. Bunagan | - Park Attendant |
| 17. Danreb O. Calamayan | - Park Attendant |
| 18. Ray John P. Cerezo | - Park Attendant |
| 19. Ronnie P. Estrella | - Park Attendant |
| 20. Benjie B. Morales | - Park Attendant |
| 21. Arnold Z. Roca | - Park Attendant |
| 22. Onie V. Ordo | - Park Attendant |
| 23. Joel G. Ramirez | - Park Attendant |
| 24. John Charles S. Arevalo | - Park Attendant |
| 25. Oscar V. Ordo, Jr. | - Park Attendant |
| 26. Bryan Fajilagutan | - Park Attendant |
| 27. Ginaay Agman | - Park Attendant |
| 28. Nizer N. Samson | - Park Attendant |
| 29. Tadong D. Dante | - Park Attendant |
| 30. Calio Garcia | - Park Attendant |
| 31. Kevin M. Santelices | - Socio-Cultural Mapper |
| 32. Mary Grace dela Cruz | - Socio-Cultural Mapper |

ALL TCP RANGERS AND STAFF

All participants and observers must make sure that they are mentally and physically fit for the activity. Tamaraw counting is a highly scientific endeavor, thus, the guidelines attached that forms an integral part of this Special Order must be strictly observed at all times during the activity. Likewise, minimum health protocols shall be observed at all times by the participants during the entire activity.

The transportation costs to and from San Jose and Calintaan and meals during the counting shall be provided by the DENR-TCP. Per diem and other travelling expenses are chargeable against their respective offices' funds, subject to existing accounting and auditing rules and regulations.

This order shall take effect on the dates specified herein exclusive of travel dates.

LORMELYN E. CLAUDIO, CESO IV
OIC, Regional Executive Director



GUIDELINES FOR 2023 TAMARAW POPULATION COUNT

Mts. Iglit-Baco Natural Park, Sablayan, Occidental Mindoro

April 16-April 26, 2023

Tamaraw Count is a yearly scientific activity that aims to capture present number of tamaraws in its core habitat. This is not an excursion or a tourism related activity but rather a highly scientific endeavor, thus, the following must be strictly observed at all times during the counting.

DOs

- Participants and observers must be physically and mentally fit
- Participants and observers are required to attend the tamaraw count workshop on April 17, 2023 at MIBNP Magtanggob station (station 1). Failure to do so will be prohibited to participate in 2023 tamaraw count.
- In trekking, always observe discipline and follow the instructions of the guide for the safety of everyone.
- Bring your own sleeping bags or mat, equipment such as potable stove, binoculars, gadgets, etc. Bring also toiletries, medicines and other essentials enough for the number of days staying inside the park. Although food will be provided, you may also bring your own food specially trail foods such as energy bars.
- Have your luggage, items and paraphernalia inspected by the PASu or his staff.
- Participants and Observers must be accompanied by key personnel from MIBNP and TCP at all times to ensure safety.
- In case of emergency, notify key personnel from MIBNP and TCP immediately.

DON'Ts

- Do not bring illegal and prohibited drugs inside the park.
- Do not gather, hunt, kill or disturb any Wildlife. Mere possession of any plant and animals is also prohibited by law. Participants and observers must apply the saying: *Take nothing but pictures leave nothing but footprints, kill nothing but time.*
- Do not litter at all times. Please keep in your pocket all garbage/ food wrappers.
- Smoking on the trail or during rest stops is strictly prohibited.
- Wearing of bright colored clothing is prohibited as it will distract the wildlife specially tamaraws.
- Trotting and transferring from one camp to another is strictly prohibited inside the observation area to minimize disturbance of the tamaraws.
- Unnecessary loud noises are strictly prohibited.

WHAT TO BRING:

- Backpack with rain cover
- Change of Clothes
- Head Lamp/ Flashlight with extra set of Batteries
- Jacket/ Windbreaker
- Trekking pole (Optional)

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- Long Sleeves/ Arm Protection
- Hat/Cap and Towel
- Reusable Water Bottle
- Mess kit (Spoon, Fork and Container)
- Stainless Mug/ Collapsible Cup
- Trail Food
- Slippers

- Sleeping Bag/ Malong
- Sleeping Mat
- Hammock
- Tent (Optional)
- Personal Medicine
- Toiletries
- Sun Protection
- Tissue/ Wet Wipes
- Isopropyl alcohol/ Hand Sanitizer
- Garbage Bag
- Camera
- Binoculars
- GPS (For DENR only)
- Power Bank
- Small Notebook and Pen
- Wristwatch