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January 26, 2023

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FROM

The Provincial Environment and

Natural Resources Officer

SUBJECT

REPORT ON THE INSTALLATION OF SIGNAGE IN THE

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ISLANDS OF EL NIDO-TAYTAY MANAGED RESOURCES

PROTECTED AREA (ENTMRPA) EL NIDO, PALAWAN

Respectfully forwarded is the Memorandum dated January 20, 2023 of the CENRO Taytay and received by this office on January 24, 2023 being an accomplishment and as **Means of Verification (MoV)** on the target of Partner and Resiliency Building - Installation of Signage under Integrated Protected Fund (IPAF) of El Nido-Taytay Managed Resource Protected Area (ENTMRPA), El Nido, Palawan.

Please be informed that, the signages installed by PAMO-ENTMRPA last November 16, 2022 were in six (6) sites where during the operation, two (2) sites in Pinagbuyutan Island, Barangay Manlag, El Nido, Palawan were stopped by alleged security guards of Mr. Chester Lim and Mr. Richard Lim which accordingly the claimant of the said island. The installed signages provide information about the land classification of the area, jurisdiction of the Protected Area and occupation will be considered illegal/unlawful without approved tenurial instrument or SAPA.

For information and record.



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FOR

The Provincial Environment and Natural Resources Officer-Palawan

Sta. Monica, Puerto Princesa City

FROM

The Community Environment and Natural Resources Officer

SUBJECT .

REPORT ON THE INSTALLATION OF SIGNAGE IN THE ISLANDS OF EL NIDO-TAYTAY MANAGED RESOURCES PROTECTED AREA (ENTMRPA), EL NIDO, PALAWAN

Respectfully forwarded is the Memorandum dated January 9, 2023 of Protected Area Superintendent (PASu) Mildred A. Suza and received by this Office on January 18, 2023 being an accomplishment and as **Means of Verification (MoV)** on the target of Partner and Resiliency Building- Installation of signage under Integrated Protected Fund (IPAF) of El Nido-Taytay Managed Resource Protected Area (ENTMRPA), El Nido, Palawan.

Please be informed that, PAMO-ENTMRPA conducted the installation in the six (6) sites and island destination and two (2) sites in Pinagbuyutan Island, Barangay Manlag, El Nido, Palawan. The installed signages provides information about the land classification of the area, jurisdiction of the Protected Area and illegal/unlawful occupation without approved tenurial instrument or SAPA.

Likewise, during the installation of signage at Pinagbuyutan Island, the team was stopped by alleged security guards of Mr. Chester Lim and Mr. Richard Lim which accordingly the claimant of the said island.

Further, this Office is hereby advised the PAMO-ENTMRPA through a memorandum dated on January 19, 2023 in the preparation and issuance of Notice to Vacate (NTV) and Notice of Violation (NOV) to Mr. Chester and Richard Lim as well as the compliance and monitoring of the recommendation cited in the report of FR Caliao and FR Arzaga dated November 21, 2022.

For his information and record.

CONRADO M. CORPUZ

Cc: PAMO-ENTMRPA

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January 9, 2023

MEMORANDUM

FOR

The Community Environment and

Natural Resources Officer

Taytay, Palawan

FROM

The Protected Area Superintendent

El Nido-Taytay Managed Resource Protected Area

SUBJECT

REPORT ON THE CONDUCTED INSTALLATION OF SIGNAGE ON

THE ISLANDS OF EL NIDO-TAYTAY MANAGED RESOURCE

PROTECTED AREA (ENTMRPA)

Respectfully forwarded is the report of Forest Ranger Herson Y. Caliao and Forest Ranger Jonathan A. Arzaga dated November 21, 2022 regarding the above subject in relation to the target artivity under D. Partnership and Resiliency Building of Integrated Protected Area Fund (IPAF) 2022 under E. El Nido-Taytay Managed Resource Protected Area (ENTMRPA).

In the report, installation of signages was conducted on November 16, 2022 to the six (6) sites and island destination namely: Papaya Beach, Seven Commando Beach, Lapuz-lapuz Beach and Dilumacad (Helicopter) Island located at Barangay Buena Suerte, El Nido, Palawan and two (2) sites in Pinagbuyutan Island, Barangay Manlag, El Nido, Palawan. The installed signage provides information that the area is timberland per CENRO Certification dated May 30, 2022 and identified within the jurisdiction of ENTMRPA per Presidential Proclamation No. 32 dated October 8, 1998. The public is also informed that the occupation on the said island destination is considered illegal/unlawful withour approved tenurial instrument or Special Use Agreement in Protected Areas (SAPA) from DENR pursuant to Section 20 of RA 7586 otherwise known as NIPAS Act of 1992 as amended by RA 11038 or ENIPAS. Act of 2018 and section 78 of PD 705 as amended.

Further, during the installation at Pinagbuyutan Island, Bgy. Manlag, El Nido, Palawan, the team was stopped of alleged security guards of Mr. Chester Lim and Mr. Richard Lim who have been claiming the beach area of the island. Also, the ENTMRPA personnel also experienced being stowed away by guards of the same island while conducting transect swim as part of Biodiversity Monitoring System (BMS) activity of the office.

In view hereof, this office concur with the recommendations of the team. Be informed further, that this office already informed Mr. Richard Lim and Mr. Chester Lim and advised to appear to this office and bring necessary documents supporting their occupation in the said area.

For information and record.



MILDIED A. SUZA



Republic of the Philippines Department of Environment and Natural Resources

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EL NIDO-TAYTAY MANAGED RESOURCE PROTECTED AREA

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November 21, 2022

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MEMORANDUM

FOR

The Protected Area Superintendent

El Nido-Taytay Managed Resource Protected Area

FROM

Forest Technician

Forest Ranger

SUBJECT

REPORT ON THE CONDUCTED INSTALLATION

SIGNAGE ON THE ISLANDS OF EL NIDO-TAYTAY

MANAGED RESOURCE PROTECTED AREA (ENTMRPA)

This pertains to the target installation of signage under Item D. Partnership and Resiliency Building of Integrated Protected Area Fund (IPAF) 2022 under E. El Nido-Taytay Managed Resource Protected Area (ENTMRPA).

On November 16, 2022, the undersigned along with Forest Technician Voltaire Delos Angeles; Forest Protection Officer Jovan P. Villanueva and Park Rangers John Vincenth O. Cuyo and John Everrete M. Pable conducted installation of signages within the jurisdiction of ENTMRPA particularly in six (6) sites and island destinations namely: Papaya Beach, Seven Commando Beach; Lapuz-lapuz Beach and Dilumacad (*Helicopter*) Island located at Barangay Buena Suerte, El Nido, Palawan and two (2) sites in Pinagbuyutan Island, Barangay Manlag, El Nido, Palawan.

The installed signage provides information that the area is timberland per CENRO Certification dated May 30, 2022 and is identified within the jurisdiction of the protected area per Presidential Proclamation No. 32 dated October 8, 1998. The public is also informed that occupation on the said island destination is considered illegal/unlawful without approved tenurial instrument or Special Use Agreement in Protected Area (SAPA) from the Department and Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) pursuant to Section 20 of RA 7586 otherwise known as NIPAS Act of 1992 as amended by RA 11038 or ENIPAS Act of 2018 and section 78 of PD 705 as amended.

In addition, during installation at Pinagbuyutan Island located at Barangay Manlag, El Nido, Palawan, the team was stopped of alleged security guards of Mr. Chester Lim and Mr. Richard Lim who have been claiming the beach area of the island. The said area was included in Tour B but was now inaccessible for the tourist and tour operators. Security guards does not allow tourists/boats to dock on the beach which was within the 40-meter easement. ENTMRPA personnels also experienced being stowed away by guards during transect swim as part of Biodiversity Monitoring System (BMS) activity.

With the above incident the team recommends as follows:

1. Conduct continuous monitoring on all installed signages within ENTMRPA;



- 2. Require Mr. Chester Lim and Mr. Richard Lim to submit legal documents in regard to their claim over the said area;
- 3. Issuance of Notice to Vacate (NTV) and Notice of Violation (NOV);
- 4. Require the claimant to apply for appropriate tenurial instrument; and
- 5. Conduct in-depth investigations on all "privatized" islands and tour destinations within ENTMRPA.

For information, record and further instruction.

HERSON X. CALIAO

JONATHAN A. ARZAGA
Forest Ranger

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PHOTO DOCUMENTATION





Annex 1 and 2. Installed signage at Papaya Beach, Barangay Buena Suerte, El Nido, Palawan





Annex 3 and 4. Installed signage at Seven Commando Beach, Barangay Buena Suerte, El Nido, Palawan





Annex 5 and 6. Installed signage at Dilumacad Island (Helicopter Island), Barangay Buena Suerte, El Nido, Palawan

CERTIFICATION

The undersigned hereby certify that the photos were true and correct and taken during installation of signage within ENTMRPA dated October 16, 2022.

HERSON Y. CALIAO Forest Ranger JONATHAN A. ARZAGA Forest Ranger

PHOTO DOCUMENTATION





Annex 7 and 8. Installed signage at Pinagbuyutan Island, Barangay Manlag, El Nido, Palawan





Annex 9 and 10. Installed signage at Pinagbuyutan Island, Barangay Manlag, El Nido, Palawan





Annex 11 and 12. Installed signage at Lapuz-lapuz, Barangay Buena Suerte, El Nido, Palawan

CERTIFICATION

The undersigned hereby certify that the photos were true and correct and taken during installation of signage within ENTMRPA dated October 16, 2022.

HERSON Y. CALIAO
Forest Ranger

JONATHAN A. ARZAGA Forest Ranger