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June 19, 2023

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MEMORANDUM

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The Regional Executive Director

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Barangay 668, Ermita, Manila

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The OIC, ARD for Technical Services

FROM

The Provincial Environment and

Natural Resources Officer

SUBJECT

REPORT ON THE CONDUCTED MONITORING OF DUGONG

AS TARGET FOR 2ND QUARTER CY 2023

Respectfully forwarded is the memorandum dated May 29, 2023 of CENRO Coron, Palawan along with the report regarding on the above subject that serves as **Means of Verification (MoV)** for target activities in 2nd quarter under Population and Habitat Monitoring and Protection of Priority Threatened Species in Coron FY 2023.

Please be informed that the monitoring team were not able to sight any dugong during the two-day conduct (May 23-24, 2023), however, they noted that the monitoring area is rich in seagrass which is the main diet of dugong and so, frequent sighting of the said mammal has been observed by the local fisherfolks and Barangay representative.

For information and record.

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The said activity was conducted in line with the regular target of this office re Population and Habitat Monitoring of Priority Threatened Species.

Attached is the activity report and photo documentation.

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The Chief, Conservation and Development Section

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2nd QUARTER DUGONG MONITORING REPORT OF

CONSERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT SECTION

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Please be informed that on May 23-24, 2023 a team headed by the undersigned proceeded to Barangay Decabobo, Coron, Palawan to conduct the above-mentioned activity. The area was chosen by the team to where the activity will be conducted because there are reports from some local members of the community regarding the sightings of Dugong. There is an established Marine Protected Area (MPA) in the said barangay that covers a total of 563 hectares. The extent of the coastal area is covered by mangrove forest.

On the first day, May 23, 2023 the team went to Sitio Diatoy Barangay Decabobo via pump boat, the area is owned and managed by Club Paradise Resort. The team was accompanied by Ms. Mariz Gacayan, one of the members of resort's security who regularly conducting patrolling in the area. During the monitoring, Miss Gacayan said that they are frequently sighted dugong in the area, she has also mentioned that they have a nesting site for turtles located at the other side of the resort far from the area where they cater their guests. It was agreed that the team will also pay a visit in the said nesting area by the next quarter. A whole day monitoring was done by visual observation from the beach and via pump boat.

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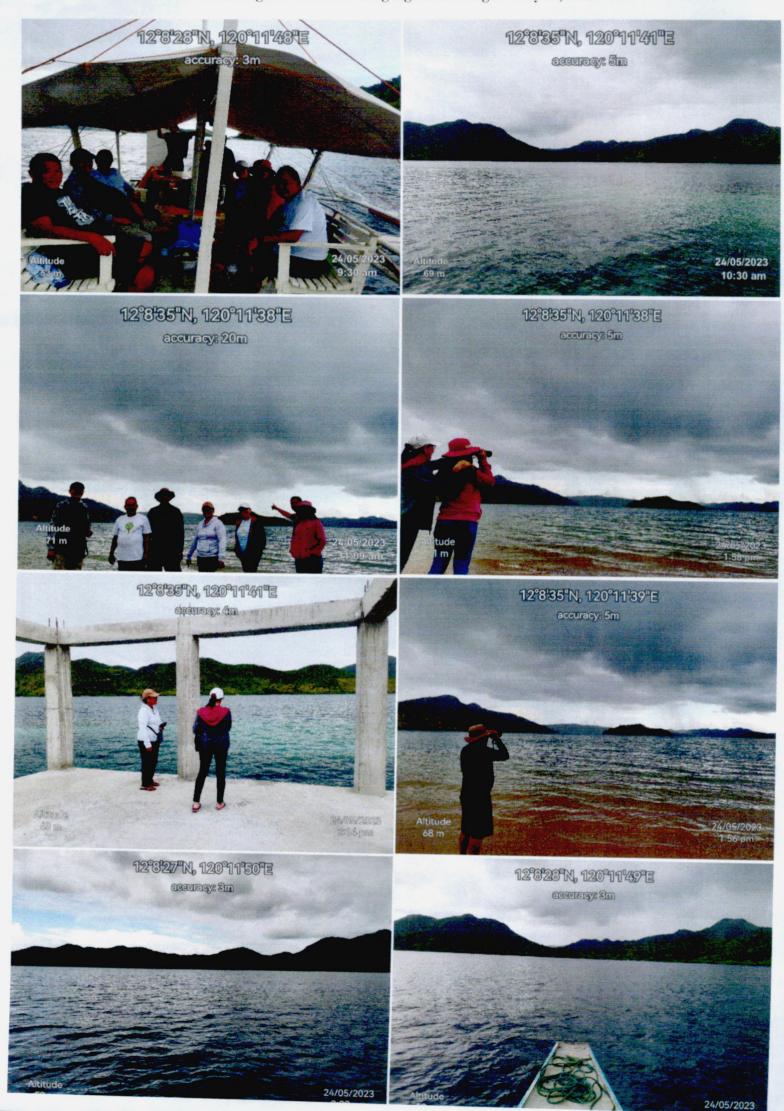
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Photos taken during the conduct of Dugong Monitoring on May 24, 2023





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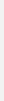
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