



Republic of the Philippines  
Department of Environment and Natural Resources  
MIMAROPA Region  
**PROVINCIAL ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES OFFICE**

JUN 26 2023

**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** : **SUBMISSION OF ACTIVITY REPORT ON THE  
CONDUCT OF SABLAYAN CALINTAAN MARINE  
PROTECTED ARA NETWORK (SACA-MPAN) SECOND  
QUARTER EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING**

Forwarded is the memorandum dated June 21, 2023 of CENRO Sablayan regarding submission of activity report on the conduct of Sablayan Calintaan Marine Protected Area Network (SACA-MPAN) second quarter Executive Committee Meeting held on June 16, 2023 at Camalig Restaurant, Brgy. Buenavista Sablayan, Occidental Mindoro.

The meeting was attended by Executive Committee Members from MPDC, MENRO, MAO and Sangguniang Bayan members from both LGU Calintaan and Sablayan. This activity is our target on Technical Assistance on Marine Protected Area Networking for LGU managed MPAs wherein regular management body meetings shall be conducted.

Attached herewith are the activity report, minutes of the First Quarter Executive Committee Meeting held on March 28, 2023 attendance and photo documentation.

For information and records.

  
**ERNESTO E. TAÑADA**

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**FOR** : The PENR Officer  
DENR-PENRO Mamburao, Occidental Mindoro

**THRU** : The Chief Technical Services Division

**FROM** : The CENR Officer

**SUBJECT** : **SUBMISSION OF ACTIVITY REPORT ON THE CONDUCT OF SABLAYAN CALINTAAN MARINE PROTECTED AREA NETWORK (SACA-MPAN) SECOND QUARTER EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING**

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Forwarded herewith is the progress report of the Conservation and Development Section (CDS) re: regarding the above subject matter.

Please be informed that on June 16, 2023 this office facilitated the SaCa MPAN second Quarter Executive Committee meeting held at Camalig Restaurant, Brgy. Buenavista, Sablayan, composed of the Executive Committee members from MPDC, MENRO, MAO, and Sanguniang Bayan members from both LGU Calintaan and Sablayan. This activity highlighted the review of draft of Manual of Operations and the approval of the Strategic Plan.

For your information and record.

FOR. ANASTACIO A. SANTOS, MPA

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June 19, 2023

**MEMORANDUM**

**FOR** : The CENR Officer  
Sablayan, Occidental Mindoro

**THRU** : The Deputy CENRO

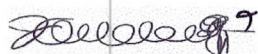
**FROM** : The Chief Conservation and Development Section

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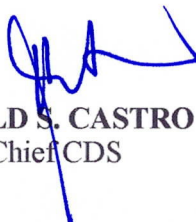
Please be informed that the Conservation and Development Section of CENRO Sablayan, conducted the SaCa MPAN Second Quarter Executive Committee meeting on June 16, 2023 held at Camalig Restaurant, Brgy. Buenavista, Sablayan, Occidental Mindoro. It was attended by Executive Committee members from MPDC, MENRO, MAO, and Sanguniang Bayan members from both LGU Calintaan and Sablayan. This activity is based on the target of this office on technical assistance on MPAN for LGU managed MPAs.

Attached herewith are activity report, attendance and photo documentation.

For your information and record.

  
**PEDRO A. MARMOL**

Noted by:

  
**HEROLD S. CASTRO**  
Chief CDS





**ACTIVITY REPORT ON 2nd QUARTER  
SABLAYAN-CALINTAAN MARINE PROTECTED AREA NETWORK  
(SaCa MPAN) EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING**

**I. BACKGROUND**

Marine Protected Area Network (MPAN) is an aggregation of individual MPAs or reserves operating collectively and synergistically at various spatial scales, designed to meet objectives based on ecological, social, informational, and administrative considerations that a single reserve cannot achieve alone, while also linking people and institutions involved in a harmonized and holistic initiative to facilitate learning and coordination in planning and administration.

Marine Protected Areas (MPAs) have been employed as an important coastal resource management tool in the Philippines to respond to the growing threats to fishery production and marine biodiversity (Aliño et al. 2002). A growing number of empirical studies have shown the potential benefits of MPAs to fisheries have been done (e.g. Alcala and Russ 1990, Roberts et al. 2001, May et al. 2002, Abesamis et al. 2006). During the last few decades, the potential value of MPAs to protect rare and threatened species is slowly being recognized and applied (e.g. establishment of dugong sanctuaries) in the country.

The Marine Protected Areas Networking (MPAN) Memorandum of Agreement between the DENR MIMAROPA Region, Provincial Government of Occidental Mindoro and with the municipalities of Sablayan and Calintaan was agreed to form a cluster and work together within their common coastal ecosystem to maximize resources and the benefits that will be gained from the collaboration with the assistance of the Department of Environment and Natural Resources.

**ACTIVITIES**

**a. MPAN Executive Committee Meeting**

The SaCa MPAN Executive Committee in facilitation of CENRO Sablayan and PENRO, conducted the second quarter meeting at Camalig Restaurant, Sablayan, Occidental Mindoro on June 16, 2023.

The meeting was attended by Thirty (30) participants listed as follows:

REPRESENTATION	NUMBER		
	MALE	FEMALE	TOTAL
DENR-CENRO San Jose, Occidental Mindoro	1		1
DENR- CENRO Sablayan, Occidental Mindoro	11	7	18
LGU Sablayan, Occidental Mindoro	4	1	5
LGU Calintaan, Occidental Mindoro	6		6
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>30</b>





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The meeting started at 10:30 in the morning with a prayer followed by the singing of the National anthem thru an AVP. Welcome address was given by Hon. Mayor Walter B. Marquez of LGU Sablayan followed by words of encouragement from Hon. Vice Mayor George I. Oreiro of LGU Calintaan. Roll call, proof of quorum, presentation and approval of the provisional agenda were facilitated by ECOMS II Pedro A. Marmol from CENRO Sablayan.

The highlights of the said activity were presented by ECOMS I Herold S. Castro. The topics, issues, and concerns discussed are listed hereunder:

**1. Approval of the Minutes of the Previous Meeting**

The minutes of the previous meeting which was conducted last March 28, 2023 was read by the secretariat. Upon reading and incorporating the agreed on with some corrections, the minutes of the previous meeting was approved through the motion of Hon. Oreiro and seconded by Hon. Councilor Reynaldo P. Dormido.

**2. Review of Draft of Manual of Operations**

The MOP shall serve as guiding reference in operations and procedures and shall adopt the principles, values and norms to provide an effective management of the Sablayan-Calintaan Marine Protected Area Network. It shall serve as guide in the preparation, monitoring and evaluation of different projects and programs. Hon. Marquez suggested the approval of the Manual of Operations since the committee may create amendments for any changes or additions. The Manual of Operations was unanimously approved through the motion of Hon. Oreiro and seconded by Hon. Dormido.

**3. Adoption of Strategic Plan**

Upon the presentation and review of the draft of MPAN Strategic Plan, the Adoption of the Strategic Plan was approved through the motion of Hon. Dormido and seconded by Hon. Oreiro and Mr. Luis B. Corpuz PO II, from MPDO-LGU Sablayan.

**4. Other Matters**

The secretariat encourages the LGU's of sablayan and Calintaan to request for the assistance on coastal and marine resources concerns, programs and activities to strengthen the coordination and partnership of the respective offices in the protection and conservation of these natural resources.

**5. Closing and Adjournment**

Having no matter to discuss, a closing remarks was delivered by Hon. Oreiro. The meeting adjourned at exactly 1:10 in the afternoon.



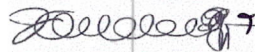
**PHOTOS AND ATTENDANCE**

The photos and attendance of the meeting are presented on Annex C.

**Prepared by:**

  
**MARLON C. CORTÉZ**  
Forest Technician I

**Checked and reviewed by:**

  
**PEDRO A. MARMOL**  
ECOMS II





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Sablayan-Calintaan Marine Protected Area Network Second Quarter Executive Committee Meeting  
Cumilog Restaurant, Buenavista, Sablayan, Occidental Mindoro

Date: JUNE 16, 2023

No.	NAME	POSITION/DESIGNATION	OFFICE	AGE	SEX		CONTACT NO.	SIGNATURE
					MALE	FEMALE		
1	Orlando R. Ramos	Forester II	DENR-CENRO SA	53	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		09563938722	
2	CHRISTIE D. MARCOS	AGRI. TECHNICIAN FISHERY	MWD - CALINTANAN	27	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		09533338199	
3	NURME M. GALLINERA	Menu <sup>Part</sup> / <sup>Manager</sup>	Menu	43		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	6455913766	
4	VON ARBID DREIRO	ZONING OFFICER I	MIPDO - CALINTANAN	26	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		09453309243	
5	GEORGE I. DREIRO	VIC-MAYOR	CALINTANAN	60	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		09082433492	
6	WALTER JAVIER	SECURITY	VMD - CALINTANAN	49	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
7	RONNIE PASUAL	DRIVER	VMD - CALINTANAN	50	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
8	LUIS B. CORPUZ	PUMPING OFFICER II	MIPDO - SKELASHAN	54	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		09162151205	
9	HERNAN C. CASTRO	ECOWS I	CENRO - SABAYAN	34	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		09069213751	
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11	John Gallinera	Security	LGO Sablayan	39	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
12	JOHN C. ANONAN	SECURITY	LGU SAB	40	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
13	Ronald B. Dornido	SB MEMBER	LGU CALINTANAN	54	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		0910305745	
14	JOHN A. FERNANDEZ	TTI	CEPT	41	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			
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16	Arman T. Villas	FPD	CENRO - SAB	29	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>			





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Candidig Restaurant, Buenavista, Sablayan, Occidental Mindoro

Date:

No.	NAME	POSITION/DESIGNATION	OFFICE	AGE	SEX		CONTACT NO.	SIGNATURE
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16	MERLIE D. BARRERA	Pres. II	DEMR	60		✓	09669470069	
17	Joseph M. Matas	ECOMR I	CENRO	34	✓		09159198530	
18	Marlon C. Cortez	FT I	CENRO SEB	30	✓		09358784250	
19	FE P. CHERO	PT I	CENRO NBY	42		✓	09667937026	
20	FEDERICO P. MAGNO	PMR	CENRO GBT	44	✓		09156669135	
21	Fernando Angoh	FTD	CENRO SBY	24		✓	09157976726+	
22	Stephany Kenneth Khen D. Colan	Danahay Mgt Officer	CENRO SBY	28		✓	09122814724	
23	Angel P. Beneraga	HR	CENRO SBY	59	✓			
24	Rona S. Chirino	FT I	CENRO SBY	28	✓		0906089044	
25	Cherryl V. Perez	FE	CENRO SBY	46		✓		
26	Alejo E. Cantaba Jr.	FPD	CENRO SBY	40	✓			
27	Carul Emmanuel A. Urteiga	FE	CENRO SBY	32	✓		09169160923	
28	Gissela C. Yap	FT I	CENRO SBY	58		✓	09363948955	
29	Mary Grace A. Garte	SUPPORT STAFF	CENRO SBY	28		✓	09665290747	
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**MINUTES OF THE FIRST QUARTER EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING OF  
SABLAYAN-CALINTAAN MARINE PROTECTED AREA NETWORK**

Venue: Camalig Restaurant Buenavista, Sablayan, Occidental Mindoro

Date: March 28, 2023

**I. ATTENDANCE:**

The meeting was attended by the following:

**PRESENT:**

**NAME**

**POSITION/DESIGNATION**

- Mr. John Paul Aristotle C. Ramos PO IV, PPDO
- Ms. Carolina V. Amurao MPDC – LGU Calintaan
- Mr. Charlou G. Ormega MENRO – LGU Sablayan
- Mr. Delmer Garingalo MENRO – LGU Calintaan
- Hon. Reynaldo B. Dormido Representative, SB Committee on Environment  
LGU Calintaan
- Hon. Ronaldo N. Paglicawan Representative, Mayor – LGU Calintaan
- Mr. Luis B. Corpuz Representative, MPDC - LGU C Sablayan

**SECRETARIAT:**

- Mr. Herold S. Castro ECOMS I, DENR – CENRO Sablayan
- Ms. Vernadette V. Fulgencio. Forest Technician II, DENR – CENRO Sablayan
- Mr. Ferdinand B. Magno Park Maintenance Foreman, DENR – CENRO Sablayan
- Mr. Marlon C. Cortez Forest Technician I, DENR – CENRO Sablayan

**VISITOR**

- Mr. Von Arnold Oreiro ZO I, MPDO, LGU Calintaan
- Ms. Floridan E. Jalandoni Admin Aide, MPDO, LGU Calintaan
- Ms. Monette M. Gregorio Admin Aide III MENRO, LGU Calintaan
- Mr. Jessie D. Importante Bantay Dagat LGU Calintaan

**ABSENT**

- Hon. Walter B. Marquez Municipal Mayor, LGU Sablayan
- Hon. Edwin N. Mintu Municipal Vice Mayor, LGU Sablayan,
- Hon. George I. Oreiro Municipal Vice Mayor, LGU Calintaan
- Alfredo C. Ventura Jr. SB Committee on Environment, LGU Sablayan,

**I. Opening Program**

The meeting started at 9:50 in the morning with a prayer followed by the singing of the National anthem thru an AVP.

**II. Agenda**

**1. Roll Call and Proof Of Quorum**

Mr. Castro started the roll call on the participants, he then declared that seven (7) out of the eleven (11) MPAN Executive committee members/representatives were present hence there was a quorum.



51 **2. Call to Order**

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53 As a Secretariat of the MPAN, the DENR CENRO Sablayan thru Mr. Castro  
54 asked the Executive Committee to nominate among them who will be the Presiding  
55 Officer of the First Quarter Executive Committee meeting.

56 Through the nomination of Hon. Mr. Paglicawan, and as most of the ExeCom  
57 members agreed, Mr. Ramos was elected to be the presiding officer.  
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59 **3. Reading, Corrections and Approval of Minutes of the Previous Meeting**

60 The ExeCom members were given a copy of minutes of the previous meeting  
61 conducted last December 7, 2022 as their reference, subjected for correction and  
62 approval.

63 The meeting started with the Chair asking if there are any additions of topics  
64 to be discussed, hearing none it was followed by the approval of minutes of the  
65 previous meeting, read and presented by Mr. Castro.

66 For I Attendance, Mr. Ramos added the correction of his name from John Paul  
67 C. Ramos to John Paul Aristotle C. Ramos, and to change PPDO to PPDC. Ms.  
68 Amurao added to change the represented office of Ms. Marivic U. Macalalad from SB  
69 Committee on Environment LGU-Calintaan to MPDO, LGU-Calintaan

70 *Upon reading with some corrections, the minutes of the previous meeting was*  
71 *approved through the motion of Hon. Paglicawan and seconded by Hon. Dormido*

72 **4. Manual of Operations**

73 The reading of draft Manual of Operations for SaCa MPAN was presented by  
74 Mr. Castro through a projector; the body may interrupt if there are any corrections,  
75 comments or suggestions.

76 For 2.1 Scope of Application, Mr. Garingalo asked for the clarification of the  
77 MPAs within or under the MPAN, Mr.Ormega recommends the inclusion of possible  
78 MPAs within the Sablayan and Calintaan, Mr.Paglicawan answered that the  
79 established MPAs should only be included, Mr. Castro suggested that the MPAs  
80 established as of December 2022 should be included which was agreed by the body.

81 For 2.2 Declaration of Policy, Mr. Garingalo asked for the clarification of the  
82 term adopt and suggested the use of the term adopts and declares, Mr. Ormega also  
83 suggested the use of the term adopt and embrace, the body decided and approved to  
84 use the term adopt and declares.  
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86 For 2.3 Guiding Principles, Mr. Ormega suggested including the Municipal  
87 Agriculture Office as one of the members of the SaCa-MPAN Executive Committee.  
88 Mr. Castro responds that it is good and possible with a resolution from the SaCa-  
89 MPAN members. For no. 11 Political Neutrality Mr. Ormega suggested for the  
90 clarification of the term used unfair discrimination and suggested the removal of the  
91 word unfair that was approved by the body.  
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93 Mr. Ormega suggested the clarification of the composition when using the  
94 terms SaCa-MPAN members/board/execom members, with few discussions the body  
95 clarified and decided that the term SaCa-MPAN members refers to all of the members  
96 including the ExeCom and non-ExeCom members, and not to use the term SaCa-  
97 MPAN board since it somehow set confusion with the SaCa-MPAN ExeCom  
98 members.  
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100 Mr. Garingalo suggested the addition of Protection, Conservation, and  
101 Management on the SaCa-MPAN duties and responsibilities, with the pleasure of the  
102 body the inclusion was approved and will be written in bullet form. Hon. Paglicawan  
103 added the use of gender neutral terms for the MOP.  
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105 For 2.4 Definition of Terms, Mr. Garingalo suggested for the additional  
106 definition for the terms: mangrove ecosystem, reef fish and pelagic fish. He also  
107 suggested for additional terms to define such as coral and reef.  
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109 For 4 SaCa MPAN, Executive Committee Members, Hon. Paglicawan  
110 suggested the removal SB Chair on environment since the SB is under the management  
111 of the Vice Mayor and to include MAO as an ExeCom Member for each municipality.  
112 Hon. Paglicawan also suggested for the Organizational structure be placed first before  
113 the Executive Committee, he also asked for the clarification of the power and function  
114 of the ExeCom, MPAN Manager, and Secretariat to the different Government Offices,  
115 NGOs, and private sectors, which are members of the SaCa-MPAN. Mr. Ramos  
116 suggested that there should only be one (1) MPAN manager, Hon. Paglicawan  
117 answered that there should be one (1) manager for each Municipality for juridical  
118 responsibilities or the Manager should be from the Provincial Office.  
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120 For 4.4 Terms of Office of SaCa-MPAN Executive Committee, Mr. Garingalo  
121 suggested that the terms of office of the MPAN Chair must align on their  
122 administrative terms on being the Municipal Mayors. Mr. Ormega suggested that each  
123 ExeCom Members should give the copies and explain the Manual Operations to their  
124 respected Chief ExeCutive and let them decide among them who shall be the  
125 Chairperson, Mr. Ormega also suggested for the alternating of terms for both the  
126 Mayors.  
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128 For 6 SaCa MPAN Conduct of Meetings, Mr. Garingalo also suggested for the  
129 clarification of the schedule of meetings since meetings usually depends on the  
130 availability of the ExeCom members, he also suggested the schedule of meetings be  
131 within the 2<sup>nd</sup> month of every quarter and not with specific day or week. Mr. Garingalo  
132 also requested for the presence of representatives from CENRO San Jose for the  
133 upcoming meetings on which the body requested and agreed. Hon. Paglicawan  
134 suggested for the conduct of special meeting for the finalization of MOP which is  
135 agreed by the body, the venue and schedule of the special meeting is to be finalize.  
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138 Ms. Amurao asked if it is ok or possible for the integration on the Municipal  
139 resolution for MPAs to the SaCa-MPAN, the body answered that it is ok and possible.  
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141 Mr. Ormega requested for the copy of the Manual of Operations for each  
142 ExeCom members for faster finalization.  
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146 **5. Other Matters**

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148 Mr. Ramos gave updates on the activities of the PPDO and invite for their  
149 upcoming activity 'Open Water Diving for Women' on April 24-28, 2023, and Reef  
150 Check Training on May 15-18, 2023. Mr. Castro also presented the activities and news  
151 from the CENRO Sablayan on which he emphasizes the oil spill incident from the  
152 tanker in Abra de Ilog.


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154 **III. Adjournment**

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156 Closing message was given by Mr. Reynaldo P. Dormido (SB member  
157 Calintaan) he highlighted importance of the activity specifically on the conservation  
158 protection and Management of our Environment and Natural resources both to the  
159 LGU, DENR and fisherfolks, he also gave thanks for the continuous support from all  
160 the members of the SaCa-MPAN. Having no other matters to discuss and with the  
161 agreements reached, the meeting was formally closed through the motion of Hon.  
162 Paglicawan seconded and approved by the body. The meeting ended at 3:40 pm.  
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168 Member of the Secretariat  
169 Forest Technician I  
170 DENR – CENRO Sablayan

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169 ECOMS I/Chief, CDS  
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172 Certified/Conformed:

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175 **JOHN PAUL ARISTOTLE C. RAMOS**  
176 PO IV  
177 ExeCom Member  
178 PPDO Occ. Mindoro

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180 Noted:

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182 **FOR. EFREN DELOS REYES**  
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185 DENR CENRO, San Jose

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188 **FOR. ANASTACIO A. SANTOS, MPA**  
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189 **FOR. ERNESTO E. TAÑADA**  
190 Head Secretariat  
191 PENR Officer  
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**THRU** : The Chief Technical Services Division

**FROM** : The CENR Officer

**SUBJECT** : **MILESTONE ACCOMPLISHMENT REPORT UNDER COASTAL AND MARINE RESOURCES: SABLAYAN CALINTAAN MARINE PROTECTED AREA NETWORK (SACA-MPAN) AND VERDE ISLAND PASSAGE PROTECTED AREA SUITABILITY ASSESSMENT (VIP-PASA).**

**RECORDED**  
Date: 6/21/23  
By: [Signature]

Forwarded herewith is the progress report of the Conservation and Development Section (CDS) re: regarding the above subject matter.

Please be informed that this office facilitated the SaCa MPAN Executive Committee meetings on March 28, and June 16, 2023 both held at Camalig Restaurant, Brgy. Buenavista, Sablayan, composed of the Executive Committee members from MPDC, MENRO, MAO, and Sanguniang Bayan members from both LGU Calintaan and Sablayan. This activity highlighted the approval and adoption of draft of Manual of Operations and the Strategic Plan.

Furthermore, the CENRO Sablayan coordinated and conducted orientation meetings with stakeholders from fisher folks sectors and members of Barangay, Sangguniang Panlalawigan, and Local Government Units (LGUs) of Paluan, Abra de Ilog, Lubang and Looc for the VIP-PASA. Key Informant Interviews (KII) was also accomplished with a total of nine hundred twenty four (924) respondents from the thirty one (31) identified Barangays of the above mentioned Municipalities with the assistance from the Biodiversity Management Bureau (BMB) and PENRO Occidental Mindoro,. The Verde Island Passage falls to the Protected Area category of Protected Landscape and/or Seascape because of its salient features of harmonious interaction of human and nature due to its naturalness and socio-economic importance. Thus, this area is recommended and proposed as Verde Island Passage Protected Seascape (VIPPS).

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June 20, 2023

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**FOR** : The CENR Officer  
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**THRU** : The Deputy CENRO

**FROM** : The Unit Head, Coastal and Marine Resources Management

**SUBJECT** : **MILESTONE ACCOMPLISHMENT REPORT UNDER COASTAL AND MARINE RESOURCES: SABLAYAN CALINTAAN MARINE PROTECTED AREA NETWORK (SACA-MPAN) AND VERDE ISLAND PASSAGE PROTECTED AREA SUITABILITY ASSESSMENT (VIP-PASA).**

Please be informed that the Conservation and Development Section of CENRO Sablayan, conducted activities on Coastal and Marine Resources: Sablayan-Calintaan Marine Protected Areas Network (SaCa-MPAN) and Verde Island Passage Protected Area Suitability Assessment.

**A. Sablayan-Calintaan Marine Protected Areas Network (SaCa-MPAN)**

The Marine Protected Areas Network (MPAN) Memorandum of Agreement between the DENR MIMAROPA Region, Provincial Government of Occidental Mindoro and the Municipalities of Sablayan and Calintaan agreed to form a cluster and work together within their common coastal ecosystem to maximize resources and the benefits that will be gained from the collaboration with the assistance of the Department of Environment and Natural Resources. The Adoption of The SaCa-MPAN Manual of Operations and Strategic Plan was approved during the 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter Executive Committee meeting conducted on June 16, 2023.

**B. Verde Island Passage Protected Area Suitability Assessment (VIP-PASA)**

The Verde Island Passage is a strait that separates the islands of Luzon in the Philippines, connecting the South China Sea with the Tayabas Bay and the Sibuyan Sea beyond. Traditionally, the sea lane has been one of the busiest in the Philippines because it acts as a corridor from the Port of Manila to the Visayas and Mindanao in the south. A network of ferry routes cross the passage and connect the surrounding provinces of Batangas, Marinduque, Occidental Mindoro, Oriental Mindoro and Romblon. The 1.14 million hectare passage is extremely rich in marine biodiversity and has been called "Center of the Center of Marine Shorefish Biodiversity" with various conservation groups and local government units pushing for its nomination as a UNESCO World Heritage Site.





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The CENRO Sablayan, with help from the Biodiversity Management Bureau (BMB) and PENRO Occidental Mindoro, organized a coordination and orientation meeting with stakeholders from fisherfolks, sectors and members of barangay, members of Sangguniang Panglalawigan, and Local Government Units (LGUs). The VIP- PASA Team completed the interview with a total of nine hundred twenty four (924) respondents from the thirty one (31) identified barangays of the municipalities of Occidental Mindoro encompassing the Verde Island Passage.

The Verde Island Passage has great benefits in the livelihood and sustainable life support thru ecosystem services to the stakeholders. As the result of the PASA activities and analysis, the Verde Island Passage falls to the Protected Area category of Protected Landscape and/or Seascape because of its salient features of harmonious interaction of human and nature due to its naturalness and socio-economic importance, thus recommended and proposed the study site as Verde Island Passage Protected Seascape (VIPPS).

For your information and record.

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