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April 26, 2023

MEMORANDUM

FOR

The Regional Executive Director

DENR MIMAROPA

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Barangay 668, Ermita Manila

THRU

The OIC Regional Assistant Director for Technical Services

FROM

The Provincial Environment and

Natural Resources Officer

SUBJECT

CLARIFICATION ON THE ACCEPTANCE AND PROCESSING

OF SPECIAL USE AGREEMENTS IN PROTECTED AREA (SAPA) APPLICATIONS WITHIN EL NIDO MANAGED RESOURCE PROTECTED AREA (ENMRPA), EL NIDO,

PALAWAN

Forwarded is the memorandum dated April 4, 2023 from CENRO Taytay clarifying whether the acceptance and processing of SAPA application within El Nido Managed Resource Protected Area (ENMRPA) is included in the moratorium of the previously issued documents on the matter.

For information and further instruction.

"For the PENRO"

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In-Charge Office of the PENRO





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April 4, 2023

MEMORANDUM

FOR

The Provincial Environment and Natural Resources Officer-Palawan

Sta. Monica, Puerto Princesa City

FROM

The Community Environment and Natural Resources Officer

SUBJECT

CLARIFICATION ON THE ACCEPTANCE AND PROCESSING OF SPECIAL USE AGREEMENTS IN PROTECTED AREA (SAPA) APPLICATIONS WITHIN EL NIDO MANAGED RESOURCE PROTECTED AREA (ENMRPA), EL NIDO,

PALAWAN

Respectfully forwarded is the Memorandum dated March 29, 2023 of Protected Area Superintendent (PASu) Mildred A. Suza of El Nido-Taytay Managed Resource Protected Area (ENTMRPA), El Nido, Palawan.

Please be informed that as of to date there are eighty-five (85) projects and SAPA applications being reviewed and evaluated by PAMO-ENMRPA.

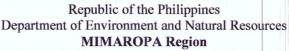
In view hereof, that Office is requesting for clarification if the acceptance and processing of SAPA application within ENMRPA is included in the moratorium of the previously issued documents as stated in the memorandum.

Thank you.

CONRADO IN CORPUZ

Cc: PAMO-ENTMRPA

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March 29, 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 :

CLARIFICATION ON THE ACCEPTANCE AND PROCESSING OF SPECIAL USE AGREEMENT IN PROTECTED AREA (SAPA) APPLICATIONS WITHIN EL NIDO MANAGED RESOURCE PROTECTED AREA (ENMRPA), EL NIDO,

PALAWAN

In compliance to the instruction of the DOT MIMAROPA Regional Director Danilo B. Intong, DILG MIMAROPA Regional Director Wilhelm M. Suyko and DENR MIMAROPA Regional Executive Director Henry A. Adornado, Ph.D. through their joint letter dated July 29, 2019, please be informed that the Municipal Mayor of El Nido Edna Gacot-Lim declared a Moratorium on the issuance of all permits for the construction of new buildings and any improvements on existing structures until the study on carrying capacity of El Nido is completed.

Further, the former DENR MIMAROPA Regional Executive Director Henry A. Adornado, Ph.D. issued a memorandum dated August 6, 2019 to the CENR Officer – Taytay, attention the ENMRPA Protected Area Superintendent advising to stop issuing PAMB endorsement for new projects within the Municipality of El Nido, Palawan.

On November 10, 2020, during the PAMB enbanc meeting, the board passed Resolution No. 029, series of 2020, A resolution earnestly requesting the DENR Regional Executive Director to lift the moratorium on the issuance of all permits for the construction of new building and any improvements on existing structures relative to the implementation of rehabilitation program in the Municipality of El Nido, Palawan. However, the said resolution was not affirmed by the PAMB Chair stating to comply the six (6) conditionalities set by the Biodiversity Management Bureau (BMB).

In addition, on August 26, 2022, Municipal Mayor Edna G. Lim issued an Executive Order No. 22-040 Lifting of moratorium in the issuance of Barangay Clearances, Certification, and Endorsements for project proposals within the Municipality of El Nido. It was stated in the whereas that in order to resolve the failing water quality of the Municipality of El Nido, the Provincial Government of Palawan and the Municipal Government of El Nido have entered into a cooperative undertaking for the establishment of the El Nido Sewage and Solid Waste Treatment Plant known as El Nido-STP, which is already completed and partly operational. The Municipal Government of El Nido also allocated an area to be utilized for

Tourism Development Area under the recently approved Comprehensive Land and Water Use Plan (CLWUP).

In line with the application for Special Use Agreement in Protected Area (SAPA), the former DENR Secretary Roy A. Cimatu issued a memorandum dated March 15, 2018 to all Regional Directors on the lifting of suspension of the implementation of DAO 2007-17 re: rules and regulations governing special uses in protected area. It was stated that the previously issued memorandum of the secretary dated January 31, 2011 is hereby lifted and instructed to proceed with acceptance and processing of applications for SAPA in accordance with existing rules and regulations.

In this regard, this Office would like to clarify if the acceptance and processing of Special Use Agreement in Protected Area (SAPA) within El Nido Managed Resource Protected Area (ENMRPA) is included in the moratorium as there is no direct statement on such based in the previously issued documents relative thereto. Please be informed that there are eighty-five (85) projects and application for SAPA being reviewed and evaluated by this Office. Further, in line with the lifting of suspension of the implemention of DAO 2017-17 re: Rules and regulations governing SAPA dated March 15, 2018 and lifting of moratorium of the LGU El Nido dated August 26, 2022, the Last Paradise Resort with complete documents evaluated by this Office has been forwarded thru channel and recommended for issuance of SAPA per memorandum dated June 1, 2022.

For information and consideration.

DENR - PAO
ENTMRPA
EInido, Palawan
By:
Date: 03-20-2023

MILDRED A. SUZA