

Republic of the Philippines Department of Environment and Natural Resources ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT BUREAU

Regional Office VIII, Tacloban City

February 3, 2022

2/15/2022 11:53am TIME:_

HON. ALAN JOSE K. AROY Municipal Mayor Macrohon, Southern, Leyte

Dear Mayor Aroy:

We are providing you again the following results of our continuing monitoring of the recreational waters in your municipality under our Priority/Other Recreational Water. The monitored beaches are (Fronting Amparaiso Beach Resort) and (Fronting Kuting Reef Resort and Spa) located at Macrohon, Southern, Leyte.

Sampling Date		Concentration (MPN/100 mL)		
		Fecal Coliform	DENR Standard for Classified SB waters	
July 2021	Fronting Amparaiso Beach Resort	<18	100	
August 2021	Fronting Amparaiso Beach Resort	790		
September 2021	Fronting Amparaiso Beach Resort	110		
October 2021	Fronting Amparaiso Beach Resort	700		
November 2021	Fronting Amparaiso Beach Resort	45		
December 2021	Fronting Amparaiso Beach Resort	180		

Sampling Date	Stations	Concentration (MPN/100 mL)	
		Fecal Coliform	DENR Standard for Classified SB waters
July 2021	Kuting Reef Resort Station 1 (near river mouth)	<18	100
	Kuting Reef Resort Station 2 (front beach)	<18	
August 2021	Kuting Reef Resort Station 1 (near river mouth)	45	
	Kuting Reef Resort Station 2 (front beach)	45	
September 2021	Kuting Reef Resort Station 1 (near river mouth)	68	
	Kuting Reef Resort Station 2 (front beach)	330	
October 2021	Kuting Reef Resort Station 1 (near river mouth)	2.4x10 ³	
	Kuting Reef Resort Station 2 (front beach)	1.1x10 ³	
November 2021	Kuting Reef Resort Station 1 (near river mouth)	45	
	Kuting Reef Resort Station 2 (front beach)	78	
December 2021	Kuting Reef Resort Station 1 (near river mouth)	200	
	Kuting Reef Resort Station 2 (front beach)	180	

In connection with the above monitoring results, we *reiterate* our recommendation that the Environmental or Sanitary Unit of your office shall identify the possible sources of high Fecal Coliform and require the identified source/s to construct treatment facility and to stop discharging untreated wastewater to the waterbodies. *This is a recurring issue that needs to be addressed.* As we all know, the Clean Water Act of 2004 (RA 9275) provides that it is the role of the local government units to monitor the water quality of any waterbodies and implement measures to prevent and control water pollution.

Again, it is requested that the agency be informed of any actions that your office has undertaken which is relevant to the recommendations cited above.

We will highly appreciate your immediate action of the above matter.

Very truly yours,

ENGR. REYNALDO B. BARRA

OIC-Regional Director