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Republic of the Philippines  
Department of Agriculture  
**BUREAU OF FISHERIES AND AQUATIC RESOURCES**  
Regional Office No. 4-A  
Purok 1 Brgy. Bambang, Los Baños, Laguna

**FISHERIES MANAGEMENT AREA 12 MANAGEMENT BOARD**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2021-03  
SERIES OF 2021**

**A RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE INTERNAL RULES AND PROCEDURE OF FISHERIES  
MANAGEMENT AREA 12 MANAGEMENT BOARD**

**WHEREAS**, Republic Act No. 8550, as amended by Republic Act No. 10654, declares as a state policy the adoption of the precautionary principle and the management of fisheries and aquatic resources, in a manner consistent with the concept of an ecosystem-based approach to fisheries management and integrated coastal area management in specific natural fisheries management areas, appropriately supported by research, technical services and guidance provided by the State;

**WHEREAS**, Section 65 of the Amended Fisheries Code lays down the authority of the Department of Agriculture- Bureau of Fisheries and Aquatic Resources (DA-BFAR) to enforce all laws, formulate and enforce all rules and regulations governing the conservation and management of fisheries resources, except in municipal waters; assist the LGUs in developing their technical capability in the development, management, regulation, conservation, and protection of the fisheries resources; and perform such other related functions which shall promote the development, conservation, management, protection and utilization of fisheries and aquatic resources;

**WHEREAS**, Section 8 of the Amended Fisheries Code prescribes the establishment of Fisheries Management Areas (FMAs) for the conservation and management of fisheries in Philippine waters;

**WHEREAS**, the DA-BFAR and National Fisheries Research and Development Institute (NFRDI), in consultation with the National Mapping and Resources Information Authority (NAMRIA), the fishing industry, both commercial and municipal sectors, LGUs and other stakeholders, have identified and delineated the FMAs throughout the country, based on the range of fish stocks, distribution of fisheries and best available scientific data;

**WHEREAS**, Fisheries Management Area 12 (FMA 12) was identified which comprises of Region IV-A (CALABARZON), Region IV-B (MIMAROPA), Region V, and Region VI;

**WHEREAS**, Section 6 of FAO No. 263, provides that a management body shall be created for each FMA, whether in the form of a Council or Board, depending on their needs, as appropriate;


**WHEREAS**, Section 6 of FAO No. 263 provides that the MB may formulate internal operational rules and regulation for the FMA;

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED**, that an Internal Rules and Procedure for FMA 12 Management Board be adopted.

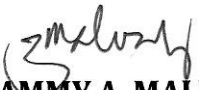
**RESOLVED FURTHER**, to furnish copies of this Resolution to the members of the FMA 12 Management Board, for their information and record purposes.

**APPROVED** and **ADOPTED** this 21<sup>st</sup> day of April, 2021, via virtual meeting thru Zoom platform.

Certified Correct:

  
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