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**MEMORANDUM**

**FOR : The CENR Officer**  
**DENR, CENRO, Belison, Antique**

**THRU : The Chief, Conservation and Development Section**  
**DENR CENRO, Belison, Antique**

**FROM : The Protected Area Personnel**  
**Sibalom Natural Park**

**SUBJECT : SUBMISSION OF NARRATIVE REPORT IN THE CONDUCT OF**  
**61<sup>st</sup> SIBALOM NATURAL PARK PROTECTED AREA**  
**MANAGEMENT BOARD (SNP-PAMB) MEETING HELD AT**  
**PARVANA INN AND SUITE, DISTRICT III, SIBALOM, ANTIQUE**  
**ON JULY 29, 2022.**

In line with the Protected Areas Management and Development targets for CY 2022 specifically for the PAMB Operationalization, the PA Personnel and Staff facilitated the conduct of the 61<sup>st</sup> Sibalom Natural Park - Protected Area Management Board (SNP-PAMB) meeting held at Parvana Inn and Suite, District III, Sibalom, Antique last July 29, 2022.

The meeting was participated by Forty-six (45) PAMB members and guests (28 male and 17 female). The agenda discussed were the following;

- 1) PA Management Zones and Buffer Ground Delineation;
- 2) Presentation of BMS Activity Analysis for the 3rd Quarter;
- 3) SNP-IPAF Collection Report for the 1<sup>st</sup> Semester;
  - a. Other Facility Use Fees;
- 4) Proposed Continuation of Ecotourism Road at Brgy. Imparayan, Sibalom, Antique;
- 5) Other Matters.
  - a. Water quality and forest cover
  - b. Facebook Group and page
  - c. Municipal Tree
  - d. Integrated Watershed Management Plan
- 6) Adjournment

The activity started with an opening prayer led by Imparayan Bantay Gubat Chairman Arnold Agting, followed by the singing of the National Anthem via Audio Visual Presentation. Protected Area Superintendent (PASu) Anthony E. Evangelio acknowledged the participants and guests present during the meeting. In his message, he impressively acknowledges the presence of the new PAMB members from the municipality of San Remigio, Antique, he welcomed Hon. Rison Alejo, Punong Barangay of Aningalan San, Remigio, Antique and MENR Officer Ruth Martinez as the representative of San Remigio Municipal Mayor Hon. Margarito C. Mission.

Considering that the PAMB chairperson, Regional Executive Director Livino A. Duran, was unavailable during the meeting due to equally important reasons, the PAMB members chose from among themselves the presiding officer. Upon nomination made by the PAMB members, the body had elected Hon. Romeo Olandres as the presiding officer.

The reading of previous minutes was skipped because it was already sent upon the distribution of notice of meeting to the PAMB members for review. After some clarifications/corrections were made, Hon. Alejandro Gonzaga moved the approval of minutes and duly seconded by Hon. Roger Dungganon.

Deputy PASu Joery D. Oczon presented the first agenda (1) PA Management Zones and Buffer Ground Delineation, he showed to the body the map indicating the Strict Protected Zone (SPZ) and the Multiple Use Zone (MUZ) within the Protected Area. He briefly emphasized the purpose of the delineation activity which will take place in the last quarter of this year.

The next agenda was the Biodiversity Monitoring System Analysis presentation for the 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter. PAMO Support Staff Gwyn Paduganao presented the BMS analysis. He discussed the meaning of BMS to the attendees, and how it was conducted. He also presented to the body the resource extracted by the locals inside the protected area. PA Staff Gwyn Paduganao stated that the decrease in numbers of avian species heard during the conduct of the activity was due to the bad weather condition prior to the conduct of BMS activity. The number of *Rafflesia speciosa* seen within the plot also decreased. After the presentation, he solicited some clarifications and questions from the body. PENRO personnel Jennifer Juliano suggested to re-establish the Biodiversity Monitoring site and was acknowledged by the PA Staff. Municipality of San Remigio MENR Officer Ruth Martinez clarified to the presenter if the areas being monitored were part of the Strict Protection Zone.

Park Maintenance Foreman (PMF) Darlene C. Porras presented the second agenda, the (2) SNP-IPAF Collection Report for the 1<sup>st</sup> Semester. In her presentation, she shared to the body the total Integrated Protected Area Fund (IPAF) as of July 24, 2022, amounting to Php 51,165.00, the Php 20,000.00 of the total money collected was donated by Mrs. Wilma Rojas. Mr. Agaton Grasparil suggested posting to social media sites the Bank Account number of the IPAF which was confirmed by the body. The body agreed to pass a resolution indicating a letter of appreciation to the donor Ms. Wilma Rojas which was moved by Hon. Conception Alentajan and duly seconded by Hon. Rexso Raymundo. PMF Darlene C. Porras also shared to the body the Proposed Additional Rate of Fees for the rent of facility use and equipment, (1) Livelihood Center – P 1,500.00/day, (2) Bunk House – P 250.00/day, (3) Foam/Beddings – P 200/day, (4) Tent – P 150.00/4



person and P 200/6 person, and (5) Sleeping bag – P 100/piece. After her presentation, the body approved the additional rate of fees for other facility use.

The third agenda was (3) Proposed Continuation of Ecotourism Road at Brgy. Imparayan, Sibalom, Antique and was presented by Hon. Rexso Raymundo the Punong Barangay of Brgy. Imparayan. The road will provide easy access to the visitors from barangay proper of Imparayan to the hanging bridge where the entrance to Sibalom Natural Park is. PASu Anthony Evangelio also suggested to the body to pass a resolution address it to Senator Loren Legarda for a straightforward process of the proposed project and it was moved by Hon. Rexso Raymundo and duly seconded by Hon. Myrna Eclarinal.

Other agenda discussed were (1) Water Quality and Forest Cover; (2) PAMB Facebook Group and Page; (3) Sibalom Municipal Tree; (4) Integrated Watershed Management Plan; and, (5) Re-echo on Community Guiding Seminar conducted by BIOFIN and DOT. The secretariat presented to the body the Water Quality and Forest Cover of Sibalom Natural Park, according to MENR Officer Ruth Martinez the forest cover of Western Visayas increased in the last 10 years. Agaton Grasparil suggested requesting certain agencies like the National Mapping and Resource Information Authority to conduct yearly water quality and forest cover tests. Deputy PASu Joery D. Oczon said that the secretariat is continuously keeping in touch with the Biodiversity Management Bureau for their study on Forest Formation, Change Detection Maps and Analysis conducted by Center for Conservation Innovation personnel last July 2019.

Agaton Grasparil suggested the secretariat create a Facebook Page and Group exclusive to all PAMB members which were also acknowledged. He also shared to the body his proposal that Salingogon (*Cratoxylum formosum*) will be the Municipal Tree of Sibalom which will symbolize the municipality, however, PAMB members can't agree on such a proposal; instead, the Local Government Unit of Sibalom has the authority to decide.

DENR Personnel Jennifer Juliano and Ralph C. Villaflor presented DAO 2021-41 otherwise known as Integrated Watershed Management Plan. They highlighted the project's basic objectives and shared with the body the watershed coverage of Sibalom.

Deputy PASu Joery D. Oczon has been tasked to re-echo the Community Guiding Seminar conducted by BIOFIN and DOT. Beforehand he gave opportunities to Hon. Rexso Raymundo and Hon. Romeo Olandres to share their experience on the tour during the Protected Area Management Board Summit held at Fatima Farms, Brgy. San Enrique (Lebas), Municipality of San Lorenzo, Province of Guimaras.

Finally, before the meeting ended, the new PAMB members in the person of Municipality of San Remigio MENR Officer Ruth Martinez as the representative of municipal Mayor Hon. Margarito C. Mission and Aningalan, San Remigio Punong Barangay Rison Alejo expressed their words of appreciation to the board for the warmest welcome for having them in the meeting as official members of the Sibalom Natural Park - Protected Area Management Board.

After all important matters were discussed, the meeting was adjourned at 2:03 in the afternoon.

## PHOTO DOCUMENTATIONS



Above were the photos of Deputy PASu Joery D Oczon presenting the PA Management Zones and Buffer Ground Delineation and PA Staff Gwyn A. Paduganao in his BMS Analysis presentation.



(Left) PA Staff Erlis Joy S. Vicente welcoming the board and guest and, (right) PENRO Personnel Ralph Villafior during the presentation on Integrated Watershed Management Plan.





Photos of the participant during the conduct of 61<sup>st</sup> SNP-PAMB Meeting at Parvana Inn and Suites last July 29, 2022.

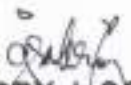
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