

Republic of the Philippines Province of Benguet Municipality of Itogon

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ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER NO. 12

Series of 2022

CREATING A COMPOSITE TEAM FROM AMONG THE COMMITTEES UNDER THE MUNICIPAL ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES COUNCIL TO PROVIDE ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT AND ASSISTANCE TO THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES IN DELINEATING THE METES AND BOUNDS OF THE COMMUNAL FORESTS ESTABLISHED IN THE MUNICIPALITY.

WHEREAS, there are three (3) communal forests established in the Municipality of Itogon which are located in different barangays and more particularly known as follows:

- a. Apalan Communal Forest located at barangay Loacan;
- b. Lucbuban Communal Forest located at Barangay Poblacion; and
- Tocmo Communal Forest located at Barangay Loacan;

WHEREAS, to ensure the perpetual existence of these communal forests for the benefit and enjoyment of the present and future generations, it is imperative for the government most especially for the concerned local government units to initiate appropriate actions for its preservation and protection against encroachments and other forms of external aggressions;

WHEREAS, in order to identify the extent of the area covered by these communal forests, it is necessary that its metes and bounds be first established on ground along with the installation of permanent markers or monuments on each and every corner thereof;

WHEREAS, the Department of Environment and Natural Resources through its CAR Regional Office is very much supportive of this endeavor hence, the need to create a team from the MENRC to compliment the agency's personnel and to provide the necessary administrative support and manpower requirements in this collaborative efforts:

NOW THEREFORE, by virtue of the powers vested in me, I, **ATTY. VICTORIO T. PALANGDAN**, in my capacity as Municipal Mayor of Itogon, Benguet Province, hereby ORDER as follows;

Section 1. There is hereby created a composite team to assist the DENR in the delineation of the communal forests established in the Municipality of Itogon more particularly (a) Apalan Communal Forest situated at Barangay Loacan; (b) Lucbuban Communal Forest situated at Barangay Poblacion; and (c) Tocmo Communal Forest situated at Barangay Loacan. Provided further, that said composite team shall be headed by the Municipal Vice Mayor who shall select the members from among the committees created under the Municipal Environment and Natural Resources Council more specifically from the Committee on Environmental Management, Committee on Forest Management and Committee on Land Management.

Section 2. Aside from the initial functions provided under the preceding section, the Composite Team shall also spearhead the conduct of other activities relative to the promotion and preservation of the communal forests which shall include, but not limited to the following:

- a. Inventory of existing tree and other plant species within the communal forests;
- b. Establish linkages with both government and private entities for the generation of resources and mobilization thereof to be applied exclusively for the communal forests;
- c. Recommend to the Local Chief Executive or to the Sanguniang Bayan, as the case may be, the adoption of appropriate measures including fund allocation for the maintenance and management of the communal forests; and
- d. Perform other related functions as may be directed by the LCE, the MENRC and/or such other authorities;

Section 3. To facilitate the conduct of activities relative to the site identification and delineation of the communal forests, the members of the Composite Team recommended by the MENRC in its Resolution No. 01, series of 2022 is hereby adopted as follows:

Team Leader: Members: HON. ADRIANO R. CARANTES JR. ATTY, JODEA BRENDALYN R. ACAY-CAMUYOT HON. FLORDELIZA G. DEPAYSO . ENGR. AVELINO S. MEDINA JR. MR. ROMEO J. POCDING ENGR. BENIGNO M. APIDOS da 6/2022 MRS. ROSITA M. BARGASO # 06/20/20 22 MR. SEVERINO M. BALANGCOD da 6/20/22 ENGR. EDGAR CALIAS tu ce/20/22 MR. DELFIN PALUBO MR. DRAZEN PALAEZ PMAJ MATHEW T. BURGOS : KAG. IRENEO A. AMOGAN KAG. LORENZO G. LIWAN IPMR MELANIO A. BILIT PB ALBERT CARANTES JR. KAG. ROSENDO KINANGSAN KAG. CARLITO CARIÑO -Representative from the BFP - 06/29/21

Provided further, that the aforementioned persons shall perform their duties and functions as members of the Composite Team upon effectivity of this Order until a new set of members of the same team has been designated in accordance with section 1, paragraph b of this Order.

Section 4. All Administrative Orders or parts thereof inconsistent herewith or parts hereof are deemed repealed and/or modified accordingly.

Section 5. This Administrative Order shall take effect immediately.

DONE this 20th day of June, 2022 at Itogon, Benguet.

ATTY. VICTORIO T. PALANGDAN Municipal Mayor

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