



**Excerpts from the Minutes of the PCSD Special Meeting
The Legend Hotel, Malvar Street, Pto. Prin. City
12 September 2003**

Present:

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| 1. Rep. Vicente A Sandoval
Palawan Rep. (1 st District), House of Representatives | - | Chairman |
| 2. Rep. Abraham Khalil B. Mitra
Palawan Rep. (2 nd District), House of Representatives | - | Member |
| 3. Hon. Mario Joel T. Reyes, Provincial Governor
Rep. by Engr. Andronico Baguyo | - | Vice-Chairman |
| 4. Exec. Dir. Winston G. Arzaga, PCSDS | - | Secretary |
| 5. Undersecretary Renato A. De Rueda, DENR
Rep. by RED Clarence Baguilat | - | Member |
| 6. Usec. Cesar M. Drilon, DA
Rep. by Ms. Azucena Ingrillo | - | Member |
| 7. Hon. Edward S. Hagedorn, Mayor City of Pto. Prin.
Rep. by Atty. Agustin Rocamora | - | Member |
| 8. Atty. Joselito C. Alisuag, SEMP-NP | - | Member |
| 9. VADM Ruben G. Domingo AFP, WESCOM Commander | - | Member |
| 10. Rev. Fr. Armando Limsa, NGO | - | Member |
| 11. Mr. Bobby Castro, Business Sector | - | Member |

Absent:

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| 12. DDG Augusto B. Santos, NEDA | - | Member |
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PCSD Resolution No. 03-217

**RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE DEPARTMENT
ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER (DAO) 2003-29 "IMPLEMENTING
THE RULES AND REGULATIONS OF THE NATIONAL CAVES
AND CAVE RESOURCES MANAGEMENT AND PROTECTION
ACT OR RA NO. 9072" AND PROVIDING HENCEFORTH
ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER FOR A REVISED IRR
APPLICABLE TO THE PROVINCE OF PALAWAN**

WHEREAS, R.A. 7611, otherwise known as the Strategic Environmental Plan (SEP) for Palawan, took effect on 19 June 1992 and Section 16 of said Act provides that the governance, implementation and policy direction of the SEP shall be exercised by the Palawan Council for Sustainable Development (PCSD), under the Office of the President;

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WHEREAS, Section 6 of R.A. 7611 also provides that the SEP shall serve as the framework to guide the government agencies concerned in the formulation of plans, programs and projects affecting the environment and natural resources of Palawan;

WHEREAS, Section 7-11 of said Act provides for the establishment of an Environmentally Critical Areas Network (ECAN), the main strategy for SEP which is a graded system of protection and development control over the whole of Palawan, including its tribal lands, forests, mines, agricultural areas, settlement areas, small islands, mangroves, coral reefs, seagrass beds and the surrounding sea;

WHEREAS, the PCSD, in its 23rd Council meeting held on 18 February 1994, adopted the guidelines in implementing the ECAN, prescribing among others, the allowable activities within the identified zones;

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 4 of R.A. No. 9072 the Department of Environment and Natural Resources shall be the lead agency tasked to implement the provisions of this Act in coordination with the Department of Tourism (DOT), the National Museum, the national Historical Institute and concerned Local government Units (LGUs) for specific caves, except that in the province of Palawan, the PCSD shall be the lead implementing agency pursuant to R.A. No. 7611;

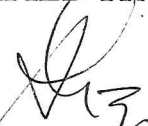
WHEREAS, on motion, unanimously seconded by the members present, be it;

RESOLVED, as it is hereby **RESOLVED**, that the Council adopts, as it is hereby **ADOPTED**, the Department Administrative Order No. 2003-29 "Implementing Rules and Regulations of the National Caves and Cave Resources Management and Protection Act (R.A. No. 9072) which are pertinent to the Province of Palawan;

RESOLVED FINALLY, that copies of this Resolution be furnished to the Department of Environment and Natural Resources, the Local Government Units and to other entities concerned for information and appropriate action.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 12th day of September 2003 in Puerto Princesa City, Palawan.

CERTIFIED TRUE AND CORRECT:


WINSTON G. ARZAGA
Secretary

APPROVED:


Rep. VICENTE A. SANDOVAL
Chairman