



Republic of the Philippines
(Republic Act No. 7611)

PALAWAN COUNCIL FOR SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT STAFF

Excerpts from the Minutes of the 242nd PCSD Execom Meeting
held at Governor's Conference Room
2nd Floor, Provincial Capitol Bldg.
Puerto Princesa City, Palawan
April 26, 2018

Present:

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| 1. Gov. Jose Ch. Alvarez, Provincial Governor | Chair |
| 2. Vice Gov. Victorino Dennis M. Socrates, Sangguniang Panlalawigan, | Vice Chair |
| 3. Dir. Nelson P. Devanadera, Executive Director, PCSDS | Secretary |
| 4. Mayor Lucena D. Demaala, Pres., League of Municipalities | Member |
| 5. BM Dennis M. Sabando, President, Liga ng mga Barangay | Member |
| 6. Atty. Jansen Jontila, NGO Representative | Member |

Represented:

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| 7. Usec Juan Miguel T. Cuna, Undersecretary, DENR
Represented by Dir. Maria Naz-Hipe | Member |
| 8. DDG Adoracion M. Navarro, Deputy Director General, NEDA
Represented by Mr. Nepo Jerome Benter | Member |
| 9. LTGEN Rozzano D. Briguez, Commander, WESCOM
Represented by Commo Dorvin Jose L Legazpi PN (GSC) | Member |
| 10. Usec. Ariel T. Cayanan, Undersecretary, DA
Represented by Louella Rowena D. Lorenzana | Member |

Absent:

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| 11. Mayor Lucilo R. Bayron, Puerto Princesa City | Member |
| 12. Mr. Bobby Castro, Private Sector Representative | Member |

PCSD RESOLUTION NO. 18-630

“RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE BIODIVERSITY RESOURCES ACCESS INFORMATION NETWORK (BRAIN) SYSTEM”

WHEREAS, Republic Act No. 7611, otherwise known as the Strategic Environmental Plan (SEP) for Palawan, took effect on 19 June 1992 section 6 of which 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

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Mission: PCSDS as the driver of environmental conservation and inclusive development in Palawan, a biosphere reserve and science-for-sustainability site, guided by the Strategic Environmental Plan

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natural resources of Palawan pursuant to the declared policy of the State to protect, develop and conserve its natural resources towards which, it shall assist and support the implementation of the plans, programs and projects formulated to preserve and enhance the environment, and at the same time pursue the socio-economic goals of the country;

WHEREAS, Section 16 of the same law, which has, as its general philosophy, the sustainable development of Palawan and establishes its main strategy, a graded system of protection and development control over the whole Palawan, known as the Environmentally Critical Areas Network (ECAN), provides that the governance, implementation and policy direction of the SEP shall be exercised by the Palawan Council for Sustainable Development (PCSD);

WHEREAS, the PCSD is mandated to govern, provide policy direction and implement the SEP Law through the PCSDS as the professional support staff responsible for the coordination of its policy and function, and to implement program through the involvement of all sectors of society in natural resource management, conservation and protection;

WHEREAS, the PCSD is likewise vested with the power to formulate policies as may be necessary to carry out the provisions of this Act;

WHEREAS, data and statistics show that the Philippines is a significant hub of wildlife trafficking with Palawan as the hotspot for illegal wildlife trade due to its strategic location, weak border control, and rich biodiversity;

WHEREAS, the PCSD as the primary agency charged to manage and protect wildlife resources in Palawan, has continuously pursue to control the situation since its creation under Republic Act No. 7611 and additional powers under Republic Act No. 9147, or otherwise known as the Wildlife Resources Conservation and Protection Act; However, despite such efforts, the wildlife poachers and traffickers continue to circumvent ways and means to violate the law and evade law enforcers;

WHEREAS, it is necessary to upgrade the PCSD in-house systems and coordination mechanisms to enhance inter-operability between and among key enforcement agencies and stakeholders;

WHEREAS, in view thereof, the Biodiversity Reserve Access Information Network (BRAIN) System was formulated to serve as a platform that combines inter-agency coordination mechanism and alert system, compliance and threats monitoring, enforcement case management, online permitting, tracking and geo-spatial analysis, intelligence and predictive capabilities to proactively respond to potential violations, environmental law enforcement management information system and public reporting system;

WHEREAS, to ensure and strengthen the policy development, research, permitting, intelligence, criminal analysis, inter-CITES agency coordination at regional and international levels for public engagement and behavioral campaigns, it is necessary to adopt the BRAIN System in line with the management plans integrating therein above-mentioned strategies;

WHEREFORE, in consideration of the foregoing premises and on motion duly seconded, the Council resolves to adopt, as it is hereby resolved and adopted, the Biodiversity Reserve Access Information Network (BRAIN) System;


RESOLVED FURTHER, that copies of this Resolution be furnished the USAID Protect Wildlife and other concerned agencies for their information and guidance;

RESOLVED AND ADOPTED this 26th day of April 2018 in Puerto Princesa City, Palawan.

I hereby certify that the above-quoted resolution has been duly adopted by the PCSD on the 26th day of April 2018.


NELSON P. DEVANADERA
Secretary 

ATTESTED BY:


JOSE CH. ALVAREZ
Chair, PCSD 