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EXPLANATORY NOTE

Mt. Isarog is one of the major mountains in Camarines Sur. It is a crucial watershed holding hot and cold springs, rivers, and waterfalls. It is the water source of the surrounding localities and home to myriad bird, rat, and plant species endemic to the area.

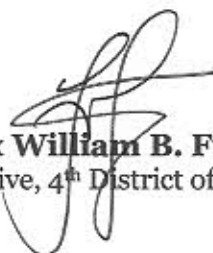
These characteristics of Mt. Isarog have impacted the province in many ways. Culturally, it has housed a number of Indigenous Communities. Economically, it has boosted tourism in the area with the various life, land, and water forms it contains, thus, generating income for the localities and jobs for its people. Mt. Isarog has also been a haven for scientific studies both locally and abroad because of the myriad species uniquely found in its territory.

It is for these reasons that the protection and conservation of this natural and national park is pursued. To achieve this, the bill mandates the creation of the Mt. Isarog Natural Park Protected Area Management Board (MINP-PAMB) composed of various stakeholders from the government and private sector. It will also create the Mt. Isarog Natural Park Protected Office (MINP-PAO); its function is to implement rules covering national and natural parks.

The bill will also mandate the establishment of a General Management Plan, a comprehensive blue print that will provide strategies and direction for implementing entities. The bill will further define the involvement of local government units (LGU), the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR), National Commission on Indigenous Peoples (NCIP), and Indigenous Cultural Communities (ICC).

For purpose of the environmental, socio-cultural, and economic values of the ecosystem, and for the progress of the province of Camarines Sur, the immediate passage of this bill is sincerely sought.


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**AN ACT DECLARING THE MT. ISAROG NATURAL PARK (MINP), IN
THE PROVINCE OF CAMARINES SUR, AS A PROTECTED AREA,
PROVIDING FOR ITS MANAGEMENT AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES**

SECTION 1. Short Title - This Act shall be known and referred to as the “Mt. Isarog Natural Park Act of 2014”.

SECTION 2. Declaration of Policy -

Article II, Section 16, of the Constitution provides that “the State shall protect and advance the right of the people to a balanced and healthful ecology in accord with the rhythm and harmony of nature.” Furthermore, Republic Act No. 7586, otherwise known as the National Integrated Protected Areas System (NIPAS) Act of 1992, and Republic Act No. 8371, otherwise known as the Indigenous Peoples Rights Act of 1997, provides for effective and efficient management of National and Natural parks for sustainable use and development with the full cooperation and collaboration between different stakeholders.

SECTION 3. Definition of Terms -

For purposes of this Act, the following terms shall be defined as follows:

- a. “*Ancestral Domain*” refers to all lands and natural resources occupied or possessed by Indigenous Cultural Communities (ICCs), by themselves or through their ancestors, communally or individually, in accordance with their customs and traditions since time immemorial and continuously to the present except when interrupted by war, force majeure, or displacement by force, deceit or stealth, it includes all adjacent areas generally belonging to

them and which are necessary to ensure their economic, social and cultural welfare.

- b. *"Bioprospecting"* refers to the research, collection and utilization of biological and genetic resources for the purposes of applying the knowledge derived therefrom for commercial and academic purposes.
- c. *"Buffer Zone"* refers to the identified areas outside the boundaries of and immediately adjacent to the Mt. Isarog Natural Park (MINP) pursuant to Section 6 hereof that need special development control in order to avoid or minimize harm to the Natural Park.
- d. *"By-products"* or *"Derivatives"* refers to any part taken or substance extracted from wildlife, in raw or in processed form. This includes stuffed animals and herbarium specimens.
- e. *"Certificate of Ancestral Domain Claim (CADC)"* refers to the land tenure instrument issued by the Department of Environment and Natural Resources recognizing the claim of indigenous cultural communities on land, resources and rights thereon within a defined territory.
- f. *"Certificate of Ancestral Domain Title (CADT)"* refers to the titles formally recognizing the rights of possession and ownership of Indigenous Peoples and ICCs over their ancestral domain identified and delineated in accordance with the IPRA or RA 8371.
- g. *"Chainsaw"* refers to any portable power saw or similar cutting implement, rendered operative by an electric or internal combustion engine or similar means that may be used for, but is not limited to, the felling of trees or cutting of timbers.
- h. *"Collection"* or *"Collecting"* refers to the act of gathering or harvesting wildlife, its by-products or derivatives.
- i. *"Comprehensive Land Use Plan (CLUP)"* refers to the plan formulated by Local Government Units mandated by Republic Act No. 7160.
- j. *"Disturbance of Wildlife"* refers to any act that alters the natural condition of the area.
- k. *"Exotic Species"* refers to the species or sub-species that do not naturally occur within the MINP at present or in historical time. It shall include the genetically modified organism (GMOs).
- l. *"Habitat"* refers to the place or environment where species or sub-species naturally occur or has naturally established its population.

- m. "*Indigenous Cultural Communities/Indigenous Peoples*" refers to the indigenous people as defined in RA 8371 or the Indigenous People's Rights Act (IPRA) of 1997, specifically the Agtas of the Mt. Isarog Natural Park.
- n. "*Integrated Protected Areas fund (IPAF)*" refers to the trust fund established for the purpose of financing projects, as provided in Republic Act No. 7586, otherwise known as the NIPAS Act of 1992.
- o. "*Littering*" refers to the disposal of small amount of non-biodegradable solid waste materials such as, cigarette butts, candy wrappers, plastic bags, bottles, glasses, in the MINP which may cause or contribute to the deterioration of the resources or habitats therein.
- p. "*Memorandum of Agreement (MOA)*" refers to the agreement among the Protected Area Management Board (PAMB) of MINP and other concerned parties with a common objective or undertaking a specific activity for the Natural Park.
- q. "*National Commission on Indigenous Peoples (NCIP)*" is the primary government agency responsible for the formulation and implementation of policies, plans and programs to recognize protect and promote the rights of ICCs/IPs.
- r. "*National Integrated Protected Areas System (NIPAS)*" refers to the classification and administration of all designated protected areas to maintain essential ecological processes and life-support systems, to preserve genetic diversity, to ensure sustainable use of resources found therein, and to maintain their natural conditions to the greatest extent possible, as provided for in RA 7586.
- s. "*National Park*" refers to one of the classifications of public domain as provided for in the Constitution specifically designated for the protection of the natural heritage comprising the important plants and animals and habitats of the country.
- t. "*Natural Park*" refers to one of the categories of the protected areas as defined in the National Integrated Protected Areas System Act of 1992. It shall refer to a relatively large area not materially altered by human activity, where extractive resource uses are not allowed and maintained to protect outstanding natural and scenic area of national or international significance for scientific, educational and recreational use.
- u. "*Non-Government Organization (NGO)*" refers to any civic, developmental, philanthropic non-stock, non-profit organization, duly registered, having by-laws, democratically-elected representation, and multi-sectoral in character.

- v. *"People's Organization (PO)"* pertains to any group of people formed to advance the interests of the sector they represent.
- w. *"Power saw"* refers to a mechanized cutting machine powered by an engine or electric power supply.
- x. *"Protected Area"* refers to the identified portion of land and water set aside by reason of their unique physical and biological significance, managed to enhance biological diversity and protected against destructive human exploitation, and unless the context otherwise provides, shall refer to the Mt. Isarog Natural Park.
- y. *"Resource User's Fee"* refers to the amount exacted from the use of the resource, which is being paid annually (periodically).
- z. *"Tenured Migrant Communities"* are communities within protected areas which have actually and continuously occupied such areas for five (5) years before the designation of the same as protected areas in accordance with this Act and are solely dependent therein for subsistence, as provided in RA 7586.
- aa. *"Threatened Species"* shall be the general term to denote species or subspecies considered as critically endangered, vulnerable or other accepted categories of wildlife whose population is at risk of extinction.
- bb. *"Waste"* means the waste materials generated from the use of the resource for ecotourism and other industrial purposes.
- cc. *"Wildlife"* refers to the wild forms and varieties of plants and animals in all developmental stages, including those which are in captivity or are being bred or propagated.

SECTION 4. Definition of Scope and Coverage –

Pursuant to, and in accordance with, Republic Act No. 7586, otherwise known as the NIPAS Act of 1992, Mt. Isarog, located in the municipalities of Pili, Ocampo, Tigaon, Goa, Tinambac, Calabanga and the City of Naga in the Province of Camarines Sur, is hereby declared a National Park and a Natural Park and established as part of the NIPAS under the category of Natural Park as defined herein. It shall be referred to as Mt. Isarog Natural Park (MINP) and shall have the following technical description, to wit:

Beginning at point marked "1" on DENR NIPAS Map No. 8 at N 4°30'W. 3,228.21 meters more or less. From BLLM No. 1 at 13°33'40.225" latitude and 123°22'27.734" longitude, Barrio Mabato-bato, Pili, Camarines Sur.

Thence:

N	42°	21'	W	461.67 meters to corner	2;
N	41°	44'	W	189.48 meters to corner	3;
N	80°	02'	W	241.90 meters to corner	4;
S	69°	38'	W	193.48 meters to corner	5;
N	64°	30'	W	349.66 meters to corner	6;
N	12°	41'	W	687.70 meters to corner	7;
N	42°	58'	E	538.98 meters to corner	8;
N	07°	56'	W	71.01 meters to corner	9;
N	52°	04'	W	118.05 meters to corner	10;
N	06°	18'	E	165.16 meters to corner	11;
N	51°	17'	W	43.64 meters to corner	12;
S	21°	38'	W	251.44 meters to corner	13;
S	02°	19'	W	71.87 meters to corner	14;
S	71°	43'	W	59.20 meters to corner	15;
S	38°	49'	W	53.21 meters to corner	16;
S	26°	15'	W	58.34 meters to corner	17;
S	55°	07'	W	134.94 meters to corner	18;
S	08°	29'	E	6.99 meters to corner	19;
N	74°	46'	W	13.82 meters to corner	20;
N	15°	33'	E	545.82 meters to corner	21;
N	72°	57'	W	67.75 meters to corner	22;
N	05°	58'	W	64.97 meters to corner	23;
S	88°	05'	E	21.58 meters to corner	24;
N	00°	36'	E	29.87 meters to corner	25;
N	11°	50'	W	473.02 meters to corner	26;
S	87°	15'	E	206.18 meters to corner	27;
N	03°	07'	W	140.24 meters to corner	28;
N	65°	29'	W	146.38 meters to corner	29;
S	43°	28'	W	200.74 meters to corner	30;
S	10°	30'	W	262.86 meters to corner	31;
S	66°	54'	E	67.72 meters to corner	32;
S	61°	25'	W	293.89 meters to corner	33;
S	01°	14'	W	49.82 meters to corner	34;
S	04°	16'	W	81.98 meters to corner	35;
S	79°	58'	W	22.73 meters to corner	36;
S	02°	46'	E	42.87 meters to corner	37;
S	22°	48'	W	581.16 meters to corner	38;
S	69°	15'	E	361.32 meters to corner	39;
S	07°	41'	W	522.47 meters to corner	40;
N	89°	59'	W	1,112.98 meters to corner	41;
N	89°	25'	W	432.30 meters to corner	42;
N	17°	42'	E	439.10 meters to corner	43;
N	12°	28'	E	369.04 meters to corner	44;
N	06°	39'	E	241.44 meters to corner	45;

N	68°	04'	E	363.35 meters to corner	46;
N	56°	43'	E	135.28 meters to corner	47;
N	32°	41'	E	178.90 meters to corner	48;
N	28°	58'	W	241.49 meters to corner	49;
N	36°	38'	E	248.22 meters to corner	50;
N	14°	44'	E	285.54 meters to corner	51;
N	51°	35'	W	54.75 meters to corner	52;
S	33°	58'	W	287.57 meters to corner	53;
N	88°	35'	W	486.78 meters to corner	54;
N	56°	25'	E	775.38 meters to corner	55;
N	35°	22'	W	146.50 meters to corner	56;
N	73°	13'	W	20.99 meters to corner	57;
N	12°	36'	E	59.19 meters to corner	58;
S	84°	01'	E	58.31 meters to corner	59;
N	58°	45'	E	114.97 meters to corner	60;
N	29°	48'	W	186.30 meters to corner	61;
S	47°	33'	W	148.56 meters to corner	62;
N	53°	00'	W	117.29 meters to corner	63;
N	07°	09'	W	96.40 meters to corner	64;
N	51°	56'	E	95.20 meters to corner	65;
N	12°	14'	E	268.30 meters to corner	66;
N	28°	10'	E	74.45 meters to corner	67;
N	62°	20'	E	173.85 meters to corner	68;
S	67°	51'	E	733.56 meters to corner	69;
S	26°	18'	E	149.23 meters to corner	70;
N	60°	34'	E	165.69 meters to corner	71;
N	14°	21'	W	112.86 meters to corner	72;
S	72°	39'	W	191.14 meters to corner	73;
N	67°	51'	W	733.56 meters to corner	74;
N	06°	51'	W	28.70 meters to corner	75;
S	79°	50'	W	49.77 meters to corner	76;
S	64°	15'	W	57.40 meters to corner	77;
S	73°	16'	W	72.21 meters to corner	78;
S	28°	16'	W	59.39 meters to corner	79;
S	51°	45'	W	121.32 meters to corner	80;
S	37°	59'	W	32.14 meters to corner	81;
S	37°	39'	W	32.17 meters to corner	82;
N	84°	09'	W	40.62 meters to corner	83;
S	85°	29'	W	257.66 meters to corner	84;
N	30°	14'	E	161.95 meters to corner	85;
N	17°	23'	E	137.37 meters to corner	86;
N	13°	53'	E	152.14 meters to corner	87;
N	27°	03'	W	119.61 meters to corner	88;
S	53°	08'	W	125.00 meters to corner	89;
S	25°	32'	W	317.78 meters to corner	90;
S	83°	42'	E	215.12 meters to corner	91;
S	30°	14'	W	161.95 meters to corner	92;

S	59°	39'	W	147.64 meters to corner	93;
S	65°	16'	W	163.55 meters to corner	94;
S	40°	21'	W	420.44 meters to corner	95;
N	65°	24'	W	273.59 meters to corner	96;
N	38°	25'	E	266.82 meters to corner	97;
N	25°	18'	E	168.55 meters to corner	98;
N	07°	23'	W	211.50 meters to corner	99;
N	63°	31'	E	101.93 meters to corner	100;
N	15°	43'	E	57.08 meters to corner	101;
N	31°	50'	E	282.11 meters to corner	102;
N	07°	00'	E	116.61 meters to corner	103;
N	30°	47'	E	50.16 meters to corner	104;
N	56°	11'	W	34.22 meters to corner	105;
S	63°	45'	W	137.02 meters to corner	106;
S	30°	35'	W	40.48 meters to corner	107;
S	47°	46'	W	172.47 meters to corner	108;
S	36°	06'	W	66.73 meters to corner	109;
S	11°	19'	W	36.95 meters to corner	110;
S	49°	17'	W	126.83 meters to corner	111;
S	06°	44'	E	33.64 meters to corner	112;
S	30°	08'	E	58.06 meters to corner	113;
S	07°	07'	E	309.96 meters to corner	114;
S	34°	46'	W	144.76 meters to corner	115;
S	77°	18'	W	62.85 meters to corner	116;
N	79°	33'	W	279.06 meters to corner	117;
S	20°	34'	W	297.87 meters to corner	118;
S	61°	27'	W	353.32 meters to corner	119;
N	62°	31'	W	122.77 meters to corner	120;
N	08°	23'	W	151.51 meters to corner	121;
N	81°	31'	W	262.31 meters to corner	122;
N	58°	19'	W	320.17 meters to corner	123;
N	56°	36'	W	232.92 meters to corner	124;
N	43°	38'	E	338.14 meters to corner	125;
N	32°	47'	E	314.74 meters to corner	126;
N	08°	51'	W	140.59 meters to corner	127;
N	21°	33'	W	289.47 meters to corner	128;
N	29°	56'	W	108.25 meters to corner	129;
N	10°	12'	E	421.74 meters to corner	130;
S	68°	50'	E	202.97 meters to corner	131;
N	27°	42'	E	300.91 meters to corner	132;
N	40°	21'	W	336.59 meters to corner	133;
N	51°	45'	E	234.93 meters to corner	134;
N	35°	49'	W	125.12 meters to corner	135;
N	79°	37'	W	332.64 meters to corner	136;
N	87°	29'	W	110.81 meters to corner	137;
N	27°	15'	W	81.28 meters to corner	138;
N	04°	30'	W	395.12 meters to corner	139;

N	46°	30'	E	207.66 meters to corner	140;
N	07°	16'	W	205.02 meters to corner	141;
N	04°	55'	W	436.79 meters to corner	142;
N	89°	52'	E	679.71 meters to corner	143;
S	64°	55'	E	224.42 meters to corner	144;
N	52°	24'	E	97.35 meters to corner	145;
N	78°	23'	E	437.89 meters to corner	146;
N	02°	16'	W	51.68 meters to corner	147;
N	86°	48'	W	421.69 meters to corner	148;
N	85°	13'	W	207.10 meters to corner	149;
S	28°	51'	W	165.43 meters to corner	150;
S	89°	52'	W	679.71 meters to corner	151;
N	40°	55'	W	447.51 meters to corner	152;
N	52°	59'	E	223.12 meters to corner	153;
N	55°	27'	E	360.07 meters to corner	154;
S	86°	55'	E	486.89 meters to corner	155;
N	64°	59'	E	459.42 meters to corner	156;
N	18°	42'	E	86.36 meters to corner	157;
N	85°	14'	W	258.72 meters to corner	158;
N	61°	10'	W	511.04 meters to corner	159;
N	11°	30'	E	239.56 meters to corner	160;
S	88°	11'	E	318.01 meters to corner	161;
N	19°	27'	E	183.10 meters to corner	162;
N	57°	23'	W	283.92 meters to corner	163;
N	16°	08'	W	245.32 meters to corner	164;
S	83°	30'	W	253.22 meters to corner	165;
S	63°	40'	W	352.98 meters to corner	166;
N	24°	51'	W	309.81 meters to corner	167;
N	65°	55'	E	474.70 meters to corner	168;
N	68°	56'	E	489.41 meters to corner	169;
N	37°	34'	E	375.92 meters to corner	170;
S	82°	07'	E	241.04 meters to corner	171;
N	03°	33'	E	184.35 meters to corner	172;
N	39°	58'	W	424.15 meters to corner	173;
N	71°	05'	W	261.16 meters to corner	174;
N	06°	38'	W	244.94 meters to corner	175;
N	88°	54'	E	437.62 meters to corner	176;
S	89°	11'	E	681.44 meters to corner	177;
N	08°	04'	E	462.50 meters to corner	178;
N	79°	58'	E	396.10 meters to corner	179;
N	21°	41'	E	419.62 meters to corner	180;
N	68°	46'	E	235.52 meters to corner	181;
N	16°	22'	E	167.36 meters to corner	182;
N	59°	56'	W	198.36 meters to corner	183;
N	25°	34'	W	462.80 meters to corner	184;
N	36°	29'	E	110.06 meters to corner	185;
S	51°	54'	E	455.99 meters to corner	186;

N	71°	17'	E	361.02 meters to corner	187;
S	85°	48'	E	436.66 meters to corner	188;
N	57°	15'	E	257.54 meters to corner	189;
N	16°	48'	W	470.24 meters to corner	190;
N	25°	36'	W	420.25 meters to corner	191;
N	65°	25'	E	103.38 meters to corner	192;
S	58°	55'	E	438.05 meters to corner	193;
N	37°	50'	E	507.50 meters to corner	194;
N	84°	40'	E	558.19 meters to corner	195;
N	32°	45'	E	343.16 meters to corner	196;
S	60°	38'	E	285.40 meters to corner	197;
S	12°	46'	E	396.84 meters to corner	198;
S	78°	48'	E	159.92 meters to corner	199;
S	05°	26'	W	16.70 meters to corner	200;
S	89°	13'	E	11.01 meters to corner	201;
S	35°	46'	E	68.42 meters to corner	202;
S	31°	49'	E	93.62 meters to corner	203;
S	30°	02'	W	22.37 meters to corner	204;
S	33°	45'	E	101.52 meters to corner	205;
S	80°	31'	E	110.11 meters to corner	206;
S	83°	13'	E	162.18 meters to corner	207;
S	07°	46'	W	355.62 meters to corner	208;
S	65°	13'	E	313.82 meters to corner	209;
N	21°	36'	E	278.57 meters to corner	210;
N	14°	34'	W	254.78 meters to corner	211;
N	24°	49'	E	340.44 meters to corner	212;
N	73°	48'	E	147.67 meters to corner	213;
S	20°	13'	E	293.46 meters to corner	214;
S	28°	22'	W	102.64 meters to corner	215;
S	10°	24'	E	95.57 meters to corner	216;
S	41°	18'	E	134.80 meters to corner	217;
S	10°	37'	E	361.06 meters to corner	218;
S	29°	16'	W	423.57 meters to corner	219;
S	25°	01'	E	302.86 meters to corner	220;
N	25°	19'	E	441.31 meters to corner	221;
N	76°	05'	E	289.98 meters to corner	222;
S	11°	27'	W	215.02 meters to corner	223;
N	67°	32'	E	183.70 meters to corner	224;
N	41°	36'	E	383.04 meters to corner	225;
N	32°	46'	E	315.82 meters to corner	226;
N	06°	38'	E	498.77 meters to corner	227;
N	08°	08'	W	319.72 meters to corner	228;
N	04°	35'	E	341.77 meters to corner	229;
N	63°	23'	E	219.86 meters to corner	230;
S	87°	13'	E	421.33 meters to corner	231;
S	13°	29'	W	118.49 meters to corner	232;
S	86°	15'	W	160.23 meters to corner	233;

S	86°	03'	W	292.67 meters to corner	234;
S	34°	14'	E	132.36 meters to corner	235;
S	88°	46'	E	186.50 meters to corner	236;
S	74°	21'	E	320.87 meters to corner	237;
N	45°	47'	E	188.16 meters to corner	238;
S	02°	53'	E	398.58 meters to corner	239;
S	45°	00'	W	311.86 meters to corner	240;
S	04°	18'	E	595.84 meters to corner	241;
S	85°	25'	E	224.26 meters to corner	242;
S	22°	40'	W	525.53 meters to corner	243;
S	52°	37'	E	213.34 meters to corner	244;
S	27°	49'	W	323.16 meters to corner	245;
S	18°	20'	W	226.36 meters to corner	246;
S	89°	17'	E	324.02 meters to corner	247;
N	30°	45'	W	211.10 meters to corner	248;
N	00°	02'	W	186.21 meters to corner	249;
N	86°	02'	E	113.52 meters to corner	250;
S	51°	53'	E	284.93 meters to corner	251;
S	05°	04'	E	260.92 meters to corner	252;
S	41°	04'	E	221.42 meters to corner	253;
N	83°	52'	W	297.32 meters to corner	254;
S	21°	21'	E	127.28 meters to corner	255;
S	78°	33'	E	226.60 meters to corner	256;
S	20°	52'	E	95.77 meters to corner	257;
S	54°	45'	E	169.56 meters to corner	258;
S	75°	02'	W	63.61 meters to corner	259;
S	14°	18'	W	78.88 meters to corner	260;
S	50°	16'	W	193.60 meters to corner	261;
S	74°	56'	W	54.83 meters to corner	262;
S	02°	20'	W	22.04 meters to corner	263;
S	66°	56'	W	55.70 meters to corner	264;
S	05°	59'	W	49.15 meters to corner	265;
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N	10°	33'	E	154.32 meters to corner	269;
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S	36°	51'	E	141.96 meters to corner	272;
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N	80°	50'	E	196.94 meters to corner	274;
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S	63°	42'	E	246.98 meters to corner	276;
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S	03°	09'	E	140.83 meters to corner	278;
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N	45°	58'	E	268.30 meters to corner	287;
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S	00°	03'	E	234.88 meters to corner	298;
N	82°	40'	E	243.74 meters to corner	299;
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N	71°	08'	E	264.09 meters to corner	301;
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S	09°	21'	E	142.13 meters to corner	304;
N	56°	12'	W	254.96 meters to corner	305;
S	66°	33'	W	303.82 meters to corner	306;
S	24°	31'	W	210.11 meters to corner	307;
S	89°	32'	E	306.91 meters to corner	308;
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S	76°	01'	W	479.51 meters to corner	310;
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S	08°	38'	E	214.20 meters to corner	313;
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S	11°	39'	E	313.25 meters to corner	316;
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S	19°	07'	E	134.13 meters to corner	318;
S	75°	41'	E	158.11 meters to corner	319;
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N	67°	36'	W	205.40 meters to corner	325;
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N	74°	05'	W	159.07 meters to corner	327;

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N	71°	47'	W	296.68 meters to corner	332;
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S	60°	52'	E	465.30 meters to corner	334;
S	56°	38'	E	371.42 meters to corner	335;
S	67°	18'	E	382.92 meters to corner	336;
S	11°	04'	W	287.70 meters to corner	337;
N	88°	29'	W	287.87 meters to corner	338;
N	58°	32'	W	308.31 meters to corner	339;
N	86°	34'	W	227.02 meters to corner	340;
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S	33°	34'	E	39.15 meters to corner	342;
S	86°	29'	E	29.13 meters to corner	343;
S	57°	47'	E	43.58 meters to corner	344;
S	01°	50'	E	84.17 meters to corner	345;
S	06°	52'	E	83.53 meters to corner	346;
S	15°	54'	W	44.75 meters to corner	347;
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S	55°	09'	E	89.71 meters to corner	349;
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S	36°	20'	W	322.67 meters to corner	351;
S	70°	16'	E	162.10 meters to corner	352;
S	13°	14'	E	240.42 meters to corner	353;
N	68°	51'	W	479.61 meters to corner	354;
S	78°	52'	W	28.36 meters to corner	355;
N	50°	27'	W	463.17 meters to corner	356;
S	35°	43'	W	73.89 meters to corner	357;
S	18°	26'	E	344.47 meters to corner	358;
S	88°	29'	E	119.76 meters to corner	359;
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S	61°	45'	E	49.89 meters to corner	361;
S	08°	48'	W	135.34 meters to corner	362;
S	25°	30'	W	531.86 meters to corner	363;
N	69°	33'	W	587.15 meters to corner	364;
N	23°	36'	E	63.02 meters to corner	365;
N	34°	50'	W	58.93 meters to corner	366;
N	09°	33'	W	127.42 meters to corner	367;
N	15°	11'	W	30.12 meters to corner	368;
N	05°	33'	E	36.00 meters to corner	369;
N	17°	02'	W	102.62 meters to corner	370;
N	02°	43'	W	48.42 meters to corner	371;
N	16°	48'	E	127.97 meters to corner	372;
S	60°	01'	W	391.13 meters to corner	373;
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S	33°	27'	E	82.78 meters to corner	375;
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S	31°	27'	E	70.84 meters to corner	377;
S	60°	12'	E	77.40 meters to corner	378;
S	78°	02'	E	34.46 meters to corner	379;
S	23°	59'	E	23.42 meters to corner	380;
S	47°	44'	E	70.74 meters to corner	381;
S	40°	58'	E	35.10 meters to corner	382;
S	78°	55'	W	450.16 meters to corner	383;
N	63°	42'	W	91.56 meters to corner	384;
S	49°	16'	W	67.75 meters to corner	385;
S	00°	55'	W	33.40 meters to corner	386;
S	17°	23'	W	98.58 meters to corner	387;
S	13°	30'	E	50.19 meters to corner	388;
S	74°	12'	E	104.62 meters to corner	389;
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S	69°	33'	E	587.15 meters to corner	392;
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S	35°	57'	W	245.03 meters to corner	394;
S	84°	20'	W	373.52 meters to corner	395;
N	17°	34'	W	161.52 meters to corner	396;
S	40°	25'	W	255.15 meters to corner	397;
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S	09°	50'	W	268.10 meters to corner	399;
N	12°	57'	W	242.54 meters to corner	400;
S	64°	47'	W	35.46 meters to corner	401;
S	00°	47'	W	332.08 meters to corner	402;
S	32°	41'	E	204.07 meters to corner	403;
S	83°	27'	W	141.71 meters to corner	404;
N	31°	09'	W	196.06 meters to corner	405;
S	70°	04'	W	87.26 meters to corner	406;
S	73°	16'	W	225.52 meters to corner	407;
S	22°	55'	W	159.79 meters to corner	408;
S	87°	15'	W	159.92 meters to corner	409;
S	11°	33'	W	436.47 meters to corner	410;
S	02°	13'	W	409.71 meters to corner	411;
N	88°	09'	W	171.06 meters to corner	412;
N	69°	43'	W	393.49 meters to corner	413;
N	36°	35'	E	389.78 meters to corner	414;
N	46°	45'	E	151.96 meters to corner	415;
N	31°	55'	E	136.08 meters to corner	416;
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N	11°	45'	W	211.12 meters to corner	418;
S	71°	35'	W	62.62 meters to corner	419;
S	27°	05'	W	122.08 meters to corner	420;
S	28°	17'	E	134.93 meters to corner	421;

S	09°	50'	W	238.44 meters to corner	422;
S	83°	53'	W	228.75 meters to corner	423;
N	61°	23'	W	65.49 meters to corner	424;
S	28°	43'	W	214.09 meters to corner	425;
N	57°	32'	W	264.20 meters to corner	426;
S	87°	14'	W	72.00 meters to corner	427;
N	02°	00'	E	365.92 meters to corner	428;
N	28°	09'	E	418.68 meters to corner	429;
N	21°	57'	E	167.87 meters to corner	430;
N	41°	04'	W	331.87 meters to corner	431;
N	74°	31'	W	211.87 meters to corner	432;
S	25°	31'	W	248.42 meters to corner	433;
S	46°	13'	W	183.16 meters to corner	434;
S	26°	47'	E	48.56 meters to corner	435;
S	16°	20'	W	271.47 meters to corner	436;
S	02°	31'	W	523.82 meters to corner	437;
S	34°	09'	E	101.39 meters to corner	438;
S	19°	24'	E	49.15 meters to corner	439;
S	20°	31'	W	33.29 meters to corner	440;
S	75°	41'	W	40.68 meters to corner	441;
S	45°	11'	W	32.87 meters to corner	442;
S	28°	24'	W	129.03 meters to corner	443;
S	65°	03'	W	34.03 meters to corner	444;
S	33°	04'	W	34.52 meters to corner	445;
S	87°	09'	W	337.28 meters to corner	446;
S	30°	44'	W	530.39 meters to corner	447;
S	53°	10'	W	493.33 meters to corner	1;

the point of beginning containing an area of Ten Thousand One Hundred and Twelve (10,112) hectares more or less subject to actual ground survey.

The classified forest lands comprising the MINP shall fall within the classification of national park as provided under the 1987 Constitution.

Ancestral domains within the MINP shall be recognized and respected. Any policy guidelines and activities issued or implemented with regard to ancestral domains and ICCs or IPs within the MINP by the Protected Area Management Board (PAMB) or the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) shall be subject to the requisite free and prior informed consent as provided in the RA 8371.

As such, ancestral domains forming part of the Natural Park shall have their Ancestral Domain Sustainable Development Protection Plan incorporated to the General Management Plan (GMP).

SECTION 5. Jurisdiction over Mt. Isarog Natural Park

The overall authority and jurisdiction over the MINP shall be exercised by the Mt.

Isarog Natural Park - Protected Area Management Board (MINP-PAMB), with oversight by the DENR. This jurisdiction and authority shall be exercised in harmony with the powers, rights and authorities of the Local Government Units having territorial jurisdiction over the MINP and of the ICCs or IPs in the area. Provided however, that on issues concerning protection and conservation, the authority of the MINP-PAMB shall take precedence.

SECTION 6. Mt. Isarog Natural Park Buffer Zone

The MINP-PAMB may identify and recommend the establishment of a buffer zone, in consultation with the stakeholders.

The buffer zone shall be a component of the MINP under the jurisdiction of the MINP-PAMB. Specific management prescriptions and land use management options shall be provided by the MINP-PAMB for the buffer zone. Such prescriptions and land use options shall be incorporated in the General Management Plan and the Comprehensive Land Use Plans of Local Government Units and corresponding ordinances be provided therein.

ARTICLE II MANAGEMENT AND INSTITUTIONAL MECHANISMS

SECTION 7. The Mt. Isarog Natural Park - Protected Area Management Board

- a. The Mt. Isarog Natural Park - Protected Area Management Board (MINP-PAMB), vested with the management and administration of Mt. Isarog Natural Park, is hereby created.
- b. It will have the powers and functions outlined in the NIPAS Act. In addition, it will be given the following powers:
 - i. The authority to impose and collect resource users' fees and provide for its disposition;
 - ii. designate collecting officers for funds generated for the MINP and formulate procedures for the management and disbursement thereof;
 - iii. issue certification of tenured migrants;
 - iv. recommend the appointment of all staff of the Protected Area Office, including the Protected Area Superintendent, to the DENR Regional Executive Director based on its internal selection criteria;
 - v. determine fines and fees for violations of this Act, guidelines, rules and regulations within the MINP;
 - vi. promulgate its procedural rules, which shall include discipline and removal of its officers and members;

- vii. provide the necessary mechanisms to ensure the harmonization, complementation, consultation and participatory decision-making processes among the various stakeholders;
 - viii. develop the procedures that will govern the conduct of academic and commercial research activities within six months from the effectivity of this Act;
 - ix. enter into any contract or agreement concerning the MINP as may be necessary to carry out the purposes of this Act; and
 - x. perform such other functions necessary for the fulfillment of the provisions of this Act and all other applicable laws, rules and regulations.
- c. The MINP-PAMB shall coordinate with the DENR regarding confiscation of materials or resources from the MINP. Disposition of confiscated materials and resources shall be prioritized in this manner:
- i. For the use of educational institutions in the closest barangay where the materials were found;
 - ii. Construction or improvement of health facilities in the closest barangay where the materials were found; and
 - iii. Improvement of the facilities of the MINP.

A report on this subject shall be regularly rendered by the concerned officer of the DENR and the Protected Area Superintendent to the MINP-PAMB. The proceeds of the disposition of these materials or resources shall accrue to the MINP-PAMB Trust Fund.

- d. The MINP-PAMB shall be composed of the following:
- i. The DENR Regional Executive Director of Region V as ex-officio Chairperson;
 - ii. The governor of the Province of Camarines Sur as ex-officio vice-chairperson and the Provincial Planning and Development Officer as his alternate;
 - iii. The MINP Protected Area Office Superintendent as co-vice chairperson;
 - iv. The municipal mayors of the seven (7) municipalities/city with territories within the MINP as ex-officio members;
 - v. One (1) representative of Certificate of Ancestral Domain Claim holders within the MINP, as member, to be appointed by the Secretary of Environment and Natural Resources, upon recommendation of the DENR Regional Executive Director of Region V.
 - vi. One (1) representative per municipality/city from civil society organizations, people's organizations, or community-based organizations, as members to be appointed by the Secretary of Environment and Natural Resources, upon the recommendation of the DENR Regional Executive Director of Region V. The chosen representatives must have initiatives that involve the protection and conservation of the MINP.

- e. The following shall be non-voting and consultative members of the MINP-PAMB and may sit in during meetings:
 - vii. Barangay captains with territories within the MINP;
 - viii. Representatives from national government agencies that are involved in protected area management, specifically the National Commission on Indigenous People, Department of Agriculture, Department of Agrarian Reform, and Department of Tourism;
 - ix. Representatives from the academe.
- f. For continuity of business and proper representation of the entity member in the MINP-PAMB, a permanent alternate shall be appointed by each member in case the principal representative is not available.
- g. The terms of office of members appointed by the Secretary of Environment and Natural Resources shall be six (6) years - provided that the member remains connected with the sector he represents.
- h. The MINP-PAMB shall issue the necessary guidelines for the selection and qualification of its members, and replacement process in case a vacancy occurs.

SECTION 8. Honoraria of members of the MINP-PAMB

In addition to actual and necessary traveling and subsistence allowance incurred in the performance of their duties, the MINP-PAMB members may be granted honoraria and other benefits in attending MINP-PAMB or other committee meetings. These expenses may be included in the appropriation of the MINP Trust Fund.

SECTION 9. The MINP Protected Area Office

There shall be a MINP Protected Area Office (MINP-PAO) headed by a Protected Area Superintendent who shall serve as the Chief Operating Officer of the park. The DENR shall create necessary positions for the MINP Protected Area Office and its Staff.

MINP-PAMB shall submit to the DENR Regional Executive Director a list of recommended candidates, following internal qualification standards and criteria, for the positions Protected Area Superintendent and MINP Protected Area Office staff.

The DENR Regional Executive Director shall select and appoint the Protected Area Superintendent and the MINP Protected Area Office staff from the list submitted by the MINP-PAMB.

The following shall be the duties and responsibilities of the Protected Area Superintendent:

Policy-related Functions

- a. Serve as chief administrative officer of the protected area for the purpose of implementing the Management Plan as detailed in the annual work plan.
- b. Render regular reports to the MINP PAMB and propose agenda to be carried by the PAMB during its regular meetings.
- c. Establish a productive partnership with the local community, including groups, in the planning, protection and management of the protected area.
- d. Supervise the performance and good morale of his staff.
- e. Ensure the proper utilization of annual budget allocations and the proper disposition of fees and other funds generated within the protected area.
- f. Develop and operationalize the Center for Research, Ecology and Environmental Education (CREED) program in collaboration with research and academic institutions and other non-government organizations.
- g. Develop and implement a natural history documentation program and to oversee research that may be conducted within the area.
- h. Mediate between Non-Government Organizations and DENR staff in the operation of the area.
- i. Document the processes involved in the establishment and management of the protected area, with particular reference to the development of relationships with cultural communities, tenured migrants, buffer zone residents and others in establishing effective protection of the area and use the data collected future planning.

Operations-related Functions

- j. Enforce rules and regulations established to protect the area and preserve the protected area from trespassers, damage, and injury.
- k. Require, when he deems necessary, any person entering or passing across through or any part of the protected area under his jurisdiction, to present an identification card containing the person's name and address and may require the person to state his proposed duration of stay inside the protected area and the portion which he intends to visit

or has visited and such other information of a similar nature as may be referred to him.

- l. Remove or eject any person, as deemed necessary, who has engaged in disorderly conduct or bad behavior or who have violated any of the regulations on the protected area
- m. Require persons cutting, gathering forest products, hunting, or fishing within the protected area to produce, upon demand, authority or permit to do so.
- n. Seize and confiscate timber or other forest products, game birds, animals and fish including instruments, tools and conveyances used inside the protected area by unlicensed persons or, if licensed, in violation of protected area laws, rules and regulations, and to report them to the proper authorities in accordance with present rules, regulations and guidelines issued by the Secretary of Environment and Natural Resources concerning confiscation, seizure and disposition of illegally-cut, gathered and transported forest products, and other natural resources and confiscated wildlife.
- o. Perform such other powers and duties as may from time to time be prescribed by the MINP-PAMB or the DENR Regional Executive Director.

The Protected Area Superintendent shall be directly accountable to the MINP-PAMB and the DENR Regional Executive Director. He shall, however, provide necessary coordinative mechanisms to the Community Environment and Natural Resources Office and Provincial Environment and Natural Resources Office.

SECTION 10. General Management Plan (GMP) - There shall be a MINP General Management Plan, composed of spatial and development plans, prepared by the MINP Protected Area Office in coordination with the MINP-PAMB and other stakeholders.

The GMP shall contain the overall strategic direction for the protection and management of the MINP. It shall also include all site-specific management strategies and activity targets for all management zones and for other sectoral concerns of the MINP. The GMP shall cover a period of applicability for twenty-five (25) years, subject to periodic review of the MINP-PAMB every five (5) years or as the need arises.

The GMP shall be reviewed and approved by the MINP-PAMB. It shall also be presented to all the municipal LGUs within the MINP and shall be endorsed by them for implementation and integration in their specific CLUPs and Master Development Plans. All other stakeholders shall likewise be consulted in the process.

The GMP shall conform with all national environmental programs of the

government, and shall be affirmed by the Secretary of Environment and Natural Resources.

SECTION 11. The Role of Local Government Units

The Provincial Government of Camarines Sur, the City Government of Naga and the Local Government Units in Camarines Sur with a stake in Mt. Isarog are hereby recognized as key partners in the protection and management of the MINP. As such, they shall participate in the management of the MINP through the MINP-PAMB.

The provisions of this Act and the General Management Plan shall be incorporated into the city/municipal and provincial plans as part of their environmental concerns and shall ensure that local ordinances pertaining to environment are consistent with this Act and the GMP, as herein provided.

SECTION 12. The Role of the Department of Environment and Natural resources

The DENR shall be the lead agency in the management and protection of the MINP. It shall:

- a. initiate the institutionalization of the MINP Protected Area Office;
- b. institute the capacity development process of the MINP-PAMB;
- c. provide personnel and funds for services and operations of the MINP-PAO;
- d. provide physical resource support to MINP-PAO; and,
- e. provide additional technical support, as may be required.

The DENR, through its Region V Regional Executive Director, shall ensure that the MINP-PAMB acts within the scope of its powers and functions.

SECTION 13. Role of Indigenous Cultural Communities, Indigenous Peoples, and the National Commission on Indigenous People

The National Commission on Indigenous People shall ensure that the rights of the IPs in their ancestral domain falling within the MINP are protected.

The ICCS and IPs shall preserve, restore and maintain balanced ecology in their ancestral domain by protecting the flora and fauna, watershed areas and other reserves;

The National Commission on Indigenous People may allocate funds for the conservation and protection of areas within the CADC or CADT falling within the Protected Area;

The Council of Elders, with the supervision of the NCIP, shall identify and certify the migrants within the ancestral domains, for recognition by the MINP-PAMB.

SECTION 14. Fund Management

The MINP-PAMB shall have the power to decide on the use of all revenues, grants, endowments, donations and other income pertaining to MINP. The fund shall be for the purpose of financing and sustaining projects and activities in the MINP to attain the objectives of this Act.

Funds derived from the following sources shall be remitted to the IPAF, pursuant to the fund-sharing guidelines under the NIPAS Act:

- a. Fees from permitted sale of flora, fauna and other resources;
- b. Proceeds from lease of multiple use or special use areas including tourism concessions; and, rents of facilities in recreation areas;
- c. Entrance fees.

In the implementation of project and activities as a consequence of these fund sources, preferential and priority attention shall be given to areas where actual extraction of resources has taken place.

Funds generated from the following sources shall be retained by the MINP-PAMB and shall be known as the MINP-PAMB Trust Fund:

- a. Fees and contributions from facilities, institutions directly benefiting from the protected area;
- b. Fines from industries/facilities operating inside the protected area;
- c. Contributions, donation, endowments and grants from any source;
- d. Other revenues as may be derived from the operation of the Protected Area;
- e. Proceeds from the confiscation, disposition of confiscated products of resources from the MINP, subject to the provisions on disposition of confiscated materials and resources provided herein; and
- f. Administrative fines, penalties arising from the disposition imposed by the act.

ARTICLE III UTILIZATION OF RESOURCES

SECTION 15. Use of Resources

No person or entity shall enter, enjoy or utilize any portion of the MINP and the resources therein for whatever purpose without prior permission from the MINP-PAMB or the MINP Protected Area Superintendent, as herein provided. Tenured migrants may be allowed to cultivate, harvest and utilize resources in their designated multiple use zones, buffer zones and in other allowable zones as may be indicated in the GMP.

Only MINP-PAMB accredited research institutions shall be allowed to conduct bio-prospecting and other biodiversity-related researches, subject to the procedures and guidelines that will be developed by the MINP-PAMB.

The derivation and utilization of resources within the MINP shall be governed by the MINP-GMP and shall be allowed only for the purpose of maintaining the ecological balance and integrity of the MINP.

SECTION 16. Utilization Permits and User's Fees

The MINP-PAMB shall have the exclusive power to issue permits and impose conditions thereon, or impose and collect fees for the derivation and utilization of the resources within the MINP.

The MINP-PAMB may choose to delegate to the Protected Area Superintendent the authority to issue permits and to collect fees for temporary access to the MINP, such as passage and visiting, subject to the limits as may be provided by the MINP-PAMB;

The entry into the MINP for emergency reasons shall not be subject to entrance or user's fees.

SECTION 17. Use of Energy and Renewable Resources

Only renewable resources may be the subject of exploration, exploitation, or utilization within the MINP.

An Act of Congress is required for energy projects, other than from sun and wind sources, and use of non-renewable resources.

SECTION 18. Environmental Impact Assessment

Any development activity within the MINP, being Environmentally Critical Area (ECA) shall be required to undergo the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) system pursuant to Presidential Decree No. 1586, s. 1978. The MINP-PAMB shall determine the developmental activities that would require ECC in consultation with the concerned agency.

Article IV
INDIGENOUS CULTURAL COMMUNITIES, INDIGENOUS PEOPLES
AND TENURED MIGRANTS

Section 19. The Rights of the Tenured Migrants

The rights of the Tenured Migrants shall be covered by an appropriate tenorial instrument issued by the Department of Environment and Natural Resources. Such tenorial instruments shall be issued to organized tenured migrant communities. No tenorial instruments shall be issued over Ancestral Domains forming part of the MINP without the free and prior informed consent of the Indigenous Cultural Communities or Indigenous Peoples.

Section 20. The Rights of Indigenous Cultural Communities and Indigenous Peoples

The rights of Indigenous Cultural Communities and Indigenous Peoples in the MINP to their lands and domains shall be fully recognized.

The provision of this Act shall be constructed liberally in favor of the Indigenous Cultural Communities and Indigenous Peoples in accordance with the preservation and conservation objectives of the MINP and its resources. Nothing herein shall be construed to impair or diminish prior and existing rights currently enjoyed by the Indigenous Cultural Communities and Indigenous Peoples as provided by existing laws.

Article V
PROHIBITED ACTS AND PENALTIES

SECTION 21. Prohibited acts and penalties:

- a. Hunting, Collecting, Catching, Gathering, Capturing, Wounding, Killing, Destroying or Possessing anywhere within the MINP or its Buffer Zones any species of plant or animal or their by-product or derivatives, or transporting of these plants and animal species without prior approval of the MINP-PAMB. The offender shall be penalized with a fine of not less than Five Thousand (P5,000.00) Pesos but not more than Five Hundred Thousand (P 500,000.00) Pesos and imprisonment of not less than six (6) years and one (1) day, but not more than twelve (12) years and forfeiture of all resources, equipment and conveyances used for violating this Section. The MINP-PAMB shall also impose an administrative fine based on the market value of the resources, plus ten times the market value of the resources as environmental damages, and forfeiture of all resources, equipment and conveyances used for violating this Section.

- b. Bio-prospecting without obtaining prior MINP-PAMB clearance and free and prior informed consent, and the appropriate Department of Environment and Natural Resources permit. Penalty shall be six (6) months and one (1) day to six (6) years of imprisonment, and fine of Two Hundred Thousand (P200,000.00) Pesos to one million (P1,000,000.00) pesos and forfeiture of the resources subject of the offense, together with the equipment and conveyance used. The MINP-PAMB shall also impose an administrative fine of Five Hundred Thousand (P500,000.00) pesos to Two million (P2,000,000.00) pesos and forfeiture of all resources, equipment and conveyances used for violating this Section. Violation of the terms and conditions of any existing permits granted to institutions or individuals shall constitute the commission of this offense. In addition to the penalties herein provided, any permits granted to the offender shall be automatically cancelled.
- c. Acts of Vandalism, such as mutilating, transporting, destroying, excavating or in any manner damaging any natural formation or object of natural beauty inside the MINP, or the burial or religious sites, including artifacts and other objects belonging to Indigenous Cultural Communities and Indigenous Peoples. This shall also include the removal, destruction and alteration of boundary markers and signs. Fine of not less than Twenty Five Thousand (P25,000.00) Pesos but not more than Five Hundred Fifty Thousand (P550,000.00) pesos, and/or imprisonment of not less than six (6) months and one (1) day but not more than six (6) years and the restoration and rehabilitation of the damaged area. The MINP-PAMB shall also separately impose on the offender, a fine equivalent to the value of rehabilitating or restoring the damaged area.
- d. Burning, Clearing, Kaingin within the MINP or its Buffer Zones. Judicial fine of not less than ten times the value of the burned or cleared areas and imprisonment of one (1) year and one (1) day, but not more than six (6) years. The PAMB shall also separately impose on the offender, an administrative fine equivalent to the value of rehabilitating or restoring the damaged area.
- e. The Unreasonable Disturbance of Wildlife and other Habitats, Reproductive Cycle, Roosting and Feeding Grounds and Migratory Paths. Judicial fines and penalties shall be in accordance with the provision of the Wildlife Act. The PAMB shall also impose an administrative fine of not less than Ten Thousand (P10,000.00) Pesos but not more than Fifty Thousand (P50,000.00) Pesos.
- f. Introduction of Exotic Species within the MINP. Fine of not less than Five Thousand (P5,000.00) Pesos, but not more than Five Hundred Thousand (P500,000.00) Pesos, and/or imprisonment of not less than six (6) months and one (1) day but not more than six (6) years. The MINP-PAMB shall also impose an administrative fine of not less than One Hundred thousand (P100,000.00) Pesos but not more than One Million (P1,000,000.00) Pesos, together with the confiscation of exotic fauna and flora. Should the court or the MINP-PAMB determine that these species are detrimental to the integrity of MINP, they shall order the appropriate disposition of the same.

- g. Exploration, Exploitation or Extracting, Drilling, or Prospecting for mineral resources, treasure hunting, or quarrying within the MINP or its buffer zone. Judicial fine of not less than five Hundred Thousand (P500,000.00) Pesos, but not more than five million (P5,000,000.00) Pesos and/or imprisonment of not less than six (6) months and one (1) day but not more than six years, and the restoration and rehabilitation of the damaged area. The MINP-PAMB shall also separately impose on the offender, a fine equivalent to the value of rehabilitating or restoring the damaged area. Together with the confiscation of the equipment, tools, vehicles and resources, the PAMB shall also impose an administrative fine of not less than One Million (P1,000,000.00) Pesos but not more than Ten Million (P10,000,000.00) Pesos. Together with the confiscation of equipment, tools, vehicles and resources, the PAMB shall also separately impose on the offender, a fine equivalent to the value of rehabilitating or restoring the damaged area.
- h. Possession or use of chainsaw, power saw and other motorized equipment anywhere within the MINP or its buffer zones without prior permit from the MINP-PAMB. Imprisonment of six (6) years and one (1) day to eight (8) years or a fine of Thirty Thousand (P30,000.00) Pesos to Fifty Thousand (P50,000.00) Pesos shall be imposed to the offender in violation of this Section. The PAMB shall impose an administrative fine of One Hundred Thousand (P100,000.00) Pesos together with the confiscation of the chain saw, power saw or other motorized equipment.
- i. Constructing or Maintaining any kind of road, edifice, or any kind of enclosure, structure, facility or any infrastructure projects, or operating business enterprise, within the MINP without prior permit from the MINP-PAMB. Fine of not less than Five Thousand (P5,000.00) Pesos, but not more than Five Hundred Thousand (P500,000.00) Pesos, and/or imprisonment of not less than six (6) months and one (1) day but not more than six (6) years, and demolition of improvements which may be detrimental to the integrity of the MINP shall be imposed. The Court shall forfeit in favor of the MINP-PAMB, all improvements, equipment and conveyances used in violation of this Section. The Court shall likewise order the eviction of the offender, demolition of the structures, and restoration and rehabilitation of the damaged area whenever appropriate. The PAMB shall impose an administrative fine of ten thousand (P10,000.00) pesos to seven hundred thousand (P700,000.00) pesos together with the forfeiture of all improvements, equipment and conveyances. The PAMB shall also order the eviction of the offender, demolition of the structures and restoration and rehabilitation of the damaged area whenever appropriate.
- j. Unauthorized occupation or cultivation of areas without PAMB permit. Fine of not less than Five Thousand (P5,000.00) Pesos, but not more than Five Hundred Thousand (P500,000.00) pesos, and/or imprisonment of not less than six (6) months and one (1) day but not more than six (6) years. The Court shall likewise order the eviction of the offender and demolition of the structures, restoration and rehabilitation of the damaged area whenever appropriate. The PAMB shall impose an administrative fine of Ten Thousand (P10,000.00) MINP-PAMB to Seven Hundred Thousand (P700,000.00)

Pesos together with the forfeiture of all improvements, equipment and conveyances. The PAMB shall also order the eviction of the offender and demolition of improvements which may be detrimental to the integrity of the MINP. In case the Tenured Migrants violated said section, his or her rights over the said area shall be forfeited or cancelled, and he/she shall be disqualified from further privileges.

- k. Unauthorized entry except in emergency situations. Except in emergency situations. The MINP-PAMB shall impose an administrative fine of One Thousand (P1,000.00) Pesos to Thirty Thousand (P30,000.00) Pesos as herein provided.
- l. Dumping of waste and littering within the MINP and its Buffer Zones. Dumping of waste shall be punishable by imprisonment of six (6) months and one (1) day but not more than six (6) years and a fine of Five Thousand (P5,000.00) Pesos to Two Hundred Fifty Thousand (P250,000.00) pesos. The PAMB shall impose an administrative fine in the amount of Ten Thousand (P10,000.00) Pesos to Three Hundred Thousand (P300,000.00) Pesos and order the violator to clean up the waste and pay for the clean-up thereof. It shall likewise be unlawful to litter within the MINP. Violation of these provisions shall be penalized by the MINP-PAMB with an administrative fine of One Thousand (P1,000.00) Pesos to Ten Thousand (P10,000.00) Pesos.
- m. For violation of any rules and regulations provided in the GMP or any resolutions approved by the PAMB, an administrative fine of not less than Five Thousand (P5,000.00) Pesos but not more than Fifty Thousand (P50,000.00) Pesos shall be imposed. In all the above-mentioned provisions, should the offender be an association or corporation, the officers shall be directly responsible for the act of the employees and shall suffer the corresponding fines and penalties as herein provided. In case the offender is not a citizen of the Philippines, he or she shall be immediately deported to his or her country of origin after serving his sentence and upon payment of all criminal and administrative fines. For cases involving foreigners no plea-bargaining shall be allowed without the concurrence of the MINP-PAMB, the Department of Environment and Natural Resources and any such person who have initiated the filing of the case as complainant.

SECTION 22. Rules and Regulations

The MINP-PAMB shall promulgate, within three (3) months from the passage of this Act, the appropriate rules and regulations.

ARTICLE VI LAW ENFORCEMENT AND PROSECUTION

SECTION 23. Law Enforcement

The DENR shall implement the provisions of this law and has the power to call upon other agencies for assistance.

The DENR, upon the recommendation of the PAMB, shall deputize any group or persons in writing to enforce the provisions of this Act. Such deputation shall be in writing and signed by the Secretary or the RED to be valid and effective.

The DENR shall provide ranger services to assist in keeping peace and order within the MINP. The forest rangers will report and be directly accountable to the MINP-PAMB.

SECTION 24. Inspection Powers

The Protected Area Superintendent and law enforcers shall have the power to stop and inspect all vehicles and conveyances within the MINP for the purpose of enforcing the provisions of this Act, other laws, rules and regulations.

The MINP-PAMB, Protected Area Superintendent and other authorized law enforcers may enter premises or areas subject of a lease, permit or concession from the MINP-PAMB or DENR for monitoring of compliance with environmental laws, rules and regulations.

Any hindrance made to these inspections shall be considered a violation of these rules and shall subject the offender to the immediate closure of his enterprise pending full inspection as may be warranted.

SECTION 25. Special Prosecutors and Counsels

The Department of Justice, upon request of the PAMB, shall designate a special prosecutor, either or both from among state and public prosecutors to conduct preliminary investigation and prosecute violations of this Act, other laws, rules and regulations within the MINP.

The Office of the Government Corporate Counsel shall provide support legal services to the MINP-PAMB and assistance in the training of the enforcers.

The Public Attorney's Office of the municipalities/city with a stake in the MINP shall provide legal support in defense of the PAMB or any of its officers and staff, should the need arise.

ARTICLE VII TRANSITORY PROVISIONS

SECTION 26. Selection and Appointment of the New MINP-PAMB Member-Representatives

The MINP-PAMB existing and functioning as such prior to the effectivity of this Act (otherwise known as the "Proclamation PAMB"), shall continue to dispose of its

powers and functions until the regular **Mt. Isarog Natural Park Management Board** (MINP-PAMB) has been constituted in accordance with the provisions of this Act.

Upon effectivity of this act, the Secretary of Environment and Natural Resources shall appoint the aforementioned CSO representatives, the terms of which shall last until December 31, 2016.

Within one (1) month from the effectivity of this Act, the existing MINP-PAMB shall draw up the guidelines, in consultation with the agencies and sectors to be represented in the MINPMB, for the selection of its representatives.

Within three (3) months from the effectivity of this Act, the members of the MINP-PAMB which shall be constituted in accordance with this Act, and shall have been appointed by the Secretary of Environment and Natural Resources.

SECTION 27. Continuation of the MINP-Protected Area Office

The present PAO shall continue to exist and function as such, subject to institutionalization in accordance with Section 11 hereof. Within three (3) months after the appointment of all its members, the MINPMB, upon recommendation of the PAO, shall finalize an institutionalization plan for the PAO, and the criteria for selection of personnel to fill-up the items.

Within two (2) months thereafter, a PASu shall be recommended by the MINPMB and appointed by the DENR Regional Executive Director.

SECTION 28. Continuation of all other Arrangements

Except when otherwise provided by this Act, all arrangements, commitments and agreements prior to the effectivity of this Act shall continue to subsist until validly amended, revised, repealed or renewed or upon end of its term.

SECTION 29. Allocation

The annual budget of the MINP, for the first five years of its existence, shall be charged to the appropriations of the DENR. Thereafter, the internally generated revenues from the MINP shall support its operations, without prejudice to any additional appropriation in the General Appropriations Act as Congress may deem necessary.

SECTION 30. Construction and Suppletory Application of Existing Laws

The provision of this Act shall be construed liberally in favor of achieving biodiversity conservation, protection and sustainable development. Provisions of

Republic Act No. 7586, otherwise known as the National Integrated Protected Areas System Act, existing forestry and environmental laws, and their corresponding rules and regulations not inconsistent hereto shall have suppletory effect in the implementation of this Act.

SECTION 31. Separability Clause

If any part or section of this Act is declared unconstitutional or otherwise invalid, such declaration shall not affect the other parts or section hereof.

SECTION 32. Repealing Clause

Proclamation No. 214, s. 2002 is hereby repealed

All laws, presidential decrees, executive orders, rules and regulations inconsistent with this Act shall be deemed repealed or modified accordingly.

This act shall take effect immediately after its complete publication in the Official Gazette or two newspapers of general circulation.

Approved,