

Administrative Order
No. 18
May 08 1992

SUBJECT : Setting aside a certain parcel of land as buffer zone with Mts. Iglit-Baco National Park.

1. In the interest of the service and in order to ensure government partners in the protection of Mts. Iglit-Baco National Park's resources, a parcel of land, to include the ancestral domain of the indigenous cultural communities of the Buhid tribe shall be established as buffer zone situated in the Municipality of Bongabong, Province of Oriental Mindoro (technical description omitted).
2. That this parcel of land shall remain a part of the declared National Park unless otherwise reclassified, in such case the said tribe shall be given priority in land-use disposition:
3. That once the IPAS Law is enacted the herein area set aside as buffer zone shall be included in the Community Forest Stewardship of Sadik Habanan Buhid, Inc.;
4. That the Buhid tribe shall be prioritized in the granting of exclusive rights of occupancy, settlement, cultivation, utilization and access to resources within the area in accordance with existing laws rules and regulations;
5. That the same indigenous cultural communities shall help develop, maintain, protect and conserve the resources therein specifically all naturally growing trees occurring twenty (20) meters on both sides of all water systems within their ancestral land; and
6. All other activities shall conform with the terms and conditions that shall be specified in a memorandum of agreement to be drawn up between the Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) and the said indigenous cultural communities and/or their representative tribal organization.

This order takes effect immediately.

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Secretary