

**DENR Memorandum Order**  
**No. 08**  
**April 04, 1995**

**SUBJECT : Clarification on the Provisions of the NIPAS Law  
Regarding the Modification of Boundary of the  
Protected Area and its Buffer Zone**

Pursuant to Section 7 of the NIPAS Act and Section 5 of DAO 25, Series of 1992, the boundaries of a protected areas can be modified in accordance with the set procedures. In cases where additional public lands are recommended by the people for inclusion in a protected area or its buffer zone, any proposed DENR project or processing of applications for lease/license/permit pertaining to the use of the land must be held in abeyance until such time that the area has been established as protected area or buffer zone through Presidential Proclamation.

Thereafter, the use of the land shall be governed by the relevant provisions of the NIPAS law, its implementing rules and regulations and other related support policies.

SO ORDERED.

**ANGEL C. ALCALA**  
**Secretary**