



Republic of the Philippines
DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES
Regional Office No. 1
Government Center, Sevilla, San Fernando City, La Union



JAN 07 2015

SPECIAL TREE CUTTING PERMIT NO. 2015, 41

Hon. Manuel C. Ortega

Prov'l. Governor

Province of La Union

Dear Gov. Ortega:

Pursuant to the CLEARANCE issued by the Undersecretary for Field Operations dated 17 December 2014, a Special Tree Cutting Permit is hereby granted for the cutting of sixty four (64) trees to be affected by the improvement/widening of farm-to-market road (FMR) located at Brgy. Balebec, Naguilian to Brgy. Basca, Aringay, both in the province of La Union.

This Permit shall be in accordance with existing forestry laws, rules and regulations and subject to the following terms and conditions:

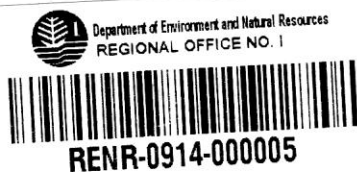
1. To the extent possible, trees to be affected shall be incorporated in the design of the road widening/improvement project in order to minimize loss of trees;
2. Maximum of only sixty four (64) trees shall be authorized to be cut as described at the back of this permit;
3. Prior to tree cutting, a placard with dimension of 4 feet by 8 feet shall be installed within the cutting area informing the public that the tree cutting is authorized by the DENR and indicating the name of the permittee, the purpose of tree cutting and the number of trees to be cut;
4. The permittee shall conduct extensive public consultations with concerned stakeholders in the area to discuss importance of the project, removal of trees affected and replacement of trees to be cut, and resolve potential issues that may be raised;
5. Prior to the tree-cutting operations, the permittee shall conduct assessment of trees in terms of their biodiversity, carbon sequestration potential and water storage capacity and identify mitigation measures to address the negative impacts of the tree cutting;
6. Issues that will arise from the tree cutting should be addressed directly by the permittee;

7. Pursuant to DENR Memorandum Order No. 2012-20 dated 05 November 2012 re: *Uniform Replacement Ratio for Cut or Relocated Trees* the permittee shall replace each tree to be cut with fifty (50) seedlings for planted trees and one hundred (100) seedlings for naturally grown trees, all preferably of indigenous tree species to be donated to the nearest DENR office in support of the National Greening Program (NGP) and Climate Change initiatives of the government.
8. The tree cutting operations shall at all times be under the direct supervision of the Regional Director, DENR-Region 1 and/or PENRO La Union as the duly authorized representative(s). The logs and other derivable wood materials to be recovered from the cut tree shall belong to the permittee. Logs and other derivable wood materials to be recovered from cut trees located in the titled lands shall belong to the land owners subject to payment of forest charges in the amount of ₱ 2, 586.50 for the twenty (20) naturally grown trees, pursuant to Republic Act No. 7161. The permittee shall be responsible in identifying the concerned lot owners for the affected trees and payment of corresponding forest charges. In case the wood materials shall be transported by the permittee, the same shall be covered by transport documents issued by the DENR;
9. It shall be the responsibility of this Office through the PENRO La Union to monitor the permittee's compliance with the terms and conditions stipulated in this permit;
10. The permittee shall be required to undertake measures during and after tree cutting operations to mitigate the possible impacts of the said activity to the locality and to the environment; and
11. Violation of any of the terms and conditions of the permit shall be sufficient ground for the termination/cancellation of the permit, without prejudice to the imposition of appropriate penalties pursuant to existing regulations, and one strike policy to concerned DENR official(s) and/or personnel(s).

This PERMIT shall expire sixty (60) days from issuance hereof or as soon as the trees authorized herein have been cut/removed.

Please be guided accordingly.

Very truly yours,



SAMUEL R. PEÑAFIEL, CESO III
Regional Director

CC:

- The USEC for Field Operations
- The FMD Director

Tree No.	Tree (Species)	Volume (cu.m)	Tree Category	Location
12	Yemane	0.03	Planted	Basca, Aringay, La Union
20	Nangka	0.02	Naturally Grown	Basca, Aringay, La Union
21	Molave	0.05	Naturally Grown	Basca, Aringay, La Union
22	Mango	0.83	Planted	Basca, Aringay, La Union
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24	Tamarind	0.41	Planted	Basca, Aringay, La Union
25	Mango	0.10	Planted	Basca, Aringay, La Union
26	Mahogany	0.33	Planted	Basca, Aringay, La Union
27	Mango	0.20	Planted	Basca, Aringay, La Union
28	Yemane	0.05	Planted	Basca, Aringay, La Union
29	Santol	0.14	Planted	Basca, Aringay, La Union
30	Molave	0.13	Naturally Grown	Basca, Aringay, La Union
31	Mango	0.09	Planted	Basca, Aringay, La Union
32	Yemane	0.02	Planted	Basca, Aringay, La Union
33	Bignai-pogo	0.02	Naturally Grown	Basca, Aringay, La Union
34	Yemane	0.1	Planted	Basca, Aringay, La Union
35	Yemane	0.08	Planted	Basca, Aringay, La Union
40	Mango	0.16	Planted	Basca, Aringay, La Union
41	Pagsahingin	0.03	Naturally Grown	Basca, Aringay, La Union
42	Akleng parang	0.06	Naturally Grown	Basca, Aringay, La Union
43	Yemane	0.05	Planted	Basca, Aringay, La Union
44	Bignai-pogo	0.03	Naturally Grown	Basca, Aringay, La Union
45	Duhat	0.13	Naturally Grown	Basca, Aringay, La Union
46	Rain Tree	0.04	Naturally Grown	Balecbec, Naguilian, La Union
47	Rain Tree	0.24	Naturally Grown	Balecbec, Naguilian, La Union
48	Akleng parang	0.08	Naturally Grown	Balecbec, Naguilian, La Union
49	Hagimit	0.04	Naturally Grown	Balecbec, Naguilian, La Union
50	Akleng parang	0.22	Naturally Grown	Balecbec, Naguilian, La Union
51	Teak	0.14	Planted	Balecbec, Naguilian, La Union
52	Mango	0.72	Planted	Balecbec, Naguilian, La Union
53	Binunga	0.06	Naturally Grown	Balecbec, Naguilian, La Union
54	Binunga	0.04	Naturally Grown	Balecbec, Naguilian, La Union
55	Akleng parang	0.33	Naturally Grown	Balecbec, Naguilian, La Union
56	Binunga	0.02	Naturally Grown	Balecbec, Naguilian, La Union
57	Rain Tree	0.59	Naturally Grown	Balecbec, Naguilian, La Union
58	Binunga	0.07	Naturally Grown	Balecbec, Naguilian, La Union
59	Teak	0.18	Planted	Balecbec, Naguilian, La Union
60	Mango	0.08	Planted	Balecbec, Naguilian, La Union
61	Teak	0.03	Planted	Balecbec, Naguilian, La Union
62	Teak	0.17	Planted	Balecbec, Naguilian, La Union
63	Teak	0.09	Planted	Balecbec, Naguilian, La Union
64	Mango	0.16	Planted	Balecbec, Naguilian, La Union
65	Mango	0.12	Planted	Balecbec, Naguilian, La Union
66	Mango	0.2	Planted	Balecbec, Naguilian, La Union
67	Yemane	0.05	Planted	Balecbec, Naguilian, La Union
68	Yemane	0.12	Planted	Balecbec, Naguilian, La Union
69	Yemane	0.05	Planted	Balecbec, Naguilian, La Union
70	Teak	0.07	Planted	Balecbec, Naguilian, La Union
71	Teak	0.21	Planted	Balecbec, Naguilian, La Union
72	Teak	0.37	Planted	Balecbec, Naguilian, La Union
73	Teak	0.08	Planted	Balecbec, Naguilian, La Union
74	Teak	0.01	Planted	Balecbec, Naguilian, La Union
75	Teak	0.01	Planted	Balecbec, Naguilian, La Union
76	Teak	0.01	Planted	Balecbec, Naguilian, La Union
77	Rain Tree	0.25	Naturally Grown	Balecbec, Naguilian, La Union
78	Acacia auricoliformis	0.14	Planted	Balecbec, Naguilian, La Union
79	Narra	0.09	Planted	Balecbec, Naguilian, La Union
80	Acacia auricoliformis	0.18	Planted	Balecbec, Naguilian, La Union
81	Acacia auricoliformis	0.14	Planted	Balecbec, Naguilian, La Union

85	Narra	0.14	Planted	Balecbe, Naguilian, La Union
86	Yemane	0.17	Planted	Balecbe, Naguilian, La Union
TOTAL		9.814	64 Trees	

Computed Forest Charges of Naturally Grown Trees Based on DAO 2000-63

	Volume (cu.m)	Forest Charges (₱)
A. Furniture and Construction Hardwood (Akleng parang, Rain Tree ad Nangka)	1.83	1,738.50
B. Premium Species (Molave)	0.18	540.00
C. Lesser Used Species (Bignai-pogo, Pagsahingin, Duhat, Hagimit and Binunga)	0.44	308.00
TOTAL		2,586.50

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MEMORANDUM

TO : The Regional Director
DENR-Region I
FROM : The Undersecretary for Field Operations
SUBJECT : **REQUEST TO CUT TREES AFFECTED BY THE PROPOSED
IMPROVEMENT/ WIDENING OF THE EXISTING FARM-TO-
MARKET ROAD FROM BRGY BALECBEC, NAGUILIAN TO BRGY.
BASCA, ARINGAY, LA UNION**
DATE : **DEC 17 2014'**

This pertains to the request dated 09 June 2014 of Gov. Manuel C. Ortega of La Union for a permit to cut trees of various species that will be affected by the improvement/widening of their farm-to-market road (FMR) located at Barangay Balecbec, Naguilian and Barangay Barca, Aringay, both in the province of La Union. The FMR improvement/widening will be funded by the Philippine Rural Development Project of the Department of Agriculture.

In accordance with the indorsement and recommendation of the Forest Management Bureau, pursuant to the Memorandum of the Executive Secretary dated 20 October 2011 regarding "similar activities" of Section No. 2, item no. 2.2 of Executive Order No. 23 Projects not covered by the suspension on the issuance of tree cutting permits include those for "*Road right-of-way rehabilitation, widening of roads, airstrips and other infrastructure projects undertaken by government entities*" and subject to the full compliance of the applicant with all the requirements and processes stipulated under pertinent DENR rules and regulations, **CLEARANCE** is hereby granted to the Regional Director, DENR-Region I to issue Special Tree Cutting Permit in favor of the applicant subject to existing forestry laws, rules and regulations and to the following terms and conditions:

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9. It shall be the responsibility of your Office to monitor the permittee's compliance with the terms and conditions stipulated in this permit;
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FOR STRICT COMPLIANCE.


DEMETRIO L. IGNACIO, JR., CESO I

Cc: Gov. Manuel C. Ortega
Province of La Union

The Undersecretary and Chief of Staff, DENR

The Director, Forest Management Bureau

The Head Executive Assistant, DENR