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SUBJECT : LIST OF ADDITIONAL CLASSIFIED CAVES

Pursuant to Republic Act No. 9072 (National Caves and Cave Resources Management and Protection Act), the DENR Memorandum Circular No. 2007-04 (Procedure in Cave Classification), and upon recommendation of the National Cave Committee, this Circular which enumerates classified caves, in addition to DMC No. 2012-03, is hereby issued for the guidance of all concerned:

Section 1. Objective. The primary purpose for the classification of the subject caves is to conserve, protect and manage the natural wealth and heritage of caves and cave resources.

Section 2. Cave Classification. DMC 2007-04 prescribes the following classes of caves in the country:

Class I. Caves with delicate and fragile geological formations, threatened species, archeological and paleontological values and extremely hazardous conditions. Allowable activities are limited to mapping, photography, educational and scientific purposes and closed for ecotourism activities.

Class II. Caves with areas or portions which have hazardous conditions and contain sensitive geological, archeological, cultural, historical and biological values or high quality ecosystem. It may be necessary to close sections of these caves seasonally or permanently. It is open to experienced cavers or guided educational tours/ visits.

Class III. Caves with no known threatened species and archeological, geological, natural history, cultural and historical values. It is safe to inexperienced visitors but should still be accompanied by cave guide/s. The caves may also be utilized, when appropriate, for other economic purposes such as guano extraction and edible birds nest collection.

Section 3. List of 2013 Classified Caves.

REGION/ PROVINCE	NAME OF CAVE	LOCATION	CLASSIFICATION
Cordillera Administrative Region(8)			
1. Mountain Province	1. Sumaging Cave*	Sagada	Class II
2. Abra	1. Agapang Cave	Subangan, Licuan	Class III
	2. Simembaan Cave	Poblacion, Lagayan	Class III
	3. Kimmatre Cave	Poblacion, Lagayan	Class III
	4. Kimampana Cave	Poblacion, Lagayan	Class III
	5. Angib Cave	Abualan, San Juan	Class III
3. Apayao	1. Lussok Cave	Dagupan, Luna	Class II

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	2. Jessie Cave	Kabugao, Apayao	Class I
Region 1 (20)			
1. Ilocos Norte	1. Masi Cave	Adams, Adam	Class I
	2. Aba-Aba Cave	Tanap, Burgos	Class II
	3. Matakwal Cave I	Tanap, Burgos	Class II
	4. Matakwal Cave II	Tanap, Burgos	Class II
	5. Sidaga Cave	Agaga, Burgos	Class II
	6. Siplit Cave 1	Agaga, Burgos	Class II
	7. Siplit Cave 2	Agaga, Burgos	Class II
2. Pangasinan	1. Dapanan Cave 1	Linmansangan, Alaminos City	Class II
	2. Dapanan Cave 2	Linmansangan, Alaminos City	Class II
	3. Dapanan Cave 3	Linmansangan, Alaminos City	Class II
	4. Adoy Cave	Linmansangan, Alaminos City	Class III
	5. Cathedral Cave (Hundred Islands National Park)	Alaminos City	Class II
	6. Quirino Cave (Hundred Islands National Park)	Alaminos City	Class II
	7. Century Cave (Hundred Islands National Park)	Alaminos City	Class II
	8. Cueno Cave (Hundred Islands National Park)	Alaminos City	Class II
	9. Milagrosa Cave (Hundred Islands National Park)	Alaminos City	Class II
	10. Imelda Cave (Hundred Islands National Park)	Alaminos City	Class II
	11. Virgin Cave (Hundred Islands National Park)	Alaminos City	Class II
	12. Governor's Cave (Hundred Islands National Park)	Alaminos City	Class II
	13. Romulo Cave (Hundred Islands National Park)	Alaminos City	Class II

REGION/ PROVINCE	NAME OF CAVE	LOCATION	CLASSIFICATION
Region 2 (101)			
1. Batanes	1. Chuhangin Cave* (Batanes Protected Landscape and Seascape)	Ivuhos, Sabtang	Class II
	2. Chavulan Rockshelter* (Batanes Protected Landscape and Seascape)	Ivuhos, Sabtang	Class II
	3. Tarungan Cave* (Batanes Protected Landscape and Seascape)	Sta. Lucia, Itbayat	Class II
	4. Dios Sipun Rockshelter* (Batanes Protected Landscape and Seascape)	Mahatao, Mahatao	Class II
	5. Mavuyok Aschip Cave* (Batanes Protected Landscape and Seascape)	Mahatao, Mahatao	Class II
	6. Pasongtan Cave* (Batanes Protected Landscape and Seascape)	Ivuhos, Sabtang	Class II
	7. Peranum Cave* (Batanes Protected Landscape and Seascape)	Ivuhos, Sabtang	Class II
2. Cagayan	1. M (Eme) Cave A* (Peñablanca Protected Landscape)	Malibabag, Peñablanca	Class II
	2. M (Eme) Cave B* (Peñablanca Protected Landscape)	Malibabag, Peñablanca	Class II
	3. M (Eme) Rockshelter * (Peñablanca Protected Landscape)	Malibabag, Peñablanca	Class II
	4. Nido Cave* (Peñablanca Protected Landscape)	Malibabag, Peñablanca	Class II
	5. Cumahong Cave* (Peñablanca Protected Landscape)	Nannarian, Peñablanca	Class II
	6. Laurente Cave* (Peñablanca Protected Landscape)	Nannarian, Peñablanca	Class II
	7. Abbag Cave* (Peñablanca Protected Landscape)	Nannarian, Peñablanca	Class II
	8. Tumangil Cave A* (Peñablanca Protected Landscape)	Nannarian, Peñablanca	Class II
	9. Tumangil Cave B* (Peñablanca Protected Landscape)	Nannarian, Peñablanca	Class II

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	10. Tumangil Cave C* (Peñablanca Protected Landscape)	Nannarian, Peñablanca	Class II
	11. Calimag Rockshelter A* (Peñablanca Protected Landscape)	Nannarian, Peñablanca	Class II
	12. Calimag Rockshelter B* (Peñablanca Protected Landscape)	Nannarian, Peñablanca	Class II
	13. Calimag Rockshelter C* (Peñablanca Protected Landscape)	Nannarian, Peñablanca	Class II
	14. Dela Rosa Cave A* (Peñablanca Protected Landscape)	Nannarian, Peñablanca	Class II
	15. Dela Rosa Cave B* (Peñablanca Protected Landscape)	Nannarian, Peñablanca	Class II
	16. Makayang Cave* (Peñablanca Protected Landscape)	Nannarian, Peñablanca	Class II
	17. Pasulgong Cave* (Peñablanca Protected Landscape)	Nannarian, Peñablanca	Class II
	18. Gregorio Allan Cave* (Peñablanca Protected Landscape)	Nannarian, Peñablanca	Class II
	19. Longolong Cave A* (Peñablanca Protected Landscape)	Nannarian, Peñablanca	Class II
	20. Longolong Cave B* (Peñablanca Protected Landscape)	Nannarian, Peñablanca	Class II
	21. Dalla Cave* (Peñablanca Protected Landscape)	Nannarian, Peñablanca	Class II
	22. Isidro Cave Open Site* (Peñablanca Protected Landscape)	Nannarian, Peñablanca	Class II
	23. Nabbalahan Cave* (Peñablanca Protected Landscape)	Nannarian, Peñablanca	Class II
	24. Antonio Calimag Cave* (Peñablanca Protected Landscape)	San Roque, Peñablanca	Class II
	25. Rabel Cave* (Peñablanca Protected Landscape)	San Roque, Peñablanca	Class II
	26. Bassig Rockshelter* (Peñablanca Protected Landscape)	San Roque, Peñablanca	Class II
	27. Bassig Cave A* (Peñablanca Protected Landscape)	San Roque, Peñablanca	Class II
	28. Bassig Cave B* (Peñablanca Protected Landscape)	San Roque, Peñablanca	Class II
	29. Alejandro Malanos Cave* (Peñablanca Protected Landscape)	San Roque, Peñablanca	Class II
	30. Pedro Pagulayan Cave* (Peñablanca Protected Landscape)	San Roque, Peñablanca	Class II
	31. Geronimo Pagulayan Cave* (Peñablanca Protected Landscape)	San Roque, Peñablanca	Class II

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	32. Alipat Cave A* (Peñablanca Protected Landscape)	San Roque, Peñablanca	Class II
	33. Alipat Cave B* (Peñablanca Protected Landscape)	San Roque, Peñablanca	Class II
	34. Dallan Surkot Cave A* (Peñablanca Protected Landscape)	San Roque, Peñablanca	Class II
	35. Segismundo Daguig Cave* (Peñablanca Protected Landscape)	San Roque, Peñablanca	Class II
	36. Kirat Cave A* (Peñablanca Protected Landscape)	San Roque, Peñablanca	Class II
	37. Kirat Cave B* (Peñablanca Protected Landscape)	San Roque, Peñablanca	Class II
	38. Kirat Cave C* (Peñablanca Protected Landscape)	San Roque, Peñablanca	Class II
	39. Dallan Surkot Cave B* (Peñablanca Protected Landscape)	San Roque, Peñablanca	Class II
	40. Dallan Surkot Cave C* (Peñablanca Protected Landscape)	San Roque, Peñablanca	Class II
	41. Dallan Surkot Cave D* (Peñablanca Protected Landscape)	San Roque, Peñablanca	Class II
	42. Juan Talattad Cave* (Peñablanca Protected Landscape)	San Roque, Peñablanca	Class II
	43. Atanang Nga Darulu Cave* (Peñablanca Protected Landscape)	San Roque, Peñablanca	Class II
	44. Abusag Cave* (Peñablanca Protected Landscape)	San Roque, Peñablanca	Class II
	45. Hunong Spring Cave* (Peñablanca Protected Landscape)	San Roque, Peñablanca	Class II
	46. Aggruluban Cave A* (Peñablanca Protected Landscape)	San Roque, Peñablanca	Class II
	47. Aggruluban Cave B* (Peñablanca Protected Landscape)	San Roque, Peñablanca	Class II
	48. Gahot Cave* (Peñablanca Protected Landscape)	San Roque, Peñablanca	Class II
	49. Arku Cave* (Peñablanca Protected Landscape)	Quibal, Peñablanca	Class II
	50. Carabao Cave* (Peñablanca Protected Landscape)	Quibal, Peñablanca	Class II
	51. Musang Cave* (Peñablanca Protected Landscape)	Quibal, Peñablanca	Class II
	52. Lattu-Lattuc Cave* (Peñablanca Protected Landscape)	Quibal, Peñablanca	Class II
	53. Minori Cave* (Peñablanca Protected Landscape)	Quibal, Peñablanca	Class II

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	54. Allan Cave* (Peñablanca Protected Landscape)	Quibal, Peñablanca	Class II
	55. Pattao Cave A* (Peñablanca Protected Landscape)	Quibal, Peñablanca	Class II
	56. Lagundi Cave* (Peñablanca Protected Landscape)	Quibal, Peñablanca	Class II
	57. Poso Cave* (Peñablanca Protected Landscape)	Quibal, Peñablanca	Class II
	58. Caramag Cave* (Peñablanca Protected Landscape)	Quibal, Peñablanca	Class II
	59. Abbu-abbuc Cave* (Peñablanca Protected Landscape)	Quibal, Peñablanca	Class II
	60. Pattao Cave B* (Peñablanca Protected Landscape)	Quibal, Peñablanca	Class II
	61. Pattao Cave C* (Peñablanca Protected Landscape)	Quibal, Peñablanca	Class II
	62. Feliciano Luan Cave* (Peñablanca Protected Landscape)	Quibal, Peñablanca	Class II
	63. Tarapitti Cave* (Peñablanca Protected Landscape)	Quibal, Peñablanca	Class II
	64. Nasirag Cave* (Peñablanca Protected Landscape)	Quibal, Peñablanca	Class II
	65. Ngarag Cave* (Peñablanca Protected Landscape)	Quibal, Peñablanca	Class II
	66. Aureo Lopez Cave* (Peñablanca Protected Landscape)	Quibal, Peñablanca	Class II
	67. Pallagana Cave A* (Peñablanca Protected Landscape)	Quibal, Peñablanca	Class II
	68. Pallagana Cave B* (Peñablanca Protected Landscape)	Quibal, Peñablanca	Class II
	69. Pinacanuan Rockshelter* (Peñablanca Protected Landscape)	Quibal, Peñablanca	Class II
	70. Lalongan Cave A* (Peñablanca Protected Landscape)	Sisim, Penablanca	Class II
	71. Lalongan Cave B* (Peñablanca Protected Landscape)	Sisim, Penablanca	Class II
	72. Lalongan Cave C* (Peñablanca Protected Landscape)	Sisim, Penablanca	Class II
	73. Nangilatan Cave A* (Peñablanca Protected Landscape)	Nangilatan Proper, Penablanca	Class II
	74. Nangilatan Cave B* (Peñablanca Protected Landscape)	Nangilatan Proper, Penablanca	Class II
	75. Ramon Perbin Cave* (Peñablanca Protected Landscape)	Nangilatan Proper, Penablanca	Class II

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	76. Segundino Tuliao Cave* (Peñablanca Protected Landscape)	Tumbli, Penablanca	Class II
	77. Martin Soriano Cave B* (Peñablanca Protected Landscape)	Tumbli, Penablanca	Class II
	78. Pagulayan Cave (Peñablanca Protected Landscape)	Bical, Peñablanca	Class I
	79. ROC Cave (Peñablanca Protected Landscape)	Quibal, Peñablanca	Class II
	80. Nanguillattan Cave (Peñablanca Protected Landscape)	Nanguillattan, Peñablanca	Class II
	81. Bureau of Forest Development (BFD) Cave (Peñablanca Protected Landscape)	Nanguillattan, Peñablanca	Class III
	82. Hot Spring Cave (Snake Cave)	Asinga Via, Baggao	Class II
	83. Alsung Cave	Anagguan, Rizal	Class III
3. Isabela	1. Moon Cave (Fuyot Spring National Park)	Sta. Victoria, Ilagan	Class III
	2. Adventure Cave (Fuyot Spring National Park)	Sta. Victoria, Ilagan	Class III
	3. Crystal Cave (Fuyot Spring National Park)	Sta. Victoria, Ilagan	Class I
	4. Dabo & Marayag (Fuyot Spring National Park)	Sta. Victoria, Ilagan	Class I
	5. Altar Cave (Fuyot Spring National Park)	Sta. Victoria, Ilagan	Class III
	6. Main Cave (Fuyot Spring National Park)	Sta. Victoria, Ilagan	Class III
	7. Immusuk Cave (Fuyot Spring National Park)	Sta. Victoria, Ilagan	Class I
4. Quirino	1. Aglipay Cave 5 (Quirino Protected Landscape)	Villa Ventura, Aglipay	Class III
	2. Aglipay Cave 6 (Quirino Protected Landscape)	Villa Ventura, Aglipay	Class II
	3. Dipantan Cave (Quirino Protected Landscape)	Dipantan, Nagtipunan	Class II
	4. Sinimbaan Cave* (Quirino Protected Landscape)	Municipality of Diffun	Class II
Region 3 (3)			
1. Aurora	1. Layang-layang Cave	Real, San Luis	Class II

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	2. Sinag Cave	Real, San Luis	Class II
	3. Tikbalang Cave	Real, San Luis	Class II
Region 4A (10)			
1. Quezon	1. Peñaverde Cave (Buenavista Protected Landscape)	Buenavista, Mulanay,	Class I
	2. Anacleto Cave (Buenavista Protected Landscape)	Buenavista, Mulanay	Class I
	3. Forbes Cave (Buenavista Protected Landscape)	Buenavista, Mulanay	Class I
	4. Mabahong Butas Cave (Buenavista Protected Landscape)	Buenavista, Mulanay	Class II
	5. Pinagsayawan Cave (Buenavista Protected Landscape)	Buenavista, Mulanay	Class II
	6. Bahaga Cave	Amuguis, Mulanay	Class I
2. Laguna	1. Underground Cathedral	Paowin, Cavinti	Class II
	2. Minalukan Cave	Paowin, Cavinti	Class II
3. Rizal	1. Tinipak Cave (Presidential Proclamation 1636)	Daraitan, Tanay	Class II
4. Cavite	1. Makabag Cave	Lumampong Balabag, Indang	Class III
Region 4B (18)			
1. Palawan	1. Panuyon-maliit Cave**	Sandoval, Bataraza	Class II
	2. Panuyon Cave**	Sandoval, Bataraza	Class III
	3. Simbahan Cave**	Panlaitan, Busuanga	Class II
	4. Doble Entrada**	Panlaitan, Busuanga	Class II
	5. Doble Puerta**	Panlaitan, Busuanga	Class II
	6. Baras Cave**	Caponayan, Cuyo	Class III
	7. Clemente Cave**	Caponayan, Cuyo	Class III
	8. Tumoy Cave**	Caponayan, Cuyo	Class III

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	9. Almonica Cave**	San Jose, Puerto Princesa	Class III
	10. Sigmangan – Upper Deck**	San Rafael, Puerto Princesa	Class III
	11. Sigmangan – Lower Deck**	San Rafael, Puerto Princesa	Class II
	12. Erkon Cave**	San Rafael, Puerto Princesa	Class III
	13. Marambuaya Cave**	Sandoval, Bataraza	Class II
	14. Moore’s Cave**	Panalingaan, J. Rizal	Class II
	15. Mambeng Cave**	Talaga, Cagayancillo	Class III
3. Oriental Mindoro	1. San Rafael Cave 2	San Rafael, Roxas,	Class II
4. Occidental Mindoro	1. Purnaga Cave	Purnaga, Magsaysay	Class II
4. Romblon	1. Uyo Cave	Uyo, Corcuerra	Class II
Region 6 (3)			
1. Antique	1. Biana Cave (Northwest Panay Peninsula Natural Park)	Bulanao, Libertad	Class I
	2. Negra Cave (Northwest Panay Peninsula Natural Park)	Bulanao, Libertad	Class II
	3. Palje Cave (Northwest Panay Peninsula Natural Park)	Bulanao, Libertad	Class I
Region 8 (2)			
1. Samar	1. Sohoton Cave (Samar Island Natural Park)	Inuntan, Basey	Class II
	2. Calbiga Cave/ Langon-Gobingob Cave System (Samar Island Natural Park)	Panayuran, Calbiga	Class II
Region 11 (30)			
1. Compostela Valley	1. Sto. Niño Cave I	Sto. Niño, Laak	Class II
	2. Sto. Niño Cave 2	Sto. Niño, Laak	Class III

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	3. Sto. Niño Cave 3	Sto. Niño, Laak	Class III
	4. Sto. Niño Cave 4	Sto. Niño, Laak	Class II
	5. Sto. Niño Cave 5	Sto. Niño, Laak	Class I
	6. Sto. Niño Cave 6	Sto. Niño, Laak	Class II
	7. Mahayahay Cave	Tuboran, Mawab	Class II
2. Davao del Norte	1. Gitgitan Cave	Suaon, Kapalong	Class II
	2. Sayaw Cave	Suaon, Kapalong	Class II
	3. Otso Cave	Suaon, Kapalong	Class II
	4. Underground Cave	Suaon, Kapalong	Class II
	5. GR Cave	Suaon, Kapalong	Class II
	6. Borja Cave	Del Monte, New Corella	Class I
	7. Tibyun Cave	Sta. Fe, New Corella	Class II
	8. Gayas Cave	New Cortez, New Corella	Class II
	9. Paradise Cave	Del Monte New Corella	Class II
	10. Rickton Cave	Del Monte New Corella	Class II
	11. Roman Cave	Sta. Fe, New Corella	Class II
	12. Bongsit Cave	Sta. Fe, New Corella	Class II
	13. Garcia/Dadatan Cave	Kaputian, Island Garden City of Samal	Class I
	14. Baong Cave	Kaputian, Island Garden City of Samal	Class I
	15. Taclobo Cave I	Kaputian, Island Garden City of Samal	Class I
	16. Taclobo Cave 2	Kaputian, Island Garden City of Samal	Class I
	17. Pandan Cave	Kaputian, Island Garden City of Samal	Class II

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	18. Santol Cave	Kaputian, Island Garden City of Samal	Class I
3. Davao Oriental	1. Mera Cave I	Ban-ao, Baganga	Class I
	2. Mera Cave 2	Ban-ao, Baganga	Class II
	3. Mat-I Cave I	Ban-ao, Baganga	Class II
	4. Mat-I Cave 2	Ban-ao, Baganga	Class III
	5. Mat-I Cave 3	Ban-ao, Baganga	Class I
Region 12 (7)			
1. Sarangani	1. Linao Cave* (Sarangani Bay Protected Landscape)	Linao, Maitum	Class II
2. North Cotabato	1. Lupi Cave	Pisan, Kabacan	Class III
	2. Cathedral and Avenue Cave	Pisan, Kabacan	Class II
3. South Cotabato	1. Kofnit Cave	Lamfugon, Lake Sebu	Class II
	2. Malibato Cave	Lambuling, T'boli	Class III
4. Sultan Kudarat	1. Tenobak Cave	Keytodac, Lebak	Class II
Region 13 (5)			
1. Agusan del Sur	1. Ognop Cave I	Mabuhay, Prosperidad	Class I
	2. Ognop Cave 2	Mabuhay, Prosperidad	Class III
2. Surigao del Norte	1. Libertad Cave I	Libertad, Sta. Monica	Class III
	2. Libertad Cave 2	Libertad, Sta. Monica	Class III
3. Surigao del Sur	1. Campamento Cave I	Sanghan, Lanuza	Class II

* Cave assessed and classified by the National Museum (with archaeological and/ or historical value)

** Cave assessed and classified by the Palawan Council for Sustainable Development

Section 4. Cave Activities. The classification of caves shall be a continuing process until all caves in the country have been classified. Additional list of classified caves shall be issued on a yearly basis pursuant to DAO 2007-04.

For NIPAS sites with classified caves having archaeological and/ or historical values, the National Museum and/ or the National Historical Commission shall be invited as member/s of the Protected Area and Management Board (PAMB).

A cave management plan shall be prepared for each classified cave, provided that all ecotourism, scientific, educational and economic activities, whenever allowed must be guided by concerned DENR personnel. For the implementation of the management plan for caves outside NIPAS, the DENR shall issue a Memorandum of Agreement templates for DENR-LGU and DENR-LGU-Landowner.

Caves may be reclassified based on the results of a specific study/ studies or experts' advice. The proposed reclassification shall be recommended by the Regional Cave Committee (RCC) and the PAMB for caves outside and inside the NIPAS sites, respectively; reviewed by the RCC and the National Cave Committee and endorsed by the RED through the PAWB Director to the Secretary. The DENR shall issue a separate list of reclassified caves.

Section 5. Separability Clause. Any provisions of previous circular, memoranda and other issuances inconsistent herewith are hereby amended, superseded or repealed accordingly.

Section 6. Effectivity. This Memorandum Circular shall be circulated for the guidance of all concerned.


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