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SUBJECT : ADDITIONAL LIST OF CLASSIFIED CAVES AND ERRATUM OF CERTAIN PORTION OF SECTION 3 OF DMC 2016-05

Pursuant to Republic Act No. 9072 otherwise known as the "National Caves and Cave Management and Protection Act", its Implementing Rules and Regulations as provided under DAO 2003-29, and in compliance with Section 4 of DENR Memorandum Circular No. 2007-04 (Procedure in Cave Classification), that DENR shall provide a list of classified caves in addition to those listed under DMC Nos. 2016-05, 2015-08, 2014-03 and 2012-03, this Circular is hereby issued for the guidance of all concerned:

SECTION 1. Objective. This Circular aims to provide guidance to the DENR and other concerned agencies responsible for the management of caves on the appropriate use of caves listed herein.

SECTION 2. Cave Classification. Caves are classified according to the following categories:

- 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 2018 Classified Caves. Based on the results of assessments as provided under DMC 2007-04, the following ninety nine (99) caves constitute the additional list of classified caves:

REGION/ PROVINCE	NAME OF CAVE	LOCATION	CLASSIFICATION
Region 1 (7)			
Pangasinan	Calzo Cave	Brgy. Linmansangan, Alaminos City	Class II
	Ampiong Cave	Brgy. Macalang, Dasol	Class II

REGION/ PROVINCE	NAME OF CAVE	LOCATION	CLASSIFICATION
	Masing Cave	Sitio Zenia, Brgy. Macalang, Dasol	Class II
Ilocos Norte	Albano Cave	Brgy. Poblacion, Burgos	Class II
	Duldulao Cave	Brgy. Poblacion, Burgos	Class I ^C
	Kasilbangan Cave 1	Brgy. Sapat, Pasuquin	Class II
	Kasilbangan Cave 2	Brgy. Sapat, Pasuquin	Class II
Region 3 (3)			
Bulacan	Madlum Cave (Biak-na-Bato National Park)	Sitio Madlum, Brgy. Sibul, San Miguel	Class III
	Pebbles Cave (Biak-na-Bato National Park)	Sitio Madlum, Brgy. Sibul, San Miguel	Class III
	Bayukbok Cave (Biak-na-Bato National Park)	Sitio Madlum, Brgy. Sibul, San Miguel	Class I ^E
Region 5 (21)			
Albay	Balungis Cave	Brgy. Nabasan, Daraga	Class I ^E
	Milaos Cave	Brgy. Nabasan, Daraga	Class II
	Ola Cave	Brgy. Mapaco, Guinobatan	Class II
	Lumimbot Cave	Brgy. Mapaco, Guinobatan	Class II
	Malipo Cave	Brgy. Malipo, Guinobatan	Class II
	Cattle Cave	Brgy. Quitinday, Jovellar, Albay	Class II
	Water Catcher Cave	Brgy. Quitinday, Jovellar, Albay	Class II
	Big Dome Cave	Brgy. Quitinday, Jovellar, Albay	Class II
	Guano Cave	Brgy. Salvacion, Jovellar, Albay	Class III
	Bulalacao Cave	Brgy. Flores, Pioduran, Albay	Class III
	Naglagbas Cave	Brgy. Flores, Pioduran, Albay	Class III
	Imbudo Cave	Brgy. Rawis, Pioduran, Albay	Class II

REGION/ PROVINCE	NAME OF CAVE	LOCATION	CLASSIFICATION
Sorsogon	Saday na Nagsurok Cave	Brgy. Sto. Domingo, Prieto Diaz	Class II
	Mahangot Cave	Sitio Mahangot, Brgy. Putiao, Barcelona	Class II
Catanduanes	Burabod Cave	Brgy. Talisoy, Virac	Class II
	Lictin Cave I	Brgy. Lictin, San Andres	Class III
	Lictin Cave II	Brgy. Lictin, San Andres	Class III
Camarines Sur	Butasan-Manok Cave	Brgy. Pag-Oring Nuevo, Libmanan	Class III
	Pag-Oring Cave I	Brgy. Pag-Oring, Nuevo, Libmanan	Class III
	Pag-Oring Cave II	Brgy. Pag-Oring, Nuevo, Libmanan	Class III
	Engkanto Cave	Brgy. Bikal, Libmanan	Class II
Region 7 (7)			
Cebu	Busay Cave	Lower Malalag, Valencia, Alegria	Class II
	Salay Cave	Upper Malalag, Valencia, Alegria	Class II
	Cambais Cave	Brgy. Guadalupe, Alegria	Class II
	Syong-on Cave	Brgy. Atop-atop, Bantayan	Class I ^C
	Chava Cave	Brgy. Atop-atop, Bantayan	Class II
	Lumanoy Cave	Brgy. Cambangkaya, Catmon	Class II
Siquijor	Tulawog Cave	Brgy. Ponong Siquijor	Class II
Region 8 (6)			
Leyte	Kabhu-an Cave	Brgy. Tolingon, Isabel	Class I ^D
Southern Leyte	Guinsohotan Cave	Brgy. Cagnituan, Maasin City	Class II
	Cambaro Cave / Tabunan Cave	Brgy. Cambaro, Macrohon	Class II
Samar	Tinabanan Cave	Brgy. Tinabanan, Marabut	Class II

REGION/ PROVINCE	NAME OF CAVE	LOCATION	CLASSIFICATION
	Li-aw Cave	Brgy. San Isidro, Paranas	Class II
Eastern Samar	Talubagnan Cave	Brgy. Bato, Borongan City	Class II
Region 10 (1)			
Bukidnon	Salawaw Cave	Brgy. Concepcion, Valencia City	Class II
Region 11 (25)			
Davao del Norte	Samalan Farm 2 Cave	San Remegio, Kaputian District, Island Garden City of Samal	Class I ^C
	Garciano Cave	San Remegio, Kaputian District, Island Garden City of Samal	Class III
	Alferes Cave	San Remegio, Kaputian District, Island Garden City of Samal	Class II
	AVM Cave	San Remegio, Kaputian District, Island Garden City of Samal	Class II
	Bulakawon Cave	Brgy. Mamacao, Kapalong	Class III
	Bitas Cave 1	Brgy. Mamacao, Kapalong	Class III
	Bitas Cave 2	Brgy. Mamacao, Kapalong	Class III
	Bitas Cave 3	Brgy. Mamacao, Kapalong	Class III
	Bitas Cave 4	Brgy. Mamacao, Kapalong	Class III
	Kasilak Cave 2	Purok 7, Brgy. Linao San Isidro	Class II
	Sayaw Cave	Purok Sampagueta, Brgy. Dakudao, San Isidro	Class II
	Magallanes Cave	Brgy. Mamangan, San Isidro	Class I ^C
	Tulang Cave	Purok Santan, Brgy. Mamangan, San Isidro	Class I ^E
	Putol-Putol Cave	Brgy. Datu Balong, San Isidro	Class II

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	Datu Balong Cave	Purok 1-A, Brgy. Datu Balong, San Isidro	Class II
Compostela Valley	Mayaon Cave 1	Purok 8, Brgy. Mayaon, Montevista	Class II
	Mayaon Cave 2	Purok 8, Brgy. Mayaon, Montevista	Class I ^E
	Mayaon Cave 3	Purok 8, Brgy. Mayaon, Montevista	Class II
	Mayaon Cave 4	Purok 8, Brgy. Mayaon, Montevista	Class II
	Mayaon Cave 5	Purok 8, Brgy. Mayaon, Montevista	Class I ^E
	Mayaon Cave 6	Purok 8, Brgy. Mayaon, Montevista	Class II
	Combilan Cave	Brgy. Casoon, Monkayo	Class II
Davao del Sur	Langub Cave	Brgy. Langub, Talomo District, Davao City	Class II
	Saliducon Cave	Brgy. Saliducon, Sta. Cruz	Class II
Davao Oriental	Tres Marias Cave	Brgy. Taytayan, Cateel	Class II
Region 12 (10)			
Sultan Kudarat	Roadside Cave	Brgy. Keytodac, Lebak	Class III
	Laha-laha Cave	Brgy. Kuden, Sen. Ninoy Aquino	Class II
	Bakbaken Cave	Brgy. Kuden, Sen. Ninoy Aquino	Class III
	Batasan Cave	Brgy. Kuden, Sen. Ninoy Aquino	Class II
Sarangani	Lago Cave	Brgy. Lago, Glan	Class III
	Lapidas Cave	Brgy. Colon, Maasim	Class I ^C
Cotabato	Abbas Cave / Amatac Spring Cave	Brgy. Salama, Banisilan	Class III
	Bandihan Cave	Brgy. San Miguel, Arakan	Class II
	Tumanding Cave	Brgy. Tumanding, Arakan	Class II
South Cotabato	Soldilan Cave (Allah Valley Protected Landscape)	Brgy. Ned, Lake Sebu	Class II

REGION/ PROVINCE	NAME OF CAVE	LOCATION	CLASSIFICATION
Region 13 (19)			
Surigao Del Norte	Somyot Cave	Poblacion 1, Burgos, Siargao Islands	Class II
	Patag Cave	Poblacion 2, Burgos, Siargao Islands	Class II
	Ilihan Cave	Poblacion 2, Burgos, Siargao Islands	Class II
	Cuyapnit Cave	Brgy. Sico-sico, Gigaquit	Class II
Surigao del Sur	Bamboo Cave	Brgy. San Vicente, Bislig City	Class I ^E
	Nurcia Cave	Brgy. Nurcia, Lanuza	Class II
	Sohoyon Cave	Brgy. Tina, San Miguel	Class II
Dinagat Islands	Hinuphupan Cave	Brgy. San Juan, Loreto	Class II
	Kamangon Cave	Brgy. San Juan, Loreto	Class II
	Buenas Diaz Cave	Brgy. San Juan, Loreto	Class II
	Hagakhak Cave 1	Brgy. Puerto Princesa, Basilisa	Class III
	Hagakhak Cave 2	Brgy. Puerto Princesa, Basilisa	Class III
	Hagakhak Cave 3	Brgy. Puerto Princesa, Basilisa	Class III
Agusan del Norte	Malimono Cave	Brgy. Mahayahay, Anticala, Butuan City	Class I ^E
Agusan del Sur	Katam-isan Cave	Mt. Ararat, Bayugan City	Class II
	Ararat Cave / Sayawon Cave	Brgy. Mt. Ararat, Bayugan City	Class II
	Datu Calipay Cave	Brgy. Lucac, San Francisco	Class II
	Masongot Cave	Mt. Ararat, Bayugan City	Class II
	Tandawanan Cave	Mt. Carmel, Bayugan City	Class II

^A Caves with delicate and fragile geological formations/ archaeological values/ paleontological values

^B Caves with threatened species

^C Caves with extremely hazardous conditions (e.g., bad air, unstable ceiling, presence of rockfall/ breakdown etc.)

^D Caves with A, B, and C

^E Caves with A and C


SECTION 4. Erratum to DMC 2016-05. Certain portion of Sec. 3 of DMC 2016-05 specifically the location of Sibud-sibud Cave under CAR is hereby rectified as follows:

“Section 3. List of 2016 Classified Caves. Based on the results of assessments, the following caves constitute the additional list of classified caves:

REGION/ PROVINCE	NAME OF CAVE	LOCATION	CLASSIFICATION
CAR (1)			
Abra	Sibud-sibud Cave	Brgy. Alaoa, Tineg, Abra	Class III

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

This Memorandum Circular shall take effect immediately.


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