

Setting criteria for the selection of caves for the practicum site/s for PSS Cave Congress and other Learning Events

WHEREAS, the Philippine Speleological Society (PSS) annually conduct the PSS Cave Congress which is participated in by cave enthusiasts, managers, government agencies, etc.;

WHEREAS, part of the activities in the said Congress is the skills training wherein cave/s are being used as practicum site/s;

WHEREAS, previous cave congresses have used some caves which are classified as Class I or not yet classified as practicum sites;

WHEREAS, the National Cave Committee recognizes that criteria should be set in selecting practicum site in order to protect and conserve cave and cave resources;

WHEREAS, the following information should be provided to the DENR Regional Offices prior to practicum site selection:

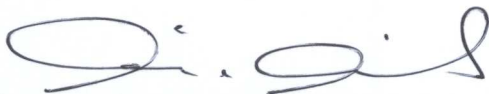
1. Purpose of the learning event
2. Number of participants
3. Activity to be conducted inside the cave

WHEREAS, for a cave to be chosen as practicum site, the following prerequisites should be satisfied:

1. Cave must be classified as Class II or III with RCC/PCC/PAMB resolution.
2. Coordination with the concerned local DENR, LGU, and other stakeholders i.e. private landowner for cave situated in private land, IP community for cave within ancestral domain, and PAMB for cave within protected area, have been undertaken.
3. Presentation of possible impact/s of the activity and mitigation measure/s to the concerned DENR office.

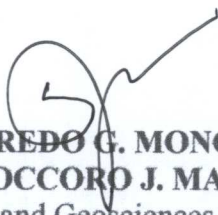
WHEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AS IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED, the above criteria are hereby adopted and endorsed to the PSS for their consideration in selecting practicum sites for Cave Congress.

ADOPTED this _____ day of _____ 2019, at _____, Philippines.




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Note: Still to be signed
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