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SUBJECT

ADOPTING THE PHILIPPINE AQUATIC WILDLIFE RESCUE AND RESPONSE MANUAL SERIES FOR MARINE TURTLES AND MARINE MAMMALS (DUGONGS)

Pursuant to Republic Act No. 9147 (Wildlife Resources Conservation and Protection Act of 2001) and its Implementing Rules and Regulation (IRR) and in pursuit of the objectives of DAO 2016-12 (Adopting the Philippine Biodiversity Strategy and Action Plan), the Philippine Aquatic Wildlife Rescue and Response Manual Series for marine turtles and marine mammals hereto attached as "Annex A" and "Annex B", respectively, is hereby adopted.

Both manuals provide the procedures in responding to stranding and encounters of live or dead marine turtles and dugongs, including the processing of dead animals for post-mortem examination and other studies.

This Technical Bulletin is issued for the information and guidance of all concerned.

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