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BY REPRESENTATIVES ZAMORA (M.), ARROYO (I.), LAGMAN AND CUA (J.), PER COMMITTEE REPORT NO 1753

AN ACT DECLARING CERTAIN PORTIONS OF THE MT. TAGUB-KAMPALILI RANGES LOCATED IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF MARAGUSAN, COMPOSTELA VALLEY PROVINCE AS A PROTECTED AREA UNDER THE CATEGORY OF PROTECTED LANDSCAPE AND ITS PERIPHERAL AREAS AS BUFFER ZONE, PROVIDING FOR ITS MANAGEMENT AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Philippines in Congress assembled:

CHAPTER I

2 PRELIMINARY PROVISIONS SECTION 1. Short Title. - This Act shall be known as the "Mt. Tagub-3 4 Kampalili Ranges Protected Landscape Act". SEC. 2. Declaration of Policy. - It is the policy of the State to regulate 5 the utilization of wildlife resources, flora and fauna, especially endangered, 6 threatened and rare species and other natural resources of the country in order 7 8 to preserve and conserve the natural environment, all living organisms, 9 including historical sites, that nurture and define the culture and indigenous knowledge of its citizens. Towards this end, the State shall adopt steps to 10

conserve, protect and preserve the Mt. Tagub-Kampalili Ranges, including its diverse terrestrial ecosystems, for the benefit of its people and the present and future generation of Filipinos.

SEC. 3. Scope and Coverage. - The Mt. Tagub-Kampalili Ranges Protected Landscape shall cover forty-two thousand nine hundred fifty-three (42,953) hectares of lands of the public domain located in the Municipality of Maragusan, Compostela Valley Province, and is more particularly described as follows:

Parcel I. – Bounded in all directions by its buffer zone, beginning at a point marked "1" on the map and on the ground being Due West with a distance of 2,442 meters to corner 2;

12	Thence,	N. 08° 00' E.	9,900.00 meters	to corner 3;
13	Thence,	N. 26° 30' E.	7,626.00 meters	to corner 4;
14	Thence,	S. 77° 13' E.	20,835.00 meters	to corner 5;
15	Thence,	Due South	8,700.00 meters	to corner 6;
16	Thence,	S. 73° 58' W.	4,162.00 meters	to corner 7;
17	Thence,	N. 08° 14' E.	1,803.00 meters	to corner 8;
18	Thence,	N. 35° 42' W.	375.30 meters	to corner 9;
19	Thence,	N. 19° 50' W.	886.40 meters	to corner 10;
20	Thence,	N. 12° 01' E.	1,040.80 meters	to corner 11;
21	Thence,	N. 05° 41' E.	745.80 meters	to corner 12;
22	Thence,	N. 05° 27' E.	553.20 meters	to corner 13;
23	Thence,	N. 19° 52' W.	192.00 meters	to corner 14;
24	Thence,	N. 10° 25' W.	268.90 meters	to corner 15;
25	Thence,	N. 00° 21' W.	635.20 meters	to corner 16;
26	Thence,	N. 03° 18' E.	1,182.80 meters	to corner 17;
27	Thence,	N. 64° 03' W.	400.30 meters	to corner 18;
28	Thence,	S. 64° 01' W.	481.90 meters	to corner 19;

1	Thence,	S. 85° 17' W.	616.60 meters	to corner 20;
2	Thence,	N. 03° 07' W.	460.10 meters	to corner 21;
3	Thence,	N. 85° 50' W.	700.00 meters	to corner 22;
4	Thence,	N. 84° 24' W.	769.20 meters	to corner 23;
5	Thence,	N. 55° 24' W.	1,556.40 meters	to corner 24;
6	Thence,	N. 09° 46' W.	490.90 meters	to corner 25;
7	Thence,	N. 36° 30' E.	528.20 meters	to corner 26;
8	Thence,	S. 85° 50' W.	1,000.00 meters	to corner 27;
9	Thence,	N. 15° 10' W.	1,960.00 meters	to corner 28;
10	Thence,	S. 87° 30' W.	320.00 meters	to corner 29;
11	Thence,	S. 08° 10' W.	500.00 meters	to corner 30;
12	Thence,	S. 15° 50' E.	2,640.10 meters	to corner 31;
13	Thence,	S. 32° 10' E.	1,240.00 meters	to corner 32;
14	Thence,	S. 01° 10' E.	2,240.10 meters	to corner 33;
15	Thence,	S. 21° 50' E.	1,419.90 meters	to corner 34;
16	Thence,	S. 26° 00' E.	620.00 meters	to corner 35;
17	Thence,	S. 02° 10' W.	3,440.10 meters	to corner 36;
18	Thence,	S. 86° 01' W.	4,686.30 meters	to corner 37;
19	Thence,	Due North	1,000.00 meters	to corner 38;
20	Thence,	Due West	2,630.10 meters	to corner 39;
21	Thence,	Due North	3,500.00 meters	to corner 40;
22	Thence,	Due West	1,500.00 meters	to corner 41;
23	Thence,	N. 20° 00' W.	2,650.00 meters	to corner 42;
24	Thence,	Due West	3,000.00 meters	to corner 43;
25	Thence,	Due South	2,750.00 meters	to corner 44;
26	Thence,	Due West	750.00 meters	to corner 45;
27	Thence,	Due South	5,000.00 meters	to corner 46;
28	Thence,	Due West	2,750.00 meters	to corner 47;

1	Thence,	S. 35° 00' W.	1,300.10 meters	to corner 48;
2	Thence,	S. 38° 00' E.	1,250.00 meters	to corner 49;
3	Thence,	Due South	725.00 meters	to corner 50;
4	Thence,	S. 15° 00' E.	2,975.00 meters	to corner 51;
5	Thence,	S. 85° 00' W.	1,154.30 meters	to point 1.
6	Parcel II Be	ounded on all dir	ections by its buffer zo	ne, beginning at a
7	point marked "1" on	the map and on	the ground being S. 6	6° 34' W., with a
8	distance of twenty	one thousand	one hundred sevent	een and 50/100
9	(21,117.50) meters to	corner 2;		
10	Thence,	N. 25° 21' W.	10,511.90 meters	to corner 3;
11	Thence,	Due East	720.00 meters	to corner 4;
12	Thence,	S. 24° 34′ E.	1,346.90 meters	to corner 5;
13	Thence,	Due East	675.00 meters	to corner 6;
14	Thence	N. 80° 00' E.	964.70 meters	to corner 7;
15	Thence,	N. 09° 00' W.	2,556.50 meters	to corner 8;
16	Thence,	N. 37° 24' W.	2,140.10 meters	to corner 9;
17	Thence,	N. 65° 02' E.	1,154.30 meters	to corner 10;
18	Thence,	S. 45° 00' E.	9,075.00 meters	to corner 11;
19	Thence,	N. 69° 44' E.	1,385.80 meters	to corner 12;
20	Thence,	Due North	4,650.00 meters	to corner 13;
21	Thence,	Due East	500.00 meters	to corner 14;
22	Thence,	Due North	2,950.00 meters	to corner 15;
23	Thence,	Due East	1,000.00 meters	to corner 16;
24	Thence,	N. 86° 01' W.	4,686.30 meters	to corner 17;
25	Thence,	S. 07° 30° E.	2,799.90 meters	to corner 18;
26	Thence,	S. 16° 50° W.	720.00 meters	to corner 19;
27	Thence,	N. 81°,32° E.	700.00 meters	to corner 20;
28	Thence,	S. 32° 52' W.	849.00 meters	to corner 21;

1	Thence,	S. 64° 16' E.	800.00 meters	to corner 22;
2	Thence,	N. 16° 10' E.	1,550.00 meters	to corner 23;
3	Thence,	N. 51° 10' E.	579.80 meters	to corner 24;
4	Thence,	N. 54° 46' E.	249.90 meters	to corner 25;
5	Thence,	N. 53° 30' E.	2,512.70 meters	to corner 26;
6	Thence,	N. 32° 19' W.	1,343.90 meters	to corner 27;
7	Thence,	S. 73° 58' E.	4,162.00 meters	to corner 28;
8	Thence,	Due South	7,700.00 meters	to point 1.
9	The buffer zon	ne of the protected	d area is composed of	four (4) blocks of
10	land, more particular	ly identified as fol	lows:	
11	Buffer Zone E	Block I. – Beginnin	ng at a point marked "	1" on the map and
12	on the ground, being	S. 62° 00' W., ru	nning five hundred fit	fty (550) meters to
13	corner 2;			
14	Thence,	N. 20° 00' W.	180.00 meters	to corner 3;
15	Thence,	N. 31° 00' E.	220.00 meters	to corner 4;
16	Thence,	N. 34° 00' W.	220.00 meters	to corner 5;
17	Thence,	N. 29° 00' E.	300.00 meters	to corner 6;
18	Thence,	S. 88° 00' E.	200.00 meters	to corner 7;
19	Thence.	N. 67° 00' E.	300.00 meters	to corner 8;
20	Thence,	N. 51° 00' W.	150.00 meters	to corner 9;
21	Thence,	N. 42° 00' W.	160.00 meters	to corner 10;
22	Thence,	N. 39° 00' W.	250.00 meters	to corner 11;
23	Thence,	N. 20° 00' E.	135.00 meters	to corner 12;
24	Thence,	N. 26° 00' W.	150.00 meters	to corner 13;
25	Thence,	N. 37° 00' E.	160.00 meters	to corner 14;
26	Thence,	N. 36° 00' E.	225.00 meters	to corner 15;
27	Thence,	N. 31° 00' E.	200.00 meters	to corner 16;
28	Thence,	N. 15° 00' E.	150.00 meters	to corner 17;

1	Thence,	N. 15° 00' E.	140.00 meters	to corner 18;
2	Thence,	N. 74° 00' E.	200,00 meters	to corner 19;
3	Thence,	N. 33° 00' E.	135,00 meters	to corner 20;
4	Thence,	N. 36° 00' E.	130.00 meters	to corner 21;
5	Thence,	S. 80° 00' E.	160.00 meters	to corner 22;
6	Thence,	N. 10° 00' E.	155.00 meters	to corner 23;
7	Thence,	N. 20° 00' W.	150.00 meters	to corner 24;
8	Thence,	N. 21° 00' W.	150.00 meters	to corner 25;
9	Thence,	N. 08° 00' W.	200,00 meters	to corner 26;
10	Thence,	N. 64° 00' E.	175,00 meters	to corner 27;
11	Thence,	N. 15° 00' W.	200.00 meters	to corner 28;
12	Thence,	N. 10° 00' W.	205.00 meters	to corner 29;
13	Thence,	N. 08° 00' W.	230.00 meters	to corner 30;
14	Thence,	N. 27° 00' E.	150.00 meters	to corner 31;
15	Thence,	N. 10° 00' W.	200.00 meters	to corner 32;
16	Thence,	N. 29° 00' W.	270.00 meters	to corner 33;
17	Thence,	N. 24° 00' E.	200.00 meters	to corner 34;
18	Thence,	N. 16° 30' W.	180.00 meters	to corner 35;
19	Thence,	N. 15° 00' E.	250.00 meters	to corner 36;
20	Thence,	N. 07° 00' E.	250.00 meters	to corner 37;
21	Thence,	N. 20° 00' W.	250.00 meters	to corner 38;
22	Thence,	N. 09° 00' W.	185.00 meters	to corner 39;
23	Thence,	S. 66° 00' W.	250.00 meters	to corner 40;
24	Thence,	N. 63° 00' W.	650.00 meters	to corner 41;
25	Thence,	N. 17° 00' W.	420.00 meters	to corner 42;
26	Thence,	N. 04° 00' E.	440.00 meters	to corner 43;
27	Thence,	N. 03° 00' W.	340.00 meters	to corner 44;
28	Thence,	N. 35° 00' W.	300.00 meters	to corner 45;

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1	Thence,	N. 14° 00' W.	390.00 meters	to corner 46;
2	Thence,	N. 30° 00' W.	430.00 meters	to corner 47;
3	Thence,	S. 86° 00' W.	440.00 meters	to corner 48;
4	Thence,	N. 74° 00' W.	450.00 meters	to corner 49;
5	Thence,	N. 60° 00' W.	450.00 meters	to corner 50;
6	Thence,	N. 13° 00' W.	350.00 meters	to corner 51;
7	Thence,	N. 19° 00' W.	250.00 meters	to corner 52;
8	Thence,	N. 35° 00' W.	550.00 meters	to corner 53;
9	Thence,	N. 05° 00' W.	500.00 meters	to corner 54;
10	Thence,	N. 31° 00' W.	350.00 meters	to corner 55;
11	Thence,	S. 61° 00' W.	350.00 meters	to corner 56;
12	Thence,	\$. 85° 00' W.	300.00 meters	to corner 57;
13	Thence,	Due West	550.00 meters	to corner 58;
14	Thence,	N. 24° 00' W.	255.00 meters	to corner 59;
15	Thence,	N. 18° 00' W.	335.00 meters	to corner 60;
16	Thence,	N. 08° 00' E.	430.00 meters	to corner 61;
17	Thence,	S. 28° 34' W.	780.00 meters	to corner 61-A;
18	Thence,	S. 28° 53' E.	2,169.10 meters	to corner 62;
19	Thence,	S. 69° 00' W.	200.00 meters	to corner 63;
20	Thence,	S. 53° 00' W.	280.00 meters	to corner 64;
21	Thence,	N. 85° 00' W.	640.00 meters	to corner 65;
22	Thence,	S. 84° 00' W.	325.00 meters	to corner 66;
23	Thence,	S. 47° 00' W.	200.00 meters	to corner 67;
24	Thence,	S. 42° 00' W.	280.00 meters	to corner 68;
25	Thence,	S. 12° 00' W.	200.00 meters	to corner 69;
26	Thence,	S. 11° 00' W.	350.00 meters	to corner 70;
27	Thence,	S. 23° 29' W.	252.40 meters	to corner 71;
28	Thence,	S. 35° 00' E.	340.00 meters	to corner 72;

1	Thence,	S. 30° 30' E.	375.00 meters	to corner 73;
2	Thence,	S. 12° 00' W.	175.00 meters	to corner 74;
3	Thence,	S. 49° 00' E.	250.00 meters	to corner 75;
4	Thence,	S. 67° 00' E.	200.00 meters	to corner 76;
5	Thence,	S. 68° 00' E.	200.00 meters	to corner 77;
6	Thence,	S. 10° 00' E.	250.00 meters	to corner 78;
7	Thence,	S. 48° 00' E.	300.00 meters	to corner 79;
8	Thence,	S. 19° 00' W.	400.00 meters	to corner 80;
9	Thence,	S. 41° 00' W.	375.00 meters	to corner 81;
10	Thence,	S. 12° 00' W.	400.00 meters	to corner 82;
11	Thence,	S. 80° 00' W.	275.00 meters	to corner 83;
12	Thence,	S. 15° 00' W.	425.00 meters	to corner 84;
13	Thence,	S. 06° 00' W.	500.00 meters	to corner 85;
14	Thence,	S. 20° 00' E.	370.00 meters	to corner 86;
15	Thence,	S. 30° 00' W.	220.00 meters	to corner 87;
16	Thence,	N. 87° 00' W.	300.00 meters	to corner 88;
17	Thence,	N. 72° 00' W.	345.00 meters	to corner 89;
18	Thence,	N. 45° 00' W.	420.00 meters	to corner 90;
19	Thence,	N. 66° 00' W.	1,175.00 meters	to corner 91;
20	Thence,	S. 88° 00' W.	450.00 meters	to corner 92;
21	Thence,	S. 57° 00' W.	425.00 meters	to corner 93;
22	Thence,	N. 62° 00' W.	650.00 meters	to corner 94;
23	Thence,	S. 40° 00' W.	255.00 meters	to corner 95;
24	Thence,	S. 58° 00° W.	200.00 meters	to corner 96;
25	Thence,	S. 17° 00' E.	200.00 meters	to corner 97;
26	Thence,	S. 67° 00' W.	400.00 meters	to corner 98;
27	Thence,	S. 61° 00' W.	175.00 meters	to corner 99;
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1	Thence,	S. 16° 00' E.	300.00 meters	to corner 100;
2	Thence,	S. 26° 00' E.	210.00 meters	to corner 101;
3	Thence,	S. 57° 00' W.	550.00 meters	to corner 102;
4	Thence,	S. 56° 30' E.	540.00 meters	to corner 103;
5	Thence,	S. 82° 30' W.	250.00 meters	to corner 104;
6	Thence,	S. 84° 00' W.	250.00 meters	to corner 105;
7	Thence,	S. 05° 00' E.	150.00 meters	to corner 106;
8	Thence,	S. 50° 00' E.	575.00 meters	to corner 107;
9	Thence,	S. 43° 00' E.	400.00 meters	to corner 108;
10	Thence,	S. 43° 00' W.	270.00 meters	to corner 109;
11	Thence,	S. 08° 00' W.	230.00 meters	to corner 110;
12	Thence,	S. 05° 00' W.	250.00 meters	to corner 111;
13	Thence,	S. 30° 00' E.	250.00 meters	to corner 112;
14	Thence,	S. 45° 00' E.	350.00 meters	to corner 113;
15	Thence,	S. 16° 00' E.	360.00 meters	to corner 114;
16	Thence,	S. 63° 00' W.	340.00 meters	to corner 115;
17	Thence,	S. 62° 00' E.	170.00 meters	to corner 116;
18	Thence,	S. 43°00' E.	300.00 meters	to corner 117;
19	Thence,	Due South	550.00 meters	to corner 118;
20	Thence,	S. 55° 00' W.	500.00 meters	to corner 119;
21	Thence,	N. 15° 00' W.	2,975.00 meters	to corner 120;
22	Thence,	Due North	725.00 meters	to corner 121;
23	Thence,	N. 38° 00' W.	1,250.00 meters	to corner 122;
24	Thence,	N. 35° 00' E.	1,300.00 meters	to corner 123;
25	Thence,	Due East	2,750.00 meters	to corner 124;
26	Thence,	Due North	5,000.00 meters	to corner 125;
27	Thence,	Due East	750.00 meters	to corner 126;
28	Thence,	Due North	2,750.00 meters	to corner 127;

1	Thence,	Due East	3,000.00 meters	to corner 128;
2	Thence,	S. 20° 00' E.	2,650.00 meters	to corner 129;
3	Thence,	Due East	1,500.00 meters	to corner 130;
4	Thence,	Due South	3,500.00 meters	to corner 131;
5	Thence,	Due East	1,000.00 meters	to corner 132;
6	Thence,	Due South	5,700.00 meters	to corner 133;
7	Thence,	Due West	1,000.00 meters	to point 1.
8	Buffer Zone I	Block II Begir	ming at a point mark	ed "1" on the map
9.	and on the ground, b	eing S. 54° 00' V	., running three hund	red (300) meters to
10	corner 2;			
11	Thence,	S. 84° 00' W.	2,450.00 meters	to corner 3;
12	Thence,	N. 08° 00' E.	10,300.00 meters	to corner 4;
13	Thence,	N. 26° 30' E.	8,000.00 meters	to corner 5;
14	Thence,	S. 76° 57' E.	21,078.60 meters	to corner 6;
15	Thence,	Due South	8,850.00 meters	to corner 7;
16	Thence,	Due East	200.00 meters	to corner 8;
17	Thence,	Due North	8,700.00 meters	to corner 9;
18	Thence,	N. 77° 13' W.	20,835.60 meters	to corner 10;
19	Thence,	S. 26° 30' W.	7,626.00 meters	to corner 11,
20	Thence,	S. 08° 00' W.	9,900.00 meters	to corner 12;
21	Thence,	Due East	2,442.00 meters	to point 1.
22	Buffer Zone I	Block III. – Begi	nning at a point mark	ed "1" on the map
23	and on the ground, b	eing Due South,	running two thousand	nine hundred fifty
24	(2,950) meters to con	ner 2;		
25	Thence,	Due West	500.00 meters	to corner 3;
26	Thence,	Due South	4,650.00 meters	to corner '4;
27	Thence,	S. 69° 44' W.	1,385.00 meters	to corner 5;
28	Thence,	N. 45° 00' W.	9,075.00 meters	to corner 6;

1	Thence,	N. 55° 00' E.	500.00 meters	to corner 7;
2	Thence,	S. 09° 11' W.	294.10 meters	to corner 8;
3	Thence,	S. 64° 00' E.	275.00 meters	to corner 9;
4	Thence,	S. 77° 12' E.	319.90 meters	to corner 10;
5	Thence,	S. 69° 00' E.	150.00 meters	to corner 11;
6	Thence,	S. 13° 00' E.	250.00 meters	to corner 12;
7	Thence,	S. 39° 00' E.	200.00 meters	to corner 13;
8	Thence,	S. 06° 06° E.	295.00 meters	to corner 14;
9	Thence,	S. 30° 00' E.	150.00 meters	to corner 15;
10	Thence,	S. 83° 07' E.	305.00 meters	to corner 16;
11	Thence,	S. 58° 00' E.	250.00 meters	to corner 17;
12	Thence,	N. 84° 00' E.	225.00 meters	to corner 18;
13	Thence,	N. 41° 30' E.	155.00 meters	to corner 19;
14	Thence,	S. 17° 10' E.	495.20 meters	to corner 20;
15	Thence,	S. 43° 44' E.	549.80 meters	to corner 21;
16	Thence,	S. 35° 29' E.	345.90 meters	to corner 22;
17	Thence,	S. 63° 18' E.	429.50 meters	to corner 23;
18	Thence,	S. 66° 18' E.	379.60 meters	to corner 24;
19	Thence,	S. 24° 35' E.	647.50 meters	to corner 25;
20	Thence,	S. 43° 00' E.	300.00 meters	to corner 26;
21	Thence,	S. 75° 08' E.	554.80 meters	to corner 27;
22	Thence,	S. 32° 23' E.	395.80 meters	to corner 28;
23	Thence,	S. 62° 00' W.	180.00 meters	to corner 29;
24	Thence,	S. 40° 25' E.	974.40 meters	to corner 30;
25	Thence,	S. 49° 39' E.	620.50 meters	to corner 31;
26	Thence,	S. 57° 24' E.	976.50 meters	to corner 32;
27	Thence,	S. 05° 03' W.	445.00 meters	to corner 33;
28	Thence,	S. 84° 06' E.	280.00 meters	to corner 34;

1	Thence,	N. 50° 00' E.	180.00 meters	to corner 35;
2	Thence,	N. 66° 00' E.	200.00 meters	to corner 36;
3	Thence,	N. 57° 47' E.	406.90 meters	to corner 37;
4	Thence,	N. 07° 00' W.	190.00 meters	to corner 38;
5	Thence,	N. 24° 31' W.	254.50 meters	to corner 39;
6	Thence,	N. 05° 00' W.	170.00 meters	to corner 40;
7	Thence,	N. 21° 00' W.	120.00 meters	to corner 41;
8	Thence,	N. 25° 00' W.	160.00 meters	to corner 42;
9	Thence,	N. 10° 00' W.	150.00 meters	to corner 43;
10	Thence,	N. 18° 00' W.	170.00 meters	to corner 44;
11	Thence,	Due North	155.00 meters	to corner 45;
12	Thence,	N. 05° 54' W.	305.00 meters	to corner 46;
13	Thence,	N. 69° 45' W.	395.30 meters	to corner 47;
14	Thence,	N. 18° 15' W.	354.70 meters	to corner 48;
15	Thence,	N. 33° 56' W.	376.30 meters	to corner 49;
16	Thence,	N. 25° 12' W.	477.40 meters	to corner 50;
17	Thence,	N. 80° 07' E.	454.90 meters	to corner 51;
18	Thence,	N. 03° 56' E.	305.00 meters	to corner 52;
19	Thence,	N. 33° 33' W.	354.20 meters	to corner 53;
20	Thence,	N. 39° 06' W.	460.70 meters	to corner 54;
21	Thence,	N. 80° 53' W.	395.10 meters	to corner 55;
22	Thence,	S. 29° 17' W.	396.50 meters	to corner 56;
23	Thence,	S. 17° 00' W.	100.00 meters	to corner 57;
24	Thence,	S. 32° 31' W.	295.70 meters	to corner 58;
25	Thence,	S. 37° 30' W.	315.00 meters	to corner 59;
26	Thence,	S. 41° 19' W.	348.70 meters	to corner 60;
27	Thence,	N. 51° 51' W.	349.10 meters	to corner 61;
28	Thence,	N. 77° 52' W.	445.10 meters	to corner 62;

1	Thence,	N. 36° 21' W.	351.00 meters	to corner 63;
2	Thence,	N. 33° 05' W.	431.40 meters	to corner 64;
3	Thence,	Due North	355.00 meters	to corner 65;
4	Thence,	N. 30° 41' E.	454.30 meters	to corner 66;
5	Thence,	N. 60° 25' E.	344.30 meters	to corner 67;
6	Thence,	N. 31° 12' E.	471.90 meters	to corner 68;
7	Thence,	N. 66° 53' E.	341.60 meters	to corner 69;
8	Thence,	N. 18° 45' E.	364.70 meters	to corner 70;
9	Thence,	N. 31° 40' E.	454.20 meters	to corner 71;
10	Thence,	N. 32° 10° E.	454.20 meters	to corner 72;
11	Thence,	S. 75° 12' E.	354.50 meters	to corner 73;
12	Thence,	S. 31° 45' E.	523.30 meters	to corner 74;
13	Thence,	S. 07° 06' E.	345.00 meters	to corner 75;
14	Thence,	S. 69° 15' E.	404.70 meters	to corner 76;
15	Thence;	S. 54° 00' E.	300.00 meters	to corner 77;
16	Thence,	S. 26° 14' E.	520.50 meters	to corner 78;
17	Thence,	N. 29° 00' E.	225.00 meters	to corner 79;
18	Thence,	N. 54° 00' E.	250.00 meters	to corner 80;
19	Thence,	N. 10° 46' E.	234.90 meters	to corner 81;
20	Thence,	N. 57° 00' E.	200.00 meters	to corner 82;
21	Thence,	N. 62° 30' E.	150.00 meters	to corner 83;
22	Thence,	N. 60° 00' E.	150.00 meters	to corner 84;
23	Thence,	N. 27° 30' W.	205.00 meters	to corner 85;
24	Thence,	N. 30° 00' W.	210.00 meters	to corner 86;
25	Thence,	N. 13° 44' W.	254.90 meters	to corner 87;
26	Thence,	N. 05° 53' E.	255.00 meters	to corner 88;
27	Thence,	N. 43° 00' E.	250.00 meters	to corner 89;
28	Thence,	N. 30° 00' E.	210.00 meters	to corner 90;

Thence,	N. 13° 42' W.	229.90 meters	to corner 91;
Thence,	N. 50° 00' E.	125.00 meters	to corner 92;
Thence,	N. 20° 00' W.	180.00 meters	to corner 93;
Thence,	N. 62° 00' E.	550.00 meters	to point 1.
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and on the ground,	being S. 66° 22'	W., running twenty-	one thousand three
hundred seventy-three	ee and nine tenth (21,373.90) meters to	corner 2;
Thence,	N. 26° 00' W.	11,100.00 meters	to corner 3;
Thence,	Due East	1,225.00 meters	to corner 4;
Thence,	S. 26° 00' E.	1,375.00 meters	to corner 5;
Thence,	Due East	450.00 meters	to corner 6;
Thence,	N. 79° 00' E.	650.00 meters	to corner 7;
Thence,	N. 15° 26' W.	267.50 meters	to corner 8;
Thence,	N. 15° 37' W.	192.30 meters	to corner 9;
Thence,	N. 04° 09' W.	217.00 meters	to corner 10;
Thence,	Due North	317.00 meters	to corner 11;
Thence,	N. 10° 33' E.	286.80 meters	to corner 12;
Thence,	N. 15° 22' W.	317.30 meters	to corner 13;
Thence,	N. 10° 41' W.	117.10 meters	to corner 14;
Thence,	N. 10° 20' W.	242.10 meters	to corner 15;
Thence,	N. 05° 11' W.	217.00 meters	to corner 16;
Thence,	N. 26° 54' W.	222.90 meters	to corner 17;
Thence,	N. 27° 51' W.	242.90 meters	to corner 18;
Thence,	N. 33° 56' W.	268.30 meters	to corner 19;
Thence,	N. 33° 51' W.	293.30 meters	to corner 20;
Thence,	N. 34° 02' W.	243.30 meters	to corner 21;
Thence,	N. 34° 44' W.	239,20 meters	to corner 22;
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1	Thence,	N. 46° 07' W.	247.90 meters	to corner 24;
2	Thence,	N. 45° 11' W.	269.30 meters	to corner 25;
3	Thence,	N. 54° 00' E.	300.00 meters	to corner 26;
4	Thence,	S. 37° 24' E.	2,140.00 meters	to corner 27;
5	Thence,	S. 09° 00' E.	2,556.50 meters	to corner 28;
6	Thence,	S. 80° 00' W.	964.70 meters	to corner 29;
7	Thence,	Due West	675.00 meters	to corner 30;
8	Thence,	N. 24° 34' W.	1,346.90 meters	to corner 31;
9	Thence,	Due West	700.00 meters	to corner 32;
10	Thence,	N. 25° 21' E.	10,511.90 meters	to corner 33;
11	Thence,	N. 66° 34' E.	21,117.50 meters	to corner 34;
12	Thence,	Due North	7,700.00 meters	to corner 35;
13	Thence,	Due West	200.00 meters	to corner 36;
14	Thence,	Due South	7,850.00 meters	to point 1.

SEC. 4. Land Classification. — All lands of the public domain within the coverage and scope of this Act, as described in Section 3, shall fall under the classification of national park: *Provided, however*, That lands already declared by law as agricultural land or classified as alienable or disposable prior to the effectivity of this Act shall remain as such and may be disposed of pursuant to the provisions of Commonwealth Act No. 141 or the Public Land Act, as amended, and other public land laws.

SEC. 5. Definition of Terms. -

- (a) "Biological diversity" shall refer to the variety and variability among living organisms and the ecological complexes in which living organisms occur.
- (b) "Biological resources" shall refer to living natural resources, including the microorganisms, plants and animals, plus the environmental resources to which the species contribute.

(c) "Buffer zone" shall refer to identified areas outside the boundaries of and immediately adjacent to or surrounding a designated protected area that need special development control in order to avoid or minimize harm to the protected area.

- (d) "Endangered species" shall refer to species and subspecies of wildlife whose populations are in danger of extinction and whose survival is unlikely if the causal factors continue to operate.
- (e) "General Management Plan" shall refer to the basic long-term framework plan in the management of the protected area and guide in the preparation of the annual operations plans and budget.
- (f) "General Management Planning Strategy" shall refer to the guide in the formulation of site specific management plans, including buffer zones.
- (g) "Indigenous people" shall refer to people sharing common bonds of language, customs, traditions and other distinctive cultural traits, and which have since time immemorial occupied, possessed and utilized a territory.
- (h) "Integrated Protected Area Fund" shall refer to a trust fund established for purposes of financing projects of the protected area.
- (i) "Management manual" shall refer to the document which contains a specific management plan, basic background information, field inventory of the resources within the area, an assessment of assets and limitations, regional interrelationships, particular objectives for managing the area, appropriate division of the area into management zones, a review of the boundaries of the area, and a design of the management programs.
- (j) "Nongovernment organization (NGO)" shall refer to any civic, development or philanthropic organization which is multi-sectoral in character.
- (k) "Nonrenewable resources" shall refer to those resources found within the protected area and its buffer zones, the natural replenishment rate of which is either not known or takes more than twenty-five (25) years.

(l) "Protected area" shall refer to identified portions of land and water set aside by reason of their unique physical and biological significance, managed to enhance biological diversity, and protected against destructive human exploitation.

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- (m) "Protected Area Management Board (PAMB)" shall refer to the site-based decision making body responsible in planning, resource protection and general administration of the area in accordance with the approved management plan.
- (n) "Protected Area Superintendent (PASu)" shall refer to a Department of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) officer who serves as chief operating officer of the Mt. Tagub-Kampalili Ranges Protected Landscape pursuant to this Act.
- (o) "Public consultation" shall refer to a meeting or dialogue with concerned or affected individuals within and outside the protected area and is designed to identify and resolve issues and problems affecting them.
 - (p) "Secretary" shall refer to the Secretary of the DENR.
- (q) "Tenured migrants" shall refer to any person who has actually and continuously occupied an area for five (5) years prior to its designation as a protected area in accordance with the provisions of Republic Act No. 7586 or the National Integrated Protected Areas System (NIPAS) Act of 1992, and are solely dependent on its resources for subsistence.

CHAPTER II

PROTECTED AREA MANAGEMENT

SEC. 6. Management Plan. – The PASu office shall prepare the management plan in consultation with the appropriate offices of the DENR, local government units (LGUs), local communities, concerned government units and experts who may extend their services. The management plan shall be reviewed, approved and adopted by the PAMB. Thereafter, it shall be

verified and certified to by the secretary, within one (1) month from its submission, that it conforms with all existing laws, rules and regulations issued by the DENR. The secretary shall identify the inconsistency but shall certify the consistent portion or, if acceptable, the secretary shall exempt the management plan from the applicability of the particular rules and regulations it is inconsistent with. The PAMB may revise or modify the identified inconsistent parts of the management plan.

The management plan shall serve as the mandatory guide for all activities relating to the protected area in order to attain the objectives of this Act. Within two (2) years from the effectivity of this Act, such management plan shall be formulated in accordance with the General Management Planning Strategy provided for under the NIPAS Act and its implementing rules, regulations and administrative orders. The management plan shall contain, among others, the following:

- (a) The category of the protected area as a protected landscape;
- (b) Period of applicability of the plan, preferably for at least five (5) years;
 - (c) Key management issues;

- (d) goals and objectives of management in support of Section 2;
- (e) Site management strategy;
- (f) Major management activities such as, but not limited to, enforcement of laws, habitat and wildlife management, sustainable use management, infrastructure development and maintenance, fire and pest control, etc;
- (g) Establishment of zones and the regulated and/or prohibited activities in each zone such as, but not limited to, multipurpose use zones, recreational zones and strict protection zones. To avoid undue relocation, primary consideration shall be accorded to the traditional zones used, which

have been proven to be sustainable and in consonance with the conservation and protection of the biodiversity and natural characteristics of the protected area;

(h) Visitor management programs; and

(i) Livelihood project portfolio and investment plan development.

The PAMB may delegate to any person, natural or artificial, particular acts, powers and authority relating to the management plan such as, but not limited to, the power to address unforeseen contingencies or furnish details, in accordance with complete and ascertainable standards provided in the same management plan.

Revisions or modifications of the management plan shall be initiated only through the PASu or any member of the PAMB and shall be approved and adopted by the latter, by at least a majority vote; after due deliberation. Any revision or modification of the plan shall be reviewed, approved and adopted by the PAMB and certified to by the Secretary, within one (1) month from submission, that the plan, as revised and modified, conforms with all laws, rules and regulations issued by the DENR. In case of any inconsistency with existing laws, rules and regulations, the Secretary shall identify the inconsistency but still certify the consistent portions, or if acceptable, exempt the plan from the applicability of the particular rule and/or regulation it is inconsistent with. The PAMB may revise or modify the identified inconsistencies of the management plan.

SEC. 7. Successor Plans. - The PASu shall initiate the preparation of all successor plans one (1) year before the expiration of the period of applicability of the current plan. The PASu shall cause the radio announcement and publication of notices to solicit comments and suggestions on the next successor plan in radio stations heard over the protected area and in newspapers circulated within the same, as frequently as practicable and as

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resources will allow, and the posting of such notices in the provincial, municipal and barangay halls and in three (3) other areas frequented by the public on the first month of the last year of effectivity of the current plan. A public hearing may be conducted on the successor plan upon the written request of any interested party. All comments submitted or ventilated must be properly documented and presented for discussion by the PAMB. The adoption, revision or modification of the successor plan shall follow the same procedure as provided for the management plan.

The PASu shall make the draft successor plan available to the public and receive and document public discussions, comments and suggestions for a reasonable period prior to its adoption by the PAMB. The final plan shall be made available for public perusal at the PASu office upon the approval of the PAMB.

If no successor plan is approved and adopted upon the expiration of the current plan, the latter shall remain in effect subject to interim modifications as may be adopted by the PAMB.

Unless otherwise specifically provided, nothing in this and the immediately foregoing section shall be construed to limit the power of the PAMB to achieve the spirit and objective of this Act in the formulation of the management plan and successor plans.

The management plan shall be plainly written for easy understanding. If it is approved in a language other than the vernacular, it shall be translated to the latter at the soonest possible time and be made readily available for perusal to the general public at the PASu office.

SEC. 8. Creation of the Protected Area Management Board (PAMB). - A PAMB is hereby created, which shall have sole jurisdiction, power and authority such as, but not limited to, policy making and permit granting over the protected area and its buffer zone for all matters that may affect

biodiversity conservation, protection and sustainable development. It shall be composed of:

- (a) The DENR Regional Executive Director (RED) for Region XI or his/her duly designated representative, as Chairperson;
- (b) The Mayor of the Municipality of Maragusan or his/her duly designated representative, who must be an appointive official of the said municipality, as member;
- (c) The presiding officer of the Sangguniang Bayan of Maragusan or any member thereof, who shall be designated by the sangguniang bayan, as member:
- (d) The respective barangay captains of all the barangays having jurisdiction over any portion of the protected area, as members;
- (e) Maximum of nine (9) representatives from people's organizations (POs) operating in the protected area, selected from among themselves in a meeting duly called for the purpose, as members;
- (f) Maximum of seven (7) representatives from NGOs operating in the protected area, selected from among themselves in a meeting duly called for the purpose, as members;
- (g) The provincial planning and development officer of Compostela Valley Province or any officer of the said office, who shall be designated by the provincial governor, as member; and
- (h) Representatives from government agencies operating within the protected area, to be appointed by the Secretary upon the recommendation of the respective heads of the agencies concerned, based on the agency's relevance and potential contribution to protected area management, as members.

In the selection of PO and NGO representatives, preference shall be accorded to organizations that are involved in the conservation and protection

of the protected area and in development work. Their representation shall be institutional and shall endeavor to achieve geographic balance.

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 Every member of the PAMB shall serve for a term of three (3) years subject, however, to the elected office held, government employment and/or official designation in the local government unit, national agency or PO or NGO. Representation in the PAMB shall, as much as practicable, ensure sufficient representation of stakeholder interests.

Representation of the local government units (LGUs) and national agencies in the PAMB shall include the duty of apprising their respective offices or sectors to ensure consistency or harmony between this Act, the Local Government Code, other relevant statutes and ordinances, and local and national development plans and projects. Failure to comply with the foregoing shall subject such representative to such disciplinary action as the PAMB may provide. Conflicts arising out of jurisdiction, powers and functions pursuant to the provisions of this Act and ordinances, implementing rules, management plans and other statutes enacted by LGUs or implemented by other organizations or government agencies shall be harmonized within the PAMB. If a conflict between the objectives of certain LGUs or national agencies and this Act remains unresolved within the PAMB, it shall be resolved through mediation between the Secretary and the concerned head of office: *Provided*, That conflicts shall be resolved towards achieving the rationale and spirit of this Act.

- SEC. 9. Powers and Functions of the PAMB. The PAMB shall have the following powers and functions:
- (a) Issue all rules and regulations to implement this Act and related laws, rules and regulations with power of delegation;
- (b) Prohibit and regulate, through protected area permits, acts that may be prejudicial to the area and the policy declaration set forth;

- 1 (e) Establish criteria and set fees for the issuance of permits for the activities regulated;
 - (d) Adopt rules of procedure for the conduct of business, roles and responsibilities and discipline of the Board, including the creation of committees to whom its powers may be delegated;
 - (e) Approve, revise or modify the management plan and successor plans;
 - (f) Deputize, train and discipline, interested, capable and responsible individuals for the enforcement of the laws, rules and regulations governing conduct in the protected area;
 - (g) Accept donations, approve proposals for funding, budget allocations and exercise supervision and when mandated, accountability over all the funds that may accrue to the protected area;
 - (h) Oversee and evaluate the PASu office;

- (i) Identify, verify and review all tenure instruments, land claims, and procedures for the issuance of permits for resource use and recommend land reclassification and proper use of resources, consistent with the zoning provided in the management or successor plans;
- (j) Accept, review and approve, after establishing criteria, rules and procedures, proposals for projects or activities, which affect biodiversity conservation, protection and sustainable development;
- (k) Initiate civil or administrative proceedings, file criminal complaints and take necessary legal action against individuals, associations, corporations or any entity destroying or contributing to the destruction of the protected area in whatever degree such as, but not limited to, discharge of waste or refuse that may reach the area;

(I) Participate in all stages of the Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) process for projects that may potentially affect the protected area and in their monitoring;

- (m) Review, approve or disapprove all projects and activities, which may affect the protected area, and require the submission of pertinent information and undergo existing EIA procedures. The Board may also recommend certain projects or activities, which had earlier not been covered by or was exempted from the EIA system, to undergo the same; and
- (n) Recommend, when appropriate, the reclassification of forest lands to agricultural public lands, consistent with the zoning and management plans, and the reversion of alienable or disposable public lands found to have natural growth of flora and fauna and important for biodiversity preservation into inalienable public lands.

The DENR, through the RED, shall oversee the PAMB to ensure that it is acting within the scope of its powers and functions. In case of a conflict between administrative orders of national application issued by the DENR pursuant to the NIPAS Act and the rules and regulations issued by the PAMB, the Secretary, in consultation with the PAMB, shall decide whether to apply the rule or withdraw its application to the site.

- SEC. 10. Quorum. The presence or attendance of more than half of the members of the PAMB, in a meeting duly called, shall constitute a quorum for the conduct of official business and enactment of binding decisions. The PAMB en banc shall, at a minimum, meet on a semi-annual basis.
- SEC. 11. The Protected Area Superintendent (PASu) Office. There is hereby established a PASu office in charge of the management, protection and administration of the protected area. The PASu office shall be supported by the existing personnel of the DENR. The head of office shall be the chief operating officer of the protected area and shall be accountable to the DENR

1	RED for Region XI and the PAMB. The PASu shall have the following
2	powers and functions:
3	(a) Prepare the management and successor plans;
4	(b) Serve as the secretariat for the PAMB with the duty to provide the
5	PAMB with all the information necessary for it to make appropriate decisions
6	when necessary;
7	(c) Establish a productive partnership with the local community,
8	including groups interested in the achievement of goals and objectives of the
9	protected area, and in the planning, protection and management;
10	(d) Develop and implement a park information, education and visitor
l 1	program;
12	(e) Enforce the laws, rules and regulations relevant to the protected
13	area, institute and file legal action independently or in collaboration with other
14	government agencies or organizations and assist in the prosecution of offenses
15	committed in violation of this Act;
16	(f) Monitor all activities within the protected area for conformity with
17	the management plan;
18	(g) Issue protected area permits according to terms, conditions and
19	criteria established by the PAMB; and
20	(h) Perform such other functions as the PAMB may assign.
21	CHAPTER III
22	TENURED MIGRANTS AND PRIVATE RIGHTS
23	SEC. 12. Tenured Migrants and Private Rights Tenured migrants
24	shall be eligible to become stewards of portions of lands within the allowed and
25	designated zones. The PAMB shall identify, verify and review all tenure
26	instruments, land claims and permits for resource use and recommend the
27	issuance of the appropriate tenure instrument consistent with the land

classification, allowed resource use and zoning provided in the management plan.

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 Nothing in this Act shall be construed to mean any diminution of accrued rights earned by tenured migrants. However, tenured migrants occupying areas which may be designated as zones in which no occupation or other activities are allowed pursuant to the attainment of sustainable development shall be transferred to multiple-use zones or buffer zones, to be accomplished through just and humane means.

In the event of termination of a tenure instrument for cause or by voluntary surrender of rights, the PASu shall take immediate steps to rehabilitate the area in order to return it to its natural state prior to the cultivation or other act by the tenured migrant.

All private rights within the protected area shall be protected in accordance with existing law.

CHAPTER IV

PROHIBITED ACTS

SEC. 13. *Prohibited Acts.* – The following shall be the prohibitions and penalties applicable to the protected area:

- (a) The penalties and qualifications prescribed in Article 309 and Article 310 of the Revised Penal Code, depending on the value of the resources involved in connection with the prohibited act, shall be imposed on any person who:
- (1) Hunts, takes, destroys, disturbs or possesses any wild terrestrial or aquatic plants, animals, flora or fauna or products derived therefrom, within particularly identified regulated or prohibited areas or zones in the protected area including private lands without the necessary permit, authorization or exemption, as issued or promulgated by the PAMB;

- (2) Cuts, gathers, removes or collects timber or any forest products, within particularly identified regulated or prohibited areas or zones in the protected area, including private lands, without the necessary permit, authorization or exemption, as issued or promulgated by the PAMB;
- (3) Possesses outside the protected area of any timber, forest products, wild terrestrial or aquatic plants, animals, flora or fauna prohibited by the PAMB or products derived therefrom, which is ascertained to have been taken from the protected area. It shall be presumed to have been taken from the protected area if the subject plants, animals, flora or fauna is found in the possession of persons or conveyances that have traveled to the protected area within seventy-two (72) hours prior to discovery;
- (4) Engages in mineral exploration or extraction, in whatever scale, within the protected area without the necessary permit or authorization from the PAMB:
- (5) Engages in quarrying of sand, gravel, guano, limestone or any material within the protected area without an environmental compliance certificate duly issued by the DENR and authenticated by the PAMB; and
- (6) Hunts, collects, removes or destroys endangered or protected species, except when collection or removal is for scientific research and is exempted from the prohibition by the PAMB.
- (b) A fine of not less than Five thousand pesos (P5,000.00) but not more than Two hundred fifty thousand pesos (P250,000.00) and/or imprisonment of not less than one (1) year nor more than five (5) years and the restoration and rehabilitation of the damage shall be imposed on any person who destroys or defaces for no useful purpose any natural formation within the protected area: *Provided*, That such useful purpose is identified in the management plan or is approved as such by the PAMB prior to the commission of the act.

(c) A fine of not less than Five thousand pesos (P5,000.00) but not more than Two hundred fifty thousand pesos (P250,000.00) and/or imprisonment of not less than one (1) year nor more than five (5) years shall be imposed upon any public officer, prosecutor or officer of the law who, in dereliction of the duties of his office, shall, without legal justification, refrain from instituting prosecution for the punishment of violators of the law, or shall tolerate the commission of offenses. Conviction of this offense shall also carry the penalty of perpetual disqualification from public office.

In determining the damage for violation of this Act, the court shall take into account biodiversity and conservation considerations as well as aesthetic and scenic value. Assessment by the DENR or the concerned government agency shall be presumed correct unless otherwise proven by preponderant evidence.

Any person who shall induce another or conspire to commit any of the illegal acts prohibited in this Act or suffer their workers to commit any of the same shall be liable in the same manner as the one actually performing the act.

All conveyances, vessels, equipment, paraphernalia, implements, gear, tools and similar devices shall be subject to immediate administrative confiscation, independent of the judicial proceedings, by the PASu office subject, however, to due process and substantial evidence. When legal action is, however, filed in the regular courts, the said conveyances, vessels, equipment, paraphernalia, implements, gear, tools and similar devices shall, independent of the administrative proceedings, not be released until after judgment has been rendered. Proceeds from the sale of all objects administratively or judicially confiscated shall accrue to the integrated protected area fund created in Section 16. The procedure for such disposition and sale shall be promulgated by the PAMB.

SEC. 14. Special Prosecutor. — Within thirty (30) days from the effectivity of this Act, the Department of Justice (DOJ) shall appoint a special prosecutor to whom all cases of violation of laws, rules and regulations in the protected area shall be assigned. Such special prosecutor shall coordinate with the PAMB in the performance of his/her duties and assist in the training of wardens and rangers in arrest and criminal procedures. The PAMB shall periodically submit an evaluation of the performance of the designated special prosecutor to the DOJ.

SEC. 15. Special Counsel. – The PAMB may retain the services of a competent lawyer to prosecute and/or assist in the prosecution of cases, under the direct control and supervision of the special prosecutor, and to defend the members of the PAMB, the PASu and staff, or person assisting in protection, conservation and sustainable development of the protected area against any legal action related to their powers, functions and responsibilities as provided in this Act or as delegated or tasked by the PAMB.

CHAPTER V

INTEGRATED PROTECTED AREA FUND

SEC. 16. The Mt. Tagub-Kampalili Ranges Protected Area Fund. — There is hereby established a trust fund to be known as the Mt. Tagub-Kampalifi Ranges Protected Area Fund for purposes of financing projects of the protected area. All income generated from the operation of the system or management of wild flora and fauna in the protected area shall accrue to the Fund. These income shall be derived from fees from permitted sale and export of flora and fauna and other resources from the protected area, proceeds from lease of multiple-use areas, contributions from industries and facilities directly benefiting from the protected area; and such other fees and income derived from the operation of the protected area.

The Fund may be augmented by grants, donations, endowment from 1 2 various sources, domestic or foreign: Provided. That the Fund shall be deposited as a special account in the National Treasury and disbursements 3 therefrom shall be made solely for the protection, maintenance, administration, 4 and management of the system, and duly approved projects endorsed by the 5 6 PAMB in accordance with existing accounting and budgeting rules and regulations: Provided, further, That the Fund shall not be used to cover 7 8 personal services expenditures. 9 The LGUs shall continue to impose and collect all other fees not enumerated herein which they have traditionally collected, such as business 10 11 permits, property tax, and rentals of LGUs facilities. Furthermore, LGUs may charge add-ons to fees imposed by the PAMB: Provided. That such add-ons 12 shall be determined based on the contribution of the LGUs in the maintenance 13 and protection of the protected area. 14 CHAPTER VI 15 16 EXISTING FACILITIES, UTILIZATION OF NONRENEWABLE

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SEC. 17. Existing Facilities Within the Protected Area. – Within ninety (90) days from the effectivity of this Act, all commercial facilities existing within the boundaries of the protected area with a total capitalization exceeding One million pesos (P1.000.000.00) shall submit to the PAMB through the PASu the following:

- (a) Environmental impact assessment;
- (b) Environmental compliance certificate, if any; and
- (c) Development plan, if any.

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Failure to submit the required information shall constitute a violation of this Act. The PAMB, with technical assistance from the DENR, shall assess

such facility and its future plan and operation vis-à-vis the objectives of this

Act. The PAMB may prescribe conditions for the continued operation of the

facility to ensure its harmony with protected area management objectives. Any

violation of such conditions shall be meted a fine in the amount of Five

thousand pesos (P5,000.00) for every day of violation. Upon reaching a total

fine of Five hundred thousand pesos (P500,000.00), regardless of duration, the

PAMB, through the PASu and other deputized government entities, shall cause

the cessation and demolition of the facility at cost to its owners.

Existing facilities that are allowed to remain may be charged a reasonable fee by the PAMB based on the extent of its impact on the environment and biodiversity.

SEC. 18. Utilization of Nonrenewable Resources. – Any exploration for or exploitation or utilization of renewable resources within the protected area shall not be allowed. Energy projects, whether renewable or otherwise, shall be permitted only through an act of Congress: *Provided*, That exploitation of renewable energy up to five (5) megawatts capacity shall be exempt from such requirement subject, however, to the EIA process, approval by the PAMB and such other requirements it may require.

SEC. 19. Environmental Impact Assessment System. – Existing laws, rules and regulations relating to the EIA System shall be applicable to projects and activities intended in the protected area. The issuance of the corresponding environmental compliance certificate or exemption thereto shall require the approval of the PAMB.

SEC. 20. Partnerships with Other Government Agencies, NGOs and POs. – All government agencies, NGOs and POs and their personnel are mandated to continuously foster and develop a strong and true partnership for the purpose of attaining the objectives of this Act.

1	CHAPTER VII
2	APPROPRIATIONS AND MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS
3	SEC. 21. Appropriations The Secretary of the DENR shall
4	immediately include in the Department's program the implementation of this
5	Act, the funding of which shall be included in the annual General
6	Appropriations Act.
7	SEC. 22. Construction The provisions of this Act shall be construed
8	liberally in favor of achieving biodiversity conservation, protection and
9	sustainable development. The provisions of the NIPAS Act and existing
10	forestry laws and their corresponding rules and regulations not inconsistent
11	hereto shall have suppletory effect in the implementation of this Act.
12	SEC 23. Separability Clause If any part or section of this Act is
13	declared by the courts as unconstitutional, such declaration shall not affect the
14	other parts or sections which shall continue in full force and effect.
15	SEC 24. Repealing Clause All existing laws, rules and regulations
16	inconsistent with this Act are hereby repealed or modified accordingly.
17	SEC 25. Effectivity Clause This Act shall take effect immediately
18	after publication in the Official Gazette or in at least two (2) national
19	newspapers of general circulation available in the area.
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