

1 areas of unique biological significance in order to sustain life; taking into
 2 account the sociocultural, economic, aesthetic and environmental values of the
 3 ecosystem of Bulusan Volcano and its surrounding areas to the Province of
 4 Sorsogon particularly its crucial watershed function with the presence of hot
 5 and cold springs and lakes, the diversity of its flora and fauna with some
 6 endemic species; and finally, in pursuit of the State's duty to protect and
 7 advance the right of the people to a balanced and healthful ecology in accord
 8 with the rhythm and harmony of nature, it is hereby declared the policy of the
 9 State to secure for the Filipino people the protection and conservation of the
 10 Bulusan Volcano and its surrounding areas in accordance with Republic Act
 11 No. 7586 or the National Integrated Protected Areas System (NIPAS) Act of
 12 1992 and international conventions to which the Philippines is a signatory.

13 **SEC. 3. Declaration.** – Pursuant to the above policy, the NIPAS Act
 14 and as provided herein, the Bulusan Volcano and its surrounding vicinities
 15 with boundaries as described hereunder, is hereby declared a national park and
 16 established as a protected area under the category of a natural park, and shall
 17 be known as the Bulusan Volcano Natural Park (BVNP).

18 **SEC. 4. Scope.** – The BVNP shall cover parcels of land located in the
 19 municipalities of Barcelona, Bulusan, Casiguran, Irosin and Juban, all within
 20 the Province of Sorsogon, containing an area of Three thousand six hundred
 21 seventy-two (3,672) hectares, subject to ground survey, with the following
 22 technical description:

23 **Lot 1.** – Beginning at point 1 on plan, B.F.N.P. – or M.B.M. No. 7,
 24 corner 1,

25	Thence	N. 66°09' E.,	9.50 meters to corner 2;
26	Thence	N. 02°29' E.,	36.30 meters to corner 3;
27	Thence	N. 26°40' W.,	32.10 meters to corner 4;
28	Thence	N. 16°41' W.,	48.10 meters to corner 5;

1	Thence	N. 04°32' E.,	59.80 meters to corner 6;
2	Thence	N. 05°00' W.,	67.70 meters to corner 7;
3	Thence	N. 10°26' E.,	98.60 meters to corner 8;
4	Thence	N. 04°49' E.,	55.20 meters to corner 9;
5	Thence	N. 31°56' W.,	85.50 meters to corner 10;
6	Thence	N. 19°10' W.,	73.20 meters to corner 11;
7	Thence	N. 16°29' W.,	57.90 meters to corner 12;
8	Thence	N. 21°51' W.,	98.60 meters to corner 13;
9	Thence	N. 33°28' W.,	105.60 meters to corner 14;
10	Thence	N. 12°53' W.,	92.70 meters to corner 15;
11	Thence	N. 11°05' E.,	44.30 meters to corner 16;
12	Thence	N. 16°35' W.,	107.60 meters to corner 17;
13	Thence	N. 35°54' W.,	164.50 meters to corner 18;
14	Thence	N. 28°02' W.,	29.10 meters to corner 19;
15	Thence	N. 04°20' W.,	180.20 meters to corner 20;
16	Thence	N. 01°09' E.,	21.30 meters to corner 21;
17	Thence	N. 36°10' W.,	13.10 meters to corner 22;
18	Thence	N. 18°40' W.,	20.30 meters to corner 23;
19	Thence	N. 05°07' W.,	59.90 meters to corner 24;
20	Thence	N. 34°59' W.,	82.90 meters to corner 25;
21	Thence	N. 27°46' E.,	31.20 meters to corner 26;
22	Thence	N. 44°05' E.,	36.70 meters to corner 27;
23	Thence	N. 23°31' E.,	15.20 meters to corner 28;
24	Thence	N. 36°31' W.,	26.40 meters to corner 29;
25	Thence	N. 49°41' W.,	368.20 meters to corner 30;
26	Thence	N. 81°33' E.,	132.00 meters to corner 31;
27	Thence	N. 82°03' E.,	228.00 meters to corner 32;
28	Thence	N. 42°42' W.,	217.70 meters to corner 33;

1	Thence	N. 46°34' W.,	270.80 meters to corner 34
2	Thence	N. 45°01' E.,	236.40 meters to corner 35;
3	Thence	N. 57°30' E.,	234.50 meters to corner 36;
4	Thence	N. 50°25' E.,	275.80 meters to corner 37;
5	Thence	N. 80°43' E.,	44.30 meters to corner 38;
6	Thence	S. 39°09' E.,	296.10 meters to corner 39;
7	Thence	S. 04°17' W.,	63.20 meters to corner 40;
8	Thence	N. 82°58' W.,	126.60 meters to corner 41;
9	Thence	S. 58°49' W.,	277.50 meters to corner 42;
10	Thence	S. 04°55' E.,	131.30 meters to corner 43;
11	Thence	S. 67°11' E.,	131.40 meters to corner 44;
12	Thence	N. 35°22' E.,	359.10 meters to corner 45;
13	Thence	S. 88°07' E.,	239.40 meters to corner 46;
14	Thence	S. 78°58' E.,	226.50 meters to corner 47;
15	Thence	S. 21°26' E.,	348.50 meters to corner 48
16	Thence	S. 12°19' E.,	285.40 meters to corner 49;
17	Thence	N. 69°09' E.,	108.50 meters to corner 50;
18	Thence	N. 08°48' E.,	194.10 meters to corner 51;
19	Thence	N. 17°39' W.,	50.30 meters to corner 52;
20	Thence	N. 23°31' E.,	41.40 meters to corner 53;
21	Thence	N. 89°53' E.,	35.20 meters to corner 54;
22	Thence	N. 14°06' E.,	79.30 meters to corner 55;
23	Thence	N. 33°56' W.,	37.00 meters to corner 56;
24	Thence	N. 45°58' E.,	34.40 meters to corner 57;
25	Thence	N. 16°48' E.,	21.20 meters to corner 58;
26	Thence	N. 66°22' E.,	35.90 meters to corner 59;
27	Thence	N. 08°40' E.,	59.80 meters to corner 60;
28	Thence	N. 22°03' W.,	49.30 meters to corner 61;

1	Thence	N. 06°20' W.,	54.90 meters to corner 62;
2	Thence	N. 30°23' E.,	56.80 meters to corner 63;
3	Thence	N. 72°40' E.,	31.00 meters to corner 64;
4	Thence	N. 38°59' E.,	16.00 meters to corner 65;
5	Thence	N. 03°32' E.,	69.00 meters to corner 66;
6	Thence	N. 17°27' W.,	51.70 meters to corner 67;
7	Thence	N. 56°09' E.,	243.00 meters to corner 68;
8	Thence	S. 15°29' E.,	151.20 meters to corner 69;
9	Thence	S. 21°50' E.,	280.90 meters to corner 70;
10	Thence	N. 43°10' E.,	246.40 meters to corner 71;
11	Thence	N. 14°53' W.,	138.00 meters to corner 72;
12	Thence	N. 68°24' E.,	125.80 meters to corner 73;
13	Thence	S. 46°03' E.,	182.90 meters to corner 74;
14	Thence	S. 10°43' E.,	204.70 meters to corner 75;
15	Thence	S. 45°41' E.,	273.20 meters to corner 76;
16	Thence	N. 39°20' E.,	257.90 meters to corner 77;
17	Thence	S. 08°38' E.,	1,407.30 meters to corner 78;
18	Thence	S. 83°13' W.,	2,702.90 meters to corner 79.
19	Lot 2. – Beginning at point 1 plan, B.F.N.P. – or M.B.M. No. 7, to		
20	corner 1,		
21	Thence	N. 08°37' W.,	1,406.60 meters to corner 2;
22	Thence	N. 70°23' E.,	263.90 meters to corner 3;
23	Thence	N. 08°03' W.,	177.20 meters to corner 4;
24	Thence	N. 84°12' E.,	119.60 meters to corner 5;
25	Thence	S. 32°16' E.,	71.10 meters to corner 6;
26	Thence	N. 44°36' E.,	372.80 meters to corner 7;
27	Thence	S. 81°33' E.,	267.20 meters to corner 8;
28	Thence	S. 49°51' E.,	253.50 meters to corner 9;

1	Thence	S. 72°34' E.,	213.00 meters to corner 10;
2	Thence	N. 63°47' E.,	131.20 meters to corner 11;
3	Thence	S. 62°48' E.,	223.90 meters to corner 12;
4	Thence	N. 65°22' E.,	256.80 meters to corner 13;
5	Thence	S. 14°54' E.,	235.20 meters to corner 14;
6	Thence	S. 26°09' E.,	282.10 meters to corner 15;
7	Thence	S. 19°25' W.,	358.10 meters to corner 16;
8	Thence	S. 00°55' W.,	239.60 meters to corner 17;
9	Thence	S. 70°18' W.,	1,811.20 meters to corner 18.
10	Lot 3. – Beginning at point plan, B.F.S.P. – or M.B.M. No. 7 to		
11	corner 1,		
12	Thence	N. 83°30' E.,	2,746.90 meters to corner 2;
13	Thence	N. 72°04' E.,	1,837.30 meters to corner 3;
14	Thence	S. 02°38' E.,	226.50 meters to corner 4;
15	Thence	S. 19°16' E.,	230.50 meters to corner 5;
16	Thence	S. 07°15' W.,	282.30 meters to corner 6;
17	Thence	S. 09°36' E.,	244.10 meters to corner 7;
18	Thence	S. 39°20' W.,	220.40 meters to corner 8;
19	Thence	S. 23°56' E.,	215.40 meters to corner 9;
20	Thence	S. 34°33' W.,	239.80 meters to corner 10;
21	Thence	S. 70°10' W.,	262.30 meters to corner 11;
22	Thence	S. 67°32' E.,	224.10 meters to corner 12;
23	Thence	S. 74°49' E.,	306.10 meters to corner 13;
24	Thence	N. 46°44' E.,	103.30 meters to corner 14;
25	Thence	S. 85°24' E.,	104.30 meters to corner 15;
26	Thence	S. 31°35' E.,	186.70 meters to corner 16;
27	Thence	S. 31°35' E.,	187.00 meters to corner 17;
28	Thence	S. 67°35' E.,	90.10 meters to corner 18;

1	Thence	S. 06°52' E.,	206.10 meters to corner 19;
2	Thence	S. 73°06' E.,	222.10 meters to corner 20;
3	Thence	S. 82°14' E.,	146.40 meters to corner 21;
4	Thence	S. 27°13' E.,	214.80 meters to corner 22;
5	Thence	S. 12°19' E.,	310.50 meters to corner 23;
6	Thence	S. 43°07' W.,	255.80 meters to corner 24;
7	Thence	N. 87°41' W.,	161.90 meters to corner 25;
8	Thence	S. 63°36' W.,	215.90 meters to corner 26;
9	Thence	N. 69°54' W.,	16.90 meters to corner 27;
10	Thence	S. 25°04' E.,	124.90 meters to corner 28;
11	Thence	S. 57°32' E.,	49.70 meters to corner 29;
12	Thence	S. 80°55' E.,	51.10 meters to corner 30;
13	Thence	S. 05°45' E.,	209.50 meters to corner 31;
14	Thence	N. 62°58' E.,	67.70 meters to corner 32;
15	Thence	N. 39°30' E.,	160.00 meters to corner 33;
16	Thence	N. 44°16' E.,	154.50 meters to corner 34;
17	Thence	S. 58°45' E.,	183.80 meters to corner 35;
18	Thence	S. 23°11' W.,	158.10 meters to corner 36;
19	Thence	S. 22°02' E.,	120.30 meters to corner 37;
20	Thence	S. 49°49' W.,	118.70 meters to corner 38;
21	Thence	S. 68°28' W.,	282.10 meters to corner 39;
22	Thence	S. 02°31' W.,	186.10 meters to corner 40;
23	Thence	S. 68°32' W.,	362.30 meters to corner 41;
24	Thence	N. 86°58' E.,	176.20 meters to corner 42;
25	Thence	S. 63°13' E.,	397.90 meters to corner 43;
26	Thence	S. 84°34' E.,	153.70 meters to corner 44;
27	Thence	S. 47°26' E.,	122.60 meters to corner 45;
28	Thence	S. 27°24' W.,	188.10 meters to corner 46;

1	Thence	S. 02°17' E.,	151.40 meters to corner 47;
2	Thence	S. 70°13' W.,	384.90 meters to corner 48;
3	Thence	S. 78°20' W.,	363.50 meters to corner 49;
4	Thence	N. 80°50' W.,	243.80 meters to corner 50;
5	Thence	N. 39°35' W.,	127.90 meters to corner 51;
6	Thence	S. 89°35' W.,	159.70 meters to corner 52;
7	Thence	N. 48°26' W.,	102.90 meters to corner 53;
8	Thence	N. 52°19' W.,	223.20 meters to corner 54;
9	Thence	N. 79°20' W.,	307.10 meters to corner 55;
10	Thence	N. 74°09' W.,	223.50 meters to corner 56;
11	Thence	N. 65°24' E.,	340.30 meters to corner 57;
12	Thence	N. 17°60' W.,	210.40 meters to corner 58;
13	Thence	N. 47°56' W.,	316.20 meters to corner 59;
14	Thence	N. 62°12' W.,	157.60 meters to corner 60;
15	Thence	N. 13°18' W.,	186.80 meters to corner 61;
16	Thence	N. 80°48' W.,	218.80 meters to corner 62;
17	Thence	S. 60°45' W.,	192.00 meters to corner 63;
18	Thence	N. 76°48' W.,	211.80 meters to corner 64;
19	Thence	S. 84°11' W.,	307.10 meters to corner 65;
20	Thence	S. 14°26' W.,	263.60 meters to corner 66;
21	Thence	S. 39°23' W.,	170.40 meters to corner 67;
22	Thence	N. 43°44' W.,	298.00 meters to corner 68;
23	Thence	N. 37°42' W.,	268.40 meters to corner 69;
24	Thence	S. 57°02' W.,	397.60 meters to corner 70;
25	Thence	N. 29°47' W.,	3,336.40 meters to corner 71;
26	Lot 4. – Beginning at point 1 on plan, B.F.N.P. – or M.B.M. No. 7, to		
27	corner 1,		
28	Thence	S. 28°27' E.,	3,351.70 meters to corner 2;

1	Thence	S. 33°26' E.,	42.50 meters to corner 3;
2	Thence	S. 74°13' W.,	138.50 meters to corner 4;
3	Thence	S. 13°39' W.,	244.30 meters to corner 5;
4	Thence	S. 68°15' W.,	149.30 meters to corner 6;
5	Thence	N. 01°09' W.,	306.60 meters to corner 7;
6	Thence	N. 36°48' W.,	105.70 meters to corner 8;
7	Thence	S. 82°09' W.,	95.50 meters to corner 9;
8	Thence	N. 62°38' W.,	21.80 meters to corner 10;
9	Thence	S. 47°47' W.,	177.20 meters to corner 11;
10	Thence	S. 18°39' E.,	94.50 meters to corner 12;
11	Thence	N. 83°52' E.,	64.00 meters to corner 13;
12	Thence	S. 73°40' E.,	267.90 meters to corner 14;
13	Thence	S. 11°25' E.,	165.90 meters to corner 15;
14	Thence	S. 46°04' W.,	222.40 meters to corner 16;
15	Thence	S. 12°37' E.,	188.30 meters to corner 17;
16	Thence	N. 80°07' W.,	390.10 meters to corner 18;
17	Thence	S. 77°04' W.,	263.10 meters to corner 19;
18	Thence	N. 68°08' W.,	191.90 meters to corner 20;
19	Thence	N. 58°17' W.,	303.50 meters to corner 21;
20	Thence	N. 78°11' W.,	253.10 meters to corner 22;
21	Thence	S. 89°55' W.,	420.30 meters to corner 23;
22	Thence	N. 75°34' W.,	214.50 meters to corner 24;
23	Thence	N. 38°57' E.,	314.70 meters to corner 25;
24	Thence	N. 82°23' E.,	203.60 meters to corner 26;
25	Thence	N. 84°10' W.,	344.80 meters to corner 27;
26	Thence	N. 73°32' W.,	162.00 meters to corner 28;
27	Thence	N. 74°47' W.,	152.80 meters to corner 29;
28	Thence	S. 25°53' W.,	242.90 meters to corner 30;

1	Thence	S. 37°52' W.,	325.00 meters to corner 31;
2	Thence	S. 38°56' W.,	200.60 meters to corner 32;
3	Thence	S. 64°36' W.,	336.40 meters to corner 33;
4	Thence	S. 86°51' W.,	198.20 meters to corner 34;
5	Thence	N. 77°19' W.,	370.60 meters to corner 35;
6	Thence	S. 71°22' W.,	223.70 meters to corner 36;
7	Thence	S. 66°17' W.,	253.40 meters to corner 37;
8	Thence	N. 27°10' W.,	140.60 meters to corner 38;
9	Thence	N. 53°22' W.,	143.20 meters to corner 39;
10	Thence	N. 53°49' W.,	352.00 meters to corner 40;
11	Thence	N. 26°26' E.,	166.80 meters to corner 41;
12	Thence	N. 80°12' E.,	270.90 meters to corner 42;
13	Thence	S. 85°14' E.,	181.20 meters to corner 43;
14	Thence	N. 70°46' E.,	201.70 meters to corner 44;
15	Thence	N. 62°11' E.,	310.90 meters to corner 45;
16	Thence	N. 33°16' E.,	175.60 meters to corner 46;
17	Thence	N. 30°54' E.,	368.40 meters to corner 47;
18	Thence	N. 19°15' E.,	467.00 meters to corner 48;
19	Thence	N. 16°07' W.,	363.60 meters to corner 49;
20	Thence	N. 48°38' W.,	277.70 meters to corner 50;
21	Thence	N. 55°28' W.,	53.80 meters to corner 51;
22	Thence	S. 48°12' W.,	278.00 meters to corner 52;
23	Thence	N. 89°29' W.,	230.10 meters to corner 53;
24	Thence	N. 76°59' W.,	172.90 meters to corner 54;
25	Thence	N. 70°57' E.,	118.50 meters to corner 55;
26	Thence	N. 30°29' E.,	174.60 meters to corner 56;
27	Thence	N. 02°23' W.,	177.00 meters to corner 57;
28	Thence	N. 13°52' E.,	258.40 meters to corner 58;

1	Thence	N. 26°12' W.,	223.80 meters to corner 59;
2	Thence	N. 12°36' W.,	193.30 meters to corner 60;
3	Thence	N. 74°10' E.,	2,684.00 meters to corner 61;
4	Lot 5. – Beginning at point 1 on plan, B.F.N.P. – or M.B.M. No. 7 to		
5	corner 1,		
6	Thence	S. 75°16' W.,	2,984.50 meters to corner 2;
7	Thence	N. 48°50' E.,	16.10 meters to corner 3;
8	Thence	N. 22°09' E.,	85.70 meters to corner 4;
9	Thence	N. 37°34' W.,	150.80 meters to corner 5;
10	Thence	N. 78°11' W.,	70.00 meters to corner 6;
11	Thence	N. 30°40' W.,	75.90 meters to corner 7;
12	Thence	N. 01°32' W.,	95.40 meters to corner 8;
13	Thence	N. 48°14' E.,	56.20 meters to corner 9;
14	Thence	N. 47°48' E.,	164.70 meters to corner 10;
15	Thence	N. 89°24' E.,	72.20 meters to corner 11;
16	Thence	N. 15°07' E.,	76.70 meters to corner 12;
17	Thence	N. 28°48' W.,	41.20 meters to corner 13;
18	Thence	N. 69°36' W.,	214.10 meters to corner 14;
19	Thence	N. 17°59' E.,	185.80 meters to corner 15;
20	Thence	N. 11°38' W.,	170.60 meters to corner 16;
21	Thence	N. 29°04' W.,	105.20 meters to corner 17;
22	Thence	N. 22°51' W.,	44.80 meters to corner 18;
23	Thence	N. 43°06' W.,	11.10 meters to corner 19;
24	Thence	N. 75°15' E.,	60.40 meters to corner 20;
25	Thence	N. 70°25' E.,	36.90 meters to corner 21;
26	Thence	N. 15°17' W.,	36.90 meters to corner 22;
27	Thence	N. 12°49' W.,	40.10 meters to corner 23;
28	Thence	N. 58°50' E.,	20.70 meters to corner 24;

1	Thence	N. 01°42' W.,	32.60 meters to corner 25;
2	Thence	N. 58°56' W.,	63.40 meters to corner 26;
3	Thence	N. 17°16' W.,	77.20 meters to corner 27;
4	Thence	S. 62°42' E.,	50.90 meters to corner 28;
5	Thence	S. 48°11' E.,	37.80 meters to corner 29;
6	Thence	S. 47°31' E.,	81.70 meters to corner 30;
7	Thence	S. 08°26' E.,	29.20 meters to corner 31;
8	Thence	S. 27°16' E.,	55.40 meters to corner 32;
9	Thence	S. 46°52' E.,	68.90 meters to corner 33;
10	Thence	S. 65°03' E.,	29.90 meters to corner 34;
11	Thence	S. 58°43' E.,	34.30 meters to corner 35;
12	Thence	S. 39°01' E.,	43.60 meters to corner 36;
13	Thence	S. 82°11' E.,	66.10 meters to corner 37;
14	Thence	S. 42°35' E.,	38.40 meters to corner 38;
15	Thence	S. 39°37' E.,	37.50 meters to corner 39;
16	Thence	S. 55°30' E.,	12.60 meters to corner 40;
17	Thence	S. 10°01' E.,	29.00 meters to corner 41;
18	Thence	S. 21°18' E.,	56.00 meters to corner 42;
19	Thence	S. 62°43' E.,	189.40 meters to corner 43;
20	Thence	S. 70°41' E.,	178.20 meters to corner 44;
21	Thence	N. 44°45' E.,	77.40 meters to corner 45;
22	Thence	N. 67°24' W.,	96.60 meters to corner 46;
23	Thence	N. 33°06' W.,	31.20 meters to corner 47;
24	Thence	N. 60°45' W.,	33.50 meters to corner 48;
25	Thence	N. 49°08' E.,	37.90 meters to corner 49;
26	Thence	N. 50°14' E.,	73.80 meters to corner 50;
27	Thence	N. 17°37' W.,	35.10 meters to corner 51;
28	Thence	N. 60°31' W.,	82.80 meters to corner 52;

1	Thence	N. 23°22' E.,	66.60 meters to corner 53;
2	Thence	S. 76°37' E.,	40.30 meters to corner 54;
3	Thence	S. 39°28' E.,	145.60 meters to corner 55;
4	Thence	N. 69°12' E.,	125.50 meters to corner 56;
5	Thence	N. 44°30' E.,	249.80 meters to corner 57;
6	Thence	N. 49°51' E.,	136.80 meters to corner 58;
7	Thence	N. 33°08' E.,	266.20 meters to corner 59;
8	Thence	N. 69°39' E.,	217.80 meters to corner 60;
9	Thence	N. 33°25' E.,	153.40 meters to corner 61;
10	Thence	N. 32°00' E.,	63.00 meters to corner 62;
11	Thence	N. 68°03' E.,	105.00 meters to corner 63;
12	Thence	N. 61°18' E.,	131.60 meters to corner 64;
13	Thence	N. 14°14' E.,	52.20 meters to corner 65;
14	Thence	N. 66°28' W.,	115.80 meters to corner 66;
15	Thence	N. 42°29' E.,	186.60 meters to corner 67;
16	Thence	S. 63°47' E.,	34.60 meters to corner 68;
17	Thence	S. 71°20' E.,	101.50 meters to corner 69;
18	Thence	S. 15°29' E.,	269.40 meters to corner 70;
19	Thence	S. 54°35' E.,	165.20 meters to corner 71;
20	Thence	S. 27°22' E.,	17.40 meters to corner 72;
21	Thence	N. 25°09' E.,	101.40 meters to corner 73;
22	Thence	N. 28°09' E.,	101.40 meters to corner 74;
23	Thence	N. 10°02' W.,	21.70 meters to corner 75;
24	Thence	N. 11°35' W.,	16.90 meters to corner 76;
25	Thence	N. 27°28' E.,	35.00 meters to corner 77;
26	Thence	N. 28°52' E.,	21.10 meters to corner 78;
27	Thence	N. 67°03' E.,	40.30 meters to corner 79;
28	Thence	N. 49°50' E.,	44.90 meters to corner 80;

1	Thence	N. 40°37' E.,	32.30 meters to corner 81;
2	Thence	N. 23°40' E.,	26.30 meters to corner 82;
3	Thence	N. 28°17' E.,	38.00 meters to corner 83;
4	Thence	N. 71°02' E.,	11.70 meters to corner 84;
5	Thence	N. 86°56' E.,	60.70 meters to corner 85;
6	Thence	N. 55°42' E.,	19.00 meters to corner 86;
7	Thence	N. 21°17' E.,	9.50 meters to corner 87;
8	Thence	S. 01°10' W.,	22.30 meters to corner 88;
9	Thence	S. 03°55' E.,	187.60 meters to corner 89;
10	Thence	S. 25°42' E.,	131.70 meters to corner 90;
11	Thence	S. 71°13' E.,	156.40 meters to corner 91;
12	Thence	S. 15°04' E.,	111.30 meters to corner 92;
13	Thence	S. 10°03' E.,	45.90 meters to corner 93;
14	Thence	S. 11°41' E.,	96.20 meters to corner 94;
15	Thence	S. 30°52' E.,	107.00 meters to corner 95;
16	Thence	S. 19°56' E.,	101.40 meters to corner 96;
17	Thence	S. 14°59' E.,	59.80 meters to corner 97;
18	Thence	S. 17°26' E.,	75.50 meters to corner 98;
19	Thence	S. 29°20' E.,	86.70 meters to corner 99;
20	Thence	S. 04°60' W.,	88.80 meters to corner 100;
21	Thence	S. 10°36' W.,	102.80 meters to corner 101;
22	Thence	S. 04°32' E.,	70.40 meters to corner 102;
23	Thence	S. 04°36' W.,	62.40 meters to corner 103;
24	Thence	S. 14°51' E.,	49.70 meters to corner 104;
25	Thence	S. 24°25' E.,	32.90 meters to corner 105;
26	Thence	S. 02°31' W.,	37.80 meters to corner 106;
27	Thence	S. 66°30' W.,	9.90 meters to corner 1, the point of
28	beginning.		

1 **SEC. 5. *Definition of Terms.*** – For purposes of this Act, the following
2 terms are hereby defined:

3 (b) “BVNP” refers to the Bulusan Volcano Natural Park as established
4 herein.

5 (b) “Genetically Modified Organism (GMO)” refers to any living
6 organism that possesses a novel combination of genetic material obtained
7 through the use of modern biotechnology through *in vitro* nucleic acid
8 techniques, including recombinant deoxyribonucleic acid (DNA) and direct
9 injection of nucleic acid into cells or organelles, or fusion of cells beyond the
10 taxonomic family, that overcome natural physiological reproductive or
11 recombination barriers that are not techniques used in traditional breeding and
12 selection.

13 (c) “LGU” refers to any of the local government units within the
14 BVNP.

15 (d) “PAMB” refers to the BVNP Protected Area Management Board.

16 (e) “PASO” refers to the Protected Area Superintendent Office, which
17 is managed by the Protected Area Superintendent (PASu) and his/her staff.

18 (f) “PASu” refers to the Protected Area Superintendent.

19 (g) “Protected species” refers to any plant or animal declared protected
20 under Philippine laws and international conventions, including species listed
21 under the Convention on International Trade of Endangered Species (CITES)
22 and all its annexes, the Bonn Convention on Migratory Species, the Red-list of
23 Categories of the World Conservation Union (IUCN), or any plant or animal
24 which the PAMB may deem critical for the conservation and preservation of
25 the BVNP.

26 (h) “Natural park” refers to a relatively large area not materially altered
27 by human activity where extractive resource uses are not allowed and

1 maintained to protect outstanding natural and scenic areas of national or
2 international significance for scientific, educational and recreational use.

3 (i) "Secretary" refers to the Secretary of the Department of
4 Environment and Natural Resources (DENR).

5 ARTICLE II

6 MANAGEMENT, MANAGEMENT PLAN AND ZONING

7 SEC. 6. *Management of the BVNP.* – The BVNP shall be under the
8 administrative jurisdiction of the DENR and shall be administered in
9 accordance with the provisions of this Act: *Provided*, That the management of
10 zones to be established within the BVNP shall be consultative and
11 participatory.

12 The PAMB shall be responsible for planning, resource protection and
13 general administration of the BVNP in accordance with the approved
14 management plan.

15 SEC. 7. *Management Plan.* – A management plan shall be adopted
16 which shall serve as the long-term basic framework for the management of the
17 BVNP, govern all activities within the BVNP and guide the preparation of the
18 annual operations plan and budget. The management plan shall be consistent
19 with this Act and the nature of the BVNP as a protected area under the
20 category of a natural park. A management manual containing the management
21 plan and other supporting data shall be prepared in accordance with the
22 implementing rules of the NIPAS Act.

23 Within one year from the effectivity of this Act, the PASO shall prepare
24 the management plan in accordance with the General Management Planning
25 Strategy as provided for in the implementing rules of the NIPAS Act. It shall
26 contain, among others, the following:

27 (a) A period of applicability for ten (10) years subject to review every
28 five years;

1 (b) Key management issues;

2 (c) Goals and objectives of management in support of Section 2 hereof;

3 (d) Zoning in accordance with Section 8 hereof;

4 (e) Management programs to include enforcement of laws, habitat and
5 wildlife management, ecotourism, sustainable use, management, infrastructure
6 development and maintenance, fire prevention and pest control;

7 (f) Sustainable and non-destructive livelihood activities;

8 (g) Regulations in furtherance of the preservation and conservation
9 aims of the BVNP such as allowable activities, resource-use restrictions,
10 among others; and

11 (h) Other relevant conservation matters.

12 The management plan shall be reviewed and adopted by the PAMB and
13 certified to by the DENR Secretary. It shall not be revised nor modified
14 without prior consultation with the PAMB and shall be reviewed and updated
15 every five years.

16 Two years prior to the expiration of the management plan, the PASO
17 shall cause the publication of notices for comments and suggestions on the new
18 or successor management plan in a newspaper of general circulation and the
19 posting thereof in the provincial, municipal and barangay halls of the LGUs
20 comprising the BVNP, and in three other conspicuous areas frequented by the
21 public and shall be made available for public perusal at the PASO.

22 The management plan and all its successor plans shall be prepared in
23 English, Filipino and Bicol, plainly written and made accessible to the public
24 at the PASO.

25 **SEC. 8. Zoning.** – Management zones shall be established within the
26 BVNP, giving primary consideration to its protection and conservation.
27 Zoning shall also take into account tenurial and livelihood concerns of

1 communities to ensure the efficient protection of habitats, fragile ecosystems
2 and unique areas.

3 The establishment and management of zones must involve the
4 community concerned by undertaking such steps as dialogues, consultations
5 and land and resource-use mapping. Zones shall be demarcated on the ground
6 and indicated on maps with the participation of communities, LGUs and other
7 stakeholders.

8 Multiple-use zones shall be established within the peripheral areas of the
9 BVNP in accordance with the management plan to serve as a social fence,
10 where tenurial and sustainable resource-use rights may be granted to qualified
11 groups and individuals.

12 ARTICLE III

13 INSTITUTIONAL MECHANISMS, ROLES AND FUNCTIONS

14 SEC. 9. *The Protected Area Management Board (PAMB).* – There shall
15 be a PAMB which shall serve as the highest policy-making body of the BVNP.
16 It shall be composed of the following:

- 17 (a) The Regional Executive Director (RED) of DENR of Region V as
18 PAMB chair;
- 19 (b) The Provincial Governor of Sorsogon as co-chair;
- 20 (c) The Provincial Planning and Development Officer of Sorsogon;
- 21 (d) The Environment and Natural Resources Officer (ENRO) of the
22 Province of Sorsogon (PENRO-LGU);
- 23 (e) The respective mayors of the municipalities of Barcelona, Bulusan,
24 Casiguran, Irosin and Juban;
- 25 (f) The Representative of the First District of Sorsogon to the
26 Philippine Congress or his/her designated representative;
- 27 (g) The Representative of the Second District of Sorsogon to the
28 Philippine Congress or his/her designated representative;

1 (h) One regular representative from each barangay with territory within
2 the BVNP;

3 (i) One regular representative each from nongovernment organizations
4 (NGOs), people's organization (PO), church or civic organization but not to
5 exceed five, all of whom must be based in or near the BVNP, to be chosen by
6 their respective organizations in an election duly called for the purpose;

7 (j) One representative from the Department of Tourism, Region V;

8 (k) One representative from the Department of Agriculture, Region V;

9 (l) One representative from other government agencies with direct
10 interest or involvement in the BVNP management, to be appointed by the
11 Secretary upon the recommendation of the respective heads of offices; and

12 (m) One representative from academic institutions with direct interest or
13 involvement in protected area management, to be appointed by the Secretary
14 from among the respective nominees of these institutions.

15 Every PAMB member shall serve for a term of five years, renewable for
16 another five years for as long as a member remains connected with the office
17 or sector being represented: *Provided*, That the LGU representatives must
18 present the necessary endorsements from their respective legislative councils.
19 Whenever a vacancy occurs during the term of a nongovernment PAMB
20 member, a new member shall be chosen in the same manner as the original
21 selection process and only for the remaining term.

22 SEC. 10. *Powers and Functions of the PAMB.* – The PAMB shall
23 decide by majority vote and shall have the following powers and functions:

24 (a) Issue rules and regulations to control, prohibit and regulate all acts
25 that may be prejudicial to the BVNP pursuant to the policy declarations herein
26 set forth, including the imposition of fines to a maximum of Twenty thousand
27 pesos (P20,000.00) and issuance of cease and desist orders, whenever justified;

1 (b) Regulate, control and issue permits in accordance with the
2 management plan and pertinent environmental laws and regulations
3 particularly with regard to infrastructure activities, public utilities, waste
4 management, business enterprises and research activities within the BVNP,
5 including the power to prescribe appropriate fees and charges;

6 (c) Cause the preparation of and review, approve and adopt a
7 management plan for the BVNP;

8 (d) Adopt and enforce a land-use scheme and zoning plan in adjoining
9 areas for the preservation and control of activities that may threaten the
10 ecological balance in the BVNP;

11 (e) Conduct studies on various characteristic, features and conditions
12 of the BVNP and prescribe permissible or prohibited human activities in the
13 area;

14 (f) Recommend individuals or groups to the Secretary who may be
15 deputized to augment the protection personnel of the BVNP for the
16 enforcement of laws, rules and regulations therein, and prescribe qualifications
17 thereof;

18 (g) Enter into contracts and agreements with private entities or other
19 government agencies as may be necessary to carry out the purposes of this Act;

20 (h) Fix and prescribe reasonable fees to be collected from government
21 agencies or any person, firm or corporation deriving benefits from the BVNP;

22 (i) Exact administrative fees and fines as authorized in Section 17
23 hereof for violations of guidelines, rules and regulations issued pursuant to this
24 Act as would endanger the viability of the BVNP;

25 (j) Determine the specification of the class, type and style of building
26 and other structures to be constructed in the BVNP and the materials to be
27 used thereon;

1 (k) Control the construction, operation and maintenance of roads, trails,
2 waterworks, sewerage, fire protection, and sanitation systems and other public
3 utilities within the BVNP;

4 (l) To accept in the name of the Philippine Government funds,
5 donations, gifts or bequests of money for immediate disbursement or other
6 property in the interest of the BVNP, its activities or its services;

7 (m) Review and approve proposals for funding, financial and work
8 plans and exercise accountability over all funds that may accrue to the BVNP;

9 (n) Promulgate rules and regulations for the conduct of its business;

10 (o) Monitor and evaluate the performance of all PASO personnel;

11 (p) Call on any agency or instrumentality of the Philippine Government
12 as well as academic institutions, NGOs and the private sector as may be
13 necessary to accomplish the objectives and activities of the BVNP;

14 (q) Retain legal counsel to defend cases against the PAMB, the PASO
15 staff and deputized individuals, whenever they are sued in connection with the
16 performance of their duties and functions under this Act, and to assist in
17 resolving other PAMB legal matters; and

18 (r) Initiate and file suits against persons or entities whose businesses or
19 activities are detrimental to the BVNP.

20 SEC. 11. *Protected Area Superintendent's (PASu) Office.* – There is
21 hereby established a PASu office in charge of the management, protection and
22 administration of the PA. The PASu shall be supported by the existing
23 personnel of the DENR. The head of office shall be the chief operating officer
24 of the BVNP or PA and shall be accountable to the RED of the DENR-Region
25 V and the PAMB.

26 SEC. 12. *Local Government Units (LGUs).* – LGUs shall be
27 represented in the PAMB and shall have the following functions:

1 (a) Apprise their respective constituents, office and sector on activities
2 and programs for the BVNP;

3 (b) Ensure consistency in the implementation of all activities in the
4 BVNP;

5 (c) Retain their ordinance-making powers over the BVNP: *Provided,*
6 That on matters relating to biodiversity conservation, protection and
7 sustainable development, local government ordinances shall be consistent with
8 the management plan;

9 (d) In the formulation of their respective development plans, shall
10 consider the BVNP management plan;

11 (e) Assist the PAMB in the implementation of the overall park
12 programs, including, but not limited to, the imposition, collection and
13 utilization of park, fees, enforcement of policies, rules and regulations and
14 other similar park activities;

15 (f) Accredite POs, NGOs and other entities and groups involved in
16 activities within the BVNP; and

17 (g) Provide the PAMB with relevant information and data for the
18 effective management of the PA.

19 ARTICLE IV

20 UTILIZATION OF RESOURCES

21 SEC. 13. *Tenured Migrants.* – Tenured migrants are members of
22 households who have actually and continuously occupied a portion of the
23 BVNP on or before June 1, 1987, and are substantially dependent thereon for
24 subsistence. The PAMB shall certify the occupants who shall qualify as
25 tenured migrants. On the basis of this certification, the DENR shall issue the
26 appropriate tenurial instrument over such areas as have been occupied or
27 cultivated them but not to exceed three hectares per household. Despite
28 consideration given to current practices, in areas occupied by tenured migrants

1 that are designated as zones in which no occupation or other activities are
2 allowed, the occupants thereof shall be transferred to suitable zones, to be
3 accomplished through just and humane means.

4 Any transfer, sale, donation, disposition, lease, encumbrance or use as
5 collateral, security or capital of the tenurial instrument or the rights and
6 interests therein shall be void. Said rights can only be transferred by way of
7 succession to compulsory heirs who are also actual occupants of the BVNP.
8 Any violation of the terms and conditions of a tenurial instrument or any
9 provision of this Act or abandonment by the tenured migrants shall constitute
10 sufficient ground for the revocation of the tenurial right.

11 Upon termination of an occupant's tenurial rights for cause or by
12 voluntary surrender of rights, the PASu shall take immediate steps to
13 rehabilitate the area in order to return it to its natural state prior to the
14 cultivation or improvement by the tenured migrant.

15 The PAMB shall provide appropriate measures for those who do not
16 qualify as tenured migrants or those living outside the BVNP but who depend
17 substantially on the resources of the BVNP for their subsistence to ensure that
18 their livelihood activities are in accordance with the objectives of this law and
19 consistent with the management plan.

20 **SEC. 14. *Existing Facilities within the BVNP.*** – Within a year from the
21 approval of this Act, all existing commercial facilities with capitalization of not
22 less than One hundred thousand pesos (P100,000.00) within the BVNP or
23 which relies heavily from resources within the BVNP, shall submit to the
24 PASu office a sworn statement containing the following information:

- 25 (a) Potential for disturbances of protected species and their habitats;
- 26 (b) Emissions and effluents at all stages of the operation;
- 27 (c) Energy requirements and sources of energy;
- 28 (d) Water supply requirements and sources of water;

1 (e) Volume of resources extracted from the BVNP;

2 (f) Future plans for the next five years; and

3 (g) Other data that may be deemed relevant to the conservation
4 objectives of the BVNP.

5 Based on these submissions, the PAMB shall determine whether the
6 continued operation and future plans of these facilities are detrimental to the
7 BVNP or require their operations to undergo the Environmental Impact
8 Statement (EIS) System. The PAMB may prescribe conditions or charge
9 reasonable fees for the continued operation of facilities that rely heavily on
10 resources within the BVNP to ensure that it does not impair the conservation
11 objectives of the BVNP. Without prejudice to the filing of the necessary
12 criminal charges, in case of violation of the PAMB conditions or nonpayment
13 of charges, the PAMB may impose an administrative fine of Five thousand
14 pesos (P5,000.00). Whenever necessary, through the PASu and other
15 government entities, the PAMB shall cause the cessation and demolition of
16 said facility at the owner's cost. Failure to submit the required information
17 shall constitute a violation of this Act and subject to the penalties imposed
18 under Section 17(b) hereof.

19 SEC. 15. *Utilization of Resources.* – Except upon prior approval of the
20 PAMB and consistent with the management plan, the use of natural resources
21 within the BVNP shall not be allowed. However, the sustainable use of
22 resources by tenured migrants for their domestic needs or for subsistence shall
23 not be restricted unless involving protected species or deemed highly
24 detrimental to the ecosystem.

25 SEC. 16. *Public Lands.* – Upon the passage of this Act, no land within
26 the BVNP shall be released from the public domain as agricultural lands and
27 any sale, transfer, alienation or disposition thereof shall be null and void.

ARTICLE V

PROHIBITED ACTS

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3 SEC. 17. *Prohibited Acts.* – The following are prohibited acts within
4 the BVNP with their respective penalties:

5 (a) A fine of not less than Five thousand pesos (P5,000.00) but not
6 more than Five hundred thousand pesos (P500,000.00) and imprisonment of
7 not less than six years and one day to not more than twelve (12) years shall be
8 imposed upon any person who:

9 (1) Hunts, collects, takes, destroys, traps, disturbs or otherwise
10 possesses any wild plant, animals or product, including genetic resources,
11 derived from the BVNP without prior PAMB permit: *Provided*, That such
12 permit can only be given for scientific purposes and necessary for the BVNP
13 management;

14 (2) Cuts, gathers, collects, removes or otherwise possesses timber or
15 other forest products within the BVNP without prior PAMB permit: *Provided*,
16 That such permit can only be given for scientific purposes and necessary for
17 the BVNP management: *Provided, further*, That no permit shall be issued for
18 timber or other forest products *within strict protection zones*.

19 (3) Engages in slash-and-burn farming or kaingin or otherwise
20 intentionally or negligently causes a forest fire inside the BVNP;

21 (4) Engages in mineral or energy exploration activities within the
22 BVNP;

23 (5) Engages in treasure-hunting within the BVNP;

24 (6) Introduces exotic species or genetically modified organisms within
25 the BVNP; and

26 (7) Discharges, leaves or dumps any waste product or substance
27 deleterious to the BVNP ecosystem or to any of the flora and fauna therein.

1 (b) A fine of not less than Five thousand pesos (P5,000.00) but not
2 more than Two hundred fifty thousand pesos (P250,000.00) and imprisonment
3 of not less than six months and one day to not more than six years shall be
4 imposed upon any person who:

5 (1) Occupies, settles or possesses any portion of land inside the BVNP
6 without the necessary permit. Any act of clearing, construction of residence or
7 introduction of improvements shall constitute *prima facie* evidence or such
8 occupation or settlement;

9 (2) Vandalizes, mutilates, destroys, excavates, defaces or otherwise
10 intentionally damages any natural formation or object of natural beauty inside
11 the BVNP;

12 (3) Uses or possesses motorized equipment, explosives or any noxious
13 substance anywhere within the strict protection zones of the BVNP as
14 delineated by the PAMB;

15 (4) Constructs or maintains any kind of road, structure, fence or
16 enclosure without prior PAMB permit; and

17 (5) Obstructs or hinders the enforcement of this Act, the management
18 plan and its pertinent rules and regulations

19 (c) A fine of not less than Five thousand pesos (P5,000.00) but not
20 more than Fifty thousand pesos (P50,000.00) or imprisonment of not less than
21 one month and one day to not more than six months, or both, shall be imposed
22 upon any person who:

23 (1) Except as otherwise provided, violates the management plan or any
24 rules or resolution promulgated by the PAMB;

25 (2) Alters, removes, destroys or deface boundaries, marks or signs;

26 (3) Enters the BVNP without prior PAMB permit for purposes of
27 trekking, mountain climbing, spelunking and other recreational activities;

1 (4) Dumps, litters or otherwise leaves debris, refuse or garbage within
2 the BVNP.

3 (d) Any provision to the contrary notwithstanding, the commission of
4 any unlawful act under Section 17(a) shall carry the penalty of imprisonment of
5 not less than twelve (12) years and one day to not more than twenty (20) years
6 and a fine of not less than Five hundred thousand pesos (P500,000.00) to not
7 more than One million pesos (P1,000,000.00), whenever the species involved
8 is a protected species as provided herein. Any citizen may institute the
9 necessary charge against an offender for commission of the acts enumerated
10 under this section.

11 (e) A conviction under this section shall carry the accessory penalties
12 of eviction from the BVNP, payment of damages for rehabilitation and
13 restoration, and the forfeiture of all conveyances, equipment, device,
14 instrument, tool or weapon used in the commission of the offense as well as
15 flora, fauna and resources caught in the possession of the accused. If the
16 offender is an association, partnership or corporation, the president or manager
17 of the said corporation shall be held liable for the act of his/her employees or
18 workers.

19 (f) The DENR through the PASu may impose administrative sanctions
20 against the offender for violations committed under this Act. The PASu may
21 confiscate all conveyances, equipment, device, instrument, tool or weapon
22 used in the commission of the offense caught *en flagrante*, including the
23 animals, plants and other resources from the BVNP found in the possession of
24 the offender.

25 (g) In case of conviction, the penalty consisting of fines and damages
26 shall directly accrue to the IPAD as herein provided.

ARTICLE VI

PROCEEDS AND FEES

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3 SEC. 18. *Bulusan Volcano Natural Park Fund.* – There is hereby
4 established a trust fund to be known as the Bulusan Volcano Natural Park Fund
5 (BVNPF) for purposes of financing projects of the BVNP. All income
6 generated from the operation of the BVNP or management of its wild flora and
7 fauna shall accrue to the BVNPF. These income shall be derived from fees
8 from permitted sale and export of flora and fauna and other resources from the
9 BVNP, proceeds from lease of multiple-use areas, contributions from
10 industries and facilities directly benefiting from the BVNP, and such other fees
11 and income derived from the operation of the BVNP.

12 The BVNPF may be augmented by grants, donations, endowment from
13 various sources, domestic or foreign, for purposes related to their functions:
14 *Provided, That the BVNPF shall be deposited as a special account in the*
15 *National Treasury and disbursements therefrom shall be made solely for the*
16 *protection, maintenance, administration and management of the BVNP and*
17 *duly approved projects endorsed by the PAMB in accordance with existing*
18 *accounting and budgeting rules and regulations: *Provided, further, That the**
19 *BVNPF shall not be used to cover personal services expenditures.*

20 The concerned LGUs shall continue to impose and collect all other fees
21 not enumerated herein which they have traditionally collected, such as business
22 permits, property tax and rentals of LGUs facilities. Furthermore, the said
23 LGUs may charge add-ons to fees imposed by the PAMB: *Provided, That*
24 *such add-ons shall be determined based on the contribution of the former in the*
25 *maintenance and protection of the PA.*

26 All donations, grants and endowments accruing to the BVNPF shall be
27 exempted from income or gift taxes and all other taxes, charges or fees

1 imposed by the Government or any political subdivision or instrumentality
2 thereof.

3 Current sources of revenue of the LGUs such as business permits and
4 real property taxes shall be excluded from the Integrated Protected Areas Fund
5 (IPAF).

6 ARTICLE VII

7 MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS

8 SEC. 20. *Separability Clause.* – If any part or section of this Act is
9 declared unconstitutional, such declaration shall not affect in any manner the
10 other parts or sections hereof.

11 SEC. 21. *Repealing Clause.* – All laws, proclamations, rules and
12 regulations inconsistent with this Act are hereby repealed or modified
13 accordingly.

14 SEC. 22. *Effectivity Clause.* – This Act shall take effect fifteen (15)
15 days after its publication in the *Official Gazette* or in two newspapers of
16 general circulation.

Approved,

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