

## Department of Environment and Natural Resources PROTECTED AREA MANAGEMENT BOARD Protected Area Office - Mt. Malindang Range Natural Park

REA MANAGERIA

Provincial Capitol, Oroquieta City

## Program VIII Institutional Development, Organization & Administration

Goal: to implement the foregoing programs.

The goal recognizes that the protected area office exists only to implement programs. The institution, its staff and their organization will be formulated accordingly.

**Institutional Control**. In addition to fulfilling to provisions of NIPAS, DAO 25 of 1992 and others, stakeholder municipalities which cannot at present be legally represented in the PAMB will be invited to form a stakeholder support group.

The municipalities are:

Dapitan City, Mahayag, Dipolog City, R. Magsaysay, Sibutad, Molave, Polanco, Tambulig, Piñan and Rizal.

All municipalities of Misamis Occidental and, through the Malindang Ecological Convergence Area, bordering municipalities of the 2 Zamboanga provinces are already represented on the PAMB.

The staff will be geared towards making things happen as much as actually implementing. It will therefore more and more appropriately trained than at present so that it is in a position to catalyze action from other organizations. Enforcement will be by community volunteer teams, the role of rangers being leadership, control and liaison. Officers seconded from other departments (DECS, DTI, DA), but under the leadership and control of the superintendent will lead the work in their respective fields. The field-based core staff comprises the Protection Section, except the Visitor Management Assistant, the Agricultural Officer and the Zoning Officer.

They are supported by 64 barangay ranger teams (1 per bgy) of two volunteers and, under the control of the municipal ENRO, the LGU Community Volunteer Organization for manning check-points. Municipalities will be asked to create to post of ENRO where it does not exist. Volunteers will be unpaid, but receive appropriate training, equipment and allowances when in the field.

The office-based core staff (Oroquieta City Capitol) comprises the Community Development and Information Sections, the Research and the Administrative Services Units

Infrastructure for field based staff will be outside the Core Area and in established communities in or, preferably, near the Buffer Zone.

Further computing and, particularly, communications facilities are needed as radios are not useful for most development work programmed.