



HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

H. No. 4851

BY REPRESENTATIVES MALANYAON, BANAAG, ANDAYA, DUMPIT AND
FIGUEROA, PER COMMITTEE REPORT NO. 1160

AN ACT DECLARING THE ALIWAGWAG FALLS LOCATED IN THE
MUNICIPALITIES OF BOSTON AND CATEEL, PROVINCE OF
DAVAO ORIENTAL AND THE MUNICIPALITY OF
COMPOSTELA, PROVINCE OF COMPOSTELA VALLEY AS A
PROTECTED AREA, PROVIDING FOR ITS MANAGEMENT AND
FOR OTHER PURPOSES

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

1 SECTION. 1. *Title.* – This Act shall be known as the “Aliwagwag Falls
2 Protected Landscape Act of 2005”.

3 SEC. 2. *Declaration of Policy.* – Considering its unique aesthetic
4 features, rich biodiversity, and critical role as a water catchment area of Cateel
5 River, it is hereby declared the policy of the State to protect and conserve the
6 area where the Aliwagwag Falls is located, its resources and communities of
7 people, including their way of life in accord with the rhythm and harmony of
8 nature. For this purpose, the State shall ensure the protection of biodiversity,
9 promotion of sustainable and participatory development, and advancement of

1 the interests of legitimate inhabitants with due consideration to customary
2 laws.

3 SEC. 3. *Scope.* – The Aliwagwag Falls Protected Landscape situated in
4 the municipalities of Boston and Cateel, Province of Davao Oriental and the
5 Municipality of Compostela, Province of Compostela Valley, which shall be
6 withdrawn from sale, settlement, lease or other modes of disposition, subject
7 to existing rights, is more particularly described as follows:

8 Beginning at a point marked “1” on the map and on the ground being
9 identical to corner 8 of former TLA No. 201 of Eastcoast Development
10 Enterprise;

11	Thence	S 58°33” E	361.1 meters to corner 2
12	Thence	S 58°33” E	546.9 meters to corner 3
13	Thence	S 58°33” E	515.9 meters to corner 4
14	Thence	S 58°33” E	361.1 meters to corner 5
15	Thence	S 23°50” W	402.6 meters to corner 6
16	Thence	S 23°50” W	432.8 meters to corner 7
17	Thence	S 23°50” W	352.3 meters to corner 8
18	Thence	S 23°50” W	352.3 meters to corner 9
19	Thence	S 23°50” W	352.3 meters to corner 10
20	Thence	S 23°50” W	422.7 meters to corner 11
21	Thence	S 23°50” W	523.4 meters to corner 12
22	Thence	S 23°50” W	533.4 meters to corner 13
23	Thence	S 23°50” W	402.6 meters to corner 14
24	Thence	S 23°50” W	402.6 meters to corner 15
25	Thence	S 45°37” E	256.7 meters to corner 16
26	Thence	S 45°37” E	380.0 meters to corner 17
27	Thence	S 45°37” E	308.1 meters to corner 18

1	Thence	S 45°37" E	359.4 meters to corner 19
2	Thence	S 45°37" E	359.4 meters to corner 20
3	Thence	S 45°37" E	359.4 meters to corner 21
4	Thence	S 45°37" E	410.8 meters to corner 22
5	Thence	S 45°37" E	359.4 meters to corner 23
6	Thence	S 18°22" E	529.4 meters to corner 24
7	Thence	S 45°26" W	444.3 meters to corner 25
8	Thence	S 37°29" W	348.2 meters to corner 26
9	Thence	S 19°59" W	403.7 meters to corner 27
10	Thence	S 32°34" W	399.7 meters to corner 28
11	Thence	S 25°45" W	301.5 meters to corner 29
12	Thence	S 72°06" W	290.0 meters to corner 30
13	Thence	S 57°36" W	244.2 meters to corner 31
14	Thence	N 71°37" W	433.9 meters to corner 32
15	Thence	S 32°34" W	349.8 meters to corner 33
16	Thence	S 32°34" W	349.8 meters to corner 34
17	Thence	S 32°34" W	299.8 meters to corner 35
18	Thence	S 22°52" W	402.9 meters to corner 36
19	Thence	S 34°32" W	448.0 meters to corner 37
20	Thence	S 26°44" W	421.8 meters to corner 38
21	Thence	S 39°28" W	258.2 meters to corner 39
22	Thence	N 35°23" W	244.1 meters to corner 40
23	Thence	Due West	327.1 meters to corner 41
24	Thence	S 37°29" W	298.5 meters to corner 42
25	Thence	S 59°39" W	243.7 meters to corner 43
26	Thence	S 79°47" W	336.9 meters to corner 44
27	Thence	N 57°25" W	348.6 meters to corner 45

1	Thence	N 60°27" W	290.2 meters to corner 46
2	Thence	N 61°43" W	350.4 meters to corner 47
3	Thence	S 61°43" W	340.7 meters to corner 48
4	Thence	N 66°32" W	241.4 meters to corner 49
5	Thence	N 80°48" W	433.2 meters to corner 50
6	Thence	N 70°01" W	367.8 meters to corner 51
7	Thence	N 73°29" W	221.7 meters to corner 52
8	Thence	N 15°47" E	276.6 meters to corner 53
9	Thence	N 52°29" E	355.9 meters to corner 54
10	Thence	N 52°29" E	244.1 meters to corner 55
11	Thence	N 29°17" E	159.1 meters to corner 56
12	Thence	N 51°22" W	242.6 meters to corner 57
13	Thence	N 84°53" W	365.6 meters to corner 58
14	Thence	N 40°21" W	438.6 meters to corner 59
15	Thence	N 19°35" W	441.7 meters to corner 60
16	Thence	N 57°25" W	242.1 meters to corner 61
17	Thence	S 65°51" W	223.2 meters to corner 62
18	Thence	N 18°36" W	274.9 meters to corner 63
19	Thence	N 63°29" W	579.8 meters to corner 64
20	Thence	N 61°27" W	425.6 meters to corner 65
21	Thence	N 56°24" W	339.0 meters to corner 66
22	Thence	N 61°27" W	386.8 meters to corner 67
23	Thence	N 82°50" W	240.6 meters to corner 68
24	Thence	N 59°26" W	338.7 meters to corner 69
25	Thence	N 58°25" W	484.0 meters to corner 70
26	Thence	N 06°51" W	373.8 meters to corner 71
27	Thence	N 06°51" W	491.9 meters to corner 72

1	Thence	N 06°51" W	541.1 meters to corner 73
2	Thence	N 31°25" W	342.3 meters to corner 74
3	Thence	N 31°25" W	322.7 meters to corner 75
4	Thence	N 31°25" W	391.2 meters to corner 76
5	Thence	N 15°40" W	393.0 meters to corner 77
6	Thence	N 15°40" W	393.0 meters to corner 78
7	Thence	N 15°40" W	393.0 meters to corner 79
8	Thence	N 66°32" W	366.9 meters to corner 80
9	Thence	N 17°37" W	422.3 meters to corner 81
10	Thence	N 17°37" W	294.6 meters to corner 82
11	Thence	N 17°37" W	422.3 meters to corner 83
12	Thence	N 40°30" E	321.9 meters to corner 84
13	Thence	N 16°38" W	392.9 meters to corner 85
14	Thence	N 16°38" W	491.1 meters to corner 86
15	Thence	N 16°38" W	491.1 meters to corner 87
16	Thence	N 44°31" E	484.6 meters to corner 88
17	Thence	N 44°31" E	504.8 meters to corner 89
18	Thence	N 44°31" E	504.8 meters to corner 90
19	Thence	N 24°30" W	441.1 meters to corner 91
20	Thence	N 07°49" W	491.8 meters to corner 92
21	Thence	N 33°23" E	479.8 meters to corner 93
22	Thence	N 33°23" E	499.8 meters to corner 94
23	Thence	N 33°23" E	569.7 meters to corner 95
24	Thence	N 66°09" E	668.6 meters to corner 96
25	Thence	S 88°03" E	519.0 meters to corner 97
26	Thence	N 78°36" E	414.3 meters to corner 98
27	Thence	N 78°36" E	435.0 meters to corner 99

1	Thence	S 45°37" E	287.6 meters to corner 100
2	Thence	S 61°31" E	258.2 meters to corner 101
3	Thence	S 33°33" W	319.5 meters to corner 102
4	Thence	S 70°24" E	331.3 meters to corner 103
5	<i>Thence</i>	<i>S 70°24" E</i>	<i>362.4 meters to corner 104</i>
6	Thence	S 70°24" E	362.4 meters to corner 105
7	Thence	S 70°24" E	392.4 meters to corner 106
8	Thence	S 70°24" E	517.7 meters to corner 107
9	Thence	S 70°24" E	362.4 meters to corner 108
10	Thence	S 48°37" E	359.8 meters to corner 109
11	Thence	S 81°11" E	394.2 meters to corner 110
12	Thence	S 81°11" E	363.1 meters to corner 111
13	Thence	S 81°11" E	373.5 meters to corner 112
14	Thence	S 81°11" E	415.0 meters to corner 113
15	Thence	S 81°11" E	290.5 meters to corner 114
16	Thence	S 81°11" E	435.7 meters to corner 115
17	Thence	S 81°11" E	363.1 meters to corner 116
18	Thence	S 81°11" E	332.0 meters to corner 117
19	Thence	S 81°11" E	352.7 meters to corner 118
20	Thence	S 81°11" E	363.1 meters to the point of

21 beginning, containing an approximate area of ten thousand four hundred
 22 ninety-one and 33/100 (10,491.33) hectares.

23 Any modification of this technical description due to factors such as
 24 changing ecological situations, new scientific or archeological findings, or
 25 discovery of traditional boundaries not previously taken into account shall be
 26 made through an act of Congress after full consultation with the affected
 27 public and concerned government agencies.

1 SEC. 4. *Buffer Zone.* – The Aliwagwag Falls Protected Landscape
2 shall be surrounded by a buffer zone, which shall be withdrawn from sale,
3 settlement, lease, or other modes of disposition, subject to existing rights and
4 given special development control. Such buffer zone is hereunder described
5 as:

6 Bounded on the west and north directions by the remaining portion of
7 TLA No. 43 of PICOP Resources Inc., on the east by the remaining portion of
8 TLA No. 201 of Eastcoast Development Enterprises, on the east southeast by
9 the remaining portion of TLA No. 096 of Valderrama Lumber Manufacturers,
10 Inc. and on the south by the road which connects the Municipality of
11 Compostela, Compostela Valley Province to the Municipality of Cateel,
12 Province of Davao Oriental.

13 Beginning at a point marked “1” on the map and on the ground being
14 identical to corner 1 of the protected landscape and identical to corner 8 of
15 former TLA No. 201 of Eastcoast Development Enterprises;

16	Thence	N 81°00”W	350.0 meters to corner 2
17	Thence	N 81°00”W	340.0 meters to corner 3
18	Thence	N 81°00”W	320.0 meters to corner 4
19	Thence	N 81°00”W	350.0 meters to corner 5
20	Thence	N 81°00”W	420.0 meters to corner 6
21	Thence	N 81°00”W	280.0 meters to corner 7
22	Thence	N 81°00”W	400.0 meters to corner 8
23	Thence	N 81°00”W	360.0 meters to corner 9
24	Thence	N 81°00”W	350.0 meters to corner 10
25	Thence	N 81°00”W	380.0 meters to corner 11
26	Thence	N 48°00”W	350.0 meters to corner 12
27	Thence	N 70°00”W	350.0 meters to corner 13

1	Thence	N 70°00"W	500.0 meters to corner 14
2	Thence	N 70°00"W	380.0 meters to corner 15
3	Thence	N 70°00"W	350.0 meters to corner 16
4	Thence	N 70°00"W	350.0 meters to corner 17
5	Thence	N 70°00"W	320.0 meters to corner 18
6	Thence	N 35°00"E	320.0 meters to corner 19
7	Thence	N 61°00"W	250.0 meters to corner 20
8	Thence	N 45°00"W	280.0 meters to corner 21
9	Thence	S 78°00"W	420.0 meters to corner 22
10	Thence	S 78°00"W	400.0 meters to corner 23
11	Thence	N 88°00"W	500.0 meters to corner 24
12	Thence	S 65°00"W	650.0 meters to corner 25
13	Thence	S 32°00"W	570.0 meters to corner 26
14	Thence	S 32°00"W	500.0 meters to corner 27
15	Thence	S 32°00"W	480.0 meters to corner 28
16	Thence	S 08°00"E	500.0 meters to corner 29
17	Thence	S 25°00"E	450.0 meters to corner 30
18	Thence	S 43°00"W	500.0 meters to corner 31
19	Thence	S 43°00"W	500.0 meters to corner 32
20	Thence	S 43°00"W	480.0 meters to corner 33
21	Thence	S 17°00"E	500.0 meters to corner 34
22	Thence	S 17°00"E	500.0 meters to corner 35
23	Thence	S 17°00"E	400.0 meters to corner 36
24	Thence	S 39°00"W	320.0 meters to corner 37
25	Thence	S 18°00"E	430.0 meters to corner 38
26	Thence	S 18°00"E	300.0 meters to corner 39
27	Thence	S 18°00"E	430.0 meters to corner 40

1	Thence	S 67°00"E	380.0 meters to corner 41
2	Thence	S 16°00"E	400.0 meters to corner 42
3	Thence	S 16°00"E	400.0 meters to corner 43
4	Thence	S 16°00"E	400.0 meters to corner 44
5	Thence	S 32°00"E	400.0 meters to corner 45
6	Thence	S 32°00"E	330.0 meters to corner 46
7	Thence	S 32°00"E	350.0 meters to corner 47
8	Thence	S 07°00"E	550.0 meters to corner 48
9	Thence	S 07°00"E	500.0 meters to corner 49
10	Thence	S 07°00"E	380.0 meters to corner 50
11	Thence	S 59°00"E	500.0 meters to corner 51
12	Thence	S 60°00"E	350.0 meters to corner 52
13	Thence	S 83°00"E	250.0 meters to corner 53
14	Thence	S 62°00"E	400.0 meters to corner 54
15	Thence	S 57°00"E	350.0 meters to corner 55
16	Thence	S 61°00"E	440.0 meters to corner 56
17	Thence	S 64°00"E	600.0 meters to corner 57
18	Thence	S 19°00"E	280.0 meters to corner 58
19	Thence	N 67°00"E	230.0 meters to corner 59
20	Thence	S 58°00"E	250.0 meters to corner 60
21	Thence	S 20°00"E	340.0 meters to corner 61
22	Thence	S 41°00"E	450.0 meters to corner 62
23	Thence	S 85°00"E	380.0 meters to corner 63
24	Thence	S 52°00"E	250.0 meters to corner 64
25	Thence	S 28°00"W	160.0 meters to corner 65
26	Thence	S 51°00"W	240.0 meters to corner 66
27	Thence	S 51°00"W	350.0 meters to corner 67

1	Thence	S 15°00''W	280.0 meters to corner 68
2	Thence	Foll. The road gen.	220.0 meters to corner 69
3		In N-Westerly dir. Abt.	
4	Thence	N 02°00''E	260.0 meters to corner 70
5	Thence	N 57°30''E	280.0 meters to corner 71
6	Thence	N 57°30''E	350.0 meters to corner 72
7	Thence	Foll. The road gen.	300.0 meters to corner 73
8		In N-Easterly dir. abt.	
9	Thence	Foll. The road gen.	500.0 meters to corner 74
10		In N-Westerly dir. Abt.	
11	Thence	Foll. The road gen.	620.0 meters to corner 75
12		In N-Westerly dir. Abt.	
13	Thence	Foll. The road gen.	250.0 meters to corner 76
14		In N-Westerly dir. Abt	
15	Thence	Foll. The road gen.	275.0 meters to corner 77
16		In S-Westerly dir. Abt	
17	Thence	Foll. The road gen.	180.0 meters to corner 78
18		S-Westerly dir. Abt.	
19	Thence	Foll. The road gen.	460.0 meters to corner 79
20		N-Westerly dir. Abt.	
21	Thence	Foll. The road gen.	600.0 meters to corner 80
22		N-Westerly dir. abt.	
23	Thence	Foll. The road gen.	300.0 meters to corner 81
24		In N-Westerly dir. Abt.	
25	Thence	Foll. The road gen.	130.0 meters to corner 82
26		S-Westerly dir. Abt.	
27	Thence	Foll. The road gen.	350.0 meters to corner 83
28		N-Westerly dir. Abt.	

1	Thence	Foll. The road gen.	400.0 meters to corner 84
2		In N-Westerly dir. Abt.	
3	Thence	Foll. The road gen.	250.0 meters to corner 85
4		In S-Westerly dir. Abt.	
5	Thence	Foll. The road gen.	550.0 meters to corner 86
6		S-Westerly dir. Abt.	
7	Thence	N 63°00"W	350.0 meters to corner 87
8	Thence	N 03°00"W	500.0 meters to corner 88
9	Thence	N 03°00"W	500.0 meters to corner 89
10	Thence	N 03°00"W	500.0 meters to corner 90
11	Thence	N 28°30"W	350.0 meters to corner 91
12	Thence	N 28°30"W	375.0 meters to corner 92
13	Thence	N 28°30"W	330.0 meters to corner 93
14	Thence	N 11°00"W	500.0 meters to corner 94
15	Thence	N 11°00"W	500.0 meters to corner 95
16	Thence	N 61°00"W	400.0 meters to corner 96
17	Thence	N 13°00"W	500.0 meters to corner 97
18	Thence	N 13°00"W	500.0 meters to corner 98
19	Thence	N 13°00"W	350.0 meters to corner 99
20	Thence	N 33°00"E	300.0 meters to corner 100
21	Thence	N 14°00"W	400.0 meters to corner 101
22	Thence	N 14°00"W	480.0 meters to corner 102
23	Thence	N 14°00"W	500.0 meters to corner 103
24	Thence	N 37°00"E	500.0 meters to corner 104
25	Thence	N 37°00"E	500.0 meters to corner 105
26	Thence	N 37°00"E	500.0 meters to corner 106
27	Thence	N 24°00"W	330.0 meters to corner 107

1	Thence	N 05°00"W	320.0 meters to corner 108
2	Thence	N 05°00"W	350.0 meters to corner 109
3	Thence	N 26°00"E	400.0 meters to corner 110
4	Thence	N 26°00"E	400.0 meters to corner 111
5	Thence	N 26°00"E	400.0 meters to corner 112
6	Thence	N 26°00"E	500.0 meters to corner 113
7	Thence	N 60°00"E	350.0 meters to corner 114
8	Thence	N 60°00"E	380.0 meters to corner 115
9	Thence	S 85°00"E	480.0 meters to corner 116
10	Thence	N 74°30"E	500.0 meters to corner 117
11	Thence	N 74°30"E	500.0 meters to corner 118
12	Thence	S 30°00"E	300.0 meters to corner 119
13	Thence	S 27°00"W	350.0 meters to corner 120
14	Thence	S 69°00"E	500.0 meters to corner 121
15	Thence	S 69°00"E	500.0 meters to corner 122
16	Thence	S 69°00"E	500.0 meters to corner 123
17	Thence	S 69°00"E	400.0 meters to corner 124
18	Thence	S 69°00"E	350.0 meters to corner 125
19	Thence	S 41°00"E	210.0 meters to corner 126
20	Thence	S 80°00"E	500.0 meters to corner 127
21	Thence	S 80°00"E	500.0 meters to corner 128
22	Thence	S 80°00"E	500.0 meters to corner 129
23	Thence	S 80°00"E	500.0 meters to corner 130
24	Thence	S 80°00"E	500.0 meters to corner 131
25	Thence	S 80°00"E	500.0 meters to corner 132
26	Thence	S 80°00"E	500.0 meters to corner 133
27	Thence	S 80°00"E	500.0 meters to corner 134

1	Thence	S 54°00"E	500.0 meters to corner 135
2	Thence	S 54°00"E	500.0 meters to corner 136
3	Thence	S 54°00"E	650.0 meters to corner 137
4	Thence	S 20°00"W	500.0 meters to corner 138
5	Thence	S 20°00"W	500.0 meters to corner 139
6	Thence	S 20°00"W	500.0 meters to corner 140
7	Thence	S 20°00"W	500.0 meters to corner 141
8	Thence	S 20°00"W	500.0 meters to corner 142
9	Thence	S 20°00"W	550.0 meters to corner 143
10	Thence	S 20°00"W	550.0 meters to corner 144
11	Thence	Foll. Aliwagwag	450.0 meters to corner 145
12		Cr. Downstream in SE dir. Abt.	
13	Thence	Foll. Aliwagwag	450.0 meters to corner 146
14		Cr. Downstream in SE dir. Abt.	
15	Thence	Foll. Aliwagwag	410.0 meters to corner 147
16		Cr. Downstream in SE dir. Abt.	
17	Thence	Foll. Aliwagwag	420.0 meters to corner 148
18		Cr. Downstream in SE dir. Abt.	
19	Thence	Foll. Aliwagwag	550.0 meters to corner 149
20		Cr. Downstream in SE dir. Abt.	
21	Thence	Foll. Cateel	230.0 meters to corner 150
22		R. Upstream in SW dir. Abt.	
23	Thence	Foll. Aliwagwag	500.0 meters to corner 151
24		Cr. Upstream in NW dir. Abt.	
25	Thence	Foll. Aliwagwag	500.0 meters to corner 152
26		Cr. Upstream in NW dir. Abt.	
27	Thence	Foll. Aliwagwag	500.0 meters to corner 153
28		Cr. Upstream in NW dir. Abt.	

1	Thence	Foll. Aliwagwag	670.0 meters to corner 154
2		Cr. Upstream in NW dir. Abt.	
3	Thence	S 20°00'W	350.0 meters to corner 155
4	Thence	S 38°00'E	500.0 meters to corner 156
5	Thence	S 38°00'E	500.0 meters to corner 157
6	Thence	S 38°00'E	500.0 meters to corner 158
7	Thence	S 38°00'E	500.0 meters to corner 159
8	Thence	S 38°00'E	500.0 meters to corner 160
9	Thence	Foll. The road gen.	650.0 meters to corner 161
10		In S-Westerly dir. Abt.	
11	Thence	N 18°00'W	520.0 meters to corner 162
12	Thence	N 45°00'W	350.0 meters to corner 163
13	Thence	N 45°00'W	400.0 meters to corner 164
14	Thence	N 45°00'W	350.0 meters to corner 165
15	Thence	N 45°00'W	350.0 meters to corner 166
16	Thence	N 45°00'W	350.0 meters to corner 167
17	Thence	N 45°00'W	300.0 meters to corner 168
18	Thence	N 45°00'W	370.0 meters to corner 169
19	Thence	N 45°00'W	250.0 meters to corner 170
20	Thence	N 25°00'E	400.0 meters to corner 171
21	Thence	N 25°00'E	400.0 meters to corner 172
22	Thence	N 25°00'E	530.0 meters to corner 173
23	Thence	N 25°00'E	520.0 meters to corner 174
24	Thence	N 25°00'E	420.0 meters to corner 175
25	Thence	N 25°00'E	350.0 meters to corner 176
26	Thence	N 25°00'E	350.0 meters to corner 177
27	Thence	N 25°00'E	350.0 meters to corner 178

1 Thence N 25°00"E 430.0 meters to corner 179
 2 Thence N 25°00"E 400.0 meters to corner 180
 3 Thence N 58°00"W 350.0 meters to corner 181
 4 Thence N 58°00"W 500.0 meters to corner 182
 5 Thence N 58°00"W 530.0 meters to corner 183
 6 Thence N 58°00"W 350.0 meters to the point of
 7 beginning, containing an approximate area of four hundred twenty point six
 8 (420.6) hectares, more or less."

9 The buffer zone shall provide an extra layer around the protected area
 10 (PA) in which restrictions can apply and communities can assist in repelling
 11 threats to the area. *The buffer zone shall be managed according to the*
 12 management plan herein provided.

13 SEC. 5. *Definition of Terms.* – The following terms are hereby defined
 14 for the purpose of this Act:

15 (a) "Ancestral domain" refers to all lands and natural resources
 16 occupied or possessed by indigenous cultural communities, by themselves or
 17 through their ancestors, communally or individually, in accordance with their
 18 customs and traditions since time immemorial, continuously to the present
 19 except when interrupted by war, *force majeure*, or displacement by force,
 20 deceit or stealth. It includes all adjacent areas generally belonging to them and
 21 which are necessary to ensure their economic, social and cultural welfare.

22 (b) "Biodiversity" refers to the variety of life in all its forms.

23 (c) "Buffer zone" refers to identified areas outside the boundaries of
 24 and immediately adjacent to the PA that need special development control in
 25 order to avoid or minimize harm to the PA.

26 (d) "Indigenous Cultural Communities" refers to Filipino tribes who
 27 have continuously lived as communities on communally bounded and defined
 28 land since time immemorial and have succeeded in preserving, maintaining

1 and sharing common bonds of language, customs, traditions and other
2 distinctive cultural traits.

3 (e) "Industrial Forest Management Agreement (IFMA)" refers to a
4 production-sharing contract entered into by and between the Department of
5 Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) and a qualified person, whether
6 natural or juridical, wherein the former grants to the latter the exclusive right
7 and responsibility to invest in, develop, manage and protect a defined area of
8 the production forestland, including the establishment, management and
9 utilization of industrial forest plantation, consistent with the principle of
10 sustainable development primarily to supply the raw material requirements of
11 wood-based processing and energy-related industries and wherein both parties
12 share in the benefits therefrom.

13 (f) "National Integrated Protected Area System" refers to the
14 classification of all designated PAs pursuant to Republic Act No. 7586 or the
15 National Integrated Protected Areas System (NIPAS) Act of 1992, to maintain
16 essential ecological processes and life-support systems, to protect genetic
17 diversity, to ensure sustainable use of resources found therein and to maintain
18 their natural conditions to the greatest extent as possible.

19 (g) "Nonrenewable resources" refers to those resources found within
20 the Aliwagwag Falls Protected Landscape and its buffer zones, the natural
21 replenishment rate of which is either not known or takes more than twenty-five
22 (25) years.

23 (h) "Protected areas (PAs)" refers to identified portions of land and
24 water set aside by reason of their unique physical and biological significance,
25 managed to enhance biological diversity and protected against destructive
26 human exploitation.

27 (i) "Protected landscape" refers to an area of national significance
28 which is characterized by the harmonious interaction of man and land while

1 providing opportunities for public enjoyment through recreation and tourism
2 within the normal lifestyle and economic activity of the area.

3 (j) "Protected species" refers to any species listed under the
4 Convention on International Trade of Endangered Species (CITES), or any
5 plant or animal that shall be declared as protected under Philippine laws, rules
6 and regulations issued by the DENR or the Protected Area Management Board
7 (PAMB) or through the management plan herein provided.

8 (k) "Nongovernment organization (NGO)" refers to any civic,
9 development or philanthropic organization which is multi-sectoral in
10 character.

11 (l) "People's organization (PO)" refers to any group of people formed
12 to advance the interests of the sector represented, provided that such sector is
13 marginalized, poor or disempowered.

14 (m) "Public consultation" refers to a meeting or dialogue with the
15 concerned or affected individuals within and outside the PA designed to
16 identify and resolve issues and problems affecting them.

17 (n) "Timber License Agreement (TLA)" refers to a privilege granted
18 by the State to a person to utilize forest resources within a forestland with the
19 right of possession and occupation thereof to the exclusion of others except the
20 government, but with the corresponding obligation to develop, protect and
21 rehabilitate the same in accordance with the terms and conditions set forth in
22 the said agreement.

23 SEC. 6. *Management Plan.* -- The Protected Area Superintendent
24 (PASu) office established in Section 7(b) hereof shall prepare a management
25 plan in coordination with the appropriate offices of the DENR, the NGOs, the
26 POs, the private sector, local communities and tribal experts who have
27 experience in the particular cultures in the area. The management plan shall
28 be reviewed, approved and adopted by the PAMB and certified to by the

1 Secretary that it conforms to all laws, rules and regulations of national
2 application issued by the DENR: *Provided*, That, the management plan shall
3 not be revised nor modified without prior consultation with the PAMB.

4 Within one year from the effectivity of this Act, the management plan
5 shall be put into effect following the General Management Planning Strategy
6 (GMPS) provided for under the NIPAS Act and according to the procedure
7 herein set forth. It shall contain, among others, the following:

- 8 (a) Period of applicability of the plan;
- 9 (b) Key management issues;
- 10 (c) Goals and objectives of management in support of Section 2
11 hereof;
- 12 (d) Site management strategy;
- 13 (e) Major management activities such as, but not limited to,
14 enforcement of laws, habitat and wildlife management, sustainable use
15 management, infrastructure development and maintenance, fire and pest
16 control, etc.;
- 17 (f) Zoning; and
- 18 (g) Visitor management programs.

19 The PASu shall prepare all successor plans. Two years prior to the
20 expiration of the period of applicability of the current plan, the PASu shall
21 publish notices and invitations for comments and suggestions on the next
22 successor plan in a newspaper of local circulation. Such notices shall be
23 posted in the provincial, municipal and barangay halls and in three other areas
24 frequented by the public. Public hearings may be conducted on the successor
25 plan upon the written request of any interested party. The proposed plan shall
26 be made available to the public during the period for comment and a final plan
27 shall be made available for public perusal at the office of the PASu upon the
28 approval of the PAMB.

1 The zoning of the PA shall give primary consideration to the traditional
2 zones used and recognized by indigenous cultural communities and those that
3 have been managed on a sustainable basis by the holders of TLA No. 43, TLA
4 No. 47 and IFMA No. 28 and by tenured migrant communities for an
5 appreciable length of time unless such uses are deemed detrimental to
6 biodiversity and the protection of the natural characteristics of the Aliwagwag
7 Falls Protected Landscape.

8 The plan shall be written in a language understandable in the area and
9 shall be available for perusal to the general public at the PASu office.

10 SEC. 7. *Institutional Mechanisms.* – The following administrative and
11 *policy-making mechanisms* shall be observed:

12 (a) The Protected Area Management Board (PAMB). – The PAMB
13 shall be the policy-making body of the PA. It shall be composed of:

14 (1) The regional executive director (RED) of the DENR Region XI, as
15 chairman;

16 (2) The barangay captains or their authorized representatives with
17 territory inside the PA;

18 (3) One NGO/PO representative concerned with PA management
19 chosen from among the three municipalities with territory inside the PA in a
20 special election duly called by the DENR for the purpose: *Provided*, That the
21 organizations are duly accredited with the municipality being represented;

22 (4) The regional director of the Department of Agriculture (DA) or his
23 authorized representative;

24 (5) The provincial officer of the National Commission on Indigenous
25 Peoples (NCIP);

26 (6) The mayors of the towns with territory inside the PA or their
27 authorized representatives;

1 (7) One representative of the owners and operators of existing facilities
2 to be chosen by them from among themselves in an election duly called for the
3 purpose by the DENR;

4 (8) The provincial planning and development officers of the provinces
5 of Davao Oriental and Compostela Valley, sitting as *ex officio* members, to be
6 endorsed by their respective governors;

7 (9) One representative each from the sangguniang panlalawigan of
8 Davao Oriental and the sangguniang panlalawigan of Compostela Valley to be
9 elected from among themselves;

10 (10) One representative from each indigenous cultural community
11 within the PA chosen through customary practices; and

12 (11) One representative each from the holders of TLA No. 43, TLA
13 No. 47 and IFMA No. 28, until the expiration of such agreements unless
14 substituted by similar agreements, in which case, the holders thereof shall also
15 be entitled to representation in the PAMB.

16 Every member of the PAMB shall serve for a term of five years and
17 shall be considered to represent and carry the vote of his or her sector in all
18 matters. Members of the PAMB who represent *government officials or*
19 *agencies or juridical personalities* shall serve according to the term of office of
20 their principals, unless sooner terminated by such official/s.

21 (b) The PAMB of the Aliwagwag Falls Protected Landscape shall have
22 the following powers and functions:

23 (1) Decide matters relating to planning, resource protection and
24 general administration of the area in accordance with the GMPS;

25 (2) Approve proposals, work plans, action plans and guidelines for the
26 management of the PA;

1 (3) Delineate and demarcate the PA boundaries and buffer zones,
2 including ancestral domains in coordination with the National Commission on
3 Indigenous Peoples (NCIPs);

4 (4) Promulgate rules and regulations to promote development
5 programs and projects on biodiversity conservation and sustainable
6 development;

7 (5) Ensure the implementation of programs in order to provide
8 employment to the people dwelling in and around the PA;

9 (6) Control and regulate the construction, operation and maintenance
0 of roads, trails, water works, sewerage, fire protection and sanitation systems
1 and other public utilities within the PA;

2 (7) Monitor and evaluate the performance of PA personnel, NGOs, and
3 communities in providing for biodiversity conservation and sociocultural and
4 economic development and report their assessments to the NIPAS Policy and
5 Program Steering Committee (NPPSC) and the Integrated Protected Areas
6 Governing Board.

7 (8) Accept donations, approve proposals for funding and budget
8 allocations, and exercise accountability over all funds that may accrue to the
9 Aliwagwag Falls Protected Landscape; and

0 (9) Retain legal counsel, either on a permanent or temporary basis, to
1 provide legal assistance to the PAMB and the PASu staff whenever they are
2 sued in connection with the performance of their duties under this Act.

3 The members of the PAMB shall serve for a term of five years without
4 compensation, except for actual and necessary traveling and subsistence
5 expenses incurred in the performance of their duties. Whenever a vacancy
6 occurs during the term of a member, a new member shall be appointed in the
7 same manner as the original appointment process in order to complete the
8 unfinished term of the said vacancy.
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1 The DENR Secretary shall exercise authority over the PAMB to ensure
2 that it is acting within the scope of its powers and functions. In case of
3 conflict between administrative orders of national application issued by the
4 DENR pursuant to the NIPAS Act and the rules and regulations issued by the
5 PAMB, the PAMB shall notify the DENR Secretary who shall resolve such
6 conflict.

7 (c) The Protected Area Superintendent's Office. -- There is hereby
8 established a PASu's office in charge of the management, protection and
9 administration of the PA. The PASu office shall be supported by the existing
10 personnel of the DENR. The head of the office shall be the chief operating
11 officer of the Aliwagwag Falls Protected Landscape or the PA and shall be
12 accountable to the RED of the DENR-XI and the PAMB. The PASu shall
13 have the following powers and functions:

14 (1) Serve as chief administrative officer of the PA for the purpose of
15 implementing the management plan as detailed in the annual work program;

16 (2) Establish a productive partnership with the local community,
17 private sector, including groups interested in the achievement of the goals and
18 objectives of the PA, and in the planning, protection and management thereof;

19 (3) Develop and implement a natural history documentation program
20 and to oversee research that may be conducted within the area;

21 (4) Integrate the roles of NGOs and the DENR staff in the
22 administration and development of the area;

23 (5) Document the processes involved in the establishment and
24 management of the PA, with particular reference to the development of
25 relationships with cultural communities, tenured migrants, buffer zone
26 residents and others for effective protection of the area;

27 (6) Develop and implement a park information, education and visitor
28 program;

1 (7) Act as peace officer for the purpose of maintaining peace and order
2 within the PA, and shall exercise police supervision therein and may arrest any
3 person found in any place within the PA who is committing, has committed, or
4 is about to commit an offense against the provisions of this Act;

5 (8) Enforce the rules and regulations established to protect the area and
6 preserve the PA from trespass, damage, injury and illegal occupancy;

7 (9) Require, when necessary, any person entering or passing across
8 through or any part of the PA under his jurisdiction, to give the following
9 information: name, address, the proposed duration of stay inside the PA and
10 the portion which he intends to visit or has visited and such other information
11 of a similar nature as may be referred to him;

12 (10) Summarily remove or eject from the area, persons who have
13 rendered themselves obnoxious by disorderly conduct or bad behavior or who
14 have violated any of the regulations in the PA;

15 (11) Require persons cutting and/or gathering forest products or
16 hunting or fishing within the PA to produce, upon demand, authority or permit
17 to do so;

18 (12) Seize and confiscate timber or other forest products, game birds,
19 animals, and fish including instruments, tools and conveyances used inside the
20 PA by unlicensed persons, or if licensed, in violation of PA laws, rules and
21 regulations; and, to report them in accordance with the rules, regulations and
22 guidelines issued by the Secretary concerning confiscation, seizure and
23 disposition of illegally cut, gathered and transported forest products, and other
24 natural resources, and confiscated wildlife;

25 (13) Enforce the laws, rules and regulations relevant to the PA and
26 assist in the prosecution of offenses thereof;

27 (14) Monitor all activities within the PA for conformity with the
28 management plan; and

1 (15) Perform such other powers and duties as may from time to time be
2 prescribed by the PAMB and higher authorities.

3 SEC. 8. *Ancestral Lands and Domains.* – For the purpose of this Act,
4 the provisions of Republic Act No. 8371, otherwise known as “The Indigenous
5 Peoples Rights Act of 1997,” shall govern over ancestral lands and domains
6 within the PA. The provisions of this Act shall be construed liberally in favor
7 of indigenous cultural communities and their members.

8 SEC. 9. *Tenured Migrants and Transient Farmers.* – Tenured migrants
9 are members of households that have actually and continuously occupied
10 certain areas within the Aliwagwag Falls Protected Landscape since July 1,
11 1987 and are substantially dependent on the PA for their livelihood. For
12 purposes of official documentation of rights and extent of occupation in the
13 PA, each tenured migrant household shall be issued a tenure instrument over
14 such areas that have been occupied or cultivated since July 1, 1987. Tenured
15 migrants may occupy and use the area specified in the instrument for a term of
16 twenty-five (25) years renewable for the same period. The holder of the
17 instrument upon the lapse of this period may negotiate for a new instrument
18 and his occupancy shall be evaluated by the PAMB for purposes of such
19 renewal.

20 In the case of qualified tenured migrants who currently occupy areas
21 that shall be designated as zones where no occupation or other activities are
22 allowed, a provision for their transfer to multiple-use zones within the PA or
23 to the buffer zone shall be accomplished using humanitarian considerations.

24 Persons who have been cultivating land within the PA since July 1,
25 1987 are considered to be occupying such lands and shall be entitled to a
26 tenure instrument restricted to cultivation: *Provided*, That this right can only
27 be transferred to direct descendants and that said tenure instruments shall not
28 be divisible to numerous heirs.

1 Tenured migrant instruments may be cancelled for violation of the
2 terms and conditions specified therein, upon the holder's repeated refusal to
3 comply with the management plan or the regulation set by the PAMB, or by
4 voluntary surrender of rights. Upon cancellation of a tenured migrant
5 instrument, the PASu shall take immediate steps to rehabilitate the area in
6 order to return it to its natural state prior to the cultivation or other act by the
7 transient or tenured migrant.

8 *SEC. 10. Contracts Over Lands.* – The purchase, sale, encumbrance,
9 mortgage, usufruct or lease of lands within the PA to persons outside the PA
10 not otherwise qualified to hold lands therein shall be invalid unless verified
11 and validated by the PAMB pursuant to subsisting rights to enter into such
12 contract due to vested rights, customary practices or individual ownership
13 prior to the establishment of the PA.

14 *SEC. 11. Prohibited Acts.* – The following shall be the prohibitions and
15 penalties applicable to the PA:

16 (a) The penalties provided for in Articles 309 and 310 of the Revised
17 Penal Code, depending on the value of the resources taken, damaged or
18 destroyed, shall be imposed upon any person who:

19 (1) Hunts, destroys, traps, disturbs or possesses anywhere within the
20 Aliwagwag Falls Protected Landscape any wild plants or animals or products
21 derived therefrom without a permit from the PAMB: *Provided*, That such
22 permits shall only be given for scientific purposes necessary for PA
23 management;

24 (2) Cuts, gathers, collects or removes timber or forest products without
25 permit, provided that such permits shall only be given for scientific purposes
26 necessary for PA management;

27 (3) Possesses outside the PA any wild plants or animals or products
28 derived therefrom which came from the PA;

1 (4) Explores or extracts, drills or engages in prospecting for minerals
2 within the Aliwagwag Falls Protected Landscape;

3 (5) Constructs or maintains any kind of road, structure, fence or
4 enclosure without a permit from the PAMB: *Provided*, That structures within
5 ancestral domains used by indigenous cultural communities shall not need a
6 permit from the PAMB; and

7 (6) Alters, mutilates, excavates, removes, destroys or defaces boundary
8 marks or signs, natural formations, burial grounds, religious sites, artifacts,
9 objects belonging to indigenous cultural communities and other objects of
10 natural and scenic value or affixing marks or signs on trees.

11 (b) A fine of not less that One hundred thousand pesos (P100,000.00)
12 nor more than Five hundred thousand pesos (P500,000.00) and/or
13 imprisonment of not less than one year and not more than five years shall be
14 imposed upon:

15 (1) Any person or persons responsible for grazing and or causing
16 livestock to be grazed or raising poultry within the PA without permit from the
17 PAMB; and

18 (2) Any public officer or officer of the law who, in dereliction of the
19 duties of his office, shall maliciously refrain from instituting prosecution for
20 the punishment of violators of the law, or shall tolerate the commission of
21 offenses. Conviction of this offense shall also carry the penalty of perpetual
22 disqualification from public office.

23 A person who induces another or conspires to commit any of the acts in
24 this section or suffer his workers to commit any of such acts shall be liable in
25 the same manner as the one actually performing the act.

26 All activities contained in the management plan and such other
27 measures as are necessary for protection, preservation and PA management as
28 certified by the PAMB and the DENR Secretary and undertaken by the PASu

1 or those deputized by the PAMB shall not be covered by the above. The
2 certified customs and traditional practices of the indigenous cultural
3 communities are also allowable activities over which the above prohibitions
4 shall not apply.

5 (c) A fine of not less than One thousand pesos (P1,000.00) but not
6 more than One hundred thousand pesos (P100,000.00) and/or imprisonment of
7 not less than one year nor more than five years and the restoration and
8 rehabilitation of the damage shall be imposed upon any person who commits
9 any of the following acts:

10 (1) Violating any rules and regulations in the management plan or
11 agreements reached before the PAMB in the exercise of its adjudicative
12 functions;

13 (2) Dumping, burning, or disposing of any waste products, vegetation
14 or materials within the PA to the detriment of the inhabitants, plants or animals
15 therein;

16 (3) Using motorized equipment without a permit except motorized
17 vehicles in areas where the national highway, provincial road or other public
18 thoroughfare traverse the park: *Provided*, That such thoroughfares were
19 legally constructed;

20 (4) Occupying any portion of land inside the Aliwagwag Falls
21 Protected Landscape without a permit from the PAMB: *Provided*, That
22 occupation shall be of such nature as to last more than ten (10) days in a
23 particular portion of the PA; and

24 (5) Entering the PA without a permit from the PAMB.

25 Valuation of the damage shall take into account biodiversity and
26 conservation considerations as well as aesthetic and scenic value. The
27 commission of these acts likewise carries the penalty of eviction from the PA
28 and the forfeiture of all transportation, structures and building materials,

1 equipment, devices, weapons used for the commission of the offense, as well
2 as the PA resources caught in the possession of the accused.

3 The LGU responsible for the imposition of the penalties herein and the
4 arrest and confiscation of the materials shall have a fifty percent (50%) share
5 in the disposition thereof while the rest shall accrue to the PAMB.

6 SEC. 12. *Special Prosecutors.* – Within thirty (30) days from the
7 effectivity of this Act, the Department of Justice shall designate a special
8 prosecutor to whom all cases of violation of laws, rules and regulations in the
9 PA shall be assigned. Such special prosecutor shall coordinate with the
10 PAMB and the PASu in the performance of his/her duties and assist in the
11 training of wardens and rangers in arrest and criminal procedure. The PAMB
12 may appoint a special private prosecutor on a case to case basis to assist the
13 public prosecutor in the enforcement of PA laws.

14 SEC. 13. *Local Government Units (LGUs).* – The LGUs shall
15 participate in the management of the Aliwagwag Falls Protected Landscape
16 through representation in the PAMB. The LGU shall retain their ordinance-
17 making powers over the territory covered under this Act but with due
18 consideration to the PA management objectives. If a conflict between the
19 LGUs and the PA management objectives remains unresolved within the
20 PAMB, it shall be resolved through mediation between the secretaries of the
21 DENR and the Department of the Interior and Local Government.

22 SEC. 14. *Aliwagwag Falls Protected Areas Fund.* – There is hereby
23 established a trust fund to be known as the Aliwagwag Falls Protected Areas
24 Fund for purposes of financing projects of the system. All income generated
25 from the operation of the system or management of wild flora and fauna in the
26 PA shall accrue to the Fund. These income shall be derived from fees from
27 permitted sale and export of flora and fauna and other resources from the PA,
28 proceeds from lease of multiple-use areas, contributions from industries and

1 facilities directly benefiting from the PA, and such other fees and incomes
2 derived from the operation of the PA.

3 The Fund may be augmented by grants, donations, endowment from
4 various sources, domestic or foreign, for purposes related to their functions:
5 *Provided*, That the Fund shall be deposited as a special account in the National
6 Treasury and disbursements therefrom shall be made solely for the protection,
7 maintenance, administration and management of the system, and duly
8 approved projects endorsed by the PAMB in accordance with existing
9 accounting and budgeting rules and regulations: *Provided, further*, That the
10 Fund shall not be used to cover personal services expenditures.

11 The LGUs shall continue to impose and collect all other fees not
12 enumerated herein which they have traditionally collected, such as business
13 permits, property tax and rentals of LGUs' facilities. Furthermore, LGUs may
14 charge add-ons to fees imposed by the PAMB: *Provided*, That such add-ons
15 shall be determined based on the contribution of the LGUs in the maintenance
16 and protection of the PA.

17 SEC. 15. *Existing Facilities within the Protected Area.* – Within thirty
18 (30) days from the effectivity of this Act, all commercial facilities existing
19 within the boundaries of the PA with a total capitalization exceeding One
20 hundred thousand pesos (P100,000.00) shall submit to the PAMB through the
21 PASu the initial environmental examination and the environment compliance
22 certificate, the waste cycle, fuel requirements and transportation of fuel within
23 the PA, personnel and expected personnel traffic within the park, project life
24 cycle and exit or repair plans for degraded structures, studies on the effects of
25 operation on wildlife, the development plans and mitigating measures against
26 adverse environmental impact and such other relevant information as may
27 affect PA management.

1 Based on its admission, the PAMB with the help of the DENR, shall
2 determine whether the existence of such facility and its future plan and
3 operation will be detrimental to the PA. Failure to submit the required
4 information shall constitute a violation of this Act. The PAMB may prescribe
5 conditions for the operation of the facility to ensure that it does not conflict
6 with PA management objectives. If any such conditions are violated, a fine of
7 Five thousand pesos (P5,000.00) for every day of violation shall be imposed
8 and the operation of the facility shall be ordered to cease. Upon reaching a
9 total fine of Five hundred thousand pesos (P500,000.00), the PAMB through
10 the PASu and deputizing other government entities, shall cause the demolition
11 of the facility at the cost of its owners.

12 Existing facilities allowed to remain within the PA may be charged a
13 reasonable fee by the PAMB which shall be embodied in a Memorandum of
14 Agreement to be entered into by the PAMB and the owner of the facility. All
15 incomes derived from such fees shall accrue to the Integrated Protected Area
16 Fund (IPAF).

17 SEC. 16. *Utilization of Nonrenewable Resources.* – Any exploration
18 for, exploitation, or utilization of nonrenewable resources within the PA shall
19 not be allowed. Energy projects, whether renewable or otherwise, shall be
20 permitted only through an act of Congress: *Provided*, That exploitation or
21 exploration of renewable energy up to three megawatts capacity shall be
22 exempt from such requirement.

23 SEC. 17. *Appropriations.* – The Secretary of the DENR shall include
24 in its program the implementation of this Act, the funding of which shall be
25 included in the annual General Appropriations Act.

26 SEC. 18. *Construction in Favor of Tenured Migrants and Indigenous*
27 *Communities.* – The provisions of this Act shall be construed liberally in
28 favor of tenured migrants and indigenous cultural communities and with due

1 consideration to the protection of biodiversity. The NIPAS Act, except the
2 provisions on the prohibitions and penalties therein, shall have supplementary
3 effect in the implementation of this Act.

4 SEC. 19. *Transitory Provisions.* – All persons who will not qualify as
5 tenured migrants, transient farmers, or those who have no ancestral domains
6 within the PA shall be allowed to harvest fruits or crops planted before the
7 effectivity of this Act. Thereafter, all crops planted by such unqualified
8 persons shall be confiscated and the proceeds thereof shall accrue to the IPAF.

9 The holders of TLA No. 43, TLA No. 47 and IFMA No. 28 shall
10 continue to operate in their respective areas within the terms of these
11 agreements: *Provided*, That they shall be allowed to harvest only within
12 sustainably managed residual forests and all planted species located within the
13 multiple-use zones pursuant to the zoning plan to be adopted for the
14 Aliwagwag Falls Protected Landscape.

15 SEC. 20. *Separability Clause.* – If any part or section of this Act is
16 declared invalid or unconstitutional, the remaining provisions not affected
17 thereby shall continue to be in full force and effect.

18 SEC. 21. *Repealing Clause.* – For purposes of the establishment of the
19 Aliwagwag Falls Protected Landscape, all laws, rules and regulations
20 inconsistent herewith are modified accordingly. The prohibitions and
21 penalties under the NIPAS Act that are not enumerated in Section 11 hereof
22 shall likewise apply for the entire area covered by this Act.

23 SEC. 22. *Effectivity Clause.* – This Act shall take effect fifteen (15)
24 days after its publication in the *Official Gazette* or in a national newspaper of
25 general circulation readily available in the PA. It shall be translated in
26 Filipino, Cebuano and Kamayo, the language of the indigenous communities
27 residing within the Aliwagwag Falls Protected Landscape and its buffer zones
28 and surrounding areas and shall be posted in the appropriate language in a

- 1 conspicuous place in the provincial, municipal and barangay halls within the
- 2 area as well as in three other places frequented by the public.

Approved,

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